

SANDERS BARRY W  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
SANDERS BARRY W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO CO [SMG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
EVP, North America

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

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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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 (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Shares	08/27/2010		M		23,795 A \$ 29.01	72,666.923	D
Common Shares	08/27/2010		S		895 D \$ 48.83	71,771.923	D
Common Shares	08/27/2010		S		200 D \$ 48.82	71,571.923	D
Common Shares	08/27/2010		S		900 D \$ 48.81	70,671.923	D
	08/27/2010		S		3,002 D \$ 48.8	67,669.923	D

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Common Shares									
Common Shares	08/27/2010		S	100	D	\$ 48.789	67,569.923	D	
Common Shares	08/27/2010		S	1,300	D	\$ 48.78	66,269.923	D	
Common Shares	08/27/2010		S	1,800	D	\$ 48.77	64,469.923	D	
Common Shares	08/27/2010		S	3,200	D	\$ 48.76	61,269.923	D	
Common Shares	08/27/2010		S	8,000	D	\$ 48.75	53,269.923	D	
Common Shares	08/27/2010		S	100	D	\$ 48.73	53,169.923	D	
Common Shares	08/27/2010		S	300	D	\$ 48.72	52,869.923	D	
Common Shares	08/27/2010		S	400	D	\$ 48.71	52,469.923	D	
Common Shares	08/27/2010		S	1,598	D	\$ 48.7	50,871.923	D	
Common Shares	08/27/2010		S	2,000	D	\$ 48.69	48,871.923	D	
Common Shares	08/27/2010		M	28,549	A	\$ 24.45	77,420.923	D	
Common Shares	08/27/2010		D	14,328	D	\$ 48.72	63,092.923	D	
Common Shares							287.1566	I	By DSPP

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 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
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and 5)

	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		
Stock Appreciation Right										
		\$ 24.45		08/27/2010	M		28,549	11/19/2006 11/18/2013	Common Shares	28,549
Stock Option (right to buy)		\$ 29.01		08/27/2010	M		23,795	12/01/2007 12/01/2014	Common Shares	23,795

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SANDERS BARRY W C/O THE SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO COMPANY 14111 SCOTTSLAWN ROAD MARYSVILLE, OH 43041			EVP, North America	

## Signatures

Kathy L. Uttley as attorney-in-fact for Barry W. Sanders  
08/31/2010

\_\_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).

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