

CALAVO GROWERS INC  
Form 8-K  
January 12, 2017

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**  
**PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d)**  
**OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**Date of report: January 9, 2017**

**CALAVO GROWERS, INC.**  
**(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)**

**California**  
**(State or Other Jurisdiction**

**of Incorporation)**

**000-33385**  
**(Commission**

**File Number)**  
**1141-A Cummings Road,**

**33-0945304**  
**(IRS Employer**

**Identification No.)**

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**Santa Paula, California 93060**

**(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)**

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (805) 525-1245**

**(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)**

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

Alan C. Ahmer, age 68, has advised Calavo Growers, Inc., a California corporation ( Calavo ), of his intention to retire as Calavo 's Vice President of Foods Division Sales and Operations effective February 2nd, 2017.

Effective January 12, 2017, Ron Araiza was hired to assume the role of Vice President of Foods Division Sales and Operations. Mr. Araiza has approximately twenty years of experience as a Vice President at Mission Produce and Del Rey Avocado.

**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

January 12, 2017

Calavo Growers, Inc.

By: /s/ Lecil E. Cole

Lecil E. Cole

Chairman of the Board of Directors, Chief Executive  
Officer and President

(Principal Executive Officer)