# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

# FORM 8-K CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 30, 2024 (January 25, 2024)

## The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	<b>001-11593</b> (Commission File Number)		31-1414921 (IRS Employer Identification No.)
14111 Scottslawn Road (Address of principal executive offices)	Marysville	Ohio	<b>43041</b> (Zip Code)
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### <u>Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.</u>

On January 25, 2024, Nancy Mistretta, a member of the Board of Directors (the "Board"), notified The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company (the "Company") of her resignation from the Board effective January 30, 2024. As a Class I director, Ms.Mistretta's term was set to expire at the Company's 2026 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. Ms. Mistretta was a member of the Audit Committee and the Compensation and Organization Committee and confirmed that her departure was not due to any disagreement with the Company on any matter relating to its operations, policies or practices.

A copy of the Company's news release announcing her resignation is included as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

#### **Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(a) Financial statements of businesses acquired:

Not applicable.

(b) Pro forma financial information:

Not applicable.

(c) Shell company transactions:

Not applicable.

(d) Exhibits:

**Exhibit No. Description** 

News Release issued by The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company on January 30, 2024
 Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

#### **SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

#### THE SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO COMPANY

Dated: January 30, 2024 By: /s/ DIMITER TODOROV

Printed Name: Dimiter Todorov

Title: Executive Vice President, General Counsel, Corporate Secretary &

Chief Compliance Officer

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## **ScottsMiracle-Gro Announces Retirement** of Nancy Mistretta from Board of Directors

MARYSVILLE, Ohio, January 30, 2024 -- The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company (NYSE: SMG), the world's leading marketer of branded consumer lawn and garden as well as indoor and hydroponic growing products, today announced that Nancy Mistretta has retired from its Board of Directors.

Mistretta has been a director since 2007 and served on various Board committees, most recently as a member of the Audit Committee and the Compensation and Organization Committee.

"Nancy has been a great partner and friend over these many years," said Jim Hagedorn, chairman, CEO and president of ScottsMiracle-Gro. "Her expertise in finance and banking have been invaluable in providing strategic counsel and guidance not only to the management team but also to fellow Board members. She has been a solid contributor in our continual efforts to drive and improve shareholder value. Her leadership and insights will be missed."

Hagedorn stated that the Company intends to name a replacement to the open Board seat, but a timeline has not been established.

"Nancy's retirement provides us with an opportunity to further evaluate the skill sets, experience and backgrounds of our Board members. In the last 18 months, we have undertaken a refresh of the Board, bringing on three new directors with diverse perspectives and fresh thinking that mesh well with the tenured members. Just as we have reshaped ScottsMiracle-Gro and its leadership team for the future, we are ensuring the Board is aligned with our direction."

#### About ScottsMiracle-Gro

With approximately \$3.6 billion in sales, the Company is the world's largest marketer of branded consumer products for lawn and garden care. The Company's brands are among the most recognized in the industry. The Company's Scotts®, Miracle-Gro®, and Ortho® brands are market-leading in their categories. The Company's wholly-owned subsidiary, The Hawthorne Gardening Company, is a leading provider of nutrients, lighting, and other materials used in the indoor and hydroponic growing segment. For additional information, visit us at www.scottsmiraclegro.com.

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