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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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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

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **Buckingham Lisa**

(Street)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

LINCOLN NATIONAL CORP

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Zip)

[LNC]

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

Director 10% Owner

SVP & CHRO

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

150 N. RADNOR-CHESTER ROAD 08/11/2010

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Issuer

RADNOR, PA 19087

(City)

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	ecuri	ties Ac	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	4. Securities nAcquired (A) or			5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 3)	•	any	Code	Disposed of (D)		Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership	
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
				(A) or		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(1115tr. 5 tant 4)		
Common Stock	08/11/2010		A	1,724 (1)	A	\$0	60,249.35	D	
Common Stock	08/13/2010		A	238 (2)	A	\$0	60,487.35	D	

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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				C-1- V	(A) (D)						
				Code v	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer Other Director 10% Owner

Buckingham Lisa 150 N. RADNOR-CHESTER ROAD RADNOR, PA 19087

SVP & CHRO

Signatures

/s/ Charles A. 08/13/2010 Brawley, III

**Signature of Reporting 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).
- Grant of restricted stock units representing a contingent right to receive shares of LNC common Stock issued under the 2009 Amended and Restated LNC Incentive Compensation Plan. The restricted stock units vest on August 11, 2013.
- These shares represent a portion of the reporting person's bi-weekly salary for the most recent pay period in compliance with the Capital (2) Purchase Program and were issued under the 2009 Amended and Restated LNC Incentive Compensation Plan. For more information, please see the Current Report on Form 8-K filed by LNC on November 6, 2009.

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