

RUTA STANLEY L  
Form 4  
February 15, 2011

**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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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)  
02/11/2011

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
EVP-Chief Operating Officer

BRENTWOOD, TN 37027

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ 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)
Common stock	02/11/2011		M	40,000	A \$ 19.225 100,464	D	
Common stock	02/11/2011		S	40,000	D \$ 53.2226 60,464	D	
Common stock					10,991 <sup>(1)</sup>	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)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee stock option	\$ 19.225	02/11/2011		M	11,165	02/06/2009	02/06/2018	Common stock	11,165
Employee stock option	\$ 19.225	02/11/2011		M	17,018	02/06/2010	02/06/2018	Common stock	17,018
Employee stock option	\$ 19.225	02/11/2011		M	11,817	02/06/2011	02/06/2018	Common stock	11,817
Employee stock option	\$ 17.1775 (1)					02/04/2010	02/04/2019	Common stock	19,640 (1)
Employee stock option	\$ 17.1775 (1)					02/04/2011	02/04/2019	Common stock	19,640 (1)
Employee stock option	\$ 17.1775 (1)					02/04/2012	02/04/2019	Common stock	19,640 (1)
Restricted stock units	\$ 17.1775 (1)					02/04/2012	(2)	Common stock	25,946 (1)
Employee stock option	\$ 26.2075 (1)					02/03/2011	02/03/2020	Common stock	14,808 (1)
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Employee stock option	\$ 26.2075 (1)					02/03/2013	02/03/2020	Common stock	14,806 (1)

Restricted \$ 26,2075  
stock units (1)

02/03/2013 (2)

Common 12,406  
stock (1)

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other
RUTA STANLEY L 200 POWELL PLACE BRENTWOOD, TN 37027	EVP-Chief Operating Officer

## Signatures

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

02/15/2011

                    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) Exercise price and shares have been adjusted to reflect the 2-for-1 stock split that occurred on September 2, 2010.
- (2) The restricted stock units vest at the end of the third anniversary of the date of grant and will be distributed to the reporting person at that time.

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