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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

Common

Stock

02/15/2008

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Kennedy I | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RLI CORP [RLI] | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|--|----------|---------------------------------|--|--------|--|---------------|--|--|--|--|
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | | | | | (Chiesi ali appiisaole) | | | |
| 9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE | | | (Month/Day/Year) 02/15/2008 | | | | | Director 10% Owner Other (specify below) below) Vice President General Counsel | | | |
| | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | | | | |
| PEORIA, | Filed(Month/Day/Year) | | | | | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | |
| (City) | (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | ally Owned | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | | | 3. 4. Securities A Transactiomr Disposed of Code (Instr. 3, 4 and (Instr. 8) (A or Code V Amount (D | | | (D) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| Common Stock | 02/15/2008 | | | J <u>(1)</u> | 33.621 | A | \$ 53.5374 | 350.899 | D | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 1,008.071 | I | By ESOP | |
| Common | | | | | | | | | | By Executive | |

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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Deferred

Compensation

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

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | 4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Prio Deriv Secur (Instr. |
|---|---|---|--|--|---|---------------------|--------------------|---|--|--------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| Stock Option | \$ 50.15 | | | | | 05/04/2007 | 05/04/2016 | Common Stock | 8,000 | |
| Stock Option | \$ 52.3 | | | | | 02/21/2007 | 02/21/2016 | Common Stock | 5,000 | |
| Stock Option | \$ 56.09 | | | | | 05/03/2008 | 05/03/2017 | Common Stock | 9,000 | |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Kennedy Daniel O

9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE Vice President General Counsel

PEORIA, IL 61615

Signatures

DanielOKennedy 02/18/2008

**Signature of Reporting Date

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) Shares purchased through payroll deduction feature of the RLI Dividend Reinvestment Plan.
- (3) Pursuant to option schedule wherein 20% of the aggregate number of shares granted may be exercised commencing one year from grant date and each year thereafter in 20% increments.

Reporting Owners 2

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(2) The securities herein were allocated to my account pursuant to the RLI Corp. Executive Deferred Compensation Agreement.

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