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# FORM 4

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * DONDANVILLE JOSEPH E			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last) (First) (Middle) 9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE		(Middle)	RLI CORP [RLI]  3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Senior Vice President/CFO		
		LIVE	(Month/Day/Year) 05/22/2011			
	(Street)		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		
PEORIA, IL 61615 (City) (State) (Zip)				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tak	ole I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	of, or Benefici	ally 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. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	d of (D)	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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	05/22/2011		F	8,556	D	\$ 60.5	110,706.015	D	
Common Stock	05/22/2011		M	11,000	A	\$ 37.54	121,706.015	D	
Common Stock							27,351.7305	I	By Empl. Stock Ownership Plan
Common Stock							10,336.7652	I	By Trust (2)

12,276

By Wife in Common Stock Trust

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)	2 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Secur Secur Acqu or Dis (D)	urities uired (A) isposed of rr. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Stock Option	\$ 37.54 (1)	05/22/2011		M		11,000	05/05/2006	05/05/2015	Common Stock	11,000
Stock Option	\$ 43.15 (1)						05/04/2007(3)	05/04/2016	Common Stock	17,500
Stock Option	\$ 49.09 (1)						05/03/2008(3)	05/03/2017	Common Stock	18,000
Stock Option	\$ 43 (1)						05/01/2009(3)	05/01/2018	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Option	\$ 47.36 (1)						08/01/2009(3)	08/01/2018	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Option	\$ 49.73 (1)						11/03/2009(3)	11/03/2018	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Option	\$ 49.89 (1)						02/02/2010(3)	02/02/2019	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Option	\$ 39.9 (1)						05/07/2010(3)	05/07/2017	Common Stock	4,700
Stock Option	\$ 43.49 (1)						08/03/2010(3)	08/03/2017	Common Stock	4,700
Stock Option	\$ 42.9 <u>(1)</u>						11/02/2010(3)	11/02/2017	Common Stock	4,700
Stock Option	\$ 44.62 (1)						02/01/2011(3)	02/01/2018	Common Stock	4,700

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Stock Option	\$ 49.34 (1)	05/06/2011(3)	05/06/2018	Common Stock	4,000
Stock Option	\$ 49.2 <u>(1)</u>	08/02/2011(3)	08/02/2018	Common Stock	4,000
Stock Option	\$ 50.26 (1) (3)	11/01/2011	11/01/2018	Common Stock	4,000
Stock Option	\$ 55.28	02/01/2012(3)	02/01/2019	Common Stock	4,000
Stock Option	\$ 58.73	05/05/2012(3)	05/05/2019	Common Stock	4,000

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DONDANVILLE JOSEPH E 9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE PEORIA, IL 61615

Senior Vice President/CFO

## **Signatures**

/s/ Joseph E. Dondanville 05/23/2011

\*\*Signature of Reporting Date
Person

### **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) Stock Option grant price adjusted to reflect \$7 RLI extraordinary dividend paid 12/29/10.
- (2) Ownership reflects dividend reinvestment.
- (3) Pursuant to option schedule wherein 20% of the aggregate number of shares granted may be exercised commencing one year from grant date and each year thereafter in 20% increments.

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