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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MICHAEL JONATHAN E			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RLI CORP [RLI]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an applicable)		
9025 N. LINDI	BERGH DI	RIVE	(Month/Day/Year) 03/10/2010	_X_ Director 10% Owner		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
PEORIA, IL 61	1615		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Ta	ble I - Non	-Derivativ	e Secı	ırities Acqı	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficia	lly 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 coor Dispos (Instr. 3,	ed of (` ′	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/10/2010		Code V M	Amount 60,000	(D)	Price \$ 29.335	(Instr. 3 and 4) 231,344.2105	D (1)	
Common Stock	03/10/2010		F	42,935	D	\$ 55.32	188,409.2105	D (1)	
Common Stock							66,594.5854	I	By Empl. Stock Ownership Plan (2)
Common Stock							36,597.0709	I	By Key Employee Benefit

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			Plan <u>(1)</u>
Common Stock	14,768	I	By Trust (1)
Common Stock	7,467	I	J.E. Michael 2009 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust Dtd 02/24/09

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)	orDe Se Ac or (D (Ir	eriva curi cqui Dis	ities red (A) sposed of 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A	.)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Stock Option	\$ 29.335	03/10/2010		M			60,000	05/02/2003	05/02/2012	Common Stock	60,000
Stock Option	\$ 20.05							05/03/2002	05/03/2011	Common Stock	1
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(3)	05/04/2016	Common Stock	10,500
Stock Option	\$ 47.44							08/04/2007(3)	08/04/2016	Common Stock	10,500

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Stock Option	\$ 54.04	11/03/2007(3)	11/03/2016	Common Stock	10,500
Stock Option	\$ 56.21	02/02/2008(3)	02/02/2017	Common Stock	10,500
Stock Option	\$ 56.09	05/03/2008(3)	05/03/2017	Common Stock	10,500
Stock Option	\$ 56.67	08/03/2008(3)	08/03/2017	Common Stock	10,500
Stock Option	\$ 56.03	11/02/2008(3)	11/02/2017	Common Stock	10,500
Stock Option	\$ 55.41	02/01/2009(3)	02/01/2018	Common Stock	10,500
Stock Option	\$ 50	05/01/2009(3)	05/01/2018	Common Stock	10,500
Stock Option	\$ 54.36	08/01/2009(3)	08/01/2018	Common Stock	10,500
Stock Option	\$ 56.73	11/03/2009(3)	11/03/2018	Common Stock	10,500
Stock Option	\$ 56.89	02/02/2010(3)	02/02/2019	Common Stock	10,500
Stock Option	\$ 46.9	05/07/2010(3)	05/07/2017	Common Stock	9,750
Stock Option	\$ 50.49	08/03/2010(3)	08/03/2017	Common Stock	9,750
Stock Option	\$ 49.9	11/02/2010(3)	11/02/2017	Common Stock	9,750
Stock Option	\$ 51.62	02/01/2011(3)	02/01/2018	Common Stock	9,750

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
Reporting Owner Name / Namess	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
MICHAEL JONATHAN E 9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE PEORIA, IL 61615	X		President			

Signatures

/s/ Jonathan E. Michael	03/10/2010	
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date	

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- * 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.
- (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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