

ZRNO JOHN M  
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**FORM 4**

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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)

CINCINNATI, OH 45202

(City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
01/03/2006

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

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

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 Indirect Beneficial 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 (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)				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Shares <sup>(2)</sup>	<sup>(3)</sup>							<sup>(4)</sup>	<sup>(4)</sup>	Common Stock	6,000
Option to Buy <sup>(5)</sup>	\$ 16.18							05/27/1999	05/27/2009	Common Stock	1,048,800
Option to Buy <sup>(6)</sup>	\$ 25.4063							11/09/1999	11/09/2009	Common Stock	25,000
Option to Buy <sup>(6)</sup>	\$ 29.0938							04/19/2000	04/19/2010	Common Stock	9,000
Option to Buy <sup>(7)</sup>	\$ 22.8438							01/02/2001	01/02/2011	Common Stock	3,250
Option to Buy <sup>(6)</sup>	\$ 24.915							04/30/2001	04/30/2011	Common Stock	9,000
Option to Buy <sup>(7)</sup>	\$ 9.35							01/02/2002	01/02/2012	Common Stock	5,300
Option to Buy <sup>(6)</sup>	\$ 6.69							04/29/2002	04/29/2012	Common Stock	9,000
Option to Buy <sup>(7)</sup>	\$ 3.715							01/02/2003	01/02/2013	Common Stock	5,300
Option to Buy <sup>(6)</sup>	\$ 4.51							04/29/2003	04/29/2013	Common Stock	9,000
Option to Buy <sup>(6)</sup>	\$ 4.245							04/23/2004	04/23/2014	Common Stock	9,000
Option to Buy <sup>(6)</sup>	\$ 3.87							04/29/2005	04/29/2015	Common Stock	9,000
Phantom Shares <sup>(2)</sup>	<sup>(3)</sup>	01/03/2006		A		6,000		<sup>(4)</sup>	<sup>(4)</sup>	Common Stock	6,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
	X			

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CINCINNATI, OH 45202

## Signatures

Christopher J. Wilson, Attorney-in-fact for John M.  
Zrno

01/27/2006

\_\_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 granted under the Cincinnati Bell Inc. Deferred Compensation Plan for Outside Directors, which is a Rule 16b-3 Plan.
- (3) One for one conversion.
- (4) Phantom shares are payable in cash following retirement or termination of the reporting person's employment/affiliation with the Company.
- (5) Option shares granted under the 1998 Stock Option Plan which is a Rule 16b-3 Plan.
- (6) Option shares granted under the 1997 Stock Option Plan for Non-Employee Directors 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. Under the terms of 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.
- (8) Phantom shares are valued at the fair market price of the Issuer's common stock price on grant date.

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