

LINCOLN G RUSSELL  
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**FORM 4**

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**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

(Print or Type Responses)

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. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
11/30/2004

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

7471 FOXBORO ROAD

(Street)

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

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

GATES MILLS, OH 44040

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 (D) Price                                |   |  |                                   |
| Common Shares                   |                                      |  |                                |   | 163,792   | D  |                                   |
| Common Shares                   |                                      |  |                                |   | 11,359  | I <u>(1)</u>   | By Trust                          |
| Common Shares                   |                                      |  |                                |   | 11,359  | I <u>(2)</u>   | By Trust                          |
| Common Shares                   |                                      |  |                                |   | 6,159   | I <u>(3)</u>   | By Trust                          |
| Common Shares                   |                                      |  |                                |   | 30,170  | I <u>(4)</u>   | By Trust                          |

|               |        |                  |           |
|---------------|--------|------------------|-----------|
| Common Shares | 514    | I <sup>(5)</sup> | By Spouse |
| Common Shares | 27,500 | I <sup>(6)</sup> | By Trust  |

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) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Stock Option (Right to Buy)                | \$ 35.43   | 11/30/2004                           |  | A                              | 2,000   | 11/30/2005 11/30/2014                                    | Common Shares   | 2,000                         |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                  | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| LINCOLN G RUSSELL<br>7471 FOXBORO ROAD<br>GATES MILLS, OH 44040 |               | X         |         |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Frederick G. Stueber Frederick G. Stueber as Attorney-In-Fact for G. Russell  
Lincoln

12/01/2004

\*\*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) G. Russell Lincoln, Trustee of the Brinton Cowles Lincoln 1988 Trust and reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership.
- (2) G. Russell Lincoln, Trustee of the James Douglas Lincoln 1988 Trust and reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership.
- (3) G. Russell Lincoln, Trustee of the Samuel Powell Lincoln 1990 Trust and reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership.
- (4) G. Russell Lincoln, Trustee of the Laura P. Heath Family Trust and reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership.
- (5) Reflects shares held by reporting person's spouse (Constance Lincoln) and reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership.
- (6) G. Russell Lincoln, Trustee of the G. Russell and Constance P. Lincoln Family Foundation and reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership.

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