

Aikman Steven William
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Aikman Steven William

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 FRANKLIN ELECTRIC CO INC
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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

FRANKLIN ELECTRIC CO.,
 INC., 9255 COVERDALE ROAD

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 02/22/2018

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
 VP, Global Water Systems Engin

(Street)
 FORT WAYNE, IN 46809

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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(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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| | | | | Code V | Amount | | |
| common stock | 02/22/2018 | | A | (1) | \$ 0 | 17,469 (2) | 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. Transaction 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 (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. P Der Sec (Ins |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------|
| option | \$ 40.25 | 02/22/2018 | | A | 8,773 | (3) 02/22/2028 | common stock | 8,773 \$ 4 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Aikman Steven William FRANKLIN ELECTRIC CO., INC. 9255 COVERDALE ROAD FORT WAYNE, IN 46809 | | | VP, Global Water Systems Engin | |

Signatures

Steven W. Aikman 02/26/2018

**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) Restricted stock units vest 4 years after the 2/22/2018 grant date
Includes 1,863 restricted stock units that vest 4 years after the 2/22/2018 grant date, 1,528 restricted stock units that vest 4 years after the 2/23/2017 grant date, 2,146 restricted shares that vest 4 years after the 2/25/2016 grant date, 1,636 restricted shares that vest 4 years after the 2/26/2015 grant date, 1,317 restricted shares that vest 4 years after the 3/4/2014 grant date, and 8,979 shares owned outright.
- (3) The options become exercisable in four equal installments of 1/4 each year, beginning on the first anniversary of the 2/22/2018 grant date.

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