#### SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO CO

Form 4

December 03, 2014

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Middle)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

Vines John R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO CO [SMG]

(Month/Day/Year) 12/01/2014

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X\_ Director Officer (give title

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O THE SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO COMPANY, 14111 SCOTTSLAWN

(First)

ROAD

(Last)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(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

Issuer

below)

MARYSVILLE, OH 43041

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

(A) Code V Amount (D) Price

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)

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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. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	3	Date	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and A	Securities	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Deferred Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	12/01/2014		A	49	(2)	(2)	Common Shares	49	\$ 0

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Vines John R
C/O THE SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO COMPANY
14111 SCOTTSLAWN ROAD
MARYSVILLE, OH 43041

## **Signatures**

Kathy L. Uttley as attorney-in-fact for John R. Vines 12/03/2014

\*\*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).

The deferred stock units were granted, together with an equal number of related dividend equivalents, under The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company Long-Term Incentive Plan (the "LTIP"), and subject to the terms and conditions of an individual award agreement. Each whole deferred stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one common share of The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company. Each dividend equivalent represents a contingent right to receive additional deferred stock units in respect of dividends that are declared and paid during the period beginning on the grant date and ending on the settlement date with respect to the common share of The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company represented by the related deferred stock unit.

The deferred stock units will become 100% vested on the earlier of January 31, 2015 or the date of the annual meeting of the Company's shareholders in 2015, subject to earlier vesting or forfeiture in accordance with the terms of the award agreement. Subject to the terms of the LTIP, vested deferred stock units will be settled in a lump sum as soon as administratively practicable, but no later than 90 days, following the earliest to occur of: (i) the reporting person's cessation of service as a director of The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company; (ii) the reporting person's death; (iii) the date the reporting person becomes totally disabled; or (iv) the third anniversary of the grant date January 31, 2017

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