

LINCOLN ELECTRIC HOLDINGS INC

Form 8-K

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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Form 8-K

Current Report

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)

of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 2, 2019

LINCOLN ELECTRIC HOLDINGS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio
(State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

0-1402
(Commission

File Number)
22801 St Clair Avenue

34-1860551
(I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

Cleveland, Ohio 44117

(Address of principal executive offices, with zip code)

(216) 481-8100

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On January 2, 2019, Lincoln Electric Holdings, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing that it acquired the soldering business of Worthington Industries, Inc. (Worthington), a leading global diversified metals manufacturing company. In addition, the parties have entered into a purchase agreement for the Company to acquire certain brazing assets from Worthington. The anticipated closing of the acquisition of the brazing assets is February 1, 2019, subject to customary closing conditions.

A copy of the press release issued by the Company on January 2, 2019, is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1. The press release is also available on the Company's website at www.lincolnelectric.com.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

- 99.1 Press Release dated January 2, 2019 announcing the Company's acquisition of Worthington's soldering business.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

LINCOLN ELECTRIC HOLDINGS, INC.

Date: January 2, 2019

By: /s/ Jennifer I. Ansberry
Jennifer I. Ansberry, Executive Vice President,
General Counsel & Secretary