## 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): September 27, 2018

#### Farmer Bros. Co.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-34249

(Commission File Number)

95-0725980

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1912 Farmer Brothers Drive, Northlake, Texas 76262

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

888-998-2468

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

None

(Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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)
[ ] Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
[ ] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
[] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the scurities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter). Emerging growth company
If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting andards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.
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#### Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

As of September 27, 2018, representatives of Farmer Bros. Co., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), will begin making presentations using slides containing the information attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 (the "Investor Presentation"). The Company expects to use the Investor Presentation, including on the Company's website, in whole or in part, and possibly with modifications, in connection with presentations to investors, analysts and others. The information contained in the Investor Presentation is summary information that is intended to be considered in the context of the Company's Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") filings and other public announcements that the Company may make, by press release or otherwise, from time to time. The Company undertakes no duty or obligation to publicly update or revise the information contained in the Investor Presentation, although it may do so from time to time as its management believes is warranted. Any such updating may be made through the filing of other reports or documents with the SEC, through press releases or through other public disclosure.

By filing this report on Form 8-K and furnishing this information, the Company makes no admission as to the materiality of any information in this report that is required to be disclosed solely by reason of Regulation FD.

As provided in General Instruction B.2. of Form 8-K, the information included in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1, is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section, shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document filed pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing. In addition, the exhibit furnished herewith contains statements intended as "forward-looking statements" that are subject to the cautionary statements about forward-looking statements set forth in such exhibit.

Use of Company Website to Distribute Material Company Information

The Company's website address is www.farmerbros.com. The Company uses its website as a channel of distribution of important company information. Important information, including press releases and financial information regarding the Company, is routinely posted on and accessible on the Investor Relations subpage of the Company's website, which is accessible by clicking on "Investor Relations" on the website home page. The Company also uses its website to expedite public access to time-critical information regarding the Company in advance of or in lieu of distributing a press release or a filing with the SEC disclosing the same information. Therefore, investors should look to the Investor Relations subpage of the Company's website for important and time-critical information. Visitors to the Company's website can also register to receive automatic e-mail notifications alerting them to new information made available on the Investor Relations subpage of the Company's website.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Invector Presentation Slideshow in use beginning Sentember 27, 2018

#### 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 a	authorized.
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Dated: September 27, 2018

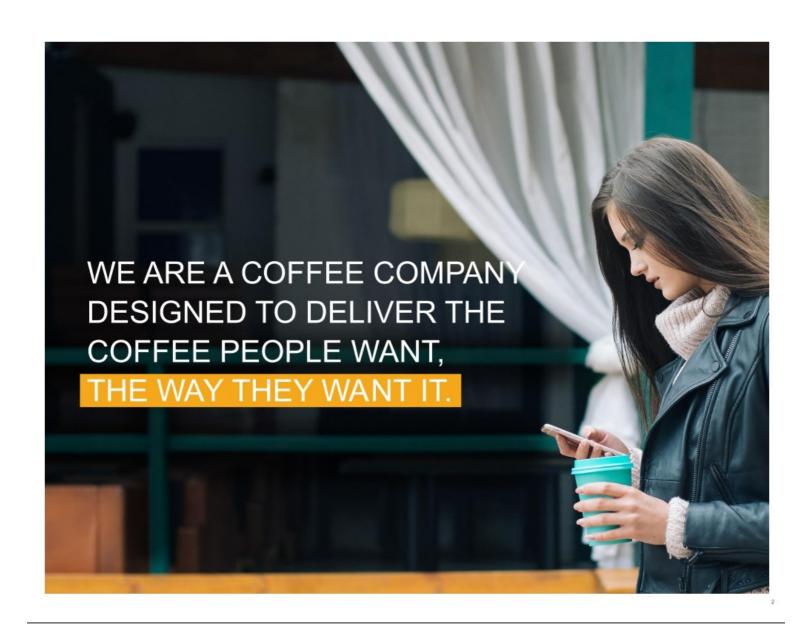
FARMER BROS. CO.

By: /s/ David G. Robson

David G. Robson

Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer





We have transformed from a 100-year-old coffee company to a growing and profitable forward-thinking industry leader, championing coffee culture.

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	2015'	20181.2	CAGR <sup>3</sup>
COFFEE VOLUME (In Pounds)	87,685,000	107,429,000	7.0%
NET SALES (In Millions)	\$545.9	\$606.5	3.6%
ADJUSTED EBITDA <sup>4,5</sup> (In Millions)	\$30.9	\$47.6	15.5%
STOCK PRICE®	\$23.50	\$30.55	9.1%

- NOTES

  1. Fiscal year ending June 30.
  2. Includes Boyd's, newly acquired in fiscal 2018.
  3. Represents the compound annual growth rate over the entire period from June 30, 2015 to June 30, 2018.
  4. Adjusted EBITDA is a non-GAAP financial measure and is unaudited; a reconciliation of this non-GAAP measure to its corresponding GAAP measure is included in the appendix.
  5. Prior year financial information has been retrospectively adjusted to reflect the impact of certain changes in accounting principles and corrections to previously issued financial statements.
  6. As of the last business day of the respective fiscal year.

#### INVESTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

#### MARKET OPPORTUNITY

A significant opportunity to expand market share in the \$76B coffee industry growing at 3-5% annually

#### INDUSTRY LEADERSHIP

Purposeful leadership in sustainability, ethical sourcing and waste elimination creates superior customer offerings

## COMPREHENSIVE CAPABILITIES

A business model designed to effectively and efficiently deliver across all stages of the coffee business

#### CAPACITY TO GROW

Recent SQF certification, and focus on leveraging investment in state-of-theart Northlake facility, create significant opportunities for customer acquisition and sustainable long-term growth

#### STRONG CASH FLOW

Balancing top-line growth with increased operating leverage generates strong free cash flow

#### DSD NETWORK

DSD sales channel better positions the company to capture national accounts and reduce customer churn

#### BOYD'S INTEGRATION

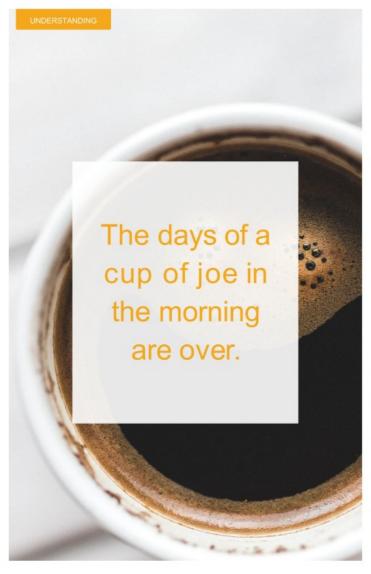
Boyd's integration on track to deliver forecasted synergies

#### M&A GROWTH

Well-positioned to pursue growth through additional opportunistic M&A

NOTE Please see appendix for sources.

## UNDERSTANDING THE BUSINESS OF COFFEE





# COFFEE IS A DYNAMIC CATEGORY DRIVEN BY INNOVATION AND CHANGING CONSUMER DEMANDS.



#### **VOLUME**

A \$76B industry with an annual growth rate of 3-5%.



#### QUALITY

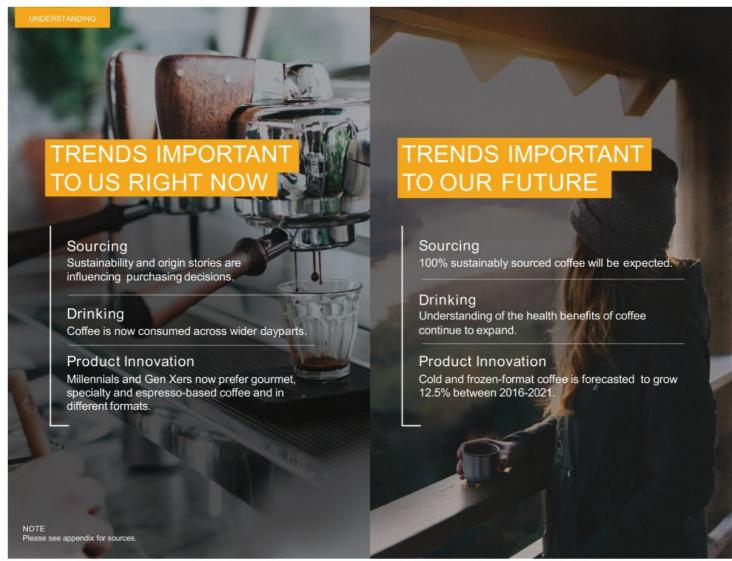
Specialty coffee currently accounts for 25% of the market. It is growing and commands a highest price point.



#### INNOVATION

Product, technology and experience innovation are driving consumption. Cold Brew and Nitro didn't exist in a meaningful way just three years ago.

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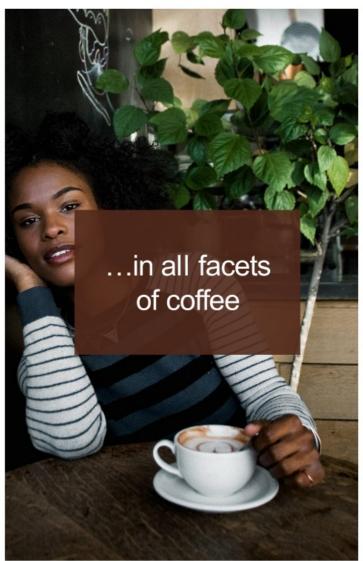


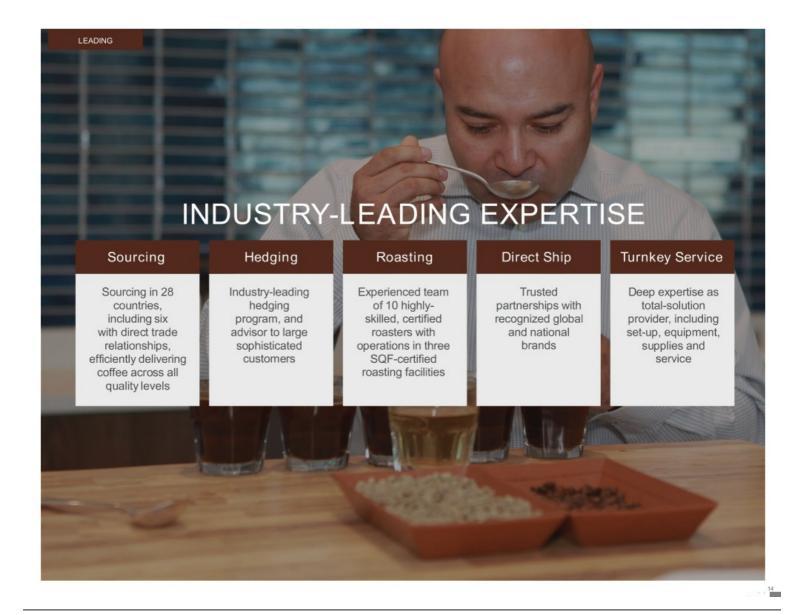




## LEADING IN THE BUSINESS OF COFFEE









#### Industry

Founding member of World Coffee Research

#### **Ethical Sourcing**

Longstanding direct trade relationships and innovative partnerships

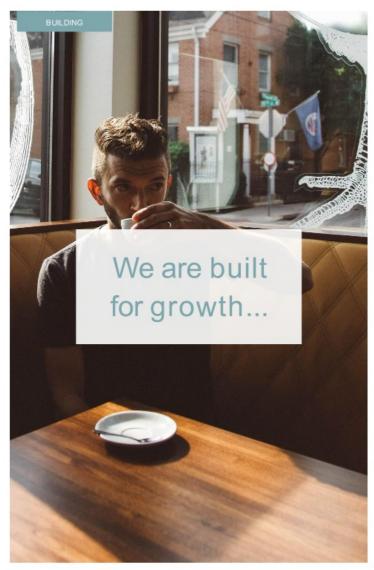
#### Sustainability

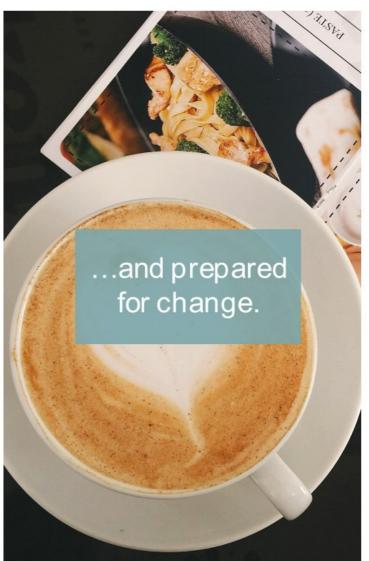
Award-winning sustainability program with science-based reduction goals

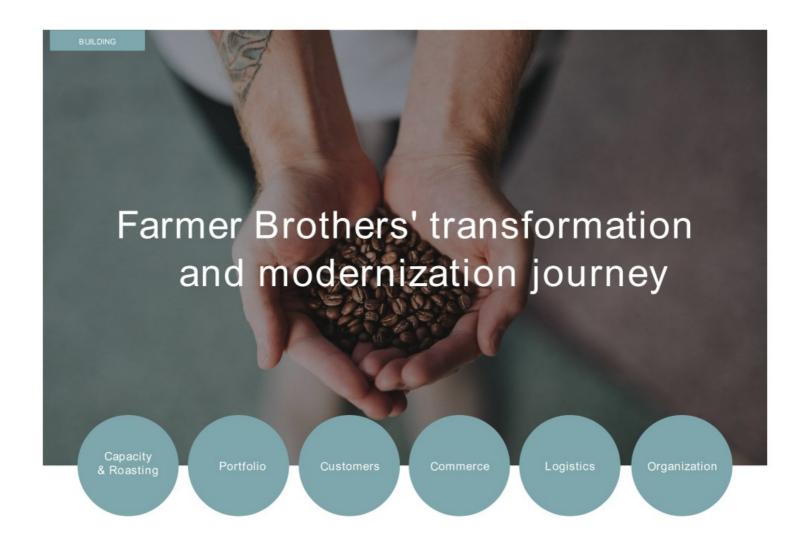
#### Eliminating Waste

Driving towards zerowaste status in roasting and distribution facilities

## BUILDING IN THE BUSINESS OF COFFEE









Three facilities with limited ability to meet the changing needs of coffee consumers

#### NOW

Three facilities, including our new flagship Safe Quality Food Certified, Zero-Waste facility, with total potential capacity across the system of 200+ million lbs. of coffee per year

#### **NEXT**

Ramp up production at flagship plant beginning FY2019



Primarily traditional coffee products with limited premium products

#### NOW

Full and focused portfolio with growth in premium and specialty categories along with a presence in select adjacent beverage categories

#### **NEXT**

Greater traction for premium and specialty brands and high-growth innovative segments



Customer profile heavily weighted towards offices, truck stops and restaurants demanding traditional quality coffee

#### NOW

Profitable legacy customers demanding premium coffee

Partnerships with sophisticated global and national brands

#### **NEXT**

Deliver increased ROI and profitability through winning large customer accounts and opportunistic M&A



Legacy local sales network with limited focus on national relationships

#### NOW

Realign professional, national account sales operation

#### **NEXT**

Drive sales growth through E-commerce and third-party distributors

Modernize DSD sales capabilities



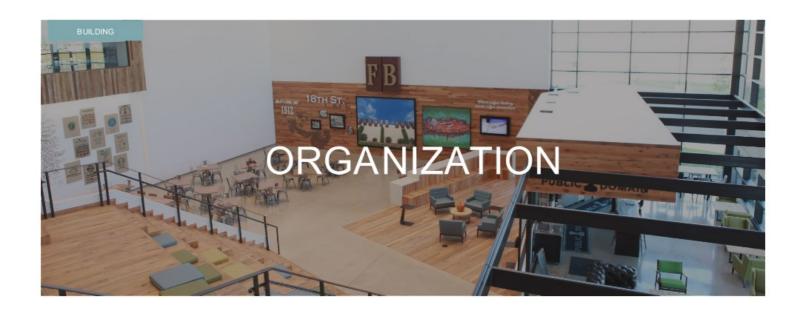
Owned fleet of long-haul and delivery trucks moving product along the network one step at a time

#### NOW

Outsourced long-haul to 3PL and implemented fleet management for a more efficient distribution network

#### **NEXT**

Deliver efficiency through technology



Legacy management steeped in traditional coffee business

#### NOW

Experienced senior leadership team

In-house sustainability and M&A expertise

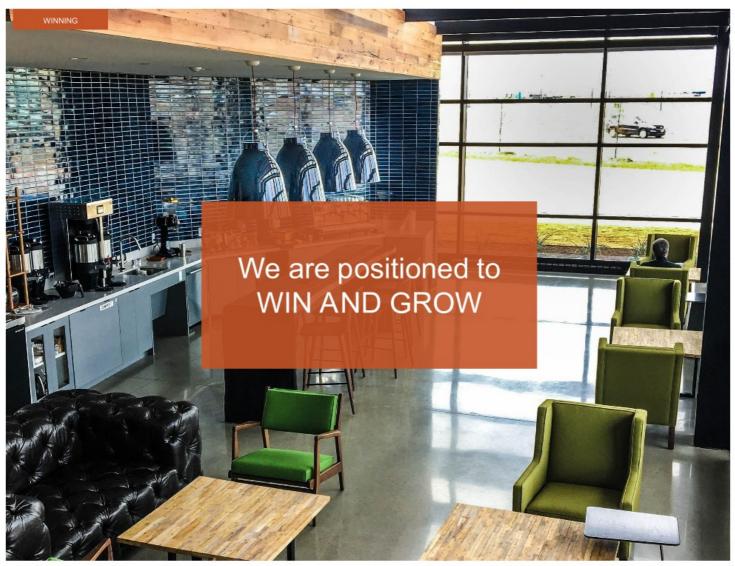
Infused culture with vibrant talent resulting from move of headquarters

#### **NEXT**

Optimize M&A integration capabilities across all functional teams

Elevate E-commerce talent

## WINNING IN THE BUSINESS OF COFFEE





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## CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES AND CORRECTIONS TO PREVIOUSLY ISSUED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

#### ADJUSTED EBITDA1

	YEAR ENDED JUNE 30				
(in thousands)	2015	2016	2017		2018 <sup>2</sup>
Retrospectively Adjusted	\$30,908	\$31,017	\$42,985	As Reported	\$47,562
As Previously Reported	\$41,268	\$41,386	\$45,973		NA
Difference	(\$10,360)	(\$10,369)	(\$2,988)		NA

Prior year periods have been retrospectively adjusted in our FY2018 Form 10-K to reflect the impact of the following changes in accounting principles and corrections to previously issued financial statements:

- Change in Method of Accounting from LIFO to FIFO We changed our method of accounting for our coffee, tea and culinary products from the LIFO basis to the FIFO basis
- Change in Accounting Principle for Freight and Warehousing Costs -We implemented a change in accounting principle for freight costs
  incurred to transfer goods from a distribution center to a branch warehouse and warehousing overhead costs incurred to store and ready good
  prior to their sale, from expensing such costs as incurred within selling expenses to capitalizing such costs as inventory and expensing through
  cost of goods sold.
- Reclassification and Capitalization of Allied Freight, Overhead Variances and Purchase Price Variances -We made certain corrections
  to our consolidated financial statements to reclassify and capitalize to inventory allied freight previously expensed as incurred in selling
  expenses, and to capitalize to inventory overhead variances and purchase price variances associated with allied product lines previously
  expensed as incurred in cost of goods sold.

1 Adjusted EBITDA is a non-GAAP financial measure and is unaudited; a reconciliation of this non-GAAP measure to its corresponding GAAP measure is included in the appendix. 2 Includes Boyd's, newly acquired in fiscal 2018

YEAR ENDED

## CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES AND CORRECTIONS TO PREVIOUSLY ISSUED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

#### **GROSS MARGIN**

		JUNE 30			
GROSS MARGIN (in thousands)	2015	2016	2017		2018
Retrospectively Adjusted	29.2%	31.4%	34.5%	As Reported	34.1%
As Previously Reported	36.1%	38.3%	39.5%		NA
Difference	-6.9%	-6.9%	-5.0%		NA
Capitalization Impact	-1.9%	-1.9%	-0.6%		NA
Reclassification Impact	-5.0%	-4.9%	-4.4%		NA
Difference	-6.9%	-6.9%	-5.0%		NA

- The changes in accounting principles and corrections to previously issued financial statements reduced gross margin on average by 630 bps over fiscal years 2015 to 2017
- The reclassification impact for freight costs incurred to transfer goods from a distribution center to a branch warehouse and warehousing overhead costs incurred to store and ready goods prior to their sale and the reclassification of allied freight averaged 480bps over fiscal years 2015 to 2017
- · The capitalization impact for all changes and corrections averaged 150bps over fiscal years 2015 to 2017

VEAR ENDED

## CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES AND CORRECTIONS TO PREVIOUSLY ISSUED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

#### **OPERATING EXPENSE**

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30					JUNE 30
OPERATING EXPENSE (in thousands)	2015	2016	2017		2018
Retrospectively Adjusted	\$166,705	\$173,358	\$147,700	As Reported	\$205,919
As Previously Reported	\$193,752	\$200,296	\$171,569		NA
Difference	(\$27,047)	(\$26,938)	(\$23,869)		NA
OPERATING EXPENSE % OF SALES	2015	2016	2017		2018
Retrospectively Adjusted	30.5%	31.8%	27.3%	As Reported	33.9%
As Previously Reported	35.5%	36.8%	31.7%		NA
Difference	-5.0%	-4.9%	-4.4%		NA

The change in accounting principle for freight and warehousing costs and the reclassification of allied freight costs reduced operating expenses between \$23.9M to \$27.0M over fiscal years 2015 to 2017, and 440bps to 500bps, and accordingly reduced gross margin for the reclassification of these expenses as a component of inventory and cost of sales.

YEAR ENDED



	2015 <sup>1</sup>	2016	2017	2018
NET SALES (In Thousands)	\$545,882	\$544,382	\$541,500	\$606,544
GROSS MARGIN <sup>2</sup>	29.2%	31.4%	34.5%	34.1%
ADJUSTED EBITDA <sup>2,3</sup> (In Thousands)	\$30,908	\$31,017	\$42,985	\$47,562
COFFEE VOLUME (Pounds In Thousands)	87,685	90,669	95,499	107,429
COFFEE VOLUME GROWTH	0.8%	3.4%	5.3%	12.5%

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## RECONCILIATION OF ADJUSTED EBITDA TO GAAP

(unaudited)

	YEAR ENDED JUNE 30			
(INTHOUSANDS)	20151	20161	20171	2018
NET (LOSS) INCOME, AS REPORTED	\$(9,708)	\$71,791	\$22,551	\$(18,280)
INCOME TAX EXPENSE (BENEFIT)	402	(72,239)	14,815	17,312
INTEREST EXPENSE	769	425	2,185	3,177
INCOME FROM SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS	(1,251)	(2,204)	(1,853)	(19)
DEPRECIATION AND AMORTIZATION EXPENSE	24,179	20,774	22,970	30,464
ESOP AND SHARE-BASED COMPENSATION EXPENSE	5,691	4,342	3,959	3,822
RESTRUCTURING AND OTHER TRANSITION EXPENSES	10,432	16,533	11,016	662
NET GAIN FROM SALE OF TORRANCE FACILITY	-	-	(37,449)	-
NET GAINS FROM SALE OF SPICE ASSETS		(5,603)	(919)	(770)
NET LOSSES (GAINS) FROM SALES OF OTHER ASSETS	394	(2,802)	(1,210)	(196)
NON-RECURRING 2016 PROXY CONTEST-RELATED EXPENSES	-	•	5,186	-
IMPAIRMENT LOSSES ON INTANGIBLE ASSETS		-		3,820
ACQUISITION AND INTEGRATION COSTS <sup>2</sup>	-	2	1,734	7,570
ADJUSTED EBITDA	\$30,908	\$31,017	\$42.985	\$47,562
ADJUSTED EBITDA MARGIN	5.7%	5.7%	7.9%	7.8%

#### NOTE

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1. Prior year financial information has been retrospectively adjusted to reflect the impact of certain changes in accounting principles and corrections to previously issued financial statements.

2. Beginning in fiscal 2017, we modified the calculation of Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA Margin to exclude acquisition and integration costs. We have not adjusted the historical presentation of Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA Margin because acquisition and integration costs in prior periods were not material to the Company's results of operations.

## SOURCES

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Industry Volume & Growth Technomic AFH Beverage Study 2016 RSE, 2014-2016 CAGR

Specialty Coffee Growth Nielsen XAOC latest 52 weeks WE 1/27/18

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Cold & Frozen Format Growth NCA: National Coffee Drinking Trends 2017; Technomic AFH Beverage Study 2016 RSE, 2014-2016; Doing well by doing good Nielsen 2014

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Market Consolidation
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Accelerates (2017), Rabobank,
available at
http://research.rabobank.com/far/en/se
ctors/beverages/Coffee\_Consolidation
\_Accelerates.html

#### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Certain statements contained in this presentation are not based on historical fact and are forward-looking statements within the meaning of federal securities laws and regulations. These statements are based on management's current expectations, assumptions, estimates and observations of future events and include any statements that do not directly relate to any historical or current fact; actual results may differ materially due in part to the risk factors set forth in our most recent 10-K and 10-Q filings. These forwardlooking statements can be identified by the use of words like "anticipates," "estimates," "projects," "expects," "plans," "believes," "intends," "will," "assumes" and other words of similar meaning. Owing to the uncertainties inherent in forward-looking statements, actual results could differ materially from those set forth in forward-looking statements. We intend these forward-looking statements to speak only at the time of this presentation and do not undertake to update or revise these statements as more information becomes available except as required under federal securities laws and the rules and regulations of the SEC. Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in forward looking statements include, but are not limited to, the success of our corporate relocation plan, the timing and success of our DSD restructuring plan, the Company's success in consummating acquisitions and integrating acquired businesses, the impact of capital improvement projects, the adequacy and availability of capital resources to fund the Company's existing and planned business operations and the Company's capital expenditure requirements, the relative effectiveness of compensation-based employee incentives in causing improvements in Company performance, the capacity to meet the demands of our large national account customers, the extent of execution of plans for the growth of Company business and achievement of financial metrics related to those plans, the ability of the Company to retain and/or attract qualified employees, the success of the Company's adaptation to technology and new commerce channels, the effect of the capital markets as well as other external factors on stockholder value, fluctuations in availability and cost of green coffee, competition, organizational changes, the effectiveness of our hedging strategies in reducing price risk, changes in consumer preferences, our ability to provide sustainability in ways that do not materially impair profitability, changes in the strength of the economy, business conditions in the coffee industry and food industry in general, our continued success in attracting new customers, variances from budgeted sales mix and growth rates, weather and special or unusual events, as well as other risks described in this presentation and other factors described from time to time in our filings with the SEC.

