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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Graham Jordan W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 12/21/2004

RLI CORP [RLI]

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title

(Check all applicable)

below)

Other (specify

210 DEVONSHIRE BOULEVARD (Street)

(First)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

SAN CARLOS, CA 94070-1637

(State)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) anv (Month/Day/Year)

Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Common 12/21/2004

or Code V Amount (D) Price $A^{(1)}$

89

(A)

40.8

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

842 D

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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Derivative Security (Instr. 3)		Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)		Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Graham Jordan W 210 DEVONSHIRE BOULEVARD X SAN CARLOS, CA 94070-1637

Signatures

Jordan W Graham

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Issued pursuant to the RLI Corp. Nonemployee Directors' Stock Plan

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