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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Ranelli John

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

CENTRAL GARDEN & PET CO

(Check all applicable)

[CENT]

02/14/2018

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

_X__ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY, 1340 TREAT BLVD, **SUITE 600**

(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

Person

WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivativ	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securionor Dispo (Instr. 3,	sed of 4 and (A) or	` '	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	02/14/2018		S	6,000	D	\$ 37.427 (1)	6,951	I	By John R. Ranelli Trust (2)
Class A Common Stock	02/15/2018		S	5,000	D	\$ 37.2044 (3)	1,951	I	By John R. Ranelli Trust (2)
Class A Common Stock							17,209	D	

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Common Stock	100	I	By John R. Ranelli Trust (2)
Common Stock	39,385	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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transacti	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Title an Amount o		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security	or Exercise	• •	any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Underlyin	ng S	Security	Secui
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securities	((Instr. 5)	Bene
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	Security				Acquired						Follo
					(A) or						Repo
					Disposed						Trans
					of (D)						(Instr
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
								Am	nount		
						Date	Evaluation	or			
						Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title Nu	mber		
						Lacicisable	Date	of			
				Code V	(A) (D)			Sha	ares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director 10% Owner		Officer	Other		
Ranelli John C/O CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY 1340 TREAT BLVD, SUITE 600 WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597	X					

Signatures

/s/ JoAnn Jonte as attorney-in-fact for John
Ranelli 02/16/2018

**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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- The range of prices for the shares of Class A Common Stock is from \$37.00 to \$37.73. Mr. Ranelli 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.
- Mr. Ranelli disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares of the Company's Common Stock and Class A Common Stock owned by the John R. Ranelli Trust dated 12/24/97 except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
- The range of prices for the shares of Class A Common Stock is from \$37.00 to \$37.43. Mr. Ranelli 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.

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