

SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO CO

Form 8-K

April 13, 2017

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of The
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): April 13, 2017 (April 7, 2017)

The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio	001-11593	31-1414921
(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of incorporation)	File Number)	Identification No.)
14111 Scottslawn Road, Marysville, Ohio	43041	
(Address of principal executive offices)	(Zip Code)	

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (937) 644-0011

Not applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

☐ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§ 230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§ 240.12b-2 of this chapter). Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On April 7, 2017, The Scotts Company LLC (“Scotts LLC”), a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company (“Scotts Miracle-Gro”), entered into a Master Repurchase Agreement (including the annexes thereto, the “Repurchase Agreement”) and a Master Framework Agreement (the “Framework Agreement” and, together with the Repurchase Agreement, the “Receivables Facility”), in each case by and among Scotts LLC, Coöperatieve Rabobank, U.A. (New York Branch), as a purchaser and agent of the purchasers, and Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation (New York Branch), as a purchaser.

Under the Receivables Facility, Scotts LLC may sell a portfolio of available and eligible outstanding customer accounts receivable to the purchasers and simultaneously agrees to repurchase the receivables on a weekly basis. The eligible accounts receivable consist of up to \$250 million in accounts receivable generated by sales to three specified customers. The Receivables Facility is committed up to \$100 million during the commitment period beginning on April 7, 2017 and ending on June 16, 2017. The Receivables Facility is considered a secured financing with the customer accounts receivable, related contract rights and proceeds thereof (and the collection accounts into which the same are deposited) constituting the collateral therefor. The repurchase price for customer accounts receivable bears interest at LIBOR (with a zero floor) plus 0.90%. The Receivables Facility expires on August 25, 2017. The Receivables Facility provides the purchasers with customary rights of termination upon the occurrence of certain Events of Default (as defined in the Receivables Facility). Scotts Miracle-Gro has guaranteed all of Scotts LLC’s obligations under the Receivables Facility.

The foregoing summary of the material terms of the Receivables Facility is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Repurchase Agreement and the Framework Agreement, which are filed as Exhibit 10.1 and Exhibit 10.2, respectively, to this Current Report on Form 8-K and are incorporated herein by reference.

Item 2.03. Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation under an Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement of a Registrant.

The information under Item 1.01 is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (a) Financial statements of businesses acquired:
Not applicable.
- (b) Pro forma financial information:
Not applicable.
- (c) Shell company transactions:
Not applicable.
- (d) Exhibits:

Exhibit No.	Description
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10.1	Master Repurchase Agreement, and Annex I thereto, with Coöperatieve Rabobank, U.A. (New York Branch), as agent and purchaser, and Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation (New York Branch), as purchaser, dated as of April 7, 2017
10.2	Master Framework Agreement with Coöperatieve Rabobank, U.A. (New York Branch), as agent and purchaser, and Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation (New York Branch), as purchaser, dated as of April 7, 2017

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

THE SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO COMPANY

Dated: April 13, 2017 By: /s/ THOMAS RANDAL COLEMAN

Printed Name: Thomas Randal Coleman

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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