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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FORD JESS B			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FRANKLIN ELECTRIC CO INC [FELE]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
(Last) (First) (Middle) FRANKLIN ELECTRIC CO INC, 400 EAST SPRING ST		co	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/08/2005	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) Senior Vice President
(Street) BLUFFTON, IN 46714			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Ionth/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)				cquired d of (D) 5)	Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	02/08/2005		M	500	A	\$ 16.125	500	D		
Common Stock	02/08/2005		S	500	D	\$ 43	0	D		
Common Stock							1,474	I	401 (k) (1)	
Common Stock							3,345	I	ESOP (2)	

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 6. Date Exercisable at Expiration Date Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	d 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pri Deriv Secu (Insti
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Option	\$ 16.125	02/08/2005		M	500	(3)	07/28/2010	Common Stock	23,500	\$ 16
Option	\$ 19.6375					(3)	12/13/2011	Common Stock	18,000	
Option	\$ 29.95					<u>(3)</u>	02/12/2014	Common Stock	16,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

FORD JESS B FRANKLIN ELECTRIC CO INC 400 EAST SPRING ST BLUFFTON, IN 46714

Senior Vice President

Signatures

Gregg C. Sengstack, Power of Attorney for Jess B.
Ford

02/10/2005

**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) Holdings within the Franklin Electric Directed Investment Salary Plan ("401k Plan") Trust. The information reported herein is based on a plan statement reporting December 31, 2004 holdings under the 401k Plan.

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- (2) Allocation of shares under the Franklin Co., Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan ("ESOP") Trust. The information reported herein was provided by the trustee for holdings as of December 31, 2004.
- (3) The options become exercisable in five equal installments of 1/5 each year, beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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