CENTRAL GARDEN & PET CO

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PENNINGTON BROOKS III			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)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
1280 ATLANTA HIGHWAY (Street)			08/03/2015	below)		
			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		

MADISON, GA 30650

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Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secur	ities Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y 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. Securition Dispose (Instr. 3, 4)	ed of (` ′	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)
Class A Common Stock	08/03/2015		M <u>(1)</u>	7,414	A	\$ 9.34	104,952	D	
Class A Common Stock	08/03/2015		F(2)	7,040	D	\$ 10.18	97,912	D	
Class A Common Stock	08/03/2015		M <u>(1)</u>	11,000	A	\$ 8.93	108,912	D	
Class A Common	08/03/2015		F(2)	10,173	D	\$ 10.18	98,739	D	

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Stock								
Class A Common Stock	08/04/2015	S	1,201	D	\$ 10.2509 (3)	97,538	D	
Class A Common Stock						3,876	I	By Spouse (4)
Class A Common Stock						15,208	I	By LLC
Class A Common Stock						940.277	I	401(k) Account
Common Stock						159,950	D	
Common Stock						49,040	I	By L.P.
Common Stock						6,938	I	By Spouse (4)
Common Stock						7,604	I	By LLC (5)
Common Stock						1,015.962	I	401(k) Account

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. Number o	f 6. Date Exe	rcisable and	7. Title and .	Amount of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onDerivative	Expiration 1	Date	Underlying S	Securities 1
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day	//Year)	(Instr. 3 and	4)
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A)			
	Derivative				or Disposed	of			
	Security				(D)				
					(Instr. 3, 4,				
					and 5)				
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number
				Code V	(A) (D)				of Shares
	\$ 9.34	08/03/2015		M	7,414	4 (8)	08/13/2015		7,414

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Stock Option (right to buy)							Class Common Stock	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.93	08/03/2015	М	11,000	<u>(9)</u>	08/11/2016	Class A Common Stock	11,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PENNINGTON BROOKS III

1280 ATLANTA HIGHWAY X

MADISON, GA 30650

Signatures

/s/ JoAnn Jonte, as attorney-in-fact for Sonny Pennington, III

08/04/2015

**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) Options exercised through sales plan pursuant to Rule 10b5-1(c)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
- Shares withheld by the Issuer in payment of the aggregate option exercise price and withholding tax liability incurred upon the

 (2) above-reported exercise of options. The amount of shares withheld is based on the respective average of the high and low sales prices on the date of the exercise.
- The range of prices for the shares of Class A Common Stock is from \$10.14 to \$10.31. Mr. Pennington undertakes that he will provide, 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.
- (4) Mr. Pennington disclaims beneficial ownership of 6,938 shares of the Issuer's Common Stock owned by his spouse and 3,876 shares of the Issuer's Class A 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 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, 2015.
- By BPCB Partners L.P. The general managing partner of BPCB Partners L.P. is BPCB Management Company LLC ("BPCBLLC") and (7) 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.
- (8) One-third of the total options granted will become exercisable at each of 6 months, 18 months and 30 months after February 13, 2012, the date of grant.
- (9) One-third of the total options granted will become exercisable at each of 6 months, 18 months and 30 months after February 11, 2013, the date of the grant.

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