SANDERSON FARMS INC Form SC 13G/A January 26, 2007

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SCHEDULE 13G (Rule 13d-102)

Information to be Included in Statements Filed Pursuant to Rule 13d-1(b), (c) and (d) and Amendments Thereto Filed Pursuant to Rule 13d-2.

> SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No. 1)\*

Sanderson Farms, Inc.

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(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock

(Title of Class of Securities)

800013104

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(CUSIP Number)

December 31, 2006

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

[X] Rule 13d-1(b)
[ ] Rule 13d-1(c)
[ ] Rule 13d-1(d)

\* The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of

the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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	Artisan In	nvestment Corporation			
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	Andrew A.	Ziegler	
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	OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	1,890,800	
R		7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER	
		None	

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	Artisan Fu	unds, Inc.			
2	CHECK THE (see Instr		a) [ ]		
	Not Applic	cable			
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4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

	Wisconsin	
		5 SOLE VOTING POWER
NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY		None
		6 SHARED VOTING POWER
	WNED BY EACH	1,197,500
KĽ	EPORTING PERSON WITH	7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
		None
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Item	n 1(a) N	ame of Issuer:
		Sanderson Farms, Inc.
Item	n 1(b) A	ddress of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:
		127 Flynt Road Laurel, Mississippi 39443
Iten	n 2(a) N	ame of Person Filing:
		Artisan Partners Limited Partnership ("Artisan Partners")

Artisan Investment Corporation, the general partner of Artisan Partners ("Artisan Corp.") Andrew A. Ziegler Carlene Murphy Ziegler Artisan Funds, Inc. ("Artisan Funds")

Item 2(b) Address of Principal Business Office:

Artisan Partners, Artisan Corp., Mr. Ziegler, Ms. Ziegler and Artisan Funds are all located at:

875 East Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 800 Milwaukee, WI 53202

Item 2(c) Citizenship:

Artisan Partners is a Delaware limited partnership Artisan Corp. is a Wisconsin corporation Mr. Ziegler and Ms. Ziegler are U.S. citizens Artisan Funds is a Wisconsin Corporation

Item 2(d) Title of Class of Securities:

Common Stock

Item 2(e) CUSIP Number:

800013104

Item 3 Type of Person:

(d) Artisan Funds is an Investment Company under section 8 of the Investment Company Act.

(e) Artisan Partners is an investment adviser registered under section 203 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940; Artisan Corp. is the General Partner of Artisan Partners; Mr. Ziegler and Ms. Ziegler are the principal stockholders of Artisan Corp.

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- Item 4 Ownership (at December 31, 2006):
  - (a) Amount owned "beneficially" within the meaning of rule 13d-3:

2,201,400

(b) Percent of class:

10.9 % (based on 20,110,609 shares outstanding as of December 27, 2006)

- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
  - (i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote: None
  - (ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote:
     1,890,800

- (iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: None
- (iv) shared power to dispose or to direct disposition
   of: 2,201,400
- Item 5 Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class:

Not Applicable

Item 6 Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person:

The shares reported herein have been acquired on behalf of discretionary clients of Artisan Partners; as reported herein, Artisan Partners holds 2,201,400 shares, including 1,197,500 shares on behalf of Artisan Funds. Persons other than Artisan Partners are entitled to receive all dividends from, and proceeds from the sale of, those shares.

Item 7 Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company or Control Person:

Not Applicable

Item 8 Identification and Classification of Members of the Group:

Not Applicable

Item 9 Notice of Dissolution of Group:

Not Applicable

Item 10 Certification:

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

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#### Signature

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: January 26, 2007

ARTISAN INVESTMENT CORPORATION for itself and as general partner of ARTISAN PARTNERS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

By: Lawrence A. Totsky\*

ANDREW A. ZIEGLER Andrew A. Ziegler\* -----CARLENE MURPHY ZIEGLER Carlene Murphy Ziegler\* \_\_\_\_\_ ARTISAN FUNDS, INC. By: Lawrence A. Totsky\* \_\_\_\_\_ \*By: /s/ Lawrence A. Totsky \_\_\_\_\_ Lawrence A. Totsky Chief Financial Officer of Artisan Investment Corporation Attorney-in-Fact for Andrew A. Ziegler Attorney-in-Fact for Carlene Murphy Ziegler Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of Artisan Funds, Inc.

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#### Exhibit Index

- Exhibit 1 Joint Filing Agreement dated as of January 26, 2007 by and among Artisan Partners Limited Partnership, Artisan Investment Corporation, Andrew A. Ziegler, Carlene Murphy Ziegler, and Artisan Funds, Inc.
- Exhibit 2 Power of Attorney of Andrew A. Ziegler dated as of April 2, 2002
- Exhibit 3 Power of Attorney of Carlene M. Ziegler dated as of April 2, 2002

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EXHIBIT 1

#### JOINT FILING AGREEMENT

The undersigned hereby agree to the joint filing of the Schedule 13G to which this Agreement is attached.

Dated: January 26, 2007

ARTISAN INVESTMENT CORPORATION for itself and as general partner of ARTISAN PARTNERS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

By: Lawrence A. Totsky\*

ANDREW A. ZIEGLER Andrew A. Ziegler\* \_\_\_\_\_ CARLENE MURPHY ZIEGLER Carlene Murphy Ziegler\* \_\_\_\_\_ ARTISAN FUNDS, INC. By: Lawrence A. Totsky\* \_\_\_\_\_ \*By: /s/ Lawrence A. Totsky Lawrence A. Totsky Chief Financial Officer of Artisan Investment Corporation Attorney-in-Fact for Andrew A. Ziegler Attorney-in-Fact for Carlene Murphy Ziegler Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of Artisan Funds, Inc.

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EXHIBIT 2

#### POWER OF ATTORNEY

The undersigned, Andrew A. Ziegler, hereby appoints Lawrence A. Totsky, Janet D. Olsen, and Gregory K. Ramirez, and each of them individually, his true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, with full power to execute and file with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority, for and on his behalf in any and all capacities, any and all reports required to be filed pursuant to Section 13 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder, including but not limited to reports on Schedule 13D or 13G, any and all amendments to such reports, with all exhibits, and any other forms or documents as may be necessary in connection with the filing of such reports with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority, granting unto said attorney full power and authority to do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete, as fully as the undersigned might or could do in person.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact and agents.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed this 2/nd/ day of April, 2002.

/s/ Andrew A. Ziegler Andrew A. Ziegler

STATE OF WISCONSIN ) ) SS. COUNTY OFMILWAUKEE )

I, Marie V. Glowacki, a Notary Public in and for the County of Milwaukee, State of Wisconsin, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that Andrew A. Ziegler, who is personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged that he signed and delivered the said instrument as his own free and voluntary act, for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

Given under my hand and notarial seal, this 2 day of April, 2002.

/s/ Marie V. Glowacki ------Notary Public

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EXHIBIT 3

#### POWER OF ATTORNEY

The undersigned, Carlene Murphy Ziegler, hereby appoints Lawrence A. Totsky, Janet D. Olsen, and Gregory K. Ramirez, and each of them individually, her true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, with full power to execute and file with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority, for and on her behalf in any and all capacities, any and all reports required to be filed pursuant to Section 13 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder, including but not limited to reports on Schedule 13D or 13G, any and all amendments to such reports, with all exhibits, and any other forms or documents as may be necessary in connection with the filing of such reports with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority, granting unto said attorney full power and authority to do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete, as fully as the undersigned might or could do in person.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact and agents.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed this 2 day of April, 2002.

/s/ Carlene Murphy Ziegler Carlene Murphy Ziegler

STATE OF WISCONSIN ) ) SS. COUNTY OFMILWAUKEE )

I, Kim R. Ruffert, a Notary Public in and for the County of Milwaukee, State of Wisconsin, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that Carlene Murphy Ziegler, who is personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged that she signed and delivered the said instrument as her own free and voluntary act, for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

Given under my hand and notarial seal, this 2 day of April, 2002.

/s/ Kim R. Ruffert ------Notary Public

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