CHIPOTLE MEXICAN GRILL INC

Form 4 May 11, 2016

Common

Stock

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| . • | • UNITED STA | TES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGI Washington, D.C. 20549 | E COMMISSION | OMB Number: | 3235-0287 | |
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| may continue. See Instruction 1(b). Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 | | | | | | |
| (Print or Type Res | sponses) | | | | | |
| 1. Name and Add Ells Steve | lress of Reporting Person | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CHIPOTLE MEXICAN GRILL IN | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | |
| | | [CMG] | (Cnec | k all applicabl | e) | |
| (Last) | | (Month/Day/Year) | | X Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) | | |
| 500 | OOP STREET, SUI | ΓΕ 05/10/2016 | Chair | man & Co-CE | O | |
| DENVER, CO | (Street) | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | 6. Individual or Jo Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by 0 Form filed by N | One Reporting P | erson | |
| (City) | (State) (Zip) | | Person | | | |
| · | | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities | | | - | |
| Security (Instr. 3) | any | ecution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or | Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| Common Stock | | | 84,543 | D | | |
| Common Stock | | | 12,519 | I | Ells Dynasty Trust Holdings LLC | |

Ells DE Trust

Holdings LLC

99,740

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisals Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year | | 7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and | Secu |
|---|---|---|---|--|--|--|--------------------|---|----------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Ar or Nu of |
| 2013 Performance SOSARs | \$ 318.45 | 05/10/2016 | | A <u>(1)</u> | 37,500 | 05/10/2016 | 02/07/2020 | Common Stock | 3′ |
| 2014 Performance SOSARs | \$ 543.2 | 05/10/2016 | | A(2) | 43,750 | 05/10/2016 | 02/03/2021 | Common Stock | 4: |
| 2013 Stock Appreciation Rights | \$ 318.45 | | | | | 02/07/2016(3) | 02/07/2020 | Common Stock | 3′ |
| 2014 Stock Appreciation Rights | \$ 543.2 | | | | | 02/03/2016(4) | 02/03/2021 | Common Stock | 8′ |

Reporting Owners

**Signature of Reporting Person

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | |
| Ells Steve 1401 WYNKOOP STREET, SUITE 500 DENVER, CO 80202 | X | | Chairman & Co-CEO | | |
| | X | | Chairman & Co-CEO | | |

Date

Signatures

Reporting Owners

| Michael M. McGawn, | 05/11/2016 |
|--------------------|------------|
| attorney-in-fact | 03/11/2010 |

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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This report is filed in connection with the satisfaction of performance conditions on performance-vesting stock-only stock appreciation rights, or Performance SOSARs, originally granted to the reporting person on February 7, 2013. Vesting of the second tranche of 37,500

- (1) Performance SOSARs was contingent on Chipotle's achievement of stated levels of cumulative cash flow from operations prior to the fifth fiscal year-end following the award date, with vesting to occur no sooner than February 7, 2016, subject to possible acceleration. The Compensation Committee of Chipotle's Board of Directors certified the achievement of the performance target on May 10, 2016, resulting in the second tranche of 2013 Performance SOSARs vesting in full.
 - This report is filed in connection with the satisfaction of performance conditions on Performance SOSARs originally granted to the reporting person on February 3, 2014. Vesting of the 2014 Performance SOSARs is contingent on Chipotle's achievement of stated levels of cumulative cash flow from operations prior to the fourth and fifth fiscal year-ends following the award date, with vesting to occur no
- of cumulative cash flow from operations prior to the fourth and fifth fiscal year-ends following the award date, with vesting to occur no sooner than February 3, 2016 and 2017 (with half of each 2014 Performance SOSAR subject to each such time-based vesting date), subject to possible acceleration. The Compensation Committee of Chipotle's Board of Directors certified the achievement of the first performance target on May 10, 2016, resulting in the first tranche of 43,750 2014 Performance SOSARs vesting in full.
- (3) These 2013 Stock Appreciation Rights, which were subject to time-based vesting only, vested in full on February 7, 2016.
- One half of the 2014 Stock Appreciation Rights vested on February 3, 2016 and the remaining half are scheduled to vest on February 3, 2017, subject to possible acceleration of vesting.

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