FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* FORD TIMOTHY A							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol TORO CO [ TTC ]									5. Relationship of Reporting Perso (Check all applicable) Director				er
(Last) 8111 LY		irst) /ENUE SOUTH	(Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/02/2004									X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)  Vice President & General Mgr.					
(Street) BLOOMINGTON MN 55420-1196  (City) (State) (Zip)					-	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
		Tat	ole I - No	on-Deri	vativ	e Se	curities	Ac	quired	l, Dis	sposed of	f, or Ber	nefic	ially	y Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transact Date (Month/Day						Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquired (A Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)						,	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	,	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock														11,559.161		D				
Common Stock															359.3277		I			pany stment, ngs &
	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. Deem Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,	4. Transa Code ( 8)				6. Date Expirat (Month	ion Da			of S Ig Secu	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)		10. Owners Form: Direct (I or Indire (I) (Instr	hip C E D) ( ect (	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	sable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Shar	ber		(Instr. 4)				
Stock Option	\$74.04	12/02/2004			A		8,100 <sup>(1)</sup>		12/02/2	2005	12/02/2014	Common Stock	8,1	00	\$74.04	8,	100	D		

## Explanation of Responses:

1. The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on December 2, 2005.

N. Jeanne Ryan, Atty-In-Fact 12/06/2004

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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