CIT GROUP INC

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Addro HALLMAN TH	*	ng Person *	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	()		
1 CIT DRIVE			(Month/Day/Year) 05/23/2005	Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) Vice Chairman, Specialty Fin.		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
LIVINGSTON, NJ 07039			Filed(Month/Day/Year)			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y 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. Securit or(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4	sposed	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 Stock	05/23/2005		M	3,459	A	\$ 21.05	97,054.3759	D	
Common Stock	05/23/2005		S(1)	3,459	D	\$ 42	93,595.3759	D	
Common Stock	05/24/2005		M	26,859	A	\$ 21.05	120,454.3759	D	
Common Stock	05/24/2005		S <u>(1)</u>	26,859	D	\$ 42	93,595.3759	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)

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 orDerivative 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
Option (Right to Buy) 01/21/03 (\$21.05)	\$ 21.05	05/23/2005		M	3,459	(2)	01/21/2013	Common Stock	3,459
Option (Right to Buy) 01/21/03 (\$21.05)	\$ 21.05	05/24/2005		M	26,859	(2)	01/21/2013	Common Stock	26,859

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HALLMAN THOMAS B

1 CIT DRIVE Vice Chairman, Specialty Fin.

LIVINGSTON, NJ 07039

Signatures

James P. Shanahan, Attorney-in-Fact 05/25/2005

**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).
- Option exercise and sale of shares in accordance with a written plan established March 24, 2005 pursuant to the requirements of R ule 10b5-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

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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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