JOHNSON ERIC G Form 4

January 04, 2005

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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Form 5 obligations may continue.

See Instruction 1(b).

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 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)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * JOHNSON ERIC G

(Last) (First) (Middle)

CENTRE SQUARE WEST TOWER, 1500 MARKET ST.,

SUITE 3900

(Street)

(State)

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

(Zip)

PHILADLEPHIA, PA 19102

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

LINCOLN NATIONAL CORP [LNC]

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

12/31/2004

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

X_ Director 10% Owner

Other (specify Officer (give title

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

Common

Stock

(City)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

12/31/2007

Execution Date, if

Code (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

3.

Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of

Code V

(D) Amount 656.06

(A)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Price

Transaction(s)

\$0 $7.844.32^{(2)}$ D (1)

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)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)			ate	7. Title Amoun Under	nt of lying ities	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene
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					of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						(Instr
					4, and 3)				Amount		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	or Number of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
JOHNSON ERIC G CENTRE SQUARE WEST TOWER 1500 MARKET ST., SUITE 3900 PHILADLEPHIA, PA 19102	X						

Signatures

By /s/ Dennis L. Schoff, Attorney-in-Fact

01/04/2005

**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) Quarterly payment of board retainer and fees in shares of phantom stock accrued under the Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors (the "Plan"), which are payable solely in shares of the Company's common stock at resignation or retirement.
- (2) Includes 151.54 shares acquired upon dividend reinvestment.

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