

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person\*

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### INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

2. Date of Event Requiring

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(Last) (First) 1340 TREAT BOULEVAR 600	(Middle)	- 10/14/2019		4. Relationship of Issuer (Check X Director	Reporting Person all applicable)	Filed(Mon	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
(Street) WALNUT CREEK, CA 94	597-7578			X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) CEO		Applicable I _X_ Form fi	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)X_ Form filed by One Reporting PersonForm filed by More than One Reporting Person	
(City) (State)	e) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned							
1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)		В	Amount of Se eneficially Ow nstr. 4)	ned	1	4. Nature of Indire (Instr. 5)	ct Beneficial Ownership	
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Tab	le II - Derivative Securit	es Beneficia	lly Owned (e.g	g., puts, calls, warr	ants, options, co	nvertible securitie	s)	
(Instr. 4) and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Sec		3. Title and A Securities Un Security (Instr. 4)	Amount of nderlying Derivative	Price of Derivative	Form of Derivative Security: Direct	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
	Date Exercisabl	Expiration Date	Title Amour	nt or Number of	Security	(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Cofer Timothy P. 1340 TREAT BOULEVARD SUITE 600 WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597-7578	X		CEO	

### **Signatures**

/s/T. Cofer	10/16/2019	
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date	

# **Explanation of Responses:**

### No securities are beneficially owned

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

#### Remarks:

No securities owned. Exhibit 24.1; Power of Attorney

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The undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints George Yuhas, Howard Machek, Zora Mohseni and JoAnn Jonte, and each of them, his true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer, director, and/or person who holds more than 10% of the stock of Central Garden & Pet Company (the "Company"), Forms 3, Forms 4 and Forms 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and the rules thereunder;
- (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Forms 3, Forms 4 or Forms 5 and timely file any such forms with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any other authority; and
- (3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned, pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in his or her discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or his or her substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done pursuant to this power of attorney. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Exchange Act.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, Forms 4, and Forms 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the attorneys-in-fact.

The undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 16th day of October, 2019.

/s/T. Cofer Signature Timothy P. Cofer Print Name