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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Stock

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading PORTERA MALCOLM Issuer Symbol PROTECTIVE LIFE CORP [PL] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title 2801 HIGHWAY 280 SOUTH 01/07/2008 below) (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting BIRMINGHAM, AL 35223 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities Acquired (A) or 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDisposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect Beneficial (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Direct (D) (Instr. 4) Following or Indirect Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Deferred Common 01/07/2008 29.1513 A Α 9,849.5827 I Compensation 41.1645 Stock Common

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> 10% Owner Officer Other Director

PORTERA MALCOLM 2801 HIGHWAY 280 SOUTH X BIRMINGHAM, AL 35223

Signatures

By: by Harriette Hyche Attorney-in-Fact for

01/08/2008

**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).
- 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.

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