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REGISTRATION NO. 333-20901

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

POST-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO FORM S-3 REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

THE TORO COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE

41-0580470

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

8111 LYNDALE AVENUE SOUTH, BLOOMINGTON, MINNESOTA 55420-1196 (952) 888-8801

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area

code, of registrant's principal executive offices)

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DEREGISTRATION OF SECURITIES

The purpose of this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 (this "Amendment") to Registration Statement on Form S-3 (Registration No. 333-20901) (the "Registration Statement") of The Toro Company, a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), is to deregister all securities registered pursuant to the Registration Statement but unissued as of the date this Amendment is filed. The Registration Statement, which related to \$250,000,000 principal amount of securities, became effective on June 10, 1997. On June 24, 1997 the Company sold \$175,000,000 in debt securities registered under the Registration Statement. In accordance with an undertaking made by the Company in Part II, Item 17(a)(3) of the Registration Statement, the Company hereby deregisters the \$75,000,000 principal amount of securities registered under the Registration Statement which remains unsold.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, The Toro Company certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Bloomington and the State of Minnesota, on the 31st day of January, 2001.

THE TORO COMPANY

By: /S/ J. LAWRENCE MCINTYRE

J. Lawrence McIntyre, VICE PRESIDENT, SECRETARY AND

GENERAL COUNSEL

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated:

NAME	TITLE	DATE
* Kendrick B. Melrose	Chairman and Chief Executive Officer - (Principal Executive Officer)	
/S/ STEPHEN P. WOLFE Stephen P. Wolfe	Vice President and Chief Financial Officer - (Principal Financial Officer)	January 31, 2001
* Randy B. James	Vice President and Controller - (Principal Accounting Officer)	
* Ronald O. Baukol	- Director	

NAME	TITLE	DATE
* Robert C. Buhrmaster		
Winslow H. Buxton	Director	January <u></u> , 2001
* Janet K. Cooper	Director	
Katherine J. Harless	Director	January, 2001
* Robert H. Nassau	Director	
* Dale R. Olseth	Director	
Gregg W. Steinhafel	Director	January <u></u> , 2001
Christopher A. Twomey	Director	January <u></u> , 2001
* Edwin H. Wingate	Director	
*By: /S/ J. LAWRENCE MCINTYRE J. Lawrence McIntyre ATTORNEY-IN-FACT		January 31, 2001