# FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>EMERSON ELECTRIC CO</u> [EMR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
<u>WITHERS W</u>	WAYNE				Director	10% Owner			
(Last)	(Eirot)	(Middlo)		X	Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)			
. ,	(First) (Middle) ELECTRIC CO.		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)		Exec. VP, Secy & Gen	. Counsel			
EMERSON ELE	CTRIC CO.		05/12/2005						
8000 W. FLORIS	SANT								
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
ST. LOUIS	MO	63136		X	Form filed by One Reporting				
					Form filed by More than One	e Reporting 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)	Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	05/12/2005		М		2,351(1)	Α	\$66.32	55,255	D	
Common Stock	05/12/2005		F		1,508(2)	D	\$66.32	53,747 <sup>(3)</sup>	D	

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

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. Transac Code (Ir 8)		Derivative		Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Reported	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$66.32	05/12/2005		М			2,351	03/06/2001 <sup>(4)</sup>	03/06/2010	Common Stock	2,351	\$ <u>0</u>	0	D	

### Explanation of Responses:

1. Exercise of incentive stock options exempt under rule 16b-3.

2. Payment of option exercise price by delivering securities; 1,508 shares delivered for exercise of incentive stock options.

3. Other shares owned indirectly; 401(k) plan - 148; 401(k) excess plan - 1,839.

4. The options vested in three annual installments beginning 3/6/01.

# /s/ Harley M. Smith, Attorney-in-

fact for W. Wayne Withers \*\* Signature of Reporting Person 05/16/2005

Date

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

 $^{\ast}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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