

TRACTOR SUPPLY CO /DE/  
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 \*  
Downing Lee J

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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
10/28/2014

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Senior VP Store Operations

C/O TRACTOR SUPPLY COMPANY, 5401 VIRGINIA WAY

(Street)

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

BRENTWOOD, TN 37027

(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)  | Price   |  |   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | Code  | V   | Amount   |   |
| Common stock                    | 10/28/2014                           |  | M                              |   | 7,250   | A  | \$ 25.8475 21,111 D                                   |
| Common stock                    | 10/28/2014                           |  | S                              |   | 7,250   | D  | \$ 73.0631 13,861 D                                   |
| Common stock                    | 10/28/2014                           |  | M                              |   | 6,338   | A  | \$ 42.54 20,199 D                                     |
| Common stock                    | 10/28/2014                           |  | S                              |   | 6,338   | D  | \$ 73.0256 13,861 D                                   |
| Common stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  | 2,191 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 (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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|--|--|---|----------------------------|
| Employee stock option                      | \$ 25.8475   | 10/28/2014                           |  | M                              | 7,250  | <u>(1)</u> 02/02/2021                                    | Employee stock option   | 7,250                      |
| Employee stock option                      | \$ 42.54   | 10/28/2014                           |  | M                              | 6,338  | <u>(2)</u> 02/08/2022                                    | Employee stock option   | 12,676                     |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                            |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|----------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                    | Other |
| Downing Lee J<br>C/O TRACTOR SUPPLY COMPANY<br>5401 VIRGINIA WAY<br>BRENTWOOD, TN 37027 |               |           | Senior VP Store Operations |       |

## Signatures

Lee J. Downing by: /s/ Kurt D. Barton, as Attorney-in-fact  
Date: 10/30/2014

\*\*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).

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- (1) Granted pursuant to the 2009 Stock Incentive Plan. In general, the shares subject to this option vested and became exercisable as follows: 33 1/3% on February 2, 2012, 33 1/3% on February 2, 2013 and 33 1/3% on February 2, 2014.
- (2) Granted pursuant to the 2009 Stock Incentive Plan. In general, the shares subject to this option will vest and become exercisable as follows: 33 1/3% on February 8, 2013, 33 1/3% on February 8, 2014, and 33 1/3% of February 8, 2015.

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