

HAGEDORN JAMES  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(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]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Chairman and CEO

C/O HAGEDORN PARTNERSHIP,  
L.P., 800 PORT WASHINGTON  
BOULEVARD

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

PORT WASHINGTON, NY 11050

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount  |  |   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   | (A) or (D)  |  |   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   | Price   |  |   |
| Common Shares                   | 08/25/2017                           |  | S <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 5,993   | D  | See footnotes (4) (5)                                 |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   | \$ 94.86  |  |   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   | (2)   |  |   |
| Common Shares                   | 08/28/2017                           |  | S <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 10,007  | D  | See footnotes (4) (5)                                 |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   | \$ 94.08  |  |   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   | (3)   |  |   |

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative 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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                  |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer          | Other |
| HAGEDORN JAMES<br>C/O HAGEDORN PARTNERSHIP, L.P.<br>800 PORT WASHINGTON BOULEVARD<br>PORT WASHINGTON, NY 11050 | X             | X         | Chairman and CEO |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Rob McMahon,  
Attorney-in-Fact

08/29/2017

\*\*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) Represents the sale for the account of James Hagedorn and certain family members of a portion of their proportionate interest in the Issuer's common shares (the "Common Shares") held by the Hagedorn Partnership, L.P.  
The transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$94.71 to \$95.05. The price above reflects the weighted average sales price. Detailed information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price will be provided upon request by the Commission staff, the Issuer or a security holder of the Issuer.
- (3) The transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$93.38 to \$94.92. The price above reflects the weighted average sales price. Detailed information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price will be provided upon request by the Commission staff, the Issuer or a security holder of the Issuer.
- (4) 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, to be the beneficial owner of the securities of the Issuer that are held by Hagedorn Partnership, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership in which the Reporting Person is a general partner.

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- (5) Represents the aggregate proportionate interest of James Hagedorn and those family members in whose holdings he may be deemed to have a pecuniary interest in the Common Shares held by Hagedorn Partnership, L.P.

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