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CIT Group Inc.

\$500,000,000 Floating Rate Senior Notes due March 12, 2009

Final Term Sheet

Issuer: CIT Group Inc.

Principal Amount: \$500,000,000

Type: SEC Registered ☐ Registration Statement No. 333-131159

Issue Price: 100%

Underwriters☐ **Commission**: 0.100%

Proceeds to the Issuer: \$499,500,000

Pricing Date: March 7, 2007

Settlement Date: March 14, 2007

Maturity Date: March 12, 2009

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

Interest Payment Dates: On the Maturity Date and quarterly on March 12, June 12, September 12 and

December 12 of each year, 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 that is a Business Day, except that if such Business Day falls in the next succeeding calendar month, such Interest Payment Date will be the

immediately preceding Business Day.

First Payment Date: June 12, 2007

Day Count/Accrual of

Interest:

Actual/360. Accrued interest will be computed by adding the Interest Factors calculated for each day from the Settlement 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 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.

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Interest Rate Basis: Federal Funds (Open) Rate

Spread: +15 basis points (0.150%)

Interest Rate Calculation: Federal Funds (Open) Rate determined on the Interest Determination Date plus

the Spread.

Initial Interest Rate: Federal Funds (Open) Rate determined on the Settlement Date plus the Spread.

Interest Reset Dates: Each Business Day, commencing on March 14, 2007, provided that (a) the

Federal Funds (Open) Rate in effect for any day that is not a Business Day shall be the Federal Funds (Open) Rate in effect for the prior Business Day and (b) the Federal Funds (Open) Rate in effect on the second Business Day preceding an Interest Payment Date shall remain in effect for all days following such day prior

to such Interest Payment Date.

Interest Determination

Date: Each Interest Reset Date.

Minimum Denomination: Minimum denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000.

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

Minimum Interest Rate: 0.0%

Exchange Listing: None

Other Provisions:

[Federal Funds (Open) Rate means for any Interest Determination Date, the rate

on that date for the Federal Funds open rate as that rate is displayed on Bridge Telerate, Inc. (or any successor service) on page 5 (or any other page as may replace that page on that service) ([Telerate Page 5]) or if not available on Telerate Page 5, the Federal Funds open rate at Garvin Guy Butler (or any successor

entity). If the Federal Funds open rate does not appear on Telerate Page 5 and is not available from Garvin Guy Butler, or if the rate is not yet published by 9:00 a.m. New York City time, on any Interest Determination Date, then the Federal Funds (Open) Rate will be the Federal Funds open rate as displayed on Bridge Telerate, Inc. (or any successor service) on page 4833 (or any other page as may replace that page on that service) or from Prebon Marshall Yamane (or any successor entity). The Federal Funds (Open) Rate will be calculated on a

weighted basis, meaning $Friday \square s$ rate will be in effect for Saturday and Sunday.

□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.

The Issuer has filed a registration statement (including a prospectus) with the SEC for the offering to which this communication relates. Before you invest, you should read the prospectus in that registration statement and other documents the Issuer has filed with the SEC for more complete information about the Issuer and this offering. You may get these documents for free by visiting EDGAR on the SEC Web site at www.sec.gov. Alternatively, Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC, Goldman Sachs & Co. or HSBC Securities (USA) Inc. will arrange to send you the prospectus if you request it by calling Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC toll-free at 1-800-221-1037, Goldman Sachs & Co. toll-free at 1-866-471-2526 or HSBC Securities (USA) Inc. toll-free at 1-866-811-8049.

above, of various domestic or international military or terrorist activities or conflicts; and (21) Wachovia s success at managing the risks involved in the foregoing.

Wachovia cautions that the foregoing list of important factors is not exclusive. Wachovia does not undertake to update any forward-looking statement, whether written or oral, that may be made from time to time by or on behalf of Wachovia.

Item 1. Financial Statements.

The Consolidated Balance Sheets of Wachovia and subsidiaries at September 30, 2007, and December 31, 2006, respectively, set forth on page 72 of Wachovia s Third Quarter 2007 Financial Supplement for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 (the Financial Supplement), are incorporated herein by reference.

The Consolidated Statements of Income of Wachovia and subsidiaries for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006, set forth on page 73 of the Financial Supplement, are incorporated herein by reference.

The Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows of Wachovia and subsidiaries for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006, set forth on page 74 of the Financial Supplement, are incorporated herein by reference.

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, set forth on pages 75 through 92 of the Financial Supplement, are incorporated herein by reference.

A copy of the Financial Supplement is being filed as Exhibit (19) to this Report.

Item 2. Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations appears on pages 2 through 32 of the Financial Supplement and is incorporated herein by reference.

A copy of the Financial Supplement is being filed as Exhibit (19) to this Report.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.

Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk appears on pages 28 through 30, pages 78 and 79, and pages 88 through 92 of the Financial Supplement and is incorporated herein by reference.

A copy of the Financial Supplement is being filed as Exhibit (19) to this Report.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures.

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures. As of September 30, 2007, the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, Wachovia s management, including Wachovia s Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934). Based upon that evaluation, Wachovia s Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer each concluded that as of September 30, 2007, the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, Wachovia maintained effective disclosure controls and procedures.

Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting. No change in our internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) occurred during the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2007, that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, Wachovia s internal control over financial reporting.

Part II. OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings.

Wachovia and certain of our subsidiaries are involved in a number of judicial, regulatory and arbitration proceedings concerning matters arising from the conduct of our business activities. These proceedings include actions brought against Wachovia and/or its subsidiaries with respect to transactions in which Wachovia and/or our subsidiaries acted as banker, lender, underwriter, financial advisor or broker or in activities related thereto. In addition, Wachovia and its subsidiaries may be requested to provide information or otherwise cooperate with governmental authorities in the conduct of investigations of other persons or industry groups. It is Wachovia s policy to cooperate in all regulatory inquiries and investigations.

Although there can be no assurance as to the ultimate outcome, Wachovia and/or our subsidiaries have generally denied, or believe we have a meritorious defense and will deny, liability in all significant litigation pending against us, including the matters described below, and we intend to defend vigorously each such case. Reserves are established for legal claims when payments associated with the claims become probable and the costs can be reasonably estimated. The actual costs of resolving legal claims may be substantially higher or lower than the amounts reserved for those claims.

The following supplements certain matters previously reported in Wachovia s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2006 and Wachovia s Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the periods ended March 31, 2007 and June 30, 2007.

Le-Nature s, Inc. Wachovia Bank, N.A. is the administrative agent on a \$285 million credit facility extended to Le-Nature s, Inc. in September 2006, of which approximately \$270 million was syndicated to other lenders by Wachovia Capital Markets, LLC as Lead Arranger and Sole Bookrunner. Le-Nature s was the subject of a Chapter 7 bankruptcy petition which was converted to a Chapter 11 bankruptcy petition in November 2006 in U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania following a report by a court-appointed custodian in a proceeding in Delaware that revealed fraud and significant accounting irregularities on the part of Le-Nature s management, including maintenance of a dual set of financial records. On March 14, 2007, Wachovia filed an action against several hedge funds in Superior Court for the State of North Carolina entitled Wachovia Bank, National Association and Wachovia Capital Markets LLC v. Harbinger Capital Partners Master Fund I, Ltd. et al., alleging that the hedge fund defendants had acquired a significant quantity of the outstanding debt with full knowledge of the Le Nature s fraud and with the intention of pursuing alleged fraud and other tort claims against Wachovia purportedly related to its role in the Le-Nature s credit facility. The assertion of such claims would constitute a violation of North Carolina s legal and public policy prohibitions on champerty and maintenance. A preliminary injunction has been entered by the Court that, among other things, prohibits defendants from asserting any such claims in any other forum, but allowing these defendants to bring any claims they believe they possess against Wachovia as compulsory counterclaims in the North Carolina action. On September 18, 2007, these defendants filed an action in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York against Wachovia Capital Markets LLC, a third party and two members of Le-Nature s management asserting claims arising under federal RICO laws. Three original purchasers of the debt also joined the action and asserted various tort claims, including fraud. Wachovia has filed a motion in the North Carolina court seeking to have these defendants held in contempt for violating the preliminary injunction and is seeking dismissal of the New York action. Wachovia, which itself was victimized by the Le-Nature s fraud, will pursue its rights against Le-Nature s and in this litigation vigorously.

Interchange Litigation. Wachovia Bank, N.A. and Wachovia are named as defendants in seven putative class actions filed on behalf of a plaintiff class of merchants with regard to the interchange fees associated with Visa and Mastercard payment card transactions. These actions have been consolidated with more than 40 other actions, which did not name Wachovia as a defendant, in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York. Visa, Mastercard and several banks and bank holding companies are named as defendants in various of these actions which were consolidated before the Court pursuant to orders of the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation. The amended and consolidated complaint asserts claims against defendants based on alleged violations of federal and state antitrust laws and seeks damages, as well as injunctive relief. Plaintiff merchants allege that Visa, Mastercard and their member banks unlawfully collude to set interchange fees.

Plaintiffs also allege that enforcement of certain Visa and MasterCard rules and alleged tying and bundling of services offered to merchants are anticompetitive. The payment card association defendants and banking defendants are aggressively defending the consolidated action. Wachovia, along with other members of Visa, is a party to Loss and Judgment Sharing Agreements, which provide that Wachovia, along with other member banks of Visa, will share, based on a formula, in any losses in connection with certain litigation specified in the Agreements, including the Interchange Litigation. On November 7, Visa announced that it had reached a settlement with American Express in connection with certain litigation which is covered by Wachovia s obligations as a Visa member bank and by the Loss Sharing Agreement. For additional information, please refer to Management s Discussion and Analysis beginning on page 2 of Exhibit 19 to this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

Other Regulatory Matters. In connection with the previously disclosed SEC staff investigation of alleged market-timing transactions between certain of Wachovia s investment advisory subsidiaries (including Evergreen Investment Management Company, LLC, the Evergreen entities) and Wachovia Securities LLC, on September 19, 2007, the SEC reached a settlement with the Evergreen entities and Wachovia Securities, LLC. Without admitting or denying the SEC s findings, the firms agreed to pay a total of \$28.5 million in disgorgement and \$4 million in civil penalties, in final resolution of the matter. The settlement provided that the fines will be distributed to Evergreen fund shareholders pursuant to a plan to be developed by an independent distribution consultant.

Outlook. Based on information currently available, advice of counsel, available insurance coverage and established reserves, Wachovia believes that the eventual outcome of the actions against Wachovia and/or its subsidiaries, including the matters described above, will not, individually or in the aggregate, have a material adverse effect on Wachovia s consolidated financial position or results of operations. However, in the event of unexpected future developments, it is possible that the ultimate resolution of those matters, if unfavorable, may be material to Wachovia s results of operations for any particular period.

Item 1A. Risk Factors.

Not Applicable.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds.

Purchases of Equity Securities by the Issuer and Affiliated Purchasers.

In January 2004, our board of directors authorized the repurchase of 60 million shares of our common stock, which together with remaining authority from previous board authorizations in 1999 and 2000, permitted Wachovia to repurchase up to 123 million shares of our common stock as of January 15, 2004, the date that authorization was announced. In addition, on August 16, 2005, Wachovia announced that our board of directors authorized the repurchase of an additional 100 million shares of our common stock. Future stock repurchases may be private or open-market purchases, including block transactions, accelerated or delayed block transactions, forward transactions, collar transactions, and similar transactions. The amount and timing of stock repurchases will be based on various factors, such as management s assessment of Wachovia s capital structure and liquidity, the market price of Wachovia common stock compared to management s assessment of the stock s underlying value, and applicable regulatory, legal and accounting factors. In 2006, Wachovia repurchased 82 million shares of Wachovia common stock, all but 3.3 million of such repurchases were in the open market, at an average cost of \$54.96 per share. Please see Stockholders Equity in the Financial Supplement, filed as Exhibit (19) to this Report, for additional information about Wachovia s share repurchases in the third quarter of 2007. The following table sets forth information about our stock repurchases for the three months ended September 30, 2007.

Issuer Repurchases of Equity Securities

| | | | | | Maximum Number |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----|---------|--------------|---------------------------|
| | | | | Total Number | |
| | | | | of | (or Approximate |
| | | | | Shares | |
| | | | | Purchased | Dollar Value) of |
| | | | | as Part of | Shares that May Yet Be |
| | | | | Publicly | Purchased |
| | | A | verage | · | |
| | | | Price | Announced | Under the |
| | Total Number of Shares Purchased | | Paid | Plans or | Plans or |
| Period (1) | (2) | ne | r Share | Programs (3) | Programs (3) |
| July 1, 2007 to July 31, 2007 | 1,304,000 | \$ | 48.66 | 1,304,000 | 22,138,415 |
| August 1, 2007 to August 31, 2007 | 2,646,000 | | 47.78 | 2,646,000 | 19,492,415 |
| September 1, 2007 to | | | | | |
| September 30, 2007 | | | | | 19,492,415 |
| Total | 3,950,000 | \$ | 48.07 | 3,950,000 | 19,492,415 |

⁽¹⁾ Based on trade date, not settlement date.

In addition to these repurchases, pursuant to Wachovia s employee stock option plans, participants may exercise Wachovia stock options by surrendering shares of Wachovia common stock the participants already own as payment of the option exercise price. Shares so surrendered by participants in Wachovia s employee stock option plans are repurchased pursuant to the terms of the applicable stock option plan and not pursuant to publicly announced share repurchase programs. For the quarter ended September 30, 2007, the following shares of Wachovia common stock were surrendered by participants in Wachovia s employee stock option plans: July 2007 5,612 shares at an average price per share of \$53.09; August 2007 5,616 shares at an average price per share of \$48.60; and September 2007 10,845 shares at an average price per share of \$49.19.

(3) On May 25, 1999, Wachovia announced a stock repurchase program pursuant to which Wachovia was authorized to repurchase up to 50 million shares of its common stock. On June 26, 2000, Wachovia announced a stock repurchase program pursuant to which Wachovia was authorized to repurchase up to 50 million shares of its common stock. On January 15, 2004, Wachovia announced a stock repurchase program pursuant to which Wachovia was authorized to repurchase up to 60 million shares of its common stock. On August 16, 2005, Wachovia announced a stock repurchase program pursuant to which Wachovia was authorized to repurchase up to 100 million shares of its common stock. None of these programs has an expiration date and each respective program expires upon completion of repurchases totaling the amount authorized for repurchase. During the second quarter of 2004, all remaining shares authorized under the May 1999 authorization, which totaled approximately 5.2 million shares at the beginning of the quarter, were repurchased. During the first quarter of 2005, all remaining shares authorized under the June 2000 authorization, which totaled approximately 15.7 million shares at the beginning of the quarter, were repurchased. During the first

⁽²⁾ All of these shares were repurchased pursuant to publicly announced share repurchase programs. The nature of these repurchases were as follows: July 2007 open market repurchases: 1.3 million shares; and August 2007 open market repurchases: 2.6 million shares.

quarter of 2006, all remaining shares authorized under the January 2004 authorization, which totaled approximately 23.6 million shares at the beginning of the quarter, were repurchased. As of September 30, 2007, there are no more shares remaining under the May 1999, June 2000 and January 2004 authorizations, and approximately 19.5 million shares remaining under the August 2005 authorization.

Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities.

Not applicable.

Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

Not applicable.

Item 5. Other Information.

Not applicable.

Item 6. Exhibits.

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| (4) | Instruments defining the rights of security holders, including indentures.* |
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| (12)(a) | Computations of Consolidated Ratios of Earnings to Fixed Charges. |
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^{*} Wachovia agrees to furnish to the Commission upon request, copies of the instruments, including indentures, defining the rights of the holders of the long-term debt of Wachovia and its consolidated subsidiaries.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Wachovia Corporation

Date: November 9, 2007

By: /s/ Peter M. Carlson

Peter M. Carlson

Senior Vice President and Corporate

Controller

(Principal Accounting Officer)

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