

LINCOLN ELECTRIC HOLDINGS INC

Form 4

October 26, 2016

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
STUEBER FREDERICK G

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)

CLEVELAND, OH 44117

(City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
10/25/2016

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

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
Ex. VP, General Counsel & Secy

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

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 Shares	03/14/2016		G	528	D \$ 0	32,002	D
Common Shares	04/28/2016		G	80	D \$ 0	31,922	D
Common Shares	10/25/2016		M	18,200	A \$ 21.985	50,122	D
Common Shares	10/25/2016		S	18,200	D \$ (1) 64.7698	31,922	D

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
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 21.985	10/25/2016		M	18,200	<u>(2)</u> 12/03/2018	Common Shares	18,200

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
STUEBER FREDERICK G 22801 ST. CLAIR AVENUE CLEVELAND, OH 44117	Ex. VP, General Counsel & Secy

Signatures

/s/Frederick G.
Stueber 10/26/2016
 **Signature of Date
 Reporting Person

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).

This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$64.75 to \$64.84. The price reported reflects the weighted average

(1) sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of share and prices at which the transaction was effected.

(2) The options became exercisable in three equal annual installments on December 3, 2009, December 3, 2010 and December 3 2011.

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