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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 * FINN BRIAN D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

below)

Symbol

SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO CO

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

[SMG]

(Last)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X_ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year) 01/29/2019

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

(Street)

(First)

ROAD

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

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 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

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

D

I

Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of

(A)

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Price

Code V

Amount (D)

Common Shares

Common

Shares

01/29/2019

189 M

Α (1)

17,834

4,846

Family Trust

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. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	De D	Number erivative ecurities equired a) or isposed (D) eastr. 3, 4, ed 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Prio Deriv Secur (Instr.
				Code V	/ (A	A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Dividend Equivalent Rights	(1)	01/29/2019		M		189	(2)	(2)	Common Shares	189	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
. 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
FINN BRIAN D C/O THE SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO COMPANY 14111 SCOTTSLAWN ROAD MARYSVILLE, OH 43041	X						

Signatures

Kathy L. Uttley as attorney-in-fact for Brian D. 01/31/2019

**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) Deferred stock units convert into common shares of the Issuer on a one-for-one basis.
- On January 29, 2016, the reporting person was granted 2,476 deferred stock units, with accruing dividend equivalent rights, vesting on January 29, 2017.

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