

FIRSTENERGY CORP  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**MARSH RICHARD H**

(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)  
**02/22/2007**

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)  
**Sr. Vice Pres. & Chief Fin. Of**

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V Amount or (D) Price   |   |  |  |
| Common Stock                    | 02/22/2007                           |  | A                              | 590.21<br>(1) A \$ 60.35  | 1,249.1   | D  |  |
| Common Stock                    | 02/22/2007                           |  | D                              | 590.21<br>(1) D \$ 60.35  | 658.89  | D  |  |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 5,015.561   | I  | By Savings Plan Trust                      |

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 Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |              |                  |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------------|------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title        | Am<br>Nur<br>Sha |
| Phantom / Retirement                       | \$ 1   |                                      |  |                                |   | (2)  | (2)   | Common Stock | 13               |
| Phantom 3/05D                              | \$ 1   |                                      |  |                                |   | 02/25/2005   | 03/01/2008  | Common Stock | 4                |
| Phantom 3/06D                              | \$ 1   |                                      |  |                                |   | 03/02/2006   | 03/02/2009  | Common Stock | 3                |
| Phantom 3/07D                              | \$ 1 <sup>(3)</sup>                                    | 02/22/2007                           |  | A                              | 10,683.52 <sup>(4)</sup>  | 03/01/2007   | 03/01/2010  | Common Stock | 1                |
| RSUD5                                      | \$ 1   |                                      |  |                                |   | 03/01/2011   | 03/01/2011  | Common Stock | 3                |
| RSUP1                                      | \$ 1   |                                      |  |                                |   | 03/01/2008   | 03/01/2008  | Common Stock | 4,               |
| RSUP4                                      | \$ 1   |                                      |  |                                |   | 03/01/2009   | 03/01/2009  | Common Stock | 4                |
| Stock Options (Right to buy)               | \$ 29.71   |                                      |  |                                |   | 03/01/2004   | 03/01/2013  | Common Stock |                  |
| Stock Options (Right to buy)               | \$ 34.45   |                                      |  |                                |   | 04/01/2003   | 04/01/2012  | Common Stock |                  |
| Stock Options (Right to buy)               | \$ 38.76   |                                      |  |                                |   | 03/01/2005   | 03/01/2014  | Common Stock |                  |

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer

Other

MARSH RICHARD H  
76 SOUTH MAIN STREET  
AKRON, OH 44308

Sr. Vice Pres. & Chief Fin. Of

## Signatures

|                                    |            |
|------------------------------------|------------|
| David W.<br>Whitehead, POA         | 02/23/2007 |
| **Signature of Reporting<br>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).
  - (4) 8,902.93 of these shares are vested (i.e., non-forfeited) immediately; 1,780.59 of these shares become vested (i.e., non-forfeited) on 3/1/2010.
  - (2) This transaction reflects the extension and vesting of phantom stock to retirement or other termination of employment under arrangements approved by the Compensation Committee.
  - (3) 1 for 1
- On February 20, 2007, the Board authorized the cash payout of the 2004 grant of performance shares, no earlier than February 23, 2007,
- (1) based on the average of the high and low prices of FirstEnergy's stock on December 29, 2006. Based on performance, the amount of the cash payout was increased by 50%.

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