#### SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO CO

Form 4

March 14, 2017

## FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction

1(b).

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may continue.

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* STUMP DENISE

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

(Middle)

(Zip)

SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO CO

(Check all applicable)

[SMG]

(Last)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director X\_ Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year)

02/28/2017

below) EVP, Global Human Resources

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

(Street)

(State)

(First)

ROAD

(City)

Shares

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

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

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#### MARYSVILLE, OH 43041

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr.	8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  (A) or			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			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price \$	· ·		
Shares	02/28/2017		J	V	6.1297	A	81.57	19,403.462	D	
Common	03/10/2017		J	V	7.7692	A	\$	19,411.2312	D	

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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		4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exerc		7. Title and A		8. P
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactionDerivative		Expiration Date		Underlying Securities		Der
Security	or Exercise		any	Code Securities		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)		Secu
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A)					(Ins
	Derivative				or Disposed of					
	Security				(D)					
	•				(Instr. 3, 4,					
					and 5)					
									Amount	
						Date	Expiration	Title	or	
						Exercisable	Date	Title	Number	
				Code V	(A) (D)				of Shares	
Phantom								Common		
	<u>(1)</u>	03/10/2017		A	23.574	(2)	(2)		23.574	\$ 9
Stock								Shares		

## **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 03/14/2017

\*\*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) Each share of phantom stock represents the right to receive one common share of Issuer or the cash value thereof.
- (2) 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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