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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

A Mestayer Suzanne T

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

07/20/2017

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

SANDERSON FARMS INC [SAFM]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

1100 POYDRAS

STREET, Â SUITE 1460

(Street)

(Check all applicable) _X__ Director

(give title below) (specify below)

Officer

10% Owner Other

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

NEW ORLEANS, LAÂ 70163

(City) (State) (Zip)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

Ownership Form:

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

Ownership (Instr. 5) Direct (D)

or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

(Instr. 4)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security

4. Conversion or Exercise Price of

5. Ownership Form of Derivative

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Date Exercisable

Expiration Title Date

Amount or Number of Shares

Derivative Security

Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

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(Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Mestayer Suzanne T

1100 POYDRAS STREET
SUITE 1460
NEW ORLEANS, LAÂ 70163

Signatures

/s/ D. Michael Cockrell, Attorney-in-Fact

07/26/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

No securities are beneficially owned

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).

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Remarks:

Exhibit List:

Exhibit 2 - Confirming Statement (CE)

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