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#### FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Kennedy Daniel O		2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol RLI CORP [RLI]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)				
(N		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/30/2009					(Check all applicable)  Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Vice President General Counsel				
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
PEORIA, IL	61615							Person	y More than O	ne Reporting	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Ta	ble I - Non	-Derivativ	e Seci	urities Ac	quired, Disposed	l of, or Benef	icially Owned	
	. Transaction Date Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deeme Execution I any (Month/Day	Date, if	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securiti on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	posec	d of (D)	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 0	01/30/2009			J <u>(4)</u>	4.3135	A	\$ 57.06	119.9625	I	By Executive Deferred Compensation (1)	
Common Stock								553.18	D (1)		
Common Stock								1,041.291	I	By Esop (2)	

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. Dr.Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and L Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 52.3					02/21/2007(3)	02/21/2016	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Option	\$ 50.15					05/04/2007(3)	05/04/2016	Common Stock	8,000
Stock Option	\$ 56.09					05/03/2008(3)	05/03/2017	Common Stock	9,000
Stock Option	\$ 50					05/01/2009(3)	05/01/2018	Common Stock	11,000

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Kennedy Daniel O

9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE Vice President General Counsel

**PEORIA, IL 61615** 

## **Signatures**

/s/ Daniel O.
Kennedy

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

O2/02/2009

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.

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- (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.
- (4) The securities herein were allocated to my account pursuant to the RLI Corp. Executive Deferred Compensation Agreement.

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