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Central Garden & Pet to Present at CIBC Consumer Growth Conference on July 12, 2005

WALNUT CREEK, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--July 8, 2005--Central Garden & Pet Company (Nasdaq:CENT) announced today that Glenn Novotny, Central's President and Chief Executive Officer, will present to investors at the CIBC World Markets Fifth Annual Consumer Growth Conference in Boston on July 12, 2005. A webcast of the presentation can be accessed live at 8:50 a.m. Eastern Time on Tuesday, July 12, and by archive for 30 days, via the following URL.

<http://www.veracast.com/webcasts/cibcwm/consumer05/21103328.cfm>

Central Garden & Pet Company is a leading innovator, marketer and producer of quality branded products for the pet and lawn and garden supplies markets. Our pet products include pet bird and small animal food, aquarium products, flea, tick, mosquito and other pest control products, edible bones, cages, carriers, pet books, and other dog, cat, reptile and small animal products. These products are sold under a number of brand names, including Kaytee, Super Pet, All-Glass Aquarium, Oceanic, Kent Marine, Energy Savers Unlimited, Zodiac, Pre-Strike, Altosid, Nylabone, TFH, Four Paws and Interpet. Our lawn and garden products include grass seed, wild bird food, weed and insect control products, decorative outdoor patio products and ant control products. These products are sold under a number of brand names, including Pennington, Norcal Pottery, New England Pottery, GKI/Bethlehem Lighting, Lilly Miller, Matthews Four Seasons, AMDRO, Grant's, Sevin, Over'n Out and Cedar Works. For additional information on Central Garden & Pet, including access to the Company's SEC filings, please visit the Company's website at <http://www.centralgardenandpet.com/>.

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