

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

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) May 27, 2005

| <b><u>Commission<br/>File Number</u></b> | <b><u>Registrant; State of Incorporation;<br/>Address; and Telephone Number</u></b>  | <b><u>I.R.S. Employer<br/>Identification<br/>No.</u></b> |
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### Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

On May 27, 2005, Ohio Edison Company, The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company and The Toledo Edison Company (Companies), wholly owned subsidiaries of FirstEnergy Corp., filed with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) a request (Application) to establish a generation rate adjustment rider. The Application seeks to implement recovery of increased fuel costs applicable to the Companies' retail customers through a tariff rider to be implemented January 1, 2006. The Application reflects projected increases in fuel costs in 2006 compared to 2002 baseline costs. Under the Rate Stabilization Plan approved by the PUCO in August 2004, the Companies are allowed to request recovery of increased fuel and related costs.

FirstEnergy issued a press release and Letter to the Investment Community that provide additional related details. The press release and Letter to the Investment Community are furnished, not filed, as Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2, respectively, and incorporated by reference.

### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits.

| <u>Exhibit No.</u> | <u>Description</u>  |
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| 99.1               | Press release issued by FirstEnergy Corp., dated May 27, 2005 |
| 99.2               | Letter to the Investment Community, dated May 27, 2005        |

**Forward-Looking Statements:** This Form 8-K includes forward-looking statements based on information currently available to management. Such statements are subject to certain risks and uncertainties. These statements typically contain, but are not limited to, the terms "anticipate," "potential," "expect," "believe," "estimate" and similar words. Actual results may differ materially due to the speed and nature of increased competition and deregulation in the electric utility industry, economic or weather conditions affecting future sales and margins, changes in markets for energy services, changing energy and commodity market prices, replacement power costs being higher than anticipated or inadequately hedged, the continued ability of our regulated utilities to collect transition and other charges, maintenance costs being higher than anticipated, legislative and regulatory changes (including revised environmental requirements), the receipt of approval from and entry of a final order by the U.S. District Court, Southern District of Ohio on the pending settlement agreement resolving the New Source Review litigation and the uncertainty of the timing and amounts of the capital expenditures (including that such amounts could be higher than anticipated) or levels of emission reductions related to this settlement, adverse regulatory or legal decisions and outcomes (including revocation of necessary licenses or operating permits, fines or other enforcement actions and remedies) of governmental investigations and oversight, including by the Securities and Exchange Commission, the

United States Attorney's Office and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission as disclosed in the registrants' Securities and Exchange Commission filings, generally, and with respect to the Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Station outage and heightened scrutiny at the Perry Nuclear Power Plant in particular, the availability and cost of capital, the continuing availability and operation of generating units, the inability to accomplish or realize anticipated benefits from strategic goals (including the proposed transfer of generation assets), the ability to improve electric commodity margins and to experience growth in the distribution business, the ability to access the public securities and other capital markets, further investigation into the causes of the August 14, 2003, regional power outage and the outcome, cost and other effects of present and potential legal and administrative proceedings and claims related to the outage, the final outcome in the proceeding related to FirstEnergy's Application for a Rate Stabilization Plan in Ohio, the risks and other factors discussed from time to time in the registrants' Securities and Exchange Commission filings, and other similar factors. The registrants expressly disclaim any current intention to update any forward-looking statements contained herein as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise.

