

FONTENOT WILLIAM G

Form 4

January 02, 2013

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
FONTENOT WILLIAM G

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
CLECO CORP [CNL]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

P.O. BOX 5000

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/31/2012

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

Sr Vice President

(Street)

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)

**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 Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock, \$1 par	12/31/2012		F <sup>(1)</sup>	102 D <sup>(2)</sup>	50,449.0247 <sup>(3)</sup>	D	
Common Stock, \$1 par	12/31/2012		J <sup>(4)</sup>	139.0192 A <sup>(5)</sup>	4,405.4131	I	In trusts for minor children

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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 Acquired (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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repor Trans (Instr
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
FONTENOT WILLIAM G P.O. BOX 5000 PINEVILLE, LA 71361-5000	Sr Vice President

## Signatures

Julia E. Callis, Attorney-in-Fact for William G.  
Fontenot 01/02/2013

\_\_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) Payment of tax liability by withholding securities incident to the receipt of shares granted under the Company's 2010 Long-Term Incentive Compensation Plan for which restrictions lapsed 12/31/2012.
- (2) The number of shares withheld was based on the closing price of the Company's common stock on 12/31/2012 (\$40.01).
- (3) Total includes 347.3953 shares acquired through contributions and/or reinvestment of dividends under the Company's 401(k) plan during 2012.
- (4) Shares acquired through the Company's dividend reinvestment plan during 2012.
- (5) \$39.36 - \$42.35

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