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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person Yuhas George A.	2. Issuer Name an CENTRAL GAI			e .		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner				
(Last) (First) C/O CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY, 1340 TREAT BOUL SUITE 600	3. Date of Earliest T 05/11/2016	ransaction	(Mon	th/Day/Ye	ear)	X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) General Counsel				
^(Street) WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City) (State)	(Zip)		Table I - N	on-D	erivative	Securit	ties Acqui	ired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Ow	ned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 8)		A 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D)	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
Class A Common Stock	05/11/2016		М		45,000	А	\$ 9.54	88,474	D	
Class A Common Stock	05/11/2016		F		37,943	D	\$ 18.36 <u>(1)</u>	50,531	D	
Class A Common Stock	05/11/2016		М		8,000	А	\$ 9.26	58,531	D	
Class A Common Stock	05/11/2016		F		6,706	D	\$ 18.36 <u>(1)</u>	51,825	D	
Class A Common Stock								3,211.2173	Ι	By 401(k) Plan ⁽²⁾

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

	(<i>e.g.</i> , puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																						
Security	Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Code	tion	of Derivative		n of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)									
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.54	05/11/2016		М			45,000	(3)	03/26/2018	Class A Common Stock	45,000	\$ 0	0	D									
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.26	05/11/2016		М			8,000	<u>(4)</u>	04/13/2017	Class A Common Stock	8,000	\$ 0	0	D									

Reporting Owners

	Relationships					
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

Yuhas George A. C/O CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY		General Counsel	
1340 TREAT BOULEVARD, SUITE 600 WALNUT CREEK. CA 94597		General Counser	
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Signatures

/s/ George A. Yuhas	05/12/2016
Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Shares withheld by the Issuer in payment of the aggregate option exercise price and withholding tax liability incurred upon the above-reported exercise of options. The amount of shares withheld is based on the respective average of the high and low sales prices on the date of exercise.
- (2) The units represent interests in the CENTA Stock Fund in the Issuer's 401(k) Plan, which consist of shares of CENTA stock and cash.
- (3) On March 26, 2012, the reporting person was granted an option to purchase 45,000 shares of Class A Common Stock of the Issuer. The option vested in four equal annual installments beginning March 26, 2013 and are fully vested and exercisable.
- On April 13, 2011, the Issuer's Compensation Committee granted the reporting person an option to purchase 50,000 shares of Class A Common Stock of the Issuer. The option vests in (4) five equal annual installments beginning April 13, 2012 based on the satisfaction of certain annual performance targets for each of the fiscal years ending September 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015. The performance condition was not satisfied for 10,000 shares of Class A Common Stock.

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