#### SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO CO

Form 4

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1(b).

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obligations

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

STUMP DENISE

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO CO

[SMG]

Issuer

10% Owner

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

08/31/2016

Other (specify X\_ Officer (give title below) EVP, Global Human Resources

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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

(Street)

(State)

08/31/2016

(First)

(Middle)

(Instr. 3)

Common

Shares

(Last)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Director

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

### MARYSVILLE, OH 43041

(City) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transactionor Disposed of (D) Securities

> Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)

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

(Instr. 4)

7. Nature of

(A)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

(D) Price Code V Amount

\$ 74.52 9,688.3933 D 6.7096 Α

Common 09/09/2016 V 8.6603 A 9,697,0536 D Shares

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1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. 5. Number of TransactiorDerivative Code Securities		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Property Section Se
(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						(Ins
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock	<u>(1)</u>	09/09/2016		A	21.627	(2)	(2)	Common Shares	21.627	\$ 8

## **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 09/13/2016

\*\*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) 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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