Instruction 1(b).

FORM 4

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

Washington, D.C. 20549

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	nd Address of ON PATR	Reporting Person*  ICK J							er or Trad PANY [					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  X Director 10% Owner					
(Last) 1695 WI	(F NGATE DI	,	(Middle)		01	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/30/2004									below)	(give title		Other (s below)	
(Street)  DELAW  (City)			43015 (Zip)		_   4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									dividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable )  K Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
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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)	3A. Deeme Execution I if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transa Code (l 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Ex Expiration (Month/Da	Date		of Securities		D	Price of erivative ecurity nstr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	e s Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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Stock Option (right to	\$63.11	01/30/2004			A		10,000		07/30/200	4 0	1/29/2014	Common Shares	10,000		\$0	10,00	0	D	

**Explanation of Responses:** 

Kathy L. Uttley as attorney-infact for Patrick J. Norton

02/03/2004

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- \* 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).

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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/ Patrick J. Norton Signature

Patrick J. Norton Print Name