

AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER CO INC  
 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)  
 02/13/2016

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

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

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 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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities
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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Performance Share Units (Career Shares) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 0 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/13/2016	A		8,851		02/13/2016	02/13/2016	Common Stock	8,851

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	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  
 02/16/2016

\_\_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).

Performance Share units awarded pursuant to the AEP Long-Term Incentive Plan. The reporting person deferred the receipt of vested (1) performance units (net of taxes) into Career Shares (phantom stock) in AEP's Stock Ownership Requirement Plan. The Career Shares become payable upon the reporting person's termination of employment with AEP.

(2) Each Career Share is the economic equivalent of one share of AEP common stock

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