

HARDING MARK A

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
HARDING MARK A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

20333 SOUTH NORMANDIE AVE.

(Street)

TORRANCE, CA 90502

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

FARMER BROTHERS CO [FARM]

 3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)

05/19/2011

 4. If Amendment, Date Original
 Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☐ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

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 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Code V Amount (D) Price		

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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 Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to buy)	\$ 9.63	05/19/2011	A		20,000		<u>(1)</u>	05/19/2018	Common Stock	20,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
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Signatures

/s/ Jeffrey A Wahba,
Attorney-in-Fact

05/23/2011

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) Grant of non-qualified stock option; 100% of the shares issuable under the option becomes exercisable on the first anniversary of the grant date, on May 19, 2012, subject to acceleration provisions of the 2007 Omnibus Plan and stock option agreement.

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