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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** Bunting Anthony L			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) (First) (Middle		(Middle)	CLECO CORP [CNL] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
(Eust)	(1 1131)	(iviidaie)	(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
P.O. BOX 5000			03/04/2011	Officer (give title Other (specifielow) below) Vice President			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
PINEVILLE, LA 71361-5000			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi corr Dispo (Instr. 3,	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			M	2,500	A	\$ 24.25	31,513.3742 (1)	D	
Common Stock, \$1 par			S	2,500	D	\$ 32.7921	29,013.3742	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f 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 Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Share
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 24.25	03/04/2011		M	2,500	04/17/2007	04/17/2012	Common Stock, \$1 par	2,5

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Bunting Anthony L P.O. BOX 5000

Vice President

PINEVILLE, LA 71361-5000

Signatures

Judy P. Miller, Attorney-in-Fact for Anthony L.

Bunting 03/04/2011

**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) Total includes 42.8144 shares acquired through contributions and/or reinvestment of dividends under the Company's 401(k) plan during the period 01/01/2011 through 02/23/2011.
- (2) Right to buy granted under the Company's 2000 Long-Term Incentive Compensation Plan.

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