FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN 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

(Print or Type	e Responses)																	
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* NOVOTNY GLENN W				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CENTRAL GARDEN & PET CO [CENT]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner					
1340 TRE	S. Date						Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 7/11/2005							X_ Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Pres./ Chief Executive Officer				
(Street) WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)								_X_ Fo	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acqui							Acquired, I	ired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								
(Instr. 3)		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, any (Month/Day/Yea		ate, it	(Instr. 8		or Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 and		f (D) O 1 5) Ti		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		d	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
							Code	e V	Amo	or	Pric	ce				(I) (Instr. 4)		
Common S	Stock		07/11/2005				M		15,0	00 A	\$ 7.5	54 97,1	48 (2)			D		
Common S	Stock		07/11/2005				S		15,0 (3)	00 D	\$ 49.66 (5)	654 82,1	48			D		
			Table II					in th a cu uired, D	nis for irrentl ispose	m are no y valid O	ot requ OMB co enefici	uired to re ontrol nui	spond u mber.		on containe form display		1474 (9-02)	
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				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	able	Expiratio Date	on T	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4	·)	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 7.54	07/11/2005		М			15,000	07/22/	2004	07/22/2	2005	Common Stock	15,000	\$ 0	0	D		
Report	ing Ov	vners																
				R	elati	onshi	ns											

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

Signatures

/s/ By JoAnn Jonte, as Attorney-in-Fact for Glenn W. Novotny	07/12/2005
Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Options exercised through sales plan pursuant to Rule 10b5-1(c)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
- (2) This total number and all totals reflected in this Column 5 of Table I include shares of Central Garden & Pet Company's Common Stock held in the Reporting Person's 401(k) plan and acquired under Central Garden & Pet Company's Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- (3) Reflects total shares sold by the Reporting Person on the date indicated. See Exhibit 99.1 for details of individual trade executions.
- (4) Sale (and all sales reported in this table) effected under sales plan pursuant to Rule 10b5-1(c)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
- (5) Reflects weighted average price of total shares sold by the Reporting Person on the date indicated. See Exhibit 99.1 for details of individual trade executions.

Remarks:

Exhibit List

99.1 -- Details of Sale Transactions on July 11, 2005 by Glenn W. Novotny

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All transactions listed below relate to sales of Common Stock of Central Garden & Pet Company on July 11, 2005 by Glenn W. Novotny

Sold

Shares Price Shares Beneficially Owned After Transaction

347 49.4 96,801 100 49.41 96,701 200 49.42 96,501 394 49.43 96,107 383 49.46 95,724 200 49.47 95,524 2344 49.49 93,180 182 49.5 92,998 47 49.51 92,951 200 49.52 92,751 341 49.53 92,410 447 49.54 91,963 94 49.55 91,869 100 49.56 91,769 600 49.58 91,169 100 49.59 91,069 100 49.6 90,969 94 49.62 90,875 100 49.63 90,775 100 49.64 90,675 441 49.65 90,234 394 49.66 89,840 734 49.6654 89,106 1190 49.67 87,916 321 49.68 87,595 200 49.69 87,395 130 49.7 87,265 247 49.72 87,018 212 49.74 86,806 200 49.75 86,606 139 49.76 86,467 147 49.77 86,320 200 49.78 86,120 100 49.79 86,020 512 49.8 85,508 200 49.81 85,308 200 49.82 85,108 300 49.83 84,808 194 49.84 84,614 100 49.85 84,514

100 49.87 84,414 194 49.91 84,220 100 49.95 84,120 684 49.96 83,436 294 49.97 83,142 694 49.98 82,448 300 49.99 82,148