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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CLECO CORP [CNL]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
	(Month/Day/Year) 01/28/2011	Director 10% Owner Sofficer (give title below) Other (specify below) Sr Vice President			
Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
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	s of Reporting Person * E First) (Middle) Street)	Symbol CLECO CORP [CNL] First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/28/2011 Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			

(State) (Z	Zip) Table	e I - Non-Do	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securi	ties		5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onAcquired	l (A) o	r	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
	any	Code	Disposed	of (D))	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	4 and	5)	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
						Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
				(4)		Reported		
						Transaction(s)		
		Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
01/28/2011		A(1)	5,791	A	<u>(2)</u>	5,791	D	
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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)

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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	orNumber	Expiration Date		Amour	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Underl	ying	Security	Secui
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securit	ies	(Instr. 5)	Bene
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr. 3	3 and 4)		Owne
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					(A) or						Repo
					Disposed						Trans
					of (D)						(Instr
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
						Date	Expiration		or Number		
					Exercisable	Date					
				Code V	(A) (D)						
				Code V	(A) (D)				of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Graham Edward E P.O. BOX 5000 PINEVILLE, LA 71360

Sr Vice President

Signatures

Judy P. Miller, Attorney-in-Fact for Edward E. Graham

01/31/2011

**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).

Performance shares granted under the Company's 2010 Long-Term Incentive Compensation Plan. Shares are subject to forfeiture, in whole or in part, based on the Company's performance during a three-year period beginning January 1, 2011 and ending December 31,

- (1) 2013. For the 2011 2013 performance cycle, the Compensation Committee has established total shareholder return (defined as the Company's common stock price appreciation plus dividends paid during the performance cycle) compared to companies in a peer group also selected by the Committee as the performance goal. Dividends will be accrued quarterly during the performance cycle, are subject to forfeiture in whole or in part, and will be paid only after the final determination of performance and in proportion to the target shares.
- (2) No value was exchanged for these shares.

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