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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Form 5 obligations may Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type	Responses)																	
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * TANGER STANLEY K				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol TANGER FACTORY OUTLET CENTERS INC [SKT]							_X_ Di	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  _X_ Director _X_ Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)						
(Last) (First) (Middle) 3200 NORTHLINE AVENUE, SUITE 360				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/27/2004							Chairman, CEO							
(Street)				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)						_X_ Forn	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person							
GREENSBORO, NC 27408  (City) (State) (Zip)				Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned														
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Trans Code (Instr. 8	action	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		quired of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Ber Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		rities Benef	ficially 6.		ership Ind : Ber t (D) Ow	Nature of irect neficial rnership str. 4)		
Common St	taals		05/26/2004				Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price		<u> </u>			(Instr	. 4)	
Common Si	lock		05/26/2004				M		10,000		30.12	162,610	<u> </u>			D		
Common Stock 05/26			05/26/2004				S		10,000 (1)	D	\$ 39	152,610	152,610			D		
Common Stock			05/27/2004				М		400	A	\$ 30.12	153,010	53,010			D		
Common Stock		05/27/2004			S		400 (1)	D	\$ 39.02	152,610	)			D				
Common Stock											139,03	1			I	by Pa (2)	rtnership	
Common Stock										1,000				I	by	Spouse		
Reminder: Rep	oort on a sepa	arate line for each o	lass of securities ber	- Deriva	tive	Secu	rities Acc	Per this cur quired, l	rsons wh s form an rrently va	re not re alid OM of, or Be	equire B cont eneficia	the collect to respond to respond number	nd unles				SEC	474 (9-02)
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	tle of vative Conversion rity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) A. Deemed Execution Date, if or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) any Code Securities 5. Number 4. 5. Number of Derivative Code Securities		6. Date Expirat	Expiration Date of (Month/Day/Year) Se			7. Title and of Underlyi Securities	f Underlying Deriva		9. Numl Derivati Securiti Benefic Owned Followi Reporte Transac	es ially ng d tion(s)		Benefici Ownersh (Instr. 4)					
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	able	Expirat Date	ion	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4	)	(Instr. 4)	
Limited Partnership Unit Option (right to buy) (3)	\$ 30.125	05/26/2004		М			V	01/06/	/1999 <sup>(4)</sup>	01/06	/2008	Common Stock	10,000	\$ 0	27,3	000	D	

01/06/1999(4)

400

M

Common

Stock

01/06/2008

\$0

400

26,900

D

# **Reporting Owners**

\$ 30.125

05/27/2004

Limited Partnership Unit

Option

(right to buy) (3)

Relationships

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
TANGER STANLEY K 3200 NORTHLINE AVENUE, SUITE 360 GREENSBORO, NC 27408	X	X	Chairman, CEO	

# **Signatures**

By: Thomas J. Guerrieri Jr. For: Stanley K. Tanger	05/28/2004		
Signature of Reporting Person	Date		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 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).
- (1) Securities sold pursuant to a plan intended to comply with Rule 10b5-1, previously adopted on March 10, 2004, to direct the exercise of certain options to purchase limited partnership units granted pursuant to the Tanger Properties Limited Partnership Units Pa granted pursuant to the Tanger Properties Limited Partnership Unit Option Plan.
- (2) Represents shares purchased and immediately paid as compensation to all employees of Stanley K. Tanger & Company, of which Stanley K. Tanger is the 100% owner.
- (3) 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.
- (4) The option becomes exercisable in five equal annual installments, commencing one year from the date of grant.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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