

RLI CORP

Form 4

August 18, 2008

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Kennedy Daniel O

(Last) (First) (Middle)

9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE

(Street)

PEORIA, IL 61615

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
RLI CORP [RLI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
08/15/2008

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title _____ Other (specify
below) below)

Vice President General Counsel

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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	08/15/2008		J ⁽¹⁾	31.31 A \$ 57.49	519.124	D	
Common Stock					1,022.697	I	By ESOP
Common Stock	08/15/2008		J ⁽²⁾	4.3243 A \$ 57.8087	70.031	I	By Executive Deferred Compensation

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

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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 (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price Paid or Received (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	
Stock Option	\$ 50					05/01/2009	05/01/2018	Common Stock
Stock Option	\$ 50.15					05/04/2007	05/04/2016	Common Stock
Stock Option	\$ 52.3					02/21/2007	02/21/2016	Common Stock
Stock Option	\$ 56.09					05/03/2008	05/03/2017	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Kennedy Daniel O 9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE PEORIA, IL 61615			Vice President General Counsel	

Signatures

Daniel O Kennedy 08/18/2008

____Signature of Reporting Person Date

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.

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

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- (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.

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