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

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

Common

Common

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MICHAEL JONATHAN E			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RLI CORP [RLI]				ng	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date o	f Earliest Ti	ransaction			(Cne	eck all applical	oie)	
9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE			(Month/Day/Year) 05/05/2011			X Director X Officer (gives) below)		0% Owner other (specify			
								President			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)					Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting			
PEORIA, I	L 61615							Person	More than One	Reporting	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Securi	ities A	cquired, Disposed	of, or Benefic	ially Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Data (Month/Day/Year)	e 2A. Deem Execution any (Month/D	Date, if	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit onAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	(A) or of (D) 4 and 5 (A) or		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								213,309.2544	D (2)		
Common Stock								77,687.868	I	By Empl. Stock Ownership Plan (3)	

By Key

(2)

42,461.299

17,134.2882

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Employee

Benefit Plan

By Trust (2)

Stock

Common Stock	5,696.4502	I	J.E. Michael 2009 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust Dtd 02/24/09

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. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amoun Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Stock Option	\$ 58.73	05/05/2011		A	15,000	05/05/2012(1)	05/05/2019	Common Stock	15,000
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(1)	05/04/2016	Common Stock	10,500
Stock Option	\$ 40.44 (4)					08/04/2007(1)	08/04/2016	Common Stock	10,500
Stock Option	\$ 47.04 (4)					11/03/2007(1)	11/03/2016	Common Stock	10,500
Stock Option	\$ 49.21 (4)					02/02/2008(1)	02/02/2017	Common Stock	10,500
Stock Option	\$ 49.09 (4)					05/03/2008(1)	05/03/2017	Common Stock	10,500
						08/03/2008(1)	08/03/2017		10,500

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Stock Option	\$ 49.67 (4)			Common Stock	
Stock Option	\$ 49.03 (4)	11/02/2008(1)	11/02/2017	Common Stock	10,500
Stock Option	\$ 48.41 <u>(4)</u>	02/01/2009(1)	02/01/2018	Common Stock	10,500
Stock Option	\$ 43 <u>(4)</u>	05/01/2009(1)	05/01/2018	Common Stock	10,500
Stock Option	\$ 47.36 (<u>4)</u>	08/01/2009(1)	08/01/2018	Common Stock	10,500
Stock Option	\$ 49.73 (4)	11/03/2009(1)	11/03/2018	Common Stock	10,500
Stock Option	\$ 49.89 (<u>4)</u>	02/02/2010(1)	02/02/2019	Common Stock	10,500
Stock Option	\$ 39.9 (4)	05/07/2010(1)	05/07/2017	Common Stock	9,750
Stock Option	\$ 43.49 (<u>4)</u>	08/03/2010(1)	08/03/2017	Common Stock	9,750
Stock Option	\$ 42.9 <u>(4)</u>	11/02/2010(1)	11/02/2017	Common Stock	9,750
Stock Option	\$ 44.62 (<u>4)</u>	02/01/2011(1)	02/01/2018	Common Stock	9,750
Stock Option	\$ 49.34 (<u>4)</u>	05/06/2011(1)	05/06/2018	Common Stock	8,500
Stock Option	\$ 49.2 <u>(4)</u>	08/02/2011(1)	08/02/2018	Common Stock	8,500
Stock Option	\$ 50.26 (4)	11/01/2011(1)	11/01/2018	Common Stock	8,500
Stock Option	\$ 55.28	02/01/2012(1)	02/01/2019	Common Stock	8,500

Reporting Owners

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

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/s/ Jonathan E. 05/06/2011 Michael

**Signature of Reporting Date

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- * 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) 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.
- (2) Ownership reflects dividend reinvestment.
- (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.

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