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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Johnson Stephen L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

below)

Symbol

SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO CO

(Check all applicable)

[SMG]

(Middle)

(Last)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X_ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year) 10/03/2011

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

(Street)

(First)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

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 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 4)

(Instr. 4)

Following Reported

Transaction(s)

(A) Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. 5. Nu Transactionof Code Deriv (Instr. 8) Secur Acqu (A) or Disport of (D (Instr. and 5)		ative ities red sed 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Deferred Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	10/03/2011		A	143		(2)	(2)	Common Shares	143	\$ 43.7

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Johnson Stephen L

C/O THE SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO COMPANY 14111 SCOTTSLAWN ROAD

MARYSVILLE, OH 43041

Signatures

Kathy L. Uttley as attorney-in-fact for Stephen L. Johnson

10/05/2011

**Signature of Reporting Person

erson 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).

The deferred stock units were granted, together with an equal number of related dividend equivalents, in lieu of a portion of the reporting person's annual cash retainer, under the 2006 Plan, and subject to the terms and conditions of an individual award agreement. The deferred stock units equal the quarterly deferral amount divided by the closing price of a common share on the grant date (any fractional

- (1) deferred stock units are rounded up to the nearest whole deferred stock unit). Each whole deferred stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one common share of The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company. Each dividend equivalent represents the right to receive additional deferred stock units in respect of dividends that are declared and paid during the period beginning on the grant date and ending on the settlement date with respect to the common shares of The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company represented by the related deferred stock unit.
- The deferred stock units are 100% vested upon grant and shall be distributed in shares as soon as practicable following the earliest to occur of: (i) reporting person's cessation of service as a director of The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company; (ii) reporting person's death; (iii) reporting person becomes disabled; or (iv) January 31, 2016.

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