FRANKLIN ELECTRIC CO INC

Form 4

February 27, 2017

FORM 4

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

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may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * STONE ROBERT J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

FRANKLIN ELECTRIC CO INC

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(Check all applicable)

Sr. Vice President

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/23/2017

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

FRANKLIN ELECTRIC CO., INC., 9255 COVERDALE ROAD

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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FORT WAYNE, IN 46809

(City)

(City)	(State) (Table Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ities Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	•	l (A) o		5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Beneficially Owned Following	(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					(A) or		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(msu. 1)	(msu. 1)
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(111str. 3 and 4)		
common stock	02/23/2017		D	4,797 (1)	D	\$0	21,562	D	
common stock	02/23/2017		A	4,797 (1) (2)	A	\$0	26,359	D	
common stock	02/23/2017		A	3,412 (3)	A	\$0	29,771 <u>(4)</u>	D	
common stock							24,267	I	401K Shares

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8 E S (I
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
option	\$ 42.2	02/23/2017		A	15,689	(5)	02/23/2027	common stock	15,689	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

STONE ROBERT J FRANKLIN ELECTRIC CO., INC. 9255 COVERDALE ROAD FORT WAYNE, IN 46809

Sr. Vice President

Signatures

Robert J. Stone 02/27/2017

**Signature of 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) Conversion from restricted shares to restricted units
- (2) Newly issued restricted stock units vest on 2/25/2020, which is the same vesting date as the previously issued restricted shares.
- (3) Restricted stock units vest 4 years after the 2/23/2017 grant date.
- Includes 3,412 restricted stock units that vest 4 years after the 2/23/2017 grant date, 4,797 restricted stock units that vest 3 years after the (4) 2/23/2017 reissued grant date, 3,681 restricted shares that vest 4 years after the 2/26/2015 grant date, 3,030 restricted shares that vest 4 years after the 3/4/2014 grant date, 3,910 restricted shares that vest 4 years after the 3/6/2013 grant date, and 10,941 shares held outright.
- (5) The options become exercisable in four equal installments of 1/4 each year, beginning on the first anniversary of the 2/23/2017 grant date. Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure.

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