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## Section 1: 8-K (8-K ELECTION OF DIRECTOR)

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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): November 3, 2016 (October 31, 2016)



**Tractor Supply Company**

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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

000-23314

(Commission File Number)

13-3139732

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

5401 Virginia Way, Brentwood, Tennessee

(Address of principal executive offices)

37027

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

(615) 440-4000

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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))



**Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

On October 31, 2016 the Company's Board of Directors appointed Ram Krishnan as a new director and he will be a member of the Audit Committee. Mr. Krishnan's initial term will expire on the date of the Company's 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders. Mr. Krishnan qualifies as an independent director within the meaning of the listing standards of the NASDAQ Global Select Market.

There is no arrangement or understanding between Mr. Krishnan and any other person pursuant to which he was elected as a director. There are no transactions in which Mr. Krishnan has an interest requiring disclosure under Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K.

**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On November 3, 2016, the Company issued a press release announcing the appointment of Mr. Krishnan as a director. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

## 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.

Tractor Supply Company

November 3, 2016

By: /s/ Anthony F. Crudele

Name: Anthony F. Crudele

Title: Executive Vice President - Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

## EXHIBIT INDEX

| <u>Exhibit No.</u> | <u>Description</u>                     |
|--------------------|--|
| 99.1               | Press Release, dated November 3, 2016. |

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## **Section 2: EX-99.1 (EXHIBIT 99.1 PRESS RELEASE DATED NOVEMBER 3, 2016)**



### **TRACTOR SUPPLY COMPANY APPOINTS RAM KRISHNAN TO ITS BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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**Brentwood, TN, November 3, 2016 - Tractor Supply Company (NASDAQ: TSCO)**, the largest rural lifestyle retail store chain in the United States, today announced that Ram Krishnan has been appointed to the Company's Board of Directors.

Mr. Krishnan is a recognized Fortune 500 executive with over 20 years of global marketing experience. His expertise in mobile, e-commerce, social and experiential marketing has led to the successful expansion of brands such as Frito-Lay, PepsiCo and General Motors. Mr. Krishnan currently serves as the Senior Vice President and Chief Customer Officer of Global Sales for PepsiCo.

Cynthia Jamison, Tractor Supply Company's Chairman of the Board stated, "Ram is a proven and innovative marketing veteran with an impressive track record of leadership success, and we are delighted that he will be joining the Tractor Supply Board of Directors. We are confident that Ram's global marketing experience and business background will be valuable assets to the Tractor Supply team as we continue to focus on our long-term strategy."

Mr. Krishnan commented, "Joining Tractor Supply's Board is an exciting opportunity, as the Company continues to expand its highly-regarded brand, customer base, and impactful consumer connections. I look forward to serving Tractor Supply and contributing to the Company's continued growth and success as the most dependable supplier of every-day products for the rural lifestyle."

Prior to serving as Senior Vice President and Chief Customer Officer of Global Sales for PepsiCo, Mr. Krishnan served as Senior Vice President and Chief Marketing Officer of Frito-Lay, having previously held several management and leadership positions with Frito-Lay between 2006 and 2016. Prior to 2006, Mr. Krishnan served in management and consulting positions for General Motors.

#### **About Tractor Supply Company**

At September 24, 2016, Tractor Supply Company operated 1,575 stores in 49 states. The Company's stores are focused on supplying the lifestyle needs of recreational farmers and ranchers and others who enjoy the rural lifestyle, as well as tradesmen and small businesses. Stores are located primarily in towns outlying major metropolitan markets and in rural communities. The Company offers the following comprehensive selection of merchandise: (1) equine, livestock, pet and small animal products, including items necessary for their health, care, growth and containment; (2) hardware, truck, towing and tool products; (3) seasonal products, including heating, lawn and garden items, power equipment, gifts and toys; (4) work/recreational clothing and footwear; and (5) maintenance products

for agricultural and rural use.

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