

STROPKI JOHN M
Form 4
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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 *
STROPKI JOHN M

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)
11/30/2004

☐ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify
below)
Chairman, President and CEO

CLEVELAND, OH 44117-1199

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
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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)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common Shares					2,298	D	
Common Shares					24,687.738 ⁽¹⁾	I	by Trust
Common Shares					11,175.603 ⁽²⁾	I	401-K Plan

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)	\$ 35.43	11/30/2004		A	90,000	⁽³⁾ 11/30/2014	Common Shares	90,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
STROPKI JOHN M 22801 ST. CLAIR AVENUE CLEVELAND, OH 44117-1199	X		Chairman, President and CEO	

Signatures

/s/ Frederick G. Stueber Frederick G. Stueber as Attorney-In-Fact for John M.
Stropki, Jr.

12/02/2004

__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) Shares held by the Elizabeth A. Stropki Trust. This amount also includes 5,547.738 shares in the Lincoln Electric Dividend Reinvestment Program.
- (2) Held by trustee pursuant to The Lincoln Electric Company 401-k plan. Holdings are reported by the plan on a unitized basis, which units represent approximately 4,784.575 shares.
- (3) Exercisable in 1/3 installments on the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of grant.

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