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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person VIETS ROBERT O

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)
401 WATER STREET, UNIT 404
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/07/2009

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

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

PEORIA, IL 61602

(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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/07/2009		M	V Amount (A) or (D) Price 1,800 A \$ 22.75	14,770.96	D ⁽¹⁾	
Common Stock	12/07/2009		M	1,800 A \$ 27.51	16,570.96	D ⁽¹⁾	
Common Stock	12/07/2009		F	1,668 D \$ 54.26	14,902.96	D ⁽¹⁾	
Common Stock					35,459.4907	I	By Trust ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock					19,870	I	R.O. Viets 2009 Grantor

Common Stock	4,452.5944	I	Retained Annuity Trust dtd 11/24/09 Rov Ira Rollover (1)
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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities (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. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 22.75	12/07/2009		M	1,800	02/01/2003 02/01/2012	Common Stock	1,800
Stock Option	\$ 27.51	12/07/2009		M	1,800	02/03/2003 02/03/2013	Common Stock	1,800
Stock Option	\$ 40.39					02/02/2004 02/02/2014	Common Stock	3,600

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

/s/ Robert O.
Viets

12/08/2009

__Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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

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