### FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>HAGEDORN JAMES</u>					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol SCOTTS COMPANY [ SMG ]												o of Reportin olicable) ctor	ıg Per	. ,		
	SCOTTS	irst) COMPANY VN ROAD	(Middle)		3. Dat 02/17			t Transa	saction (Month/Day/Year)							belov	,	Other (s below) sident and CEO		`	
(Street)  MARYS  (City)	VILLE O		43041 (Zip)		4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								ar)		6. Indi Line) X	Form Form	ual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
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									Code	v	Amount (A) or (D)		Pri	се	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)		
Common	Shares			01/06	/2004				G		8,500	)	D	;	\$ <mark>0</mark>	1	9,700	D			
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Common Shares															3,1	02.99 <sup>(2)</sup>		I	By Deferral Plan		
Common	Shares															1,8	92,664	See note <sup>(3)(4)</sup>			
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# **Explanation of Responses:**

- $1. \ Represents \ common \ shares \ held \ in the \ reporting \ person's \ account \ under \ the \ Issuer's \ Retirement \ Savings \ Plan \ ("401(K) \ Plan") \ a/o \ 9/ \ 30/03.$
- 2. Represents common shares held in the reporting person's account under the Issuer's Executive Retirement Plan (the "Deferral Plan" ) a/o 9/30/03.
- 3. Represents the aggregate proportionate interests of the reporting person and those family members in whose holdings he may be deemed to have a pecuniary interest, in securities held by Hagedom Partnership, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership of which the reporting person is a general partner.
- 4. Hagedorn Partnership, L.P. is a Delaware limited partnership of which the reporting person is a general partner.

#### Remarks:

Kathy L. Uttley as attorney-infact for James Hagedorn

02/17/2004

\*\* 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).

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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Know all by these presents, that the undersigned officer and/or director of The Scotts Company (the "Company"), hereby constitutes and appoints each of David M. Aronowitz, Kathy L. Uttley and A. Sue Hughes, signing singly, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- 1) execute for 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 (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 (the "Securities Act"));
- 2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4 or 5 (or Form 144), complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto, and timely file any such form 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 or 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.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 24th day of April, 2002.

/s/ James Hagedorn Signature

James Hagedorn

Print Name