

FARRELL GRETCHEN A  
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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 \*  
 FARRELL GRETCHEN A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 LINCOLN ELECTRIC HOLDINGS INC [LECO]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 22801 ST. CLAIR AVENUE  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 05/02/2007

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 V.P., Human Resources

CLEVELAND, OH 44117-1199  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

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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)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount Price			
Common Shares	03/15/2007		G	V 10 D \$ 0 0		D	
Common Shares	05/02/2007		M	1,334 A \$ 21.5 0		D	
Common Shares	05/02/2007		S	1,334 D 0 0		D	
Common Shares	05/02/2007		M	4,000 A \$ 35.43 0		D	
Common Shares	05/02/2007		S	4,000 D 2,290 0		D	

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Common Shares	5,136.106 <sup>(3)</sup>	I	by 401(k)
Common Shares	1,490.398	I	by SPP

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 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)	Amount or Number of Shares	
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V (A) (D)		
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 21.5	05/02/2007		M	1,334	10/15/2005 10/15/2012	Common Shares	1,334	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 35.43	05/02/2007		M	4,000	11/30/2006 11/30/2014	Common Shares	4,000	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FARRELL GRETCHEN A 22801 ST. CLAIR AVENUE CLEVELAND, OH 44117-1199			V.P., Human Resources	

## Signatures

/s/ Jennifer I. Ansberry, as Attorney-in-Fact for Gretchen A.  
Farrell

05/04/2007

\_\_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) 42 shares at \$67.05, 702 shares at \$67.08, 100 shares at \$67.09, and 490 shares at \$67.11.
- (2) 147 shares at \$66.96, 200 shares at \$66.97, 200 shares at \$66.98, 500 shares at \$66.99, 1,500 shares at \$66.992, 200 shares at \$67.00, 600 shares at \$67.01, 300 shares at \$67.02, 253 shares at \$67.05, and 100 shares at \$67.06.
- (3) Held by trustee pursuant to The Lincoln Electric Company 401(k) plan. Holdings are reported on a unitized basis, which amount represents approximately 2,139.212 shares.

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