

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BLUM RICHARD H

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
RLI CORP [RLI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/18/2009

___X___ Director _____ 10% Owner
 _____ Officer (give title _____ Other (specify
 below) below)

P.O. BOX 5469

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)

PINEHURST, NC 28374

☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting 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. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	05/18/2009		M		464	A \$ 22.7	6,803.593	D	
Common Stock							5,560.6733	I	By Directors Trust

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. P Der Sec (Ins
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	
Stock Option	\$ 22.7	05/18/2009		M		464	02/01/2002 02/01/2011	Common Stock 464
Stock Option	\$ 22.75						02/01/2003 02/01/2012	Common Stock 1,800
Stock Option	\$ 27.51						02/03/2004 02/03/2013	Common Stock 1,800
Stock Option	\$ 40.39						02/02/2005 02/02/2014	Common Stock 3,600

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
BLUM RICHARD H P.O. BOX 5469 PINEHURST, NC 28374	X

Signatures

/s/ Richard H.
Blum 05/19/2009

**Signature of
Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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