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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

ZIZZA SALVATORE J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

GABELLI EQUITY TRUST INC

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

[GAB]

(Last)

(City)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X_ Director Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year) 810 SEVENTH AVE, 27TH FLOOR 11/02/2005

(Street)

(Zip)

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

NEW YORK, NY 10019

(State)

(City)	(State) (2	Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	Securi	ties Acc	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	4. Securi		r	5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 3)	(Mondin Bay) Tear)	any	Code	Disposed of (D)		Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership	
				(A)		Following Reported	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	11/02/2005		P	5,000 (1)	A	\$ 7	13,173	D	
Common Stock	11/02/2005		P	2,500 (1)	A	\$ 7	14,878	I	By Son
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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	onNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	Secui
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivativ	e		Securi	ities	(Instr. 5)	Bene
	Derivative				Securities	;		(Instr.	3 and 4)		Own
	Security				Acquired						Follo
	•				(A) or						Repo
					Disposed						Trans
					of (D)						(Instr
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
						Date	Expiration	m: .1	or		
						Exercisable	Date	Title	Number		
				~					of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
ZIZZA SALVATORE J 810 SEVENTH AVE 27TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10019	X						

Signatures

/s/ Bruce N. Alpert as Attorney-in Fact for Salvatore J. Zizza

11/04/2005

**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) Represents shares received in the oversubscription in connection with the Issuer's rights offering.

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