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FORM 4

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

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

obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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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 Lacher Joseph P Issuer Symbol TECO ENERGY INC [TE] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title _ Other (specify C/O TECO ENERGY, INC., P. O. 05/02/2007 below) **BOX 111** 4. If Amendment, Date Original (Street) 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 TAMPA, FL 33601-0111

(City)	(State) (Z	Table	I - Non-Do	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securi	ties		5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onAcquired (A) or			Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)	any Code Dispos		Disposed	Disposed of (D)		Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership	
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					(A) or		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(IIIsti. 5 and 4)		
Common Stock	05/02/2007		A	2,500 (1)	A	\$0	5,092	D	
Common Stock							9,565 (2)	I	By Spouse

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transacti	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Title Amount		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Tear)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of	(Month/Day/		Underly Securiti (Instr. 3	ying ies	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title N	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Lacher Joseph P C/O TECO ENERGY, INC. P. O. BOX 111 TAMPA, FL 33601-0111	X						

Signatures

David E. Schwartz, by Power of 05/04/2007 Attorney

> **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) Time-vested restricted shares that vest in three equal annual installments beginning on May 2, 2008.
- The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the **(2)** reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

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