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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Robson David

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

Security

(Instr. 3)

FARMER BROTHERS CO [FARM]

(Check all applicable)

FARMER BROS. CO., 1912

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 11/12/2018

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title

TREASURER, CFO

below)

Other (specify below)

FARMER BROTHERS DRIVE

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Code

(Instr. 8)

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(Instr. 4)

Person

NORTHLAKE, TX 76262

(City) (Zip) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(State)

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (I)

(Instr. 4)

(A)

Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Reported Transaction(s)

Following

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and

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	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 25.04	11/12/2018		A		17,331		<u>(1)</u>	11/12/2025	Common Stock
Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units (PBRSUs)	\$ 0	11/12/2018		A		5,385		(3)	(3)	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> 10% Owner Officer Other Director

Robson David

FARMER BROS. CO. TREASURER, **CFO**

1912 FARMER BROTHERS DRIVE

NORTHLAKE, TX 76262

Signatures

/s/ Thomas J. Mattei, Jr., Attorney-In-Fact for David G. 11/14/2018 Robson

> **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).
- Grant of non-qualified stock option under the Farmer Bros. Co. 2017 Long-Term Incentive Plan (the "Plan"); the stock option vests pursuant to a three year vesting schedule, whereby one-third of the total number of shares issuable under the option becomes exercisable each year on the anniversary of the grant date, subject to certain continued employment conditions and subject to accelerated vesting in certain circumstances.
- Represents only the stock options granted on the Transaction Date and does not include stock options with different prices and/or vesting **(2)**

Grant of performance-based restricted stock units ("PBRSUs") under the Plan. The target number of PBRSUs is presented in the table. Subject to certain continued employment conditions and subject to accelerated vesting in certain circumstances, the PBRSUs are

scheduled to vest based on achievement of certain financial performance goals for the performance period July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2021. At the end of the three-year performance period, the number of PBRSUs that actually vest will be 0% to 150% of the target amount set forth in Table II, Item 5, depending on the extent to which Farmer Bros. Co. meets or exceeds certain financial performance goals measured over the full three-year performance period.

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