

EATON CORP  
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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 \*  
CUTLER ALEXANDER M

(Last) (First) (Middle)

EATON CENTER, 1111 SUPERIOR AVE.

(Street)

CLEVELAND, OH 44114

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
EATON CORP [ETN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/22/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Chairman and CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Shares	02/22/2005	(1)	A	V Amount 15,000 (2)	A (1) 177,265 (3)	D	
Common Shares					15,341.286	I	by trustee of ESP
Common Shares					2,000	I	by spouse

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	Title	Amount
Stock Option	\$ 68.22	02/22/2005	(1)	A	201,000 (4)	02/22/2006(5)	02/22/2015	Common Shares	201,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CUTLER ALEXANDER M EATON CENTER 1111 SUPERIOR AVE. CLEVELAND, OH 44114	X		Chairman and CEO	

## Signatures

/s/ Claudia J. Taller as attorney-in-fact  
02/24/2005

\_\_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 field is not applicable.
- (2) These are restricted shares issued under an Eaton Corporation stock plan, and are subject to risk of forfeiture which lapses 20% after the second and third years and 30% after the fourth and fifth years.
- (3) Certain of these shares represent restricted shares issued under an Eaton Corporation stock plan and are subject to risk of forfeiture.
- (4) Granted under an employee stock option plan pursuant to Rule 16b-3.
- (5) Twenty percent (20%) of these shares become exercisable on the first, second, third, fourth and fifth anniversaries of the date granted.

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