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Form 4 Transactions Reported

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer STEPHENS GERALD D Symbol RLI CORP [RLI] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) _X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title 12/31/2005 Other (specify below) below) 9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting Filed(Month/Day/Year) (check applicable line)

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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tal	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 at end of Issuer's	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D)	7. Nature of Indirect Benef Ownership (Instr. 4)			
				Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)			
Common Stock	01/21/2005	Â	G	100	D	\$ 40.58	884,519.2145 (1)	D	Â		
Common Stock	03/03/2005	Â	J(2)	70,517.46	A	\$ 0	1,005,827.6745 (1)	D	Â		
Common Stock	04/06/2005	Â	G	200	D	\$ 42.51	1,005,627.6745 (1)	D	Â		
Common Stock	06/17/2005	Â	G	100	D	\$ 46.35	1,005,707.4423 (1)	D	Â		
Common Stock	07/01/2005	Â	G	100	D	\$ 44.97	1,005,607.4423 (1)	D	Â		

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Common Stock	09/13/2005	Â	G	300	D	\$ 0	1,006,038.0971 (1)	D	Â
Common Stock	11/28/2005	Â	G	100	D	\$ 53.02	1,006,140.1099 (1)	D	Â
Common Stock	12/09/2005	Â	G	100	D	\$ 52.46	1,006,040.1099 (1)	D	Â
Common Stock	12/23/2005	Â	G	6,000	D	\$ 51.25	1,000,040.1099 (1)	D	Â
Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	43.0052	I	By Empl.St Ownership Plan
Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	18,293.3916	I	By Executive Deferred Comp
Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	115,675.3541 (3)	I	By Key Em Benefit Plan
Common Stock	04/06/2005	Â	G	100	A	\$ 42.51	33,513.5574 <u>(4)</u>	I	By Trust fo Grandchild
Common Stock	07/01/2005	Â	G	100	A	\$ 44.97	33,722.3436 (4)	I	By Trust fo Grandchild
Common Stock	09/13/2005	Â	G	300	A	\$ 0	34,136.8508 <u>(4)</u>	I	By Trust fo Grandchild
Common Stock	11/28/2005	Â	G	100	A	\$ 53.02	34,359.7726 <u>(4)</u>	I	By Trust fo Grandchild
Common Stock	12/09/2005	Â	G	100	A	\$ 52.46	34,459.7726 <u>(4)</u>	I	By Trust fo Grandchild
Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	3,692	I	By Trust fo Sister
Common Stock	03/03/2005	Â	J(2)	4,639.64	A	\$ 0	64,995	I	By Wife
Common Stock	01/18/2005	Â	J <u>(5)</u>	525.5238	A	\$ 40.3546	152,006.5284	I	G.D. Stepho Grantor Retained Annuity Tr
Common Stock	03/03/2005	Â	J <u>(2)</u>	70,517.46	D	\$ 0	81,489.0684	I	G.D. Stepho Grantor Retained Annuity Tr
Common Stock	04/18/2005	Â	J <u>(5)</u>	265.3137	A	\$ 42.99	81,754.3821	I	G.D. Stepho Grantor Retained

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Common Stock	07/18/2005	Â	J <u>(5)</u>	278.4297	A	\$ 46.98	82,032.8118	I	G.D. Stepho Grantor Retained Annuity Tr
Common Stock	10/17/2005	Â	J <u>(5)</u>	295.3812	A	\$ 44.43	82,328.193	I	G.D. Stepho Grantor Retained Annuity Tr
Common Stock	01/18/2005	Â	J <u>(5)</u>	35.0349	A	\$ 40.3546	10,133.7687	I	H.M. Steph Grantor Retained Annuity Tr
Common Stock	03/03/2005	Â	J <u>(2)</u>	4,639.64	D	\$ 0	5,494.1287	I	H.M. Steph Grantor Retained Annuity Tr
Common Stock	04/18/2005	Â	J <u>(5)</u>	17.888	A	\$ 42.99	5,512.0167	I	H.M. Steph Grantor Retained Annuity Tr
Common Stock	07/18/2005	Â	J <u>(5)</u>	18.7722	A	\$ 46.98	5,530.7889	I	H.M. Steph Grantor Retained Annuity Tr
Common Stock	10/17/2005	Â	J <u>(5)</u>	19.9152	A	\$ 44.43	5,550.7041	I	H.M. Steph Grantor Retained Annuity Tr
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 $\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3 A Daamad	4.	5.	6. Date Exerci	icable and	7. Title and	Amount of	Q
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										of Shares
Option	\$ 15.9063	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	05/06/2000	05/06/2009	Common Stock	61,400
Stock Option	\$ 9.15	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	05/02/1997	05/02/2006	Common Stock	54,252
Stock Option	\$ 13	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	05/01/1998	05/01/2007	Common Stock	83,002
Stock Option	\$ 15.7813	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	05/04/2001	05/04/2010	Common Stock	56,000
Stock Option	\$ 20.05	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	05/03/2001	05/03/2011	Common Stock	1,800
Stock Option	\$ 21.1	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	05/07/1999	05/07/2008	Common Stock	82,500
Stock Option	\$ 29.405	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	05/01/2003	05/01/2012	Common Stock	1,800
Stock Option	\$ 29.55	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	05/01/2004	05/01/2013	Common Stock	1,800
Stock Option	\$ 34.55	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	05/03/2005	05/03/2014	Common Stock	1,800
Stock Option	\$ 40.39	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	02/02/2005	02/02/2014	Common Stock	1,800
Stock Option	\$ 43.97	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	02/01/2006	02/01/2015	Common Stock	1,800

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships								
1 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Othe					
STEPHENS GERALD D 9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE PEORIA, IL 61615	ÂX	Â	Â	Â					

Signatures

Gerald D
Stephens

**Signature of Reporting Person

O1/11/2006

Date

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- * 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).
- (5) Shares purchased through Dividend Reinvestment Plan.
- (3) Ownership reflects dividend reinvestment.

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- (4) Ownership reflects dividend reinvestment.
- (6) Options balance adjusted to reflect 2 additional options received pursuant to the 1995 and 1998 stock splits.
- (2) Annuity Trust distribution to Grantor
- (1) Ownership reflects dividend reinvestment.

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