

ELLIOTT DOUGLAS S  
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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 \*  
ELLIOTT DOUGLAS S

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

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

76 SOUTH MAIN STREET

03/03/2008

Senior Vice President

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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AKRON, OH 44308

(City) (State) (Zip)

### 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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	03/03/2008	03/03/2008	M		7,850 <sup>(1)</sup>	A	\$ 38.76
Common Stock	03/03/2008		M		2,414.083 <sup>(2)</sup>	A	\$ 68.52
Common Stock	03/03/2008		A		1,642 <sup>(2)</sup>	A	\$ 68.52
Common Stock	03/03/2008	03/03/2008	S		7,850	D	\$ 66.44
Common Stock	03/03/2008		F		1,644 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	\$ 68.52

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Common Stock	6,012.843	I	By Savings Plan Trust
Common Stock	32.355	I	By Son

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 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 Underlying (Instr. 3)
				Code	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title
Phantom / Retirement	\$ 1 <sup>(3)</sup>	03/03/2008		A	2,807.204 <sub>(4)</sub>	<sub>(5)</sub> <sub>(5)</sub>	Common Stock
Phantom 3/05D	\$ 1	03/03/2008		M	2,807.204	02/25/2008 03/01/2008	Common Stock
Phantom 3/06D	\$ 1					03/02/2006 03/02/2009	Common Stock
Phantom 3/07D	\$ 1					03/01/2007 03/01/2010	Common Stock
Phantom 3/08D	\$ 1					03/01/2008 03/01/2011	Common Stock
RSUP1	\$ 1	03/03/2008		M	2,414.083	03/01/2008 03/01/2008	Common Stock
RSUP10	\$ 1 <sup>(3)</sup>	03/03/2008	03/03/2008	A	1,633 <sup>(6)</sup>	03/03/2011 03/03/2011	Common Stock
RSUP4	\$ 1					03/01/2009 03/01/2009	Common Stock
RSUP6	\$ 1					03/01/2010 03/01/2010	Common Stock
Stock Options (Right to	\$ 38.76	03/03/2008	03/03/2008	M	7,850	03/03/2008 03/01/2014	Common Stock

buy)

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ELLIOTT DOUGLAS S 76 SOUTH MAIN STREET AKRON, OH 44308			Senior Vice President	

## Signatures

Edward J.  
Udovich, POA

03/05/2008

\*\*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).
- (5) This transaction reflects the extension and vesting of phantom stock to retirement or other termination of employment under arrangements approved by the Compensation Committee.  
  
On February 19, 2008 the Board approved a March 3, 2008 performance-adjusted restricted stock unit grant to Mr. Elliott in the amount of 2,177 shares, of which 75% or 1,633 shares will be payable on March 3, 2011. 544 shares are subject to forfeiture if the performance goals are not met. The full grant can be adjusted upward by an additional 25% if the 3-year goals are achieved.
- (3) 1 for 1
- (4) 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.
- (1) This transaction was performed in accordance with a 10b5-1 plan executed by Douglas S. Elliott on June 21, 2005.  
  
The RSUP1 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 3, 2008, 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.

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