

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>MORTENSEN THOMAS W</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>20333 S. NORMANDIE AVE.</u> (Street) <u>TORRANCE CA 90502</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <u>03/28/2012</u>	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>FARMER BROTHERS CO [FARM]</u> 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <div>Director 10% Owner</div> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)</div> <div><u>SR. VICE PRES.OF ROUTE SALES</u></div>	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person</div> <div>Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</div>
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned			
1. 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 par value	1,308	D	
Common Stock \$1 par value	6,948 ⁽¹⁾	I	Held in Employee Stock Ownership Plan.
Common Stock \$1 par value	465 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock \$1 par value	465 ⁽³⁾	D	
Common Stock \$1 par value	1,070 ⁽⁴⁾	D	

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)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
Stock Option (right to buy)	(5)	02/20/2015	Common Stock	3,000	22.7	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	(6)	12/11/2015	Common Stock	3,000	21.76	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	(7)	12/10/2016	Common Stock	3,035	18.41	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	(8)	12/09/2017	Common Stock	3,035	18.03	D	
Stock Option (right tobuy)	(9)	12/08/2018	Common Stock	3,035	7.32	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Shares that have been allocated to the reporting person as of the date of this filing pursuant to the Employee Stock Ownership Plan.

2. Restricted stock granted to reporting person on December 10, 2009 under the 2007 Omnibus Plan; 100% of the shares will vest on December 10, 2012, subject to acceleration provisions of the 2007 Omnibus Plan and restricted stock agreement.

3. Restricted stock granted to reporting person on December 9, 2010 under the 2007 Omnibus Plan; 100% of the shares will vest on December 9, 2013, subject to acceleration provisions of the 2007 Omnibus Plan and restricted stock agreement.

4. Restricted stock granted to reporting person on December 8, 2011 under the 2007 Omnibus Plan; 100% of the shares will vest on December 8, 2014, subject to acceleration provisions of the 2007 Omnibus Plan and restricted stock agreement.

5. Non-qualified stock option granted to reporting person on February 20, 2008, which stock option vested fully on February 20, 2011. 100% of the shares are vested and exercisable as of the date of this filing.

6. Non-qualified stock option granted to reporting person on December 11, 2008, which stock option vested fully on December 11, 2011. 100% of the shares are vested and exercisable as of the date of this filing.

7. Non-qualified stock option granted to reporting person on December 10, 2009. The stock option vests pursuant to a three year vesting schedule, whereby one-third of the total number of shares issuable under the option becomes exercisable each year on the anniversary of the grant date, commencing on December 10, 2009, subject to the acceleration provisions of the 2007 Omnibus Plan and stock option agreement. As of the date of this filing, 2,023 shares are vested and exercisable.

8. Non-qualified stock option granted to reporting person on December 9, 2010. The stock option vests pursuant to a three year vesting schedule, whereby one-third of the total number of shares issuable under the option becomes exercisable each year on the anniversary of the grant date, commencing on December 9, 2010, subject to the acceleration provisions of the 2007 Omnibus Plan and stock option agreement. As of the date of this filing, 1,011 shares are vested and exercisable.

9. Non-qualified stock option granted to reporting person on December 8, 2011. The stock option vests pursuant to a three year vesting schedule, whereby one-third of the total number of shares issuable under the option becomes exercisable each year on the anniversary of the grant date, commencing on December 8, 2011, subject to the acceleration provisions of the 2007 Omnibus Plan and stock option agreement. As of the date of this filing, none of the shares is vested and exercisable.

Remarks:

Exhibit 24. Power of Attorney attached.

/s/ Larry B. Garrett, Attorney-In-Fact
** Signature of Reporting Person

04/03/2012
Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* 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).

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LIMITED POWER OF ATTORNEY
FOR SECTION 16 REPORTING OBLIGATIONS

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby makes, constitutes and appoints each of Jeffrey A. Wahba and Larry B. Garrett, each acting individually (1) prepare, execute, acknowledge, deliver and file Forms 3, 4, and 5 (including any amendments thereto) with respect to the securities of Farmer Bros. (2) seek or obtain, as the undersigned's representative and on the undersigned's behalf, information on transactions in the Company's securities from any (3) perform any and all other acts which in the discretion of such attorney-in-fact are necessary or desirable for and on behalf of the undersigned in connection with the Company's securities. The undersigned acknowledges that: (1) this Power of Attorney authorizes, but does not require, each such attorney-in-fact to act in their discretion on information provided to such attorney-in-fact; (2) any documents prepared and/or executed by either such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Limited Power of Attorney will be deemed to be the acts of the undersigned; (3) neither the Company nor either of such attorneys-in-fact assumes (i) any liability for the undersigned's responsibility to comply with the requirements of the Exchange Act; (4) this Limited Power of Attorney does not relieve the undersigned from responsibility for compliance with the undersigned's obligations under the Exchange Act. The undersigned hereby gives and grants each of the foregoing attorneys-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform all and every act and thing whatsoever that may be required or necessary to carry out the undersigned's duties and obligations under the Exchange Act. This Limited Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to each such attorney-in-fact. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Limited Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 30th day of March, 2012.

Thomas W. Mortensen
Print Name of Reporting Person or Entity

/s/ Thomas W. Mortensen
Signature