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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement RLI CORP [RLI] Robison John E (Month/Day/Year) 02/09/2006 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer Other Person (give title below) (specify below) PEORIA, ÂILÂ 61615 Form filed by More than One Treasurer Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) Form:

(Instr. 4)

(Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

Ι Common Stock 380.8163 (1) By ESOP

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	,		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	(msu. 3)

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			Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option	12/31/2005 08/16/2	2014 Common Stock	2,500	\$ 36.52	D	Â
Stock Option	12/31/2005 05/05/2	2015 Common	3,500	\$ 44.54	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Robison John E 9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE PEORIA, IL 61615	Â	Â	Treasurer	Â	

Signatures

John E. Robison 02/10/2006

**Signature of Pate Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Ownership reflects shares allocated to ESOP participant's account and dividend reinvestment.

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