

LONG DEBORAH J  
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**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
LONG DEBORAH J

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)  
02/14/2005

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Sr. VP

BIRMINGHAM, AL 35223

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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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	02/14/2005		A		5,794.8739	A	\$ 41.039
					6,794.8739	D <sup>(1)</sup>	
Common Stock	02/14/2005		F		1,738.4622	D	\$ 41.039
					5,056.4117	D	
Common Stock	02/14/2005		S		4,056	D	\$ 42.1701
					1,000.4117	D	
Common Stock	02/14/2005		D		5,794.8739	D	\$ 41.039
					47,345.3816	I	
							Deferred Compensation <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock							2,689.3489
							I
							By 401(k) <sup>(3)</sup>

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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 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 of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
SAR 1 <u>(4)</u>	\$ 17.4375					08/15/2001	08/15/2006	SAR	15,000		
SAR 4 <u>(4)</u>	\$ 32					03/04/2007	03/04/2012	SAR	15,000		
SAR 6 <u>(4)</u>	\$ 22.31					07/21/2004	03/06/2010	SAR	17,962		

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LONG DEBORAH J 2801 HIGHWAY 280 SOUTH BIRMINGHAM, AL 35223			Sr. VP	

## Signatures

By: by Harriette Hyché  
Attorney-in-Fact for

02/14/2005

\_\_\_\_\_  
\*\*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) Shares distributed from the PLC Def. Comp. Plan representing a change in the nature of beneficial ownership of previously reported shares (Exempt under Section 16).

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- (2) Shares acquired through the PLC Def. Comp. Plan for Officers of the Corporation (exempt under Rule 16b-3). Total amount in Col. 5 includes dividend shares acquired under the PLC Def. Comp. Plan for Officers exempt under Rule 16-a 11.
- (3) Total shares held by reporting person in PLC's 401(k) & Stock Ownership Plan as of 2/7/05.
- (4) Previously reported Stock Appreciation Right (SAR).

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