BEARD JAMES S Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **BEARD JAMES S**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Middle)

CATERPILLAR INC [CAT]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director X_ Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

2120 WEST END AVENUE

(Month/Day/Year) 01/31/2005

below) below) Vice President

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

NASHVILLE, TN 37203-0001

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Common

Code V Amount (D) Price

42,231 (1) 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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 Title of Derivative 			te 3A. Deemed) Execution Date, if	4. 5. Number Transaction of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities		8. Price of Derivative
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(wondin Day/ Teal)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)		Security (Instr. 5)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0 (2)	01/31/2005		A	194	(3)	(3)	Common	194	\$0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BEARD JAMES S 2120 WEST END AVENUE NASHVILLE, TN 37203-0001

Vice President

Signatures

J. S. Beard; L. J. Huxtable, POA

02/02/2005

**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) This amount includes 22,572 shares in 401K and 2566 shares in SEIP.
- (2) Security converts to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (3) The reported phantom stock units were acquired under Caterpillar Inc.'s deferred employee investment plan and will be settled upon the reporting person's retirement or other termination of service.

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