#### CENTRAL GARDEN & PET CO

Form 4

August 17, 2005

## FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

1(b).

Stock

Stock

Common

08/16/2005

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

PENNINGTON BROOKS III			Symbol CENTRAL GARDEN & PET CO [CENT]				CO	Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1280 ATLANTA HIGHWAY			<ul> <li>3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/16/2005</li> <li>4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)</li> </ul>					X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)  Pres. & CEO - Pennington Seed			
(Street)  MADISON, GA 30650								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Own									ly Owned		
	1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction I (Month/Day/Ye	ar) Execution	med on Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
	Common Stock	08/16/2005			M(1)	7,500	A	\$ 21.74	247,050	D	
	Common Stock	08/16/2005			S(2)	1,000	D	\$ 51.5	246,050	D	
	Common Stock	08/16/2005			S	1,000	D	\$ 51.35	245,050	D	
	Common	08/16/2005			S	1,000	D	\$ 51.25	244,050	D	

S

2,100

D

51.25

\$ 51.2 241,950

D

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Common Stock	08/16/2005	S	597	D	\$ 51.12	241,353	D	
Common Stock	08/16/2005	S	53	D	\$ 51.1	241,300	D	
Common Stock	08/16/2005	S	750	D	\$ 51	240,550	D	
Common Stock	08/16/2005	S	1,000	D	\$ 50.9	239,550	D	
Common Stock						49,040	I	By L.P. (3)
Common Stock						6,938	I	By Spouse
Common Stock						7,604	I	By LLC (5)

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)

De Sec	Fitle of rivative curity str. 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
					Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Sto Op	mployee ock otion ght to y)	\$ 21.74	08/16/2005		M	7,500	08/10/2005	08/10/2006	Common Stock	7,500

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PENNINGTON BROOKS III
Pres. & CEO 1280 ATLANTA HIGHWAY
X
Pennington
MADISON, GA 30650
Seed

## **Signatures**

/s/ Brooks M.
Pennington III 08/17/2005

\*\*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) Options exercised through sales plan pursuant to Rule 10b5-1(c)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
- (2) Sale (and all sales reported in this table) effected under sales plan pursuant to Rule 10b5-1(c)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
- By BPCB Partners L.P. The general managing partner of BPCB Partners L.P. is BPCB Management Company LLC ("BPCBLLC"), and (3) Mr. Pennington is the sole member of BPCBLLC. Mr. Pennington disclaims beneficial ownership of the reported securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
- (4) Mr. Pennington disclaims beneficial ownership of 6,938 shares of the Issuer's common stock owned by his spouse.
  - By Pennington Management Company II, LLC, in which Mr. Pennington has an ownership interest. Mr. Pennington is the President of
- (5) Pennington Management Company II, LLC. Mr. Pennington disclaims beneficial ownership of the reported securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

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