

LAVIN RICHARD P
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FORM 4

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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 *
LAVIN RICHARD P

(Last) (First) (Middle)
100 N.E. ADAMS STREET
(Street)

PEORIA, IL 61629

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
CATERPILLAR INC [CAT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/02/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
Group President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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 | 03/02/2012 | | M ⁽¹⁾ | V Amount (A) or (D) Price | 6,561 A \$ 2 | 84,689 ⁽³⁾ ⁽⁴⁾ | D |
| Common | 03/02/2012 | | F ⁽⁵⁾ | V Amount (A) or (D) Price | 2,720 D \$ 112.87 | 81,969 ⁽³⁾ ⁽⁴⁾ | D |
| Common | | | | | 4 | I | Custodian for Daughter |

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number 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) | | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Phantom Stock Units | (6) | | | | | (7) | (7) | Common | 0 |
| Restricted Stock Units | (2) | 03/02/2012 | | M | 6,561 | 03/02/2012 | 03/02/2012 | Common | 6,561 |

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

03/06/2012

__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) Represents the vesting of restricted stock units granted to the reporting person on March 2, 2009.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents the equivalent of one share of Caterpillar Inc. common stock. On March 2, 2012, the reporting person's restricted stock units were settled for an equal number of shares of Caterpillar Inc. common stock.
- (3) This amount includes 355 shares in dividend reinvestment.
- (4) Includes 14197 shares previously owned indirectly through Caterpillar's 401(k) plan.
- (5) Amount reflects shares surrendered to satisfy tax withholding requirements upon the vesting of restricted stock units.

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- (6) Each phantom stock unit is the economic equivalent of one share of Caterpillar Inc. common stock.
- (7) 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.

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