FORM 4

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Hanft Adam					<u>SC</u>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO CO [ SMG ]								Relationship heck all app X Direc	licable)	g Person	son(s) to Issuer	
(Last)	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/01/2023								Office below	er (give title v)		Other (specification)	pecify
C/O THE SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO COMPANY 14111 SCOTTSLAWN ROAD				4. I	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person						
(Street) MARYSVILLE OH 43041				L									Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
I				-   Rı	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.														
		Tab	le I - Non	n-Deriv	ative	Sec	uritie	es Ac	quired	Dis	posed	of, or Be	eneficia	lly Owne	d			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transar Date (Month/Date					Execution Date,			Code (Instr.   5)				Benefic Owned	ies ially Following	6. Owner Form: Di (D) or Inc (I) (Instr.	irect of direct E	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
									Code	v	Amount	(A) o	Price	Transa (Instr. 3	ction(s)			nstr. 4)
Common Shares 10/01/					1/2023	/2023			M		14	A	(1)	34,413		D		
		Т										f, or Ber ible sec		y Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution D if any (Month/Day)	Date,		Transaction Code (Instr.				kercis n Date ay/Yea			of s ig e Security	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	y Ov Fo Dii or (I)	wnership orm: rect (D) Indirect (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisal		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Dividend Equivalent Rights	(1)	10/01/2023			M			14	(2)		(2)	Common Shares	14	\$0	263		D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Restricted stock units convert into common shares of the Issuer on a one-for-one basis.
- 2. On February 3, 2023, the reporting person was granted a special stock unit award in lieu of the director's annual cash compensation for the calendar year in the amount of 1,398 restricted stock units, with accruing dividend equivalent rights, vesting on October 1, 2023.

## Remarks:

/s/ Kathy L. Uttley as attorney-10/03/2023 in-fact for Adam Hanft

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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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