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FORM 4

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Hargreaves Craig R Issuer

Symbol

SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO CO (Check all applicable)

[SMG] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction X_ Director 10% Owner

Other (specify Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year)

C/O THE SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO 07/31/2018 COMPANY, 14111 SCOTTSLAWN

ROAD

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

> Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

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MARYSVILLE, OH 43041

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported

(A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Price Code V Amount (D) Common

07/31/2018 971 \$0 971 D Α Α 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)

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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date		4.	5		6. Date Exercisable and				
Derivative Security	Conversion or Exercise	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any	Code		Number of	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivati Security
(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.		Derivative Securities Acquired A) or Disposed of (D) Instr. 3, I, and 5)					(Instr. 5)
				Code	V ((A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Dividend Equivalent Rights	(1)	09/10/2018		A		7	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Shares	7	\$ 76.8

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Hargreaves Craig R C/O THE SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO COMPANY 14111 SCOTTSLAWN ROAD MARYSVILLE, OH 43041	X					

Signatures

Kathy L. Uttley as attorney-in-fact for Craig R.
Hargreaves

09/12/2018

**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 dividend equivalent rights accrued on DSU or RSU grants and become exercisable proportionately with the DSUs or RSUs to which they relate. Each dividend equivalent right is the economic equivalent of one common share of the Issuer.

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