

NUCOR CORP  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
RUTKOWSKI JOSEPH A

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
2100 REXFORD ROAD  
(Street)

CHARLOTTE, NC 28211-

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
NUCOR CORP [NUE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
08/12/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	08/12/2005	08/12/2005	M		2,544	A	\$ 18.08	56,682	D
Common Stock	08/12/2005	08/12/2005	M		1,880	A	\$ 24.475	58,562	D
Common Stock	08/12/2005	08/12/2005	M		1,878	A	\$ 24.495	60,440	D
Common Stock	08/12/2005	08/12/2005	S		2,544	D	\$ 57.85	57,896	D
Common Stock	08/12/2005	08/12/2005	S		1,880	D	\$ 57.87	56,016	D

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Common Stock 08/12/2005 08/12/2005 S 1,878 D \$ 57.8706 54,138 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)

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. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 18.08	08/12/2005	08/12/2005	M	2,544	03/01/2001 08/31/2007	Common Stock	2,544
Stock Option	\$ 24.475	08/12/2005	08/12/2005	M	1,880	03/01/2002 08/31/2008	Common Stock	1,880
Stock Option	\$ 24.495	08/12/2005	08/12/2005	M	1,878	03/01/2003 08/31/2009	Common Stock	1,878

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
RUTKOWSKI JOSEPH A 2100 REXFORD ROAD CHARLOTTE, NC 28211-			EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT	

## Signatures

Kelly J. Wilmoth -  
Attorney-in-fact 08/15/2005

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).

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