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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
MICHAEL JONATHAN E

(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)
12/16/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	12/16/2005		J ⁽¹⁾	38.911 A \$ 51.4	134,072.4419 <u>(2)</u>	D	
Common Stock					59,570.6644 <u>(3)</u>	I	By Empl. Stock Ownership Plan
Common Stock					33,988.7959 <u>(4)</u>	I	By Key Employee Benefit Plan
Common					13,716.1072	I	By Trust

Stock

(5)

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. Pri Deriv Secur (Instr	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option	\$ 15.9063					05/06/2000	05/06/2009	Common Stock	6,290
Stock Option	\$ 15.7813					05/04/2001	05/04/2010	Common Stock	6,336
Stock Option	\$ 20.05					05/03/2002	05/03/2011	Common Stock	60,000
Stock Option	\$ 21.1					05/07/1999	05/07/2008	Common Stock	9,355
Stock Option	\$ 29.335					05/02/2003	05/02/2012	Common Stock	60,000
Stock Option	\$ 29.55					05/01/2004	05/01/2013	Common Stock	60,000
Stock Option	\$ 35.08					05/06/2005	05/06/2014	Common Stock	60,000
Stock Option	\$ 44.54					05/05/2006	05/05/2015	Common Stock	45,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Reporting Owners

MICHAEL JONATHAN E
9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE X President
PEORIA, IL 61615

Signatures

Jonathan E 12/19/2005
Michael

 **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).
- (2) Ownership reflects dividend reinvestment.
- (3) Ownership reflects shares allocated to ESOP participant's account and dividend reinvestment.
- (6) Options balance adjusted to reflect 2 additional options received pursuant to the 1995 and 1998 stock splits.
- (1) Shares purchased through payroll deduction feature of the RLI Dividend Reinvestment Plan.
- (5) Ownership reflects dividend reinvestment.
- (4) Ownership reflects dividend reinvestment.

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