

ZRNO JOHN M  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
ZRNO JOHN M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
CINCINNATI BELL INC [CBB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
201 EAST FOURTH STREET  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
01/03/2005

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

CINCINNATI, OH 45202  
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D) Price  | 5,000   | I  | By Family Limited Partnership (1) |

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 | 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) |                  |                 |              |                            |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|---------------------|---|--|---|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                | V   | (A)  | (D)   | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title        | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Phantom Shares <sup>(2)</sup>              | <u>(3)</u>   | 01/03/2005                           |  | A                   |   | 6,000  |   | <u>(4)</u>       | <u>(4)</u>      | Common Stock | 6,000                      |
| Option to Buy <sup>(6)</sup>               | \$ 16.18   |                                      |  |                     |   |  |   | 05/27/1999       | 05/27/2009      | Common Stock | 1,048,800                  |
| Option to Buy <sup>(7)</sup>               | \$ 25.4063   |                                      |  |                     |   |  |   | 11/09/1999       | 11/09/2009      | Common Stock | 25,000                     |
| Option to Buy <sup>(7)</sup>               | \$ 29.0938   |                                      |  |                     |   |  |   | 04/19/2000       | 04/19/2010      | Common Stock | 9,000                      |
| Option to Buy <sup>(8)</sup>               | \$ 22.8438   |                                      |  |                     |   |  |   | 01/02/2001       | 01/02/2011      | Common Stock | 3,250                      |
| Option to Buy <sup>(7)</sup>               | \$ 24.915  |                                      |  |                     |   |  |   | 04/30/2001       | 04/30/2011      | Common Stock | 9,000                      |
| Option to Buy <sup>(8)</sup>               | \$ 9.35  |                                      |  |                     |   |  |   | 01/02/2002       | 01/02/2012      | Common Stock | 5,300                      |
| Option to Buy <sup>(7)</sup>               | \$ 6.69  |                                      |  |                     |   |  |   | 04/29/2002       | 04/29/2012      | Common Stock | 9,000                      |
| Option to Buy <sup>(8)</sup>               | \$ 3.715   |                                      |  |                     |   |  |   | 01/02/2003       | 01/02/2013      | Common Stock | 5,300                      |
| Option to Buy <sup>(7)</sup>               | \$ 4.51  |                                      |  |                     |   |  |   | 04/29/2003       | 04/29/2013      | Common Stock | 9,000                      |
| Option to Buy <sup>(7)</sup>               | \$ 4.245   |                                      |  |                     |   |  |   | 04/23/2004       | 04/23/2014      | Common Stock | 9,000                      |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| ZRNO JOHN M<br>201 EAST FOURTH STREET<br>CINCINNATI, OH 45202 | X             |           |         |       |

## Signatures

Amy Collins, Attorney-in-fact for John  
M. Zrno

01/04/2005

\_\_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).
- (1) Shares held by Zrno Family Limited Partnership
- (2) Phantom shares held through the Cincinnati Bell Inc. Deferred Compensation Plan for Outside Directors, which is a Rule 16b-3 Plan.
- (3) Phantom shares convert 1 for 1 in common shares.
- (4) Phantom shares are payable in common stock following retirement or termination of the reporting person's employment/affiliation with the Company.
- (5) Phantom shares are valued at the fair market price of the Issuer's common stock price on grant date.
- (6) Option shares granted under the 1998 Stock Option Plan which is a Rule 16b-3 Plan.
- (7) Option shares granted under the 1997 Stock Option Plan for Non-Employee Directors which is a Rule 16b-3 Plan.  
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- (8) 1997 Stock Option Plan for Non-Employee Directors which is a Rule 16b-3 Plan, reporting person elected to defer a percentage of his annual retainer fee and per meeting fees in exchange for options.

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