

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

## FORM 4

Statement of changes in beneficial ownership of securities

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### ISSUER

#### **AES CORP**

CIK: **874761** | IRS No.: **541163725** | State of Incorporation: **DE** | Fiscal Year End: **1231**  
SIC: **4991** Cogeneration services & small power producers

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### REPORTING OWNER

#### **DARMAN RICHARD**

CIK: **1237627**  
Type: **4** | Act: **34** | File No.: **001-12291** | Film No.: **05791397**

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <b>DARMAN RICHARD</b>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <b>AES CORP [AES]</b>			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) <b>Chairman of the Board</b>		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <b>04/28/2005</b>			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check applicable line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person		
4300 WILSON BOULEVARD			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					
(Street) <b>ARLINGTON, VA 22203</b>								
(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock								115,000	D	
Common Stock								160,000	I	by Frontier Ventures Corporation
Common Stock								15,000	I	by Darman Harvard Lead Trust

**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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Units	(1)	04/28/2005	04/28/2005	A		24,938		(1)	(1)	Common Stock	24,938	\$16.03	71,529	I	Amended and Restated Deferred Compensation Plan for Directors
Stock Option Grant	\$2.2							07/29/2003	07/29/2012	Common Stock	88,448		88,448	D	

(Right to buy)														
Stock Option Grant (Right to buy)	\$2.75						02/12/2007	02/12/2013	Common Stock	300,000		388,448	D	
Stock Option Grant (Right to buy)	\$6.7						05/13/2004	05/13/2013	Common Stock	44,312		432,760	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

1. Pursuant to the Amended and Restated Deferred Compensation Plan for Directors of The AES Corporation (the "Company"), Non Employee Directors may elect to defer receipt of compensation otherwise payable to such Director in the form of stock units, the basis of which is determined to be the closing stock price on the day that the Non Employee Director is elected to the Board of Directors for the Plan Year for which a stock unit election is made. In this case, the Board Year commenced on April 28, 2005 and will continue through April 26, 2006. A Non Employee Director is not eligible to make a withdrawal from his deferred account until such Director ceases to be a Board Member. This distribution will be made as soon as practicable after the Director leaves the Company, and will be made in accordance with the Director's Distribution Election Notification.

**Signatures**

Richard Darman

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

05/02/2005

Date

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

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