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### FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

	Address of Reporting L JONATHAN E	Symbo	suer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading ol CORP [RLI]	5. Relationship of Reporting Issuer		
(Last) 9025 N. L	(First)	(Middle) 3. Date (Month	e of Earliest Transaction h/Day/Year) 7/2009	(Check all applements)  _X_ Director _X_ Officer (give title below)  below	_ 10% Owner _ Other (specify w)	
PEORIA,	(Street)		amendment, Date Original Month/Day/Year)	President  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting		
(City)	(State)	(Zip) T	able I - Non-Derivative Securities Ac	Person  Quired Disposed of or Rene	eficially Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. 4. Securities Acquired (A TransactionDisposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	or 5. Amount of 6. Securities Own Beneficially Form Owned Dire Following or In Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Inst	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial oct (D) Ownership ndirect (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	08/17/2009		J <sup>(4)</sup> 116.754 A \$ 51.38	99 168,455.4635 D <u>(1</u>	<u>l)</u>	
Common Stock				65,445.1396 I	By Empl. Stock Ownership Plan (2)	
Common Stock				36,221.4988 I	By Key Employee Benefit Plan (1)	

By Trust (1)

14,616.4456

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Common Stock

Common Stock  $10{,}118 \qquad I \qquad \begin{array}{c} \text{J.E.} \\ \text{Michael} \\ 2009 \\ \text{Grantor} \\ \text{Retained} \\ \text{Annuity} \\ \text{Trust Dtd} \\ 02{/}24{/}09 \end{array}$ 

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. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	8. De Se (In
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option	\$ 20.05					05/03/2002	05/03/2011	Common Stock	1	
Stock Option	\$ 29.335					05/02/2003	05/02/2012	Common Stock	60,000	
Stock Option	\$ 29.55					05/01/2004	05/01/2013	Common Stock	60,000	
Stock Option	\$ 35.08					05/06/2005	05/06/2014	Common Stock	60,000	
Stock Option	\$ 44.54					05/05/2006	05/05/2015	Common Stock	45,000	
Stock Option	\$ 50.15					05/04/2007(3)	05/04/2016	Common Stock	10,500	
	\$ 47.44					08/04/2007(3)	08/04/2016		10,500	

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Stock Option				Common Stock	
Stock Option	\$ 54.04	11/03/2007(3)	11/03/2016	Common Stock	10,500
Stock Option	\$ 56.21	02/02/2008(3)	02/02/2017	Common Stock	10,500
Stock Option	\$ 56.09	05/03/2008(3)	05/03/2017	Common Stock	10,500
Stock Option	\$ 56.67	08/03/2008(3)	08/03/2017	Common Stock	10,500
Stock Option	\$ 56.03	11/02/2008(3)	11/02/2017	Common Stock	10,500
Stock Option	\$ 55.41	02/01/2009(3)	02/01/2018	Common Stock	10,500
Stock Option	\$ 50	05/01/2009(3)	05/01/2018	Common Stock	10,500
Stock Option	\$ 54.36	08/01/2009(3)	08/01/2018	Common Stock	10,500
Stock Option	\$ 56.73	11/03/2009(3)	11/03/2018	Common Stock	10,500
Stock Option	\$ 56.89	02/02/2010(3)	02/02/2019	Common Stock	10,500
Stock Option	\$ 46.9	05/07/2010(3)	05/07/2017	Common Stock	9,750
Stock Option	\$ 50.49	08/03/2010(3)	08/03/2017	Common Stock	9,750

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
MICHAEL JONATHAN E 9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE PEORIA, IL 61615	X		President		

# **Signatures**

/s/ Jonathan E. Michael	08/18/2009		
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		

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### **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) Ownership reflects shares allocated to ESOP participant's account and 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) Shares purchased through payroll deduction feature of the RLI Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

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