

CATO JOHN P D  
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# FORM 5

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
CATO JOHN P D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
CATO CORP [CTR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)  
01/31/2007

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
CHAIRMAN/PRESIDENT/CEO

P.O. BOX 34216

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting

(check applicable line)

CHARLOTTE, NC 282344216

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(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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | (A) or (D) | Price | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|------------|-------|--|--|---|
| CLASS A COMMON STOCK            | 06/19/2006                           | ^  | J4 <sup>(1)</sup>              | 4,500   | D          | \$ 0  | 205,741  | D  | ^   |
| CLASS B COMMON STOCK            | 06/19/2006                           | ^  | J4 <sup>(1)</sup>              | 4,500   | A          | \$ 0  | 690,525  | D  | ^   |
| CLASS A COMMON STOCK            | ^                                    | ^  | ^                              | ^   | ^          | ^     | 9,000  | I  | By Spouse   |

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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 Derivative 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) |                      |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|-----|--|-----------------|---|----------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  |                                | (A)   | (D) | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date | Title   | Amount Number Shares |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy)                | \$ 5.5   | Â                                    | Â  | Â                              | Â   | Â   | 08/28/1998 <sup>(2)</sup>                                | 08/28/2007      | CLASS B COMMON STOCK  | 450,0                |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy)                | \$ 8.71  | Â                                    | Â  | Â                              | Â   | Â   | 02/26/1999 <sup>(3)</sup>                                | 02/29/2008      | CLASS B COMMON STOCK  | 300,0                |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy)                | \$ 8.48  | Â                                    | Â  | Â                              | Â   | Â   | 05/20/2000 <sup>(4)</sup>                                | 05/20/2009      | CLASS B COMMON STOCK  | 150,0                |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy)                | \$ 8.83  | Â                                    | Â  | Â                              | Â   | Â   | 08/26/2000 <sup>(5)</sup>                                | 08/26/2009      | CLASS B COMMON STOCK  | 150,0                |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy)                | \$ 5.5   | Â                                    | Â  | Â                              | Â   | Â   | 08/28/1998 <sup>(2)</sup>                                | 08/28/2007      | CLASS B COMMON STOCK  | 3,00                 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy)                | \$ 8.19  | Â                                    | Â  | Â                              | Â   | Â   | 11/01/2000 <sup>(6)</sup>                                | 11/01/2009      | CLASS A COMMON STOCK  | 2,25                 |

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Reporting Owners

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Director 10% Owner Officer

Other

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P.O. BOX 34216

CHARLOTTE, NC 282344216

CHAIRMAN/PRESIDENT/CEO

## Signatures

By: STUART L. USELTON, POWER OF ATTORNEY

02/13/2007

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).

2,250 Class A Shares from John P.D. Cato were transferred to N Alexandre Cato Irrevocable Tr dtd 11/24/98 as 2,250 Class A Shares in a private transaction. 2,250 Class A Shares from John P.D. Cato were transferred to Wayland H Cato V Irrevocable Tr dtd 11/24/98 as

(1) 2,250 Class A Shares in a private transaction. 2,250 Class B Shares from N Alexandre Cato Irrevocable Tr dtd 11/24/98 were transferred to John P.D. Cato as 2,250 Class B Shares in a private transaction. 2,250 Class B Shares from Wayland H Cato V Irrevocable Tr dtd 11/24/98 were transferred to John P.D. Cato as 2,250 Class B Shares in a private transaction.

(2) This option will vest in 5 equal annual increments beginning 8/28/98.

(3) This option will vest in 5 equal annual increments beginning 2/26/99.

(4) This option will vest in 5 equal annual increments beginning 5/20/2000.

(5) This option will vest in 5 equal annual increments beginning 8/26/2000.

(6) This option will vest in 5 equal annual increments beginning 11/01/2000.

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