BOSCIA JON A Form 4 January 28, 2005

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **BOSCIA JON A**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

LINCOLN NATIONAL CORP

(Check all applicable)

Chairman & CEO

[LNC]

03/31/2004

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

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

CENTRE SQUARE WEST TOWER, 1500 MARKET ST.,

SUITE 3900

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

PHILADELPHIA, PA 19102

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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		4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exer		7. Title and		8. 1
Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	actionDerivative Expiration Date Securities (Month/Day/Year) 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		De Sec (In	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock (1)	<u>(2)</u>	03/31/2004		A	2,736.1	(3)	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock	2,736.1	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
tepysong (mor tame, stantess	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BOSCIA JON A CENTRE SQUARE WEST TOWER 1500 MARKET ST., SUITE 3900 PHILADELPHIA, PA 19102	X		Chairman & CEO				

Signatures

/s/ C. Suzanne Womack, Attorney-in-Fact

01/27/2005 Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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).

This Phantom Stock was awarded pursuant to a discretionary match under the LNC Executive Deferred Compensation Plan for

- (1) Employees ("Plan") and is only payable in Common Stock of the company. The reporting person began reporting Phantom Stock payable in Common Stock in Table I for transactions occurring after 10/15/04.
- (2) 1-For-1
- (3) The shares of Phantom Stock become payable at a fixed date elected in advance by the reporting person or at retirement.
- (4) Includes shares received pursuant to dividend reinvestment under the Plan.

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