

Murray James M
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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)
03/14/2008

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)
Pres, OH Ops

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/14/2008		S	(A) or (D) D	1,475 (1) \$ 67.5366	D	

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)

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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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom / Retirement	\$ 1					(2)	(2)	Common Stock	887.48
Phantom 3/06D	\$ 1					03/02/2006	03/02/2009	Common Stock	822.193
Phantom 3/07D	\$ 1					03/01/2007	03/01/2010	Common Stock	422.663
Phantom 3/08D	\$ 1					03/01/2008	03/01/2011	Common Stock	407
RSUP10	\$ 1					03/03/2011	03/03/2011	Common Stock	1,558
RSUP4	\$ 1					03/01/2009	03/01/2009	Common Stock	1,551.162
RSUP6	\$ 1					03/01/2010	03/01/2010	Common Stock	1,557.851

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

Edward J. Udovich, POA 03/17/2008

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).
- (2)

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This transaction reflects the extension and vesting of phantom stock to retirement or other termination of employment under arrangements approved by the Compensation Committee.

(1) This transaction was performed in accordance with a 10b5-1 Plan signed by James M. Murray on 9/29/2006.

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