

WELSH THOMAS M  
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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 \*  
**WELSH THOMAS M**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**FIRSTENERGY CORP [FE]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**76 SOUTH MAIN STREET**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**03/03/2008**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

Senior Vice President

(Street)  
**AKRON, OH 44308**

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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	03/03/2008	03/03/2008	M	3,875 <sup>(1)</sup>	A \$ 38.76	14,432.508	D
Common Stock	03/03/2008		A	2,023	A \$ 67.59	16,455.508	D
Common Stock	03/03/2008		M	1,627.409 <sup>(2)</sup>	A \$ 68.52	18,082.917	D
Common Stock	03/03/2008		A	1,107 <sup>(2)</sup>	A \$ 68.52	19,189.917	D
Common Stock	03/03/2008	03/03/2008	S	3,875	D \$ 66.39	15,314.917	D

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Common Stock	03/03/2008		F	1,277 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	\$ 68.52	14,037.917	D	
Common Stock							1.01	I	By Jeff Welsh (Son)
Common Stock							1.01	I	By Thomas Welsh (Son)
Common Stock	03/03/2008	03/03/2008	S	3,825 <sup>(3)</sup>	D	\$ 66.8	1,206.103	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 Underlying (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Phantom / Retirement	\$ 1 <sup>(4)</sup>	03/03/2008		A	573.842 <sup>(5)</sup>	<sup>(6)</sup>	<sup>(6)</sup>	Common Stock
Phantom 3/05D	\$ 1	03/03/2008		M	573.842	02/25/2005	03/01/2008	Common Stock
Phantom 3/06D	\$ 1					03/02/2006	03/02/2009	Common Stock
Phantom 3/07D	\$ 1					03/01/2007	03/01/2010	Common Stock
RSUP1	\$ 1	03/03/2008		M	1,627.409	03/01/2008	03/01/2008	Common Stock
RSUP10	\$ 1 <sup>(4)</sup>	03/03/2008	03/03/2008	A	1,521 <sup>(7)</sup>	03/03/2011	03/03/2011	Common Stock
RSUP4	\$ 1					03/01/2009	03/01/2009	Common Stock
RSUP6	\$ 1					03/01/2010	03/01/2010	Common Stock

