PROTECTIVE LIFE CORP

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Johnson Carolyn M			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PROTECTIVE LIFE CORP [PL]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
2801 HIGHWAY 280 SOUTH			(Month/Day/Year) 03/31/2008	Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP and COO			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
BIRMINGHAM, AL 35223			Filed(Month/Day/Year)				

(City)	(State)	(Zip) 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. Securitie DIOT Dispose (Instr. 3, 4) Amount	d of (Ľ	Price	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	03/31/2008		F	155.855	D	\$ 39.37	5,774.3998	D (1)			
Common Stock							576.5338	I	By 401(k) (2)		
Common Stock							67.442	I	Deferred Compensation $\frac{(3)}{}$		

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. 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
SAR 11 (4)	\$ 43.46					03/05/2008	03/05/2017	SAR	1,025
SAR 11a (4)	\$ 43.46					03/05/2009	03/05/2017	SAR	1,025
SAR 11b	\$ 43.46					03/05/2010	03/05/2017	SAR	1,025
SAR 11c (4)	\$ 43.46					03/05/2011	03/05/2017	SAR	1,025
SAR12 (4)	\$ 48.05					06/28/2008	06/28/2017	SAR	750
SAR12a (4)	\$ 48.05					06/28/2009	06/28/2017	SAR	750
SAR12b (4)	\$ 48.05					06/28/2010	06/28/2017	SAR	750
SAR12c (4)	\$ 48.05					06/28/2011	06/28/2017	SAR	750
SAR14 (5)	\$ 38.59					02/28/2009	02/28/2018	SAR	3,325
SAR14a (5)	\$ 38.59					02/28/2010	02/28/2018	SAR	3,325
SAR14b (5)	\$ 38.59					02/28/2011	02/28/2018	SAR	3,325
SAR14c (5)	\$ 38.59					02/29/2012	02/28/2018	SAR	3,325

8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Johnson Carolyn M

2801 HIGHWAY 280 SOUTH EVP and COO

BIRMINGHAM, AL 35223

Signatures

By: by Harriette Hyche
Attorney-in-Fact for

04/02/2008

**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) Withholding of restricted stock to satisfy tax withholding obligation upon the vesting of restricted stock (exempt under Rule 16b-3).
- (2) Total shares held by reporting person in PLC's 401(k) & stock Ownership Plan as of 4/1/08.
- (3) Shares acquired through PLC Def. Comp. Plan for Officers of the Corporation (exempt under Rule 16b-3). Total amount in Col. 5 includes dividend shares acquired under the PLC Def. Comp. Plan for Officers exempt under Rule 16-a 11.
- (4) Previously reported Stock Appreciation Right (SAR).
- (5) Stock Appreciation Right awarded under the Protective Life Corporation Long-Term Incentive Plan in transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3 becoming exercisable in equal installments over four years beginning 2/28/09.

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