FIRSTENERGY CORP

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

Common

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

	(Time of Type	responses)										
		. Name and Address of Reporting Person *_ LEIDICH GARY R				nd Ticker or T		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
	(Last)	(First) (Middle)	3. Date	of Earliest	Fransaction Pransaction			(Check	all applicable)	
	76 SOUTH	I MAIN STREET	•	(Month/ 02/25/	Day/Year) 2005			_	Director _X Officer (give t relow) Preside			
(Street) AKRON, OH 44308				Filed(Month/Day/Year) Application Applica					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
	1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deem Execution any (Month/Da	Date, if Transaction Code		4. Securities Acquired (A) our Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			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	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)		
	Common Stock	02/25/2005			A	4,275.33 (1)	A	\$ 39.535	4,275.33	D		
	Common Stock	02/25/2005			D	4,275.33 (1)	D	\$ 39.535	0	D		
	Common Stock								250	I	By Daughter (Anne)	
	Common										by	

Savings

Plan

725.05

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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 of orDerivative 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 Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour Number Shares
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 29.71					03/01/2004	03/01/2013	Common Stock	40,:
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 38.76					03/01/2005	03/01/2014	Common Stock	44,:
Phantom 3/05D	\$ 1 <u>(2)</u>	02/25/2005		A	5,130.396 (3)	02/25/2005	03/01/2008	Common Stock	5,130

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LEIDICH GARY R

76 SOUTH MAIN STREET President of FENOC

AKRON, OH 44308

Signatures

David W. Whitehead, POA 03/01/2005

**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) These performances shares paid out in cash, per the vesting and payout date approved by the Compensation Committee. The performance shares were not required to be reported at date of grant because the vesting is based in part on factors other than stock price.

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- **(2)** 1 for 1
- (3) 4,275.330 shares are vested (i.e. non-forfeited) immediately. 855.066 shares become vested (i.e., non-forfeited) on 3/1/2008.

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