

FRANKLIN ELECTRIC CO INC  
Form 4  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
NEVINS KIRK M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
FRANKLIN ELECTRIC CO INC  
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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
  
FRANKLIN ELECTRIC CO  
INC, 400 EAST SPRING ST  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/20/2004

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Vice President

BLUFFTON, IN 46714

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount Price			
Common Stock	12/20/2004		I	209 A \$ 40.72	4,797 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	401 (k) <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock					3,463 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	ESOP <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock					3,400 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	

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 (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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price or Amount of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)
Option	\$ 16.125					(4) 07/28/2010	Common Stock	16,000 (1)
Option	\$ 19.6375					(4) 12/13/2011	Common Stock	18,000 (1)
Option	\$ 29.95					(4) 02/12/2014	Common Stock	7,200 (1)

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
NEVINS KIRK M FRANKLIN ELECTRIC CO INC 400 EAST SPRING ST BLUFFTON, IN 46714			Vice President	

## Signatures

Kirk M. Nevins                      12/22/2004  
 \_\_Signature of                      Date  
 Reporting 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) Information about securities and derivative securities share amounts and prices presented in the attached Form 4 reflect the impact of a two-for-one stock split. The stock split was effected in the form of a 100% stock distribution of one additional share of Franklin Electric Co., Inc. Common Stock for each share of Common Stock held of record on May 28, 2004. The additional shares were distributed on June 15, 2004.

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Holdings within the Franklin Electric Directed Investment Salary Plan ("401k Plan") Trust. The information reported herein is based on a plan statement reporting December 21, 2004 holdings under the 401k Plan.

- (3) Allocation of shares under the Franklin Electric Co., Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan ("ESOP") Trust. The information reported herein was provided by the trustee for holdings as of November 30, 2004.
- (4) The options become exercisable in five equal installments of 1/5 each year, beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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