UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant To Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) February 13, 2012

Central Garden & Pet Company

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-33268 (Commission File Number) 68-027553 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

1340 Treat Boulevard, Suite 600, Walnut Creek, California (Address of principal executive offices)

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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94597 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (925) 948-4000

(Former name or former address if changed since last report)

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Item 1.01 Entry into Material Definitive Agreement

On February 13, 2012, Central Garden & Pet Company (the "Company") entered into a supplemental indenture (the "Supplemental Indenture") with certain subsidiaries of the Company that are guarantors and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as trustee, in connection with the Company's offering of \$50 million of its 8.25% senior subordinated notes due 2018 (the "Notes") in a private placement. The Notes are part of a series of notes issued by the Company on March 8, 2010 and are substantially identical to the previously issued notes, except for the issue date, issue price, first interest payment date and transfer restrictions. A copy of the Supplemental Indenture is filed as Exhibit 4.1 hereto.

In connection with the offering of the Notes, the Company has agreed pursuant to a Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of February 13, 2012 (the "Registration Rights Agreement"), among the Company and the initial purchasers of the Notes (the "Initial Purchasers"), to use its reasonable best efforts to register the Notes under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), so as to allow holders of the Notes to exchange the Notes for the same principal amount of new notes (the "Exchange Notes") with substantially identical terms, except that the Exchange Notes will generally be freely transferable under the Securities Act. In addition, the Company agreed to file, under certain circumstances, a shelf registration statement to cover resales of the Notes. If the Company fails to satisfy these obligations and its other obligations as set forth in the Registration Rights Agreement, it will be required to pay additional interest to the holders of the Notes. A copy of the Registration Rights Agreement is filed as Exhibit 10.1 hereto.

Item 2.03 Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation under an Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement of a Registrant

The information under Item 1.01 is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

Fiscal 2011 Bonus Determinations

On February 14, 2012, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of Central Garden & Pet Company (the "Company") approved bonus payments to each of the Company's named executive officers in respect of fiscal 2011. This bonus compensation information was not included in the Summary Compensation Table included in the Company's Proxy Statement for its 2012 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 9, 2012 (the "Proxy Statement"), because the amount of the bonuses had not been determined at the time of filing the Proxy Statement. In accordance with Item 5.02(f), the table below updates the Bonus and Total columns in the fiscal 2011 summary compensation table for the named executive officers previously set forth in the Proxy Statement. No other amounts have changed.

SUMMARY COMPENSATION TABLE

Name and Principal Position	Year	Salary	Bonus	Stock Awards (1)	Option Awards (2)	Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensa- tion	Change in Pension Value and Nonqual- ified Deferred Compensation Earnings	All Other Compen sation (3)	Total
William E. Brown Chairman and Chief Executive Officer	2009 2010 2011	\$640,769 \$650,000 \$650,000	\$487,500 \$350,000 —	\$216,000 \$449,500 —	\$1,906,000 \$ 482,400 \$ 999,628			\$ 13,584 \$ 13,381 \$ 13,578	\$3,263,853 \$1,945,281 \$1,663,206
Gus D. Halas President and Chief Executive Officer Central Operating Companies (4)	2011	\$265,000	\$400,000	\$509,355	\$ 999,628	_	_	\$1,144,746	\$3,318,729
Frank P. Palantoni Executive Vice President and President – Pet Products (5)	2011	\$265,385	\$106,000	\$472,500	\$ 273,000	_	_	\$ 63,176	\$1,180,061
Michael A. Reed Executive Vice President	2009 2010 2011	\$425,000 \$425,000 \$425,000	\$250,000 \$180,625 \$106,000	_ _ _	\$ 173,250 \$ 241,200 \$ 191,100	_ _ _	_ _ _	\$ 21,848 \$ 21,621 \$ 21,428	\$ 870,098 \$ 868,446 \$ 743,528
Lori A. Varlas Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (6)	2011	\$296,692	\$100,000	\$378,000	\$ 136,500	_	_	\$ 21,917	\$ 933,109
Stuart W. Booth Former Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer(7) (8)	2009 2010 2011	\$380,000 \$416,616 \$385,799	\$190,000 \$200,000 —		\$ 228,340 —		_ _ _	\$ 38,037 \$ 72,107 \$ 30,135	\$ 608,037 \$ 917,063 \$ 415,934

⁽¹⁾ This column represents the grant date fair value in accordance with ASC 718. These amounts do not represent the actual value that may be realized by the named executive officers.

- (2) This column represents the grant date fair value in accordance with ASC 718. Please refer to Note 12, "Stock-Based Compensation", in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10—K filed on November 21, 2011 for the relevant assumptions used to determine the compensation cost of our stock option awards. These amounts do not represent the actual value, if any, that may be realized by the named executive officers.
- (3) The components of the "All Other Compensation" column for fiscal 2011 are detailed in the following table:

Description	Brown	Halas	Palantoni	Reed	Varlas	Booth
Company matching contribution to 401(k) plan	\$ 2,500	\$ 1,750	\$ 3,185	\$ 3,050	\$ 3,142	\$ 3,050
Medical and life insurance premiums	\$11,078	\$ 5,703	\$ 5,703	\$ 7,578	\$ 8,775	\$11,127
Car allowance or lease	_	\$ 5,000	\$ 7,000	\$10,800	\$10,000	\$15,958
Relocation expenses	_	\$ 265,275	\$25,654	_	_	_
Housing allowance	_	\$ 52,500	_	_	_	_
Tax gross-up payments	_	\$ 234,518	\$21,635	_	_	_
Consulting payments	_	\$ 580,000	_	_	_	_
Total	\$13,578	\$1,144,746	\$63,176	\$21,428	\$21,917	\$30,135

- (4) Mr. Halas was appointed President and Chief Executive Officer of the Central Operating Companies in April 2011.
- (5) Mr. Palantoni was appointed Executive Vice President and President Pet Products in February 2011.
- (6) Ms. Varlas was appointed Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer in December 2010.
- (7) Includes \$58,461 of accrued vacation paid in November 2009. Mr. Booth resigned as Chief Financial Officer effective September 8, 2009. He was re-appointed Chief Financial Officer in January 2010 and served in that capacity until December 2010.
- (8) The bonus amount for 2010 includes a transition bonus of \$133,333 payable to Mr. Booth pursuant to an amended separation agreement between the Company and Mr. Booth.

The fiscal bonus was paid in shares of Class A Common Stock based on the \$9.28 per share closing price of the Company's Class A Common Stock on February 14, 2012, rounded down to the nearest whole share.

Amendment to 2003 Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan

At the 2012 Annual Meeting of stockholders of the Company on February 13, 2012 (the "Annual Meeting"), the stockholders approved the amendment of the Company's 2003 Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan (the "2003 Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan permits grants of stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock awards, performance unit awards and performance share awards to eligible participants. More details regarding the 2003 Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan are included in the Company's definitive proxy statement for its Annual meeting and are incorporated herein by reference. A copy of the Plan as amended and restated is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.2.

Item 5.07 Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

On February 13, 2012, at the Annual Meeting, the following proposals were submitted to the stockholders:

- 1. The election of six directors to serve until the 2013 Annual Meeting and until their successors are duly elected and qualified.
- 2. The ratification of Deloitte & Touche LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending September 29, 2012.
- 3. The approval of an amendment to the 2003 Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan.

For more information about the foregoing proposals, see the Company's proxy statement dated January 9, 2012, the relevant portions of which are incorporated herein by reference. Holders of the Company's Common Stock are entitled to one vote per share and holders of the Company's Class B Stock are entitled to the lesser of ten votes per share or 49% of the total number of votes of Common Stock and Class B Stock which are voted for a director or on a proposal. Holders of the Company's Common Stock and holders of the Company's Class B Stock vote together as a single class on all matters (including the election of directors) submitted to a vote of stockholders, unless otherwise required by law. The number of votes cast for and against and the number of abstentions and non-votes with respect to each matter voted upon are set forth below:

Proposal One:

The following individuals were elected to serve as directors until the Company's next annual meeting and until their respective successors are elected and qualified by the votes set forth in the following table:

Director Nominee	For	Withheld	Broker Non-Votes
William E. Brown	8,667,263	4,367,075	1,933,985
Brooks M. Pennington III	8,739,294	4,330,339	1,933,985
John B. Balousek	6,023,249	5,715,522	1,933,985
David N. Chichester	16,787,973	225,513	1,933,985
Alfred A. Piergallini	6,094,622	5,679,122	1,933,985
John R. Ranelli	16,789,541	224,713	1,933,985

Proposal Two:

The appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal year 2012 was ratified, by the votes set forth in the following table:

For	Against	Abstain	Broker Non-Votes(1)	
20.984.755	30.214	3,730	0	

Pursuant to the rules of the New York Stock Exchange, this proposal constituted a routine matter. Therefore, brokers were permitted to vote without receipt of instructions from beneficial owners.

Proposal Three:

The stockholders approved an amendment to the 2003 Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan, by the votes set forth in the following table:

 For	Against	Abstain	Broker Non-Votes	
10 699 292	6 489 520	21 085	1 933 985	

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

- 4.1 Second Supplemental Indenture, dated as of February 13, 2012, among the Company, certain subsidiary guarantors parties thereto, and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as trustee.
- 10.1 Registration Rights Agreement, dated February 13, 2012, among the Company, certain subsidiary guarantors parties thereto, and the Initial Purchasers.
- 10.2 2003 Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan, as amended and restated effective February 13, 2012.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY

By: /s/ Lori A. Varlas

Lori A. Varlas

Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Secretary

Dated: February 15, 2012

Second Supplemental Indenture

Dated as of February 13, 2012

Supplement to the Indenture Dated as of March 8, 2010

CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY Issuer

and

WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION Trustee

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SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE, dated as of February 13, 2012 (this "Second Supplemental Indenture"), by and among CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware (the "Company" or the "Issuer"), certain subsidiaries of the Company parties hereto (the "Guarantors") and WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, a national banking association organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America, as Trustee under the Indenture (as hereinafter defined) (the "Trustee").

RECITALS OF THE COMPANY

- A. The Company and the Trustee are parties to that certain Indenture, dated as of March 8, 2010 (the "Base Indenture"), as supplemented by the First Supplemental Indenture, dated as of March 8, 2010, and this Second Supplemental Indenture (this "Second Supplemental Indenture," and together with the Base Indenture and the First Supplemental Indenture, the "Indenture") by and among the Company, the Guarantors and the Trustee, providing for the issuance by the Company of an unlimited number of series of Securities (as defined in the Base Indenture) from time to time.
- B. Under the Base Indenture, the Company is authorized to establish one or more series of Securities at any time in accordance with and subject to the provisions of the Indenture, and the terms of such series of Securities may be described by a supplemental indenture executed by the Company and the Trustee.
- C. Pursuant to the First Supplemental Indenture, the Company established a series of Securities designated as the 81/4% Senior Subordinated Notes due 2018 (the "Notes") and issued Notes in the aggregate principal amount of \$400,000,000 (the "Initial Notes").
- D. Section 2.05 of the First Supplemental Indenture provides that the Notes may be reopened, from time to time, for issuances of additional Notes of such series, and any additional Notes issued and comprising the Notes shall have identical terms as the Initial Notes, other than with respect to the date of the issuance, any required legends, the issue price and first payment of interest.
- E. The execution and delivery of this Second Supplemental Indenture has been authorized by a Board Resolution (as defined in the Indenture) and the Second Supplemental Indenture constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of the Company enforceable against it in accordance with its terms.
- F. Concurrent with the execution hereof, the Company has caused its counsel to deliver to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel (as defined in the Indenture) pursuant to Section 903 of the Base Indenture, together with the documents required under Section 2.05 of the First Supplemental Indenture.
 - G. The Company has done all things necessary to make this Second Supplemental Indenture a valid agreement of the Company, in accordance with its terms.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Company and the Trustee agree, for the benefit of each other and for the equal and proportionate benefit of Holders of the Notes with respect to all provisions herein applicable to such series of Notes, as follows:

ARTICLE 1

DEFINITIONS

Unless the context otherwise requires, capitalized terms used but not defined herein have the meaning set forth in the First Supplemental Indenture or if not defined therein, in the Base Indenture. Unless the context otherwise requires, the following additional terms are hereby established for purposes of this Second Supplemental Indenture and shall have the meanings set forth in this Second Supplemental Indenture only for purposes of this Second Supplemental Indenture:

- "Additional 2018 Notes" means the Original Additional 2018 Notes and the Exchange Notes.
- "Definitive Note" means a certificated Original Additional 2018 Note or Exchange Note bearing, if required, the restricted securities legend set forth in Section 2.03(d) (i).
 - "Distribution Compliance Period" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.01(b).
- "Exchange Notes" means the 8 1/4% Senior Subordinated Notes due 2018 to be issued pursuant to the Indenture in connection with a Registered Exchange Offer pursuant to the Registration Rights Agreement.
 - "Global Notes" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.01(b).
 - "Guarantor has the meaning set forth in the preamble.
 - "Guarantee" means the guarantees issued pursuant to this Second Supplemental Indenture.
 - "IAI" means an institutional "accredited investor" as described in Rule 501(a)(1), (2), (3) or (7) under the Securities Act.
 - "IAI Global Notes" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.01(b).
 - "Initial Purchasers" means J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, Barclays Capital Inc. and SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc.
 - "Non-U.S. Person" means any Person that is not a "U.S. person" as such term is defined in Regulation S.
 - "Original Additional 2018 Notes" means the 81/4% Senior Subordinated Notes due 2018 issued on the date hereof.

"Purchase Agreement" means the Purchase Agreement dated February 8, 2012, among the Company and the Initial Purchasers relating to the Original Additional 2018 Notes.

"QIB" means a "qualified institutional buyer" as defined in Rule 144A promulgated under the Securities Act.

"Registered Exchange Offer" means the offer by the Company, pursuant to a Registration Rights Agreement, to certain Holders of Original Additional 2018 Notes, to issue and deliver to such Holders, in exchange for the Original Additional 2018 Notes, a like aggregate principal amount of Exchange Notes registered under the Securities Act.

"Registration Rights Agreement" means the Registration Rights Agreement dated as of the date hereof, among the Company, the Initial Purchasers and the Guarantors relating to the Additional 2018 Notes.

"Regulation S" means Regulation S under the Securities Act.

"Rule 144" means Rule 144 under the Securities Act.

"Rule 144A" means Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

"Rule 144A Global Notes" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.01(b).

"Securities Act" means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

"Shelf Registration Statement" means a registration statement issued by the Company in connection with the offer and sale of Original Additional 2018 Notes pursuant to the Registration Rights Agreement.

"Transfer Restricted Notes" means Original Additional 2018 Notes that bear or are required to bear the legend set forth in Section 2.03(d)(i) hereto.

The words "herein," "hereof" and "hereunder" and other words of similar import refer to this Second Supplemental Indenture as a whole and not to any particular Article, Section or other subdivision.

ARTICLE 2

REOPENING OF 8.1/4% SENIOR SUBORDINATED NOTES DUE 2018; EXCHANGE NOTES; TRANSFER AND EXCHANGE OF CERTAIN NOTES

SECTION 2.01. Reopening: Issuance of Original Additional 2018 Notes.

(a) Pursuant to Section 2.05 of the First Supplemental Indenture, the series of Notes is reopened and Original Additional 2018 Notes comprising part of such series shall be issued in the aggregate principal amount of \$50,000,000. As a result of the issuance of Original

Additional 2018 Notes in the aggregate principal amount of \$50,000,000, the issued amount of the Notes now totals \$450,000,000. The Original Additional 2018 Notes will be offered and sold by the Company pursuant to the Purchase Agreement and were resold initially only to QIBs in reliance on Rule 144A. Original Additional 2018 Notes may thereafter be transferred to, among others, QIBs, Non-U.S. Persons and IAIs under Rule 501(a)(1), (2), (3) or (7) under the Securities Act, subject to restrictions on transfer set forth in the Indenture and in the Notes.

(b) Original Additional 2018 Notes offered and sold in reliance on Rule 144A shall be issued initially in the form of one or more global Notes in fully registered form (collectively, the "Rule 144A Global Notes"), in substantially the form set forth in Exhibit A with the global securities legend and the applicable restricted securities legend set forth in Exhibit A and registered in the name of the Depositary or a nominee of the Depositary, duly executed by the Company and authenticated by the Trustee.

Original Additional 2018 Notes offered and sold in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S shall be issued initially in the form or one or more global Notes in fully registered form (collectively, the "Regulation S Global Notes"), substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit A with the global securities legend and the applicable restricted securities legend set forth in Exhibit A and registered in the name of the Depositary or a nominee of the Depositary, duly executed by the Company and authenticated by the Trustee.

Original Additional 2018 Notes transferred subsequent to the initial resale thereof to IAIs shall be issued initially in the form of one or more global Notes in fully registered form (collectively, the "IAI Global Notes" and, together with the Rule 144A Global Notes and the Regulation S Global Notes, the "Global Notes"), in substantially the form set forth in Exhibit A with the global securities legend and the applicable restricted securities legend set forth in Exhibit A and registered in the name of the Depositary or a nominee of the Depositary, duly executed by the Company and authenticated by the Trustee.

SECTION 2.02. *Exchange Notes*. The Trustee shall authenticate and deliver Exchange Notes, which shall comprise part of the Notes, for issue only in a Registered Exchange Offer pursuant to the Registration Rights Agreement for a like principal amount of Original Additional 2018 Notes, upon a written order of the Company signed by two Officers. The aggregate principal amount of Additional 2018 Notes outstanding at any time may not exceed \$50,000,000.

SECTION 2.03. Transfer and Exchange of Transfer Restricted Notes.

- (a) <u>Transfer and Exchange of Definitive Notes.</u> In addition to the requirements for transfer and exchange under the Base Indenture and the First Supplemental Indenture, a definitive Transfer Restricted Note shall be transferred or exchanged pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act or pursuant to clause (i), (ii) or (iii) below, accompanied by the following additional information and documents, as applicable.
 - (i) if such definitive Transfer Restricted Notes are being delivered to the Registrar by a Holder for registration in the name of such Holder, without transfer, a certification from such Holder to that effect; or

- (ii) if such definitive Transfer Restricted Notes are being transferred to the Company or a subsidiary thereof, a certification to that effect; or
- (iii) if such definitive Transfer Restricted Notes are being transferred pursuant to an exemption from registration in accordance with Rule 144 under the Securities Act, (i) a certification to that effect and (ii) if the Company or the Trustee so requests, an opinion of counsel, certification and/or other information satisfactory to each of them as to the compliance with the restrictions set forth in the legend set forth in Section 2.03(d)(i) below.
- (b) In the case of a transfer of a beneficial interest in a Global Note to an IAI, the transferee may be required by the Trustee to furnish a signed letter to the Trustee containing certain representations and agreements in the form of Exhibit B hereto.
- (c) (i) In the event that a Global Note is exchanged for definitive Notes pursuant to the Indenture prior to the consummation of a Registered Exchange Offer or the effectiveness of a Shelf Registration Statement with respect to such Notes or (ii) in the event that any Transfer Restricted Note (including any Transfer Restricted Note represented by a Global Note) is transferred, such exchange or transfer shall be made only in accordance with the restrictions set forth therein and such procedures as are substantially consistent with the provisions of this Section 2.03 (including the certification requirements set forth in the legend and on the reverse of the Additional 2018 Notes intended to ensure that such transfers comply with Rule 144A, Regulation S or such other applicable exemption from registration under the Securities Act, as the case may be) and such other procedures as may from time to time be adopted by the Company and upon receipt by the Company and the Trustee of an opinion of counsel, certification and other requirements satisfactory to each of them.

(d) Legend.

(i) Except as permitted by the following paragraphs (ii), (iii) and (iv), each certificate evidencing the Global Notes and any definitive Additional 2018 Notes (and all Notes issued in exchange therefor or in substitution thereof) shall bear a legend in substantially the following form:

"THIS SECURITY HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT"), OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OR OTHER JURISDICTION. NEITHER THIS SECURITY NOR ANY INTEREST OR PARTICIPATION HEREIN MAY BE REOFFERED, SOLD, ASSIGNED, TRANSFERRED, PLEDGED, ENCUMBERED OR OTHERWISE DISPOSED OF IN THE ABSENCE OF SUCH REGISTRATION OR UNLESS SUCH TRANSACTION IS EXEMPT FROM, OR NOT SUBJECT TO, SUCH REGISTRATION. THE HOLDER OF THIS SECURITY, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE HEREOF, AGREES ON ITS OWN BEHALF AND ON BEHALF OF ANY INVESTOR ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT HAS PURCHASED

SECURITIES, TO OFFER, SELL OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER SUCH SECURITY, PRIOR TO THE DATE (THE "RESALE RESTRICTION TERMINATION DATE") THAT IS [IN THE CASE OF RULE 144A NOTES: ONE YEAR AFTER THE LATER OF THE ORIGINAL ISSUE DATE HEREOF, THE ORIGINAL ISSUE DATE OF THE ISSUANCE OF ANY ADDITIONAL NOTES AND THE LAST DATE ON WHICH THE ISSUER OR ANY AFFILIATE OF THE ISSUER WAS THE OWNER OF THIS SECURITY (OR ANY PREDECESSOR OF SUCH SECURITY),] [IN THE CASE OF REGULATION NOTES: 40 DAYS AFTER THE LATER OF THE ORIGINAL ISSUE DATE HEREOF AND THE DATE ON WHICH THIS SECURITY (OR ANY PREDECESSOR OF SUCH SECURITY) WAS FIRST OFFERED TO PERSONS OTHER THAN DISTRIBUTORS (AS DEFINED IN RULE 902 OF REGULATION S) IN RELIANCE ON REGULATION S, I ONLY (A) TO THE COMPANY OR ANY SUBSIDIARY THEREOF, (B) PURSUANT TO A REGISTRATION STATEMENT THAT HAS BEEN DECLARED EFFECTIVE UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, (C) FOR SO LONG AS THE SECURITIES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE PURSUANT TO RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT ("RULE 144A"), TO A PERSON IT REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A "QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER" AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A THAT PURCHASES FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER TO WHOM NOTICE IS GIVEN THAT THE TRANSFER IS BEING MADE IN RELIANCE ON RULE 144A, (D) PURSUANT TO OFFERS AND SALES TO NON-U.S. PERSONS THAT OCCUR OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES WITHIN THE MEANING OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, (E) TO AN INSTITUTIONAL "ACCREDITED INVESTOR" WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 501(a)(1), (2), (3) OR (7) UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT THAT IS NOT A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER AND THAT IS PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF ANOTHER INSTITUTIONAL ACCREDITED INVESTOR, IN EACH CASE IN A MINIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF SECURITIES OF \$250,000, OR (F) PURSUANT TO ANOTHER AVAILABLE EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES ACT, SUBJECT TO THE COMPANY'S AND THE TRUSTEE'S RIGHT PRIOR TO ANY SUCH OFFER, SALE OR TRANSFER PURSUANT TO CLAUSES (D), (E) OR (F) TO REQUIRE THE DELIVERY OF AN OPINION OF COUNSEL, CERTIFICATION AND/ OR OTHER INFORMATION SATISFACTORY TO EACH OF THEM. THIS LEGEND WILL BE REMOVED UPON THE REQUEST OF THE HOLDER AFTER THE RESALE RESTRICTION TERMINATION DATE. [IN THE CASE OF REGULATION S NOTES: BY ITS ACQUISITION HEREOF, THE HOLDER HEREOF REPRESENTS THAT IT IS NOT A U.S. PERSON

NOR IS IT PURCHASING FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A U.S. PERSON AND IS ACQUIRING THIS SECURITY IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT.]

"BY ITS ACQUISITION OF THIS SECURITY, THE HOLDER THEREOF WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE REPRESENTED AND WARRANTED THAT EITHER (1) NO PORTION OF THE ASSETS USED BY SUCH HOLDER TO ACQUIRE OR HOLD THIS SECURITY CONSTITUTES THE ASSETS OF AN EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN THAT IS SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF THE U.S. EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("ERISA"), OF A PLAN, INDIVIDUAL RETIREMENT ACCOUNT OR OTHER ARRANGEMENT THAT IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE U.S. INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE") OR PROVISIONS UNDER ANY OTHER FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL, NON-U.S. OR OTHER LAWS OR REGULATIONS THAT ARE SIMILAR TO SUCH PROVISIONS OF ERISA OR THE CODE ("SIMILAR LAWS"), OR OF AN ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS ARE CONSIDERED TO INCLUDE "PLAN ASSETS" OF ANY SUCH PLAN, ACCOUNT OR ARRANGEMENT, OR (2) THE ACQUISITION AND HOLDING OF THIS SECURITY WILL NOT CONSTITUTE A NON-EXEMPT PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE OR A SIMILAR VIOLATION UNDER ANY APPLICABLE SIMILAR LAWS."

- (ii) Upon any sale or transfer of a Transfer Restricted Note (including any Transfer Restricted Note represented by a Global Note) pursuant to Rule 144 under the Securities Act:
 - (A) in the case of any Transfer Restricted Note that is a definitive Note, the Registrar shall permit the Holder thereof to exchange such Transfer Restricted Note for a Note that does not bear the legends set forth above and rescind any restriction on the transfer of such Transfer Restricted Note; and
 - (B) in the case of any Transfer Restricted Note that is represented by a Global Note, the Registrar shall permit the Holder thereof to exchange such Transfer Restricted Note for a Note that does not bear the legends set forth above and rescind any restriction on the transfer of such Transfer Restricted Note,

in either case, if the Holder complies with the requirements set forth in Section 2.03(a)(iii) above (whether the Transfer Restricted Note is a definitive Note or a Global Note).

(iii) After a transfer of any Original Additional 2018 Notes during the period of the effectiveness of a Shelf Registration Statement with respect to such Original Additional 2018 Notes, all requirements pertaining to restricted legends on such Original Additional 2018 Note will cease to apply and an Original Additional 2018 Note in global form without restricted legends will be available to the transferee of the beneficial interests of such Original Additional 2018 Notes. Upon the occurrence of any of the circumstances described in this paragraph, the Company will deliver an Officers' Certificate to the Trustee instructing the Trustee to issue Notes without restricted legends.

(iv) Upon the consummation of a Registered Exchange Offer with respect to the Original Additional 2018 Notes pursuant to which certain Holders of such Original Additional 2018 Notes are offered Exchange Notes in exchange for their Original Additional 2018 Notes, Exchange Notes initially in global form substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit A without the restricted legends will be available to Holders or beneficial owners that exchange such Original Additional 2018 Notes (or beneficial interests therein) in such Registered Exchange Offer.

ARTICLE 3

GUARANTEES

SECTION 3.01. Guarantees.

Each Guarantor hereby agrees that Article XVI of the Base Indenture shall be applicable to the Additional 2018 Notes.

SECTION 3.02. Release of Guarantor.

Upon the sale (including any sale pursuant to any exercise of remedies by a holder of Senior Debt of the Company or of any Guarantor) or other disposition (including by way of consolidation or merger) of such Guarantor or (b) the sale or disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of such Guarantor (in case of clauses (a) and (b), other than a sale or disposition to the Company or an Affiliate of the Company and if in connection therewith the Company provides an Officers' Certificate to the Trustee to the effect that the Company will comply with its obligations under Section 4.08 hereof in respect of such disposition), (c) upon the release of such Guarantor from its guarantee, if any, of all pledges and security, if any, granted by such Guarantor in connection with the Credit Facility or (d) upon designation of a Guarantor as an Unrestricted Subsidiary pursuant to the terms of this Indenture, such Guarantor shall be deemed released from all obligations under this Article 3 without any further action required on the part of the Trustee or any Holder. If the Company exercises its Legal Defeasance option or its Covenant Defeasance option in accordance with the provisions of Article 8 of the First Supplemental Indenture or if its obligations under the Indenture are discharged in accordance with Section 8.06 of the First Supplemental Indenture, each Guarantor shall be released from all obligations under this Article 3 without any further action required on the part of the Trustee or any Holder. At the request of the Company, the Trustee shall execute and deliver an appropriate instrument evidencing the release of a Guarantor pursuant to this Section 3.02.

SECTION 3.03. Contribution.

Each Guarantor that makes a payment under its Guarantee shall be entitled upon payment in full of all Guaranteed Obligations to contribution from each Guarantor, as applicable, in an amount equal to such Guarantor's pro rata portion of such payment based on the respective net assets of all the Guarantors at the time of such payment determined in accordance with GAAP.

SECTION 3.04. Parity with Guarantees Delivered Under the Existing Indenture.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in any provision of the Indenture or any Additional 2018 Notes issued hereunder on the date hereof, the Guarantees delivered under this Second Supplemental Indenture on the date hereof shall rank in parity in all respect to the Guarantees delivered or deliverable under the Existing Indenture.

ARTICLE 4

SUBORDINATION OF GUARANTEES

SECTION 4.01. Agreement to Subordinate.

Each Guarantor agrees, and each Holder by accepting an Additional 2018 Note agrees, that the Indebtedness evidenced by such Guarantor's Guarantee and all Obligations relating thereto are subordinated in right of payment, to the extent and in the manner provided in this Article 4, to the prior payment of all Senior Debt of such Guarantor and all Obligations relating thereto and that the subordination is for the benefit of and enforceable by the holders of such Senior Debt. The Guaranteed Obligations (as defined in each Guarantee) of a Guarantor shall in all respects rank pari passu with all other Senior Subordinated Debt of such Guarantor and only Senior Debt of such Guarantor (including such Guarantor's Guarantee of Senior Debt of the Company) shall rank senior to the Guaranteed Obligations of such Guarantor in accordance with the provisions set forth herein.

SECTION 4.02. Liquidation, Dissolution, Bankruptcy.

Upon any payment or distribution of the assets of any Guarantor to creditors upon a total or partial liquidation or a total or partial dissolution of such Guarantor or in a bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency, receivership or similar proceeding relating to such Guarantor or its property, in an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or in any marshaling of the Company's assets and liabilities:

- (1) holders of Senior Debt of such Guarantor shall be entitled to receive payment in full in cash of all Obligations in respect of such Senior Debt before Holders of Additional 2018 Notes shall be entitled to receive any payment pursuant to the Guarantee of such Guarantor; and
- (2) until all Obligations in respect of the Senior Debt of any Guarantor is paid in full in cash, any payment or distribution to which Holders of Additional 2018 Notes would be entitled but for this Article 4 shall be made to holders of such Senior Debt as their interests may appear, except that Holders of Additional 2018 Notes may receive and retain Permitted Junior Securities.

A distribution may consist of cash, securities or other property, by set-off or otherwise.

SECTION 4.03. <u>Default on Senior Debt of Guarantor</u>.

The Obligations of each Guarantor under its Subsidiary Guarantee pursuant to this Article 4 will be junior and subordinated to the Senior Debt of such Guarantor on the same basis as the Additional 2018 Notes are junior and subordinated to Senior Debt of the Company. For the purposes of the foregoing sentence, the Trustee and the Holders of Additional 2018 Notes will have the right to receive and/or retain payments by any of the Guarantors only at such times as they may receive and/or retain payments in respect of the Additional 2018 Notes pursuant to the Indenture, including Article 10 of the First Supplemental Indenture.

SECTION 4.04. Demand for Payment.

If a demand for payment is made on a Guarantor pursuant to Article 3 hereof, the Trustee shall promptly notify the holders of the Designated Senior Debt of such Guarantor (or their Representatives) of such demand.

SECTION 4.05. When Distribution Must Be Paid Over.

If a payment or distribution is made to Holders of Additional 2018 Notes that because of this Article 4 should not have been made to them, the Trustee or the Holders who receive the distribution shall hold it in trust for holders of the relevant Senior Debt of the applicable Guarantor and pay it over to them or their Representatives as their interests may appear. If any Designated Senior Debt of a Guarantor is outstanding, such Guarantor shall not make a payment on its Guarantee until five Business Days after the Representatives of all the issues of Designated Senior Debt of such Guarantor receive notice of such acceleration and, thereafter, shall be entitled to pay the Notes only if this Article 4 otherwise permits payment at that time.

SECTION 4.06. Subrogation.

After all Senior Debt of a Guarantor is paid in full and until the Additional 2018 Notes are paid in full, Holders shall be subrogated to the rights of holders of such Senior Debt to receive distributions applicable to Senior Debt of such Guarantor. A distribution made under this Article 4 to holders of such Senior Debt that otherwise would have been made to Holders of Additional 2018 Notes is not, as between the relevant Guarantors and Holders of Additional 2018 Notes, a payment by such Guarantor on such Senior Debt.

SECTION 4.07. Relative Rights.

This Article 4 defines the relative rights of Holders of Additional 2018 Notes and holders of Senior Debt of a Guarantor. Nothing in this Indenture shall:

- (a) impair, as between a Guarantor and Holders of Additional 2018 Notes, the obligation of the such Guarantor, which is absolute and unconditional, to pay its Guarantee to the extent set forth in Article 11 of the First Supplemental Indenture; or
- (b) affect the relative rights of Holders of Additional 2018 Notes and creditors of the Guarantors other than their rights in relation to holders of Senior Debt; or
- (c) prevent the Trustee or any Holder of Additional 2018 Notes from exercising its available remedies upon an Event of Default by such Guarantor under its Guarantee, subject to the rights of holders of Senior Debt of such Guarantor to receive distributions otherwise payable to Holders of Additional 2018 Notes.

SECTION 4.08. Subordination May Not Be Impaired by Guarantor.

No right of any holder of Senior Debt of any Guarantor to enforce the subordination of the Guarantee of such Guarantor shall be impaired by any act or failure to act by such Guarantor or any Holder of Additional 2018 Notes or by its failure to comply with the Indenture.

SECTION 4.09. Rights of Trustee and Paying Agents.

Notwithstanding anything in this Article 4, the Trustee or any Paying Agent may continue to make payments on any Guarantee and shall not be charged with knowledge of the existence of facts that would prohibit the making of any such payments to or by the Trustee unless and until, not less than two Business Days prior to the date of such payment, a Responsible Officer receives written notice satisfactory to it that payments may not be made under this Article 4. The Company, the relevant Guarantor, the Registrar, the applicable Paying Agent, a Representative or a holder of Senior Debt of any Guarantor may give the notice; provided, however, that, if an issue of Senior Debt of any Guarantor has a Representative, only the Representative may give the notice.

The Trustee in its individual or any other capacity may hold Senior Debt of any Guarantor with the same rights it would have if it were not Trustee. The Paying Agents may do the same with like rights. The Trustee shall be entitled to all the rights set forth in this Article 4 with respect to any Senior Debt of any Guarantor that may at any time be held by it, to the same extent as any other holder of Senior Debt; and nothing in Article VI of the Base Indenture shall deprive the Trustee of any of its rights as such holder. Nothing in this Article 4 shall apply to claims of, or payments to, the Trustee under or pursuant to Section 606 of the Base Indenture.

SECTION 4.10. <u>Distribution or Notice to Representative</u>.

Whenever a distribution is to be made or a notice given to holders of Senior Debt of any Guarantor, the distribution may be made and the notice given to their Representative (if any).

SECTION 4.11. Article 4 Not to Prevent Events of Default or Limit Right to Demand Payment

The failure to make any payment to a Guarantee by reason of any provision in this Article 4 shall not be construed as preventing the occurrence of a Default. Nothing in this Article 4 shall have any effect on the right of the Holders of Additional 2018 Notes or the Trustee to make a demand for payment on any Guarantor pursuant to its Guarantee.

SECTION 4.12. Trustee Entitled to Rely.

Upon any payment or distribution pursuant to this Article 4, the Trustee and the Holders of Additional 2018 Notes shall be entitled to rely (a) upon any order or decree of a court of competent jurisdiction in which any proceedings of the nature referred to in Section 4.02 are pending, (b) upon a certificate of the liquidating trustee or Agent or other Person making such payment or distribution to the Trustee or to the Holders of Additional 2018 Notes or (c) upon a certificate of the Representative of the holders of Senior Debt of any Guarantor or, if there is no Representative, the holders of Senior Debt of any Guarantor for the purpose of ascertaining the Persons entitled to participate in such payment or distribution, the holders of Senior Debt and other indebtedness of such Guarantor, the amount thereof or payable thereon, the amount or amounts paid or distributed thereon and all other facts pertinent thereto or to this Article 4. In the event that the Trustee determines, in good faith, that evidence is required with respect to the right of any Person as a holder of Senior Debt of any Guarantor to participate in any payment or distribution pursuant to this Article 4, the Trustee may request such Person to furnish evidence to the reasonable satisfaction of the Trustee as to the amount of such Senior Debt of such Guarantor held by such Person, the extent to which such Person is entitled to participate in such payment or distribution and other facts pertinent to the rights of such Person under this Article 4, and, if such evidence is not furnished, the Trustee may defer any payment to such Person pending judicial determination as to the right of such Person to receive such payment. The provisions of 602 of the Base Indenture shall be applicable to all actions or omissions of actions by the Trustee pursuant to this Article 4.

SECTION 4.13. Trustee to Effectuate Subordination.

Each Holder of Additional 2018 Notes by accepting an Additional 2018 Note authorizes and directs the Trustee on his behalf to take such action as may be necessary or appropriate to acknowledge or effectuate the subordination between the Holders of Additional 2018 Notes and the holders of Senior Debt of any Guarantor as provided in this Article 4 and appoints the Trustee as attorney-in-fact for any and all such purposes.

SECTION 4.14. Trustee Not Fiduciary for Holders of Senior Debt of Guarantor.

The Trustee shall not be deemed to owe any fiduciary duty to the holders of Senior Debt of any Guarantor and shall not be liable to any such holders if it shall mistakenly pay over or distribute to Holders of Additional 2018 Notes or the Company or any other Person, money or assets to which any holders of such Senior Debt shall be entitled by virtue of this Article 4 or otherwise.

ARTICLE 5

MISCELLANEOUS

SECTION 5.01. Application of Second Supplemental Indenture.

Except as provided herein, each and every term and condition contained in this Second Supplemental Indenture that modifies, amends or supplements the terms and conditions of the Indenture shall apply only to the Notes and not to any other series of Securities established under the Indenture. Except as specifically amended and supplemented by, or to the extent inconsistent with, this Second Supplemental Indenture, the Indenture shall remain in full force and effect and is hereby ratified and confirmed.

SECTION 5.02. Effective Date of Second Supplemental Indenture.

This Second Supplemental Indenture shall be effective upon the execution and delivery hereof by each of the parties hereto.

SECTION 5.03. Counterparts.

This Second Supplemental Indenture may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which so executed shall be deemed to be an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Second Supplemental Indenture to be duly executed as of the date first written above.

ISSUER:

CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY,

By: /s/ Lori A. Varlas

Name: Lori A. Varlas

Title: Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and

Secretary

GUARANTORS:

ALL-GLASS AQUARIUM CO., INC.

B2E BIOTECH, LLC

B2E CORPORATION

CEDAR WORKS, LLC

FARNAM COMPANIES, INC.

FOUR PAWS PRODUCTS, LTD.

GRANT LABORATORIES, INC.

GRO TEC, INC.

GULFSTREAM HOME & GARDEN, INC.

INTERPET USA, LLC

KAYTEE PRODUCTS INCORPORATED

MATSON, LLC

MATTHEWS REDWOOD AND NURSERY SUPPLY, INC.

NEW ENGLAND POTTERY, LLC

PENNINGTON SEED, INC.

PENNINGTON SEED, INC. OF NEBRASKA

PETS INTERNATIONAL, LTD.

SEEDS WEST, INC.

T.F.H. PUBLICATIONS, INC.

WELLMARK INTERNATIONAL

By: /s/ Lori A. Varlas

Name: Lori A. Varlas Title: Authorized Officer

Signature page to Second Supplemental Indenture

TRUSTEE:

WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

By: /s/ Maddy Hall
Name: Maddy Hall
Title: Vice President

 ${\it Signature\ page\ to\ Second\ Supplemental\ Indenture}$

EXHIBIT A

FORM OF ADDITIONAL SECURITIES ISSUED AS PART OF THE 8 1/4% SENIOR SUBORDINATED NOTES DUE 2018

[FACE OF NOTE]

[Global Notes Legend]

THIS GLOBAL NOTE IS HELD BY AND REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF THE DEPOSITARY (AS DEFINED IN THE INDENTURE GOVERNING THIS NOTE) OR ITS NOMINEE IN CUSTODY FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE BENEFICIAL OWNERS HEREOF, AND IS NOT TRANSFERABLE TO ANY PERSON UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES EXCEPT THAT (I) THE TRUSTEE MAY MAKE SUCH NOTATIONS HEREON AS MAY BE REQUIRED PURSUANT TO SECTION 305 OF THE INDENTURE, (II) THIS GLOBAL NOTE MAY BE EXCHANGED IN WHOLE BUT NOT IN PART PURSUANT TO SECTION 305 OF THE INDENTURE, (III) THIS GLOBAL NOTE MAY BE DELIVERED TO THE TRUSTEE FOR CANCELLATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 311 OF THE INDENTURE AND (IV) THIS GLOBAL NOTE MAY BE TRANSFERRED TO A SUCCESSOR DEPOSITARY WITH THE PRIOR WRITTEN CONSENT OF THE COMPANY.

UNLESS THIS NOTE IS PRESENTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY, A NEW YORK CORPORATION ("DTC"), TO THE COMPANY OR ITS AGENT FOR REGISTRATION OF TRANSFER, EXCHANGE OR PAYMENT, AND ANY NOTE ISSUED IS REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF CEDE & CO. OR IN SUCH OTHER NAME AS IS REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF DTC (AND ANY PAYMENT IS MADE TO CEDE & CO. OR TO SUCH OTHER ENTITY AS IS REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF DTC), ANY TRANSFER, PLEDGE OR OTHER USE HEREOF FOR VALUE OR OTHERWISE BY OR TO ANY PERSON IS WRONGFUL INASMUCH AS THE REGISTERED OWNER HEREOF, CEDE & CO., HAS AN INTEREST HEREIN.

[Restricted Notes Legend]

THIS NOTE HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT"), OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OR OTHER JURISDICTION. NEITHER THIS NOTE NOR ANY INTEREST OR PARTICIPATION HEREIN MAY BE REOFFERED, SOLD, ASSIGNED, TRANSFERRED, PLEDGED, ENCUMBERED OR OTHERWISE DISPOSED OF IN THE ABSENCE OF SUCH REGISTRATION OR UNLESS SUCH TRANSACTION IS EXEMPT FROM, OR NOT SUBJECT TO, SUCH REGISTRATION. THE HOLDER OF THIS NOTE, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE HEREOF, AGREES ON ITS OWN BEHALF AND ON BEHALF OF ANY INVESTOR ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT HAS PURCHASED NOTES, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE HEREOF, AGREES ON ITS OWN BEHALF AND ON BEHALF (THE "RESALE RESTRICTION TERMINATION DATE") THAT IS [IN THE CASE OF RULE 144A NOTES: ONE YEAR AFTER THE LATER OF THE ORIGINAL ISSUE DATE HEREOF, THE ORIGINAL ISSUE DATE OF THE ISSUANCE OF ANY ADDITIONAL NOTES AND THE LAST DATE ON WHICH THE ISSUER OR ANY AFFILIATE OF THE ISSUER WAS THE OWNER OF THIS NOTE (OR ANY PREDECESSOR OF SUCH NOTE),] [IN THE CASE OF REGULATION NOTES: 40 DAYS AFTER THE LATER OF THE ORIGINAL ISSUE DATE HEREOF AND THE DATE ON WHICH THIS SECURITY (OR ANY PREDECESSOR OF SUCH SECURITY) WAS FIRST OFFERED TO PERSONS OTHER THAN DISTRIBUTORS (AS DEFINED IN RULE 902 OF REGULATION S) IN RELIANCE ON REGULATION S,] ONLY (A) TO THE COMPANY OR ANY SUBSIDIARY THEREOF, (B) PURSUANT TO A REGISTRATION STATEMENT THAT HAS BEEN DECLARED EFFECTIVE UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, (C) FOR SO LONG AS THE NOTES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE PURSUANT TO RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT ("RULE 144A"), TO A PERSON IT REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A "QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER" AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A THAT PURCHASES FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER TO WHOM NOTICE IS GIVEN THAT THE TRANSFER IS BEING MADE IN RELIANCE ON RULE 144A(, ()) PURSUANT TO OFFERS AND SALES TO NON-U.S. PERSONS THAT

OCCUR OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES WITHIN THE MEANING OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, OR (E) TO AN INSTITUTIONAL "ACCREDITED INVESTOR" WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 501(a)(1), (2), (3) OR (7) UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT THAT IS NOT A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER AND THAT IS PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF ANOTHER INSTITUTIONAL ACCREDITED INVESTOR, IN EACH CASE IN A MINIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOTES OF \$250,000, OR (F) PURSUANT TO ANOTHER AVAILABLE EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES ACT, SUBJECT TO THE COMPANY'S AND THE TRUSTEE'S RIGHT PRIOR TO ANY SUCH OFFER, SALE OR TRANSFER PURSUANT TO CLAUSES (D), (E) OR (F) TO REQUIRE THE DELIVERY OF AN OPINION OF COUNSEL, CERTIFICATION AND/OR OTHER INFORMATION SATISFACTORY TO EACH OF THEM. THIS LEGEND WILL BE REMOVED UPON THE REQUEST OF THE HOLDER AFTER THE RESALE RESTRICTION TERMINATION DATE. [IN THE CASE OF REGULATION S NOTES: BY ITS ACQUISITION HEREOF, THE HOLDER HEREOF REPRESENTS THAT IT IS NOT A U.S. PERSON NOR IS IT PURCHASING FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A U.S. PERSON AND IS ACQUIRING THIS SECURITY IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT.]

BY ITS ACQUISITION OF THIS NOTE, THE HOLDER THEREOF WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE REPRESENTED AND WARRANTED THAT EITHER (1) NO PORTION OF THE ASSETS USED BY SUCH HOLDER TO ACQUIRE OR HOLD THIS NOTE CONSTITUTES THE ASSETS OF AN EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN THAT IS SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF THE U.S. EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("ERISA"), OF A PLAN, INDIVIDUAL RETIREMENT ACCOUNT OR OTHER ARRANGEMENT THAT IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE U.S. INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE") OR PROVISIONS UNDER ANY OTHER FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL, NON-U.S. OR OTHER LAWS OR REGULATIONS THAT ARE SIMILAR TO SUCH PROVISIONS OF ERISA OR THE CODE ("SIMILAR LAWS"), OR OF AN ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS ARE CONSIDERED TO INCLUDE "PLAN ASSETS" OF ANY SUCH PLAN, ACCOUNT OR ARRANGEMENT, OR (2) THE ACQUISITION AND HOLDING OF THIS NOTE WILL NOT CONSTITUTE A NON-EXEMPT PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE OR A SIMILAR VIOLATION UNDER ANY APPLICABLE SIMILAR LAWS.

No. R-[] Principal Amount: \$50,000,000

CUSIP No: 153527 AH9

8 1/4% Senior Subordinated Notes due 2018

Central Garden & Pet Company, a Delaware corporation, promises to pay to Cede & Co. or registered assigns, the principal sum of Fifty Million Dollars (\$50,000,000) on March 1, 2018.

Interest Payment Dates: March 1 and September 1, commencing March 1, 2012.

Record Dates: February 15 and August 15.

Additional provisions of this Note are set forth on the other side of this Note.

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IN WITNESS THEREOF, the Company has caused this Note to be signed manually or by facsimile by its duly authorized officer.

Dated: February 13, 2012 CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY

By:

Name: Lori A. Varlas

Title: Senior Vice President, Chief Financial

Officer and Secretary

Signature Page to the Global Note

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TRUSTEE'S CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION	
WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as Trustee, certifies that this is one of the Global Notes referred to in the within-mentioned ndenture.	
By:	

Authorized Signatory

Signature Page to the Global Note

REVERSE SIDE OF GLOBAL NOTE

8 1/4% Senior Subordinated Notes due 2018

Capitalized terms used herein shall have the meanings assigned to them in the First Supplemental Indenture referred to below unless otherwise indicated or, if not defined in the First Supplemental Indenture, the Base Indenture referred to below.

1. Interest

[(a)] Central Garden & Pet Company, a Delaware corporation (such corporation, and its successors and assigns under the Indenture hereinafter referred to, being herein called the "Company"), promises to pay interest on the principal amount of this Note at the rate per annum shown above. The Company will pay interest on this Note semi-annually in arrears on March 1 and September 1 of each year, or, if such date is not a Business Day, on the next succeeding Business Day (each, an "Interest Payment Date"), commencing March 1, 2012. Interest on this Note will accrue from September 1, 2011. The Company shall pay interest on overdue principal and premium, if any, and interest on overdue installments of interest, to the extent lawful, at a rate that is 1% per annum in excess of the rate then in effect. Interest will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months.

[(b) Special Interest. The holder of this Note is entitled to the benefits under the terms of a Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of February 13, 2012, among the Company, the Guarantors and the Initial Purchasers named therein.]1

2. Method of Payment

The Company will pay interest on the Notes to the Persons who are registered Holders of Notes at the close of business on February 15 or August 15 next preceding the Interest Payment Date, even if such Notes are canceled after such record date and on or before such Interest Payment Date, except with respect to defaulted interest. The Notes will be payable as to principal, premium and interest at the office or agency of the Company maintained for such purpose within or without the City and State of New York or Minneapolis, Minnesota, or, at the option of the Company, payment of interest may be made by check mailed to the Holders at their addresses set forth in the register of Holders, and provided that payment by wire transfer of immediately available funds will be required with respect to principal of and interest and premium on all Global Notes and all other Notes the Holders of which shall have provided wire transfer instructions no later than 30 days immediately preceding the relevant due date for payment (or such other date as the Trustee may accept in its judgment), to the Company or the Principal Paying Agent. Such payment shall be in such coin or currency of the United States of America at the time of payment is legal tender for payment of public and private debts.

Not applicable to Exchange Notes.

3. Paying Agent and Registrar

Wells Fargo Bank, National Association (the "Trustee"), acts as Paying Agent and Registrar. The Company may appoint and change any Paying Agent or Registrar without notice to any holder. The Company or any of its Subsidiaries may act as Paying Agent or Registrar.

4. Indenture

The Company issued this Note under an Indenture dated as of March 8, 2010 (the "Base Indenture"), between the Company and the Trustee as supplemented by that First Supplemental Indenture dated as of March 8, 2010 (the "First Supplemental Indenture") and the Second Supplemental Indenture (the "Second Supplemental Indenture") dated as of February 13, 2012, among the Company, the Guarantors and the Trustee. The Base Indenture, the First Supplemental Indenture and the Second Supplemental Indenture are collectively referred to herein as the "Indenture". The terms of this Note include those stated in the Indenture and those made part of the Indenture by reference to the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended (15 U.S.C. §§ 77aaa-77bbbb) as in effect on the date of the Indenture (the "TIA"). Terms defined in the Indenture and not defined herein have the meanings ascribed thereto in the Indenture. This Note is subject to all such terms, and Holders are referred to the Indenture and the TIA for a statement of those terms. To the extent any provision of this Note conflicts with the express provisions of the Indenture, the provisions of the Indenture shall govern and be controlling.

This Note is an Additional Note issued under the Second Supplemental Indenture and pursuant to the Base Indenture and the First Supplemental Indenture and constitutes part of a series of Securities designated as the "8 1/4% Senior Subordinated Notes due 2018" (the "Notes") established by the Company pursuant to the Base Indenture and the First Supplemental Indenture. The Company issued Notes in an aggregate principal amount of \$400,000,000 on March 8, 2010 (the "Initial Notes"). As a result of the further issuance of \$50,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Additional Notes, the issued amount of Notes now totals \$450,000,000.

The Company is entitled, subject to its compliance with Section 4.07 of the First Supplemental Indenture, to issue Additional Notes pursuant to Section 2.05 of the First Supplemental Indenture. The Initial Notes, the Additional Notes issued on the date hereof and any Additional Notes, if any, issued in the future will be treated as a single class for all purposes under the Indenture.

5. Optional Redemption

At any time prior to March 1, 2014, the Company may redeem all or a part of the Notes (which includes Additional Notes, if any) upon not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' prior notice, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of Notes redeemed

plus the Applicable Premium as of, and accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to, but not including, the date of redemption (the "Redemption Date"), subject to the rights of Holders of Notes on the relevant record date to receive interest due on the relevant interest payment date.

On and after March 1, 2014, the Company shall be entitled at its option to redeem all or a portion of the Notes at the redemption prices set forth below (expressed in percentages of principal amount on the Redemption Date) plus accrued interest to, but not including, the Redemption Date, if redeemed during the 12-month period commencing on March 1 of the years set forth below:

Year	Redemption Price
<u>Year</u> 2014	104.125%
2015	102.063%
2016 and thereafter	100.00%

In addition, prior to March 1, 2013, the Company shall be entitled at its option on one or more occasions to redeem Notes in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed 35% of the aggregate principal amount of the Notes issued (which includes the Additional Notes, if any) at a redemption price (expressed, as a percentage of principal amount) of 108.25%, plus accrued and unpaid interest to, but not including, the Redemption Date, with the net cash proceeds from one or more Equity Offerings; provided, however, that (1) at least 65% of such aggregate principal amount of Notes (which includes the Additional Notes, if any) remains outstanding immediately after the occurrence of each such redemption (other than Notes held, directly or indirectly, by the Company or its Affiliates); and (2) each such redemption occurs within 90 days after the date of the closing of the related Equity Offering.

6. Notice of Redemption

Notice of redemption will be mailed at least 30 days but not more than 60 days before the Redemption Date to each Holder of Notes to be redeemed at each such Holder's registered address.

7. Repurchase at Option of Holder

If a Change of Control occurs, each Holder shall have the right to require that the Company purchase all or a portion of such Holder's Notes pursuant to the offer described in the Indenture (the "Change of Control Offer"), at a purchase price equal to 101% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest to the date of purchase. Within 30 days following the date upon which the Change of Control occurred, the Company must send, by first class mail, a notice to the Trustee and each Holder, which notice shall govern the terms of the Change of Control Offer and shall be in compliance with the Indenture. Holders electing to have their Notes purchased pursuant to a Change of Control Offer shall be required to surrender their Notes, with the form entitled "Option of Holder to Elect Purchase"

on the reverse of the Note completed, to the Paying Agent at the address specified in the notice prior to the close of business on the third Business Day prior to the change of control Payment Date.

If the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary consummates any Asset Sales, under certain circumstances the Company is required to commence an offer to all Holders of Notes (an "Asset Sale Offer") pursuant to Section 4.08 of the Indenture. The Asset Sale Offer may also be made to holders of other Indebtedness of the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary ranking pari passu with the Notes requiring the making of such an offer ("Pari Passu Debt"). Pursuant to the Asset Sale Offer, the Company shall offer to purchase on a date not less than 30 nor more than 60 days following the applicable Asset Sale Offer Trigger Date, from all Holders and holders of any other Pari Passu Debt of the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary, on a pro rata basis, the maximum amount of Notes and such other Pari Passu Debt that may be purchased with the Asset Sale Offer Amount at a price equal to 100% of their principal amount in accordance with the procedures (including pro-rating in the event of over-subscription and calculation of the principal amount of notes denominated in different currencies) set forth in the Indenture, plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon, if any, to the date of purchase (or, in respect of such other Pari Passu Debt, such lesser price, if any, as may be provided for by the terms of such Pari Passu Debt in accordance with the procedures (including pro-rating in the event of over-subscription and calculation of the principal amount of Notes denominated in different currencies) set forth in the Indenture). If the aggregate principal amount of Notes or such other Pari Passu Debt surrendered by holders thereof exceeds the amount of Asset Sale Offer Amount, the Notes will be purchased on a pro rata basis. Holders of Notes that are the subject of an offer to purchase will receive an Asset Sale Offer from the Company prior to any related purchase date and may elect to have such Notes purchased by completing the form entitled "Option of Holder to Elect Purchase" on the reverse of the Notes.

8. Denominations; Transfer; Exchange

The Notes are in registered form without coupons in minimum denominations of \$2,000 principal and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof. A Holder may transfer or exchange Notes in accordance with the Indenture. The Registrar may require a Holder, among other things, to furnish appropriate endorsements or transfer documents and to pay any taxes and fees required by law or permitted by the Indenture. The Registrar need not register the transfer of or exchange any Notes selected for redemption (except, in the case of a Note to be redeemed in part, the portion of the Note not to be redeemed) or any Notes for a period of 15 days before a selection of Notes to be redeemed or 15 days before an Interest Payment Date.

9. Persons Deemed Owners

The registered Holder of this Note may be treated as the owner of it for all purposes.

10. Discharge and Defeasance

Subject to certain conditions, the Company at any time shall be entitled to terminate some or all of its obligations under the Notes and the Indenture if the Company deposits with the Trustee money or U.S. government securities for the payment of principal and interest on the Notes to redemption or maturity, as the case may be.

11. Amendment, Waiver

Subject to certain exceptions, the Indenture, the Guarantees or the Notes may be amended or supplemented with the consent of the Holders of at least a majority in principal amount of the then outstanding Notes voting as a single class (including consents obtained in connection with a tender offer or exchange offer for, or purchase of, the Notes), and any existing Default or Event of Default (other than a Default or Event of Default in the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, or interest on the Notes, except a payment default resulting from an acceleration that has been rescinded) or compliance with any provision of the Indenture, the Guarantees or the Notes may be waived with the consent of the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the then outstanding Notes voting as a single class (including consents obtained in connection with a tender offer or exchange offer for, or purchase of, the Notes). Without the consent of any Holder of a Note, the Indenture, the Guarantees or the Notes may be amended to cure any ambiguity, defect or inconsistency, to provide for uncertificated Notes in addition to or in place of certificated Notes or to alter the provisions of Article 2 of the First Supplemental Indenture or Exhibit A to the First Supplemental Indenture relating to the form of the Notes (including the related definitions) in a manner that does not materially adversely affect any Holder, to provide for the assumption of the Company's or any Guarantor's obligations to Holders of the Notes by a successor to the Company or a Guarantor pursuant to Article 5 or Article 11 of the First Supplemental Indenture, to make any change that would provide any additional rights or benefits to the Holders of the Notes or that does not adversely affect the legal rights under the Indenture of any such Holder, to comply with the requirements of the SEC in order to effect or maintain the qualification of the Indenture under the TIA, to provide for the issuance of Additional Notes in accordance with the limitations set forth in the Indenture, to allow any Guarantor to execute a supplemental indenture and/or a Guarantee with respect to the Notes, to remove a Guarantor, which, in accordance with the terms of the Indenture, ceases to be liable in respect of its Guarantee, to make appropriate provision in connection with the appointment of a successor trustee, or to conform the text of the Indenture, the Guarantees or the Notes to any provision in the Description of Notes contained in the final offering document relating to the original offering of the Notes to the extent that such provision in the Description of Notes was intended to be a verbatim recitation of a provision in the Indenture, the Guarantees or the Notes.

12. Defaults and Remedies

Events of Default include: (i) the failure to pay interest on any Notes when the same becomes due and payable and the default continues for a period of 30 days (whether or not such payment is prohibited by Article 10 or Article 12 of the First Supplemental Indenture); (ii) the failure to pay the principal on any Notes when such principal becomes due and payable, at maturity, upon redemption or otherwise (including the failure to make a payment to purchase Notes tendered pursuant to a Change of Control Offer or Asset Sale Offer on the

date specified for such payment in the applicable offer to purchase) (whether or not such payment is prohibited by Article 10 or Article 12 of the First Supplemental Indenture); (iii) a default in the observance or performance of any other covenant or agreement contained in the Indenture if the default continues for a period of 60 days after the Company receives written notice specifying the default (and demanding that such default be remedied) from the Trustee or the Holders of at least 25% of the outstanding principal amount of the Notes (except in the case of a default with respect to Section 5.01 of the First Supplemental Indenture, which will constitute an Event of Default with such notice requirement but without such passage of time requirement); (iv) the failure to pay at final stated maturity (giving effect to any applicable grace periods and any extensions thereof) the principal amount of any Indebtedness of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary of the Company (other than the failure by a Securitization Entity to pay Indebtedness owed to the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary of the Company) or the acceleration of the final stated maturity of any such Indebtedness, if the aggregate principal amount of such Indebtedness, together with the principal amount of any other such Indebtedness in default for failure to pay principal at final maturity or which has been accelerated, aggregates \$30.0 million or more at any time; (v) one or more judgments in an aggregate amount in excess of \$30.0 million (to the extent not covered by independent third party insurance as to which the insurer does not dispute the coverage) shall have been rendered against the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries and such judgments remain undischarged, unpaid or unstayed for a period of 60 days after such judgment or judgments become final and non-appealable; (vi) except as permitted by the Indenture, any Guarantee of any Significant Subsidiary shall be held in any judicial proceeding to be unenforceable or invalid or shall cease for any reason to be in full force and effect or any Guarantor that is a Significant Subsidiary, or any Person acting on behalf of such Guarantor, shall deny or disaffirm its obligations under its Guarantee; and (vii) certain events of bankruptcy, as set forth in the Indenture, with respect to the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries that is a Significant Subsidiary or any group of Restricted Subsidiaries that, taken together, would constitute a Significant Subsidiary. If any Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Trustee or the Holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the then outstanding Notes may declare the principal and all accrued interest on all the Notes to be due and payable immediately by notice in writing to the Company and the Trustee specifying the respective Event of Default and that it is a "notice of acceleration" (the "Acceleration Notice"), and the same (i) shall become immediately due and payable and (ii) if there are any amounts outstanding under the Credit Facility, shall become immediately due and payable upon the first to occur of an acceleration under the Credit Facility or five Business Days after receipt by the Company and the Representative under the Credit Facility of such Acceleration Notice but only if such Event of Default is then continuing. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of an Event of Default arising from certain events of bankruptcy with respect to the Company, all outstanding Notes will become due and payable without further action or notice. Holders may not enforce the Indenture or the Notes except as provided in the Indenture and the Trust Indenture Act. Subject to certain limitations, Holders of a majority in principal amount of the then outstanding Notes may direct the Trustee in its exercise of any trust or power. The Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Notes then outstanding by notice to the Trustee may on behalf of the Holders of all of the Notes waive any existing Default or Event of Default and its consequences under the Indenture except a continuing Default or Event of Default in the payment of interest on, or

the principal of, the Notes. The Company is required to deliver to the Trustee annually a statement regarding compliance with the Indenture, and the Company is required upon becoming aware of any Default or Event of Default, to deliver to the Trustee a statement specifying such Default or Event of Default.

13. Guarantee

The full and punctual payment by the Company of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Notes is fully and unconditionally guaranteed on a joint and several senior subordinated basis by each of the Guarantors.

14. Trustee Dealings with the Company

Subject to certain limitations imposed by the TIA, the Trustee under the Indenture, in its individual or any other capacity, may become the owner or pledgee of Notes and may otherwise deal with and collect obligations owed to it by the Company or its Affiliates and may make loans to, accept deposits from, and perform services for the Company or its Affiliates, and may otherwise deal with the Company or its Affiliates, as if it were not the Trustee.

15. No Recourse Against Others

Any past, present or future director, officer, employee, incorporator or stockholder, as such, of the Company, any Guarantors or the Trustee shall not have any liability for any obligations of the Company or any Guarantor under the Notes, the Indenture, the Guarantees or for any claim based on, in respect of or by reason of such obligations or their creation. By accepting a Note, each Holder waives and releases all such liability. The waiver and release are part of the consideration for the issue of the Notes.

16. Authentication

This Note shall not be valid until an authorized signatory of the Trustee (or an authenticating agent) manually signs the certificate of authentication on the other side of this Note.

17. Abbreviations

Customary abbreviations may be used in the name of a Holder or an assignee, such as TEN COM (=tenants in common), TEN ENT (=tenants by the entireties), JT TEN (=joint tenants with rights of survivorship and not as tenants in common), CUST (=custodian), and U/G/M/A (=Uniform Gift to Minors Act).

18. Subordination

Payment of principal, interest and premium on the Notes is subordinated to the prior payment of Senior Debt on the terms provided in the First Supplemental Indenture.

19. CUSIP Numbers

Pursuant to a recommendation promulgated by the Committee on Uniform Security Identification Procedures the Company has caused CUSIP numbers to be printed on the Notes and has directed the Trustee to use CUSIP numbers in notices of redemption as a convenience to Holders. No representation is made as to the accuracy of such numbers either as printed on the Notes or as contained in any notice of redemption and reliance may be placed only on the other identification numbers placed thereon.

20. Governing Law

THE INTERNAL LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK SHALL GOVERN AND BE USED TO CONSTRUE THIS NOTE WITHOUT GIVING EFFECT TO APPLICABLE PRINCIPLES OF CONFLICTS OF LAW TO THE EXTENT THAT THE APPLICATION OF THE LAWS OF ANOTHER JURISDICTION WOULD BE REQUIRED THEREBY.

The Company will furnish to any Holder upon written request and without charge to the Holder a copy of the Indenture. Requests may be made to:

Central Garden & Pet Company 1340 Treat Boulevard, Suite 600 Walnut Creek, California 94597 Attention: Secretary

ASSIGNMENT FORM

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To assign	this Note, fill in the form below:
(I) or (we)	assign and transfer this Note to
(Pr	int or type assignee's name, address and zip code)
(Ins	sert assignee's soc.sec. or tax I.D. no.)
and irrevo	cably appoint agent to transfer this Note on the books of the Company. The agent may substitute another to act for him.
Date:	Your signature:
Sign exact	tly as your name appears on the face of this Note.
	tion with any transfer of any of the Notes evidenced by this certificate occurring while this Note is a Transfer Restricted Note, the undersigned confirms that such being transferred in accordance with its terms:
CHECK C	ONE BOX BELOW
(1)	☐ to the Company or any subsidiary thereof; or
(2)	□ pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933; or
(3)	☐ inside the United States to a "qualified institutional buyer" (as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933) that purchases for its own account or for the account of a qualified institutional buyer to whom notice is given that such transfer is being made in reliance on Rule 144A, in each case pursuant to and in compliance with Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933; or
(4)	pursuant to offers and sales to non-U.S. persons that occur outside the United States within the meaning of Regulation S under the Securities Act; or
(5)	\Box to an institutional "accredited investor" (as defined in Rule 501(a)(1), (2), (3) or (7) under the Securities Act of 1933) that has furnished to the Trustee a signed letter containing certain representations and agreements (the form of which letter can be obtained from the Trustee or the Company); or
(6)	□ pursuant to another available exemption from registration provided by Rule 144 under the Securities Act of 1933.

Signature Guarantee:	Your Signature	
Signature must be guaranteed	Signature	

Unless one of the boxes is checked, the Trustee will refuse to register any of the Notes evidenced by this certificate in the name of any person other than the registered holder thereof; provided, however, that if box (4), (5) or (6) is checked, the Trustee may require, prior to registering any such transfer of the Notes, such legal opinions, certifications and other information as the Company has reasonably requested to confirm that such transfer is being made pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the

registration requirements of the Securities Act of 1933.

Signatures must be guaranteed by an "eligible guarantor institution" meeting the requirements of the Registrar, which requirements include membership or participation in the Securities Transfer Agent Medallion Program ("STAMP") or such other "signature guarantee program" as may be determined by the Registrar in addition to, or in substitution for, STAMP, all in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

SCHEDULE OF INCREASES OR DECREASES IN GLOBAL NOTE

The following increases or decreases in this Global Note have been made:

Amount of decrease in Date of Principal amount Exchange of this Global Note

Amount of increase in Principal amount of this Global Note Principal amount of this Global Note following such decrease or increase

Signature of authorized officer of Trustee or Custodian

OPTION OF HOLDER TO ELECT PURCHASE

If you want to elect to have this Note purchased by the Company pursuant to Section 4.08 or 4.11 of the First Supplemental Indenture, check the box:

If you want to elect to have principal amount:	only part of this Note purchased by the	Company pursuant to Section 4.08 or 4.11 of the First Supplemental Indenture, state the amount in
\$.		
Dated:	Your Signature:	
		(Sign exactly as your name appears on the other side of this Note.)
Signature Guarantee:	(Signature must be guaranteed)	

Signatures must be guaranteed by an "eligible guarantor institution" meeting the requirements of the Registrar, which requirements include membership or participation in the Security Transfer Agent Medallion Program ("STAMP") or such other "signature guarantee program" as may be determined by the Registrar in addition to, or in substitution for, STAMP, all in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

EXHIBIT B

[FORM OF GUARANTEE]

For value received, each Guarantor (which term includes any successor Person under the Indenture) party hereto, jointly and severally, unconditionally guarantees, to the extent set forth in and subject to the provisions in the Indenture, dated as March 8, 2010 (the "Base Indenture"), between Central Garden & Pet Company, as issuer (the "Company") and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as trustee (the "Trustee"), as supplemented by that First Supplemental Indenture dated as of March 8, 2010 (the "First Supplemental Indenture") and that Second Supplemental Indenture, dated as of February 13, 2012 (the "Second Supplemental Indenture", and together with the Base Indenture, the "Indenture"), among the Company, the Guarantors from time to time party thereto and the Trustee, (a) the full and punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the Additional 2018 Notes when due, whether at maturity, by acceleration, redemption or otherwise, and all other monetary obligations of the Company under the Indenture and the Additional 2018 Notes and (b) the full and punctual performance within applicable grace periods of all other obligations of the Company under the Indenture and the Additional 2018 Notes (all the foregoing being hereinafter collectively called the "Guaranteed Obligations"). Each Guarantor further agrees that the Guaranteed Obligations may be extended or renewed, in whole or in part, without notice or further assent from such Guarantor and that such Guarantor will remain bound hereunder notwithstanding any extension or renewal of any Guaranteed Obligation.

The obligations of each Guarantor to the Holders of Additional 2018 Notes and to the Trustee pursuant to the Guarantee and the Indenture are expressly set forth in the Indenture (including Article 3 and Article 4 of the Second Supplemental Indenture and Article XVI of the Base Indenture) and reference is hereby made thereto for the precise terms of the Guarantee. Each Holder of an Additional 2018 Note, by accepting the same agrees to and shall be bound by such provisions. This Guarantee is subject to release as and to the extent set forth in Sections 8.02, 8.03 and 8.06 of the First Supplemental Indenture and Section 3.02 of the Second Supplemental Indenture. Without limiting the foregoing, payment of this Guarantee is subordinated to the prior payment of Senior Debt on the terms provided in the Second Supplemental Indenture.

Capitalized terms used herein and not defined are used herein as so defined in the Second Supplemental Indenture and if not defined therein, in the First Supplemental Indenture or the Base Indenture.

IN W	ITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Gu	arantee to be duly executed and delivered by its duly authorized officer as of the	day of February 2012.
[GUA	RANTOR]		
By:			
	Name:		
	Title:		
		Signature Page to the Guarantee	

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EXHIBIT C

Form of

Transferee Letter of Representation

Central Garden & Pet Company

In care of Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Trustee 707 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90017 Facsimile: (213) 614-3355 Attention of: Corporate Trust Department

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Upon transfer, the Notes would be registered in the name of the new beneficial owner as follows:

Name:

Address:

Taxpayer ID Number:

The undersigned represents and warrants to you that:

- 1. We are an institutional "accredited investor" (as defined in Rule 501(a)(1), (2), (3) or (7) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act")), purchasing for our own account or for the account of such an institutional "accredited investor," and we are acquiring the Notes not with a view to, or for offer or sale in connection with, any distribution in violation of the Securities Act. We have such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of our investment in the Notes, and we invest in or purchase notes similar to the Notes in the normal course of our business. We, and any accounts for which we are acting, are each able to bear the economic risk of our or its investment.
- 2. We understand that the Notes have not been registered under the Securities Act and, unless so registered, may not be sold except as permitted in the following sentence. We agree on our own behalf and on behalf of any investor account for which we are purchasing Notes to offer, sell or otherwise transfer such Notes prior to the date that is [one] year after the later of the date of original issue and the last date on which the Company or any affiliate of the Company was the owner of such Notes (or any predecessor thereto) (the "Resale Restriction Termination Date") only (a) to the Company, (b) pursuant to a registration statement that has been declared

effective under the Securities Act, (c) in a transaction complying with the requirements of Rule 144A under the Securities Act ("Rule 144A"), to a person we reasonably believe is a qualified institutional buyer under Rule 144A (a "QIB") that is purchasing for its own account or for the account of a QIB and to whom notice is given that the transfer is being made in reliance on Rule 144A, (d) to an institutional "accredited investor" within the meaning of Rule 501(a)(1), (2), (3) or (7) under the Securities Act that is purchasing for its own account or for the account of such an institutional "accredited investor," or (e) pursuant to any other available exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, subject in each of the foregoing cases to any requirement of law that the disposition of our property or the property of such investor account or accounts be at all times within our or their control and in compliance with any applicable state securities laws. The foregoing restrictions on resale will not apply subsequent to the Resale Restriction Termination Date. If any resale or other transfer of the Notes is proposed to be made pursuant to clause (d) above prior to the Resale Restriction Termination Date, the transferee is an institutional "accredited investor" within the meaning of Rule 501(a)(1), (2), (3) or (7) under the Securities Act and that it is acquiring such Notes for investment purposes and not for distribution in violation of the Securities Act. Each purchaser acknowledges that the Company and the Trustee reserve the right prior to the offer, sale or other transfer prior to the Resale Restriction Termination Date of the Notes pursuant to clause (d) or (e) above to require the delivery of an opinion of counsel, certifications or other information satisfactory to the Company and the Trustee.

		TRANSFEREE:
		Ву:
Dated:	Your Signature:	
		(Sign exactly as your name appears on the other side of this Note.)
Signature	Guarantee:	
		(Signature must be guaranteed)

Signatures must be guaranteed by an "eligible guarantor institution" meeting the requirements of the Registrar, which requirements include membership or participation in the Security Transfer Agent Medallion Program ("STAMP") or such other "signature guarantee program" as may be determined by the Registrar in addition to, or in substitution for, STAMP, all in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended

REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT

This REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT dated February 13, 2012 (this "<u>Agreement</u>") is entered into by and among Central Garden & Pet Company, a Delaware corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), the guarantors listed in Schedule 1 hereto (the "<u>Initial Guarantors</u>"), and J.P. Morgan Securities LLC ("<u>J.P. Morgan</u>"), Barclays Capital Inc. and SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc. (the "<u>Initial Purchasers</u>").

The Company, the Initial Guarantors and the Initial Purchasers are parties to the Purchase Agreement dated February 8, 2012 (the <u>Purchase Agreement</u>"), which provides for the sale by the Company to the Initial Purchasers of \$50,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the Company's 8.25% Senior Subordinated Notes due 2018 (the "<u>Securities</u>") which will be guaranteed on an unsecured senior subordinated basis by each of the Guarantors. As an inducement to the Initial Purchasers to enter into the Purchase Agreement, the Company and the Guarantors have agreed to provide to the Initial Purchasers and their direct and indirect transferees the registration rights set forth in this Agreement. The execution and delivery of this Agreement is a condition to the closing under the Purchase Agreement.

In consideration of the foregoing, the parties hereto agree as follows:

- 1. <u>Definitions</u>. As used in this Agreement, the following terms shall have the following meanings:
- "Additional Guarantor" shall mean any subsidiary of the Company that executes a Guarantee under the Indenture after the date of this Agreement.
- "Business Day" shall mean any day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or other day on which commercial banks in New York City are authorized or required by law to remain closed.
 - "Company" shall have the meaning set forth in the preamble and shall also include the Company's successors.
 - "Closing Date" shall mean February 13, 2012
 - "Exchange Act" shall mean the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended from time to time.
 - "Exchange Dates" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2(a)(ii) hereof.
 - "Exchange Offer" shall mean the exchange offer by the Company and the Guarantors of Exchange Securities for Registrable Securities pursuant to Section 2(a) hereof.

"Exchange Offer Registration" shall mean a registration under the Securities Act effected pursuant to Section 2(a) hereof.

"Exchange Offer Registration Statement" shall mean an exchange offer registration statement on Form S-4 (or, if applicable, on another appropriate form) and all amendments and supplements to such registration statement, in each case including the Prospectus contained therein or deemed a part thereof, all exhibits thereto and any document incorporated by reference therein.

"Exchange Securities" shall mean senior subordinated notes issued by the Company and guaranteed by the Guarantors under the Indenture containing terms identical to the Securities (except that the Exchange Securities will not be subject to restrictions on transfer or to any increase in annual interest rate for failure to comply with this Agreement) and to be offered to Holders of Securities in exchange for Securities pursuant to the Exchange Offer.

"FINRA" means the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc.

"Free Writing Prospectus" means each free writing prospectus (as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act) prepared by or on behalf of the Company or used or referred to by the Company in connection with the sale of the Securities or the Exchange Securities.

"Guarantees" shall mean the guarantees of the Securities and guarantees of the Exchange Securities by the Guarantors under the Indenture.

"Guarantors" shall mean the Initial Guarantors, any Additional Guarantors and any Guarantor's successor that Guarantees the Securities.

"Holders" shall mean the Initial Purchasers, for so long as they own any Registrable Securities, and each of their successors, assigns and direct and indirect transferees who become owners of Registrable Securities under the Indenture; <u>provided</u> that, for purposes of Section 4 and Section 5 hereof, the term "Holders" shall include Participating Broker-Dealers.

"Indemnified Person" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5 (c) hereof.

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"Indenture" shall mean the Indenture relating to the Securities dated as of March 8, 2010 among the Company, the Guarantors and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as trustee, as supplemented by the First Supplemental Indenture dated as of March 8, 2010 among Company, the Guarantors and the Trustee, and the Second Supplemental Indenture dated as of February 13, 2012 among the Company, the Guarantors and the Trustee, and as the same may be amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

- "Initial Purchasers" shall have the meaning set forth in the preamble.
- "Inspector" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3(a)(xiv) hereof.
- "Issuer Information" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5(a) hereof.
- "J.P. Morgan" shall have the meaning set forth in the preamble.
- "Majority Holders" shall mean the Holders of a majority of the aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Registrable Securities; provided that whenever the consent or approval of Holders of a specified percentage of Registrable Securities is required hereunder, any Registrable Securities owned directly or indirectly by the Company or any of its "affiliates" (within the meaning of Rule 405 under the Securities Act) shall not be counted in determining whether such consent or approval was given by the Holders of such required percentage or amount; and provided, further, that if the Company shall issue any additional Securities under the Indenture prior to consummation of the Exchange Offer or, if applicable, the effectiveness of any Shelf Registration Statement, such additional Securities and the Registrable Securities to which this Agreement relates shall be treated together as one class for purposes of determining whether the consent or approval of Holders of a specified percentage of Registrable Securities has been obtained.
- "Notice and Questionnaire" shall mean a notice of registration statement and selling security holder questionnaire distributed to a Holder by the Company upon receipt of a Shelf Request from such Holder.
 - "Participating Broker-Dealers" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4(a) hereof.
- "Participating Holder" shall mean any Holder of Registrable Securities that has returned a completed and signed Notice and Questionnaire to the Company in accordance with Section 2(b) hereof.
- "Person" shall mean an individual, partnership, limited liability company, corporation, trust or unincorporated organization, or a government or agency or political subdivision thereof.
- "Prospectus" shall mean the prospectus included in, or, pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities Act, deemed a part of, a Registration Statement, including any preliminary prospectus, and any such prospectus as amended or supplemented by any prospectus supplement, including a prospectus supplement with respect to the terms of the offering of any portion of the Registrable Securities covered by a Shelf Registration Statement, and by all other amendments and supplements to such prospectus, and in each case including any document incorporated by reference therein.

"Purchase Agreement" shall have the meaning set forth in the preamble.

"Registrable Securities" shall mean the Securities; provided that the Securities shall cease to be Registrable Securities (i) when a Registration Statement with respect to such Securities has become effective under the Securities Act and such Securities have been exchanged or disposed of pursuant to such Registration Statement, (ii) when such Securities cease to be outstanding, (iii) except in the case of Securities that otherwise remain Registrable Securities and that are held by an Initial Purchaser and that are ineligible to be exchanged in the Exchange Offer, when the Exchange Offer is consummated, or (iv) when such Securities are actually sold pursuant to Rule 144 under the Securities Act in circumstances which result in the removal of any restrictive legend from such Securities.

"Registration Default" shall mean the occurrence of any of the following: (i) the Exchange Offer is not completed on or prior to the Target Registration Date, (ii) the Shelf Registration Statement, if required pursuant to Section 2(b)(i) or Section 2(b)(ii) hereof, has not become effective on or prior to the Target Registration Date, (iii) if the Company receives a Shelf Request pursuant to Section 2(b)(iii), the Shelf Registration Statement required to be filed thereby has not become effective by the later of (a) the Target Registration Date and (b) 90 days after delivery of such Shelf Request, (iv) the Shelf Registration Statement, if required by this Agreement, has become effective and thereafter ceases to be effective or the Prospectus contained therein ceases to be usable, in each case whether or not permitted by this Agreement, at any time during the Shelf Registration Statement, if required by this Agreement, has become effective and thereafter, on more than two occasions in any 12-month period during the Shelf Effectiveness Period, the Shelf Registration Statement ceases to be effective or the Prospectus contained therein ceases to be usable, in each case whether or not permitted by this Agreement.

"Registration Expenses" shall mean any and all expenses incident to performance of or compliance by the Company and the Guarantors with this Agreement, including without limitation: (i) all SEC, stock exchange or FINRA registration and filing fees, (ii) all fees and expenses incurred in connection with compliance with state securities or blue sky laws (including reasonable fees and disbursements of counsel for any Underwriters or Holders in connection with blue sky qualification of any Exchange Securities or Registrable Securities), (iii) all expenses of any Persons in preparing or assisting in preparing, word processing, printing and distributing any Registration Statement, any Prospectus, any Free Writing Prospectus and any amendments or supplements thereto, any underwriting agreements, securities sales agreements or other similar agreements and any other documents relating to the performance of and compliance with this Agreement, (iv) all rating agency fees, (v) all fees and disbursements relating to the qualification of the Indenture under applicable

securities laws and the Trust Indenture Act, (vi) the fees and disbursements of the Trustee and its counsel, (vii) the fees and disbursements of counsel for the Company and the Guarantors and, in the case of a Shelf Registration Statement, the reasonable fees and disbursements of one counsel for the Participating Holders (which counsel shall be selected by the Participating Holders holding a majority of the aggregate principal amount of Registrable Securities held by such Participating Holders and which counsel may also be counsel for the Initial Purchasers) and (viii) the fees and disbursements of the independent registered public accountants of the Company and the Guarantors, including the expenses of any special audits or "comfort" letters required by or incident to the performance of and compliance with this Agreement, but excluding fees and expenses of counsel to the Underwriters (other than fees and expenses set forth in clause (ii) above) or the Holders and underwriting discounts and commissions, brokerage commissions and transfer taxes, if any, relating to the sale or disposition of Registrable Securities by a Holder.

"Registration Statement" shall mean any registration statement of the Company and the Guarantors that covers any of the Exchange Securities or Registrable Securities pursuant to the provisions of this Agreement and all amendments and supplements to any such registration statement, including post-effective amendments, in each case including the Prospectus contained therein or deemed a part thereof, all exhibits thereto and any document incorporated by reference therein.

"SEC" shall mean the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

"Securities" shall have the meaning set forth in the preamble.

"Securities Act" shall mean the Securities Act of 1933, as amended from time to time.

"Shelf Effectiveness Period" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2(b) hereof.

"Shelf Registration" shall mean a registration effected pursuant to Section 2(b) hereof.

"Shelf Registration Statement" shall mean a "shelf" registration statement of the Company and the Guarantors that covers all or a portion of the Registrable Securities (but no other securities unless approved by a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Securities held by the Participating Holders) on an appropriate form under Rule 415 under the Securities Act, or any similar rule that may be adopted by the SEC, and all amendments and supplements to such registration statement, including post-effective amendments, in each case including the Prospectus contained therein or deemed a part thereof, all exhibits thereto and any document incorporated by reference therein.

- "Shelf Request" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2(b) hereof.
- "Staff" shall mean the staff of the SEC.
- "Target Registration Date" shall mean the 90th day after the Closing Date.
- "Trust Indenture Act" shall mean the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended from time to time.
- "Trustee" shall mean the trustee with respect to the Securities under the Indenture.
- "Underwriter" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3(e) hereof.
- "Underwritten Offering" shall mean an offering in which Registrable Securities are sold to an Underwriter for reoffering to the public.
- 2. Registration Under the Securities Act. (a) To the extent not prohibited by any applicable law or applicable interpretations of the Staff, the Company and the Guarantors shall use their reasonable best efforts to (x) cause to be filed an Exchange Offer Registration Statement covering an offer to the Holders to exchange all the Registrable Securities for Exchange Securities and (y) have such Registration Statement become and remain effective until 180 days after the last Exchange Date for use by one or more Participating Broker-Dealers. The Company and the Guarantors shall commence the Exchange Offer promptly after the Exchange Offer Registration Statement is declared effective by the SEC and use their reasonable best efforts to complete the Exchange Offer not later than 60 days after such effective date.

The Company and the Guarantors shall commence the Exchange Offer by mailing the related Prospectus, appropriate letters of transmittal, if required, and other accompanying documents to each Holder stating, in addition to such other disclosures as are required by applicable law, substantially the following:

- that the Exchange Offer is being made pursuant to this Agreement and that all Registrable Securities validly tendered and not properly withdrawn will be accepted for exchange;
- (ii) the dates of acceptance for exchange (which shall be a period of at least 20 Business Days from the date such notice is mailed (or longer if required by applicable law)) (the "Exchange Dates");
- (iii) that any Registrable Security not tendered will remain outstanding and continue to accrue interest but will not retain any rights under this Agreement, except as otherwise specified herein;
- (iv) that any Holder electing to have a Registrable Security exchanged pursuant to the Exchange Offer will be required to (A) surrender such

Registrable Security, together with the appropriate letters of transmittal, to the institution and at the address and in the manner specified in the notice, or (B) effect such exchange otherwise in compliance with the applicable procedures of the depositary for such Registrable Security, in each case prior to the close of business on the last Exchange Date; and

(v) that any Holder will be entitled to withdraw its election, not later than the close of business on the last Exchange Date, by (A) sending to the institution and at the address specified in the notice, a telegram, facsimile transmission or letter setting forth the name of such Holder, the principal amount of Registrable Securities delivered for exchange and a statement that such Holder is withdrawing its election to have such Securities exchanged or (B) effecting such withdrawal in compliance with the applicable procedures of the depositary for the Registrable Securities.

As a condition to participating in the Exchange Offer, a Holder will be required to represent to the Company and the Guarantors that (1) any Exchange Securities to be received by it will be acquired in the ordinary course of its business, (2) at the time of the commencement of the Exchange Offer it has no arrangement or understanding with any Person to participate in the distribution (within the meaning of the Securities Act) of the Exchange Securities in violation of the provisions of the Securities Act, (3) it is not an "affiliate" (within the meaning of Rule 405 under the Securities Act) of the Company or any Guarantor and (4) if such Holder is a broker-dealer that will receive Exchange Securities for its own account in exchange for Registrable Securities that were acquired as a result of market-making or other trading activities, then such Holder will deliver a Prospectus (or, to the extent permitted by law, make available a Prospectus to purchasers) in connection with any resale of such Exchange Securities.

As soon as practicable after the last Exchange Date, the Company and the Guarantors shall:

- (I) accept for exchange Registrable Securities or portions thereof validly tendered and not properly withdrawn pursuant to the Exchange Offer; and
- (II) deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Trustee for cancellation all Registrable Securities or portions thereof so accepted for exchange by the Company and issue, and cause the Trustee to promptly authenticate and deliver to each Holder, Exchange Securities equal in principal amount to the principal amount of the Registrable Securities tendered by such Holder.

The Company and the Guarantors shall use their reasonable best efforts to complete the Exchange Offer as provided above and shall comply with the applicable requirements of the Securities Act, the Exchange Act and other applicable laws and regulations in connection with the Exchange Offer. The Exchange Offer shall not be subject to any conditions, other than that the Exchange Offer does not violate any applicable law or applicable interpretations of the Staff.

(b) In the event that (i) the Company and the Guarantors determine that the Exchange Offer Registration provided for in Section 2(a) hereof is not available or the Exchange Offer may not be completed as soon as practicable after the last Exchange Date because it would violate any applicable law or applicable interpretations of the Staff, (ii) the Exchange Offer is not for any other reason completed by the Target Registration Date or (iii) upon receipt of a written request (a "Shelf Request") from any Initial Purchaser representing that it holds Registrable Securities that are or were ineligible to be exchanged in the Exchange Offer, the Company and the Guarantors shall use their reasonable best efforts to cause to be filed as soon as practicable after such determination, date or Shelf Request, as the case may be, a Shelf Registration Statement providing for the sale of all the Registrable Securities by the Holders thereof and to have such Shelf Registration Statement become effective; provided that no Holder will be entitled to have any Registrable Securities included in any Shelf Registration Statement, or entitled to use the prospectus forming a part of such Shelf Registration Statement, until such Holder shall have delivered a completed and signed Notice and Questionnaire and provided such other information regarding such Holder to the Company as is contemplated by Section 3(b) hereof.

In the event that the Company and the Guarantors are required to file a Shelf Registration Statement pursuant to clause (iii) of the preceding sentence, the Company and the Guarantors shall use their reasonable best efforts to file and have become effective both an Exchange Offer Registration Statement pursuant to Section 2(a) hereof with respect to all Registrable Securities and a Shelf Registration Statement (which may be a combined Registration Statement with the Exchange Offer Registration Statement) with respect to offers and sales of Registrable Securities held by the Initial Purchasers after completion of the Exchange Offer.

The Company and the Guarantors agree to use their reasonable best efforts to keep the Shelf Registration Statement continuously effective until the Securities cease to be Registrable Securities (the "Shelf Effectiveness Period"). The Company and the Guarantors further agree to supplement or amend the Shelf Registration Statement, the related Prospectus and any Free Writing Prospectus if required by the rules, regulations or instructions applicable to the registration form used by the Company for such Shelf Registration Statement or by the Securities Act or by any other rules and regulations thereunder or if reasonably requested by a Holder of Registrable Securities with respect to information relating to such Holder, and to use their reasonable best efforts to cause any such amendment to become effective, if required, and such Shelf Registration Statement, Prospectus or Free Writing Prospectus, as the case may be, to become usable as soon as thereafter practicable. The Company and the Guarantors agree to furnish to the Participating Holders copies of any such supplement or amendment promptly after its being used or filed with the SEC.

- (c) The Company and the Guarantors shall pay all Registration Expenses in connection with any registration pursuant to Section 2(a) or Section 2(b) hereof. Each Holder shall pay all underwriting discounts and commissions, brokerage commissions and transfer taxes, if any, relating to the sale or disposition of such Holder's Registrable Securities pursuant to the Shelf Registration Statement.
- (d) An Exchange Offer Registration Statement pursuant to Section 2(a) hereof will not be deemed to have become effective unless it has been declared effective by the SEC. A Shelf Registration Statement pursuant to Section 2(b) hereof will not be deemed to have become effective unless it has been declared effective by the SEC or is automatically effective upon filing with the SEC as provided by Rule 462 under the Securities Act.

If a Registration Default occurs, the interest rate on the Registrable Securities will be increased by (i) 0.25% per annum for the first 90-day period beginning on the day immediately following such Registration Default and (ii) an additional 0.25% per annum with respect to each subsequent 90-day period, in each case until and including the date such Registration Default ends, up to a maximum increase of 1.00% per annum. A Registration Default ends when the Securities cease to be Registrable Securities or, if earlier, (1) in the case of a Registration Default under clause (i) of the definition thereof, when the Exchange Offer is completed, (2) in the case of a Registration Default under clause (ii) or clause (iii) of the definition thereof, when the Shelf Registration Statement becomes effective or (3) in the case of a Registration Default under clause (iv) or clause (v) of the definition thereof, when the Shelf Registration Statement again becomes effective or the Prospectus again becomes usable. If at any time more than one Registration Default has occurred and is continuing, then, until the next date that there is no Registration Default, the increase in interest rate provided for by this paragraph shall apply as if there occurred a single Registration Default that begins on the date that the earliest such Registration Default occurred and ends on such next date that there is no Registration Default.

(e) Without limiting the remedies available to the Initial Purchasers and the Holders, the Company and the Guarantors acknowledge that any failure by the Company or the Guarantors to comply with their obligations under Section 2(a) and Section 2(b) hereof may result in material irreparable injury to the Initial Purchasers or the Holders for which there is no adequate remedy at law, that it will not be possible to measure damages for such injuries precisely and that, in the event of any such failure, the Initial Purchasers or any Holder may obtain such relief as may be required to specifically enforce the Company's and the Guarantors' obligations under Section 2(a) and Section 2(b) hereof

- 3. Registration Procedures. (a) In connection with their obligations pursuant to Section 2(a) and Section 2(b) hereof, the Company and the Guarantors shall as expeditiously as possible:
- (i) prepare and file with the SEC a Registration Statement on the appropriate form under the Securities Act, which form (A) shall be selected by the Company and the Guarantors, (B) shall, in the case of a Shelf Registration, be available for the sale of the Registrable Securities by the Holders thereof and (C) shall comply as to form in all material respects with the requirements of the applicable form and include or incorporate all financial statements required by the SEC to be filed therewith; and use their reasonable best efforts to cause such Registration Statement to become effective and remain effective for the applicable period in accordance with Section 2 hereof;
- (ii) prepare and file with the SEC such amendments and post-effective amendments to each Registration Statement as may be necessary to keep such Registration Statement effective for the applicable period in accordance with Section 2 hereof and cause each Prospectus to be supplemented by any required prospectus supplement and, as so supplemented, to be filed pursuant to Rule 424 under the Securities Act; and keep each Prospectus current during the period described in Section 4(3) of and Rule 174 under the Securities Act that is applicable to transactions by brokers or dealers with respect to the Registrable Securities or Exchange Securities;
- (iii) to the extent any Free Writing Prospectus is used, file with the SEC any Free Writing Prospectus that is required to be filed by the Company or the Guarantors with the SEC in accordance with the Securities Act and to retain any Free Writing Prospectus not required to be filed;
- (iv) in the case of a Shelf Registration, furnish to each Participating Holder, to counsel for the Initial Purchasers, to counsel for such Participating Holders and to each Underwriter of an Underwritten Offering of Registrable Securities, if any, without charge, as many copies of each Prospectus, preliminary prospectus or Free Writing Prospectus, and any amendment or supplement thereto, as such Participating Holder, counsel or Underwriter may reasonably request in order to facilitate the sale or other disposition of the Registrable Securities thereunder; and, subject to Section 3(c) hereof, the Company and the Guarantors consent to the use of such Prospectus, preliminary prospectus or such Free Writing Prospectus and any amendment or supplement thereto in accordance with applicable law by each of the Participating Holders and any such Underwriters in connection with the offering and sale of the Registrable Securities covered by and in the manner described in such Prospectus, preliminary prospectus or such Free Writing Prospectus or any amendment or supplement thereto in accordance with applicable law;
 - (v) use their reasonable best efforts to register or qualify the Registrable Securities under all applicable state securities or blue sky laws of

such jurisdictions as any Participating Holder shall reasonably request in writing by the time the applicable Registration Statement becomes effective; cooperate with such Participating Holders in connection with any filings required to be made with FINRA; and do any and all other acts and things that may be reasonably necessary or advisable to enable each Participating Holder to complete the disposition in each such jurisdiction of the Registrable Securities owned by such Participating Holder; provided that neither the Company nor any Guarantor shall be required to (1) qualify as a foreign corporation or other entity or as a dealer in securities in any such jurisdiction where it would not otherwise be required to so qualify, (2) file any general consent to service of process in any such jurisdiction or (3) subject itself to taxation in any such jurisdiction if it is not so subject:

(vi) notify counsel for the Initial Purchasers and, in the case of a Shelf Registration, notify each Participating Holder and counsel for such Participating Holders promptly and, if requested by any such Participating Holder or counsel, confirm such advice in writing (1) when a Registration Statement has become effective, when any post-effective amendment thereto has been filed and becomes effective, when any Free Writing Prospectus has been filed or any amendment or supplement to the Prospectus or any Free Writing Prospectus has been filed, (2) of any request by the SEC or any state securities authority for amendments and supplements to a Registration Statement, Prospectus or any Free Writing Prospectus or for additional information after the Registration Statement has become effective, (3) of the issuance by the SEC or any state securities authority of any stop order suspending the effectiveness of a Registration Statement or the initiation of any proceedings for that purpose, including the receipt by the Company of any notice of objection of the SEC to the use of a Shelf Registration Statement or any post-effective amendment thereto pursuant to Rule 401(g)(2) under the Securities Act, (4) if, between the applicable effective date of a Shelf Registration Statement and the closing of any sale of Registrable Securities covered thereby, the representations and warranties of the Company or any Guarantor contained in any underwriting agreement, securities sales agreement or other similar agreement, if any, relating to an offering of such Registrable Securities cease to be true and correct in all material respects or if the Company or any Guarantor receives any notification with respect to the suspension of the qualification of the Registrable Securities for sale in any jurisdiction or the initiation of any proceeding for such purpose, (5) of the happening of any event during the period a Registration Statement is effective that makes any statement made in such Registration Statement or the related Prospectus on an

- (vii) use their reasonable best efforts to obtain the withdrawal of any order suspending the effectiveness of a Registration Statement or, in the case of a Shelf Registration, the resolution of any objection of the SEC pursuant to Rule 401(g)(2) under the Securities Act, including by filing an amendment to such Registration Statement on the proper form, as promptly as practicable and provide immediate notice to each Holder or Participating Holder of the withdrawal of any such order or such resolution;
- (viii) in the case of a Shelf Registration, furnish to each Participating Holder, without charge, at least one conformed copy of each Registration Statement and any post-effective amendment thereto (without any documents incorporated therein by reference or exhibits thereto, unless requested);
- (ix) in the case of a Shelf Registration, cooperate with the Participating Holders to facilitate the timely preparation and delivery of certificates representing Registrable Securities to be sold and not bearing any restrictive legends and enable such Registrable Securities to be issued in such denominations and registered in such names (consistent with the provisions of the Indenture) as such Participating Holders may reasonably request at least one Business Day prior to the closing of any sale of Registrable Securities;
- (x) upon the occurrence of any event contemplated by Section 3(a)(vi)(5) hereof, use their reasonable best efforts to prepare and file with the SEC a supplement or post-effective amendment to the applicable Exchange Offer Registration Statement or Shelf Registration Statement or the related Prospectus or any Free Writing Prospectus or any document incorporated therein by reference or file any other required document so that, as thereafter delivered (or, to the extent permitted by law, made available) to purchasers of the Registrable Securities, such Prospectus or Free Writing Prospectus, as the case may be, will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; and the Company and the Guarantors shall notify the Participating Holders (in the case of a Shelf Registration Statement) and the Initial Purchasers and any Participating Broker-Dealers known to the Company (in the case of an Exchange Offer Registration Statement) to suspend use of the Prospectus or any Free Writing Prospectus as promptly as practicable after the occurrence of such an event, and such Participating Holders, such Participating Broker-Dealers and the Initial Purchasers, as applicable, hereby agree to suspend use of the Prospectus or any Free Writing Prospectus, as the case may be, until the Company and the Guarantors have amended or supplemented the Prospectus or the Free Writing Prospectus, as the case may be, to correct such misstatement or omission;
- (xi) a reasonable time prior to the filing of any Registration Statement, any Prospectus, any Free Writing Prospectus, any amendment to a Registration Statement or amendment or supplement to a Prospectus or a Free Writing Prospectus or of any document that is to be incorporated by reference into a

Registration Statement, a Prospectus or a Free Writing Prospectus after initial filing of a Registration Statement, provide copies of such document to the Initial Purchasers and their counsel (and, in the case of a Shelf Registration Statement, to the Participating Holders and their counsel) and make such of the representatives of the Company and the Guarantors as shall be reasonably requested by the Initial Purchasers or their counsel (and, in the case of a Shelf Registration Statement, the Participating Holders or their counsel) available for discussion of such document; and the Company and the Guarantors shall not, at any time after initial filing of a Registration Statement, use or file any Prospectus, any Free Writing Prospectus, any amendment of or supplement to a Registration Statement or a Prospectus or a Free Writing Prospectus, or any document that is to be incorporated by reference into a Registration Statement, a Prospectus or a Free Writing Prospectus, of which the Initial Purchasers and their counsel (and, in the case of a Shelf Registration Statement, the Participating Holders and their counsel) shall not have previously been advised and furnished a copy or to which the Initial Purchasers or their counsel (and, in the case of a Shelf Registration Statement, the Participating Holders or their counsel) shall object;

- (xii) obtain a CUSIP number for all Exchange Securities or Registrable Securities, as the case may be, not later than the initial effective date of a Registration Statement;
- (xiii) cause the Indenture to be qualified under the Trust Indenture Act in connection with the registration of the Exchange Securities or Registrable Securities, as the case may be; cooperate with the Trustee and the Holders to effect such changes to the Indenture as may be required for the Indenture to be so qualified in accordance with the terms of the Trust Indenture Act; and execute, and use their reasonable best efforts to cause the Trustee to execute, all documents as may be required to effect such changes and all other forms and documents required to be filed with the SEC to enable the Indenture to be so qualified in a timely manner;
- (xiv) in the case of a Shelf Registration, make available for inspection by a representative of the Participating Holders (an *Inspector*)*, any Underwriter participating in any disposition pursuant to such Shelf Registration Statement, any attorneys and accountants designated by a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Securities held by the Participating Holders and any attorneys and accountants designated by such Underwriter, at reasonable times and in a reasonable manner, all pertinent financial and other records, documents and properties of the Company and its subsidiaries, and cause the respective officers, directors and employees of the Company and the Guarantors to supply all information reasonably requested by any such Inspector, Underwriter, attorney or accountant in connection with a Shelf Registration Statement; provided that if any such information is identified by the Company or any Guarantor as being confidential or proprietary, each Person receiving such information shall take such actions as are reasonably necessary to protect the confidentiality of such information to the extent such action is otherwise not inconsistent with, an impairment of or in derogation of the rights and interests of any Inspector, Holder or Underwriter);

(xv) in the case of a Shelf Registration, use their reasonable best efforts to cause all Registrable Securities to be listed on any securities exchange or any automated quotation system on which similar securities issued or guaranteed by the Company or any Guarantor are then listed if requested by the Majority Holders, to the extent such Registrable Securities satisfy applicable listing requirements;

(xvi) if reasonably requested by any Participating Holder, promptly include in a Prospectus supplement or post-effective amendment such information with respect to such Participating Holder as such Participating Holder reasonably requests to be included therein and make all required filings of such Prospectus supplement or such post-effective amendment as soon as the Company has received notification of the matters to be so included in such filing;

(xvii) in the case of a Shelf Registration, enter into such customary agreements and take all such other actions in connection therewith (including those requested by the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Registrable Securities covered by the Shelf Registration Statement) in order to expedite or facilitate the disposition of such Registrable Securities including, but not limited to, an Underwritten Offering and in such connection, (1) to the extent possible, make such representations and warranties to the Participating Holders and any Underwriters of such Registrable Securities with respect to the business of the Company and its subsidiaries and the Registration Statement, Prospectus, any Free Writing Prospectus and documents incorporated by reference or deemed incorporated by reference, if any, in each case, in form, substance and scope as are customarily made by issuers to underwriters in underwritten offerings and confirm the same if and when requested, (2) obtain opinions of counsel to the Company and the Guarantors (which counsel and opinions, in form, scope and substance, shall be reasonably satisfactory to the Participating Holders and such Underwriters and their respective counsel) addressed to each Participating Holder and Underwriter of Registrable Securities, covering the matters customarily covered in opinions requested in underwritten offerings, (3) obtain "comfort" letters from the independent registered public accountants of the Company and the Guarantors (and, if necessary, any other registered public accountant of any subsidiary of the Company or any Guarantor, or of any business acquired by the Company or any Guarantor for which financial statements and financial data are or are required to be included in the Registration Statement) addressed to each Participating Holder (to the extent permitted by applicable professional standards) and Underwritter of Registrable Securities, such letters to be in customary form and covering matters of the type customarily covered in "comfort" l

majority in principal amount of the Registrable Securities being sold or the Underwriters, and which are customarily delivered in underwritten offerings, to evidence the continued validity of the representations and warranties of the Company and the Guarantors made pursuant to clause (1) above and to evidence compliance with any customary conditions contained in an underwriting agreement; and

- (xviii) so long as any Registrable Securities remain outstanding, cause each Additional Guarantor upon the creation or acquisition by the Company of such Additional Guarantor, to execute a counterpart to this Agreement in the form attached hereto as Annex A and to deliver such counterpart, together with an opinion of counsel as to the enforceability thereof against such entity, to the Initial Purchasers no later than five Business Days following the execution thereof.
- (b) In the case of a Shelf Registration Statement, the Company may require each Holder of Registrable Securities to furnish to the Company a Notice and Questionnaire and such other information regarding such Holder and the proposed disposition by such Holder of such Registrable Securities as the Company and the Guarantors may from time to time reasonably request in writing.
- (c) Each Participating Holder agrees that, upon receipt of any notice from the Company and the Guarantors of the happening of any event of the kind described in Section 3(a)(vi)(3) or Section 3(a)(vi)(5) hereof, such Participating Holder will forthwith discontinue disposition of Registrable Securities pursuant to the Shelf Registration Statement until such Participating Holder's receipt of the copies of the supplemented or amended Prospectus and any Free Writing Prospectus contemplated by Section 3(a)(x) hereof and, if so directed by the Company and the Guarantors, such Participating Holder will deliver to the Company and the Guarantors all copies in its possession, other than permanent file copies then in such Participating Holder's possession, of the Prospectus and any Free Writing Prospectus covering such Registrable Securities that is current at the time of receipt of such notice.
- (d) If the Company and the Guarantors shall give any notice to suspend the disposition of Registrable Securities pursuant to a Registration Statement, the Company and the Guarantors shall extend the period during which such Registration Statement shall be maintained effective pursuant to this Agreement by the number of days during the period from and including the date of the giving of such notice to and including the date when the Holders of such Registrable Securities shall have received copies of the supplemented or amended Prospectus or any Free Writing Prospectus necessary to resume such dispositions. The Company and the Guarantors may give any such notice only twice during any 365-day period and any such suspensions shall not exceed 30 days for each suspension and there shall not be more than two suspensions in effect during any 365-day period.

- (e) The Participating Holders who desire to do so may sell such Registrable Securities in an Underwritten Offering. In any such Underwritten Offering, the investment bank or investment banks and manager or managers (each an "<u>Underwriter</u>") that will administer the offering will be selected by the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Registrable Securities included in such offering with the consent of the Company (not to be unreasonably withheld).
- 4. <u>Participation of Broker-Dealers in Exchange Offer</u> (a) The Staff has taken the position that any broker-dealer that receives Exchange Securities for its own account in the Exchange Offer in exchange for Securities that were acquired by such broker-dealer as a result of market-making or other trading activities (a "<u>Participating Broker-Dealer</u>") may be deemed to be an "underwriter" within the meaning of the Securities Act and must deliver a prospectus meeting the requirements of the Securities Act in connection with any resale of such Exchange Securities.

The Company and the Guarantors understand that it is the Staff's position that if the Prospectus contained in the Exchange Offer Registration Statement includes a plan of distribution containing a statement to the above effect and the means by which Participating Broker-Dealers may resell the Exchange Securities, without naming the Participating Broker-Dealers or specifying the amount of Exchange Securities owned by them, such Prospectus may be delivered by Participating Broker-Dealers (or, to the extent permitted by law, made available to purchasers) to satisfy their prospectus delivery obligation under the Securities Act in connection with resales of Exchange Securities for their own accounts, so long as the Prospectus otherwise meets the requirements of the Securities Act.

- (b) In light of the above, and notwithstanding the other provisions of this Agreement, the Company and the Guarantors agree to amend or supplement the Prospectus contained in the Exchange Offer Registration Statement for a period of up to 180 days after the last Exchange Date (as such period may be extended pursuant to Section 3(d) hereof), in order to expedite or facilitate the disposition of any Exchange Securities by Participating Broker-Dealers consistent with the positions of the Staff recited in Section 4(a) above. The Company and the Guarantors further agree that Participating Broker-Dealers shall be authorized to deliver such Prospectus (or, to the extent permitted by law, make available) during such period in connection with the resales contemplated by this Section 4.
- (c) The Initial Purchasers shall have no liability to the Company, any Guarantor or any Holder with respect to any request that they may make pursuant to Section 4(b) hereof.
- 5. <u>Indemnification and Contribution</u>. (a) The Company and each Guarantor, jointly and severally, agree to indemnify and hold harmless each Initial Purchaser and each Holder, their respective affiliates, directors and officers

and each Person, if any, who controls any Initial Purchaser or any Holder within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities Act or Section 20 of the Exchange Act, from and against any and all losses, claims, damages and liabilities (including, without limitation, legal fees and other expenses incurred in connection with any suit, action or proceeding or any claim asserted, as such fees and expenses are incurred), joint or several, that arise out of, or are based upon, (1) any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein not misleading, or (2) any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in any Prospectus, any Free Writing Prospectus or any "issuer information" ("Issuer Information") filed or required to be filed pursuant to Rule 433(d) under the Securities Act, or any omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, in each case except insofar as such losses, claims, damages or liabilities arise out of, or are based upon, any untrue statement or omission or alleged untrue statement or omission made in reliance upon and in conformity with any information relating to any Initial Purchaser or information relating to any Holder furnished to the Company in writing through J.P. Morgan or any selling Holder, respectively, expressly for use therein. In connection with any Underwritten Offering permitted by Section 3, the Company and the Guarantors, jointly and severally, will also indemnify the Underwriters, if any, selling brokers, dealers and similar securities industry professionals participating in the distribution, their respective affiliates and each Person who controls such Persons (within the meaning of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act) to the same extent as provided above with respect to the indemnification of the Holders, if requ

- (b) Each Holder agrees, severally and not jointly, to indemnify and hold harmless the Company, the Guarantors, the Initial Purchasers and the other selling Holders, the directors of the Company and the Guarantors, each officer of the Company and the Guarantors who signed the Registration Statement and each Person, if any, who controls the Company, the Guarantors, any Initial Purchaser and any other selling Holder within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities Act or Section 20 of the Exchange Act to the same extent as the indemnity set forth in paragraph (a) above, but only with respect to any losses, claims, damages or liabilities that arise out of, or are based upon, any untrue statement or omission or alleged untrue statement or omission made in reliance upon and in conformity with any information relating to such Holder furnished to the Company in writing by such Holder expressly for use in any Registration Statement, any Prospectus and any Free Writing Prospectus.
- (c) If any suit, action, proceeding (including any governmental or regulatory investigation), claim or demand shall be brought or asserted against any Person in respect of which indemnification may be sought pursuant to either

paragraph (a) or (b) above, such Person (the "Indemnified Person") shall promptly notify the Person against whom such indemnification may be sought (the 'Indemnifying Person") in writing; provided that the failure to notify the Indemnifying Person shall not relieve it from any liability that it may have under paragraph (a) or (b) above except to the extent that it has been materially prejudiced (through the forfeiture of substantive rights or defenses) by such failure; and provided, further, that the failure to notify the Indemnifying Person shall not relieve it from any liability that it may have to an Indemnified Person otherwise than under paragraph (a) or (b) above. If any such proceeding shall be brought or asserted against an Indemnified Person and it shall have notified the Indemnifying Person thereof, the Indemnifying Person shall retain counsel reasonably satisfactory to the Indemnified Person to represent the Indemnified Person and any others entitled to indemnification pursuant to this Section 5 that the Indemnifying Person may designate in such proceeding and shall pay the fees and expenses of such proceeding and shall pay the fees and expenses of such counsel related to such proceeding, as incurred. In any such proceeding, any Indemnified Person shall have the right to retain its own counsel, but the fees and expenses of such counsel shall be at the expense of such Indemnified Person unless (i) the Indemnifying Person and the Indemnified Person shall have mutually agreed to the contrary; (ii) the Indemnifying Person has failed within a reasonable time to retain counsel reasonably satisfactory to the Indemnified Person; (iii) the Indemnified Person shall have reasonably concluded that there may be legal defenses available to it that are different from or in addition to those available to the Indemnifying Person; or (iv) the named parties in any such proceeding (including any impleaded parties) include both the Indemnifying Person and the Indemnified Person and representation of both parties by the same counsel would be inappropriate due to actual or potential differing interests between them. It is understood and agreed that the Indemnifying Person shall not, in connection with any proceeding or related proceeding in the same jurisdiction, be liable for the fees and expenses of more than one separate firm (in addition to any local counsel) for all Indemnified Persons, and that all such reasonable fees and expenses shall be reimbursed as they are incurred. Any such separate firm (x) for any Initial Purchaser, its affiliates, directors and officers and any control Persons of such Initial Purchaser shall be designated in writing by J.P. Morgan, (y) for any Holder, its directors and officers and any control Persons of such Holder shall be designated in writing by the Majority Holders and (z) in all other cases shall be designated in writing by the Company. The Indemnifying Person shall not be liable for any settlement of any proceeding effected without its written consent, but if settled with such consent or if there be a final judgment for the plaintiff, the Indemnifying Person agrees to indemnify each Indemnified Person from and against any loss or liability by reason of such settlement or judgment. Notwithstanding the foregoing sentence, if at any time an Indemnified Person shall have requested that an Indemnifying Person reimburse the Indemnified Person for fees and expenses of counsel as contemplated by this paragraph, the Indemnifying Person shall be liable for any settlement of any proceeding effected without its written consent if (i) such

settlement is entered into more than 30 days after receipt by the Indemnifying Person of such request and (ii) the Indemnifying Person shall not have reimbursed the Indemnified Person in accordance with such request prior to the date of such settlement. No Indemnifying Person shall, without the written consent of the Indemnified Person, effect any settlement of any pending or threatened proceeding in respect of which any Indemnified Person is or could have been a party and indemnification could have been sought hereunder by such Indemnified Person, unless such settlement (A) includes an unconditional release of such Indemnified Person, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to such Indemnified Person, from all liability on claims that are the subject matter of such proceeding and (B) does not include any statement as to or any admission of fault, culpability or a failure to act by or on behalf of any Indemnified Person.

- (d) If the indemnification provided for in paragraphs (a) and (b) above is unavailable to an Indemnified Person or insufficient in respect of any losses, claims, damages or liabilities referred to therein, then each Indemnifying Person under such paragraph, in lieu of indemnifying such Indemnified Person thereunder, shall contribute to the amount paid or payable by such Indemnified Person as a result of such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (i) in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative benefits received by the Company and the Guarantors from the offering of the Securities and the Exchange Securities, on the one hand, and by the Holders from receiving Securities or Exchange Securities registered under the Securities Act, on the other hand, or (ii) if the allocation provided by clause (i) is not permitted by applicable law, in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect not only the relative benefits referred to in clause (i) but also the relative fault of the Company and the Guarantors on the one hand and the Holders on the other in connection with the statements or omissions that resulted in such losses, claims, damages or liabilities, as well as any other relevant equitable considerations. The relative fault of the Company and the Guarantors on the one hand and the Holders on the other shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether the untrue or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or the omission or alleged omission to state a material fact relates to information supplied by the Company and the Guarantors or by the Holders and the parties' relative intent, knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent such statement or omission.
- (e) The Company, the Guarantors and the Holders agree that it would not be just and equitable if contribution pursuant to this Section 5 were determined by the allocation (even if the Holders were treated as one entity for such purpose) or by any other method of allocation that does not take account of the equitable considerations referred to in paragraph (d) above. The amount paid or payable by an Indemnified Person as a result of the losses, claims, damages and liabilities referred to in paragraph (d) above shall be deemed to include, subject to the limitations set forth above, any legal or other expenses incurred by such Indemnified Person in connection with any such action or claim.

Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section 5, in no event shall a Holder be required to contribute any amount in excess of the amount by which the total price at which the Securities or Exchange Securities sold by such Holder exceeds the amount of any damages that such Holder has otherwise been required to pay by reason of such untrue or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission. No Person guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation (within the meaning of Section 11(f) of the Securities Act) shall be entitled to contribution from any Person who was not guilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation. The Holders' obligations to contribute pursuant to this Section 5 are several and not joint.

- (f) The remedies provided for in this Section 5 are not exclusive and shall not limit any rights or remedies that may otherwise be available to any Indemnified Person at law or in equity.
- (g) The indemnity and contribution provisions contained in this Section 5 shall remain operative and in full force and effect regardless of (i) any termination of this Agreement, (ii) any investigation made by or on behalf of the Initial Purchasers or any Holder or any Person controlling any Initial Purchaser or any Holder, or by or on behalf of the Company or the Guarantors or the officers or directors of or any Person controlling the Company or the Guarantors, (iii) acceptance of any of the Exchange Securities and (iv) any sale of Registrable Securities pursuant to a Shelf Registration Statement.

6. General.

- (a) No Inconsistent Agreements. The Company and the Guarantors represent, warrant and agree that (i) the rights granted to the Holders hereunder do not in any way conflict with and are not inconsistent with the rights granted to the holders of any other outstanding securities issued or guaranteed by the Company or any Guarantor under any other agreement and (ii) neither the Company nor any Guarantor has entered into, or on or after the date of this Agreement will enter into, any agreement that is inconsistent with the rights granted to the Holders of Registrable Securities in this Agreement or otherwise conflicts with the provisions hereof.
- (b) Amendments and Waivers. The provisions of this Agreement, including the provisions of this sentence, may not be amended, modified or supplemented, and waivers or consents to departures from the provisions hereof may not be given unless the Company and the Guarantors have obtained the written consent of Holders of at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Registrable Securities affected by such amendment, modification, supplement, waiver or consent; provided that no amendment, modification, supplement, waiver or consent to any departure from the provisions of Section 5 hereof shall be effective as against any Holder of Registrable Securities unless consented to in writing by such Holder. Any amendments, modifications, supplements, waivers or consents pursuant to this Section 6(b) shall be by a writing executed by each of the parties hereto.

- (c) *Notices*. All notices and other communications provided for or permitted hereunder shall be made in writing by hand-delivery, registered first-class mail, telecopier, or any courier guaranteeing overnight delivery (i) if to a Holder, at the most current address given by such Holder to the Company by means of a notice given in accordance with the provisions of this Section 6(c), which address initially is, with respect to the Initial Purchasers, the address set forth in the Purchase Agreement; (ii) if to the Company and the Guarantors, initially at the Company's address set forth in the Purchase Agreement and thereafter at such other address, notice of which is given in accordance with the provisions of this Section 6(c); and (iii) to such other persons at their respective addresses as provided in the Purchase Agreement and thereafter at such other address, notice of which is given in accordance with the provisions of this Section 6(c). All such notices and communications shall be deemed to have been duly given: at the time delivered by hand, if personally delivered; five Business Days after being deposited in the mail, postage prepaid, if mailed; when receipt is acknowledged, if telecopied; and on the next Business Day if timely delivered to an air courier guaranteeing overnight delivery. Copies of all such notices, demands or other communications shall be concurrently delivered by the Person giving the same to the Trustee, at the address specified in the Indenture.
- (d) Successors and Assigns. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the successors, assigns and transferees of each of the parties, including, without limitation and without the need for an express assignment, subsequent Holders; provided that nothing herein shall be deemed to permit any assignment, transfer or other disposition of Registrable Securities in violation of the terms of the Purchase Agreement or the Indenture. If any transferee of any Holder shall acquire Registrable Securities in any manner, whether by operation of law or otherwise, such Registrable Securities shall be held subject to all the terms of this Agreement, and by taking and holding such Registrable Securities such Person shall be conclusively deemed to have agreed to be bound by and to perform all of the terms and provisions of this Agreement and such Person shall be entitled to receive the benefits hereof. The Initial Purchasers (in their capacity as Initial Purchasers) shall have no liability or obligation to the Company or the Guarantors with respect to any failure by a Holder to comply with, or any breach by any Holder of, any of the obligations of such Holder under this Agreement.
- (e) Third Party Beneficiaries. Each Holder shall be a third party beneficiary to the agreements made hereunder, on the other hand, and shall have the right to enforce such agreements directly to the extent it deems such enforcement necessary or advisable to protect its rights or the rights of other Holders hereunder.
- (f) Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts and by the parties hereto in separate counterparts, each of which when so executed shall be deemed to be an original and all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement.

- (g) Headings. The headings in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only, are not a part of this Agreement and shall not limit or otherwise affect the meaning hereof.
- (h) Governing Law. This Agreement, and any claim, controversy or dispute arising under or related to this Agreement, shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.
- (j) Entire Agreement; Severability. This Agreement contains the entire agreement between the parties relating to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all oral statements and prior writings with respect thereto. If any term, provision, covenant or restriction contained in this Agreement is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, void or unenforceable or against public policy, the remainder of the terms, provisions, covenants and restrictions contained herein shall remain in full force and effect and shall in no way be affected, impaired or invalidated. The Company, the Guarantors and the Initial Purchasers shall endeavor in good faith negotiations to replace the invalid, void or unenforceable provisions with valid provisions the economic effect of which comes as close as possible to that of the invalid, void or unenforceable provisions.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY

By /s/ Lori A. Varlas

Name: Lori A. Varlas

Title: Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Secretary

ALL-GLASS AQUARIUM CO., INC.

B2E BIOTECH, LLC

B2E CORPORATION

CEDAR WORKS, LLC

FARNAM COMPANIES, INC.

FOUR PAWS PRODUCTS, LTD.

GRANT LABORATORIES, INC.

GRO TEC, INC.

GULFSTREAM HOME & GARDEN, INC.

INTERPET USA, LLC

KAYTEE PRODUCTS INCORPORATED

MATSON, LLC

MATTHEWS REDWOOD AND NURSERY SUPPLY, INC.

NEW ENGLAND POTTERY, LLC

PENNINGTON SEED, INC.

PENNINGTON SEED, INC. OF NEBRASKA

PETS INTERNATIONAL, LTD.

SEEDS WEST, INC.

T.F.H. PUBLICATIONS, INC.

WELLMARK INTERNATIONAL

By /s/ Lori A. Varlas
Name: Lori A. Varlas
Title: Authorized Officer

Confirmed and accepted as of the date first above written:

J.P. MORGAN SECURITIES LLC

For itself and on behalf of the several Initial Purchasers

/s/ James McHugh Name: James McHugh Title: Executive Director

Initial Guarantors

All-Glass Aquarium Co., Inc. B2E Biotech, LLC B2E Corporation Cedar Works, LLC Farnam Companies, Inc.

Four Paws Products, Ltd.

Grant Laboratories, Inc. Gro Tec, Inc.

Gro Tec, Inc.
Gulfstream Home & Garden, Inc.
Interpet USA, LLC
Kaytee Products Incorporated
Matson, LLC
Matthews Redwood and Nursery Supply, Inc.
New England Pottery, LLC
Pennington Seed, Inc.
Pennington Seed, Inc. of Nebraska
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Counterpart to Registration Rights Agreement

The undersigned hereby absolutely, unconditionally and irrevocably agrees as a Guarantor (as defined in the Registration Rights Agreement, dated [closing date] by and among [issuer], a [jurisdiction of incorporation] corporation, the guarantors party thereto and J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, on behalf of itself and the other Initial Purchasers) to be bound by the terms and provisions of such Registration Rights Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this counterpart as of	, 201	
		[GUARANTOR]
		By Name: Title:

CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY 2003 OMNIBUS EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN

(As Amended and Restated Effective February 13, 2012)

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CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY 2003 OMNIBUS EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN

(As Amended and Restated Effective February 13, 2012)

CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY, hereby adopts the Central Garden & Pet Company 2003 Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan, effective as of December 4, 2002, and as amended on February 7, 2005, December 14, 2005, February 5, 2007, December 10, 2008 and December 27, 2011 as follows:

SECTION 1 BACKGROUND, PURPOSE AND DURATION

- 1.1 Background and Effective Date. The Plan provides for the granting of Nonqualified Stock Options, Incentive Stock Options, SARs, Restricted Stock, Performance Units, and Performance Shares. The Plan was originally approved effective as of December 4, 2002. The Plan, as amended to date, is effective as of February 13, 2012, the date on which the shareholders approved the December 27, 2011 amendment. Awards may be granted prior to the receipt of such vote, but such grants shall be null and void if such vote is not in fact received.
- 1.2 Purpose of the Plan. The purpose of the Plan is to promote the success, and enhance the value, of the Company by aligning the interests of Participants with those of the Company's shareholders, and by providing Participants with an incentive for outstanding performance.

The Plan is further intended to provide flexibility to the Company in its ability to motivate, attract, and retain the services of outstanding individuals, upon whose judgment, interest, and special effort the success of the Company largely is dependent.

1.3 Duration of the Plan. The Plan shall commence on the date specified in Section 1.1, and subject to Section 12 (concerning the Board's right to amend or terminate the Plan), shall remain in effect thereafter. However, without further shareholder approval, no Incentive Stock Option may be granted under the Plan on or after December 3, 2012.

SECTION 2 DEFINITIONS

The following words and phrases shall have the following meanings unless a different meaning is plainly required by the context:

2.1 "1934 Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Reference to a specific section of the Exchange Act or regulation thereunder shall include such section or regulation, any valid regulation promulgated under such section, and any comparable provision of any future legislation or regulation amending, supplementing or superseding such section or regulation.

- 2.2 "Affiliate" means any corporation or any other entity (including, but not limited to, partnerships and joint ventures) controlling, controlled by, or under common control with the Company.
- 2.3 "Affiliated SAR" means an SAR that is granted in connection with a related Option, and which automatically will be deemed to be exercised at the same time that the related Option is exercised.
- 2.4 "Award" means, individually or collectively, a grant under the Plan of Nonqualified Stock Options, Incentive Stock Options, SARs, Restricted Stock, Performance Units, or Performance Shares.
 - 2.5 "Award Agreement" means the written agreement setting forth the terms and provisions applicable to each Award granted under the Plan.
 - 2.6 "Board" or "Board of Directors" means the Board of Directors of the Company.
- 2.7 "Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. Reference to a specific section of the Code or regulation thereunder shall include such section or regulation, any valid regulation promulgated under such section, and any comparable provision of any future legislation or regulation amending, supplementing or superseding such section or regulation.
 - 2.8 "Committee" means the committee appointed by the Board (pursuant to Section 3.1) to administer the Plan.
 - 2.9 "Company" means Central Garden & Pet Company, a Delaware corporation, or any successor thereto.
 - 2.10 "Consultant" means an individual who provides significant services to the Company and/or an Affiliate, including a Director who is not an Employee.
 - 2.11 "Director" means any individual who is a member of the Board of Directors of the Company.
 - 2.12 "Disability" means a permanent and total disability within the meaning of Code Section 22(e)(3).
- 2.13 "Employee" means an employee of the Company or of an Affiliate, whether such employee is so employed at the time the Plan is adopted or becomes so employed subsequent to the adoption of the Plan.
- 2.14 "ERISA" means the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended. Reference to a specific section of ERISA shall include such section, any valid regulation promulgated thereunder, and any comparable provision of any future legislation amending, supplementing or superseding such section.

- 2.15 "Fair Market Value" means the average of the highest and lowest quoted selling prices or the closing share price for Shares on the relevant date, or if there were no sales on such date, the arithmetic mean of the highest and lowest quoted selling prices on the nearest day before and the nearest day after the relevant date, as determined by the Committee. If the class of Shares is not quoted on a national exchange, "Fair Market Value" means, as of any date, the per share fair market value of the Shares, as determined by the Committee in good faith on such basis as it deems appropriate and applied consistently with respect to Participants.
 - 2.16 "Freestanding SAR" means a SAR that is granted independently of any Option.
- 2.17 "Incentive Stock Option" or "ISO" means an option to purchase Shares, which is designated as an Incentive Stock Option and is intended to meet the requirements of Section 422 of the Code.
 - 2.18 "Nonqualified Stock Option" means an option to purchase Shares which is not intended to be an Incentive Stock Option.
 - 2.19 "Option" means an Incentive Stock Option or a Nonqualified Stock Option.
 - 2.20 "Option Price" means the price at which a Share may be purchased pursuant to an Option.
 - 2.21 "Participant" means an Employee or Consultant who has an outstanding Award.
 - 2.22 "Performance Unit" means an Award granted to an Employee pursuant to Section 8.
 - 2.23 "Performance Share" means an Award granted to an Employee pursuant to Section 8.
 - 2.24 "Period of Restriction" means the period during which the transfer of Shares of Restricted Stock are subject to restrictions.
 - 2.25 "Plan" means the Central Garden & Pet Company 2003 Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan, as set forth in this instrument and as hereafter amended from time to
 - 2.26 "Restricted Stock" means an Award granted to a Participant pursuant to Section 7.

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- 2.27 "Retirement" means, in the case of an Employee, a Termination of Employment by reason of the Employee's retirement at or after age 62.
- 2.28 "Rule 16b-3" means Rule 16b-3 promulgated under the 1934 Act, and any future regulation amending, supplementing or superseding such regulation.

- 2.29 "Section 16 Person" means a person who, with respect to the Shares, is subject to Section 16 of the 1934 Act.
- 2.30 "Shares" means (i) the shares of common stock, \$0.01 par value, of the Company ("Common Stock"), (ii) the shares of Class A common stock, \$0.01 par value, of the Company ("Class A Common Stock") or (iii) shares of preferred stock, \$0.01 par value, with such rights, privileges, restrictions and preferences as the Board of Directors may authorize from time to time ("Preferred Stock").
- 2.31 "Stock Appreciation Right" or "SAR" means an Award, granted alone or in connection with a related Option, that pursuant to the terms of Section 7 is designated as an SAR.
 - 2.32 "Subsidiary" means any "subsidiary corporation" (other than the Company) as defined in Code Section 424(f).
- 2.33 "Tandem SAR" means an SAR that is granted in connection with a related Option, the exercise of which shall require forfeiture of the right to purchase an equal number of Shares under the related Option (and when a Share is purchased under the Option, the SAR shall be canceled to the same extent).
- 2.34 "Termination of Employment" means a cessation of the employee-employer or director or other service arrangement relationship between an Employee, Consultant or Director and the Company or an Affiliate for any reason, including, but not by way of limitation, a termination by resignation, discharge, death, Disability, Retirement, or the disaffiliation of an Affiliate, but excluding any such termination where there is a simultaneous reemployment or re-engagement by the Company or an Affiliate.

SECTION 3 ADMINISTRATION

- 3.1 <u>The Committee</u>. The Plan shall be administered by the Committee. The Committee shall consist of not less than two (2) Directors. The members of the Committee shall be appointed from time to time by, and shall serve at the pleasure of, the Board of Directors. The Committee shall be comprised solely of Directors who are "outside directors" under Rule 16b-3.
- 3.2 <u>Authority of the Committee</u>. The Committee shall have all powers and discretion necessary or appropriate to administer the Plan and to control its operation, including, but not limited to, the power (a) to determine which Employees and Consultants shall be granted Awards, (b) to prescribe the terms and conditions of such Awards, (c) to interpret the Plan and the Awards, (d) to adopt rules for the administration, interpretation and application of the Plan as are consistent therewith, and (e) to interpret, amend or revoke any such rules.

The Committee, in its sole discretion and on such terms and conditions as it may provide, may delegate all or any part of its authority and powers under the Plan to one or more directors and/or officers of the Company; provided, however, that the Committee may not delegate its authority and powers with respect to Section 16 Persons.

3.3 <u>Decisions Binding</u>. All determinations and decisions made by the Committee shall be final, conclusive, and binding on all persons, and shall be given the maximum deference permitted by law.

SECTION 4 SHARES SUBJECT TO THE PLAN

4.1 Number of Shares. Subject to adjustment as provided in Section 4.3, the total number of Shares available for grant under the Plan may not exceed 26,034,982, consisting of (i) a maximum of 5,800,000 shares of Common Stock of the Company, (ii) a maximum of 19,734,982 shares of Class A Common Stock of the Company, and (iii) a maximum of 500,000 shares of Preferred Stock of the Company. Such Shares may be authorized but unissued Shares or Treasury Shares. No Participant may receive Options or SARs for more than 1,500,000 shares under the Plan in a calendar year.

The following rules will apply for purposes of the determination of the number of Shares available for grant under the Plan:

- (a) While an Award is outstanding, it shall be counted against the authorized pool of Shares, regardless of its vested status.
- (b) The grant of an Option or Restricted Stock shall reduce the Shares available for grant under the Plan by the number of Shares subject to such
- (c) The grant of a Tandem SAR shall reduce the number of Shares available for grant by the number of Shares subject to the related Option (i.e., there is no double counting of Options and their related Tandem SARs); provided, however, that, upon the exercise of such Tandem SAR, the authorized Share pool shall be credited with the appropriate number of Shares representing the number of shares reserved for such Tandem SAR less the number of Shares actually delivered upon exercise thereof or the number of Shares having a Fair Market Value equal to the cash payment made upon such exercise.
- (d) The grant of an Affiliated SAR shall reduce the number of Shares available for grant by the number of Shares subject to the SAR, in addition to the number of Shares subject to the related Option; provided, however, that, upon the exercise of such Affiliated SAR, the authorized Share pool shall be credited with the appropriate number of Shares representing the number of shares reserved for such Affiliated SAR less the number of Shares actually delivered upon exercise thereof or the number of Shares having a Fair Market Value equal to the cash payment made upon such exercise.
- (e) The grant of a Freestanding SAR shall reduce the number of Shares available for grant by the number of Freestanding SARs

- granted; provided, however, that, upon the exercise of such Freestanding SAR, the authorized Share pool shall be credited with the appropriate number of Shares representing the number of shares reserved for such Freestanding SAR less the number of Shares actually delivered upon exercise thereof or the number of Shares having a Fair Market Value equal to the cash payment made upon such exercise.
- (f) The Committee shall in each case determine the appropriate number of Shares to deduct from the authorized pool in connection with the grant of Performance Units and/or Performance Shares.
- (g) To the extent that an Award is settled in cash rather than in Shares, the authorized Share pool shall be credited with the appropriate number of Shares having a Fair Market Value equal to the cash settlement of the Award.
- (h) The grant of an Award for Preferred Stock shall reduce the number of shares of Common Stock or Class A Common Stock available for grant by the number of shares, if any, of Common Stock or Class A Common Stock, issuable upon conversion of the Preferred Stock; provided, however, that upon conversion of such Preferred Stock, the authorized Share pool shall be credited with the appropriate number of shares of Preferred Stock.
- 4.2 <u>Lapsed Awards</u>. If an Award is cancelled, terminates, expires, or lapses for any reason (with the exception of the termination of a Tandem SAR upon exercise of the related Option, or the termination of a related Option upon exercise of the corresponding Tandem SAR), any Shares subject to such Award again shall be available to be the subject of an Award.
- 4.3 Adjustments in Authorized Shares. In the event of any merger, reorganization, consolidation, recapitalization, separation, liquidation, stock dividend, split-up, Share combination, or other change in the corporate structure of the Company affecting the Shares, such adjustment shall be made in the number and class of Shares which may be delivered under the Plan, and in the number and class of and/or price of Shares subject to outstanding Options, SARs, and Restricted Stock granted under the Plan, as the Committee, in its sole discretion, shall determine to be appropriate to prevent the dilution or diminishment of Awards. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, the number of Shares subject to any Award always shall be a whole number.

SECTION 5 STOCK OPTIONS

5.1 <u>Grant of Options</u>. Options may be granted to Employees and Consultants at any time and from time to time, as determined by the Committee in its sole discretion. The Committee, in its sole discretion, shall determine the number and class of Shares subject to

Options granted to each Participant. The Committee may grant ISOs, NQSOs, or a combination thereof.

- 5.2 <u>Award Agreement</u>. Each Option shall be evidenced by an Award Agreement that shall specify the Option Price, the expiration date of the Option, the number and class of Shares to which the Option pertains, any conditions to exercise of the Option, and such other terms and conditions as the Committee, in its discretion, shall determine. The Award Agreement also shall specify whether the Option is intended to be an ISO or a NQSO.
 - 5.3 Option Price. Subject to the provisions of this Section 5.3, the Option Price for each Option shall be determined by the Committee in its sole discretion.
- 5.3.1 Nonqualified Stock Options. In the case of a Nonqualified Stock Option, the Option Price shall be not less than one hundred percent (100%) of the Fair Market Value of a Share on the date that the Option is granted.
- 5.3.2 Incentive Stock Options. In the case of an Incentive Stock Option, the Option Price shall be not less than one hundred percent (100%) of the Fair Market Value of a Share on the date that the Option is granted; provided, however, that if at the time that the Option is granted, the Employee (together with persons whose stock ownership is attributed to the Employee pursuant to Section 424(d) of the Code) owns stock possessing more than 10% of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, the Option Price shall be not less than one hundred and ten percent (110%) of the Fair Market Value of a Share on the date that the Option is granted.
- 5.3.3 <u>Substitute Options</u>. Notwithstanding the provisions of Sections 5.3.1 and 5.3.2, in the event that the Company or an Affiliate consummates a transaction described in Section 424(a) of the Code (e.g., the acquisition of property or stock from an unrelated corporation), persons who become Employees or Consultants on account of such transaction may be granted Options in substitution for options granted by their former employer. If such substitute Options are granted, the Committee, in its sole discretion, may determine that such substitute Options shall have an exercise price less than 100% of the Fair Market Value of the Shares on the date the Option is granted.
- 5.4 Expiration of Options. Unless the applicable stock option agreement provides otherwise, each Option shall terminate upon the first to occur of the events listed in Section 5.4.1, subject to Section 5.4.2.

5.4.1 Expiration Dates.

- (a) The date for termination of the Option set forth in the written stock option agreement;
- (b) The expiration of ten years from the date the Option was granted, subject to the provisions of clause (f), below; or
- (c) The expiration of one year from the date of the Optionee's Termination of Employment for a reason other than the Optionee's

- death, Disability or Retirement, subject to the provisions of clause (f) below; or
- (d) The expiration of three years from the date of the Optionee's Termination of Employment by reason of Disability, subject to the provisions of clause (f) below; or
- (e) The expiration of three years from the date of the Optionee's Retirement; provided that no Incentive Stock Option may be exercised after the expiration of three months from the date of the Optionee's Retirement, subject in each case to the provisions of clause (f) below; or
- (f) The expiration of one year from the date of the Optionee's death, if such death occurs while the Optionee is in the employ or service of the Company or an Affiliate or within the one-year or three-year periods referred to in (c), (d) or (e) above, whichever is applicable.
- 5.4.2 Committee Discretion. Subject to the provisions of this Section 5.4, the Committee shall provide, in the terms of each individual Option, when such Option expires and becomes unexercisable. After the Option is granted, the Committee, in its sole discretion and subject to Section 5.8.4 and this Section 5.4, may extend the maximum term of such Option.
- 5.5 Exercise of Options. Options granted under the Plan shall be exercisable at such times, and subject to such restrictions and conditions, as the Committee shall determine in its sole discretion. After an Option is granted, the Committee, in its sole discretion, may accelerate the exercisability of the Option.
- 5.6 <u>Payment</u>. Options shall be exercised by the Participant's delivery of a written notice of exercise to the Secretary of the Company, setting forth the number and class of Shares with respect to which the Option is to be exercised, accompanied by full payment for the Shares.

For Options granted prior to December 14, 2005, the Option Price upon exercise of any Option shall be payable to the Company in full in cash. The Committee, in its sole discretion and pursuant to such procedures as it may specify from time to time, also may permit (a) a Participant to elect to have the Company withhold Shares having a value equal to the amount required to be withheld or by delivering to the Company already-owned Shares to satisfy the Option Price, or (b) by any other means which the Committee, in its sole discretion, determines to both provide legal consideration for the Shares, and to be consistent with the purposes of the Plan. The value of the Shares to be withheld or delivered will be based on their Fair Market Value on the date of exercise.

For Options granted on or after December 14, 2005, the Option Price upon exercise of any Option shall be payable by having the Company withhold Shares having a value equal to the amount required to be withheld or by delivering to the Company already-owned Shares to satisfy the Option Price, pursuant to such procedures as the Committee may specify

from time to time. The Committee, in its sole discretion, also may permit (a) a Participant to pay the Option Price in full in cash, or (b) by any other means which the Committee, in its sole discretion, determines to both provide legal consideration for the Shares, and to be consistent with the purposes of the Plan. The value of the Shares to be withheld or delivered will be based on their Fair Market Value on the date of exercise.

As soon as practicable after receipt of a written notification of exercise and full payment for the Shares purchased, the Company shall deliver to the Participant Share certificates (in the Participant's name) representing such Shares.

If any shares subject to a Stock Award are not delivered to a Participant because such shares are withheld for the payment of taxes or the Stock Award is exercised through a reduction of shares subject to the Stock Award (i.e., "net exercised"), the number of shares that are not delivered to the Participant shall remain available for issuance under the Plan. If the exercise price of any Stock Award is satisfied by tendering shares of Common Stock or Class A Common Stock held by the Participant (either by actual delivery or attestation), then the number of shares so tendered shall remain available for issuance under the Plan.

5.7 <u>Restrictions on Share Transferability</u>. The Committee may impose such restrictions on any Shares acquired pursuant to the exercise of an Option, as it may deem advisable, including, but not limited to, restrictions related to Federal securities laws, the requirements of any national securities exchange or system upon which such Shares are then listed and/or traded, and/or any blue sky or state securities laws.

5.8 Certain Additional Provisions for Incentive Stock Options.

- 5.8.1 Exercisability. The aggregate Fair Market Value (determined at the time the Option is granted) of the Shares with respect to which Incentive Stock Options are exercisable for the first time by any Employee during any calendar year (under all plans of the Company and its Subsidiaries) shall not exceed \$100,000.
- 5.8.2 <u>Termination of Employment</u>. No Incentive Stock Option may be exercised more than three months after the Participant's termination of employment for any reason other than Disability or death, unless (a) the Participant dies during such three-month period, and (b) the Award Agreement and/or the Committee permits later exercise. No Incentive Stock Option may be exercised more than one year after the Participant's termination of employment on account of Disability, unless (a) the Participant dies during such one-year period, and (b) the Award Agreement and/or the Committee permit later exercise.
- 5.8.3 Company and Subsidiaries Only. Incentive Stock Options may be granted only to persons who are employees of the Company and/or a Subsidiary at the time of grant.
- 5.8.4 Expiration. No Incentive Stock Option may be exercised after the expiration of 10 years from the date such Option was granted; provided, however, that if the Option is granted to an Employee who, together with persons whose stock ownership is attributed to the Employee pursuant to Section 424(d) of the Code, owns stock possessing more than 10% of the total combined voting power of all classes of the stock of the Company or any of

its Subsidiaries, the Option may not be exercised after the expiration of 5 years from the date that it was granted.

5.9 Nontransferability of Options. No Option granted under the Plan may be sold, transferred, pledged, assigned, or otherwise alienated or hypothecated, other than by will, the laws of descent and distribution, or as provided under Section 9. All Options granted to a Participant under the Plan shall be exercisable during his or her lifetime only by such Participant.

SECTION 6 STOCK APPRECIATION RIGHTS

6.1 <u>Grant of SARs</u>. An SAR may be granted to an Employee or Consultant at any time and from time to time as determined by the Committee, in its sole discretion. The Committee may grant Affiliated SARs, Freestanding SARs, Tandem SARs, or any combination thereof.

The Committee shall have complete discretion to determine the number and class of SARs granted to any Participant, and consistent with the provisions of the Plan, the terms and conditions pertaining to such SARs. However, the grant price of a Freestanding SAR shall be at least equal to the Fair Market Value of a Share of Common Stock or Class A Common Stock, as the case may be, on the date of grant. The grant price of Tandem or Affiliated SARs shall equal the Option Price of the related Option.

- 6.2 Exercise of Tandem SARs. Tandem SARs may be exercised for all or part of the Shares subject to the related Option upon the surrender of the right to exercise the equivalent portion of the related Option. A Tandem SAR may be exercised only with respect to the Shares for which its related Option is then exercisable.
- 6.2.1 <u>ISOs</u>. Notwithstanding any contrary provision of the Plan, with respect to a Tandem SAR granted in connection with an ISO: (i) the Tandem SAR shall expire no later than the expiration of the underlying ISO; (ii) the value of the payout with respect to the Tandem SAR shall be for no more than one hundred percent (100%) of the difference between the Option Price of the underlying ISO and the Fair Market Value of the Shares subject to the underlying ISO at the time the Tandem SAR is exercised; and (iii) the Tandem SAR shall be exercisable only when the Fair Market Value of the Shares subject to the ISO exceeds the Option Price of the ISO.
- 6.3 Exercise of Affiliated SARs. An Affiliated SAR shall be deemed to be exercised upon the exercise of the related Option. The deemed exercise of an Affiliated SAR shall not necessitate a reduction in the number of Shares subject to the related Option.
 - 6.4 Exercise of Freestanding SARs. Freestanding SARs shall be exercisable on such terms and conditions as the Committee, in its sole discretion, shall determine.
- 6.5 <u>SAR Agreement</u>. Each SAR shall be evidenced by an Award Agreement that shall specify the grant price, the term of the SAR, the conditions of exercise, and such other terms and conditions as the Committee, in its sole discretion, shall determine.

- 6.6 Expiration of SARs. An SAR granted under the Plan shall expire upon the date determined by the Committee, in its sole discretion, and set forth in the Award Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the rules of Section 5.4 (pertaining to Options) also shall apply to SARs.
- 6.7 <u>Payment of SAR Amount</u>. Upon exercise of an SAR, a Participant shall be entitled to receive payment from the Company in an amount determined by multiplying:
 - (a) The difference between the Fair Market Value of a Share of Common Stock or Class A Common Stock, as the case may be, on the date of exercise over the grant price; times
 - (b) The number of Shares with respect to which the SAR is exercised.

At the discretion of the Committee, the payment upon SAR exercise may be in cash, in Shares of equivalent value, or in some combination thereof.

6.8 Nontransferability of SARs. No SAR granted under the Plan may be sold, transferred, pledged, assigned, or otherwise alienated or hypothecated, other than by will, the laws of descent and distribution, or as permitted under Section 9. An SAR granted to a Participant shall be exercisable during the Participant's lifetime only by such Participant.

SECTION 7 RESTRICTED STOCK

- 7.1 <u>Grant of Restricted Stock</u>. Subject to the terms and provisions of the Plan, the Committee, at any time and from time to time, may grant Shares of Restricted Stock to Employees and Consultants in such amounts and class as the Committee, in its sole discretion, shall determine.
- 7.2 <u>Restricted Stock Agreement</u>. Each Award of Restricted Stock shall be evidenced by an Award Agreement that shall specify the Period of Restriction, the number and class of Shares granted, and such other terms and conditions as the Committee, in its sole discretion, shall determine. Unless the Committee determines otherwise, shares of Restricted Stock shall be held by the Company as escrow agent until the restrictions on such shares have lapsed.
- 7.3 <u>Transferability</u>. Except as provided in this Section 7, Shares of Restricted Stock may not be sold, transferred, pledged, assigned, or otherwise alienated or hypothecated until the end of the applicable Period of Restriction. All rights with respect to the Restricted Stock granted to a Participant under the Plan shall be available during his or her lifetime only to such Participant.
- 7.4 Other Restrictions. The Committee, in its sole discretion, may impose such other restrictions on any Shares of Restricted Stock as it may deem advisable including, without limitation, restrictions based upon the achievement of specific performance goals (Company-wide, divisional, and/or individual), and/or restrictions under applicable Federal or state securities laws; and may legend the certificates representing Restricted Stock to give

appropriate notice of such restrictions. For example, the Committee may determine that some or all certificates representing Shares of Restricted Stock shall bear the following legend:

- "The sale or other transfer of the shares of stock represented by this certificate, whether voluntary, involuntary, or by operation of law, is subject to certain restrictions on transfer as set forth in the Central Garden & Pet Company 2003 Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan, and in a Restricted Stock Agreement. A copy of the Plan and such Restricted Stock Agreement may be obtained from the Secretary of Central Garden & Pet Company."
- 7.5 Removal of Restrictions. Except as otherwise provided in this Section 7, Shares of Restricted Stock covered by each Restricted Stock grant made under the Plan shall be released from escrow as soon as practicable after the last day of the Period of Restriction. The Committee, in its discretion, may accelerate the time at which any restrictions shall lapse, and/or remove any restrictions. After the restrictions have lapsed, the Participant shall be entitled to have any legend or legends under Section 7.4 removed from his or her Share certificate, and the Shares shall be freely transferable by the Participant.
- 7.6 <u>Voting Rights</u>. During the Period of Restriction, Participants holding Shares of Restricted Stock granted hereunder may exercise full voting rights, if any, with respect to those Shares, unless the Committee determines otherwise.
- 7.7 <u>Dividends and Other Distributions</u>. During the Period of Restriction, Participants holding Shares of Restricted Stock shall be entitled to receive all dividends and other distributions paid with respect to such Shares, unless otherwise provided in the Award Agreement. If any such dividends or distributions are paid in Shares, the Shares shall be subject to the same restrictions on transferability and forfeitability as the Shares of Restricted Stock with respect to which they were paid.
- 7.8 <u>Return of Restricted Stock to Company</u>. Subject to the applicable Award Agreement and Section 7.5, upon the earlier of (a) the Participant's termination of employment, or (b) the date set forth in the Award Agreement, the Restricted Stock for which restrictions have not lapsed shall revert to the Company and, subject to Section 4.2, again shall become available for grant under the Plan.

SECTION 8 PERFORMANCE UNITS AND PERFORMANCE SHARES

- 8.1 <u>Grant of Performance Units/Shares.</u> Performance Units and Performance Shares may be granted to Employees and Consultants at any time and from time to time, as shall be determined by the Committee, in its sole discretion. The Committee shall have complete discretion in determining the number and class of Performance Units and Performance Shares granted to each Participant.
- 8.2 <u>Value of Performance Units/Shares</u>. Each Performance Unit shall have an initial value that is established by the Committee at the time of grant. Each Performance Share shall have an initial value equal to the Fair Market Value of a Share on the date of grant. The

Committee shall set performance goals in its discretion which, depending on the extent to which they are met, will determine the number and/or value of Performance Units/Shares that will be paid out to the Participants. The time period during which the performance goals must be met shall be called the "Performance Period".

- 8.3 <u>Earning of Performance Units/Shares.</u> After the applicable Performance Period has ended, the holder of Performance Units/Shares shall be entitled to receive a payout of the number of Performance Units/Shares earned by the Participant over the Performance Period, to be determined as a function of the extent to which the corresponding performance goals have been achieved. After the grant of a Performance Unit/Share, the Committee, in its sole discretion, may adjust and/or waive the achievement of any performance goals for such Performance Unit/Share.
- 8.4 Form and Timing of Payment of Performance Units/Shares Payment of earned Performance Units/Shares shall be made as soon as practicable after the expiration of the applicable Performance Period. The Committee, in its sole discretion, may pay earned Performance Units/Shares in the form of cash, in Shares (which have an aggregate Fair Market Value equal to the value of the earned Performance Units/Shares at the close of the applicable Performance Period) or in a combination thereof.
- 8.5 <u>Cancellation of Performance Units/Shares</u>. Subject to the applicable Award Agreement, upon the earlier of (a) the Participant's termination of employment, or (b) the date set forth in the Award Agreement, all remaining Performance Units/Shares shall be forfeited by the Participant to the Company, and subject to Section 4.2, the Shares subject thereto shall again be available for grant under the Plan.
- 8.6 Nontransferability. Performance Units/Shares may not be sold, transferred, pledged, assigned, or otherwise alienated or hypothecated, other than by will, the laws of descent and distribution, or as permitted under Section 9. A Participant's rights under the Plan shall be exercisable during the Participant's lifetime only by the Participant or the Participant's legal representative.

SECTION 9 BENEFICIARY DESIGNATION

If permitted by the Committee, a Participant may name a beneficiary or beneficiaries to whom any unpaid vested Award shall be paid in event of the Participant's death. Each such designation shall revoke all prior designations by the same Participant and shall be effective only if given in a form and manner acceptable to the Committee. In the absence of any such designation, benefits remaining unpaid at the Participant's death shall be paid to the Participant's estate and, subject to the terms of the Plan, any unexercised vested Award may be exercised by the administrator or executor of the Participant's estate.

SECTION 10 DEFERRALS

The Committee, in its sole discretion, may permit a Participant to defer receipt of the payment of cash or the delivery of Shares that would otherwise be due to such Participant

under an Award. Any such deferral elections shall be subject to such rules and procedures as shall be determined by the Committee in its sole discretion.

SECTION 11 RIGHTS OF EMPLOYEES AND CONSULTANTS

- 11.1 No Effect on Employment or Service. Nothing in the Plan shall interfere with or limit in any way the right of the Company to terminate any Participant's employment or service at any time, with or without cause.
- 11.2 <u>Participation</u>. No Employee or Consultant shall have the right to be selected to receive an Award under this Plan, or, having been so selected, to be selected to receive a future Award.

SECTION 12 AMENDMENT, SUSPENSION, OR TERMINATION

12.1 Amendment, Suspension, or Termination The Board, in its sole discretion, may alter, amend or terminate the Plan, or any part thereof, at any time and for any reason. However, as required by applicable law, no alteration or amendment shall be effective without further shareholder approval. Neither the amendment, suspension, nor termination of the Plan shall, without the consent of the Participant, alter or impair any rights or obligations under any Award theretofore granted. No Award may be granted during any period of suspension nor after termination of the Plan.

SECTION 13 TAX WITHHOLDING

- 13.1 Withholding Requirements. Prior to the delivery of any Shares or cash pursuant to an Award, the Company shall have the power and the right to deduct or withhold, or require a Participant to remit to the Company, an amount sufficient to satisfy Federal, state, and local taxes required to be withheld with respect to such Award.
- 13.2 Shares Withholding. The Committee, in its sole discretion and pursuant to such procedures as it may specify from time to time, may permit a Participant to satisfy the minimum statutory tax withholding obligation, in whole or in part, by electing to have the Company withhold Shares having a value equal to the amount required to be withheld or by delivering to the Company already-owned shares to satisfy the withholding requirement. The value of the Shares to be withheld or delivered will be based on their Fair Market Value on the date that the taxes are required to be withheld.

SECTION 14 INDEMNIFICATION

Each person who is or shall have been a member of the Committee, or of the Board, shall be indemnified and held harmless by the Company against and from any loss, cost, liability, or expense that may be imposed upon or reasonably incurred by him or her in connection with or resulting from any claim, notion, suit, or proceeding to which he or she may

be a party or in which he or she may be involved by reason of any action taken or failure to act under the Plan or any Award Agreement and against and from any and all amounts paid by him or her in settlement thereof, with the Company's approval, or paid by him or her in settlement thereof, with the Company's approval, or paid by him or her in satisfaction of any judgment in any such action, suit, or proceeding against him or her, provided he or she shall give the Company an opportunity, at its own expense, to handle and defend the same before he or she undertakes to handle and defend it on his or her own behalf. The foregoing right of indemnification shall not be exclusive of any other rights of indemnification to which such persons may be entitled under the Company's Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws, as a matter of law, or otherwise, or any power that the Company may have to indemnify them or hold them harmless.

SECTION 15 SUCCESSORS

All obligations of the Company under the Plan, with respect to Awards granted hereunder, shall be binding on any successor to the Company, whether the existence of such successor is the result of a direct or indirect purchase, merger, consolidation, or otherwise, of all or substantially all of the business and/or assets of the Company.

SECTION 16 LEGAL CONSTRUCTION

- 16.1 <u>Gender and Number</u>. Except where otherwise indicated by the context, any masculine term used herein also shall include the feminine; the plural shall include the singular and the singular shall include the plural.
- 16.2 Severability. In the event any provision of the Plan shall be held illegal or invalid for any reason, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect the remaining parts of the Plan, and the Plan shall be construed and enforced as if the illegal or invalid provision had not been included.
- 16.3 <u>Requirements of Law.</u> The granting of Awards and the issuance of Shares under the Plan shall be subject to all applicable laws, rules, and regulations, and to such approvals by any governmental agencies or national securities exchanges as may be required.
- 16.4 <u>Securities Law Compliance</u>. With respect to Section 16 Persons, transactions under this Plan are intended to comply with all applicable conditions of Rule 16b-3. To the extent any provision of the Plan, Award Agreement or action by the Committee fails to so comply, it shall be deemed null and void, to the extent permitted by law and deemed advisable by the Committee.
 - 16.5 Governing Law. The Plan and all Award Agreements shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of California.
 - 16.6 Captions. Captions are provided herein for convenience only, and shall not serve as a basis for interpretation or construction of the Plan.