

SANDFORT GREGORY A  
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 \*  
SANDFORT GREGORY A

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)  
02/04/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Pres-Chief Merchandising Officer

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  
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(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common stock	02/04/2012		M <sup>(2)</sup>		25,946	A <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 81.05
Common stock	02/04/2012		F <sup>(3)</sup>		8,260	D <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 81.05
Common stock						I	4,021
							Stock Purchase Plan

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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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee stock option	\$ 17.1175					02/04/2012	02/04/2019	Common stock	19,640
Restricted stock units	\$ 81.05	02/04/2012		M <sup>(2)</sup>	25,946 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/04/2012	<sup>(1)</sup>	Common stock	25,946
Employee stock option	\$ 26.2075					02/03/2012	02/03/2020	Common stock	20,566
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Restricted stock units	\$ 26.2075 <sup>(1)</sup>					02/03/2013	<sup>(1)</sup>	Common stock	17,230 <sup>(1)</sup>
Employee stock option	\$ 51.695					02/02/2012	02/02/2021	Common stock	12,948
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SANDFORT GREGORY A 200 POWELL PLACE			Pres-Chief Merchandising Officer	

BRENTWOOD, TN 37027

## Signatures

Gregory Sandfort by: /s/ Kurt D. Barton, as  
Attorney-in-fact

02/07/2012

\_\_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) The restricted stock units vest at the end of the third anniversary of the date of the grant. Vested shares will be delivered to the reporting person on that anniversary date.
  - (2) In accordance with the grant agreement, the restricted stock units vest on the third anniversary of the date of grant. This transaction represents the vesting of those units that were awarded and the conversion to shares of common stock as reflected on Table I.
  - (3) This transaction represents the number of shares withheld to satisfy tax withholding liabilities incident to the lapse of vesting restrictions on the restricted stock units.

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