

LEONE JOSEPH M  
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**FORM 5**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**ANNUAL 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

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
LEONE JOSEPH M

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O CIT GROUP INC., 1 CIT DRIVE, #3207

(Street)

LIVINGSTON, NJ 07039

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
CIT GROUP INC [CIT]

3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)  
12/31/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Vice Chairman and CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting

(check applicable line)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Amount Price			
Common Stock	02/28/2005	^	J <sup>(1)</sup>	3.7601 A \$ 40.48	98,647.6187	D	^
Common Stock	03/31/2005	^	J <sup>(2)</sup>	357.228 A \$ 32.3	99,004.8467	D	^
Common Stock	05/31/2005	^	J <sup>(1)</sup>	5.7779 A \$ 42.42	99,010.6246	D	^
Common Stock	06/30/2005	^	J <sup>(2)</sup>	226.772 A \$ 32.0195	99,237.3966	D	^
	08/30/2005	^	J <sup>(1)</sup>	6.307 A \$ 44.76	99,243.7036	D	^

Common  
Stock

Common Stock 11/30/2005 Â J<sup>(1)</sup> 5.629 A \$ 50.33 99,249.3326 D Â

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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. of
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LEONE JOSEPH M C/O CIT GROUP INC. 1 CIT DRIVE, #3207 LIVINGSTON, NJ 07039	Â	Â	Â Vice Chairman and CFO	Â

## Signatures

/s/ James P. Shanahan, attorney-in-fact for Mr. Leone 02/14/2006

\_\_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 reinvestment of dividends on securities purchased through CIT Group Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan, which transaction is exempt under Rule 16b-3(c) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

(2) Acquired through CIT Group Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan, under which participants purchase shares quarterly through payroll deductions at 85% of the lower of the fair market value on either the first or the last business day of the period.

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