

LINCOLN NATIONAL CORP
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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 *
 STONECIPHER DAVID A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 LINCOLN NATIONAL CORP
 [LNC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 04/03/2006

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

CENTRE SQUARE-WEST TOWER, 1500 MARKET ST., SUITE 3900

(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

PHILADELPHIA, PA 19102

(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	04/03/2006		A		217,574.35	A	(U) 217,574.35

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)	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	Am Nu Sha
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.59	04/03/2006		A		294,462		04/03/2006	02/09/2007	Common Stock	29
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 29.65	04/03/2006		A		245,385		04/03/2006	09/14/2007	Common Stock	24
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 31.25	04/03/2006		A		245,385		04/03/2006	01/05/2008	Common Stock	24
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 33.01	04/03/2006		A		196,308		04/03/2006	02/08/2008	Common Stock	19
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 42.33	04/03/2006		A		149,957		04/03/2006	02/07/2009	Common Stock	14
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 32.97	04/03/2006		A		327,180		04/03/2006	12/31/2009	Common Stock	32
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 42.68	04/03/2006		A		479,864		04/03/2006	12/31/2009	Common Stock	47
Employee Stock Option	\$ 43.82	04/03/2006		A		272,650		04/03/2006	02/10/2012	Common Stock	27

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Received in the Merger in exchange for an employee stock option to acquire 137,500 shares of Jefferson-Pilot Corporation common stock for \$46.17 per share.

- (7) Received in the Merger in exchange for an employee stock option to acquire 300,000 shares of Jefferson-Pilot Corporation common stock for \$35.96 per share.
- (8) Received in the Merger in exchange for an employee stock option to acquire 440,000 shares of Jefferson-Pilot Corporation common stock for \$46.55 per share.
- (9) Received in the Merger in exchange for an employee stock option to acquire 250,000 shares of Jefferson-Pilot Corporation common stock for \$47.79 per share.
- (10) Received in the Merger in exchange for an employee stock option to acquire 250,000 shares of Jefferson-Pilot Corporation common stock for \$37.71 per share.
- (11) Received in the Merger in exchange for an employee stock option to acquire 325,000 shares of Jefferson-Pilot Corporation common stock for \$52.99 per share.
- (12) The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning February 13, 2007.
- (13) Received in the Merger in exchange for an employee stock option to acquire 250,000 shares of Jefferson-Pilot Corporation common stock for \$49.19 per share.

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