

RLI CORP

Form 4

February 03, 2009

FORM 4
UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
DONDANVILLE JOSEPH E

(Last) (First) (Middle)

9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE

(Street)

PEORIA, IL 61615

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
RLI CORP [RLI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/02/2009

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)

Senior Vice President/CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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					77,010.015	D	
Common Stock					24,470.1851	I	By Empl. Stock Ownership Plan
Common Stock					8,722.5077	I	By Trust ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock					12,276	I	By Wife in Trust
					200	I	

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Common
Stock

By Wife, As
Custodian

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative 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
Stock Option	\$ 56.89	02/02/2009		A		5,000		02/02/2010 ⁽²⁾	02/02/2019	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Option	\$ 29.335							05/02/2003	05/02/2012	Common Stock	32,000
Stock Option	\$ 29.55							05/01/2004	05/01/2013	Common Stock	28,000
Stock Option	\$ 35.08							05/06/2005	05/06/2014	Common Stock	28,000
Stock Option	\$ 44.54							05/05/2006	05/05/2015	Common Stock	21,000
Stock Option	\$ 50.15							05/04/2007 ⁽²⁾	05/04/2016	Common Stock	17,500
Stock Option	\$ 56.09							05/03/2008 ⁽²⁾	05/03/2017	Common Stock	18,000
Stock Option	\$ 50							05/01/2009 ⁽²⁾	05/01/2018	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Option	\$ 54.36							08/01/2009 ⁽²⁾	08/01/2018	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Option	\$ 56.73							11/03/2009 ⁽²⁾	11/03/2018	Common Stock	5,000

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

02/03/2009

__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).
- (1) Ownership reflects dividend reinvestment.
- (2) 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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