

RLI CORP  
Form 8-K  
January 20, 2005

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

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT  
Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of  
The Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 20, 2005**

**RLI Corp.**

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*(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)*

**Illinois**

**0-6612**

**37-0889946**

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*(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)*

*(Commission  
File Number)*

*(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)*

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**9025 North Lindberg Drive, Peoria, IL**

**61615**

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*(Address of principal executive offices)*

*(Zip Code)*

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (309) 692-1000**

**Not applicable**

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*(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)*

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On January 20, 2005, RLI Corp. announced its results of operations for the fourth quarter of 2004. Furnished as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference is the press release issued by RLI Corp.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(c) Exhibits

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	Press Release dated January 20, 2005 (furnished pursuant to Item 2.02). This Exhibit is furnished pursuant to Item 2.02 hereof and should not be deemed to be filed under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: January 20, 2005

RLI CORP.

By: /s/ JOSEPH E. DONDANVILLE

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Joseph E. Dondanville  
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial  
Officer

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**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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