Olagues Darren J Form 4 August 07, 2012

### FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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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 \* Olagues Darren J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

CLECO CORP [CNL]

(Check all applicable)

P.O. BOX 5000

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

08/03/2012

Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title \_ \_\_ Other (specify

below)

Sr VP - CFO

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

#### PINEVILLE, LA 71361-5000

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	ole I - Non-	Derivativ	e Secu	ırities Acqui	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)		sed of 4 and (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, \$1 par	08/03/2012		S	3,558	D	\$ 43.0775	38,613.0393 (1)	D	
Common Stock, \$1 par	08/07/2012		M	3,500	A	\$ 23.5	42,113.0393	D	
Common Stock, \$1 par	08/07/2012		S	3,500	D	\$ 42.9	38,613.0393	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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5. Number

6. Date Exercisable and

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7. Title and Amour

number.

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	ve Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Share
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 23.5	08/06/2012		X	3,500	07/30/2012	07/30/2017	Common Stock, \$1	3,5

# **Reporting Owners**

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Olagues Darren J

1. Title of

P.O. BOX 5000 Sr VP - CFO

PINEVILLE, LA 71361-5000

## **Signatures**

Julia E. Callis, Attorney-in-Fact for Darren J. 08/07/2012 **Olagues** 

> \*\*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).
- Total includes 41.9115 shares acquired through contributions and/or reinvestment of dividends under the Company's 401(k) plan during the period beginning 4/24/2012 through 6/30/2012.
- (2) Right to buy granted under the Company's 2000 Long-Term Incentive Compensation Plan.

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