SEC Form 4

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Addres	1 0		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CATO CORP [CTR]	(Check	ionship of Reporting Perso all applicable) Director Officer (give title	son(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify	
(Last) P.O. BOX 34216	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/01/2008	X	below) EVP-DIR OF ST	below)	
(Street) CHARLOTTE NC 282344216		282344216	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	Form filed by More than One Reporting		
(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Deriva	ative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Benefic	cially C	Person Owned		

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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr.					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)		
CLASS A COMMON STOCK	05/01/2008		A ⁽¹⁾		4,022	A	\$ <mark>0</mark>	13,093	D			

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. Transa Code (8)		of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$14.19							02/01/2005 ⁽²⁾	02/01/2014	CLASS A COMMON STOCK	6,000		6,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Compensation Committee awarded restricted shares on April 1, 2008. The grant was effective 5/1/2008, but the shares remain subject to a time-based vesting schedule.

2. This option will vest in 5 equal annual increments beginning 2/1/2005.

Remarks:

By: BRIAN S. MCALPINE, ATTORNEY-IN-FACT

05/05/2008

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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