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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

## Washington, D.C. 20549

## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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. Name and Address of Reporting Person*       2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)         12/01/2014		ient 🤇	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO CO [ SMG ]					
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O THE SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO COMPANY			4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s (Check all applicable) X Director 1		(Mo	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		
14111 SCOTTSLAWN ROAD			Officer (give title below)	Other (spe below)	Арр	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person		
(Street) MARYSVILLE OH 43041						-	y More than One	
(City) (State) (Zip)								
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned								
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)			. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownersh Form: Dire or Indirect (Instr. 5)	cṫ(D) (Instr	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
No securities owned			0	D				
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned           (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)								
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) 2. Date Exercisable a Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		ite	3. Title and Amount of Sec Underlying Derivative Sect		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	rcise Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	n Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		

Explanation of Responses:

Kathy L. Uttley as attorney-in-12/03/2014

fact for Brian D. Finn

\*\* 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 5 (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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The undersigned officer and/or director of The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company (the "Company"), hereby constitutes and appoints each of Ivan C. Smith, Tara K. Charnes 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.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 2nd day of December, 2014.

/s/ Brian D. Finn Signature

Brian D. Finn Print Name