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## FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * STONE MICHAEL J | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading<br>Symbol<br>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. LINDBERGH DRIVE                                   | (Month/Day/Year)<br>02/16/2010  | Director 10% Owner Officer (give titleX Other (specify below) President RLI Insurance Compan         |  |  |  |
| (Street)  | 4. If Amendment, Date Original  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  |  |  |  |
| PEORIA, IL 61615  | Filed(Month/Day/Year)   | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |  |  |  |

| (City)                               | (State)                              | (Zip) Tal   | ble I - N                       | lon- | <b>Derivative</b>                        | Secur   | ities Acqui  | red, Disposed of, o  | r Beneficially   | Owned   |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|------|--|---------|--------------|--|--|---|
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transa<br>Code<br>(Instr. | 8)   | 4. Securities from Disposed (Instr. 3, 4 | d of (I | <b>)</b> )   | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 02/16/2010                           |   |                                 |      | 447.373                                  | A       | \$<br>51.095 | 15,190.2855  | I  | By Empl.<br>Stock<br>Ownership<br>Plan (1)                        |
| Common<br>Stock                      |                                      |   |                                 |      |  |         |              | 100,798.0464   | D (3)  |   |
| Common<br>Stock                      |                                      |   |                                 |      |  |         |              | 18,108.5157  | I  | By Trust (3)  |
| Common<br>Stock                      |                                      |   |                                 |      |  |         |              | 3,564.2674   | I  | M. J. Stone<br>Grantor<br>Retained                                |

|                 |       |   | Annuity Trust (M1)  |
|-----------------|-------|---|---|
| Common<br>Stock | 5,000 | I | M.J. Stone<br>Grantor<br>Retained<br>AnnuityTrust<br>(M2) |

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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transactic<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |                    | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |                                     | 8<br>I<br>S<br>( |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|--|--------------------|---|-------------------------------------|------------------|
|   |   |   |   | Code V                                 | (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration<br>Date | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares |                  |
| Stock<br>Option                                     | \$ 46.9   |   |   |  |   | 05/07/2010(4)  | 05/07/2017         | Common<br>Stock   | 32,000                              |                  |
| Stock<br>Option                                     | \$ 50   |   |   |  |   | 05/01/2009(4)  | 05/01/2018         | Common<br>Stock   | 34,000                              |                  |
| Stock<br>Option                                     | \$ 56.09  |   |   |  |   | 05/03/2008(4)  | 05/03/2017         | Common<br>Stock   | 31,500                              |                  |
| Stock<br>Option                                     | \$ 50.15  |   |   |  |   | 05/04/2007(4)  | 05/04/2016         | Common<br>Stock   | 27,500                              |                  |
| Stock<br>Option                                     | \$ 44.54  |   |   |  |   | 05/05/2006(4)  | 05/05/2015         | Common<br>Stock   | 30,000                              |                  |
| Stock<br>Option                                     | \$ 35.08  |   |   |  |   | 05/06/2005   | 05/06/2014         | Common<br>Stock   | 40,000                              |                  |

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

STONE MICHAEL J 9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE PEORIA, IL 61615

President RLI Insurance Compan

#### **Signatures**

/s/ Michael J.

Stone 02/22/2010

\*\*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 shares allocated to ESOP participant's account and dividend reinvestment.
- (2) Transaction reflects 2009 ESOP contribution.
- (3) Ownership reflects dividend reinvestment.
- 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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