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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> – Varlas Lori A.	2. Issuer Name and CENTRAL GAF			<b>·</b> ·		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) C/O CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY, 1340 TREAT BOULE SUITE 600		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/19/2015					X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)   SVP, CFO and Secretary				
<sup>(Street)</sup> WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597		4. If Amendment, Da	ate 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				
(City) (State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acqu					es Acqu	uired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned			
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 8)	ion	(A) or Di			Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)		Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year)	Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Class A Common Stock	02/19/2015		М		24,000	А	\$ 9.26	85,418	D		
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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)														
Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion	Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code		of I Sec Acc or I of (	Derivative urities urities (A) Disposed D) tr. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) 4)		and 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities		Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Beneficial
				Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.26	02/19/2015		М			24,000	(2)	04/13/2017	Class A Common Stock	24,000	\$ 0	26,000	D	

# **Reporting Owners**

	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Varlas Lori A. C/O CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY 1340 TREAT BOULEVARD, SUITE 600 WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597			SVP, CFO and Secretary				

# Signatures

/s/ Lori A. Varlas	02/20/2015
**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) 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. The amount of shares withheld is based on the respective average of the high and low sales price on the date of exercise.
- On April 13, 2011, the Issuer's Compensation Committee granted the reporting person an option to purchase 50,000 shares of Class A Common Stock of the Issuer. The option vests in (2) five equal annual installments beginning April 13, 2012. Twenty percent of the option also vests based on the satisfaction of certain annual performance targets for each of the fiscal years ending September 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015.

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