Name and Address of Reporting Person Buxton, Winslow H. 8111 Lyndale Avenue South Bloomington, MN 55420-1196 USA

- 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
- Issuer Name and Ticker of Trading Symple The Toro Company (TTC)
   IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
   Statement for Month/Year
- 10/14/2002
- 10/14/2002
  5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)
  6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) (X) Director () 10% Owner () Officer (give title below) () Other (specify below)
  7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) (X) Form filed by One Reporting Person () Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

TABLE I -- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security           	action     Date           (Month/     Day/ +	action Code	•	rities / isposed   A/I	+	) [5.           	Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month	6. Owner-   ship   Form:   Direct   (D) or   Indirect   (I)	7. Nature     of In-     direct     Bene-     ficial     Owner-     ship
Common Stock Common Stock Common Stock Units	10/14/2002	A	1.064	A	\$57.4200	500 400 510.375	95	D I	By Trust

TABLE II -- Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.		7.		8.	9.	10.	11.
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										of	ship	
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							Title a	nd Amount		ative	Deriv-	
					1		of Unde	rlying		Secur-	ative	Nature
	Conver-			Number of			Securities   ++			ities	Secur-	of
	sion or			Derivative	Date Exerc	isable			Benefi-	ity:	In-	
	Exercise			Securities			1	Amount		cially	Direct	direct
	Price of	Transac-	Transac-	Acquired(A)	(Month/Day	/Year)	1	or		Owned	(D) or	Bene-
Title of	Deriv-	tion Date	tion Code	Disposed(D)	+	+	+	Number	Price of	at End	In-	ficia]
Derivative	ative	(Month/	++	+	+Date Exer-	Expira-	1	of	Derivative	of	direct	Owner-
Security	Security	Day/Year)	Code V	(A)  (D)	cisable	tion Date	Title	Shares	Security	Month	(I)	ship

Explanation of Responses:

These are additional units credited pursuant to a dividend reinvestment feature of TheToro Company Deferred Compensation Plan for Nonemployee Directors.

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON /s/ N. Jeanne Ryan

DATE 10/16/2002