CENTRAL GARDEN & PET CO

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BALOUSEK JOHN	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CENTRAL GARDEN & PET CO [CENT]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1340 TREAT BLVD., STE. 600	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/25/2016	X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
(Street)	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			
WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597		Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivativo	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	omr Dispo (Instr. 3,	sed of 4 and (A) or	5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Class A Common Stock	08/25/2016		Code V $S_{(1)}^{(1)}$	Amount 2,700	(D)	Price \$ 24.8622 (2)	9,320	D	
Class A Common Stock	08/26/2016		S <u>(1)</u>	7,865	D	\$ 25.039 (3)	1,455	D	
Common Stock							30,160	D	

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 (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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				Code V	(A) (D)						
				Code V	4, and 5)		•	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BALOUSEK JOHN							
1340 TREAT BLVD., STE. 600	X						
WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597							

Signatures

/s/ JoAnn Jonte, as Attorney-in-Fact for John Balousek

08/26/2016

**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 sold through sales plan pursuant to Rule 10b5-1(c)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
- The range of prices for the shares of Class A Common Stock is from \$24.85 to \$24.88. Mr. Balousek undertakes that he will provide, upon request by the staff of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, full information regarding the number of securities sold at
- (2) upon request by the staff of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, full information regarding the number of securities sold a each separate price.
- The range of prices for the shares of Class A Common Stock is from \$24.85 to \$25.20. Mr. Balousek undertakes that he will provide, (3) upon request by the staff of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, full information regarding the number of securities sold at each separate price.

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