

TORO CO  
Form 8-K  
September 17, 2004

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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported):

September 14, 2004

The Toro Company

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

1-8649

(Commission  
File Number)

41-0580470

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

8111 Lyndale Avenue South, Bloomington, MN

(Address of principal executive offices)

55420

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code

952-888-8801

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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 Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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**Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.**

On September 14, 2004, The Toro Company purchased 100,000 shares of Toro common stock from Kendrick B. Melrose, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. The purchase was effected under the terms of an Officer Stock Purchase Policy, which was approved by Toro's Board of Directors on September 16, 1999. Pursuant to the terms of the Officer Stock Purchase Policy, Mr. Melrose requested prior to the opening of the market on the morning of September 14, 2004 that Toro purchase 100,000 of his shares of Toro common stock at a purchase price equal to \$70.08 per share, which represented the closing price of a share of Toro common stock on September 13, 2004, as reported by the New York Stock Exchange. Toro, which has recently and from time to time been in the market effecting repurchases of its common stock under its Board of Directors approved stock repurchase program, agreed to purchase the shares from Mr. Melrose.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(c)Exhibit. The following exhibit is filed herewith:

Exhibit No.	Description
10(a)	Officer Stock Purchase Policy

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

The Toro Company  
(Registrant)

*September 17, 2004*

By: *J. Lawrence McIntyre*

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*Name: J. Lawrence McIntyre*  
*Title: Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel*

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