

FRANKLIN ELECTRIC CO INC

Form 4

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1(b).

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

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
VERHAGE THOMAS R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading
Symbol
FRANKLIN ELECTRIC CO INC
[FELE]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
P O BOX 1299
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/18/2017

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

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55440-1299

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8. Price of Derivative Security
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 5)				
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
stock units	<u>(1)</u>	05/18/2017	A		99.17		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	common stock	99.17	\$ 36.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
VERHAGE THOMAS R P O BOX 1299 MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55440-1299	X			

Signatures

Jonathan M. Grandon, power of attorney for Thomas R.
VerHage 05/19/2017

 **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).

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. VerHage elected to receive his 2011-2017 stock award, meeting fees and retainer in Franklin Electric Co., Inc. common stock, issuance of such shares deferred until he retires or otherwise leaves the Board of Directors (e.g. Stock Units). On May 18, 2017, Mr. VerHage was credited with 99.17 Stock Units for dividends that would have been paid on such deferred shares. At distribution, Mr. VerHage 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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