

BRIGGS ROBERT S  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**BRIGGS ROBERT S**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**PROTECTIVE LIFE CORP [PL]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**2801 HIGHWAY 280 SOUTH**  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**08/10/2005**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**Exec VP**

**BIRMINGHAM, AL 35223**

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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(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	08/10/2005		M	40,000 A \$ 42.25	58,197.84	D <sup>(1)</sup>	
Common Stock	08/10/2005		D	16,509 D \$ 42.25	41,688.84	D <sup>(1)</sup>	
Common Stock	08/10/2005		F	8,449 D \$ 42.25	33,239.84	D <sup>(1)</sup>	
Common Stock					35,470.8543	I	By 401(k) <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock					1,529.005	I	By daughter <sup>(3)</sup>

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Common Stock	1,529.005	I	By son <sup>(4)</sup>
Common Stock	74,505.3931	I	Deferred Compensation <sup>(5)</sup>

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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
SAR 1	\$ 17.4375	08/10/2005		M	40,000	08/15/2001 08/15/2006	SAR	40,000	\$
SAR 06 <sup>(6)</sup>	\$ 41.05					03/04/2006 03/04/2015	SAR	6,000	
SAR 4 <sup>(6)</sup>	\$ 32					03/04/2007 03/04/2012	SAR	30,000	
SAR 5 <sup>(6)</sup>	\$ 26.49					03/03/2008 03/03/2013	SAR	15,000	
SAR 6 <sup>(6)</sup>	\$ 22.31					07/21/2004 03/06/2010	SAR	29,721	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BRIGGS ROBERT S 2801 HIGHWAY 280 SOUTH BIRMINGHAM, AL 35223			Exec VP	

## Signatures

By: by Harriette Hyche  
Attorney-in-Fact for

08/12/2005

\_\_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) Directly held shares which also includes shares acquired through PLC's Dividend Reinvestment Plan (exempt under Rule 16a-11).
- (2) Total shares held by reporting person in PLC's 401(k) & Stock Ownership Plan as of 8/1/05.
- (3) I disclaim beneficial ownership of such shares.
- (4) I disclaim beneficial ownership of such shares.
- (5) Shares acquired through PLC Deferred Compensation Plan for Officers of the Corporation (exempt under Rule 16b-3).
- (6) Previously reported Stock Appreciation Right (SAR).

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