### CENTRAL GARDEN & PET CO

Form 4

December 30, 2013

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* Reed Michael A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

Issuer

CENTRAL GARDEN & PET CO [CENT]

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X\_ Officer (give title

Director

10% Owner Other (specify

**1340 TREAT** 

(City)

**BOULEVARD, SUITE 600** 

(Month/Day/Year)

12/27/2013

below) **Executive Vice President** 

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

(Street)

(State)

(City)	(State) (.	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned							
1.Title of		ction Date 2A. Deemed		4. Securities Acquired		5. Amount of	6. Ownership		
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	· ·	Transaction(A) or Disposed of			d of	Securities Beneficially	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	· /			Owned	(D) or Indirect (I)	Beneficial Ownership
		(Wollanday/Tear)	(msu. o)				Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
				(4)		Reported	,		
					(A) or		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount		Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Class A									
Common	12/27/2013		A(1)	9,643	A	\$0	72,362	D	
Stock									
Class A									
Common	12/27/2013		F(2)	2 550	D	\$	69,812	D	
Stock	12/2//2013		1	2,330	D	6.74	07,012	Ъ	
DIOCK									

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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
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactionNumb		Expiration Date		Amou	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	Secui
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivativ	e		Securi	ities	(Instr. 5)	Bene
	Derivative				Securities	3		(Instr.	3 and 4)		Own
	Security				Acquired						Follo
	•				(A) or						Repo
					Disposed						Trans
					of (D)						(Instr
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
						Date	Expiration	m: .1	or		
						Exercisable	Date	Title	Number		
				~					of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Reed Michael A 1340 TREAT BOULEVARD SUITE 600 WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597

**Executive Vice President** 

### **Signatures**

/s/ JoAnn Jonte as Attorney-in-Fact for Michael A. Reed

12/30/2013

\*\*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 of Class A Common Stock acquired pursuant to the Issuer's FY2013 Bonus program.
- (2) Shares of Class A Common Stock delivered by the Reporting Person in payment of the withholding tax liability. The amount of shares of Class A Common Stock withheld is based on the closing price of CENTA on December 27, 2013.

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