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FORM 4

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

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

MICHAEL JONATHAN E

	•	RLI CORP [RLI]						(Check all applicable)				
(Last) 9025 N. LI	(1	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/15/2006						_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) President				
				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting			
FEORIA, I								Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip) 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. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price				d of (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	08/15/2006			J <u>(1)</u>		87.26	A	\$ 45.84	135,800.0937 (2)	D		
Common Stock									60,693.8529 (3)	I	By Empl. Stock Ownership Plan	
Common Stock									34,344.5131 (<u>4)</u>	I	By Key Employee Benefit Plan	
Common									13,858.7655	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)	Asaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. 6. Date Exercisable and Execution Date, if any Code of (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		e	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		88 II S S (
				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	
Stock Option	\$ 47.44					08/04/2007	08/04/2016	Common Stock	10,500	
Stock Option	\$ 50.15					05/04/2007	05/04/2016	Common Stock	10,500	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MICHAEL JONATHAN E

9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE X President

PEORIA, IL 61615

Signatures

Jonathan E Michael 08/16/2006

**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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