

FARMER BROTHERS CO

Form 3

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Criteser Patrick G

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3345 SW 97TH AVENUE

(Street)

PORTLAND, CA 97225

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

02/20/2008

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
FARMER BROTHERS CO [FARM]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
☒ Officer ____ Other
 (give title below) (specify below)
 President - CBI

5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned1. Title of Security
(Instr. 4)2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned
(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership Form:
 Direct (D)
 or Indirect (I)
 (Instr. 5)

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

Common Stock

1,000 ⁽¹⁾

D A

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)1. Title of Derivative Security
(Instr. 4)2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date
(Month/Day/Year)

Date Exercisable Expiration Date

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security
(Instr. 4)

Title Amount or Number of

4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security

5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect

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

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Stock Option (to acquire common stock)	Â (2)	02/20/2015	Common stock	Shares 7,500	\$ 20.7	(I) (Instr. 5) D	Â
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Criteser Patrick G 3345 SW 97TH AVENUE PORTLAND,Â CAÂ 97225	Â	Â	Â President - CBI	Â

Signatures

Patrick G.
Criteser

02/25/2008

Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) Grant to reporting person of restricted stock under 2007 Omnibus Plan. Will vest February 20, 2011.
- (2) Stock options vest ratably over three years from grant.

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