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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

Common

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

MICHAEL JONATHAN E				Symbol RLI CORP [RLI] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/19/2006					Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle)												
9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE									X Director 10% Owner Nother (give title Other (specify below)  President			
(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, I	L 61615						Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
	(City) (State) (Zip) <b>Table I - Non-Deriva</b>							ve Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned				
	1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deeme (Month/Day/Year) Execution I any (Month/Day		Date, if Transacti Code		4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	Ownership Ind Form: Ber Direct (D) Ow	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)		
	Common Stock	12/19/2006			M/K	9,355	A	\$ 21.1	145,781.9807 (1)	D		
	Common Stock	12/19/2006			F/K	3,495	D	\$ 56.49	142,286.9807 (1)	D		
	Common Stock								60,910.0705 (2)	I	By Empl. Stock Ownership	

Plan

By Key

Benefit

**Employee** 

34,466.7877

(3)

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Plan Common 13,908.1062 I By Trust Stock (4) Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of SEC 1474 information contained in this form are not (9-02)required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number. Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) 6. Date Exercisable and 1. Title of 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 5. Number 7. Title and Amount of Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date **Underlying Securities** Security or Exercise Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) (Instr. 3) Price of (Instr. 8) (Month/Day/Year) Acquired Derivative (A) or Security Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Amount Date Expiration or Title Exercisable Date Number of Shares Code V (A) (D) Common 05/06/2000 05/06/2009 Option \$ 15.9063 6,290 Stock Stock Common \$ 15.7813 05/04/2001 05/04/2010 6,336 Option Stock Stock Common \$ 20.05 05/03/2002 05/03/2011 60,000 Option Stock Stock Common \$ 29.335 05/02/2003 05/02/2012 60,000 Option Stock Stock Common 05/01/2004 05/01/2013 \$ 29.55 60,000 Option Stock Stock Common

\$ 35.08

\$ 44.54

\$ 47.44

\$ 50.15

\$ 54.04

Option

Stock

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Option

60,000

45,000

10,500

10,500

10,500

Stock

Common

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Stock

Common

Stock

05/06/2005 05/06/2014

05/05/2006 05/05/2015

08/04/2007 08/04/2016

05/04/2007 05/04/2016

11/03/2007 11/03/2016

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Stock Option \$ 21.1 12/19/2006 M/K 9,355 05/07/1999 05/07/2008 Common Stock 9,355

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MICHAEL JONATHAN E

9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE X President

**PEORIA, IL 61615** 

# **Signatures**

Jonathan E Michael 12/20/2006

\*\*Signature of Date
Reporting Person

## **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) Ownership reflects shares allocated to ESOP participant's account and dividend reinvestment.
- (5) Options balance adjusted to reflect 2 additional options received pursuant to the 1995 and 1998 stock splits.
- (4) Ownership reflects dividend reinvestment.
- (3) Ownership reflects dividend reinvestment.

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