

Pearson James F  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(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)  
05/04/2011

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  
\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D) Price  |   |  |   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 4,915   | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 2,100   | I  | By Mother (jointly)                                   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 6,337.716   | 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 Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code V                         | (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable Expiration Date                         | Title Amount  |
| RSUP16                                     | \$ 1 <sup>(1)</sup>                                    | 05/04/2011                           |  | A                              | 1,677 <sup>(2)</sup>  | 03/04/2014 03/04/2014                                    | Common Stock 1  |
| Phantom / Retirement                       | <sup>(3)</sup>   |                                      |  |                                |   | <sup>(5)</sup> <sup>(4)</sup>                            | Common Stock 1,2  |
| Phantom 3/09D                              | \$ 1 <sup>(3)</sup>                                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 03/01/2009 03/01/2012                                    | Common Stock 1,9  |
| Phantom 3/11d                              | <sup>(6)</sup>   |                                      |  |                                |   | 03/01/2011 03/01/2014                                    | Common Stock 1,2  |
| Phantom3/10d                               | \$ 1 <sup>(3)</sup>                                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 03/01/2010 03/01/2013                                    | Common Stock 82   |
| Rsup12                                     | \$ 1 <sup>(3)</sup>                                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 03/02/2012 03/02/2012                                    | Common Stock 1  |
| RSUP14                                     | \$ 1 <sup>(3)</sup>                                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 03/08/2013 03/08/2013                                    | Common Stock 1  |

## Reporting Owners

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

## Signatures

Edward J. Udovich, POA 05/06/2011

\*\*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 is a performance-adjusted restricted stock unit grant (RSUP16) of which 50% is reflected in table II. Of the total shares granted, 50% of the shares are subject to forfeiture if the performance goals are not met. The full grant can be adjusted upward by an additional 50% if the 3-year goals are achieved.

(3) 1 for 1

(4) This transaction reflects the extension and vesting of phantom stock to retirement or other termination of employment under arrangements approved by the Compensation Committee.

(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.

(6) 1 for 1

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