GALES THOMAS A

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1(b).

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Form 4 Transactions

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Reported

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **GALES THOMAS A**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

CATERPILLAR INC [CAT]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended

Director 10% Owner

(Month/Day/Year)

12/31/2004

Other (specify _X__ Officer (give title below) below) Vice President

701 WATERFORD WAY, SUITE

(Street)

200

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(check applicable line)

MIAMI, FLÂ 33126

X Form Filed by One Reporting Person Form Filed by More than One Reporting

(City)	(State) (Zip) Table	e I - Non-Deri	vative Sec	curitie	s Acqu	ired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	lly 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. Securi Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	d (A) of (D) 4 and (A) or))	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common	12/13/2004	Â	G	200	D	\$0	17,628	D	Â
Common	12/16/2004	Â	G	200	D	\$0	17,428	D	Â
Common	12/20/2004	Â	G	200	D	\$0	17,228	D	Â
Common	12/23/2004	Â	G	1,600	D	\$0	15,628 (1)	D	Â
Common	12/23/2004	Â	G	1,600	A	\$ 0	12,548	I	Owned by Wife (2)

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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	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exerc Expiration Day/ (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title Amount Underly Securities	t of ying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	
	Derivative Security			Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			(Instr. 3	3 and 4)		
				(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title N	Number		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

GALES THOMAS A 701 WATERFORD WAY, SUITE 200 Â Â Â Vice President Â MIAMI, FLÂ 33126

Signatures

T. A. Gales; L. J. Huxtable, POA 01/03/2005

**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) This amount includes 5843 shares in 401K, 22 shares in SEIP and 1510 shares in dividend reinvestment.
- (2) Reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership.

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