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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement FARMER BROTHERS CO [FARM] A Criteser Patrick G (Month/Day/Year) 02/20/2008 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 3345 SW 97TH AVENUE (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer Other Person PORTLAND, Â CAÂ 97225 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One President - CBI Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) D Â Common Stock $1,000^{(1)}$ Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of

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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	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	

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Shares (I) (Instr. 5)

Stock Option (to acquire common stock) $\hat{A} \stackrel{(2)}{=} 02/20/2015 \stackrel{Common}{stock} 7,500 $20.7 D <math>\hat{A}$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Criteser Patrick G

3345 SW 97TH AVENUE President - CBI PORTLAND, CAÂ 97225

Signatures

Patrick G. 02/25/2008 Criteser

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) Grant to reporting person of restricted stock under 2007 Omnibus Plan. Will vest February 20, 2011.
- (2) Stock options vest ratably over three years from grant.

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