

**SUMMARY ANNUAL REPORT FOR  
THE LINCOLN ELECTRIC COMPANY WELFARE BENEFITS PLAN**

This is a summary of the annual report of The Lincoln Electric Company Welfare Benefits Plan (EIN 34-0359955, Plan Number 503) for the plan year 01/01/2022 through 12/31/2022. The annual report has been filed with the Employee Benefits Security Administration, as required under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

The Lincoln Electric Company has committed itself to pay certain medical claims incurred under the terms of the plan.

**Insurance Information**

The plan has insurance contracts with Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, Fidelity Security Life Insurance Company, Community Insurance Company, CompBenefits Insurance Company and Delta Dental of Ohio to pay certain dental, life insurance, temporary disability, long-term disability, AD&D and vision claims incurred under the terms of the plan. The total premiums paid for the plan year ending 12/31/2022 were \$6,101,936.

Because they are so called "experience-rated" contracts, the premium costs are affected by, among other things, the number and size of claims. Of the total insurance premiums paid for the plan year ending 12/31/2022, the premiums paid under such "experience-rated" contracts were \$211,348 and the total of all benefit claims paid under these experience-rated contracts during the plan year was \$0.

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You have the right to receive a copy of the full annual report, or any part thereof, on request. The items listed below are included in that report:

1. Insurance information, including sales commissions paid by insurance carriers.

To obtain a copy of the full annual report, or any part thereof, write or call the plan administrator, The Lincoln Electric Company, at 22801 St Clair Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44117 and phone number, 216-481-8100. The charge to cover copying costs will be \$25.00 for the full annual report, or \$.25 per page for any part thereof.

You also have the legally protected right to examine the annual report at the main office of the plan: 22801 St Clair Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44117, and at the U.S. Department of Labor in Washington, D.C., or to obtain a copy from the U.S. Department of Labor upon payment of copying costs. Requests to the Department should be addressed to: Public Disclosure Room, Room N-1513, Employee Benefits Security Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20210.

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