

AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER CO INC

Form 4

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FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BUONAIUTO JOSPEH M

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER
CO INC [AEP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1 RIVERSIDE PLAZA

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)

02/22/2005

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)

Controller, Chief Actg Officer

COLUMBUS, OH 43215

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

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and A Underlying Se (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	02/22/2005	A		1,450		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	
Performance Share Units (Phantom Stock) <u>(2)</u>	\$ 0	02/22/2005	A		10,273		12/31/2006 ⁽³⁾	12/31/2006 ⁽³⁾	Common Stock	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
BUONAIUTO JOSPEH M 1 RIVERSIDE PLAZA COLUMBUS, OH 43215	Controller, Chief Actg Officer

Signatures

Thomas G. Berkemeyer, Attorney-in-Fact for Joseph M.
Buonaiuto 02/24/2005

 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).
- (1) The ownership consists of restricted stock units which vest in three equal annual installments beginning February 22, 2006. One unit equals one share.
- (2) Performance Share units awarded pursuant to the AEP 2000 Long-Term Incentive Plan.
- (3) The performance shares will generally vest, subject to the reporting person's continued employment, on December 31, 2006.

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