SPRINGER WILLIAM F

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SPRINGER WILLIAM F			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)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an applicable)		
501 S.W. JEFFE	RSON AV	ENUE	(Month/Day/Year) 10/29/2004	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Vice President		
(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
PEORIA, IL 61629-2100			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivativ	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securionor Dispo (Instr. 3,	sed of 4 and (A) or	` '	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	10/29/2004		M	1,262	A	\$ 32.9062	14,007	D	
Common	10/29/2004		F	737	D	\$ 80.135	13,270 (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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number ion 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)	
				Code V	' (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (2)	\$ 32.9062	10/29/2004		M	1,262	(3)	06/11/2006	Common	1,262

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
SPRINGER WILLIAM F 501 S.W. JEFFERSON AVENUE PEORIA IL 61629-2100			Vice President				

Signatures

William F. Springer; L.J. Huxtable,
POA 11/01/2004

**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 9996 shares in 401K and 30 shares in SEIP.
- (2) (Right to Buy) with tandem tax withholding rights.
- (3) Exercisable in thirds 1/3 after 1 yr.; 1/3 after 2 yrs.; 1/3 after 3 yrs.

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