

BAUSEWINE GEORGE W
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FORM 4

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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 *
BAUSEWINE GEORGE W

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/17/2010

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Sr Vice President

(Street)

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

PINEVILLE, LA 71361-5000

(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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Common Stock, \$1 par | 03/17/2010 | | M | | 1,600 | A | \$ 24.675 |
| | | | | | | | 57,765.4312 (1) |
| Common Stock, \$1 par | 03/17/2010 | | S | | 1,600 | D | \$ 27 |
| | | | | | | | 56,165.4312 |
| Common Stock, \$1 par | 03/18/2010 | | M | | 18,400 | A | (2) 74,565.4312 |
| | | | | | | | 56,165.4312 |
| Common Stock, \$1 | 03/18/2010 | | S | | 18,400 | D | \$ 27.0094 |

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)

| 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title Amount or Number of Shares |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option | \$ 24.675 | 03/17/2010 | | X | 1,600 | 07/28/2005 07/28/2010 | Common Stock, \$1 par 1,600 |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option | (2) | 03/18/2010 | | X | 18,400 | 07/28/2005 07/28/2010 | Common Stock, \$1 par 18,400 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| BAUSEWINE GEORGE W P.O. BOX 5000 PINEVILLE, LA 71361-5000 | | | Sr Vice President | |

Signatures

Judy P. Miller, Attorney-in-Fact for George W. Bausewine
Date: 03/18/2010

__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) Total includes 79,2204 shares acquired through contributions and/or reinvestment of dividends under the Company's 201(k) plan during the period 01/01/2010 through 03/17/2010.

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(2) 6,667 shares at \$21.96; 6,667 shares at \$23.28; and 5,066 shares at \$24.675.

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

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