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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person \* Statement LINCOLN ELECTRIC HOLDINGS INC [LECO] Mintun Michael (Month/Day/Year) 07/19/2018 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 22801 SAINT CLAIR AVENUE (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting \_X\_\_ Officer Other Person CLEVELAND, OHÂ 44117 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One SVP, N. Amer. Sales & Market. Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) D Â Common Shares 3,896 Common Shares 1,296.522 I by 401(k) Common Shares 6,252 Ι by Trust (1) Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Date Exercisable and	3. Title and Amount of	4.	5.	6. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 4)	Expiration Date	Securities Underlying	Conversion	Ownership	Beneficial Ownership
	(Month/Day/Year)	Derivative Security	or Exercise	Form of	(Instr. 5)

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			(Instr. 4)		Price of	Derivative	
Date Exerci	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	12/13/2022	Common Stock	3,800	\$ 47.91	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	12/16/2023	Common Stock	3,100	\$ 71.3	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	02/05/2025	Common Stock	3,215	\$ 69.67	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	02/17/2026	Common Stock	4,305	\$ 58.14	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	02/22/2027	Common Stock	3,430	\$ 85.3	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	02/21/2028	Common Stock	3,251	\$ 90.7	D	Â

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
1 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Mintun Michael 22801 SAINT CLAIR AVENUE CLEVELAND. OH 44117	Â	Â	SVP, N. Amer. Sales & Market.	Â

#### **Signatures**

/s/ Susan Prewitt, Attorney-in-Fact 07/26/2018

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Dat

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Michael Mintun, Trustee of the Michael S. Mintun Trust
- (2) The options vests in three annual installments commencing on the first anniversary of the date of the grant.

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