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

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

 PAYNE WILLIAM PORTER

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

(Month/Day/Year)

Statement

04/03/2006

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

LINCOLN NATIONAL CORP [LNC]

CENTRE SQUARE-WEST

TOWER, 1500 MARKET ST.,

SUITE 3900

(Street)

4. Relationship of Reporting

Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner _X_ Director

Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) 6. Individual or Joint/Group

Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

PHILADELPHIA, Â PAÂ 19102

(State)

(Instr. 4)

(City)

(Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 5)

Form:

Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

(Instr. 5)

No securities beneficially owned

0

Â 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 Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

(Instr. 4)

1. Title of Derivative Security

(Instr. 4)

Expiration Date

(Month/Day/Year)

2. Date Exercisable and 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security

Conversion or Exercise Price of

4.

5. Ownership Form of

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 5)

Derivative Derivative

Security:

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Date Expiration Title Exercisable Date

Amount or Security Number of Shares Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PAYNE WILLIAM PORTER CENTRE SQUARE-WEST TOWER 1500 MARKET ST., SUITE 3900 PHILADELPHIA, PAÂ 19102

X Â Â Â

Signatures

/s/ Charles A. Brawley, III, Attorney-in-Fact

04/06/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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