

FIRSTENERGY CORP  
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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 \*  
Byrd William D

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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/28/2007

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

76 SOUTH MAIN STREET

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

AKRON, OH 44308

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Price		
Common Stock	12/28/2007		M		3,125 <sup>(1)</sup>	A	\$ 29.71 3,748 D
Common Stock	12/28/2007		S		623 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	\$ 73.3617 3,125 D
Common Stock	12/28/2007		S		3,125 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	\$ 73.426 0 D
Common Stock	12/28/2007		S		3,411.0103 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	\$ 74.12 3,579.9997 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 (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)	
					V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom 3/05D	\$ 1								02/25/2005	03/01/2008	Common Stock	1,991.33
Phantom 3/06D	\$ 1								03/02/2006	03/02/2009	Common Stock	2,008.77
Phantom 3/07D	\$ 1								03/01/2007	03/01/2010	Common Stock	2,447.33
RSUD2	\$ 1								03/01/2010	03/01/2010	Common Stock	655.251
RSUD5	\$ 1								03/01/2011	03/01/2011	Common Stock	206.511
RSUD7	\$ 1								03/01/2012	03/01/2012	Common Stock	286.364
RSUP1	\$ 1								03/01/2008	03/01/2008	Common Stock	995.081
RSUP4	\$ 1								03/01/2009	03/01/2009	Common Stock	836.525
RSUP6	\$ 1								03/01/2010	03/01/2010	Common Stock	693.823
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 38.76								03/01/2005	03/01/2014	Common Stock	5,400
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 29.71	12/28/2007		M		3,125			03/01/2004	03/01/2013	Common Stock	3,125

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Byrd William D 76 SOUTH MAIN STREET AKRON, OH 44308			Vice President	

## Signatures

Jacqueline S. Cooper, POA	12/31/2007
<small>**Signature of Reporting Person</small>	<small>Date</small>

## 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 was performed in accordance with a 10b5-1 Plan signed by William D. Byrd on 11/28/2007.

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