#### SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO CO

Form 4

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## FORM 4

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**SECURITIES** 

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

(Middle)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

STUMP DENISE

SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO CO [SMG]

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

(Check all applicable)

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

Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify

08/01/2016

Symbol

below)

EVP, Global Human Resources

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

(Street)

(State)

(First)

(City)

Common

Shares

Shares

(Last)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Code

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

MARYSVILLE, OH 43041

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

(Zip)

(Month/Day/Year)

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

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

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

(Instr. 4)

(A)

Price

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

V Amount (D) \$ 66.8 14,181.6837 7.485 Α D

D

Common

08/01/2016

08/25/2016

S 4,500 \$ 81.72 9,681,6837 (1)

D

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# Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		Deriva Securi (Instr.
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)  (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock	<u>(2)</u>	08/26/2016		A	119.7	(3)	(3)	Common Shares	119.7	\$ 81

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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

EVP, Global Human Resources

## **Signatures**

Kathy L. Uttley as attorney-in-fact for Denise S. Stump

08/29/2016

\*\*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).
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$81.70 to \$81.78, 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 (1).
- (2) Each share of phantom stock represents the right to receive one common share of Issuer or the cash value thereof.
- (3) Shares of phantom stock are payable in cash following termination of the reporting person's employment with Issuer. The reporting person may transfer his/her phantom stock account into an alternative investment account at any time.

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