

FORM 4

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

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or
 Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Ferneau Kelly J <small>(Last) (First) (Middle)</small> 1 RIVERSIDE PLAZA <small>(Street)</small> COLUMBUS, OH 43215 <small>(City) (State) (Zip)</small>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER CO INC [AEP]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) Executive Vice President
3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY) <p align="center">2/23/2026</p>		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)		

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans. Date	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Trans. 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	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	2/23/2026		F		136 ⁽¹⁾	D	\$132.03	17,124	D	
Common Stock	2/23/2026		F		165 ⁽²⁾	D	\$132.03	17,049	D	
Common Stock	2/23/2026		F		288 ⁽³⁾	D	\$132.03	16,761	D	
Restricted Stock Units	2/24/2026		S		1,351 ⁽⁴⁾	D	\$131.46	15,410	D	

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Trans. 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		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) A portion of the reporting person's restricted stock units (399) granted on February 20, 2023, vested on February 21, 2026. Upon vesting, 136 restricted stock units were withheld to satisfy the reporting person's tax liability.
- (2) A portion of the reporting person's restricted stock units (537) granted on February 23, 2024, vested on February 21, 2026. Upon vesting, 165 restricted stock units were withheld to satisfy the reporting person's tax liability.
- (3) A portion of the reporting person's restricted stock units (1,004) granted on February 18, 2025, vested on February 21, 2026. Upon vesting, 288 restricted stock units were withheld to satisfy the reporting person's tax liability.
- (4) The sale reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on May 15, 2025.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Ferneau Kelly J 1 RIVERSIDE PLAZA COLUMBUS, OH 43215			Executive Vice President	

Signatures

/s/ David C. House, Attorney-in-Fact for Kelly J. Ferneau

2/25/2026

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* 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).

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