

FIRSTENERGY CORP

Form 4

February 22, 2008

FORM 4
UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Murray James M

(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)
02/22/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify
below)

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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
X 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	02/22/2008		A	Amount (1) 989.105 Price \$ 72.91	7,709.105	D	
Common Stock	02/22/2008		D	Amount (1) 989.105 Price \$ 72.91	6,720	D	
Common Stock					14.015	I	By State Street

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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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom / Retirement	\$ 1							(2)	(2)	Common Stock	887.48
Phantom 3/05D	\$ 1							02/25/2005	03/01/2008	Common Stock	486.199
Phantom 3/06D	\$ 1							03/02/2006	03/02/2009	Common Stock	822.193
Phantom 3/07D	\$ 1							03/01/2007	03/01/2010	Common Stock	422.663
Phantom 3/08D	\$ 1 ⁽³⁾	02/22/2008		A		407 ⁽⁴⁾		03/01/2008	03/01/2011	Common Stock	407
RSUP1	\$ 1							03/01/2008	03/01/2008	Common Stock	826.816
RSUP4	\$ 1							03/01/2009	03/01/2009	Common Stock	1,551.16
RSUP6	\$ 1							03/01/2010	03/01/2010	Common Stock	1,557.85
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 38.76							03/01/2005	03/01/2014	Common Stock	2,425

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
Murray James M 76 SOUTH MAIN STREET AKRON, OH 44308	Pres, OH Ops

Signatures

Edward J.
Udovich, POA

02/22/2008

__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).

On February 18, 2008, the Board authorized the cash payout of the 2005 grant of performance shares, no earlier than February 22, 2008,
(1) based on the average of the high and low prices of FirstEnergy's stock on December 31, 2007. Based on performance, the amount of the cash payout was increased by 50%.
(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.
(3) 1 for 1
(4) Of this total, 339 of these shares are vested (i.e., non-forfeited) immediately; 68 of these shares become vested (i.e., non-forfeited) on 3/1/2011.

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