

SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO CO  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
Vines John R

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)

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

03/10/2015

(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) | 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |     |       |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|-----|-------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Code  | V  | Amount                            | (D) | Price |

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)**

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| 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) |                 |               |                            |          |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|-----------------|---------------|----------------------------|----------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | (A)  | (D)   | Date Exercisable                           | Expiration Date | Title         | Amount or Number of Shares |          |
| Deferred Stock Units                       | (1)  | 03/10/2015                           |  | A                              |   | 6  |   | (1)  | (1)             | Common Shares | 6                          | \$ 65.73 |
| Deferred Stock Units                       | (1)  | 03/10/2015                           |  | A                              |   | 12   |   | (1)  | (1)             | Common Shares | 12                         | \$ 65.73 |
| Deferred Stock Units                       | (1)  | 03/10/2015                           |  | A                              |   | 9  |   | (1)  | (1)             | Common Shares | 9                          | \$ 65.73 |
| Deferred Stock Unit                        | (1)  | 03/10/2015                           |  | A                              |   | 22   |   | (1)  | (1)             | Common Shares | 22                         | \$ 65.73 |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Vines John R<br>C/O THE SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO COMPANY<br>14111 SCOTTSLAWN ROAD<br>MARYSVILLE, OH 43041 | X             |           |         |       |

## Signatures

Kathy L. Uttley as attorney-in-fact for John R. Vines 03/12/2015

\_\_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) Additional deferred stock units received pursuant to dividend equivalents as a result of dividends paid with respect to the common shares of The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company underlying deferred stock units already held.

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