Instruction 1(b)

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person (Check all applicable) SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO CO [SMG] HAGEDORN JAMES Director Х Х 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Х (First) (Middle) below) below) (Last) 03/25/2024 Chairman, CEO and President C/O THE SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO COMPANY 14111 SCOTTSLAWN ROAD 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person X (Street) Form filed by More than One Reporting MARYSVILLE OH 43041 Person Rule 10b5-1(c) Transaction Indication (City) (State) (Zip) Check this box to indicate that a transaction was made pursuant to a contract, instruction or written plan that is intended to satisfy the affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5-1(c). See Instruction 10. Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 3. 2. Transaction 2A. Deemed 4. Securities Acquired (A) or 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

		,	Date (Month/Da	y/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year	Transa Code (8)			(D) (Insti	r. 3, 4 and	Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(11150.4)	
Commor	h Shares		03/25/2	2024		J	v	32.9272	A	\$60.74	87,015.4271	D	
Commor	n Shares										27,384.083	I	By 401(K) Plan
Commor	n Shares										1,314,791	Ι	HPLP ⁽¹⁾
		Та	ble II - Derivat (e.g., pւ		curities Acqu lls, warrants,						Owned		
1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number	6. Date	Exerc	isable and	7. Title a	nd 8.	Price of 9. Number	r of 10.	11. Nature

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Iransaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					

Explanation of Responses:

1. 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 of the Issuer ("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 (the "Partnership"). Represents the aggregate proportionate interest of the reporting person and those family members in whose holdings he may be deemed to have a pecuniary interest, in Common Shares held by the Partnership.

Remarks:

<u>/s/ Kathy L. Uttley as</u> <u>attorney-in-fact for James</u> <u>Hagedorn</u>

04/08/2024

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* 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).

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