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FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **BROOKS E R**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

(Middle)

AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

CO INC [AEP]

(Month/Day/Year)

12/31/2004

X_ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

3919 CRESCENT

DRIVE, DECORDOVA BEND **ESTATES**

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

GRANBURY, TX 76049

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Amount (D)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Common Stock

12/03/2004

V 900 G

Code V

\$0 D

Price

21,219.641 ⁽¹⁾ D

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock Unit (2)	\$ 0 (3)	12/31/2004		A	436.808	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	436.808

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
BROOKS E R						

3919 CRESCENT DRIVE
DECORDOVA BEND ESTATES
GRANBURY, TX 76049

Signatures

/s/ Thomas G. Berkemeyer, Attorney-in-Fact for E. R. 01/05/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person

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).

Date

- (1) Includes 914.489 shares acquired in 2004 through Dividend Reinvestment Plan.
- (2) Acquisition pursuant to the AEP Stock Unit Accumulation Plan for Non-Employee Directors.
- (3) Stock Units are paid to the director in cash upon termination of service unless the director has elected to defer payment for a period that results in payment commencing not later than five years thereafter.
- (4) Includes units of reinvested dividends for 4th Quarter, 2004 pursuant to a dividend reinvestment feature of the Plan.

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