### SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO CO

Form 4

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# FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

**HAGEDORN JAMES** 

SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO CO

(Check all applicable)

[SMG]

(Last)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

\_X\_\_ Director X\_ Officer (give title

X\_\_ 10% Owner \_ Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year)

03/15/2016

below) Chairman and CEO

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

(First)

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ 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. Securition Disposi (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (	` ′	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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Shares	03/15/2016		M	37,216	A	\$ 36.69	89,266.6811	D	
Common Shares	03/15/2016		S <u>(1)</u>	37,216	D	\$ 73.1378 (2)	52,050.6811	D	
Common Shares							40,595.821	I	By 401(K) Plan
Common							1,880,789	I	HPLP (3)

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#### Shares

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 36.69	03/15/2016		M	37,216	10/11/2009	10/11/2016	Common Shares	37,216

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
. 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
HAGEDORN JAMES C/O THE SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO COMPANY	X	X	Chairman		
14111 SCOTTSLAWN ROAD MARYSVILLE, OH 43041			and CEO		

# **Signatures**

Kathy L. Uttley as attorney-in-fact for James
Hagedorn

03/16/2016

\*\*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).
- (1) The sales reported in this Form 4 were made pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on December 18, 2015.
- (2) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$72.84 to \$73.81, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of Issuer, or the staff of the Securities

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and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote 2.

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 of the Issuer ("Common Shares"), to be the beneficial owner of the securities of

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

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