

TRACTOR SUPPLY CO /DE/  
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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)  
05/17/2005

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	V	Amount				(A) or (D)	Price
Common stock	05/17/2005		S			22,500	D	\$ 40.6879	391	D	
Common stock	05/18/2005		M			6,667	A	\$ 3.7344	7,058	D	
Common stock	05/18/2005		M			22,369	A	\$ 3.574	29,427	D	
Common stock									2,763	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)	
					V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 3.7344	05/18/2005		M		6,667	01/26/2005	01/26/2010	Common stock	6,667
Employee Stock Option	\$ 3.3574	05/18/2005		M		22,369	01/25/2004	01/25/2011	Common stock	341
Employee Stock Option	\$ 3.3574						01/25/2005	01/25/2011	Common stock	32,266 <sup>(1)</sup>
Employee Stock Option	\$ 3.3574						01/25/2006	01/25/2011	Common stock	32,268 <sup>(1)</sup>
Employee Stock Option	\$ 8.9075						01/24/2003	01/24/2012	Common stock	20,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 8.9075						01/24/2004	01/24/2012	Common stock	20,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 8.9075						01/24/2005	01/24/2012	Common stock	20,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 19.64						01/23/2004	01/23/2013	Common stock	10,000
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Employee Stock Option	\$ 19.64	01/23/2006	01/23/2013	Common stock	10,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 42.65	01/22/2005	01/22/2014	Common stock	5,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 42.65	01/22/2006	01/22/2014	Common stock	5,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 42.65	01/22/2007	01/22/2014	Common stock	5,000
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
Employee Stock Option	\$ 36.395	02/02/2010	02/02/2015	Common stock	3,750

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
RUTA STANLEY L 200 POWELL PLACE BRENTWOOD, TN 37027			SVP - Store Ops	

## Signatures

Stanley L. Ruta by /s/ David C. Lewis, as Attorney-in-fact 05/19/2005

\_\_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) Number of shares are rounded to the nearest whole number.

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