FIRSTMERIT CORP /OH/ Form SC 13G/A February 14, 2005

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

		WASHINGTON, D.	C. 20549				
		SCHEDULE	13G				
	Unde	er the Securities Ex (AMENDMENT N					
		FIRSTMERIT COR	PORATION				
		(Name of Is	suer)				
		COMMON STOCK, NO					
		(Title of Class of					
		3379151	02				
		(CUSIP Num	ber)				
initial for any	filing on this subsequent amend	cover page shall be form with respect to dment containing inf a prior cover page.	the subject class	of securities, and			
to be "f 1934 ("A	filed" for the pract") or otherwi	d in the remainder o urpose of Section 18 se subject to the li all other provision	of the Securities labilities of that se	Exchange Act of ection of the Act			
CUSIP	337915102			13G page 2 of 6			
[1] Na	ame of Reporting	Persons S.S. or I.R	.S. Identification	 Nos.			
	CINC	INNATI FINANCIAL COR	PORATION 31-0746871				
[2] Ch	Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (a) (b)						
[3] SE	CC Use Only						
[4] Ci	tizenship or Pla	ace of Organization					
		FAIRFIELD,	OHIO				
Number o	of	[5] Sole Voting Pow	er !	5,351,500*			
Shares Benefici	ally	[6] Shared Voting P	ower	-0-			

Each	
Reporting Person With	[7] Sole Dispositive Power 5,351,500
WICH	[8] Shared Dispositive Power -0-
[9] Aggregate Amou	nt Beneficially Owned By Each Reporting Person
	5,351,500
[10] Check Box	unt in Row [9] Excludes Certain Shares
	N/A
	s Represented by Amount in Row 9
	6.4%
[12] Type of Reporti	ng Person*
	PH, IC, IA
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Item 1 (a) Name of I	ssuer: FIRSTMERIT CORPORATION
Item 1 (b) Address o	f issuer's Principal Executive Offices: III CASCADE PLAZA 7TH FLOOR
	AKRON, OHIO 44308
Item 2 (a) Name of	Person Filing: CINCINNATI FINANCIAL CORPORATION
Item 2 (b) Address	of Principal Business Office: 6200 SOUTH GILMORE RD. FAIRFIELD, OHIO 45014-5141
Item 2 (c) Citizens	hip: OHIO
Item 2 (d) Title of	Class of Securities: COMMON STOCK, NO PAR VALUE
Item 2 (e) CUSIP Nu	mber: 337915102
	Item 3. Type of Reporting Person
(b) [] Bank as (c) [X] Insurance	r Dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act defined in section 3(a) (6) of the Act e Company as defined in sections 3(a) (19) of the Act nt Company registered under section 8 of the Investment
(e) [X] Investme	nt Adviser registered under section 203 of the Investment Act of 1940
	s Benefit Plan, Pension Fund which is subject to the ns of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1947 or

Endowment Fund

(g)	[X]	Parent	Holding	Company,	in	accordance	with	240.13d-b	(ii)	(G)
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(h) [] Group, in accordance with 240.13d-1 (b) (1) (ii) (H)

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Item 4. Ownership:

(a) Amount Beneficially Owned: 5,351,500

(b) Percent of Class: 6.4%

(c) Number of Shares as to which CFC has:

Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or less of A Class:

N/A

N/A

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Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the parent Holding Company:

This Schedule 13G is being filed by the Cincinnati Financial Corporation for itself or, if item 3(g) has been checked, as a parent holding company with respect to the holding of its following subsidiaries:

- [X] Cincinnati Financial Corporation (31-0746871), a parent holding company, in accordance with 240.13d-(b) (ii) (G)
- [X] Cincinnati Insurance Company (31-0542366), an insurance company as defined in sections 9 (a) (19) of the Act
- [] Cincinnati Casualty Company (31-0826946), an insurance company as defined in sections 3 (a) (19) of the Act
- [X] Cincinnati Indemnity Company (31-1241793), an insurance company as defined in sections 3 (a) (19) of the Act
- [X] Cincinnati Life Insurance Company (31-1213778), an insurance company as defined in sections 3 (a) (19) of

the Act

- [] Cincinnati Financial Retirement Plan Trust
 (31-0746871), an employee benefit plan, pension fund
 which is subject to the provisions of the Employee
 Retirement Income Security Act of 1947 or Endowment Fund
- [X] CinFin Capital Management (31-1596849), an Investment Adviser registered under section 203 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940

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- Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group:
- Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group:
- Item 10. Certification:

By signing below I certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired for the purpose of and do not have the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of such securities and were not acquired in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having such purposes or effect.

Signature

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

DATE: FEBRUARY 10, 2005

THE CINCINNATI FINANCIAL CORPORATION $/ \, \text{s} / \, \text{Kenneth W. Stecher}$

Ву

KENNETH W. STECHER CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

*This stock is held in custody by the Fifth Third Bank or Charles Schwab Institutional.