NOVAK ERNEST J JR

Form 4

November 14, 2008

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * NOVAK ERNEST J JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(First) (Last)

76 SOUTH MAIN STREET

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

FIRSTENERGY CORP [FE]

(Month/Day/Year)

11/13/2008

X_ Director 10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

Officer (give title Other (specify below)

(Street)

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

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

AKRON, OH 44308

(City) (State) (Zip) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 4. Securities 5. Amount of

or

Security (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Owned Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

300 D

Common Stock

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)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transac Code (Instr. 8	tions (A) (A) (A) (A) (A)	5. Num of Deriva Securi Acquir (A) or Disposof (D) (Instr. and 5)	ative ties red sed 3, 4,	6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
			Code '	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 1 <u>(1)</u>	11/13/2008	A	2	413		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	413	\$ 52.09
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 1 <u>(1)</u>	11/13/2008	A		50		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	50	\$ 52.52
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 1 <u>(1)</u>	11/13/2008	A		378		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	378	\$ 52.20

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer Other				
NOVAK ERNEST J JR 76 SOUTH MAIN STREET AKRON, OH 44308	X						

Signatures

Edward J.
Udovich, POA

**Signature of Reporting 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).
- **(1)** 1 for 1
- (2) In accordance with the terms and conditions of the FirstEnergy Corp. Deferred Compensation Plan for Outside Directors.

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