CIT GROUP INC

Form 4

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LEONE JOSEPH M | | | 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) C/O CIT GROUP INC., 1 CIT DRIVE, #3207 | | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | (2 approx.) | | |
| | | CIT | (Month/Day/Year) 02/01/2007 | Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Vice Chairman and CFO | | |
| (Street) | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | |
| LIVINGSTON | , NJ 07039 | | Filed(Month/Day/Year) | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | |

| (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) | Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) | | 5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Following Direct (D) Reported or Indirect Transaction(s) (I) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | |
| | | | Code V | Amount | or (D) | Price | (Instr. 3 and 4) | (Instr. 4) | | |
| Common Stock | 02/01/2007 | | M(2) | 69,130 | A | \$ 23 | 141,169.3326 | D | | |
| Common Stock | 02/01/2007 | | S(3) | 100 | D | \$ 58.01 | 141,069.3326 | D | | |
| Common Stock | 02/01/2007 | | S | 100 | D | \$ 58.05 | 140,969.3326 | D | | |
| Common Stock | 02/01/2007 | | S | 700 | D | \$ 58.06 | 140,269.3326 | D | | |
| Common Stock | 02/01/2007 | | S | 200 | D | \$ 58.07 | 140,069.3326 | D | | |
| | 02/01/2007 | | S | 100 | D | | 139,969.3326 | D | | |

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| Common Stock | | | | | \$ 58.09 | | |
|-----------------|------------|---|-------|---|-------------|--------------|---|
| Common Stock | 02/01/2007 | S | 400 | D | \$ 58.1 | 139,569.3326 | D |
| Common Stock | 02/01/2007 | S | 100 | D | \$ 58.11 | 139,469.3326 | D |
| Common Stock | 02/01/2007 | S | 400 | D | \$ 58.12 | 139,069.3326 | D |
| Common Stock | 02/01/2007 | S | 100 | D | \$ 58.13 | 138,969.3326 | D |
| Common Stock | 02/01/2007 | S | 200 | D | \$ 58.14 | 138,769.3326 | D |
| Common Stock | 02/01/2007 | S | 400 | D | \$ 58.15 | 138,369.3326 | D |
| Common Stock | 02/01/2007 | S | 100 | D | \$ 58.17 | 138,269.3326 | D |
| Common Stock | 02/01/2007 | S | 100 | D | \$ 58.18 | 138,169.3326 | D |
| Common Stock | 02/01/2007 | S | 100 | D | \$ 58.2 | 138,069.3326 | D |
| Common Stock | 02/01/2007 | S | 200 | D | \$ 58.22 | 137,869.3326 | D |
| Common Stock | 02/01/2007 | S | 100 | D | \$ 58.24 | 137,769.3326 | D |
| Common Stock | 02/01/2007 | S | 162 | D | \$ 58.25 | 137,607.3326 | D |
| Common Stock | 02/01/2007 | S | 338 | D | \$ 58.26 | 137,269.3326 | D |
| Common Stock | 02/01/2007 | S | 200 | D | \$ 58.31 | 137,069.3326 | D |
| Common Stock | 02/01/2007 | S | 500 | D | \$ 58.32 | 136,569.3326 | D |
| Common Stock | 02/01/2007 | S | 1,000 | D | \$ 58.33 | 135,569.3326 | D |
| Common Stock | 02/01/2007 | S | 100 | D | \$ 58.34 | 135,469.3326 | D |
| Common Stock | 02/01/2007 | S | 100 | D | \$ 58.35 | 135,369.3326 | D |
| Common Stock | 02/01/2007 | S | 400 | D | \$ 58.36 | 134,969.3326 | D |
| | 02/01/2007 | S | 2,900 | D | | 132,069.3326 | D |

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| Common Stock | | | | | \$ 58.37 | | |
|-----------------|------------|---|-------|---|-------------|--------------|---|
| Common Stock | 02/01/2007 | S | , | D | \$ 58.38 | 130,269.3326 | D |
| Common Stock | 02/01/2007 | S | 2,100 | D | \$ 58.39 | 128,169.3326 | D |
| Common Stock | 02/01/2007 | S | 700 | D | \$ 58.4 | 127,469.3326 | D |
| Common Stock | 02/01/2007 | S | 1,100 | D | \$ 58.41 | 126,369.3326 | 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) | Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) | | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | |
|---|---|---|---|----------------------------------|---------------|------|---|--------------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | and 5) (A) (I | D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Share |
| Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 23 | 02/01/2007 | | M(2) | 69, | ,130 | 07/02/2006(1) | 07/02/2012 | Common Stock | 69,13 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | | | Relationships | | | | |
|--|----------|-----------|-----------------------|-------|--|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| LEONE JOSEPH M C/O CIT GROUP INC. 1 CIT DRIVE, #3207 LIVINGSTON, NJ 07039 | | | Vice Chairman and CFO | | | | |

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Date

Signatures

/s/ James P. Shanahan, attorney-in-fact for Mr.
Leone 02/02/2007

**Signature of Reporting Person

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 vest in 25% increments on the anniversary of the grant date for a period of 4 years and shall be 100% vested on July 2, 2006.
- Option exercise and sale of shares in accordance with a written plan established December 20, 2006 pursuant to the requirements of Rule 10b5-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
- (3) This Form 4 filing reports the first 29 sales of shares resulting from the exercise of options. The balance of sales will be reported on 2 additional Form 4 filings being submitted simultaneously herewith.

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