

LENDINGTREE INC
Form 4
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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Lebda Douglas R. (Last) (First) (Middle)			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LENDINGTREE, INC. "TREE"			6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) CEO		
11115 Rushmore Drive (Street)			3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (voluntary)			4. Statement for Month/Day/Year 12/20/02		
Charlotte, NC 28277 (City) (State) (Zip)			5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)			7. 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		

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)	Code	V	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 & 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions(s) (Instr. 3 & 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
						Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock									858,160 ⁽¹⁾	D	N/A
Common Stock									76,500	I	By Spouse
Common Stock									88,900	I	By Douglas R. Lebda Grantor Retained Annuity Trust

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 4(b)(v).

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FORM 4 (continued) Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion or	3. Transaction	3A. Deemed	4. Trans-	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration	7. Title and Amount of	8. Price of Derivative	9. Number of Derivative	10. Owner-	11. Nat of Indir
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Security (Instr. 3)	Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/ Day/ Year)	Action		Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 & 5)		Date (Month/Day/ Year)		Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 & 4)		Security (Instr. 5)	Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	ship Form of Deriv- ative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Benefici- ary Owners (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exer- cisable	Expira- tion Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Options	\$13.18	12/20/02		A	V	125,000		(2)	12/20/12	Common Stock	125,000		125,000	D	N/A

Explanation of Responses:

(1) Includes 814,042 shares of common stock that Mr. Lebda has pledged to Issuer.

(2) The options vest equally at 31,250 shares each year for the next four years following the date of the grant.

By: /s/ **Douglas R. Lebda**

12/20/02

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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