#### CENTRAL GARDEN & PET CO

Form 4

August 26, 2014

## FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

CENTRAL GARDEN & PET CO

Symbol

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

PENNINGTON BROOKS III

may continue.

See Instruction

|  |                                      |                                      |  | CENTRAL GARDEN & PET CO<br>[CENT]             |                 |  | (Chec                        | (Check all applicable)   |  |  |   |
|--|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|---|-----------------|--|------------------------------|--|--|--|---|
|  | (Last) 1280 ATLA                     | (First) (1                           | (Month)  |   |                 | of Earliest Transaction<br>Day/Year)<br>2014 |                              |  | _X_ Director<br>Officer (give<br>below)  | Officer (give title Other (spe                           |   |
|  |                                      |                                      |  | Amendment, Date Original<br>I(Month/Day/Year) |                 |  |                              | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |  |  |   |
|  | (City)                               | (State)                              | (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned |   |                 |  |                              |  |  |  |   |
|  | 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | Execution any (Month/D   | Date, if                                      | Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securi<br>or(A) or D<br>(Instr. 3,        | ispose<br>4 and<br>(A)<br>or | d of (D) 5)  Price   | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|  | Class A<br>Common<br>Stock           | 08/25/2014                           |  |   | S <u>(1)</u>    | 7,500  | D                            | \$<br>8.6758<br>(2)  | 8,080  | I  | By L.P (3)  |
|  | Class A<br>Common<br>Stock           |                                      |  |   |                 |  |                              |  | 95,509   | D  |   |
|  | Class A<br>Common<br>Stock           |                                      |  |   |                 |  |                              |  | 3,876  | I  | By Spouse   |
|  | Class A<br>Common                    |                                      |  |   |                 |  |                              |  | 15,208   | I  | By LLC (5)  |
|  |                                      |                                      |  |   |                 |  |                              |  |  |  |   |

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| Class A Common Stock | 1,275.275 (6) | I | 401(K)<br>Account |
|----------------------|---------------|---|-------------------|
| Common<br>Stock      | 159,950       | D |                   |
| Common<br>Stock      | 49,040        | I | By L.P. (3)       |
| Common<br>Stock      | 6,938         | I | By Spouse         |
| Common<br>Stock      | 7,604         | I | By LLC            |

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)

| 1. Title of | 2.          | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed         | 4.      | 5.           | 6. Date Exer | cisable and      | 7. Title | e and    | 8. Price of |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------|--------------|--------------|------------------|----------|----------|-------------|
| Derivative  | Conversion  | (Month/Day/Year)    | Execution Date, if | Transa  | ctionNumber  | Expiration D | ate              | Amour    | nt of    | Derivative  |
| Security    | or Exercise |                     | any                | Code    | of           | (Month/Day   | /Year)           | Underl   | lying    | Security    |
| (Instr. 3)  | Price of    |                     | (Month/Day/Year)   | (Instr. | 8) Derivativ | /e           |                  | Securit  | ties     | (Instr. 5)  |
|             | Derivative  |                     |                    |         | Securitie    | S            |                  | (Instr.  | 3 and 4) |             |
|             | Security    |                     |                    |         | Acquired     | 1            |                  |          |          |             |
|             |             |                     |                    |         | (A) or       |              |                  |          |          |             |
|             |             |                     |                    |         | Disposed     | l            |                  |          |          |             |
|             |             |                     |                    |         | of (D)       |              |                  |          |          |             |
|             |             |                     |                    |         | (Instr. 3,   |              |                  |          |          |             |
|             |             |                     |                    |         | 4, and 5)    |              |                  |          |          |             |
|             |             |                     |                    |         |              |              |                  |          |          |             |
|             |             |                     |                    |         |              |              |                  |          | Amount   |             |
|             |             |                     |                    |         |              | Date         | Expiration       |          | or       |             |
|             |             |                     |                    |         |              | Exercisable  | Exercisable Date | of       |          |             |
|             |             |                     |                    |         |              |              |                  |          |          |             |
|             |             |                     |                    | Code    | V (A) (D)    |              |                  |          | Shares   |             |

# **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                     | Relationships |           |         |       |  |  |  |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |  |  |  |
| PENNINGTON BROOKS III<br>1280 ATLANTA HIGHWAY<br>MADISON, GA 30650 | X             |           |         |       |  |  |  |

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Deletionships

## **Signatures**

/s/ Brooks Pennington III

08/26/2014

\*\*Signature of Reporting
Person

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).
- (1) Sale effected under sales plan pursuant to Rule 10b5-1(c)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
  - The range of prices for the shares of Class A Common Stock is from \$8.62 to \$8.80. Mr. Pennington undertakes that he will provide,
- (2) upon request by the staff of the U.S.Securities and Exchange Commission, full information regarding the number of securities sold at each separate price.
  - By BPCB Partners L.P. The general managing partner of BPCB Partners L.P. is BPCB Management Company LLC ("BPCBLLC") and
- (3) Mr. Pennington is the sole member of BPCBLLC. Mr. Pennington disclaims beneficial ownership of the reported securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
- (4) Mr. Pennington disclaims beneficial ownership of 3,876 shares of the Issuer's Class A Common Stock owned by his spouse and 6,938 shares of the Issuer's Common Stock owned by his spouse.
  - By Pennington Management Company II, LLC, in which Mr. Pennington has an ownership interest. Mr. Pennington is the President of
- (5) Pennington Management Company II, LLC. Mr. Pennington disclaims beneficial ownership of the reported securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
- (6) The information in this report is based on a plan statement as of June 30, 2014.

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