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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading THAIN JOHN A Issuer Symbol CIT GROUP INC [CIT] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify C/O CIT GROUP, 1 CIT DRIVE 02/16/2011 below) Chairman & CEO (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting LIVINGSTON, NJ 07039 Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Ta	ble I - Non	-Derivative Secur	ities A	cquired,	Disposed of, or Be	neficially Ow	ned
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. Securities AcquorDisposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	(A) or (D)	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 Stock	02/16/2011		A(1)	123,901.7797	A	\$ 0	292,557.0887	D	
Common Stock	02/16/2011		F(2)	207.9089	D	\$ 44.39	292,349.1798	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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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
reporting Owner name / namess	

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

THAIN JOHN A C/O CIT GROUP

1 CIT DRIVE X Chairman & CEO

LIVINGSTON, NJ 07039

Signatures

/s/ James P. Shanahan, attorney-in-fact for Mr.

Thain

02/18/2011

**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) Restricted Stock Units are scheduled to vest one-third per year on the first, second and third anniversaries of the grant date.
- (2) Shares withheld to satisfy tax withholding obligations arising from settlement of restricted stock units.

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