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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Cooley Toni D			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SANDERSON FARMS INC [SAFM]				ng	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) 127 FLYN	(Mor			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/29/2012				_X_ Director Officer (give below)		Owner er (specify
	(Street)			Amendment, Date Original (Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
LAUREL, MS 39443								Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-D)erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution any	med on Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi or(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	06/29/2012			A	225	A	\$ 45.82	16,269	D	
Common Stock	06/29/2012			A	56	A	\$ 0 (1)	16,325	D	
Common	06/20/2012			E	QQ	D	\$	16 237	D	

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

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06/29/2012

Stock

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Tit	le and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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									of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Cooley Toni D 127 FLYNT ROAD LAUREL, MS 39443	X						

Signatures

/s/ Michael D. Cockrell, Attorney-In-Fact 07/03/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(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).
- (1) Shares granted by the Issuer pursuant to the matching contribution provisions of the Issuer's Management Share Purchase Plan.

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