

CALAVO GROWERS INC
Form 8-K
May 22, 2012

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): May 18, 2012

CALAVO GROWERS, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

California
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

000-33385
(Commission
File Number)

33-0945304
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

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1141-A Cummings Road, Santa Paula, California 93060

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (805) 525-1245

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

Item 3.01. Notice of Delisting or Failure to Satisfy a Continued Listing Rule or Standard; Transfer of Listing.

As previously disclosed, on May 14, 2012, Calavo Growers, Inc. (the Company) notified The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC (Nasdaq) that Alva Snider, an independent director of the Company, passed away on May 9, 2012. As a result of Mr. Snider's death, the Company's board of directors (the Board) is no longer comprised of a majority of independent directors, as required for continued listing by Nasdaq Listing Rules 5605(b)(1).

On May 16, 2012, the Company received a deficiency letter from Nasdaq acknowledging the failure of the Company to continue to satisfy the aforementioned Nasdaq Listing Rules.

In accordance with Nasdaq Listing Rules 5605(b)(1)(A), the Company has until the earlier of the Company's next annual shareholders' meeting or May 9, 2013 to regain compliance with Nasdaq Listing Rules. The Company currently intends to hold its next annual shareholders' meeting in April 2013.

The Board intends to identify candidates to replace Mr. Snider and appoint a new director who satisfies the independence requirements of the Nasdaq Listing Rules prior to the expiration of the applicable cure period.

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.

Calavo Growers, Inc.

May 18, 2012

By: /s/ Lecil E. Cole
Lecil E. Cole

Chairman of the Board of Directors, Chief Executive Officer and
President

(Principal Executive Officer)