

PROTECTIVE LIFE CORP  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

<p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</p> <p>Â ADAM DOUGLAS K</p> <p>(Last) (First) (Middle)</p> <p>2801 HIGHWAY 280 SOUTH</p> <p>(Street)</p> <p>BIRMINGHAM,Â ALÂ 35223</p> <p>(City) (State) (Zip)</p>	<p>2. Date of Event Requiring Statement</p> <p>(Month/Day/Year)</p> <p>03/07/2005</p>	<p>3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p>PROTECTIVE LIFE CORP [PL]</p>	<p>4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</p> <p>(Check all applicable)</p> <p>___ Director ___ 10% Owner ___ Officer ___X___ Other (give title below) (specify below) PRES: WCL &amp; EG, Sub of Issuer</p>	<p>5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)</p>	<p>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)</p> <p>__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person ___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</p>
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	6,824.3424	I	By 401(k) (1)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-02)

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Title	Amount or Number of		

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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
SAR 02 <sup>(2)</sup>	03/06/2005	03/06/2010	Common Stock	10,000	\$ 22.31	D	Â
SAR 07 <sup>(2)</sup>	07/21/2004	03/06/2010	Common Stock	14,289	\$ 22.31	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ADAM DOUGLAS K 2801 HIGHWAY 280 SOUTH BIRMINGHAM, AL 35223	Â	Â	Â	PRES: WCL & EG, Sub of Issuer

## Signatures

By: by Harriette Hyché  
Attorney-in-Fact for

03/16/2005

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) Total shares held by reporting person in PLC's 401(k) & Stock Ownership Plan as of 3/4/05.
- (2) Grant to reporting person of Stock Appreciation Rights (SAR's) in transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3(d).

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