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Central Garden & Pet Announces Executive Appointment

Walnut Creek, Calif., September 13, 2017 – Central Garden & Pet Company (NASDAQ:CENT) (NASDAQ:CENTA), a leading innovator, marketer and producer of quality branded products for the lawn and garden and pet supplies markets, today announced the appointment of Trevor Thorley as Senior Vice President & General Manager of its Professional Brands business unit.

Thorley most recently worked at Eurodrip USA as the Chief Executive Officer & Global Executive Team member. Formerly he held positions at Engage Agro USA LLC as President & joint owner, AMVAC Chemical as Chief Operating Officer & Executive Vice President, Sumitomo Chemical as Executive Officer and Crop Protection General Manager for the Americas region, and various roles of increasing responsibility with Bayer Corporation's Agriculture Division. He holds an Upper Second Class Honors Degree in Crop Science, Agriculture from Newcastle University in England and conducted post graduate research and development trials in Agriculture at Wye College, London University in England.

Thorley will report to Kay Schwichtenberg, Executive Vice President of Public & Animal Health. Schwichtenberg commented, "Trevor has a wealth of experience in the professional products market, driving innovation through to commercial success, both in creating alliances as well as marketing branded products. We are thrilled to have him join the Central team."

About Central Garden & Pet

Central Garden & Pet Company is a leading innovator, marketer and producer of quality branded products for the lawn & garden and pet supplies markets. Committed to new product innovation, our products are sold to specialty independent and mass retailers. Participating categories in Lawn & Garden include: Grass seed and the brands PENNINGTON®, and THE REBELS®; wild bird feed and the brand PENNINGTON®; weed and insect control and the brands AMDRO®, SEVIN®, IRONITE® and OVER-N-OUT®; and decorative outdoor patio products under the PENNINGTON® brand. We also provide a host of other regional and application-specific garden brands and supplies. Participating categories in Pet include: Animal health and the brands ADAMS™ and ZODIAC®; aquatics and reptile and the brands AQUEON®, CORALIFE®, SEGREST and ZILLA®; bird & small animal and the brands KAYTEE®, Forti-Diet® and CRITTER TRAIL®; dog & cat and the brands TFH™, NYLABONE®, FOUR PAWS®, IMS™, CADET®, DMCTM, K&H Pet Products®, PINNACLE® and AVODERM®; and equine and the brands FARNAM®, HORSE HEALTH™ and VITAFLEX®. We also provide a host of other application-specific pet brands and supplies. Central Garden & Pet Company is based in Walnut Creek, California, and has approximately 4,100 employees, primarily in North America. For additional information on Central Garden & Pet Company, including access to the Company's SEC filings, please visit the Company's website at www.central.com.

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