SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO CO

Form 4

November 14, 2016

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| (Print or Type | Responses) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Lukemire Michael C Symbol SCC | | | Symbol | | Ticker or | | g | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | | |
| | | | SCOTTS [SMG] | S MIRAC | CLE-GRO | CO | | (Check all applicable) | | | | |
| | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify | | | |
| | SCOTTS MIRAC Y, 14111 SCOTT | | 11/09/20 | • | | | | below) | below) sident and COO | • | | |
| | | | | | ite Original | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person | | | | |
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| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | Table | e I - Non-D | erivative S | Securit | ties Aco | quired, Disposed o | of, or Beneficia | lly Owned | | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | any | | med on Date, if Day/Year) | 3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securiton(A) or Di (D) (Instr. 3, | sposed | of | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
| C | | | | Code V | Amount | (D) | Price | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | |
| Common Shares | 11/09/2016 <u>(1)</u> | | | A | 12,613 | A | \$ 0 | 28,983 | D | | | |
| Common Shares | | | | | | | | 490.135 | I | By 401(K) Plan | | |
| Reminder: Rep | port on a separate lin | e for each c | lass of secur | rities benef | - | | - | • | | | | |
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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 | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed | 4. | 5. | 6. Date Exerc | cisable and | 7. Title | and | 8. Price of | 9. Nu |
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| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transactio | orNumber | Expiration D | piration Date | | t of | Derivative | Deriv |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | of | (Month/Day/ | Year) | Underly | ing | Security | Secui |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Derivative | e | | Securitie | es | (Instr. 5) | Bene |
| | Derivative | | | | Securities | | | (Instr. 3 | and 4) | | Own |
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| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | | | S | hares | | |

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address 10% Owner Officer Other Director

Lukemire Michael C C/O THE SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO COMPANY 14111 SCOTTSLAWN ROAD MARYSVILLE, OH 43041

President and COO

Signatures

Kathy L. Uttley as attorney-in-fact for Michael C. 11/14/2016 Lukemire

> **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).

On January 30, 2015, the reporting person was granted an award of 15,766 restricted stock units with vesting subject to the satisfaction of (1) certain performance criteria. On November 9, 2016, the Compensation and Organization Committee certified performance with respect to 12,613 restricted stock units. The remaining 3,153 restricted stock units were forfeited.

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