

EATON CORP
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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 *
BUENTE STEPHEN M

(Last) (First) (Middle)
EATON CENTER, 1111 SUPERIOR AVE.
(Street)

CLEVELAND, OH 44114

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
EATON CORP [ETN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/22/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
SrVPandGroupExec - Automotive

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
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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)		
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D)	Price			
Common Shares	02/22/2005	(1)	A		7,500 (2)	(1)	44,034 (3)	D	
Common Shares							5,655.711	I	by trustee of ESP

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)
Stock Option	\$ 68.22	02/22/2005	(1)	A	34,200 (4)	02/22/2006(5) 02/22/2015	Common Shares 34,200

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
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Signatures

/s/ Claudia J. Taller as attorney-in-fact 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) This field is not applicable.
- (2) These are restricted shares issued under an Eaton Corporation stock plan, and are subject to risk of forfeiture which lapses over a four year period during continuous employment.
- (3) Certain of these shares represent restricted shares issued under an Eaton Corporation stock plan and are subject to risk of forfeiture.
- (4) Granted under an employee stock option plan pursuant to Rule 16b-3.
- (5) Thirty-three percent (33%) of these options become exercisable on the first and second anniversaries of the date granted and thirty-four percent (34%) on the third anniversary of the date granted.

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