CALAVO GROWERS INC Form 8-K December 19, 2016

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 (date of earliest event reported): December 14, 2016

CALAVO GROWERS, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

California (State or Other

000-33385 (Commission File Number) **33-0945304** (IRS Employer

Jurisdiction of

Identification No.)

Incorporation)

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1141-A Cummings Road, Santa Paula, California 93060

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

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

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

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)

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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.

Effective January 6th, 2017, Kenneth J. Catchot will resign as President and Chief Operating Officer of Calavo Growers, Inc. (Calavo) and assume a senior management position with FreshRealm, LLC (FreshRealm), in which Calavo holds a 46% ownership interest. FreshRealm is a California-based company that provides an online marketplace and home delivery system offering consumers an assortment of premium meal choices.

Following Mr. Catchot s resignation, Lecil E. Cole will serve as Calavo s President in addition to continuing to serve as Calavo s Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board of Directors.

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.

December 19, 2016

Calavo Growers, Inc.

By: /s/ Lecil E. Cole Lecil E. Cole

Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

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