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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20549

#### FORM 4

#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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

O Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16.
Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue.
See Instruction 1(b).

1.	Name and Address of Reporting Person* (Last, First, Middle)  Massaro, Anthony A.  22801 Saint Clair Avenue  (Street)			2.	Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Lincoln Electric Holdings, Inc. (LECO)		I.R.S. Identification Number of Reportin Person, if an entity (Voluntary)		
				4.	Statement for Month/Day/Year  November 5, 2002	<ol> <li>7.</li> </ol>	If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)		
				6.	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check All Applicable)		Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)		
	Cleveland,	Ohio 44117-119	)9	_	X Director O 10% Owner		X	Form filed by One Reporting Person	
	(City)	(State)	(Zip)		X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)		o	Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	
					Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer				

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* instruction 4(b)(v).

. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2: (Month/Day/Year)	a. Deemed Execution Date, if any. (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership 7 Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Shares	11/4/02		M	20,000	A	\$13.50		D	
Common Shares	11/4/02		S	6,800	D	\$23.92		D	
Common Shares	11/5/02		S	7,700	D	\$23.61	32,912(1)	D	
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Table II Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)								
. Title of Derivative 2 Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise 3. Price of Derivative Security	Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3a. Deemed Execution 4. Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securit Acquired (A) or Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			
				Code V	(A)	( <b>D</b> )		
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$13.50	11/4/02		M	20,000			
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		Tal			quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially rants, options, convertible securiti		
	Date Exercisable and 7. Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Amount or Number of Title Shares				
	(2)	10/11/10	Common Shares 20,000		655,100	D	
E.	nlanation	of Response	G.				
(1) 90	Number o 8 shares inc	f shares refle directly held	cts (i) 4,252 shares ir	ic 401(k) Plan	in The Lincoln Electric Company St as of October 31, 2002 as reported		
			tober 11, 2000 pursua 2001, October 11, 20		ner's 1998 Stock Option Plan. The opber 11, 2003.	tion becomes exercisable in	33 1/3 percent
		<u>-</u>	/s/ Anthony A. Mas	saro	November 6, 2002		
			**Signature of Repo Person	rting	Date		

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).