

ALEXANDER ANTHONY J
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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 *
 ALEXANDER ANTHONY J

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)
 76 SOUTH MAIN STREET

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 05/01/2012

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 Pres. & Chief Exec. Officer

(Street)
 AKRON, OH 44308

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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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 or (D) Price | | |
| Common Stock | 05/01/2012 | | M | | 257,100 (1) | A | \$ 38.76 671,033.025 D |
| Common Stock | 05/01/2012 | | S | | 257,100 (1) (2) | D | \$ 47.2756 413,933.025 D |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 222 I By Child's Savings Plan |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 80,000 I By Children |
| | | | | | | | 31,738.847 I |

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|-----------------|--|--|--|--|------------|---|--------------------------------|
| Common Stock | | | | | | | By Savings Plan Trust |
| Common Stock | | | | | 82,594.241 | I | GRAT |

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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---|--|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|---|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable Expiration Date Date | Title Amount of Number of Shares |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 38.76 | 05/01/2012 | | M | 257,100 (3) | 03/01/2005 03/01/2014 | Common Stock 257,100 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| ALEXANDER ANTHONY J 76 SOUTH MAIN STREET AKRON, OH 44308 | X | | Pres. & Chief Exec. Officer | |

Signatures

Edward J.
Udovich, POA 05/03/2012

**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) This transaction occurred in accordance with a 10b5-1 plan.

(2) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$46.69 to \$47.52, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to FirstEnergy Corp., any security holder of FirstEnergy Corp., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in this footnote.

(3) 3/1/2005 was the first vest date on which 25% of the options were exercisable. The remainder of the options were exercisable in 25% increments on 3/1/2006, 3/1/2007 and 3/1/2008.

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