CLECO CORP Form 4 January 29, 2008

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Bunting Anthony L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last) (First) CLECO CORP [CNL]

(Middle)

(Check all applicable)

P.O. BOX 5000

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

01/25/2008

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) Vice President

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

Person

PINEVILLE, LA 71361-5000

(Street)

(City)	(State) ((Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or				5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect		
(Instr. 3)	(Wondin Day, Tear)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	ode Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Beneficially Owned Following Reported	(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock, \$1 par	01/25/2008		A(1)	1,128	A	\$0	18,679.2793 (2)	D		
Common Stock, \$1 par	01/25/2008		A(3)	1,958	A	\$0	20,637.2793	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)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer Other Director 10% Owner

Bunting Anthony L P.O. BOX 5000

Vice President

01/29/2008

PINEVILLE, LA 71361-5000

Signatures

Judy P. Miller, Atty-in-Fact for Anthony L. **Bunting**

> **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).
- Shares acquired under the Company's 2000 Long-Term Incentive Compensation Plan as the result of the Company's above-target performance during the three-year period ending December 31, 2007.
- (2) Total includes 208.925 shares acquired through the Company's 401k plan during the period 5/23/07 12/31/07.
 - Performance shares granted under the Company's 2000 Long-Term Incentive Compensation Plan. Shares are subject to forfeiture, in whole or in part, based on the Company's performance during a three-year period beginning January 1, 2008 and ending December 31, 2010. For the 2008 - 2010 performance cycle, the Compensation Committee has established total shareholder return (defined as the
- (3) Company's common stock price appreciation plus dividends paid during the performance cycle) compared to companies in the S&P Small and MidCap Electric Utilities (GICS and NAICS) group as the performance goal. Dividends will be accrued quarterly during the performance cycle, are subject to forfeiture in whole or in part, and will be paid only after the final determination of performance and in proportion to the target shares.

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