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(Print or Type Responses)

02/15/2005

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * STONE MICHAEL J			Symb	ossuer Name and Ticker or Trading ool CORP [RLI]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
	(Last) 9025 N. Ll	(First) INDBERGH DRI	(Mon	te of Earliest Transaction hth/Day/Year) 5/2005	(Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give titleX Other (specify below) President RLI Insurance Compan			
	PEORIA,	(Street) IL 61615		Amendment, Date Original (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
	(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Γable I - Non-Derivative Securities A	cquired, 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	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Securities Ownership Indirect Beneficially Form: Beneficial Owned Direct (D) Ownership Following or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	3	te	7. Title and a Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	8. Pri Deriv Secun (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Option	\$ 15.9063					05/06/2000	05/06/2009	Common Stock	30,000	
Stock Option	\$ 9.4					05/13/1997	05/13/2006	Common Stock	15,350	
Stock Option	\$ 13					05/01/1998	05/01/2007	Common Stock	10,500	
Stock Option	\$ 15.7813					05/04/2001	05/04/2010	Common Stock	28,000	
Stock Option	\$ 20.05					05/03/2002	05/03/2011	Common Stock	30,000	
Stock Option	\$ 21.1					05/07/1999	05/07/2008	Common Stock	13,838	
Stock Option	\$ 29.335					05/02/2003	05/02/2012	Common Stock	48,000	
Stock Option	\$ 29.55					05/01/2004	05/01/2013	Common Stock	40,000	
Stock Option	\$ 35.08					05/06/2005	05/06/2014	Common Stock	40,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Ketationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
STONE MICHAEL J				President RLI Insurance Compan		
9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE						

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PEORIA, IL 61615

Signatures

Michael J Stone 02/16/2005

**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) Shares purchased through payroll deduction feature of the RLI Dividend Reinvestment Plan.
- (2) Ownership reflects dividend reinvestment.
- (4) Ownership reflects dividend reinvestment.
- (3) Ownership reflects shares allocated to ESOP participant's account and dividend reinvestment.

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