FIRSTENERGY CORP

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

CLARK MARK T		Symbol FIRSTENERGY CORP [FE]					Issuer			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 76 SOUTH MAIN STREET		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/15/2006					(Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Senior Vice President			
	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person				
AKRON, O	OH 44308							Form filed by M Person	More than One Re	porting
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	le I - Non-E	Derivative	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year) Execution any	emed on Date, if Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	
				Code V	Amount	or	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	05/15/2006			M	2,377 (1)	A	\$ 34.45	71,893.482	D	
Common Stock	05/15/2006			S	2,377 (1)	D	\$ 52.3	69,516.482	D	
Common Stock	05/15/2006			M	623 (1)	A	\$ 34.45	70,139.482	D	
Common Stock								5,931.343	I	In 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 (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof 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 Amou Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo Nun Shar
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 29.71					03/01/2004	03/01/2013	Common Stock	4
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 34.45	05/15/2006		M	2,377 (1)	04/01/2003	04/01/2012	Common Stock	2
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 34.45	05/15/2006		M	623 (1)	04/01/2003	04/01/2012	Common Stock	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 38.76					03/01/2005	03/01/2014	Common Stock	1
Phantom / Retirement	\$ 1					(2)	(2)	Common Stock	2,6
Phantom3/04D	\$ 1					03/12/2005	03/01/2007	Common Stock	2,0
Phantom 3/05D	\$ 1					02/25/2005	03/01/2008	Common Stock	1,1
RSUP1	\$ 1					03/01/2008	03/01/2008	Common Stock	3,8
RSUP4	\$ 1					03/01/2009	03/01/2009	Common Stock	4
Phantom 3/06D	\$ 1					03/02/2006	03/02/2009	Common Stock	2

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address
Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Senior Vice President

Reporting Owners 2

CLARK MARK T 76 SOUTH MAIN STREET AKRON, OH 44308

Signatures

David W. Whitehead, POA

05/17/2006

**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 stock option was exercised in accordance with a 10b5-1 Plan signed by Mark T. Clark on 6/21/05.
- This transaction reflects the extension of the expiration date of phantom stock from 3/1/2006 to "retirement" or "other termination of
- (2) employment" under arrangements approved by the Compensation Committee, and reflects the stock moving to the "Retirement" account from Phantom 3/03D.
- (3) 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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