LAVIN RICHARD P

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LAVIN RICHARD P			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 all applicable)			
100 N.E. ADAMS STREET		EET	(Month/Day/Year) 05/01/2012	Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) Group President			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
PEORIA, IL 61629			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(7in)					

(City)	(State)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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. Securi or(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	ispose	d 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	05/01/2012		S	2,000	D	\$ 102.73	77,967 <u>(1)</u>	D	
Common	05/01/2012		A	1,250 (4)	A	\$ 0	79,217 <u>(1)</u>	D	
Common							405	I	Daughter

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 Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of 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)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock Units	<u>(2)</u>	04/30/2012	A	43	(3)	(3)	Common	43	\$ 0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LAVIN RICHARD P 100 N.E. ADAMS STREET PEORIA, IL 61629

Group President

Signatures

R. P. Lavin; L.J. Huxtable, POA

**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 243 shares in 401K and 386 shares in dividend reinvestment.
- (2) Each phantom stock unit is the economic equivalent of one share of Caterpillar Inc. common stock.
- (3) The phantom stock units were acquired under the Caterpillar Inc. deferred employee investment plan and will be settled 100% in cash upon the reporting person's retirement or separation from service.
- Represents restricted stock units (RSU) awarded pursuant to the Caterpillar Inc. 2006 Long -Term Incentive Plan. Each RSU represents (4) the right to receive one share of Caterpillar Inc. common stock and vest in thirds beginning 2 years after the initial grant date. (1/3 after three years; 1/3 after four years; 1/3 after five years).

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