#### ALEXANDER ANTHONY J

Form 4

February 28, 2005

# FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading ALEXANDER ANTHONY J Issuer Symbol FIRSTENERGY CORP [FE] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify \_X\_\_ Officer (give title **76 SOUTH MAIN STREET** 02/25/2005 below) Pres. & Chief Exec. Officer (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

AKRON, OH 44308

		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Secu	arities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tal	ble I - Non	-Derivative Sec	uritie	s 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities A orDisposed of (D (Instr. 3, 4 and	)	d (A) or	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	02/25/2005		A	13,225.584 (1)	A	\$ 39.535	77,413.327	D	
Common Stock	02/25/2005		D	13,225.584 (1)	D	\$ 39.535	64,187.743	D	
Common Stock							16,282.9681	I	by Savings Plan

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		e	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 27.75					11/22/2004	11/22/2010	Common Stock	80,000
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 29.5					05/16/2005	05/16/2011	Common Stock	120,000
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 29.71					03/01/2004	03/03/2013	Common Stock	160,900
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 34.45					04/01/2003	04/01/2012	Common Stock	120,000
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 38.76					03/01/2005	03/01/2014	Common Stock	257,100
Phantom / Retirement	\$ 1					(2)	(2)	Common Stock	13,496.746

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

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ALEXANDER ANTHONY J 76 SOUTH MAIN STREET AKRON, OH 44308

Pres. & Chief Exec. Officer

### **Signatures**

David W. Whitehead, POA

02/28/2005

\*\*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).
- These performances shares paid out in cash, per the vesting and payout date approved by the Compensation Committee. The performance shares were not required to be reported at date of grant because the vesting is based in part on factors other than stock price.
- (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.

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