SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO CO

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See Instruction 1(b).

(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]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

03/16/2016

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

_X__ Director X_ Officer (give title below)

X__ 10% Owner _ Other (specify

Chairman and CEO

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

(First)

(Middle)

(Last)

(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							Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	execution Date, if Transaction Code			` ′	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	03/16/2016		M	Amount 96,425	A	\$ 36.69	148,475.6811	D	
Common Shares	03/16/2016		S <u>(1)</u>	96,425	D	\$ 72.8114 (2)	52,050.6811	D	
Common Shares	03/17/2016		M	28,075	A	\$ 36.69	80,125.6811	D	
Common Shares	03/17/2016		S(1)	28,075	D	\$ 73.308 (3)	52,050.6811	D	

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Common Shares	40,595.821	I	By 401(K) Plan
Common Shares	1,880,789	I	HPLP (4)

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of onDerivative 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	03/16/2016		M	96,425	10/11/2009	10/11/2016	Common Shares	96,425
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 36.69	03/17/2016		M	28,075	10/11/2009	10/11/2016	Common Shares	28,075

Reporting Owners

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

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Signatures

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

03/17/2016

**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.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$72.47 to \$73.10, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of Issuer, or the staff of the Securities 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.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$72.57 to \$73.56, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of Issuer, or the staff of the Securities 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 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 of the Issuer ("Common Shares"), to be the beneficial owner of the securities of
- (4) 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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