

CENTRAL GARDEN & PET CO  
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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 \*  
 Reed Michael A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 CENTRAL GARDEN & PET CO  
 [CENT]

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 1340 TREAT  
 BOULEVARD, SUITE 600  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 05/09/2016

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Executive Vice President

WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Class A Common Stock	05/09/2016		M		11,200	A	\$ 9.26	166,091	D	
Class A Common Stock	05/09/2016		F(1)		7,068	D	\$ 18.82	159,023	D	
Class A Common Stock	05/09/2016		M		12,500	A	\$ 9.54	171,523	D	
Class A Common Stock	05/09/2016		F(1)		8,023	D	\$ 18.82	163,500	D	

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Common Stock								
Class A Common Stock	05/09/2016		M	12,500	A	\$ 6.43	176,000	D
Class A Common Stock	05/09/2016		F <sup>(1)</sup>	6,522	D	\$ 18.82	169,478	D
Class A Common Stock	05/09/2016		M	12,500	A	\$ 10.63	181,978	D
Class A Common Stock	05/09/2016		F <sup>(1)</sup>	8,549	D	\$ 18.82	173,429	D
Class A Common Stock	05/09/2016		S	3,027	D	\$ 18.7003	170,402	D

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, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.26	05/09/2016		M	11,200	<sup>(2)</sup> 04/13/2017	Class A Common Stock	11,200
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.54	05/09/2016		M	12,500	<sup>(3)</sup> 03/26/2018	Class A Common Stock	12,500
	\$ 6.43	05/09/2016		M	12,500	<sup>(4)</sup> 03/31/2019		12,500

