

SCHNEIDER DONALD R  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
SCHNEIDER DONALD R

(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)  
08/18/2005

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 President

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	08/18/2005		M		4,000	A	\$ 27.75
Common Stock	08/18/2005		S		4,000 (1)	D	\$ 48.8
Common Stock	08/18/2005		M		4,000	A	\$ 29.71
Common Stock	08/18/2005		S		4,000 (1)	D	\$ 48.8
Common Stock	08/18/2005		M		4,725	A	\$ 38.76
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Common Stock	08/18/2005	S	<u>4,725</u> (1)	D	\$ 48.8	520.869	D	
Common Stock	08/18/2005	M	6,000	A	\$ 34.45	6,520.869	D	
Common Stock	08/18/2005	S	<u>6,000</u> (1)	D	\$ 48.8	520.869	D	
Common Stock	08/18/2005	M	10,000	A	\$ 29.5	10,520.869	D	
Common Stock	08/18/2005	S	<u>10,000</u> (1)	D	\$ 48.8	520.869	D	
Common Stock						3,259.4988	I	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 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)	Annual Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Annual Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 27.75	08/18/2005		M	4,000 (1)	11/22/2004 11/22/2010	Common Stock		
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 29.5	08/18/2005		M	10,000 (1)	05/16/2005 05/16/2011	Common Stock		
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 29.71	08/18/2005		M	4,000 (1)	03/01/2004 03/01/2013	Common Stock		
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 34.45	08/18/2005		M	6,000 (1)	04/01/2003 04/01/2012	Common Stock		
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 38.76	08/18/2005		M	4,725 (1)	03/01/2005 03/01/2014	Common Stock		
Phantom / Retirement	\$ 1					(2) (2)	Common Stock	1,	
Phantom3/04D	\$ 1					03/01/2004 03/01/2007		9	

Phantom 3/05D	\$ 1	02/25/2005	03/01/2008	Common Stock	5,	Common Stock
RSUP1	\$ 1	03/01/2008	03/01/2008	Common Stock	2,	Common Stock
RSUD2	\$ 1	03/01/2010	03/01/2010	Common Stock	2,	Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SCHNEIDER DONALD R 76 SOUTH MAIN STREET AKRON, OH 44308			Vice President	

## Signatures

David W.  
Whitehead, POA  
08/22/2005

\*\*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) This stock option was exercised in accordance with a 10b5-1 Plan signed by Donald R. Schneider on 6/21/05.
- (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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