CATERPILLAR INC

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **BUDA JAMES B**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

CATERPILLAR INC [CAT]

(Check all applicable)

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 04/30/2008

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) VP, General Counsel, Secy.

100 N.E. ADAMS 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

PEORIA, IL 61629-7310

(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)

Code V Amount

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 (D)

Price

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Common

34,270 (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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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3,	of (Month/Day/Year) Underlying Solution Date (Instr. 3 and Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		Securities	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock Units	(2)	04/30/2008	A	5	(3)	(3)	Common	5	\$ 0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BUDA JAMES B			VP, General				
100 N.E. ADAMS STREET			Counsel,				
PEORIA, IL 61629-7310			Secy.				

Signatures

J. B. Buda; L.J. Huxtable,

POA 05/01/2008

**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).
- (1) This amount includes 13,147 shares in 401K and 2175 shares in dividend reinvestment.
- (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 separation from service.

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