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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *\bigsep VIETS ROBERT O

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

RLI CORP [RLI]

11/27/2009

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

X Director _____ 10% Owner ____ Officer (give title _____ Other (specify

401 WATER STREET, UNIT 404

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

 Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person ___ Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

below)

PEORIA, IL 61602

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tab | le I - Non-I | Derivative | Secur | ities Acqu | uired, Disposed of | , or Beneficial | ly Owned |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|---------------------------------|---|-------|----------------|---|---|---|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Ionth/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | 3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or | | | 5. Amount of Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| Common Stock | 11/27/2009 | | Code V $J_{\underline{(2)}} V$ | Amount 19,870 | (D) | Price \$ 49.98 | 12,970.96 | D (1) | |
| Common Stock | 11/27/2009 | | J <u>(2)</u> V | 19,870 | A | \$ 49.98 | 19,870 | I | R.O. Viets 2009 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust dtd 11/24/09 |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 35,459.4907 | I | By Trust |
| | | | | | | | 4,452.5944 | I | |

| Common | Rov Ira |
|--------|----------|
| Stock | Rollover |
| | (1) |

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) | 5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | | , , | | 8. Prio Deriv Secur (Instr. |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|---|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--|--------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| Stock Option | \$ 40.39 | | | | | 02/02/2004 | 02/02/2014 | Common Stock | 3,600 | |
| Stock Option | \$ 27.51 | | | | | 02/03/2003 | 02/03/2013 | Common Stock | 1,800 | |
| Stock Option | \$ 22.75 | | | | | 02/01/2003 | 02/01/2012 | Common Stock | 1,800 | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| 1 | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| VIETS ROBERT O 401 WATER STREET UNIT 404 PEORIA, IL 61602 | X | | | | | | |
| Signatures | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |

/s/ Robert O. 11/30/2009 Viets

Date

Reporting Owners 2 **Signature of 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) Shares transfered from the Robert O. Viets Revocable Trust to the Robert O. Viets 2009 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust dtd 11/24/09 Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

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