PROTECTIVE LIFE CORP

Form 4 May 16, 2007

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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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 * PORTERA MALCOLM

(First)

2801 HIGHWAY 280 SOUTH

(Middle)

(Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

PROTECTIVE LIFE CORP [PL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 05/15/2007

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

Officer (give title below) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

X_ Director

Issuer

Applicable Line)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner Other (specify

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

BIRMINGHAM, AL 35223

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

(State)

05/15/2007

4. Securities Acquired (A) Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

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Estimated average

burden hours per

Code V Amount (D) Price

105.1083

(A)

(Instr. 3 and 4) 9,054.6762

Deferred Compensation

D 100

47.57

Common Stock

Common

Stock

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	2.	3. Transaction Date		4.	5.	6. Date Exerc		7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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					(A) or						Repo
					Disposed						Trans
					of (D)						(Instr
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
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							Date		Number		
				G 1 W	(A) (B)				of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PORTERA MALCOLM 2801 HIGHWAY 280 SOUTH X BIRMINGHAM, AL 35223

Signatures

By: by Harriette Hyche Attorney-in-Fact for

05/16/2007

**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 acquired through the PLC Def. Comp. Plan for Directors who are not Officers of the Corporation (exempt under Rule 16b-3).

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