#### SANDERSON WILLIAM R

Form 4 June 23, 2005

### FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** 

obligations may continue. See Instruction

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SANDERSON WILLIAM R			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SANDERSON FARMS INC [SAFM]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) 36 BRIAR	(First) (	(N	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/21/2005					_X_ Director Officer (gibelow)		10% Owner Other (specify	
(Street)  LAUREL, MS 39440			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City) 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	(State)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	(Zip)  2A. Deemed Execution Datany (Month/Day/Y	ate, if (Year)	3.	4. Securition(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	ies Ac sposed	quired 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)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	06/21/2005			S	200	D	\$ 44.08	244,702	D		

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Common Stock	06/21/2005	S	200	D	\$ 44	243,202	D	
Common Stock	06/21/2005	S	100	D	\$ 43.85	243,102	D	
Common Stock	06/21/2005	S	100	D	\$ 43.86	243,002	D	
Common Stock	06/21/2005	S	100	D	\$ 43.94	242,902	D	
Common Stock	06/21/2005	S	800	D	\$ 43.81	242,102	D	
Common Stock	06/21/2005	S	12,749	D	\$ 43.83	229,353	D	
Common Stock	06/21/2005	S	100	D	\$ 43.92	229,253	D	
Common Stock						42,201 (1)	I	As custodian for minor children
Common Stock						28,225 (1)	I	As co-executor for Estate of Joe Frank Sanderson
Common Stock						120,000 (2)	I	By Sanderson INvestments, LP

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

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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 Exercisable and	7. Title and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	orNumber	Expiration Date	Amount of	Derivative	Deriv
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	Derivative				Securities	S	(Instr. 3 and 4)		Own
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					4, and 5)				
				Code V	(A) (D)		Title		

Date Expiration Exercisable Date

Amount or Number of Shares

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SANDERSON WILLIAM R
36 BRIAR CREEK CIRCLE X
LAUREL, MS 39440

**Signatures** 

/s/ William R Sanderson 06/23/2005

\*\*Signature of Reporting Date
Person

# **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) The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.
- (2) The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

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