

SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO CO  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**HAGEDORN JAMES**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO CO [SMG]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**12/10/2014**

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
**Chairman and CEO**

**C/O THE SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO COMPANY, 14111 SCOTTS LAWN ROAD**

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**MARYSVILLE, OH 43041**

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount or Price   |  |  |
| Common Shares                   | 12/10/2014                           |  | A                              |   | 286.104<br>(1)  | A  | \$ 62.75 40,286.361 D                      |
| Common Shares                   | 12/10/2014                           |  | A                              |   | 34.7654   | A  | \$ 61.9953 6,723.5328 I By DSPP (2)        |
| Common Shares                   |                                      |  |                                |   |   | I  | 38,794.572 I By 401(K) Plan                |
| Common Shares                   |                                      |  |                                |   |   | I  | 1,910,789 I HPLP (3)                       |

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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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares   |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                  |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer          | Other |
| HAGEDORN JAMES<br>C/O THE SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO COMPANY<br>14111 SCOTTS LAWN ROAD<br>MARYSVILLE, OH 43041 | X             | X         | Chairman and CEO |       |

## Signatures

Kathy L. Uttley as attorney-in-fact for James Hagedorn  
Date: 12/12/2014

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) Reflects common shares of the Issuer ("Common Shares") represented by amount credited to the benchmark Company stock fund within the reporting person's bookkeeping account under The Scotts Company LLC Executive Retirement Plan.
- (2) Common Shares were acquired pursuant to the dividend reinvestment feature of The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company Discounted Stock Purchase Plan (DSPP).
- (3) Pursuant to Exchange Act Rule 16a-1(a)(1), the reporting person may be deemed, solely for purposes of determining whether he is a beneficial owner of more than 10% of the Common Shares, to be the beneficial owner of the securities of the Issuer that are held by Hagedorn Partnership, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership in which the reporting person is a general partner (the "Partnership"). Represents the aggregate proportionate interest of the reporting person and those family members in whose holdings he may be deemed to

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have a pecuniary interest, in Common Shares held by the Partnership.

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