

SANDERS BARRY W  
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 \*  
SANDERS BARRY W

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  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
EVP, North America

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

(Street)

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

MARYSVILLE, OH 43041

(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) | (A) or (D) | 5. Amount or Price | 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|------------|--------------------|---|--|--|
| Common Shares                   | 10/20/2010                           |  | M                              | 100   | A          | \$ 35.74           | 49,159.11   | D  |  |
| Common Shares                   | 10/20/2010                           |  | S <sup>(1)</sup>               | 100   | D          | \$ 54              | 49,059.11   | D  |  |
| Common Shares                   | 10/21/2010                           |  | M                              | 26,793  | A          | \$ 35.74           | 75,852.11   | D  |  |
| Common Shares                   | 10/21/2010                           |  | S <sup>(1)</sup>               | 26,793  | D          | \$ 54              | 49,059.11   | D  |  |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   |            |                    | 299.8382  | I  | By DSPP                                    |

Common  
Shares

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) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable Expiration Date                         | Title Amount or Number of Shares                              |
| Stock Option (right to buy)                | \$ 35.74   | 10/20/2010                           |  | M                              | 100   | 10/12/2008 10/12/2015                                    | Common Shares 100   |
| Stock Option (right to buy)                | \$ 35.74   | 10/21/2010                           |  | M                              | 26,793  | 10/12/2008 10/12/2015                                    | Common Shares 26,793  |

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SANDERS BARRY W  
C/O THE SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO COMPANY  
14111 SCOTTSLAWN ROAD  
MARYSVILLE, OH 43041

EVP, North America

## Signatures

Kathy L. Uttley as attorney-in-fact for Barry W. Sanders

10/22/2010

\*\*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 August 27, 2010.

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