SANDERSON FARMS INC

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LIVINGSTON PHIL K			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SANDERSON FARMS INC [SAFM]				ng	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) 127 FLYNT	` /	(Middle)	3. Date of (Month/D 12/31/20	• •				_X_ Director Officer (give below)	ve title Other (specify below)		
				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-I) erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year	nsaction Date 2A. Deemed h/Day/Year) Execution Date, any (Month/Day/Year)		Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)				5. Amount of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	12/31/2008			A	90	A	\$ 34.56	24,505	D		
Common Stock	12/31/2008			A	22	A	\$ 0 (1)	24,527	D		

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

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1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transacti	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Title Amount		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Tear)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of	(Month/Day/		Underly Securiti (Instr. 3	ying ies	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title N	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
.t	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
LIVINGSTON PHIL K								
127 FLYNT ROAD	X							
LAUREL, MS 39443								

Signatures

/s/ D. Michael Cockrell, Attorney In Fact

01/05/2009

**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) Shares granted by the Issuer pursuant to the matching contribution provisions of the Issuer's Management Share Purchase Plan.

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