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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20549

SCHEDULE 14D-9/A SOLICITATION/RECOMMENDATION STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 14(D)(4) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 (AMENDMENT NO. 2)

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TAUBMAN CENTERS, INC. (Name of Subject Company)

TAUBMAN CENTERS, INC. (Name of Person(s) Filing Statement)

COMMON STOCK, PAR VALUE \$0.01 PER SHARE (Title of Class of Securities)

876664103 (CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

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This Amendment No. 2 amends and supplements the Solicitation/ Recommendation Statement on Schedule 14D-9 initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") on December 11, 2002 (as subsequently amended, the "Schedule 14D-9"), by Taubman Centers, Inc., a Michigan corporation (the "Company" or "Taubman Centers") relating to the tender offer made by Simon Property Acquisitions, Inc. ("Offeror"), a wholly owned subsidiary of Simon Property Group, Inc. ("Simon"), as set forth in a Tender Offer Statement filed by Simon on Schedule TO, dated December 5, 2002 (the "Schedule TO"), to pay \$18.00 net to the seller in cash, without interest thereon, for each Common Share, upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Schedule TO. Unless otherwise indicated, all capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Schedule 14D-9.

### ITEM 8. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO BE FURNISHED

#### (a) LEGAL MATTERS

In response to Simon's lawsuit filed on December 5, 2002 in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan against Taubman Centers, Inc., A. Alfred Taubman, Robert S. Taubman, Lisa A. Payne, Graham T. Allison, Peter Karmanos, Jr., William S. Taubman, Allan J. Bloostein, Jerome A. Chazen, and S. Parker Gilbert, the Company filed a motion to dismiss on December 16, 2002 arguing that the First Claim for Relief failed to state a claim under the Control Share Acquisitions Act because the Taubman family's receipt of original issue Series B Preferred Stock from Taubman Centers, Inc., in 1998 was not a "control share acquisition" under the Act.

### ITEM 9. EXHIBITS

Item 9 is hereby amended and supplemented by adding thereto the following:

Exhibit (a)(13)	Motion to dismiss Simon Property Group, Inc. and Simon Property Acquisitions, Inc.'s First Claim for Relief for failure to state a claim under the Control Share Acquisitions Act, filed on December 16, 2002 by Taubman Centers, Inc., A. Alfred Taubman, Robert S. Taubman,
	Lisa A. Payne, Graham T. Allison, Peter Karmanos, Jr., William S. Taubman, Allan J. Bloostein, Jerome A. Chazen and S. Parker Gilbert
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Exhibit (a) (16) Press release issued by Taubman Centers on December 17,

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### SIGNATURE

After due inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: December 17, 2002 Taubman Centers, Inc.

> By: /s/ Robert S. Taubman \_\_\_\_\_

Robert S. Taubman Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer

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