

HAGEDORN JAMES  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
HAGEDORN JAMES

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O HAGEDORN PARTNERSHIP,  
L.P., 800 PORT WASHINGTON  
BOULEVARD

(Street)

PORT WASHINGTON, NY 11050

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
SCOTTS COMPANY [SMG]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/23/2004

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

Chief Executive Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 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)	
				(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Shares	12/23/2004		S(1)	10,000	D	\$ 72.35	1,807,664 I	See footnotes (2) (3)
Common Shares	12/27/2004		S(1)	4,100	D	\$ 72.59	1,803,564 I	See footnotes (2) (3)

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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HAGEDORN JAMES C/O HAGEDORN PARTNERSHIP, L.P. 800 PORT WASHINGTON BOULEVARD PORT WASHINGTON, NY 11050	X	X	Chief Executive Officer	

## Signatures

/s/ Rob McMahon,  
Attorney-in-Fact

12/28/2004

\*\*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) Represents the sale for the account of James Hagedorn and certain family members of a portion of their proportionate interest in the Issuer's common shares (the "Common Shares") held by the Hagedorn Partnership, L.P.  
Pursuant to Exchange Act Rule 16a-1(a)(1), the Reporting Person may be deemed, solely for purposes of determining whether he is a
- (2) beneficial owner of more than 10% of the Common Shares, to be the beneficial owner of the securities of the Issuer that are held by Hagedorn Partnership, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership in which the Reporting Person is a general partner.
- (3) Represents the aggregate proportionate interest of James Hagedorn and those family members in whose holdings he may be deemed to have a pecuniary interest in the Common Shares held by Hagedorn Partnership, L.P.

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