MARSIELLO LAWRENCE A

Form 4 July 21, 2005

FORM 4

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

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may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MARSIELLO LAWRENCE A

(First) (Middle) (Last)

1 CIT DRIVE

(Street)

LIVINGSTON, NJ 07039

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

CIT GROUP INC [CIT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 07/19/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

below) Vice Chrmn, Chf Lending Off.

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-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.

TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

4. Securities

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

(T) (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 4)

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)

1. Title of Derivative Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A)
Derivative or Disposed of (D)
(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

Code V (A) (D) Date Exercisable Expiration Title
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Option (Dight to

(Right to Buy) \$ 43.01 07/19/2005 A V 62,500 07/19/2006(1) 07/19/2015 Common Stock 62,50

7/19/05 (\$43.01)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MARSIELLO LAWRENCE A 1 CIT DRIVE LIVINGSTON, NJ 07039

Vice Chrmn, Chf Lending Off.

Signatures

James P. Shanahan, Attorney-in-Fact 07/21/2005

**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) Options vest on the anniversary of the grant date in increments of 1/3 each year for a period of 3 years, commencing on July 19, 2006.

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