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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 <sup>+</sup> NOVOTNY GLENN W	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol CENTRAL GARDEN & PET CO [CENT]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner			
(Last) (First) 1340 TREAT BLVD., SUITE 600		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/15/2007					X_Officer (give title below)         Other (specify below)           Pres./ Chief Executive Officer			
<sup>(Street)</sup> WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(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)	(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)	Ownership	Beneficial
		(Wond) Day (Car)	Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	(list. 5 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/15/2007		М		5,000	А	\$ 8.74	127,046	D	
Common Stock	03/15/2007		F <sup>(1)</sup>		4,002	D	\$ 13.83	123,044	D	
Common Stock	03/15/2007		М		20,000	А	\$ 4.28	143,044	D	
Common Stock	03/15/2007		F <u>(1)</u>		12,509	D	\$ 13.83	130,535	D	
Class A Common Stock	03/15/2007		М		10,000	А	\$ 8.67	254,137	D	
Class A Common Stock	03/15/2007		F <sup>(1)</sup>		8,034	D	\$ 13.6	246,103	D	
Class A Common Stock	03/15/2007		М		40,000	А	\$ 4.26	286,103	D	
Class A Common Stock	03/15/2007		F <sup>(1)</sup>		25,098	D	\$ 13.6	261,005	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)														
	Conversion	Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code	tion	on of Derivative Securities		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)				Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following	Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.74	03/15/2007		М			5,000	06/16/2006	06/16/2007	Common Stock	5,000	\$ 0	15,000	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.67	03/15/2007		М			10,000	06/16/2006	06/16/2007	Class A Common Stock	10,000	\$ 0	30,000	D	

Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 4.28	03/15/2007	М	20,000	08/02/2006	08/02/2010	Common Stock	20,000	\$ 0	80,000	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 4.26	03/15/2007	М	40,000	08/02/2006	08/02/2010	Class A Common Stock	40,000	\$ 0	160,000	D	

## **Reporting Owners**

		Relationships					
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
NOVOTNY GLENN W 1340 TREAT BLVD., SUITE 600 WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597	Х		Pres./ Chief Executive Officer				

### Signatures

/s/ Glenn W. Novotny	03/19/2007	
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) Shares withheld by the Issuer in payment of the aggregate option exercise price and withholding tax liability incurred upon the above-reported exercise of options.

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