

Downing Lee J
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FORM 3

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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting
Person *

Â Downing Lee J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

200 POWELL PLACE

(Street)

BRENTWOOD,Â TNÂ 37027

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring
Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

09/27/2012

3. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
TRACTOR SUPPLY CO /DE/ [TSCO]

4. Relationship of Reporting
Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

5. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. 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 Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security
(Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities
Beneficially Owned
(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership
Form:
Direct (D)
or Indirect
(I)
(Instr. 5)

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
Ownership
(Instr. 5)

Common Stock

5,686 ⁽¹⁾

D

Â

Common Stock

657

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 Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security
(Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and
Expiration Date
(Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of
Securities Underlying
Derivative Security
(Instr. 4)

4. Conversion
or Exercise
Price of
Derivative

5. Ownership
Form of
Derivative
Security:

6. Nature of Indirect
Beneficial
Ownership
(Instr. 5)

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option	10/27/2012	10/27/2020	Employee Stock Option	2,879	\$ 39.515	D	Â
Employee Stock Option	10/27/2013	10/27/2020	Employee Stock Option	2,879	\$ 39.515	D	Â
Employee Stock Option	02/02/2013	02/02/2021	Employee Stock Option	3,625	\$ 51.695	D	Â
Employee Stock Option	02/02/2014	02/02/2021	Employee Stock Option	3,625	\$ 51.695	D	Â
Employee Stock Option	02/08/2013	02/08/2022	Employee Stock Option	3,169	\$ 85.08	D	Â
Employee Stock Option	02/08/2014	02/08/2022	Employee Stock Option	3,169	\$ 85.08	D	Â
Employee Stock Option	02/08/2015	02/08/2022	Employee Stock Option	3,169	\$ 85.08	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Downing Lee J 200 POWELL PLACE BRENTWOOD, TN 37027	Â	Â	Â Senior VP Store Operations	Â

Signatures

By: /s/ Lee J.
Downing

10/11/2012

**Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(b)(v).

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Represents restricted stock units granted under the Tractor Supply Company 2009 Stock Incentive Plan. Each restricted stock unit (1) represents a contingent right to receive one share of Tractor Supply Company common stock. The restricted stock units vest on the third anniversary of the date of grant.

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