#### LINCOLN ELECTRIC HOLDINGS INC

Form 4

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### FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Nangle David J			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) 22801 SAINT	(First) (Middle) CLAIR AVENUE		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/16/2013	Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below)  V.P.;Pres. of Brazing			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
CLEVELAND	, OH 44117		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	(A) or			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	12/16/2013		A	1,050	A	\$ 0 (1)	10,302	D	
Common Shares	12/17/2013		M	2,047	A	\$ 31.315	12,349	D	
Common Shares	12/17/2013		M	1,770	A	\$ 35.55	14,119	D	
Common Shares	12/17/2013		M	1,780	A	\$ 47.91	15,899	D	
Common Shares	12/17/2013		S	5,597	D	\$ 71.1985	10,302	D	

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	orDerivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 71.3	12/16/2013		A	4,310		<u>(4)</u>	12/16/2023	Common Shares	4,31
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 31.315	12/17/2013		M		2,047	12/01/2013	12/01/2020	Common Shares	2,04
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 35.55	12/17/2013		M		1,770	<u>(5)</u>	11/02/2021	Common Shares	1,77
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 47.91	12/17/2013		M		1,780	<u>(6)</u>	12/13/2022	Common Shares	1,78

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Nangle David J 22801 SAINT CLAIR AVENUE CLEVELAND, OH 44117

V.P.; Pres. of Brazing

### **Signatures**

/s/ Jennifer I. Ansberry, Jennifer I. Ansberry as Attorney-in-Face for David J. Nangle

12/18/2013

\*\*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) Pursuant to restricted stock unit award.
  - This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$71.1505 to \$71.28. The price reported reflects the weighted
- (2) average 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 shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.
- (3) Held by trustee pursuant of The Lincoln Electric Compay 401k) plan. Holdings are reported on a unitized basis, which amount represents approximately 14,647.562.
- (4) The options vest in three equal annual installments on December 16, 2014, December 16, 2015 and December 16, 2016.
- (5) The options vest in three equal annual installments commencing on November 2, 2012.
- (6) The options vest in three equal annual installments commencing on December 13, 2013.

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