

LINCOLN G RUSSELL
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FORM 5

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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ANNUAL 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

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
LINCOLN G RUSSELL

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)

3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)
12/31/2012

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

11863 WIMBLEDON #445

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting

(check applicable line)

WELLINGTON, FL 33414

(City) (State) (Zip)

Form Filed by One Reporting Person
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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) | (A) or (D) | Price | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|------------|-------|--|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common Shares | 11/15/2012 | ^ | G | 41,000 | D | \$ 0 | 313,215 | D | ^ |
| Common Shares | 12/14/2012 | ^ | G | 16,800 | D | \$ 0 | 296,415 | D | ^ |
| Common Shares | ^ | ^ | ^ | ^ | ^ | ^ | 12,318 (1) | I (1) | By Trust |
| Common Shares | ^ | ^ | ^ | ^ | ^ | ^ | 35,154 (2) | I (2) | By Trust |

Common Shares 1,028 ⁽³⁾ I ⁽³⁾ By Spouse

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. **Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.** SEC 2270 (9-02)

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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. of D Se B O E Is Fi (I |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---------------------------|
| | | | | | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title Amount or Number of Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| LINCOLN G RUSSELL 11863 WIMBLEDON #445 WELLINGTON, FL 33414 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Signatures

/s/ Jennifer I. Ansberry, Jennifer I. Ansberry as Attorney-in-Fact for G. Russell Lincoln 02/12/2013

**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) G. Russell Lincoln, Trustee of the Samuel Powell Lincoln 1990 Trust and reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership.
- (2) G. Russell Lincoln, Trustee of Laura P. Heath Family Trust and reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership.
- (3) Reflects shares held by reporting person's spouse (Constance Lincoln) and reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership.

Remarks:
Shares held by the G.R. Lincoln Family Foundation (the "Foundation"), which were previously reported
Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space provided is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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