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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 \*  
Pearson James F

(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)  
03/01/2010

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Vice President and Treasurer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
\_X\_ 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)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or Price (D)		
Common Stock	03/01/2010		C		431 <sup>(5)</sup> A \$ 39.01	431	D
Common Stock	03/01/2010		A		152 <sup>(5)</sup> A \$ 39.01	583	D
Common Stock	03/01/2010		F		188 <sup>(5)</sup> D \$ 39.01	395	D
Common Stock	03/01/2010		A		921 <sup>(6)</sup> A \$ 39.01	1,316	D
Common Stock	03/01/2010		C		1,332 <sup>(6)</sup> A \$ 39.01	2,648	D

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Common Stock	03/01/2010	F	726 <sup>(6)</sup>	D	\$ 39.01	1,922	D	
Common Stock						2,100	I	By Mother (jointly)
Common Stock						5,421.134	I	By Savings Plan

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 and 4)
						Date Exercisable      Expiration Date	Title
Phantom 3/07d	\$ 1 <sup>(1)</sup>	03/01/2010		C	1,166.09 <sup>(4)</sup>	03/01/2007      03/01/2010	Common Stock
Phantom / Retirement	<sup>(1)</sup>	03/01/2010		C	1,166.09 <sup>(4)</sup>	<sup>(3)</sup> <sup>(2)</sup>	Common Stock
Rsud2	\$ 1 <sup>(1)</sup>	03/01/2010		C	431 <sup>(5)</sup>	03/01/2010      03/01/2010	Common Stock
Rsup6	\$ 1 <sup>(1)</sup>	03/01/2010		C	1,332 <sup>(6)</sup>	03/01/2010      03/01/2010	Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Pearson James F 76 SOUTH MAIN STREET AKRON, OH 44308			Vice President and Treasurer	

## Signatures

Edward J. Udovich, POA      03/03/2010

\_\_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).
- (1) 1 for 1
  - (2) This transaction reflects the extension and vesting of phantom stock to retirement or other termination of employment under arrangements approved by the Compensation Committee.
  - (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.  
  
These transactions reflect the extension of the expiration date of phantom stock from 3/1/2010 to "retirement" under arrangements
  - (4) approved by the Compensation Committee and reflect the movement of stock from the Phantom 3/07D account to the "retirement" account.  
  
RSUD2 award listed in Table II has been reported at 75% of the original grant amount. The award was paid out on 3/1/2010 at 100%. The shares coded F were withheld income taxes associated with the payout.
  - (5) RSUP6 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 the performance targets achieved, the award was paid out on March 1, 2010, at a performance-rate of 125%. The shares coded "A" represent that portion attributable to this performance adjustment. The shares coded "F" were withheld to cover income tax obligations associated with the payout.
  - (6)

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