SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO CO

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Johnson Stephen L

Symbol

SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO CO

[SMG]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

C/O THE SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO 01/18/2016

COMPANY, 14111 SCOTTSLAWN ROAD

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

M

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

MARYSVILLE, OH 43041

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned Following (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4)

Reported (A)

(1)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Common Shares

01/18/2016

Code V Amount Price (D)

2,542

8,258

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)

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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. Transactic 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. P. Deri Secu (Ins
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Deferred Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	01/18/2016		M	2,334	(2)	(2)	Common Shares	2,334	
Deferred Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	01/18/2016		M	154	(3)	(3)	Common Shares	154	
Dividend Equivalent Rights	<u>(1)</u>	01/18/2016		M	54	(2)(3)	(2)(3)	Common Shares	54	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Johnson Stephen L C/O THE SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO COMPANY 14111 SCOTTSLAWN ROAD MARYSVILLE, OH 43041	X					

Signatures

Kathy L. Uttley as attorney-in-fact for Stephen L. Johnson

01/21/2016

**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).
- Deferred stock units convert into common shares of the Issuer on a one-for-one basis.
- On January 18, 2013, the reporting person was granted 2,385 deferred stock units, with accruing dividend equivalent rights, vesting on **(2)** January 18, 2016.
- On August 2, 2013, the reporting person was granted 157 deferred stock units, with accruing dividend equivalent rights, vesting on

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