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

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

DONDANVILLE JOSEPH E			E Symbo	Symbol RLI CORP [RLI]					Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE			(Montl	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/16/2010				_	(Check all applicable) Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Senior Vice President/CFO				
(Street) PEORIA, IL 61615				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 Person				
	(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									lly Owned			
	1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	iona (I. Securities or Disposed Instr. 3, 4 a	l of (È))	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	02/16/2010		J <u>(1)</u> \	V 4	147.373	A	\$ 51.095	25,732.4049	I	By Empl. Stock Ownership Plan (4)		
	Common Stock								76,510.015	D			
	Common Stock								8,909.232	I	By Trust (2)		
	Common Stock								12,276	I	By Wife in		

Trust

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 29.335					05/02/2003	05/02/2012	Common Stock	32,000
Stock Option	\$ 29.55					05/01/2004	05/01/2013	Common Stock	28,000
Stock Option	\$ 35.08					05/06/2005	05/06/2014	Common Stock	28,000
Stock Option	\$ 44.54					05/05/2006	05/05/2015	Common Stock	21,000
Stock Option	\$ 50.15					05/04/2007(3)	05/04/2016	Common Stock	17,500
Stock Option	\$ 56.09					05/03/2008(3)	05/03/2017	Common Stock	18,000
Stock Option	\$ 50					05/01/2009(3)	05/01/2018	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Option	\$ 54.36					08/01/2009(3)	08/01/2018	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Option	\$ 56.73					11/03/2009(3)	11/03/2018	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Option	\$ 56.89					02/02/2010(3)	02/02/2019	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Option	\$ 46.9					05/07/2010(3)	05/07/2017	Common Stock	4,700
	\$ 50.49					08/03/2010(3)	08/03/2017		4,700

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Stock Option				Common Stock	
Stock Option	\$ 49.9	11/02/2010(3)	11/02/2017	Common Stock	4,700
Stock Option	\$ 51.62	02/01/2011(3)	02/01/2018	Common Stock	4,700

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DONDANVILLE JOSEPH E 9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE PEORIA, IL 61615

Senior Vice President/CFO

Signatures

/s/ Joseph E. 02/22/2010 Dondanville

**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) Transaction represents 2009 ESOP contribution.
- (2) Ownership reflects dividend reinvestment.
- (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.
- (4) Ownership reflects shares allocated to ESOP participant's account and dividend reinvestment.

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