

RUTA STANLEY L  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
RUTA STANLEY L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
TRACTOR SUPPLY CO /DE/ [TSCO]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
200 POWELL PLACE  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
10/06/2009

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
EVP-COO/Store Ops

BRENTWOOD, TN 37027

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |   |
| Common stock                    | 10/06/2009                           |  | M <sup>(1)</sup>               | 8,000   | A \$ 8.9075   | 44,802   | D   |
| Common Stock                    | 10/06/2009                           |  | S <sup>(1)</sup>               | 8,000   | D \$ 50   | 36,802   | D   |
| Common Stock                    | 10/08/2009                           |  | M <sup>(1)</sup>               | 8,000   | A \$ 8.9075   | 44,802   | D   |
| Common Stock                    | 10/08/2009                           |  | S <sup>(1)</sup>               | 8,000   | D \$ 52   | 36,802   | D   |
| Common stock                    | 10/08/2009                           |  | M                              | 9,000   | A \$ 8.9075   | 45,802   | D   |

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|              |            |   |       |   |       |        |   |                     |
|--------------|------------|---|-------|---|-------|--------|---|---------------------|
| Common Stock | 10/08/2009 | S | 9,000 | D | \$ 54 | 36,802 | D |                     |
| Common Stock |            |   |       |   |       | 5,154  | I | Stock Purchase Plan |

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) | Amount or Number of Share |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable Expiration Date                         | Title   |                           |
| Employee Stock Option                      | \$ 8.9075  | 10/06/2008                           |  | M <sup>(1)</sup>               | 8,000<br>(1)  | 01/24/2005 01/24/2012                                    | Common stock  | 8,000                     |
| Employee Stock Option                      | \$ 8.9075  | 10/08/2009                           |  | M <sup>(1)</sup>               | 17,000<br>(1)   | 01/24/2005 01/24/2012                                    | Common Stock  | 17,000                    |
| Employee Stock Option                      | \$ 19.64   |                                      |  |                                |   | 01/23/2006 01/23/2013                                    | Common stock  | 20,000                    |
| Employee Stock Option                      | \$ 42.65   |                                      |  |                                |   | 01/22/2007 01/22/2014                                    | Common stock  | 15,000                    |
| Employee Stock Option                      | \$ 36.395  |                                      |  |                                |   | 02/02/2007 02/02/2015                                    | Common stock  | 3,750                     |
| Employee Stock Option                      | \$ 36.395  |                                      |  |                                |   | 02/02/2008 02/02/2015                                    | Common stock  | 3,750                     |
| Employee Stock Option                      | \$ 36.395  |                                      |  |                                |   | 02/02/2009 02/02/2015                                    | Common stock  | 3,750                     |

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|                                   |           |            |            |              |                     |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|------------|------------|--------------|---------------------|
| Employee Stock Option             | \$ 36.395 | 02/02/2010 | 02/02/2015 | Common stock | 3,750               |
| Employee Stock Option             | \$ 61.27  | 02/09/2007 | 02/09/2016 | Common stock | 6,666<br><u>(2)</u> |
| Employee Stock Option             | \$ 61.27  | 02/09/2008 | 02/09/2016 | Common stock | 6,667<br><u>(2)</u> |
| Employee Stock Option             | \$ 61.27  | 02/09/2009 | 02/09/2016 | Common stock | 6,667<br><u>(2)</u> |
| Employee Stock Option             | \$ 46.165 | 02/07/2008 | 02/07/2017 | Common stock | 6,333<br><u>(2)</u> |
| Employee Stock Option             | \$ 46.165 | 02/07/2009 | 02/07/2017 | Common stock | 6,333<br><u>(2)</u> |
| Employee Stock Option             | \$ 46.165 | 02/07/2010 | 02/07/2017 | Common stock | 6,334<br><u>(2)</u> |
| Restricted stock units <u>(3)</u> | \$ 46.165 | 02/07/2010 | <u>(4)</u> | Common stock | 5,500               |
| Employee Stock Option             | \$ 38.45  | 02/06/2009 | 02/06/2018 | Common stock | 8,508<br><u>(2)</u> |
| Employee Stock Option             | \$ 38.45  | 02/06/2010 | 02/06/2018 | Common stock | 8,509<br><u>(2)</u> |
| Employee Stock Option             | \$ 38.45  | 02/06/2011 | 02/06/2018 | Common stock | 8,509<br><u>(2)</u> |
| Restricted stock units <u>(3)</u> | \$ 38.45  | 02/06/2011 | <u>(4)</u> | Common stock | 6,472               |
| Employee Stock Option             | \$ 34.355 | 02/04/2010 | 02/04/2019 | Common stock | 9,820               |
| Employee Stock Option             | \$ 34.355 | 02/04/2011 | 02/04/2019 | Common stock | 9,820               |
| Employee Stock                    | \$ 34.355 | 02/04/2012 | 02/04/2019 | Common stock | 9,820               |

Option

Restricted

stock units \$ 34,355

02/04/2012

(4)

Common  
stock

12,973

(3)

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                            | Relationships |           |                   |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer           | Other |
| RUTA STANLEY L<br>200 POWELL PLACE<br>BRENTWOOD, TN 37027 |               |           | EVP-COO/Store Ops |       |

## Signatures

Stanley L. Ruta by /s/ Kurt D. Barton, as  
Attorney-in-fact

10/08/2009

\_\_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).
- (1) This transaction is pursuant to a 10b5-1 plan entered into on February 24, 2009
- (2) Number of shares are rounded to the nearest whole number.
- (3) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Tractor Supply Company common stock.
- (4) The restricted stock units vest at the end of the third anniversary of the date of grant. Vested shares will be delivered to the reporting person on that anniversary date.

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