

Rice Brian J  
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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 \*  
Rice Brian J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ROYAL CARIBBEAN CRUISES LTD [RCL]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
(Check all applicable)  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
EVP, Finance & CFO

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
ROYAL CARIBBEAN CRUISES LTD, 1050 CARIBBEAN WAY  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/06/2009

MIAMI, FL 33132

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

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |   |                       |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|---|-----------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price \$  |  |                                   |   |                       |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | Code  | V   | Amount   |                                   |   |                       |
| Common Stock                    | 02/06/2009                           |  | F                              | 558 <sup>(1)</sup>  | D   | 7.26 <sub>(2)</sub>                                      | 50,866                            | D |                       |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  | 10,000                            | I | By Son <sup>(3)</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 of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares  |

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

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1050 CARIBBEAN WAY  
MIAMI, FL 33132

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## Signatures

/s/ Richard Montes de Oca, Attorney-in-Fact for Brian J. Rice

02/10/2009

\_\_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) Represents the number of shares of common stock withheld by the issuer to cover the reporting person's tax liability associated with the vesting of 2,111 shares underlying certain restricted stock units on 2/6/09.
- (2) Represents the average of the high and low prices for the issuer's common stock on the NYSE on 2/6/2009.
- (3) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

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