

KEOWN MICHAEL H
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
KEOWN MICHAEL H

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**FARMER BROS. CO., 1912
FARMER BROTHERS DRIVE**

(Street)

NORTHLAKE, TX 76262

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

FARMER BROTHERS CO [FARM]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

03/09/2018

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

PRESIDENT, CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Common Stock, \$1.00 par value	03/09/2018		M ⁽¹⁾		23,333	A	\$ 11.81
					68,405		
Common Stock, \$1.00 par value	03/09/2018		S ⁽²⁾		23,333	D	\$ 31.6963
					45,072		
Common Stock, \$1.00 par value					2,454	I	
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Open market sale of shares from 3/9/2018 stock option exercise, with a portion of the proceeds delivered to the Issuer for payment of the exercise price of the option. This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$31.50 to \$31.90; the price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price. The Reporting Person hereby undertakes to provide full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transactions were effected upon request to the SEC staff, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer. The Reporting Person continues to meet the Company's stock ownership guidelines.

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