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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* FORD TIMOTHY A					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol TORO CO [ TTC ]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner  Officer (give title Other (specify						
(Last) (First) (Middle) 8111 LYNDALE AVENUE SOUTH					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/30/2003								X Officer (give title Officer (specify below) below)  Vice President & General Mgr.							
(Street) BLOOMINGTON MN 55420-1196				4. If	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						
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)												Person					
		Tab	le I - N	on-Deriv	ative	Sec	uriti	es Ac	quired	d, Di	sposed (	of, or Be	nefici	ially Own	ed					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Transaction D Code (Instr. 5			4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Beneficia Owned F	s lly ollowing	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect ving (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership					
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a	on(s)			(Instr.	Instr. 4)		
Common Stock		11/30/2	2003	003			S <sup>(1)</sup>		1,438	D	\$49.	8 8,02	8,027.591		D					
Common Stock										219.3	49 <sup>(2)</sup>		Con I Inve		Toro npany estment, ings & OP					
			able II								posed of converti			lly Owned						
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Derivative Conversion Date Execution Security or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any				ction of		6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		e	of Securities		Derivative Security	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		Ownership Form: Direct (D)		11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
					Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shares	er						
Stock Option	\$21.375								12/15/20	003	12/31/2006	Common Stock	16,00	0	16,	000	D			
Stock Option	\$21.375								07/19/20	001	07/19/2011	Common Stock	14,00	0	14,	4,000		D		
Stock Option	\$23.625								12/04/20	001	12/04/2011	Common Stock	16,00	0	16,	000	D			
Stock Option	\$32.275								12/04/20	002	12/04/2012	Common Stock	16,00	0	16,	000	D			

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Mr. Ford was awarded 8000 shares of restricted stock on July 19,2001 in connection with commencement of his employment, with vesting based on continued employment. The remaining 4,400 shares vested November 30,2003 and The Toro Company is withholding shares to pay the taxes valued at the closing price of Toro stock on December 1, 2003.
- 2. On April 14, 2003, the common stock of The Toro Company split 2-for-1, and the reporting persons holdings and previously reported stock options reflect the adjustments made as a result of the 2-for-1 stock split.

12/02/2003 N. Jeanne Ryan, Atty-In-Fact

\*\* 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).
- \*\* 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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