

LINCOLN ELECTRIC HOLDINGS INC
Form 8-K
February 02, 2009

**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): February 2, 2009

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):

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On February 2, 2009, Lincoln Electric Holdings, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release reporting cost-saving measures. A copy of the Company s press release issued on February 2, 2009 is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference. The press release is also available through the Company s website at www.lincolnelectric.com.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

99.1 The Company s press release dated February 2, 2009.

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

/s/ Vincent K. Petrella

Vincent K. Petrella
Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and
Treasurer
(principal financial and accounting officer)
February 2, 2009

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Exhibit No.	Exhibit
99.1	The Company's press release dated February 2, 2009.