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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
KELLEY MICHAEL L

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2000 W. SAM HOUSTON PKW.
S., SUITE 800

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77042-3615

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
TODCO [THE]

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

08/16/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	(A) or (D)	5. Amount or Price	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
Class A common Stock	08/16/2005		M	5,300	A	\$ 12	5,300	D
Class A common Stock	08/16/2005		S	200	D	\$ 31.27	5,100	D
Class A common Stock	08/16/2005		S	100	D	\$ 31.25	5,000	D
Class A common	08/16/2005		S	200	D	\$ 31.21	4,800	D

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Stock								
Class A common Stock	08/16/2005	S	200	D	\$ 31.19	4,600		D
Class A common Stock	08/16/2005	S	200	D	\$ 31.18	4,400		D
Class A common Stock	08/16/2005	S	300	D	\$ 31.16	4,100		D
Class A common Stock	08/16/2005	S	200	D	\$ 31.14	3,900		D
Class A common Stock	08/16/2005	S	100	D	\$ 31.1	3,800		D
Class A common Stock	08/16/2005	S	400	D	\$ 31.09	3,400		D
Class A common Stock	08/16/2005	S	300	D	\$ 31.08	3,100		D
Class A common Stock	08/16/2005	S	900	D	\$ 31.07	2,200		D
Class A common Stock	08/16/2005	S	200	D	\$ 31.06	2,000		D
Class A common Stock	08/16/2005	S	200	D	\$ 31.05	1,800		D
Class A common Stock	08/16/2005	S	600	D	\$ 31.03	1,200		D
Class A common Stock	08/16/2005	S	600	D	\$ 31.01	600		D
Class A common Stock	08/16/2005	S	600	D	\$ 31	0		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 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative 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)
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12	08/16/2005		M	5,300	02/10/2005 02/09/2014	Class A Common Stock 5,300 Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
KELLEY MICHAEL L 2000 W. SAM HOUSTON PKW. S. SUITE 800 HOUSTON, TX 77042-3615			Vice President	

Signatures

Michael L. Kelley
08/17/2005
**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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