

MARSH RICHARD H  
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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 \*  
MARSH RICHARD H

(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)  
03/02/2009

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)  
Sr. Vice Pres. & Chief Fin. Of

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)
Common Stock	03/02/2009		C	V Amount 4,905.999 (2)	(A) or (D) Price \$ 42.53	A	9,539.974 D
Common Stock	03/02/2009		A	V Amount 3,377 (2)	(A) or (D) Price \$ 42.53	A	12,916.974 D
Common Stock	03/02/2009		F	V Amount 4,010 (2)	(A) or (D) Price \$ 42.53	D	8,906.974 D
Common Stock							205.638 I

By Savings Plan Trust

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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		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and 4)
					Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	
Rsup4	\$ 1 <sup>(1)</sup>	03/02/2009		C	(A) 4,905.999	(D) <u>(2)</u>	03/01/2009	03/01/2009	Common Stock
Phantom 3/06d	\$ 1 <sup>(1)</sup>	03/02/2009		C		3,919 <sup>(4)</sup>	03/02/2006	03/02/2009	Common Stock
Phantom / Retirement	\$ 1 <sup>(1)</sup>	03/02/2009		C	3,919 <sup>(4)</sup>		<sup>(3)</sup>	<sup>(3)</sup>	Common Stock
RSUP12	\$ 1 <sup>(1)</sup>	03/02/2009		A	5,348 <sup>(5)</sup>		03/02/2012	03/02/2012	Common Stock
Phantom 3/05d Retirement	\$ 1 <sup>(1)</sup>						<sup>(6)</sup>	<sup>(6)</sup>	Common Stock
Phantom 3/07d	\$ 1 <sup>(1)</sup>						03/01/2007	03/01/2010	Common Stock
Rsud5	\$ 1 <sup>(1)</sup>						03/01/2011	03/01/2011	Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

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AKRON, OH 44308

Sr. Vice Pres. & Chief Fin. Of

## Signatures

Edward J.  
Udovich, POA

03/04/2009

                     \*\*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).

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The RSUP4 award listed in Table II has been reported at 75% of the original grant amount, as that represents the minimum amount guaranteed to be paid out upon vesting. Because of performance targets achieved, the award was paid out on March 2, 2009, at a performance-adjusted rate of 125%. The shares coded "A" represent that portion attributable to this performance adjustment. The shares coded "F" were sold to cover income tax obligations associated with the payout.

(3) This transaction reflects the extension and vesting of phantom stock to retirement or other termination of employment under arrangements approved by the Compensation Committee.

(4) These transactions reflect the extension of the expiration date of phantom stock from 3/1/2009 to "retirement" under arrangements approved by the Compensation Committee and reflect the movement of stock from the Phantom 3/06D account to the "retirement" account.

(5) On February 17, 2009, the Board approved a March 2, 2009 performance-adjusted restricted stock unit grant to Mr. Marsh in the amount of 10,695 shares, of which 50% or 5,348 shares will be payable on March 2, 2012. Of these shares, 5,347 shares are subject to forfeiture if the performance goals are not met. The full grant can be adjusted upward by an additional 50% if the 3-year goals are achieved.

(6) These transactions reflect the extension of the expiration date of phantom stock from 3/1/2008 to "retirement" under arrangements approved by the Compensation Committee and reflect the movement of stock from the Phantom 3/05 account to the "retirement" account.

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