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> _X__ 10% Owner __X__ Other (specify

> > Indirect

Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

if no longer subject to Section 16.

Check this box

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** Form 4 or

Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Grossman Jeanne Farmer

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

FARMER BROTHERS CO [FARM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

X Director

(Last)

(City)

(First)

(State)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 12/08/2016

(Check all applicable)

below)

FARMER BROS. CO., 13601 NORTH FREEWAY, SUITE 200

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Trustee, Beneficiary, Settlor 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Officer (give title

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

FORT WORTH, TX 76177

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

Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

Common

Stock. \$1.00 par

value

12/08/2016

851 $1,206,209 \stackrel{(2)}{=}$ Α

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)

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Nauress	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Grossman Jeanne Farmer FARMER BROS. CO. 13601 NORTH FREEWAY, SUITE 200 FORT WORTH, TX 76177	X	X		Trustee, Beneficiary, Settlor			

Signatures

/s/ Thomas J. Mattei, Jr., Attorney-In-Fact for Jeanne Farmer 12/12/2016 Grossman

> **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).

Grant of restricted stock under the Farmer Bros. Co. Amended and Restated 2007 Long-Term Incentive Plan ("Plan"), granted on (1) December 8, 2016; the restricted stock cliff vests on the first anniversary of the date of grant subject to continued service to Farmer Bros. Co. through the vesting date and the acceleration provisions of the Plan and restricted stock agreement.

Reflects the reporting person's beneficial ownership of shares of Common Stock held in various family trusts of which Ms. Grossman is (2) the sole trustee, co-trustee, beneficiary and/or settlor, as reported in the Company's Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A filed with the SEC on October 27, 2016, after giving effect to the reported transaction.

Remarks:

Ex. 24 Power of Attorney attached.

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