LINCOLN ELECTRIC HOLDINGS INC Form 8-K November 16, 2012

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): November 13, 2012

LINCOLN ELECTRIC HOLDINGS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio (State or other jurisdiction

0-1402 (Commission 34-1860551 (I.R.S. Employer

of incorporation) File Number) 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):

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

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On November 13, 2012, Lincoln Electric Holdings, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release related to the acquisition of all of the outstanding stock of Kaliburn, Inc., a South Carolina corporation (Kaliburn). Kaliburn, a manufacturer of shape cutting controls and solutions, web tension transducers and engineered machine systems, is located in Ladson, South Carolina.

A copy of the press release issued by the Company on November 13, 2012 is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1. The press release is also available on 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 November 13, 2012.

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.

Date: November 16, 2012

LINCOLN ELECTRIC HOLDINGS, INC.

By: /s/ Frederick G. Stueber

Frederick G. Stueber, Senior Vice

President, General Counsel & Secretary

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