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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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 * davis delancey w

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

FRANKLIN ELECTRIC CO INC

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(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/13/2012

1524 SYCAMORE HILLS DRIVE (Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

below)

Issuer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Director

X_ Officer (give title

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Vice President

below)

10% Owner

Other (specify

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

FORT WAYNE, IN 46814

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

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(A) Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

common stock

(City)

58.8

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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)

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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. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) 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)		8. P Der Sect (Ins
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
option	\$ 17.34	03/13/2012		M	3,500	(2)	03/05/2019	common stock	3,500	\$
option	\$ 43.43	03/13/2012		M	1,663	(3)	03/02/2021	common stock	1,663	\$ 4

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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1524 SYCAMORE HILLS DRIVE FORT WAYNE, IN 46814

Vice President

Signatures

Delancey W. Davis

03/15/2012

**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) Holdings within the Franklin Electric Retirement Plan. The information reported herein is based on a plan statement as of January 1, 2012.
- (2) The options become exercisable in four equal installments of 1/4 each year, beginning on the first anniversary of the 3/5/2009 grant date.
- (3) The options become exercisable in four equal installments of 1/4 each year, beginning on the first anniversary of the 3/2/2011 grant date. Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

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