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

SCHEDULE 13D (Rule 13d-101)

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN STATEMENTS FILED PURSUANT TO § 240.13d-1(a) AND AMENDMENTS THERETO FILED PURSUANT TO § 240.13d-2(a)

(Amendment No. 7)1

Conseco, Inc. (Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, par value \$0.01

(Title of Class of Securities)

208464883 (CUSIP Number)

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January 1, 2009 (Date of Event Which Requires Filing of This Statement)

If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition that is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this schedule because of §§ 240.13d-1(e), 240.13d-1(f) or 240.13d-1(g), check the following box ".

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The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON			
2	STEEL PARTNERS II, L.P. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (b) o SEC USE ONLY			
4	SOURCE OF FU	UNDS		
5	WC CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS " IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEM 2(d) OR 2(e)			
6	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION			
NUMBER OF SHARES	DELAWARE	7	SOLE VOTING POWER	
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH		8	14,801,460 SHARED VOTING POWER	
REPORTING PERSON WITH	9	9	- 0 - SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER	
	1	0	14,801,460 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWE	R
11	- 0 - AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON			
12	14,801,460 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) " EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES			
13	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)			
14	8.0% TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON			
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1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON			
2	STEEL PARTNERS II MASTER FUND L.P. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a) x (b) o			
3	SEC USE ONLY			
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS			
5	AF CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS '' IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEM 2(d) OR 2(e)			
6	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION			
	CAYMAN ISLANDS			
NUMBER OF	7	SOLE VOTING POWER		
SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH	8	14,801,460 SHARED VOTING POWER		
REPORTING		- 0 -		
PERSON WITH	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER		
	10	14,801,460 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWE	R	
11	- 0 - AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON			
12	14,801,460 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) " EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES			
13	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)			
14	8.0% TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON			
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1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON			
2	STEEL PARTNERS LLC CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (b) o SEC USE ONLY			
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS			
5	AF CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS '' IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEM 2(d) OR 2(e)			
6	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION			
NUMBER OF SHARES	DELAWARE	7	SOLE VOTING POWER	
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH			14,801,460 SHARED VOTING POWER	
REPORTING PERSON WITH	9		- 0 - SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER	
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12	14,801,460 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) " EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES			
13	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)			
14	8.0% TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON			
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1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON			
2 3	WEBFINANCIAL L.P. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (b) o SEC USE ONLY			
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS			
5	AF CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS '' IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEM 2(d) OR 2(e)			
6	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION			
NUMBER OF SHARES	DELAWARE	7	SOLE VOTING POWER	
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH	•	8	14,801,460 SHARED VOTING POWER	
REPORTING PERSON WITH		9	- 0 - SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER	
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11	- 0 - AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON			
12	14,801,460 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) " EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES			
13	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)			
14	8.0% TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON			
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1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON				
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2	WARREN G. LICHTENSTEIN CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A (a) x				
	GROUP			(b) o	
3	SEC USE ONLY				
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS				
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5		IF DISCLOSURI	E OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS .		
	IS REQUIREI	O PURSUANT TO	O ITEM 2(d) OR 2(e)		
6	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION				
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SHARES	7		14.001.460		
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		10	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWE	R	
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12	CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) " EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES				
13	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)				
	8.0%				
14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON					

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1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON			
2 3	JACK L. HOWARD CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (b) o SEC USE ONLY			
4	SOURCE OF F	FUNDS		
5	CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS " IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEM 2(d) OR 2(e)			
6	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION			
NUMBER OF SHARES	USA	7	SOLE VOTING POWER	
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH	•	8	- 0 - ** SHARED VOTING POWER	
REPORTING PERSON WITH		9	- 0 - SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER	
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13	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)			
14	- 0 - ** TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON			
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