

1. 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  
The Toro Company (TTC)
3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
4. Statement for Month/Day/Year  
12/18/2002
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	2. Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	2A. Execu- tion Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	3. Trans- action Code	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Code   V   Amount   A/D   Price	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Owner- ship Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of In- direct Bene- ficial Owner- ship
Common Stock			A	437 A \$66.3300	4617	D	
Common Stock	12/16/2002				500	I	By Trust
Common Stock Units					510.375	D	

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

1.	2.	3.	3A.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.	10.	11.
Title of Derivative Security	Deriv- ative Security	(Month/ Day/ Year)	(Month/ Day/ Year)	Transac- tion Code	Number of Derivative Securities Acquired(A) Disposed(D)	Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	Title and Amount of Underlying Securities Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Number of Deriv- ative Secur- ities Benefi- cially Owned	ity: Direct (D) or In- direct (I)	Owner- ship Form of Deriv- ative Secur- ity: Direct (D) or Bene- ficial Owner- ship

Explanation of Responses:

Mr. Buxton elected to take stock in lieu of compensation as provided for under the Directors Stock Plan

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON  
/s/ N. Jeanne Ryan

DATE  
12/17/2002

