

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)
01/27/2006

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

Senior 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) |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Stock, \$1 par | 12/31/2005 | | J ⁽¹⁾ | 216.896 A | 16,435.0652 | D | |
| Convertible Preferred, Series of 1991 | 12/31/2005 | | J ⁽³⁾ | 47.1573 A | 481.4501 | I | ESOP |
| Common Stock, \$1 par | 01/27/2006 | | A ⁽⁵⁾ | 1,552 A | \$ 0 17,987.0652 | D | |
| Common Stock, \$1 par | 01/27/2006 | | A ⁽⁶⁾ | 2,795 A | \$ 0 20,782.0652 | D | |

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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 (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. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|--|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Phantom Stock ⁽⁷⁾ | <u>(8)</u> | 01/27/2006 | | A | 2,795 | 12/31/2008 12/31/2008 | Common Stock, \$1 par | 2,795 |

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

Judy P. Miller, Atty-in-Fact for George W. Bausewine
Date: 01/30/2006

__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) Contributions and/or reinvestment of dividends under the Company's 401(k) plan during 2005.
- (2) \$20.85 - \$23.58
- (3) Allocation of shares under the Company's ESOP.
- (4) \$200.16 - \$226.37
- (5)

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Shares acquired under the Company's 2000 Long-Term Incentive Compensation Plan as the result of the Company's above-target performance during the three-year period ending December 31, 2005.

- Performance shares granted under the Company's 2000 Long-Term Incentive Compensation Plan. Shares are subject to forfeiture, in
- (6) whole or in part, based on the Company's performance on pre-determined goals during a three-year period beginning January 1, 2006 and ending December 31, 2008.

- Common stock equivalent units allocated under the Company's 2000 Long-Term Incentive Compensation Plan. Units are subject to
- (7) forfeiture, in whole or in part, based on the Company's performance on pre-determined goals during a three-year period beginning January 1, 2006 and ending December 31, 2008.

- (8) Each unit is the economic equivalent of one share of Cleco common stock.

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