

GOSSELIN STEPHEN A
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FORM 4

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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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
GOSSELIN STEPHEN A

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 100 N.E. ADAMS STREET
 (Street)

PEORIA, IL 61629-1205

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 11/15/2004

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 President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 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 or Price | | | |
| Common | 11/15/2004 | | M | 940 | A \$ 30.1562 | 6,518 | D | |
| Common | 11/15/2004 | | F | 314 | D \$ 90.025 | 6,204 | D | |
| Common | 11/15/2004 | | M | 849 | A \$ 38.4063 | 7,053 | D | |
| Common | 11/15/2004 | | F | 505 | D \$ 90.025 | 6,548 ⁽¹⁾ | D | |
| Common | | | | | | 395 | I | Custodial Accounts for Daughters |

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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 ⁽²⁾ | \$ 30.1562 | 11/15/2004 | | M | 940 | ⁽³⁾ 06/06/2005 | Common | 940 |
| Employee Stock Option ⁽²⁾ | \$ 38.4063 | 11/15/2004 | | M | 849 | ⁽³⁾ 06/12/2010 | Common | 849 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|----------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| GOSSELIN STEPHEN A 100 N.E. ADAMS STREET PEORIA, IL 61629-1205 | | | Vice President | |

Signatures

Stephen A. Gosselin; L.J. Huxtable,
POA
Date: 11/17/2004

**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 3301 shares in 401K and 416 shares in SEIP.
- (2) (Right to buy) with tandem tax withholding rights.

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(3) Exercisable in thirds - 1/3 after 1 yr.; 1/3 after 2 yrs.; 1/3 after 3 yrs.

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