STUENKEL WAYNE E

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * STUENKEL WAYNE E			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PROTECTIVE LIFE CORP [PL]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(Last) (First) (Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Sheek all applicable)		
2801 HIGHWAY 280 SOUTH		U TH	(Month/Day/Year) 08/30/2006	Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Sr. VP		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
DIDAMNOLIA	M AI 2522	12	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person _ Form filed by More than One Reporting		
BIRMINGHAM, AL 35223				Person		

(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. Securit on(A) or Di (D) (Instr. 3,	spose	d of	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	08/30/2006		S	3,800	D	\$ 45.8	1,060	D		
Common Stock							8,907.8538	I	By 401(k) (1)	
Common Stock							74.4956	I	Deferred Compensation	

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transacti	5. orNumber	6. Date Exercise Expiration Date		7. Title Amoun		8. Price of Derivative
Security	or Exercise	, ,	any	Code	of	(Month/Day/Y		Underly	ying	Security
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivativ	e		Securiti	ies	(Instr. 5)
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr. 3	3 and 4)	
	Security				Acquired					
					(A) or					
					Disposed					
					of (D)					
					(Instr. 3,					
					4, and 5)					
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
SAR 6	\$ 22.31					07/21/2004	03/06/2010	SAR	16,026	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Transfer and the same	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
STUENKEL WAYNE E 2801 HIGHWAY 280 SOUTH BIRMINGHAM, AL 35223			Sr. VP				

Signatures

By: by Harriette Hyche
Attorney-in-Fact for

08/30/2006

**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) Total Shares held by reporting person in PLC's 401(k) & Stock Ownership Plan as of 7/31/2006.
- (2) Shares acquired through PLC Deferred Compensation Plan for Officers of the Corporation (exempt under Rule 16b-3).
- (3) Previously reported Stock Appreciation Right (SAR).

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