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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

RLI CORP [RLI]

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

MICHAEL JONATHAN E

(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date o	f Earliest T	ransaction					**
9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE		(Month/Day/Year) 08/04/2006					_X_ Director _X_ Officer (gives below)		% Owner ther (specify	
			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			
i LOKIA, ii	2 01013							Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Securities	s Acc	quired, Disposed	of, or Benefici	ally Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Dat (Month/Day/Year)		Date, if	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. SecurionAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	l (A) or l of (D)	S H () H T ice	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Dwned Following Reported Fransaction(s) Instr. 3 and 4) 135,712.8337	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock							6	- 60,693.8529 <u>(2)</u>	I	By Empl. Stock Ownership Plan
Common Stock							3	34,344.5131 <u>(3)</u>	I	By Key Employee Benefit Plan
Common Stock]	13,858.7655 <u>(4)</u>	I	By Trust

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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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option	\$ 15.9063						05/06/2000	05/06/2009	Common Stock	6,290
Stock Option	\$ 15.7813						05/04/2001	05/04/2010	Common Stock	6,336
Stock Option	\$ 20.05						05/03/2002	05/03/2011	Common Stock	60,000
Stock Option	\$ 21.1						05/07/1999	05/07/2008	Common Stock	9,355
Stock Option	\$ 29.335						05/02/2003	05/02/2012	Common Stock	60,000
Stock Option	\$ 29.55						05/01/2004	05/01/2013	Common Stock	60,000
Stock Option	\$ 35.08						05/06/2005	05/06/2014	Common Stock	60,000
Stock Option	\$ 44.54						05/05/2006	05/05/2015	Common Stock	45,000
Stock Option	\$ 50.15						05/04/2007	05/04/2016	Common Stock	10,500
Stock Option	\$ 47.44	08/04/2006		A	10,500		08/04/2007	08/04/2016	Common Stock	10,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			

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MICHAEL JONATHAN E
9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE X President
PEORIA, IL 61615

Signatures

Jonathan E Michael 08/07/2006

**Signature of Date
Reporting 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) Ownership reflects dividend reinvestment.
- (2) Ownership reflects shares allocated to ESOP participant's account and dividend reinvestment.
- (5) Options balance adjusted to reflect 2 additional options received pursuant to the 1995 and 1998 stock splits.
- (4) Ownership reflects dividend reinvestment.
- (3) Ownership reflects dividend reinvestment.

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