

DCT Industrial Trust Inc.  
 Form 3  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF 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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * GATES JOHN S JR (Last) (First) (Middle)  518 SEVENTEENTH STREET, SUITE 1700 (Street)  DENVER, CO 80202 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 10/10/2006	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol DCT Industrial Trust Inc. [NONE]	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below)    (specify below)	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-02)

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**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)  Date Exercisable    Expiration Date	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)  Title    Amount or Number of Shares	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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(Instr. 5)

Phantom Stock Units <sup>(1)</sup> 10/10/2007 <sup>(2)</sup>  Common Stock 3,111 \$ <sup>(3)</sup> D

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GATES JOHN S JR 518 SEVENTEENTH STREET SUITE 1700 DENVER, CO 80202	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## Signatures

John S Gates 10/20/2006

<sup>\*\*</sup>Signature of  
Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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).
  - (1) The phantom stock units ("Units") were granted to the Reporting Person under the Issuer's 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan ("2006 Plan") in consideration for the Reporting Person's service on the board of directors. The Units are subject to a one year vesting requirement that will be satisfied on October 10, 2007. Vested Units may be converted at the holder's option into common stock on certain dates as permitted by the 2006 Plan.
  - (2) The Units do not have an expiration date.
  - (3) The Units convert to common stock on a one-for-one basis.

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