MARSH RICHARD H

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MARSH RICHARD H			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				
76 SOUTH MAIN STREET			(Month/Day/Year) 03/03/2008	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Sr. Vice Pres. & Chief Fin. Of			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)			
AKRON, OH 44308				_X_Form filed by One Reporting PersonForm filed by More than One Reporting Person			

, -		Person							
(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative Sec	red, 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. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	03/03/2008	03/03/2008	M	12,825 (1)	A	\$ 38.76	13,504.218	D	
Common Stock	03/03/2008		A	2,860 (2)	A	\$ 68.52	16,364.218	D	
Common Stock	03/03/2008		M	4,204.551 (2)	A	\$ 68.52	20,568.769	D	
Common Stock	03/03/2008	03/03/2008	S	12,825	D	\$ 66.4	7,743.769	D	
Common Stock	03/03/2008		F	3,229 (2)	D	\$ 68.52	4,514.769	D	

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Trust	Common Stock	64.557	I	Savings Plan
				Trust

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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	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. 5. Number of Derivative TransactionSecurities Acquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			6. Date Exerci Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y	7. Title an Underlyin (Instr. 3 an	
	Security						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Phantom / Retirement	\$ 1 <u>(3)</u>	03/03/2008		Code V A	(A) 3,543.17 (4)	(D)	<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Commo Stock
Phantom 3/05D	\$ 1	03/03/2008		M		3,543.17	02/25/2005	03/01/2008	Commo Stock
Phantom 3/06D	\$ 1						03/02/2006	03/02/2009	Commo Stock
Phantom 3/07D	\$ 1						03/01/2007	03/01/2010	Commo Stock
RSUD5	\$ 1						03/01/2011	03/01/2011	Commo Stock
RSUP1	\$ 1	03/03/2008		M		4,204.551	03/01/2008	03/01/2008	Commo Stock
RSUP10	\$ 1 (3)	03/03/2008	03/03/2008	A	5,837 (6)		03/03/2011	03/03/2011	Commo Stock
RSUP4	\$ 1						03/01/2009	03/01/2009	Commo Stock
RSUP6	\$ 1						03/01/2010	03/01/2010	Commo Stock
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 38.76	03/03/2008	03/03/2008	M		12,825	03/01/2008	03/01/2014	Commo Stock

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MARSH RICHARD H 76 SOUTH MAIN STREET AKRON, OH 44308

Sr. Vice Pres. & Chief Fin. Of

Signatures

Edward J. Udovich, POA

**Signature of Reporting Date
Person

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 Richard H. Marsh on 8/21/06.
- (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.
- On February 19, 2008 the Board approved a March 3, 2008 performance-adjusted restricted stock unit grant to Mr. Marsh in the amount of 7,782 shares, of which 75% or 5,837 shares will be payable on March 3, 2011. 1,945 shares are subject to forfeiture if the performance goals are not met. The full grant can be adjusted upward by an additional 25% if the 3-year goals are achieved.
- (**3**) 1 for 1
- These transactions reflect the extension of the expiration date of phantom stock from 3/1/2008 to "retirement" under arrangements approved by the Compensation Committee and reflect the movement of stock from the Phantom 3/05 account to the "retirement" account.
- The RSUP1 award listed in Table II has been reported at 75% of the original grant amount, as that represents the minimum amount guaranteed to be paid out upon vesting. Because of performance targets achieved, the award was paid out on March 3, 2008, at a performance-adjusted rate of 125%. The shares coded "A" represent that portion attributable to this performance adjustment. The shares coded "F" were sold to cover income tax obligations associated with the payout.

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