

FARRELL GRETCHEN A
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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 FARRELL GRETCHEN A

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)
 22801 ST. CLAIR AVENUE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 11/01/2011

____ Director
 Officer (give title below)
 _____ 10% Owner
 _____ Other (specify below)
 Sr. VP., H. R. & Compliance

CLEVELAND, OH 44117-1199
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Shares	11/01/2011		M	5,800	A \$ 19.965	19,699 ⁽¹⁾	D
Common Shares	11/01/2011		M	5,106	A \$ 21.985	24,805	D
Common Shares	11/01/2011		S	5,800	D <u>(2)</u>	19,005	D
Common Shares	11/01/2011		S	5,106	D <u>(3)</u>	13,899	D
Common Shares	11/02/2011		A	2,770	A \$ 0 ⁽⁴⁾	16,669	D

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Common Shares	7,349.152 ⁽⁵⁾	I	by 401(k)
Common Shares	6,426.766 ⁽⁶⁾	I	SPP
Common Shares	21.345	I	by son

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 Acquired (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)	Amount or Number of Shares
				Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 19.965	11/01/2011		M	5,800	11/30/2008 11/30/2015	Common Shares	5,800
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 21.985	11/01/2011		M	5,106	⁽⁷⁾ 12/03/2018	Common Shares	5,106
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 35.55	11/02/2011		A	8,630	⁽⁸⁾ 11/02/2021	Common Shares	8,630

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other

