

FARMER BROTHERS CO
Form 4
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Waite Carol Farmer

(Last) (First) (Middle)

660 NEWPORT CENTER DRIVE,
SUITE 1600

(Street)

NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

FARMER BROTHERS CO [FARM]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)

05/11/2017

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___X_ 10% Owner
___ Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V Amount (A) or (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 05/11/2017 | | S | 320,706 D \$ 34.7 | 3,512,258 ⁽¹⁾ | I | See footnote ⁽¹⁾ |

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)

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| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6) |
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Waite Carol Farmer 660 NEWPORT CENTER DRIVE, SUITE 1600 NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660 | | X | | |

Signatures

/s/ Ryan C. Wilkins, as Attorney-In-Fact, for Carol Farmer Waite 05/15/2017

__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).
Represents common stock held by a number of family trusts for which the reporting person is a trustee or co-trustee and has sole or shared voting and dispositive power over the shares. The shares held by such trusts are beneficially owned by the reporting person to the extent of her proportionate interest in such trusts. At the option of the reporting person, the entire amount of the trusts' interests in the shares is being reported. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares except to the extent of her pecuniary interest therein.

Remarks:

Exhibit List: Exhibit 24.1 Power of Attorney

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