

CLECO CORP  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
**CROWELL RICHARD B**

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
  
P.O. BOX 5000  
  
(Street)  
  
PINEVILLE, LA 71361-5000

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**10/06/2006**

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)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock, \$1.00 par        | 10/06/2006                           |  | M                              | 5,000 A   | \$ 17.75  | 79,062 <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) | 8.    |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------|
| Outside Director Stock Option (2)          | \$ 17.75   | 10/06/2006                           |  | M                              | 5,000   | 04/23/2004 04/23/2014                                    | Common Stock, \$1.00 par                                      | 5,000 |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                 | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| CROWELL RICHARD B<br>P.O. BOX 5000<br>PINEVILLE, LA 71361-5000 | X             |           |         |       |

## Signatures

Judy P. Miller, Atty-in-fact for Richard B. Crowell  
 10/06/2006  
 \*\*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).
  - (1) Does not include: 10,000 shares held by the reporting person's wife; 8,319 shares held in trust for the benefit of the reporting person's son and daughter; 22,439 shares held in trust for the benefit of the reporting person's son; 22,344 shares held in trust for the benefit of the reporting person's daughter; 31,266 shares held by the reporting person's son; 1,000 shares held in trust for the benefit of the reporting person's grandson; 35,196 shares held by the reporting person's daughter; 5,790 shares held by the reporting person's daughter-in-law; 1,290 shares held by the reporting person's son-in-law; and 1,290 shares held in trust for the benefit of the reporting person's grandson.
  - (2) Right to buy granted under the Company's 2000 Long-Term Incentive Compensation Plan.

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