FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> BRUMMER ROBERT C						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  CATO CORP [ CTR ]									heck all app Direc	olicable) ctor		o Owner
(Last) (First) (Middle) P.O. BOX 34216					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/01/2007										belov	,	Oth belo N RESOUI	′
(Street) CHARLOTTE NC 282344216 (City) (State) (Zip)			ŝ	4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									ne) X Form Form	vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person			
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Da						Execution			Code (	Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)					nd Securi Benefi	cially I Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	of Indirect
									Code	v	Amount	() (I	A) or D)	Price	Transa	action(s) 3 and 4)		(IIISU. 4)
CLASS A COMMON STOCK 05/01/						/2007		A <sup>(1)</sup>		1,107		A \$0		) ;	3,320			
		Та	ble II - D								sed of, onvertib				Owned			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	ate Execution Date,		Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Expiration (Month/Da	Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Month/Day/Year)  Date Expiration Date Expiration Exercisable Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)  Amoun or Numbe of		tr. 3 unt ber	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownersh Form: Direct (D or Indirec (I) (Instr.	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)

## Explanation of Responses:

1. Award of restricted shares. The grant of the award was contingent upon the company meeting a previously established performance measurement. On March 29, 2007, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors certified the performance measurement was met. The grant was effective 5/1/2007, but the shares remain subject to a time-based vesting schedule.

## Remarks:

By: BRIAN S. MCALPINE, POWER OF ATTORNEY

05/01/2007

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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