SANDERSON FARMS INC

Form 4

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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 Address of Reporting Person * SANDERSON JOE F JR			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SANDERSON FARMS INC [SAFM]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 127 FLYNT ROAD, P.O. BOX 988			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/21/2015					_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) CEO, Chairman of the Board				
LAUREL, M	(Street) AS 39443			ndment, Da nth/Day/Year	_			6. Individual or Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by Form filed by Person		Person		
(City)	(State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Benefic								of, or Beneficia	ally Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Dat (Month/Day/Year)	Execution any	med on Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securition(A) or Di (D) (Instr. 3,	sposed	of of Silver Price	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)			
Common Stock	10/21/2015			A	30,000	A	\$ 0 (1)	787,190	D			
Common Stock								9,808 (2)	I	By spouse.		
Common Stock								96,973 <u>(3)</u>	I	Allocated to Reporting Person's account in Issuer		

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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)

	 Title of 	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	e and	8. Price of	
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transact	ionNumber	Expiration Date		Amount of		Derivative		
	Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	
	(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securi	ties	(Instr. 5)	
		Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		
		Security				Acquired						
		·				(A) or						
						Disposed						
						of (D)						
						(Instr. 3,						
						4, and 5)						
										Amount		
							Date	Expiration		or		
						Exercisable	Date		Number			
									of			
					Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

X

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SANDERSON JOE F JR 127 FLYNT ROAD P.O. BOX 988

CEO, Chairman of the Board

LAUREL, MS 39443

Signatures

/s/ Timothy F. Rigney, Attorney-in-Fact

**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 reported transaction was a grant of restricted stock for no consideration. Thus, there was no price.
- (2) The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.
- (3) Reflects allocations not reported on the Reporting Person's previous ownership report.

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