

CENTRAL GARDEN &amp; PET CO

Form 4

February 22, 2017

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Ranelli John

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O CENTRAL GARDEN & PET  
COMPANY, 1340 TREAT BLVD,  
SUITE 600

(Street)

WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading  
Symbol

CENTRAL GARDEN & PET CO  
[CENT]

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

02/17/2017

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)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

**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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D) Price			
Class A Common Stock	02/17/2017		S		1,489	D \$ 33.8012 <sup>(1)</sup>	80,230	I	By John R. Ranelli Trust <sup>(2)</sup>
Class A Common Stock	02/21/2017		S		18,200	D \$ 34.05 <sup>(3)</sup>	62,030	I	By John R. Ranelli Trust <sup>(2)</sup>
Class A Common Stock							177,736	D	

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Common Stock	64,253	D	
Common Stock	39,384	I	By John R. Ranelli Trust <sup>(2)</sup>

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. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repor Trans (Instr
				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
Ranelli John C/O CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY 1340 TREAT BLVD, SUITE 600 WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597	X

## Signatures

/s/ JoAnn Jonte, as Attorney-in-Fact for John  
Ranelli 02/22/2017

                    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).

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- The range of prices for the shares of Class A Common Stock is from \$33.80 to \$33.82. Mr. Ranelli undertakes that he will provide, upon
- (1) request by the staff of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, full information regarding the number of securities sold at each separate price.
  - (2) Mr. Ranelli disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares of the Company's Common Stock and Class A Common Stock owned by the John R. Ranelli Trust dated 12/24/97 except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

- The range of prices for the shares of Class A Common Stock is from \$34.00 to \$34.11. Mr. Ranelli undertakes that he will provide, upon
- (3) 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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