FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* Melcher David F			2. Date of Event Requiring Stater (Month/Day/Yea 12/05/2008	ment	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ITT CORP [ITT]						
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1133 WESTCHESTER AVENUE				Relationship of Reporting Persi (Check all applicable) Director		10% Owne	r (I	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			
(Street) WHITE PLAINS (City)	NY (State)	10604 (Zip)			X	Officer (give title below) Vice Presider	Other (spec below)	, 10	Applicable Line) X Form filed by Form filed by	•	
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned											
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)						ially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
Common Stock						1,125 ⁽¹⁾	D				
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)											
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securiti Underlying Derivative Security					6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	n Title		Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security			
Stock Option ((Right to Buy)		(2)	08/18/2015	5	Common Stock	5,535	66.45	D		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Shares of restricted stock awarded under the ITT Corporation 2003 Equity Incentive Plan. The shares vest 100% after three years.
- 2. Options awarded on 8/18/2008 under the ITT Corporation 2003 Equity Incentive Plan. Options will become exercisable in one-third cumulative installments after the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of grant.

Remarks:

/s/Kathleen S. Stolar, Secretary
of ITT Corporation, by power
of attorney for David F.
Melcher

12/11/2008

** 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 5 (b)(v).
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The undersigned does hereby nominate, constitute and appoint Vincent A. Maffeo and Kathleen S. Stolar, or any of them, his or her true and lawful attorney and agent to do any and all acts and things and execute and file any and all instruments which said attorneys and agents, or any of them, may deem necessary or advisable to enable the undersigned (in his or her individual capacity or in any other capacity) to comply with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "34 Act") and the Securities Act of 1933 (the "33 Act") and any requirements of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") in respect thereof, in connection with the preparation, execution and/or filing of (i) any report or statement of beneficial ownership or changes in beneficial ownership of securities of ITT Corporation, an Indiana corporation (the "Company"), that the undersigned (in his or her individual capacity or in any other capacity) may be required to file pursuant to Section 16(a) of the 34 Act, including any report or statement on Form 3, Form 4 or Form 5, or to any amendment thereto, (ii) any report or notice required under Rule 144 of the 33 Act, including Form 144, or any amendment thereto, and (iii) any and all other documents or instruments that may be necessary or desirable in connection with or in furtherance of any of the foregoing, such power and authority to extend to any form or forms adopted by the SEC in lieu of or in addition to any of the foregoing and to include full power and authority to sign the undersigned's name in his or her individual capacity or otherwise, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys and agents, or any of them, shall do or cause to be done by virtue thereof.

This authorization shall supersede all prior authorizations to act for the undersigned with respect to securities of the Company in such matters, which prior authorizations are hereby revoked, and shall remain in effect for so long as the undersigned (in his or her individual or other capacity) has any obligations under Section 16 of the 34 Act with respect to securities of the Company.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 8th day of December, 2008.

/s/David F. Melcher