

LINCOLN ELECTRIC HOLDINGS INC

Form 4

February 19, 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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/17/2016

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

CLEVELAND, OH 44117

(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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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	02/17/2016		A	3,210 A	\$ 0 (1) 32,530	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)**

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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)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 58.14	02/17/2016		A		14,345		<u>(2)</u>	02/17/2026	Common Shares	14,345

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/Jennifer I. Ansberry, Jennifer I. Ansberry as Attorney-in-Fact for Frederick G. Stueber 02/19/2016

__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) Pursuant to restricted stock unit award.

(2) The options become exercisable in three equal annual installments on February 17, 2017, February 17, 2018 and February 17, 2019.

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