

**AMENDMENT TO  
PLAN SUMMARY AND PROSPECTUS  
THE DAVEY TREE EXPERT COMPANY  
2014 OMNIBUS STOCK PLAN**

This Amendment (this “Amendment”) to Plan Summary and Prospectus (as amended, the “Plan Prospectus”) relates to the Common Shares, \$1 par value (“Common Shares”), of The Davey Tree Expert Company (the “Company”) to be issued or delivered to directors and employees under The Davey Tree Expert Company 2014 Omnibus Stock Plan (the “Plan”). You have previously received the initial Plan Prospectus, and amendments to such Prospectus, summarizing the main features of the Plan. This Amendment further updates and amends the Plan Prospectus. The questions and answers that are not included in this Amendment remain as set forth in the initial Plan Prospectus and previous amendments to such Prospectus. Capitalized terms used but not defined in this Amendment have the meanings ascribed to them in the initial Plan Prospectus and previous amendments to the Prospectus.

You should refer to the Plan if you have additional questions. If there is any inconsistency between the information in the Plan Prospectus and the Plan, the Plan provisions will govern. The Plan Prospectus relates to 10,000,000 Common Shares of the Company that have been registered on the Company’s Form S-8 for delivery pursuant to awards granted and Common Shares issued under the Plan.

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The Company’s Common Shares are not listed on an exchange or actively traded on the over-the-counter market.

The date of this Amendment is March 7, 2019.

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<b>This document constitutes part of a prospectus covering securities that have been registered under the Securities Act of 1933.</b>
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**The discussion of Tax Consequences in this Amendment relates to U.S. federal income tax consequences applicable to United States citizens and residents. If you are not a citizen or resident of the United States, you should consult with your own tax adviser as to the tax consequences to you of participation in the Plan.**

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## **DESCRIPTION OF AWARDS**

### ***STOCK APPRECIATION RIGHTS***

Until such time that the Committee determines otherwise, the Committee does not intend to grant any stock appreciation rights under the Plan after March 7, 2019.

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### ***PERFORMANCE RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS***

**30. *When will performance restricted stock units be payable?***

To the extent earned, the performance restricted stock units will be paid when they vest.

## **INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE**

**71. *Where can I get additional information about the Plan or the Company?***

If you write to or call us, we will send you, without charge, any or all of the documents incorporated by reference in this Plan Summary and Prospectus and all other documents that we are required to deliver to you under the Securities and Exchange Commission's Rule 428(b). However, we will generally not send you exhibits to those documents. Requests should be directed to the Company, 1500 North Mantua Street, Kent, Ohio 44240; telephone number 330-673-9511.

We annually send to our shareholders our annual report to shareholders and a proxy statement for our annual meeting. We also, from time to time, send them copies of our news releases and other information and reports. You should be receiving copies of all of our mailings to our shareholders. If you are not receiving such mailings, please notify us, at the address or telephone number noted above, and we will put you on the mailing list. You may also at any time request copies of any of the mailings we have sent to shareholders and we will provide you copies.