OWENS JAMES W Form 4 March 04, 2010

## FORM 4

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1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporti OWENS JAMES W	ing Person *	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			
100 N.E. ADAMS STREET		(Month/Day/Year) 03/02/2010	_X_ Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman of the Board/CEO		
(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		
PEORIA, IL 61629-7230		Filed(Month/Day/Year)			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) 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. Securit on(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	03/02/2010		M	14,238	A	<u>(4)</u>	183,668	D		
Common	03/02/2010		F(5)	5,617	D	\$ 58.42	178,051 <u>(1)</u>	D		
Common							173,277	I	Held in Revocable Trust	
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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)		orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		re Expiration Date s (Month/Day/Year) l (A) sed of		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	(2)						<u>(3)</u>	(3)	Common	0		
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(4)</u>	03/02/2010		M		14,238	03/02/2010	03/02/2010	Common	14,238		

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Topolonia o militari	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
OWENS JAMES W							
100 N.E. ADAMS STREET	X		Chairman of the Board/CEO				
PEORIA, IL 61629-7230							

## **Signatures**

James W. Owens; L.J. Huxtable, POA

03/04/2010

\*\*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 32,052 shares in 401K.
- (2) Security converts to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (3) The reported phantom stock units were acquired under Caterpillar Inc.'s deferred employee investment plan and will be settled upon the reporting person's retirement or separation from service.

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- (4) Each restricted stock unit represents the equivalent of one share of Caterpillar common stock. On March 2, 2010, the reporting person's restricted stock units were settled for an equal number of shares of Caterpillar common stock.
- (5) Amount reflects shares surrendered to satisfy tax withholding requirements upon the vesting of restricted stock units.

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