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VIA EDGAR

Securities and Exchange Commission
Division of Corporation Finance
100 F Street, NE
Washington, D.C. 20549

Attention: Scott Anderegg, Esq.

Re: Central Garden & Pet Company
Form 10-K for Fiscal Year Ended September 29, 2012
Filed December 13, 2012
Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A
Filed January 11, 2013
File No. 1-33268

Dear Mr. Anderegg:

As we discussed on February 25, 2013, Central Garden & Pet Company (the "Company") has requested an extension until March 13, 2013 to respond to the comments set forth in the Staff's letter dated February 12, 2013 in connection with the above filings.

If you have any questions regarding this extension request, please contact me at (415) 773-5918.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Brett Cooper

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