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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
MICHAEL JONATHAN E

(Last) (First) (Middle)
9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE
(Street)

PEORIA, IL 61615

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
RLI CORP [RLI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
08/15/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |
| Common Stock | 08/15/2006 | | J ⁽¹⁾ | | 87.26 | A | \$ 45.84 |
| | | | | | 135,800.0937 | | (2) |
| Common Stock | | | | | 60,693.8529 | I | (3) |
| | | | | | 34,344.5131 | I | (4) |
| Common Stock | | | | | 13,858.7655 | I | |

By Empl. Stock Ownership Plan

By Key Employee Benefit Plan

By Trust

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Stock

(5)

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Option | \$ 15.9063 | | | | | 05/06/2000 | 05/06/2009 | Common Stock | 6,290 |
| Stock Option | \$ 15.7813 | | | | | 05/04/2001 | 05/04/2010 | Common Stock | 6,336 |
| Stock Option | \$ 20.05 | | | | | 05/03/2002 | 05/03/2011 | Common Stock | 60,000 |
| Stock Option | \$ 21.1 | | | | | 05/07/1999 | 05/07/2008 | Common Stock | 9,355 |
| 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 | \$ 47.44 | | | | | 08/04/2007 | 08/04/2016 | Common Stock | 10,500 |
| Stock Option | \$ 50.15 | | | | | 05/04/2007 | 05/04/2016 | Common Stock | 10,500 |

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

Jonathan E
Michael 08/16/2006

**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).
- (2) Ownership reflects dividend reinvestment.
 - (3) Ownership reflects shares allocated to ESOP participant's account and dividend reinvestment.
 - (6) Options balance adjusted to reflect 2 additional options received pursuant to the 1995 and 1998 stock splits.
 - (1) Shares purchased through payroll deduction feature of the RLI Dividend Reinvestment Plan.
 - (5) Ownership reflects dividend reinvestment.
 - (4) Ownership reflects dividend reinvestment.

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