

TAUBMAN CENTERS INC
Form SC 14D9/A
February 18, 2003

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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. 17)

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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Communications on Behalf of the Person(s) Filing Statement)

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This Amendment No. 17 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") and Westfield America, Inc. ("Westfield"), as set forth in a Tender Offer Statement filed by Simon on Schedule TO, dated December 5, 2002 (the "Schedule TO") and a Supplement to the Offer to Purchase, dated January 15, 2003 filed by Simon on Schedule TO-T/A (Amendment No. 6) (the "Supplement"), to pay \$20.00 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 and the Supplement. Unless otherwise indicated, all capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Schedule 14D-9.

ITEM 9. Exhibits.

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

Exhibit No.	Description
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(a) (43)	Press release issued by Taubman Centers on February 17, 2003
(a) (44)	Letter to Taubman Centers Associates

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: February 19, 2003

Taubman Centers, Inc.

By: /s/ Robert S. Taubman

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

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