

LINCOLN ELECTRIC HOLDINGS INC

Form 8-K

October 27, 2004

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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): **October 27, 2004**

**LINCOLN ELECTRIC HOLDINGS, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

0-1402  
(Commission File Number)

**Ohio**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

**34-1860551**  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification  
No.)

**22801 St Clair Avenue**  
**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):

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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**Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On October 27, 2004, Lincoln Electric Holdings, Inc. issued a press release reporting its 2004 third quarter financial results. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and incorporated herein by reference and also made available through the Company's website at [www.lincolnelectric.com](http://www.lincolnelectric.com). The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including the exhibit, is being furnished and shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Exchange Act) or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(c) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release of Lincoln Electric Holdings, Inc. dated October 27, 2004.

**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: October 27, 2004

By: /s/ Vincent K. Petrella  
**Vincent K. Petrella**  
**Vice President, Chief Financial**  
**Officer and Treasurer**

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