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May 20, 2005

Rule 424(b)(3)
Registration Statement No. 333-119172
CUSIP: 12560PDV0

PRICING SUPPLEMENT NO. 12
Dated May 18, 2005 to
Prospectus, dated October 28, 2004 and
Prospectus Supplement, dated October 29, 2004

\$800,000,000

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CIT Group Inc.
\$800,000,000 Floating Rate Senior Notes Due May 23, 2008

Joint Lead Managers

Banc of America Securities LLC Barclays Capital Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc.

National Australia Bank

RBC Capital Markets

(X) Senior Note

() Subordinated Note

Principal Amount:

\$800,000,000.

Proceeds to Corporation:

99.850% or \$798,800,000.

Underwriters' Commission:

0.150% or \$1,200,000.

Issue Price:

100% or \$800,000,000.

Original Issue Date:

May 25, 2005.

Maturity Date:

May 23, 2008, provided that if such day is not a Business Day, the payment of principal and interest may be made on the next succeeding Business Day as if it were made on the date that the payment was due, and no interest on such payment will accrue for the period from and after

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the Maturity Date.

Interest Rate Basis: LIBOR Telerate.

Index Maturity: Three months.

Spread: +21 basis points (0.21%).

Interest Rate Calculation: LIBOR Telerate determined on the Interest Determination Date plus the Spread.

Initial Interest Rate: LIBOR Telerate determined two London Business Days prior to the Original Issue Date plus the Spread.

Specified Currency: U.S. Dollars (\$).

Delivery: The Notes are expected to be delivered in book-entry form on or about May 25, 2005.

Form: Global Note.

Interest Reset Dates: Quarterly on February 23, May 23, August 23, and November 23 of each year, commencing on August 23, 2005, provided that if any such day would otherwise fall on a day that is not a Business Day, then the Interest Reset Date will be the next succeeding Business Day, except that if such Business Day is in the next succeeding calendar month, such Interest Reset Date will be the immediately preceding Business Day.

Interest Payment Dates: Interest will be paid on the Maturity Date and quarterly on February 23, May 23, August 23, and November 23 of each year, commencing on August 23, 2005, provided that if any such day (other than the Maturity Date) is not a Business Day, then the Interest Payment Date will be postponed to the following day which is a Business Day, except that if such Business Day is in the next succeeding calendar month, such Interest Payment Date will be the immediately preceding Business Day.

Accrual of Interest: Accrued interest will be computed by adding the Interest Factors calculated for each day from the Original Issue Date or from the last date to which interest has been paid or duly provided for up to but not including the day for which accrued interest is being calculated. The "Interest Factor" for any Note for each such day will be computed by multiplying the face amount of the Note by the interest rate applicable to such day and dividing the product thereof by 360.

Interest Determination Date: Two London Business Days prior to each

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Interest Reset Date.

Calculation Date: The earlier of (i) the fifth Business Day after each Interest Determination Date, or (ii) the Business Day immediately preceding the applicable Interest Payment Date.

Maximum Interest Rate: Maximum rate permitted by New York law.

Minimum Interest Rate: 0.0%.

Exchange Listing: None.

Other Provisions: "LIBOR Telerate" means the rate for deposits in U.S. dollars having the Index Maturity specified above which appears on the Telerate Page 3750 (defined below) as of 11:00 a.m., London time, on the applicable Interest Determination Date.

"Telerate Page 3750" means the display page designated as page 3750 on the Moneyline Telerate service (or such other page as may replace page 3750 on that service for the purpose of displaying London Interbank Offered Rates).

"Business Day" means any day, other than a Saturday or Sunday, that is neither a legal holiday nor a day on which banking institutions are authorized or required by law or regulation (including any executive order) to close in The City of New York and that is also a London Business Day.

"London Business Day" means any day on which dealings in deposits in U.S. dollars are transacted in the London interbank market.

Trustee, Registrar, Authenticating Agent Calculation Agent and Paying Agent: J.P. Morgan Trust Company, National Association.

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PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

We have entered into a terms agreement, dated as of May 18, 2005, with the Underwriters named below, for whom Banc of America Securities LLC, Barclays Capital Inc., and Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc. are acting as representatives.

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Subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the terms agreement, we have agreed to sell to each of the Underwriters, and each of the Underwriters have severally agreed to purchase, the principal amount of Notes set forth opposite its name below:

Underwriters of Notes -----	Principal Amount -----
Banc of America Securities LLC.....	\$240,000,000
Barclays Capital Inc.....	240,000,000
Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc.....	240,000,000
National Australia Bank Limited, London Branch.....	40,000,000
RBC Capital Markets Corporation.....	40,000,000

Total.....	\$800,000,000
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We have been advised by the Underwriters that they propose initially to offer the Notes to the public at the public offering prices set forth on page one of this pricing supplement, and to certain dealers at a price less a concession not in excess of 0.12% of the principal amount of the Notes. The Underwriters may allow, and the dealers may reallow, a concession to certain other dealers not in excess of 0.10% of the principal amount of the Notes. After the initial public offering, the public offering prices and these concessions may be changed from time to time.

The Notes are a new issue of securities with no established trading market. The Underwriters have advised us that they intend to make a market in the Notes, but the Underwriters are not obligated to do so and may discontinue any market making at any time without notice. The trading market for the Notes may not be liquid.

The terms agreement provides that the obligations of the Underwriters are subject to certain conditions precedent and that the Underwriters will purchase all the Notes if any are purchased.

In connection with this offering, some or all of the Underwriters and their respective affiliates may engage in transactions that stabilize, maintain, or otherwise affect the market price of the Notes. Those transactions may include stabilization transactions effected in accordance with Rule 104 of Regulation M under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, pursuant to which those Underwriters and affiliates may bid for or purchase Notes for the purpose of stabilizing the market price. The Underwriters also may create a short position for the account of the Underwriters by selling more Notes in connection with this offering than they are committed to purchase from us. In that case, the Underwriters may purchase Notes in the open market following completion of this offering to cover their short position. Any of the transactions described in this paragraph may result in the maintenance of price of the Notes at a level above that which might otherwise prevail in the open market. None of the transactions described in this paragraph is required, and, if they are undertaken, they may be discontinued at any time.

Certain of the Underwriters will make the Notes available for distribution on the Internet through a proprietary Web site and/or a third-party system operated by Market Axess Corporation, an Internet-based communications technology provider. Market Axess Corporation is providing the system as a conduit for communications between such Underwriters and their respective customers and is not a party to any transactions. Market Axess Corporation, a registered broker-dealer, will receive compensation from such Underwriters based on transactions they conduct through the system. Such Underwriters will make the Notes available to their respective customers through the Internet distributions, whether made through a proprietary or third-party system, on the

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same terms as distributions made through other channels.

Other than this pricing supplement, the accompanying prospectus and prospectus supplement and any registration statement of which they form a part, each in electronic format as filed with the SEC, the information on any Web site is not a part of this pricing supplement, the accompanying prospectus or prospectus supplement or any registration statement of which they form a part.

Some or all of the Underwriters or their affiliates have provided and will in the future continue to provide banking and/or other financial services to CIT and its subsidiaries.

The terms agreement provides that CIT will indemnify the Underwriters against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933, or contribute to payments the Underwriters may be required to make in respect thereof.