

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)  
04/21/2009

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
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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) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common stock	04/21/2009		M <sup>(1)</sup>	7,500 A \$ 3,3574	36,927	D	
Common Stock	04/21/2009		S <sup>(1)</sup>	7,500 D \$ 42	29,427	D	
Common stock					4,701	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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount
Employee Stock Option	\$ 3.3574	04/21/2009		M <sup>(1)</sup>		7,500		01/25/2006	01/25/2011	Common stock	1
Employee Stock Option	\$ 8.9075							01/24/2005	01/24/2012	Common stock	2
Employee Stock Option	\$ 19.64							01/23/2006	01/23/2013	Common stock	2
Employee Stock Option	\$ 42.65							01/22/2007	01/22/2014	Common stock	1
Employee Stock Option	\$ 36.395							02/02/2007	02/02/2015	Common stock	1
Employee Stock Option	\$ 36.395							02/02/2008	02/02/2015	Common stock	1
Employee Stock Option	\$ 36.395							02/02/2009	02/02/2015	Common stock	1
Employee Stock Option	\$ 36.395							02/02/2010	02/02/2015	Common stock	1
Employee Stock Option	\$ 61.27							02/09/2007	02/09/2016	Common stock	1
Employee Stock Option	\$ 61.27							02/09/2008	02/09/2016	Common stock	1
	\$ 61.27							02/09/2009	02/09/2016		

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Employee Stock Option							Common stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 46.165				02/07/2008	02/07/2017	Common stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 46.165				02/07/2009	02/07/2017	Common stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 46.165				02/07/2010	02/07/2017	Common stock
Restricted stock units <u>(3)</u>	\$ 46.165				02/07/2010	<u>(4)</u>	Common stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 38.45				02/06/2009	02/06/2018	Common stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 38.45				02/06/2010	02/06/2018	Common stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 38.45				02/06/2011	02/06/2018	Common stock
Restricted stock units <u>(3)</u>	\$ 38.45				02/06/2011	<u>(4)</u>	Common stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 34.355	02/04/2009	A	9,820	02/04/2010	02/04/2019	Common stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 34.355	02/04/2009	A	9,820	02/04/2011	02/04/2019	Common stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 34.355	02/04/2009	A	9,820	02/04/2012	02/04/2019	Common stock
Restricted stock units <u>(3)</u>	\$ 34.355	02/04/2009	A	12,973	02/04/2012 <sup>(4)</sup>	<u>(4)</u>	Common stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
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Director   10% Owner   Officer   Other

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### Signatures

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

04/23/2009

\_\_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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