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Kliethermes Craig W Sym				er Name ORP [I		d Ticker or	Tradin	g	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last)	(First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction					(Check an applicable)					
(Mont				nth/Day/Year) 01/2009					Director 10% Owner Officer (give titleX Other (specify below) below) VP, Actuarial RLI Insurance Co				
									 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)	Tab	ole I - N	on-l	Derivative	Securi	ties Acqu	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficia	lly Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			(A) or					 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	05/01/2009			J <u>(4)</u>	v	Amount 27.8529	(D) A	Price \$ 48.05	2,185.5114	I	By Executive Deferred Comp		
Common Stock									2,731.554	D (1)			
Common Stock									1,436.2772	Ι	By Esop (2)		

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)			7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	8. De Se (Ir
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option	\$ 50.15					05/04/2007(3)	05/04/2016	Common Stock	5,000	
Stock Option	\$ 56.09					05/03/2008(3)	05/03/2017	Common Stock	9,000	
Stock Option	\$ 50					05/01/2009(3)	05/01/2018	Common Stock	11,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Kliethermes Craig W 9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE PEORIA, IL 61615				VP, Actuarial RLI Insurance Co		

Signatures

/s/ Craig W. 05/01/2009 Kliethermes

<u>**</u>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.
- (2) Ownership reflects shares allocated to ESOP participant's account and dividend reinvestment.

(3)

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Pursuant to option schedule wherein 20% of the aggregate number of shares granted may be exercised commencing one year from grant date and each year thereafter in 20% increments.

(4) The securities herein were allocated to my account pursuant to the RLI Corp. Executive Deferred Compensation Agreement.

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