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(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 Strupp Thomas J Issuer Symbol

FRANKLIN ELECTRIC CO INC [fele]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/02/2011

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

FRANKLIN ELECTRIC CO INC, 400 EAST SPRING STREET

(Street)

(State)

(Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Vice President

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

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BLUFFTON, IN 46714

(City)

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

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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)	omr Dispos	urities Acquired (A) posed of (D) 3, 4 and 5) (A) or ant (D) Price		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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
common stock							425.887	I	401(K)
common stock							1,700 (1)	D	
common stock							2,300 (2)	D	
common stock	03/03/2011		M	200 (3)	A	\$ 44.0782	7,000	D	
common stock	03/02/2011		A	1,251	A	\$ 43.43	1,251 (1)	D	

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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)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. NumbiorDerivative Securities Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3, 5)	ve es d (A) or d of (D)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
option	\$ 44.51						<u>(4)</u>	07/25/2015	common stock	7,000
option	\$ 45.9						<u>(4)</u>	02/17/2016	common stock	3,900
option	\$ 48.87						<u>(4)</u>	02/09/2017	common stock	3,600
option	\$ 32.19						<u>(4)</u>	02/28/2018	common stock	15,300
option	\$ 17.34	03/03/2011		S		2,992	<u>(4)</u>	03/05/2019	common stock	17,500
option	\$ 28.82						<u>(4)</u>	02/22/2020	common stock	5,300
option	\$ 43.43	03/02/2010		A	3,975		<u>(4)</u>	03/02/2021	common stock	3,975

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Strupp Thomas J							
FRANKLIN ELECTRIC CO INC			Vice President				
400 EAST SPRING STREET							
BLUFFTON, IN 46714							

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Thomas J. 03/04/2011

**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) The shares vest at the end of four years.
- (2) These shares had a four year vest ending 2/9/2011. Shares will be released in 2011 after performance metrics are analyzed.
- (3) These options were exercised and held, adding to the owned outright balance.
- (4) The options become exercisable in four equal installments of 1/4 each year, beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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