

FARMER BROTHERS CO

Form 4

February 19, 2015

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
MORTENSEN THOMAS W

(Last) (First) (Middle)

FARMER BROS. CO., 20333 S
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)
02/19/2015

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)

SR VP Route Sales

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock, \$1.00 Par Value	02/19/2015		M ⁽¹⁾	3,000	A \$ 22.7	25,649	D
Common Stock, \$1.00 Par Value	02/19/2015		S	3,000	D \$ 23.9228	22,649	D

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 Derivative Securities (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)		8. 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)	\$ 22.7	02/19/2015		M	3,000	<u>(1)</u>	02/20/2015	Common Stock	3,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MORTENSEN THOMAS W FARMER BROS. CO., 20333 S NORMANDIE AVE TORRANCE, CA 90502			SR VP Route Sales	

Signatures

/s/ Thomas J. Mattei, Jr., Attorney-In-Fact for Thomas W. Mortensen

02/19/2015

__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) Exercise of non-qualified stock option granted on 2/20/2008 under the Farmer Bros. Co. 2007 Omnibus Plan prior to its amendment and restatement in the form of the Farmer Bros. Co. Amended and Restated 2007 Long-Term Incentive Plan. The options vested pursuant to a three year vesting schedule whereby one-third of the total number of shares issuable under the option became exercisable each year on 2/20/2009, 2/20/2010 and 2/20/2011.
- (2) Open market sale of shares from 2/19/2015 stock option exercise, with a portion of the proceeds delivered to the issuer for payment of the exercise price of the options. This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$23.85 to \$24.00; the price reported 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.

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The reporting person continues to meet the Company's stock ownership guidelines.

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