

GARRETT J PATRICK  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**GARRETT J PATRICK**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**CLECO CORP [CNL]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**P.O. BOX 5000**  
  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**03/04/2008**

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

**PINEVILLE, LA 71361-5000**  
  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock, \$1.00 par				(A) or (D) Price	49,361.488 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	

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)**

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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)	Amount of Number of Shares
				Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	
Phantom Stock	(2)	03/04/2008		I	20,391.866	(2) (2)	Common Stock, \$1.00 par	20,391.866 (2)

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GARRETT J PATRICK P.O. BOX 5000 PINEVILLE, LA 71361-5000		X		

## Signatures

Judy P. Miller, Atty-in-fact for J. Patrick Garrett  
 03/04/2008  
 \*\*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) Includes 148,971 shares acquired through the Cleco Corporation Dividend Reinvestment Plan on 02/15/2008.  
 Each share of phantom stock is the economic equivalent of one share of Cleco Corporation common stock. On March 4, 2008, the reporting person transferred funds held in the Directors Predecessor Account (Prime Rate Fund) in his deferred compensation account into the Directors Retirement Account (phantom stock) in his deferred compensation account pursuant to the Cleco Corporation Deferred Compensation Plan (the "Plan"). Shares of phantom stock may be transferred by the reporting person into an alternative investment account in the Plan at any time pursuant to the terms and provisions of the Plan.
- (3) Includes 3,449 shares of phantom stock (not subject to restrictions) related to dividend reinvestment on shares of phantom stock pursuant to the terms and provisions of the Plan. Includes (a) 1,200 shares of phantom stock subject to restrictions that lapse on July 23, 2010; (b) 2,339 shares of phantom stock subject to restrictions that lapse on January 28, 2011; (c) 1,064 shares of phantom stock subject to restrictions that lapse on July 22, 2011; (d) 2,228 shares of phantom stock subject to restrictions that lapse on January 27, 2012; (e) 1,846 shares of phantom stock subject to restrictions that lapse on January 26, 2013; and (f) 2,140 shares of phantom stock subject to restrictions that lapse on January 25, 2014.

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