

FORM 4
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

[] Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16.
Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue.

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person(s)

Tanger, Steven B.
3200 Northline Avenue, Suite 360

Greensboro, NC 27408

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. (SKT)

3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (Voluntary)

4. Statement for Month/Day/Year

5/2/2003

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

6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)

[X] Director [] 10% Owner
[X] Officer (give title below) [] Other (specify below)
President,
Chief Operating Officer

7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)

[X] Form filed by One Reporting Person
[] Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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

1) Title of Security 7) Nature of	2) Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/Year)	3) Trans- action Code Code V	4) Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Amount D Price	5) Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month	6) D or I
Indirect					
Beneficial					
Ownership					
<S>	<C>	<C>	<C>	<C><C>	<C>
<C>					
Common Stock	05/01/03	M	8,000	A \$22.50000	D
Direct					
Common Stock	05/01/03	S	8,000 (1)	D \$31.93238	D
Direct					
Common Stock	05/02/03	M	12,000	A \$22.50000	D
Direct					
Common Stock	05/02/03	S	12,000 (1)	D \$32.02567 0	D
Direct					

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Table II (PART 1) Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (Columns 1 through 6)

1) Title of Derivative Exercisable and Security Date	2) Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3) Trans- action Date	4) Trans- action Code Code V	5) Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) A D	6) Date Expiration
Exercisable Expiration					
<S>	<C>	<C>	<C>	<C>	<C>
<C>					
Limited Partnership Unit Option	\$22.50000	05/01/03	M	8,000	
07/19/03					
(right to buy) (2)					
Limited Partnership Unit Option	\$22.50000	05/02/03	M	12,000	
07/19/03					
(right to buy) (2)					

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Table II (PART 2) Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (Columns 1,3 and 7 through 11)

1) Title of Derivative	3) Trans-	7) Title and Amount	8) Price	9) Number of	10)
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11)Nature of Security Indirect	action	of Underlying	of Deri-	Derivative	
Beneficial	Date	Securities	vative	Securities	D
Ownership			Security	Beneficially	or
-		Title	Number of Shares	Owned at End of Month	I

<S>	<C>	<C>	<C>	<C>	<C>
<C>					
Limited Partnership Unit Option	05/01/03	Common Stock	8,000		D
Direct					
(right to buy) (2)					
Limited Partnership Unit Option	05/02/03	Common Stock	12,000	40,000	D
Direct					
(right to buy) (2)					

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Explanation of Responses:

(1)
Securities sold pursuant to a plan intended to comply with Rule 10b5-1, previously adopted on November 19, 2002, to direct the exercise of options that expire under their terms on July 19, 2003.

(2)
Options to purchase limited partnership units, granted pursuant to the Tanger Properties Limited Partnership Unit Option Plan. Each unit obtained upon exercise of option is exchangeable for common stock on a one-for-one basis, except under certain circumstances to preserve the Company's status as a real estate investment trust for income tax purposes.

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SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON
/S/ By: Thomas J. Guerrieri Jr.
For: Steven B. Tanger
DATE 05/02/03