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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FRENCH JSM	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PROTECTIVE LIFE CORP [PL]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				
2801 HIGHWAY 280 SOUTH	(Month/Day/Year) 11/07/2005	_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
BIRMINGHAM, AL 35223	Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Pe Form filed by More than One Re				
(City) (State) (Zip)		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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities onor Dispose (Instr. 3, 4)	d of (Ľ))	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	11/07/2005		A	64.1772	A	\$ 42.071	13,811.3692	I	Deferred Compensation (1)	
Common Stock							1,500	D		
Common Stock							1,800	I	By wife (2)	
Common Stock							30,000	I	Dunn Investment Company (3)	

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		3. Transaction Date		4.	5.	6. Date Exerc			le and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transac Code (Instr. 8	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	5		Secur	rlying	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	/ (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

FRENCH JSM 2801 HIGHWAY 280 SOUTH X BIRMINGHAM, AL 35223

Signatures

By: by Harriette Hyche Attorney-in-Fact for 11/08/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person 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) Shares acquired through the PLC Def. Comp. Plan for Directors who are not Officers of the Corporation (exempt under Rule 16b-3).
- (2) I disclaim beneficial ownership of such shares.
- (3) I disclaim beneficial ownership of such shares.

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