

GALES THOMAS A  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
GALES THOMAS A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
CATERPILLAR INC [CAT]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
701 WATERFORD WAY, SUITE 200

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/25/2005

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Vice President

(Street)  
MIAMI, FL 33126

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V Amount (D) Price  |   |  |   |
| Common                          | 02/25/2005                           |  | M                              | 5,000 A \$ 38.4063  | 20,641  | D  |   |
| Common                          | 02/25/2005                           |  | S                              | 5,000 D \$ 95   | 15,641 <sup>(1)</sup>   | D  |   |
| Common                          |                                      |  |                                |   | 12,548  | I  | Owned by Wife <sup>(2)</sup>                          |

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. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Employee Stock Option <sup>(3)</sup>       | \$ 38.4063   | 02/25/2005                           |  | M                              | 5,000   | <sup>(4)</sup> 06/12/2010                                | Common  | 5,000                         |

### Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                    | Relationships |           |                |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|----------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer        | Other |
| GALES THOMAS A<br>701 WATERFORD WAY, SUITE 200<br>MIAMI, FL 33126 |               |           | Vice President |       |

### Signatures

T. A. Gales; L.J. Huxtable, POA                      02/28/2005

\_\_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 5856 shares in 401K, 22 shares in SEIP and 1510 shares in dividend reinvestment.
  - (2) Reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership.
  - (3) (Right to Buy) with tandem tax withholding rights.
  - (4) Exercisable in thirds - 1/3 after 1 yr.; 1/3 after 2 yrs.; 1/3 after 3 yrs.
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