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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Smith Ivan C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO CO  
[SMG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below)  
\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
EVP, GC and Secretary

C/O THE SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO COMPANY, 14111 SCOTTS LAWN ROAD

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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 (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Code | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|---------|---|---|--|--|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code    | V Amount (A) or (D) Price   |   |  |  |
| Common Shares                   | 10/31/2017                           |  | J       | V 1.3942 A \$ 89.66   | 18,864.2764   | D  |  |
| Common Shares                   | 11/17/2017                           |  | M       | 1,263 A \$ 49.19  | 20,127.2764   | D  |  |
| Common Shares                   | 11/17/2017                           |  | M       | 3,324 A \$ 45.32  | 23,451.2764   | D  |  |
| Common Shares                   | 11/17/2017                           |  | S       | 4,496 D \$ 97.5896  | 18,955.2764   | D  |  |

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Common Shares 11/17/2017 S 2,091 D 98.0655 16,864.2764 D  
 \$  
(2)

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative 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) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Stock Option (right to buy)                | \$ 45.32   | 11/17/2017                           |  | M                              | 3,324   | 01/20/2015 01/19/2022                                    | Common Shares   | 3,324                         |
| Stock Option (right to buy)                | \$ 49.19   | 11/17/2017                           |  | M                              | 1,263   | 01/21/2014 01/20/2021                                    | Common Shares   | 1,263                         |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                             |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                     | Other |
| Smith Ivan C<br>C/O THE SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO COMPANY<br>14111 SCOTTSLAWN ROAD<br>MARYSVILLE, OH 43041 |               |           | EVP, GC<br>and<br>Secretary |       |

## Signatures

Kathy L. Uttley as attorney-in-fact for Ivan C. Smith 11/20/2017

\*\*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) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$97.34 to \$97.83, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of Issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote 1.

(2) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$97.86 to \$98.50, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of Issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote 2.

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