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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

1.Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading O BRIEN THOMAS M Issuer Symbol TRAVELCENTERS OF AMERICA (Check all applicable)

LLC [(TA)]

X Director 10% Owner

President and CEO

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

12/08/2009

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

C/O REIT MANAGEMENT & RESEARCH LLC, 400 CENTRE STREET

(First)

(State)

12/08/2009

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Middle)

(Zip)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

NEWTON, MA 02458

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of

Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Securities Beneficially Beneficial (D) or Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

D

Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Price Amount (D)

Α 200,000 (1) 667,690.5

Shares

Common

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)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)			7. Title a Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 a	of ng s	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	or Title Nu of	umber		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
Reporting Owner Function	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
O BRIEN THOMAS M C/O REIT MANAGEMENT & RESEARCH LLC 400 CENTRE STREET NEWTON, MA 02458	X		President and CEO			

Signatures

/s/ Thomas M.
O'Brien

**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) Transaction reported is grant of shares pursuant to issuer's equity compensation plan.

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