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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and A ADAMS HA | Symbo | 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) 1601 THE T | | , | /Day/Year) | | | | _X_ Director Officer (given below) | | 6 Owner er (specify |
| BALTIMOR | f Amendment, Date Original ed(Month/Day/Year) | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting | | | | |
| | | 7:) | | | | | 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) | e 2A. Deemed Execution Date, any (Month/Day/Yea | Code r) (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities ionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
| Common Shares | 11/05/2014 | | Code V | 1,400 | (D) | Price \$ 0 | 18,172 | D | |
| Common Shares | 12/15/2014 | | A | 1,357 | A | \$ 0 (1) | 19,529 | 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)

| 1. Title of | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | | 4. | 5. | 6. Date Exerc | | 7. Titl | e and | 8. Price of | 9. Nu |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------|------------|------------------|------------|---------|------------|-------------|--------|
| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transacti | onNumber | Expiration D | ate | Amou | int of | Derivative | Deriv |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | of | (Month/Day/ | Year) | Under | lying | Security | Secui |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Derivative | e | | Securi | ities | (Instr. 5) | Bene |
| | Derivative | | | | Securities | | | (Instr. | 3 and 4) | | Own |
| | Security | | | | Acquired | | | | | | Follo |
| | | | | | (A) or | | | | | | Repo |
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| | | | | | of (D) | | | | | | (Instr |
| | | | | | (Instr. 3, | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 4, and 5) | | | | | | |
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| | | | | | | | | | Amount | | |
| | | | | | | Date | Expiration | T:41- | or Name | | |
| | | | | | | Exercisable Date | Title | | | | |
| | | | | G 1 W | (A) (B) | | | | of | | |
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | | | | Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| • | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| ADAMS HAROLD L | | | | | | | |
| 1601 THE TERRACES | X | | | | | | |
| BALTIMORE MD 21209 | | | | | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Jennifer I. Ansberry, Jennifer I. Ansberry as Attorney-in-Fact for Harold L. Adams

12/16/2014

**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 share award.

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