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| FORM  |                                   |  |   |   |             | OMB APPROVAL |                |   |  |                        |  |
|   |                                   | SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE (<br>Washington, D.C. 20549  |   |   |             | COMMISSION   | OMB<br>Number: | 3235-0287   |  |                        |  |
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| subject to<br>Section 16.<br>Form 4 or                              |                                   |  | F CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP (<br>SECURITIES                 |   |             |              |                |   | Estimated average<br>burden hours per<br>response 0.                 |                        |  |
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| (Print or Type R  | lesponses)                        |  |   |   |             |              |                |   |  |                        |  |
| Bierbusse John Symbol<br>SAND                                       |                                   |  | Symbol  |   |             |              |                | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  |  |                        |  |
|   |                                   |  | SANDERSON FARMS INC<br>[SAFM]                                     |   |             |              |                | (Check all applicable)  |  |                        |  |
| 127 FLYNT ROAD         (Month/)           (Street)         4. If Am |                                   |  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction<br>(Month/Day/Year)<br>08/26/2016 |   |             |              |                | X_ Director10% Owner<br>Officer (give titleOther (specify<br>below) below)  |  |                        |  |
|   |                                   |  | 4. If Amer  | mendment, Date Original<br>Month/Day/Year)  |             |              |                | <ul> <li>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check</li> <li>Applicable Line)</li> <li>_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person</li> </ul> |  |                        |  |
| LAUREL, M   | <b>IS</b> 39443                   |  |   |   |             |              |                | _X_ Form filed by<br>Form filed by 1<br>Person  |  |                        |  |
| (City)  | (State)                           | (Zip)  | Table   | e I - Non-Do  | erivative S | Securi       | ties Ac        | quired, Disposed o  | f, or Beneficia  | lly Owned              |  |
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)                                | 2. Transaction I<br>(Month/Day/Ye | any  |   | 3.4. SecuritiesTransactionAcquired (A) orCodeDisposed of (D)(Instr. 8)(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |             |              |                | Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned   | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | Indirect<br>Beneficial |  |
|   |                                   |  |   | Code V  | Amount      | or           | Price          | (Instr. 3 and 4)  |  |                        |  |
| Common<br>Stock   | 08/26/2016                        |  |   | S   | 750         | D            | \$ 97          | 14,296  | D  |                        |  |
| Reminder: Rep   | ort on a separate li              | ine for each c   | lass of secur   | ities benefi  | cially own  | ed dire      | ectly 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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transactic<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5.<br>orNumber<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, |                     | ate                | Amou<br>Unde<br>Secur | le and<br>unt of<br>rlying<br>ities<br>. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Nu<br>Deriv<br>Secu<br>Bene<br>Owne<br>Follo<br>Repo<br>Trans<br>(Instr |
|---|---|---|---|--|--|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|---|---|--|
|   |   |   |   | Code V                                 | 4, and 5)<br>(A) (D)   | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title                 | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares            |   |  |

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## **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address               | Relationships |           |         |       |  |  |  |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| 1  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |  |  |  |
| Bierbusse John                               |               |           |         |       |  |  |  |
| 127 FLYNT ROAD                               | Х             |           |         |       |  |  |  |
| LAUREL, MS 39443                             |               |           |         |       |  |  |  |
| Signatures                                   |               |           |         |       |  |  |  |
| /s/ D. Michael Cockrell,<br>Attorney-in-Fact | 08/29/2016    |           |         |       |  |  |  |
| **Signature of Reporting Person              |               | Da        | te      |       |  |  |  |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v). \*

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