#### FRANKLIN ELECTRIC CO INC

Form 4 March 02, 2009

# FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A ROBERTS I	Symbol	FRANKLIN ELECTRIC CO INC			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)			
(Last) 3013 KINGS	(First) (M	(Month/D	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/26/2009			X Director Officer (gives below)		% Owner ner (specify
WEDDING'	Filed(Mor	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person equired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned			
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Tabl	3.	4. Security on Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	(A) or of (D)	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)

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8 1 9 (
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
option	\$ 32.51					<u>(1)</u>	05/15/2014	common stock	8,000	
stock	<u>(2)</u>	02/26/2009		A	11.91	(2)	<u>(2)</u>	common	11.91	

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
ROBERTS DAVID A						
3013 KINGS MANOR DRIVE	X					
WEDDINGTON, NC 21104-6868						

### **Signatures**

Angela M. Hughes, power of attorney for David A.

Roberts

03/02/2009

\*\*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 options become exercisable in three equal installments of 1/3 each year, beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.
  - Pursuant to terms of the Nonemployee Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan approved by the board of directors on February 11, 2000 and amended and restated on April 28, 2006, Mr. Roberts elected to receive his 2009 board of directors retainer in Franklin Electric Co.,
- (2) Inc. common stock, issuance of such shares deferred until he retires or otherwise leaves the board of directors (e.g. Stock Units). On February 26, 2009 Mr. Roberts was credited with 11.91 Stock Units for dividends that would have been paid on such deferred shares. At distribution, Mr. Roberts may elect pursuant to the terms of the Plan to receive his deferred compensation either in shares of Franklin common stock or in cash.

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