

FIRSTENERGY CORP
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Murray James M

(Last) (First) (Middle)
76 SOUTH MAIN STREET
(Street)

AKRON, OH 44308

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
FIRSTENERGY CORP [FE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/16/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
President Ohio Operations

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	03/16/2006		M		2,800 A \$ 29.71	8,787.741	D
Common Stock	03/16/2006		S		2,800 D \$ 51.89	5,987.741	D
Common Stock	03/16/2006		M		2,425 A \$ 38.76	8,412.741	D
Common Stock	03/16/2006		S		2,425 D \$ 51.89	5,987.741	D
Common Stock						3,635.621	I By State Street

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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Underlying (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 29.71	03/16/2006		M		2,800	03/01/2004 03/01/2013	Common Stock
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 34.45						04/01/2003 04/01/2016	Common Stock
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 38.76	03/16/2006		M		2,425	03/01/2005 03/01/2014	Common Stock
Phantom / Retirement	\$ 1						(1) (1)	Common Stock
Phantom3/04D	\$ 1						03/12/2005 03/01/2007	Common Stock
Phantom 3/05D	\$ 1						02/25/2005 03/01/2008	Common Stock
RSUP1	\$ 1						03/01/2008 03/01/2008	Common Stock
RSUP4	\$ 1						03/01/2009 03/01/2009	Common Stock
Phantom 3/06D	\$ 1 ⁽³⁾	03/16/2006	03/10/2006	A		778,736 ⁽⁴⁾	03/01/2006 03/01/2009	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Murray James M 76 SOUTH MAIN STREET AKRON, OH 44308			President Ohio Operations	

Signatures

David W.
Whitehead, POA

03/16/2006

__Signature of Reporting
Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) This transaction reflects the extension and vesting of phantom stock to "retirement" or " other termination of employment" under arrangements approved by the Compensation Committee.
- (2) Per M. Klaben e-mail dated March 2, 2005, dividend equivalent exempt per Rule 16a-11.
- (3) 1 for 1
- (4) Due to a computer glitch this was inadvertently left off the report we received from MBenefits. New report on 3/10/05 showed the deferral.

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