

AES CORP  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
MCARTHUR JOHN H

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
4300 WILSON BOULEVARD  
(Street)

ARLINGTON, VA 22203

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
AES CORP [AES]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
05/11/2006

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)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |     |       |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|-----|-------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Code  | V  | Amount                            | (D) | Price |

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 | 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 | 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. 3) |
|--|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|
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| Derivative Security |            |            | (A) or (D) Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) |       | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title        | Amount or Number of Shares |       |
|---------------------|------------|------------|---|-------|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|-------|
|                     |            |            | Code  | V     |                  |                 |              |                            |       |
| Units               | <u>(1)</u> | 05/11/2006 | A   | 5,502 | <u>(1)</u>       | <u>(1)</u>      | Common Stock | 5,502                      | \$ 17 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                  | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| MCARTHUR JOHN H<br>4300 WILSON BOULEVARD<br>ARLINGTON, VA 22203 |               | X         |         |       |

Signatures

John H.    05/15/2006  
McArthur

          Date  
\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

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) Pursuant to the Amended and Restated Deferred Compensation Plan for Directors of The AES Corporation (the "Company"), Non-employee Directors may elect to defer receipt of compensation otherwise payable to such Director in the form of stock units, the basis of which is determined to be the closing stock price on the day the Non-employee Director is elected to the Board of Directors for the Plan Year in which a stock unit election is made. A Non-employee Director is not eligible to make a withdrawal from his deferred account until such Director ceases to be a Board Member. This distribution will be made as soon as practicable after the Director leaves the Company, and will be made in accordance with the Director's Distribution Election Notification.

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