BLUM ESTHER R Form 4

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## FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BLUM ESTHER R |         |          | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  |  |  |
|---|---------|----------|--|---|--|--|
|   |         |          | TAUBMAN CENTERS INC [TCO]                          | (Check all applicable)  |  |  |
| (Last)  | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction                    |   |  |  |
|   |         |          | (Month/Day/Year)                                   | Director 10% Owner  |  |  |
| TAUBMAN CENTERS, INC., 200                              |         |          | 11/11/2009   | _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify  |  |  |
| EAST LONG LAKE ROAD, SUITE 300                          |         |          |  | below) Senior VP, Controller, and CAO   |  |  |
| (Street)  |         |          | 4. If Amendment, Date Original                     | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check   |  |  |
|   |         |          | Filed(Month/Day/Year)                              | Applicable Line)  |  |  |
| BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MI 48304                              |         |          |  | _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person<br>Form filed by More than One Reporting<br>Person |  |  |

| (City)                 | (State)                              | Z <sub>1</sub> p) Tabl        | e I - Non-D      | erivative S              | Securi    | ties Acqu      | ired, Disposed of   | , or Beneficiall           | y Owned                 |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|-----------|----------------|---|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1.Title of<br>Security | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 3.<br>Transactio | 4. Securiti              |           | •              | 5. Amount of Securities                                     | 6. Ownership               | 7. Nature of Indirect   |
| (Instr. 3)             | (110111111211)                       | any (Month/Day/Year)          | Code (Instr. 8)  | Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |           |                | Beneficially<br>Owned                                       | Form: Direct (D) or        | Beneficial<br>Ownership |
|                        |                                      |                               |                  |                          | (A)<br>or |                | Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | (Instr. 4)              |
| Common<br>Stock        | 11/11/2009                           |                               | Code V<br>M      | Amount 25,000            | (D)       | Price \$ 13.83 | 32,711  | D                          |                         |
| Common<br>Stock        | 11/11/2009                           |                               | S                | 25,000                   | D         | \$ 33          | 7,711   | D                          |                         |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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# Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transactic<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) |                    | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |                                     |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
|   |   |                                      |   | Code V                                 | (A) (D)   | Date<br>Exercisable                                      | Expiration<br>Date | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares |
| Options (Right to Buy) (1)                          | \$ 13.83  | 11/11/2009                           |   | M                                      | 25,000  | (2)  | 03/05/2019         | Common<br>Stock   | 25,000                              |

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BLUM ESTHER R TAUBMAN CENTERS, INC. 200 EAST LONG LAKE ROAD, SUITE 300 BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MI 48304

Senior VP, Controller, and CAO

### **Signatures**

/s/ Michael S. Ben,

Attorney-in-Fact 11/12/2009

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Da

# **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).
  - Options were granted to the reporting person pursuant to the 2008 Omnibus Plan. Options granted under the 2008 Omnibus Plan are exercisable for units of limited partnership interest in The Taubman Realty Group Limited Partnership ("TRG"); the Company is the
- (1) managing general partner of TRG. Under the Company's Continuing Offer to employees covered by the 2008 Omnibus Plan and certain other partners in TRG, each unit of limited partnership interest in TRG held by an offeree is exchangeable for one share of the Company's common stock.
- (2) The options vested in the third quarter of 2009, upon satisfaction of the vesting condition that the closing price of the Company's common stock, as quoted on the New York Stock Exchange, is \$30 or greater for ten consecutive trading days.

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