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#### FORM 4

#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

O Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16.
Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue.
See Instruction 1(b)

	ame and Address of Reporting erson* (Last, First, Middle)			Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	3.	I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporti Person, if an entity (Voluntary)			
Runtagh, Hellene S.				Lincoln Electric Holdings, Inc. (LECO)					
			4.	Statement for (Month/Day/Year)	5.	If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)			
9 Wetherfield Court				11/30/02					
(Street)				Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check All Applicable)	7.	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)			
Potomac, MD 20	0854		_	X Director O 10% Owner		x Form filed by One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		Officer (give title below)		o Form filed by More than One Reporting			
				Other (specify below)		Person			

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* instruction 4(b)(v).

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.	Transaction4. Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5.	Amount of 6. Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7.	Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
								(A) or						
							Code V	Amount (D) Price						
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Table II	Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
	(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1.	1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)		Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3.	Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3a.	3a. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	Code		Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Dispo (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		
									Code V		(A)	( <b>D</b> )		
	Stock Option (Right to Buy)		\$25.50		11/30/02				A		2,000			
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Table II Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)												
6.	Date Exercis Expiration I (Month/Day/	Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			Price of 9 Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	O. Number of Securities of Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 4)	Beneficially Reported	10.	Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11.	Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares								
	11/30/03	11/30/12	Common Shares	2,000				10,000		D		
Ex	planation of	f Responses	:									
		_	/s/ Hellene S	S. Runtagh		Decer	mber 3, 2002					
			**Signature o				Date					

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