FORM 4

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Criteser Patrick G						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FARMER BROTHERS CO [ FARM ]									ck all app Direct Office	ctor er (give title	ng Pers	10% O	wner (specify
(Last) (First) (Middle) 20333 SOUTH NORMANDIE AVENUE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/16/2011									belo	below) below) Interim CO-CEO			
(Street) TORRAN (City)			00502 Zip)		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							6. Inc Line) X	Forn Forn	or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable rm filed by One Reporting Person rm filed by More than One Reporting rson				
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
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Common	Stock \$1.00	) par value <sup>(1)</sup>		09/16	/2011		P		6,000 A		A	\$4.99	25,962(2)			D			
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## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Open market purchase
- 2. Includes a total of 2,716 shares (including 551 shares in fiscal 2011) allocated as of the reporting date to the reporting person pursuant to the Employee Stock Ownership Plan.

/s/ Jeffrey A. Wahba, Attorney- 09/20/2011 in-Fact

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person 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 4 (b)(v).
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