

CINCINNATI FINANCIAL 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**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**BENOSKI JAMES E**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**CINCINNATI FINANCIAL CORP [CINF]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**6200 SOUTH GILMORE RD**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**03/24/2005**

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
**VICE CHAIRMAN & CIO**

**FAIRFIELD, OH 45014-5141**

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

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 03/24/2005                           | 03/24/2005   | M                              | V   | \$ 1,750<br>32.14   | 97,072 <sup>(1)</sup>                                    | D                                 |
| Common Stock                    | 03/24/2005                           | 03/24/2005   | M                              | V   | \$ 331<br>32.26   | 97,403 <sup>(1)</sup>                                    | D                                 |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   |   | 33,688 <sup>(1)</sup>                                    | I 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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code V (A) (D)                 |   | Date Exercisable Expiration Date                         | Title   |                            |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy)       | \$ 28.3  |                                      |  |                                |   | 01/25/2001 <sup>(2)</sup> 01/25/2010                     | Common Stock  | 46,15                      |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy)       | \$ 34.08   |                                      |  |                                |   | 02/01/2004 <sup>(2)</sup> 02/01/2013                     | Common Stock  | 52,50                      |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy)       | \$ 34.46   |                                      |  |                                |   | 01/31/2002 <sup>(2)</sup> 01/31/2011                     | Common Stock  | 52,50                      |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy)       | \$ 36.71   |                                      |  |                                |   | 01/28/2003 <sup>(2)</sup> 01/28/2012                     | Common Stock  | 52,50                      |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy)       | \$ 40.75   |                                      |  |                                |   | 01/19/2005 <sup>(2)</sup> 01/19/2014                     | Common Stock  | 52,50                      |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy)       | \$ 40.82   |                                      |  |                                |   | 02/07/1999 <sup>(2)</sup> 02/07/2008                     | Common Stock  | 6,300                      |
|  | \$ 43.71   |                                      |  |                                |   | <sup>(2)</sup> 01/25/2015                                |   | 60,00                      |

Employee  
Stock  
Option  
(right to  
buy)

Common  
Stock

Employee  
Stock  
Option  
(right to  
buy)

\$ 32.14 03/24/2005 03/24/2005 M 1,750 01/27/2000<sup>(2)</sup> 01/27/2009

Common  
Stock 1,750

Employee  
Stock  
Option  
(right to  
buy)

\$ 32.26 03/24/2005 03/24/2005 M 331 08/24/1999<sup>(2)</sup> 08/24/2008

Common  
Stock 331

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                       | Relationships |           |                           |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                   | Other |
| BENOSKI JAMES E<br>6200 SOUTH GILMORE RD<br>FAIRFIELD, OH 45014-5141 | X             |           | VICE<br>CHAIRMAN &<br>CIO |       |

## Signatures

JAMES E  
BENOSKI 03/24/2005

\*\*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).
- (2) The option is exercisable in three equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.
- (1) Share amounts have been adjusted for a 5% Stock Dividend, record date April 30, 2004, paid June 15, 2004.

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