#### MARSH RICHARD H

Form 4

March 04, 2009

# 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).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MARSH RICHARD H			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol FIRSTENERGY CORP [FE]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
76 SOUTH MAIN STREET			(Month/Day/Year) 03/02/2009	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Sr. Vice Pres. & Chief Fin. Of		
	(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 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I. Non Derivative Securities As	guired Disposed of or Popoficially Owns		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tak	ole I - Non-	Derivative Sec	curitie	es Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Execution Date, if Transaction Disposed of (D) any Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	03/02/2009		C	4,905.999 (2)	A	\$ 42.53	9,539.974	D	
Common Stock	03/02/2009		A	3,377 <u>(2)</u>	A	\$ 42.53	12,916.974	D	
Common Stock	03/02/2009		F	4,010 (2)	D	\$ 42.53	8,906.974	D	
Common Stock							205.638	I	By Savings Plan Trust

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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. 5. Number of TransactiorDerivative Securities Code Acquired (A) or (Instr. 8) Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and A Underlying So (Instr. 3 and 4		
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Rsup4	\$ 1 <u>(1)</u>	03/02/2009		C	•	(11)	4,905.999 (2)	03/01/2009	03/01/2009	Common Stock
Phantom 3/06d	\$ 1 <u>(1)</u>	03/02/2009		C			3,919 (4)	03/02/2006	03/02/2009	Common Stock
Phantom / Retirement	\$ 1 <u>(1)</u>	03/02/2009		C		3,919 (4)		<u>(3)</u>	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock
RSUP12	\$ 1 <u>(1)</u>	03/02/2009		A		5,348 (5)		03/02/2012	03/02/2012	Common Stock
Phantom 3/05d Retirement	\$ 1 <u>(1)</u>							(6)	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock
Phantom 3/07d	\$ 1 <u>(1)</u>							03/01/2007	03/01/2010	Common Stock
Rsud5	\$ 1 <u>(1)</u>							03/01/2011	03/01/2011	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**

Edward J. 03/04/2009 Udovich, POA

\*\*Signature of Reporting
Person

Date

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- \* 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) 1 for 1
- The RSUP4 award listed in Table II has been reported at 75% of the original grant amount, as that represents the minimum amount guaranteed to be paid out upon vesting. Because of performance targets achieved, the award was paid out on March 2, 2009, at a performance-adjusted rate of 125%. The shares coded "A" represent that portion attributable to this performance adjustment. The shares coded "F" were sold to cover income tax obligations associated with the payout.
- (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.
- These transactions reflect the extension of the expiration date of phantom stock from 3/1/2009 to "retirement" under arrangements approved by the Compensation Committee and reflect the movement of stock from the Phantom 3/06D account to the "retirement" account.
- On February 17, 2009, the Board approved a March 2, 2009 performance-adjusted restricted stock unit grant to Mr. Marsh in the amount of 10,695 shares, of which 50% or 5,348 shares will be payable on March 2, 2012. Of these shares, 5,347 shares are subject to forfeiture if the performance goals are not met. The full grant can be adjusted upward by an additional 50% if the 3-year goals are achieved.
- (6) These transactions reflect the extension of the expiration date of phantom stock from 3/1/2008 to "retirement" under arrangements approved by the Compensation Committee and reflect the movement of stock from the Phantom 3/05 account to the "retirement" account.

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