GROSS THOMAS

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement EATON CORP [ETN] **GROSS THOMAS** (Month/Day/Year) 02/01/2009 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) EATON CENTER, 1111 (Check all applicable) SUPERIOR AVENUE (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner Director _X__ Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting VC & COO - Electrical Sector Person CLEVELAND, OHÂ 44114 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â Common Shares D 32,242 (1) Common Shares $1,105.759 \stackrel{(2)}{=}$ I by trustee of ESP

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	urity Expiration Date	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security		5. Ownership	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option	02/26/2009(3)	02/26/2018	Common Shares	17,600	\$ 83.13	D	Â
Stock Option	02/27/2008(3)	02/27/2017	Common Shares	16,000	\$ 80.81	D	Â
Stock Option	02/21/2007(3)	02/21/2016	Common Shares	12,500	\$ 68.62	D	Â
Stock Option	02/22/2006(3)	02/22/2015	Common Shares	21,000	\$ 68.22	D	Â
Stock Option	02/24/2005(3)	02/24/2014	Common Shares	28,000	\$ 59.07	D	Â
Stock Option	01/02/2004(3)	01/02/2013	Common Shares	75,600	\$ 39.68	D	Â
Phantom Shares	(4)	(4)	Common Shares	3,104.05 (5)	\$ 0	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
.,	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
GROSS THOMAS EATON CENTER 1111 SUPERIOR AVENUE CLEVELAND, OH 44114	Â	Â	VC & COO - Electrical Sector	Â		

Signatures

/s/Kathleen S. O'Connor, as Attorney-in-Fact 02/11/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Certain of these shares represent restricted shares issued under an Eaton Corporation stock plan and are subject to risk of forfeiture.
- (2) These shares are held in the Eaton Savings Plan.
- (3) Thirty-three percent (33%) of these options become exercisable on the first and second anniversaries of the date granted and thirty-four percent (34%) on the third anniversary of the date granted.
- (4) This field is not applicable.
- (5) Phantom Share Units acquired under the Company's deferred incentive compensation plans.

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Reporting Owners 2

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