

Barton Lisa 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 *
 Barton Lisa M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER CO INC [AEP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER, 1 RIVERSIDE PLAZA
 (Street)
 COLUMBUS, OH 43215
 (City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 05/01/2012
 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

____ Director
 Officer (give title below) Executive Vice President
 ____ 10% Owner
 ____ Other (specify below)
 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 ____ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	
Common Stock	05/01/2012		F	342	(1)	D	38.88	742.7	D
							(2)		

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)

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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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 6)
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Barton Lisa M AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER 1 RIVERSIDE PLAZA COLUMBUS, OH 43215			Executive Vice President					

Signatures

/s/ Thomas G. Berkemeyer, Attorney-in-Fact for Lisa M.
Barton

05/02/2012

**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) A portion of Ms. Barton's restricted stock units (1,084.7) that were granted on 1/1/2011 vested on 5/1/2012. Upon vesting, 342 restricted stock units were withheld to satisfy the reporting person's tax liability.
- (2) Value is based on share price of \$38.88 which was the closing price of the stock.

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