

Tobin Bradford F  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Tobin Bradford F

(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)  
 02/25/2005

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)  
 Vice Pres & Chief Info Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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	02/25/2005		A	(A) V Amount 914.619 (1) or (D) Price \$ 39.535	1,914.315	D	
Common Stock	02/25/2005		D	(A) V Amount 914.619 (1) or (D) Price \$ 39.535	999.696	D	
Common Stock					616.2169	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. Transaction Code	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)	
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 29.71					03/01/2005	03/01/2013	Common Stock	14,200
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 34.45					04/01/2005	04/01/2012	Common Stock	8,000
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 38.76					03/01/2005	03/01/2014	Common Stock	12,100
Phantom 3/02D	\$ 1					03/01/2002	03/01/2005	Common Stock	2,699.6
Phantom 3/05D	\$ 1 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/25/2005		A	219,509 <sup>(3)</sup>	02/25/2005	03/01/2008	Common Stock	219.5

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

Tobin Bradford F  
76 SOUTH MAIN STREET  
AKRON, OH 44308

### Relationships

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

Vice Pres & Chief Info 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).

(1) These performance 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) 1 for 1

(3) 182.9238 shares are vested (i.e. non-forfeited) immediately. 36.58476 shares become vested (i.e. non-forfeited) 3/1/2008.

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