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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Lance Douglas S | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LINCOLN ELECTRIC HOLDINGS | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | |
|---|-------------------|----------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| | | | INC [LECO] | • | | | | |
| (Last) 22801 SAINT | (First) CLAIR AV | (Middle) VENUE | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/04/2019 | Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) SVP, President, Cleveland Ops. | | | | |
| (Street) | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Chec | | | | |
| CLEVELAND, OH 44117 | | | Filed(Month/Day/Year) | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | |

| CLEVELA | ND, OH 44117 | | | | Person | | | | | | |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tabl | e I - Non-Deriva | tive Securities Acc | quired, Disposed of | f, or Beneficiall | ly Owned | | | | |
| 1.Title of Security | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if | | curities Acquired r Disposed of (D) | 5. Amount of Securities | 6. Ownership | 7. Nature of Indirect | | | | |
| (Instr. 3) | | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | : 3, 4 and 5) | Beneficially Owned Following | Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) | Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | | |
| | | | Code V Amo | (A) or unt (D) Price | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | (Instr. 4) | | | | | |
| Common | 03/04/2019 | | A 1,23 | | 11,342.5977 | D | | | | | |

| Shares | 03/04/2019 | A | (1) | A | \$ 0 | (2) | D | |
|------------------|------------|---|-----|---|-------------|--------------------|---|-----------|
| Common Shares | 03/04/2019 | F | 380 | D | \$ 87.32 | 10,962.5977 (2) | D | |
| Common Shares | | | | | | 3,399.576 | I | by 401(k) |

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 | 3A. Deemed | 4. | 5. | 6. Date Exerc | cisable and | 7. Tit | le and | 8. Price of | 9. Nu |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------|------------|---------------|-------------|--------|--------------|-------------|--------|
| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transaction | orNumber | Expiration D | ate | Amou | unt of | Derivative | Deriv |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | of | (Month/Day/ | Year) | Unde | rlying | Security | Secu |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Derivative | e | | Secur | rities | (Instr. 5) | Bene |
| | Derivative | | | | Securities | | | (Instr | . 3 and 4) | | Own |
| | Security | | | | Acquired | | | | | | Follo |
| | | | | | (A) or | | | | | | Repo |
| | | | | | Disposed | | | | | | Trans |
| | | | | | of (D) | | | | | | (Instr |
| | | | | | (Instr. 3, | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 4, and 5) | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Amount | | |
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| | | | | | | Date | Expiration | Title | or Number | | |
| | | | | | | Exercisable | Date | Title | of | | |
| | | | | Codo V | (A) (D) | | | | | | |
| | | | | Code v | (A) (D) | | | | Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Lance Douglas S 22801 SAINT CLAIR AVENUE CLEVELAND, OH 44117

SVP, President, Cleveland Ops.

Signatures

/s/ Susan Prewitt,
Attorney-in-Fact
03/06/2019

**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) Vesting pursuant to terms of the Performance Share Agreement.
- (2) Total includes shares attributable to dividends accrued on the SPP shares pursuant to the Issuer's dividend reinvestment plan.

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