#### Edgar Filing: PROTECTIVE LIFE CORP - Form 4

| PROTECT  | IVE LIFE CORP                           |   |   |  |  |         |              |   |  |  |  |
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| March 07, 2  | 2006                                    |   |   |  |  |         |              |   |  |  |  |
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| FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549   |   |   |   |  |  |         | OMMISSION    | OMB<br>Number:  | 3235-0287  |  |  |
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| subject<br>Section<br>Form 4   | to <b>SIAIE</b><br>16.                  | STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF<br>SECURITIES |   |  |  |         |              |   |  | average<br>Irs per<br>0.5                                      |  |
| Form 5<br>obligations<br>may continue.Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,<br>Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section<br>30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 19401(b).30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 |   |   |   |  |  |         |              |   |  |  |  |
| (Print or Type   | Responses)                              |   |   |  |  |         |              |   |  |  |  |
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u></u><br>JAMES DONALD M  |   |   | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading<br>Symbol             |  |  |         |              | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  |  |  |  |
| PRO  |   |   |   |  | LIFE CO  | RP [I   | PL]          | (Check all applicable)  |  |  |  |
| (Last) (First) (Middle)<br>2801 HIGHWAY 280 SOUTH  |   |   | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction<br>(Month/Day/Year)<br>03/03/2006 |  |  |         |              | X_ Director 10% Owner<br>Officer (give title Other (specify<br>below) below)  |  |  |  |
| (Street)   |   |   | 4. If Amendment, Date Original<br>Filed(Month/Day/Year)           |  |  |         |              | <ul> <li>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check</li> <li>Applicable Line)</li> <li>_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person</li> <li> Form filed by More than One Reporting</li> </ul> |  |  |  |
| BIRMING  | HAM, AL 35223                           |   |   |  |  |         |              | Person  | ore than One R   | eporting   |  |
| (City)   | (State)                                 | (Zip)   | Ta  | ble I - Nor                                      | 1-Derivative   | Secur   | rities Acq   | uired, Disposed of,   | or Beneficia   | lly Owned  |  |
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)   | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deeme<br>Execution I<br>any<br>(Month/Day                 | Date, if  | 3.<br>Transactic<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8)<br>Code V | 4. Securitie<br>onor Disposed<br>(Instr. 3, 4)<br>Amount | d of (I | ))           | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)  | 6.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |
| Common<br>Stock  | 03/03/2006                              |   |   | А  | 25.0878  | A       | \$<br>47.832 | 15,943.3892   | I  | Deferred<br>Compensation                                       |  |
| Common<br>Stock  | 03/06/2006                              |   |   | А  | 31.2376  | А       | \$<br>48.019 | 15,974.6268   | I  | Deferred<br>Compensation                                       |  |
| Common<br>Stock  |   |   |   |  |  |         |              | 1,000   | 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)

| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transactic<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5.<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3,<br>4, and 5) |                     | ate                | 7. Titl<br>Amou<br>Under<br>Securi<br>(Instr. | nt of<br>lying                         | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Nu<br>Deriv<br>Secu<br>Bene<br>Owne<br>Follo<br>Repo<br>Trans<br>(Instr |
|---|---|--|---|---------------------|--------------------|---|--|---|--|
|   |   | Code V                                 | (A) (D)   | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |   |  |

### **Reporting Owners**

| <b>Reporting Owner Name / Address</b>                            | Relationships |           |         |       |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|--|--|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |  |  |  |  |  |
| JAMES DONALD M<br>2801 HIGHWAY 280 SOUTH<br>BIRMINGHAM, AL 35223 | Х             |           |         |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| Signatures   |               |           |         |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| By: by Harriette Hyche<br>Attorney-in-Fact for                   | 03/07/2006    |           |         |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Signature of Reporting Person                                  |               | Ι         | Date    |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| Explanation of Responses:  |               |           |         |       |  |  |  |  |  |

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). Total amount in Column 5 includes dividend shares acquired under the PLC Deferred Comp. Plan for Directors exempt under Rule 16-a 11.

(2) 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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