GABELLI EQUITY TRUST INC

Form 4/A

November 04, 2005

FORM 4

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

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 * CONN JAMES P			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			GABELLI EQUITY TRUST INC [GAB]					(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First) (M	liddle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/02/2005			_X Director Officer (giv below)		Owner er (specify			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) 11/04/2005					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	Zip)	Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution any	emed on Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	Disposed (Instr. 3,	l (A) o l of (D)	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)	
Common Stock	11/02/2005			P	3,570 (1)	A	\$ 7	39,185.134	D		

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)			ate	7. Title Amoun Under	int of lying ities	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene
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					of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						(Instr
					4, and 3)				Amount		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	or Number of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
CONN JAMES P							
	X						

Signatures

/s/ Bruce N. Alpert as Attorney-in-Fact for James P. Conn

**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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