FORM 4

# **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol MACERICH CO [ MAC ]						(Che	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)							
(Last) THE MA	(FI	irst)	(Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/01/2013					X		give title	10% Owner Other (specify below)				
401 WILSHIRE BLVD., SUITE 700  (Street) SANTA MONICA CA 90401  (City) (State) (Zip)						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						6. Inc	' I				
Table I - Non-Deriva  1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D					Execution Date, Transa			3. Transacti Code (Ins	4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			i (A) or	5. Amount of		Form:	Direct Indirect Btr. 4)	. Nature of ndirect leneficial lownership nstr. 4)
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)	Code	e, Transaction Code (Instr.		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 Securities Underlying Derivati Security (Instr. 3 an 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	le V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	n Title	- [1	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)			
Phantom Stock Units	\$0 <sup>(1)</sup>	01/01/2013		A		2,720.78		(2)	(2)	Comr		2,720.78	\$0	7,181.5	1 <sup>(3)</sup>	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Convertible on a 1 for 1 basis.
- 2. The shares attributable to the phantom stock units first become distributable upon the earlier of the January 1 following the date of termination of board service or January 1, 2020 in a single lump sum pursuant to an election in accordance with the Plan terms.
- 3. Includes 343.72 previously unreported phantom stock units accrued under the dividend reinvestment feature of the Plan.

Thomas J. Leanse for DOUGLAS DIX ABBEY

01/03/2013

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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).

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### SECTION 16 REPORTS

### CONFIRMING STATEMENT

This statement confirms that the undersigned, Douglas D. Abbey, has authorized and designated THOMAS J. LEANSE and/or MADONNA R. SHANNON (the "Agents") to execute and file on the undersigned's behalf all Forms 3, 4 and 5 (including any amendments thereto) that the undersigned may be required to file with the U. S. Securities and Exchange Commission as a result of the undersigned's ownership of or transactions in securities of THE MACERICH COMPANY (the "Corporation"). The authority of the Agents under this Statement shall continue until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with regard to the undersigned's ownership of or transactions in securities of the Corporation, unless earlier revoked in writing. The undersigned acknowledges that the Agents are not assuming any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Date: October 4, 2012 Signature: /s/ Douglas D. Abbey

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Douglas D. Abbey