GARRETT J PATRICK

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **GARRETT J PATRICK** Issuer Symbol CLECO CORP [CNL] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify P.O. BOX 5000 05/15/2009 below) (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting PINEVILLE, LA 71361-5000 Person

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) 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) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common

Stock,

50,003.511 (1) D

\$1.00 par

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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (Instr.		Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	8. Price (Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
			Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock	(2)	05/15/2009	A		491		(2)	(2)	Common Stock, \$1.00 par	491 (2)	\$ 20.7

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
r	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
GARRETT J PATRICK P.O. BOX 5000 PINEVILLE, LA 71361-5000	X							

Signatures

Judy P. Miller, Atty-in-fact for J. Patrick
Garrett
05/18/2009

**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) Includes 178.059 shares acquired through the Cleco Corporation Dividend Reinvestment Plan on February 20, 2009.
 - The shares of phantom stock relate to dividend reinvestment on shares of phantom stock pursuant to the terms and provisions of the Cleco Corporation Deferred Compensation Plan (the "Plan"). The reporting person has elected to defer receipt of these shares under the Plan.
- (2) Each share of phantom stock is the economic equivalent of one share of Cleco Corporation common stock. Shares of phantom stock may be transferred by the reporting person into an alternative investment account in the Plan at any time pursuant to the terms and provisions of the Plan.
 - Includes 5,580 shares of phantom stock (not subject to restrictions) related to dividend reinvestment on shares of phantom stock pursuant to the terms and provisions of the Plan. Includes (a) 1,200 shares of phantom stock subject to restrictions that lapse on July 23, 2010; (b)
- (3) 2,339 shares of phantom stock subject to restrictions that lapse on January 28, 2011; (c) 1,064 shares of phantom stock subject to restrictions that lapse on July 22, 2011; (d) 2,228 shares of phantom stock subject to restrictions that lapse on January 27, 2012; (e) 1,846 shares of phantom stock subject to restrictions that lapse on January 26, 2013; (f) 2,140 shares of phantom stock subject to restrictions that lapse on January 25, 2014; and (g) 2,544 shares of phantom stock subject to restrictions that lapse on January 30, 2015.

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