

LINCOLN G RUSSELL  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(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)  
11863 WIMBLEDON #445  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
09/06/2011

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

WELLINGTON, FL 33414  
(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Shares	09/06/2011		M		4,000 A \$ 11.4	353,806 <sup>(1)</sup>	D
Common Shares	09/08/2011		S		259 D \$ 32	353,547	D
Common Shares	09/08/2011		S		400 D \$ 31.89	353,147	D
Common Shares	09/08/2011		S		300 D \$ 31.88	352,847	D
Common Shares	09/08/2011		S		100 D \$ 31.8813	352,747	D

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Common Shares	09/08/2011	S	100	D	\$ 31.8806	352,647	D	
Common Shares	09/08/2011	S	100	D	\$ 31.8826	352,547	D	
Common Shares	09/08/2011	S	100	D	\$ 31.8804	352,447	D	
Common Shares	09/08/2011	S	100	D	\$ 31.8836	352,347	D	
Common Shares	09/08/2011	S	100	D	\$ 31.8821	352,247	D	
Common Shares	09/08/2011	S	100	D	\$ 31.8816	352,147	D	
Common Shares	09/08/2011	S	100	D	\$ 31.8831	352,047	D	
Common Shares	09/08/2011	S	100	D	\$ 31.8817	351,947	D	
Common Shares	09/08/2011	S	100	D	\$ 31.93	351,847	D	
Common Shares	09/08/2011	S	100	D	\$ 31.94	351,747	D	
Common Shares	09/08/2011	S	100	D	\$ 31.95	351,647	D	
Common Shares	09/08/2011	S	100	D	\$ 31.96	351,547	D	
Common Shares	09/08/2011	S	100	D	\$ 31.9606	351,447	D	
Common Shares	09/08/2011	S	100	D	\$ 31.9608	351,347	D	
Common Shares	09/08/2011	S	100	D	\$ 31.97	351,247	D	
Common Shares	09/08/2011	S	100	D	\$ 31.9702	351,147	D	
Common Shares	09/08/2011	S	100	D	\$ 31.9703	351,047	D	
Common Shares	09/08/2011	S	600	D	\$ 31.97	350,447	D	
Common Shares	09/08/2011	S	641	D	\$ 31.77	349,806	D	
Common Shares						12,318 <u>(2)</u> <u>(3)</u>	I <u>(2)</u>	By Trust
Common Shares						35,154 <u>(4)</u> <u>(5)</u>	I <u>(4)</u>	By Trust

Common Shares

Common Shares 1,028 (6) (7) I (6) By Spouse

Common Shares 61,560 (8) (9) I (8) 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 (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)	\$ 11.4	09/06/2011		M	4,000 <u>(10)</u>	11/30/2002 11/30/2011	Common Shares	4,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LINCOLN G RUSSELL 11863 WIMBLEDON #445 WELLINGTON, FL 33414		X		

## Signatures

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

09/08/2011

\*\*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) On May 31, 2011, the common stock of Lincoln Electric Holdings, Inc. split 2-for-1, resulting in the reporting person's ownership of 174,903 additional shares of common stock of which 7,012 are restricted shares.
- (2) G. Russell Lincoln, Trustee of the Samuel Powell Lincoln 1990 Trust and reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership.
- (3) On May 31, 2011, the common stock of Lincoln Electric Holdings, Inc. split 2-for-1, resulting in the reporting person's ownership of 6159 additional shares of common stock.
- (4) G. Russell Lincoln, Trustee of the Laura P. Heath Family Trust and reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership.
- (5) On May 31, 2011, the common stock of Lincoln Electric Holdings, Inc. split 2-for-1, resulting in the reporting person's ownership of 17,577 additional shares of common stock.
- (6) Reflects shares held by reporting person's spouse (Constance Lincoln) and reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership.
- (7) On May 31, 2011, the common stock of Lincoln Electric Holdings, Inc. split 2-for-1, resulting in the reporting person's ownership of 514 additional shares of common stock.
- (8) G. Russell Lincoln, Trustee of the G.R. Lincoln Family Foundation and reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership.
- (9) On May 31, 2011, the common stock of Lincoln Electric Holdings, Inc. split 2-for-1, resulting in the reporting person's ownership of 30,780 additional shares of common stock.
- (10) On May 31, 2011, the common stock of Lincoln Electric Holdings, Inc. split 2-for-1, resulting in the reporting person's ownership of 2,000 additional stock options.

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