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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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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

See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading LADER PHILIP Issuer Symbol AES CORP [AES] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify C/O THE AES 05/11/2006 CORPORATION, 4300 WILSON **BOULEVARD**

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

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

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| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Table | e I - Non-D | Perivative Securities A | cquired, Disposed | l of, or Benefic | ially 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 onAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Price | 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 | | | | | 19,500 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 89,380 | I | by Family Foundation |
| Common Stock | | | | | 5,160 | I | by IRA |
| Common Stock | | | | | 7,086 | I | by Joint Ownership |
| Common Stock | | | | | 25 | I | by Daughter |

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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 out 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 E S (I |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|---|--|--|--------------------|---|--|----------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| Units | <u>(1)</u> | 05/11/2006 | | A | 7,085 | <u>(1)</u> | <u>(1)</u> | Common Stock | 7,085 | : |
| Stock Option Grant (Right to | \$ 17.63 | 05/11/2006 | | A | 4,772 | 05/11/2007 | 05/11/2016 | Common Stock | 4,772 | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| LADER PHILIP C/O THE AES CORPORATION 4300 WILSON BOULEVARD ARLINGTON, VA 22203 | X | | | | | |
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Signatures

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Leith Mann, Attorney In Fact for Philip Lader 05/15/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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).

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 the Non-employee Director is elected to the Board of Directors for

the Plan Year in which a stock unit election is made. A Non-employee Director is not eligible to make a withdrawl 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.

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