

KING ELTON R  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
KING ELTON R

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  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
03/05/2010

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

PINEVILLE, LA 71361-5000

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock, \$1.00 par	03/05/2010		M	17,500 A	55,890.757	D	
Common Stock, \$1.00 par	03/05/2010		S	17,500 D	\$ 25.826 38,390.757	D	

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. 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. Amount or Number of Shares
Outside Director Stock Option <u>(2)</u>	\$ 17.315	03/05/2010		X	5,000	04/28/2000 04/28/2010	Common Stock, \$1.00 par	5,000
Outside Director Stock Option <u>(2)</u>	\$ 22.25	03/05/2010		X	2,500	07/27/2001 07/27/2011	Common Stock, \$1.00 par	2,500
Outside Director Stock Option <u>(2)</u>	\$ 18.125	03/05/2010		X	2,500	07/19/2002 07/19/2012	Common Stock, \$1.00 par	2,500
Outside Director Stock Option <u>(2)</u>	\$ 14.75	03/05/2010		X	5,000	04/25/2003 04/25/2013	Common Stock, \$1.00 par	5,000
Outside Director Stock Option <u>(2)</u>	\$ 16.25	03/05/2010		X	2,500	07/25/2003 07/25/2013	Common Stock, \$1.00 par	2,500

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
KING ELTON R P.O. BOX 5000	X			

PINEVILLE, LA 71361-5000

## Signatures

Judy P. Miller, Atty-in-fact for Elton R.  
King

03/08/2010

\_\_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) 5,000 shares @ \$17.315, 2,500 shares @ \$22.250, 2,500 shares @ \$18.125, 5,000 shares @ \$14.750 and 2,500 shares @ \$16.250.

(2) Right to buy granted under the Company's 2000 Long-Term Incentive Compensation Plan.

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