**RLI CORP** Form 4 February 22, 2008

## FORM 4

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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** Robison John E			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol RLI CORP [RLI]				ng	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) 02/22/2008					Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Treasurer			
	(Street) 4. If Amend			ndment, 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)				~					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-I	<b>J</b> erivativ	e Secui	rities Acq	quired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction I (Month/Day/Ye	ar) Execution	emed on Date, if /Day/Year)	3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)		Oispose 6, 4 and (A) or		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	02/22/2008			P	100	A	\$ 52.25	1,151.4177	D		
Common Stock								1,402.2893	I	By ESOP	

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. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Prio Deriv Secur (Instr.
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option	\$ 36.52					12/31/2005	08/16/2014	Common Stock	2,500	
Stock Option	\$ 44.54					12/31/2005	05/05/2015	Common Stock	3,500	
Stock Option	\$ 50.15					05/04/2007	05/04/2016	Common Stock	4,500	
Stock Option	\$ 56.09					05/03/2008	05/03/2017	Common Stock	5,000	

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
<b></b>	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Robison John E						
9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE			Treasurer			
PEORIA, IL 61615						

## **Signatures**

JohnE.Robison
02/22/2008

\*\*Signature of 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) 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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