#### KEOWN MICHAEL H

Form 4

September 12, 2018

## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Add KEOWN MIC		ting Person *	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			FARMER BROTHERS CO [FARM]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				
FARMER BR	· ·		(Month/Day/Year) 09/10/2018	X Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) PRESIDENT, CEO			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Ched			
NORTHLAK	E, TX 7626	2	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transactionor Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	09/10/2018		M <u>(1)</u>	23,333	A	\$ 11.81	68,405	D	
Common Stock	09/10/2018		S(1)	23,333	D	\$ 28.032 (2)	45,072	D	
Common Stock, \$1.00 par value							2,710	I	By ESOP

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 (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of onDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 11.81	09/10/2018		M(1)	23,333	<u>(3)</u>	12/07/2019	Common Stock	23,333

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

KEOWN MICHAEL H FARMER BROS. CO. 1912 FARMER BROTHERS DRIVE NORTHLAKE, TX 76262

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PRESIDENT, CEO

## **Signatures**

/s/ Thomas J. Mattei, Jr., Attorney-in-fact for Michael H. Keown

09/12/2018

\*\*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) The transactions reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan previously adopted by the reporting person.
  - Open market sale of shares from 6/11/2018 stock option exercise, with a portion of the proceeds delivered to the issuer for payment of the exercise price of the option. This transaction was executed in multiple trades at price ranging from \$28.00 to \$28.0664, the price reported
- (2) above reflects the weighted average sale price. The Reporting Person hereby undertakes to provide full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transactions were effected upon request to the SEC staff, the Issuer. or a security holder of the Issuer. The Reporting Person continues to meet the Company's stock ownership guidelines.
- (3) The options to purchase shares of common stock of Farmer Bros. Co. are fully vested and immediately exercisable.

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