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**FORM 4**

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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<br>2100 REXFORD ROAD<br>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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