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AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER CO INC Form 4 January 02, 2008 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **DESBARRES JOHN P** Issuer Symbol AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER (Check all applicable) CO INC [AEP] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) **1 RIVERSIDE PLAZA, 29TH** 12/31/2007 **FLOOR** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person _ Form filed by More than One Reporting COLUMBUS, OH 43215 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 4. Securities 5. Amount of 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) any Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) Following (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of SEC 1474 information contained in this form are not (9-02)required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number. Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of	8
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orDerivative	Expiration Date	Underlying Securities	Ι

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) Disposed of ((Instr. 3, 4, an 5)	or D)	(Month/Day/Year)		4)
				Code V	(A) (D) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock Unit <u>(1)</u>	\$ 0 <u>(2)</u>	12/31/2007		А	472.509	<u>(2)</u>	(2)	Common Stock	472.509

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address							
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
DESBARRES JOHN P 1 RIVERSIDE PLAZA, 29TH FLOOR COLUMBUS, OH 43215	Х						
Signatures							
/s/ Thomas G. Berkemeyer, Attorney-in- DesBarres	01/02/2008						

**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) Acquisition pursuant to the AEP Stock Unit Accumulation Plan for Non-Employee Directors.
- (2) Stock Units are paid to the director in cash upon termination of service unless the director has elected to defer payment for a period that results in payment commencing not later than five years thereafter.
- (3) Includes units of reinvested dividends pursuant to a dividend reinvestment feature of the Plan.

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