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FORM 4

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

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

SANDERSON FARMS INC

Symbol

[SAFM]

1(b).

RIGNEY TIM

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(Last)	(First) (I		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)			DirectorX Officer (g below)	% Owner her (specify				
127 FLYNT ROAD 10/1			0/18/2017				below) below) Controller/Secretary				
	(Street)			nent, Date Original			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check				
		Filed	l(Month/Day/Year)			Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed b				
LAUREL, N	MS 39443						Form filed by Person	More than One I	Reporting		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-E	erivative :	Secur	ities Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Benefici	ally Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Code	4. Securi onAcquirec Disposec (Instr. 3,	d (A) o	0) 5) 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	10/18/2017		A	650	A	\$ 0 (1)	8,080	D			
Common Stock							2,952.9613	I	Allocated to Reporting Person's Account in Issuer ESOP		
Common Stock							33.0805	I	By 401(k) Plan		

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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)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	9
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	onNumber	Expiration Da	ate	Amou	int of	Derivative	J
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	,
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)]
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		(
	Security				Acquired						J
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					4, and 5)						
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						Date	Expiration	Title	or Number		
						Exercisable	Date	ritte	of		
				Code V	(A) (D)						
				Code v	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

west of O	Relationships
Reporting Owner Name / Address	*

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

RIGNEY TIM 127 FLYNT ROAD LAUREL, MS 39443

Controller/Secretary

Signatures

/s/ Tim Rigney 10/20/2017

**Signature of 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 by the Issuer of restricted stock. Thus, there was no price.

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