**RLI CORP** Form 4 February 25, 2011

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

**OMB APPROVAL** 

OMB Number:

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

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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

See Instruction 1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

MICHAEL JONATHAN E

(Print or Type Responses)

			RLI CORP [RLI]			(Check all applicable)					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/24/2011						X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
(Street)			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		
PEORIA, IL 61615									Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tal	ole I - N	lon-	Derivativ	e Secı	ırities Ac	quired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficia	ally Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Date, if	Code (Instr.	8)	4. Securion(A) or Do (Instr. 3,	ispose	ed 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	02/24/2011			J <u>(2)</u>	V	1,800	D	\$ 56.77	5,667	I	J.E. Michael 2009 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust Dtd 02/24/09
Common Stock	02/24/2011			J(2)	V	1,800	A	\$ 56.77	213,132.8665	D (1)	
Common Stock									76,928.8507	I	By Empl. Stock

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		Ownership Plan (3)					
Common Stock	42,240.5567 I	By Key Employee Benefit Plan (1)					
Common Stock	17,045.2129 I	By Trust (1)					
Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities ber	neficially owned directly or indirectly.						
	SEC 1474 (9-02)						
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)							
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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. Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year			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	\$ 28.08 (4)					05/06/2005	05/06/2014	Common Stock	60,000	
Stock Option	\$ 37.54 (4)					05/05/2006	05/05/2015	Common Stock	45,000	
Stock Option	\$ 43.15 (4)					05/04/2007(5)	05/04/2016	Common Stock	10,500	
Stock Option	\$ 40.44 (4)					08/04/2007(5)	08/04/2016	Common Stock	10,500	
Stock Option	\$ 47.04 (4)					11/03/2007(5)	11/03/2016	Common Stock	10,500	
Stock Option	\$ 49.21 (4)					02/02/2008(5)	02/02/2017	Common Stock	10,500	
Stock Option	\$ 49.09 (4)					05/03/2008(5)	05/03/2017	Common Stock	10,500	

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(4)	08/03/2008 <u>(5)</u> 08/03/201	7 Stock	10,500
\$ 49.03 (4)	11/02/2008 <u>(5)</u> 11/02/201	7 Common Stock	10,500
\$ 48.41 (4)	02/01/2009 <u>(5)</u> 02/01/201	3 Common Stock	10,500
\$ 43 (4)	05/01/2009 <u>(5)</u> 05/01/201	3 Common Stock	10,500
\$ 47.36 (4)	08/01/2009 <u>(5)</u> 08/01/201	Stock	10,500
\$ 49.73 (4)	11/03/2009 <u>(5)</u> 11/03/201	Stock	10,500
\$ 49.89 (4)	02/02/2010 <u>(5)</u> 02/02/201	Common Stock	10,500
\$ 39.9 (4)	05/07/2010 <u>(5)</u> 05/07/201	7 Common Stock	9,750
\$ 43.49 (4)	08/03/2010 <u>(5)</u> 08/03/201	7 Common Stock	9,750
\$ 42.9 (4)	11/02/2010 <u>(5)</u> 11/02/201	7 Common Stock	9,750
\$ 44.62 (4)	02/01/2011 <u>(5)</u> 02/01/201	Stock	9,750
\$ 49.34 (4)	05/06/2011 <u>(5)</u> 05/06/201	Stock	8,500
\$ 49.2 (4)	08/02/2011 <u>(5)</u> 08/02/201	Stock	8,500
\$ 50.26 (4)	11/01/2011 <u>(5)</u> 11/01/201	Common Stock	8,500
\$ 55.28	02/01/2012 <u>(5)</u> 02/01/201	Common Stock	8,500
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# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
MICHAEL JONATHAN E	v		Du ! . 1 4			
9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE PEORIA II. 61615	X		President			

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## **Signatures**

/s/ Jonathan E. 02/25/2011 Michael

\*\*Signature of Reporting 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) Ownership reflects dividend reinvestment.
- (2) Shares transferred from the J.E. Michael 2009 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust dated 02/24/09 to J.E. Michael.
- (3) Ownership reflects shares allocated to ESOP participant's account and dividend reinvestment.
- (4) Stock Option grant price adjusted to reflect \$7 RLI extraordinary dividend paid 12/29/10.
- 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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