#### CIT GROUP INC

Form 4

December 03, 2004

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * TAYLOR WILLIAM J			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CIT GROUP INC [CIT]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	( <del></del>		
1 CIT DRIVE			(Month/Day/Year) 12/02/2004	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Exec VP and Controller		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
LIVINGSTON, NJ 07039			rneu(Mondi/Day/Tear)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-E	Derivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)  (A) or		of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Ownership Form: Direct Owned (D) or Following Indirect (I) Reported (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	12/02/2004		M	42,500	A	\$ 23	64,002	D	
Common Stock	12/02/2004		M	25,000	A	\$ 21.05	89,002	D	
Common Stock	12/02/2004		S	3,900	D	\$ 43.3	85,102	D	
Common Stock	12/02/2004		S	13,400	D	\$ 43.29	71,702	D	
Common Stock	12/02/2004		S	5,900	D	\$ 43.28	65,802	D	

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Common Stock	12/02/2004	S	3,000	D	\$ 43.27	62,802	D
Common Stock	12/02/2004	S	4,200	D	\$ 43.26	58,602	D
Common Stock	12/02/2004	S	1,100	D	\$ 43.23	57,502	D
Common Stock	12/02/2004	S	2,400	D	\$ 43.22	55,102	D
Common Stock	12/02/2004	S	5,800	D	\$ 43.21	49,302	D
Common Stock	12/02/2004	S	27,800	D	\$ 43.2	21,502	D

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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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day)	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option 07/02/02 (\$23)	\$ 23	12/02/2004		M	42,500	<u>(1)</u>	07/02/2012	Common Stock	42,500
Option 01/21/03 (\$21.05)	\$ 21.05	12/02/2004		M	25,000	(2)	01/21/2013	Common Stock	25,000

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
TAYLOR WILLIAM I			Exec VP and Controller				

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1 CIT DRIVE LIVINGSTON, NJ 07039

## **Signatures**

James P. Shanahan, Attorney-in-Fact

12/03/2004

\*\*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) Options granted by CIT Group Inc. at the IPO price of \$23.00, which vest in 25% increments each year for a period of 4 years, commencing July 2, 2003.
- Options vest on the anniversary of the grant date in increments of 1/3 each year for a period of 3 years, commencing on January 2 1, 2004

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