FORM 4

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## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549	
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Mistretta Nancy G.</u>				2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO CO [ SMG ]									k all app Direc	cer (give title		10% Ov	vner		
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O THE SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO COMPANY				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/05/2021									Office below			Other (s below)	specify		
14111 SCOTTSLAWN ROAD				4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)							
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		Table	I - Non	n-Deriva	tive S	Secu	rities	Acq	uired,	Dis	osed of	, or E	Benef	iciall	y Own	ed			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)				Day/Year) Exec		a. Deemed secution Date, any lonth/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securiti Disposed (5)					3, 4 and Secur Benef Owne		ially Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
								Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	or P			action(s) 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)	
Common Shares 02/05/				5/2021			A		783	3 A		\$ <mark>0</mark>	15,791			D			
	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)	erivative Conversion Date ecurity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			on Date,	Code (Instr.		of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Ins 3 and 4)		De Se (In	Price of rivative curity str. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction ((Instr. 4)	у	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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**Explanation of Responses:** 

Remarks:

Kathy L. Uttley as attorney-in-02/09/2021 fact for Nancy G. Mistretta

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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<sup>\*</sup> If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

<sup>\*\*</sup> Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

The undersigned officer and/or director of The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company (the "Company"), hereby constitutes and appoints each of Ivan C. Smith, Bernard K. Asirifi and Kathy L. Uttley, signing singly, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent to:

- 1) execute for, in the name of and on behalf of the undersigned Forms 3, 4 and 5 with respect to the securities of the Company beneficially owned by the undersigned in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "1934 Act") and the rules and regulations thereunder and Form 144 with respect to the securities of the Company beneficially owned by the undersigned in accordance with Rule 144 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act");
- 2) do and perform any and all acts for, in the name of and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4 or 5 or such Form 144, complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto, and timely file any such form (and any such amendment or amendments) with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- 3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Power of Attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the above-named attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the 1934 Act and/or Rule 144 under the Securities Act.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4 and 5 or Form 144 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the above-named attorneys-in-fact. I hereby revoke all previous Powers of Attorney that have been granted by me in connection with my reporting obligations under the 1934 Act or the Securities Act with respect to my holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this  $5 \, \text{th}$  day of May, 2016.

/s/ Nancy G. Mistretta Signature

Nancy G. Mistretta Print Name