

HARDING MARK A
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

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|---|---------|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * | | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | |
| Â HARDING MARK A | | (Month/Day/Year) | FARMER BROTHERS CO [FARM] | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 08/26/2010 | |
| 20333 SOUTH NORMANDIE AVE. | | | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) |
| (Street) | | | (Check all applicable) | |
| TORRANCE,Â CAÂ 90502 | | | <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person |
| | | | (give title below) (specify below) | <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |
| | | | SR. V.P. OPERATIONS | |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|---------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Common Stock | 300 ⁽¹⁾ | D | Â |
| Common Stock | 300 ⁽²⁾ | D | Â |
| Common Stock | 1,463 ⁽³⁾ | D | Â |
| Common Stock | 1,337 ⁽⁴⁾ | D | Â |

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date <small>(Month/Day/Year)</small> | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) | | |
|---|---|--|--|--|---|---|---|
| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | |
| Stock option (right to buy) | Â <u>(5)</u> | 03/03/2015 | Common Stock | 3,000 | \$ 22.11 | D | Â |
| Stock option (right to buy) | Â <u>(6)</u> | 12/11/2015 | Common Stock | 3,000 | \$ 21.76 | D | Â |
| Stock option (right to buy) | Â <u>(7)</u> | 12/10/2016 | Common Stock | 9,537 | \$ 18.41 | D | Â |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| HARDING MARK A 20333 SOUTH NORMANDIE AVE. TORRANCE,Â CAÂ 90502 | Â | Â | Â SR. V.P. OPERATIONS | Â |

Signatures

/s/ MARK A
HARDING

09/09/2010

**Signature of Reporting
Person

Date

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 of restricted stock under the 2007 Omnibus Plan; 100% of the shares will vest on March 3, 2011, subject to acceleration provisions of the 2007 Omnibus Plan and restricted stock agreement.
- (2) Grant of restricted stock under the 2007 Omnibus Plan; 100% of the shares will vest on December 11, 2011, subject to acceleration provisions of the 2007 Omnibus Plan and restricted stock agreement.
- (3) Grant of restricted stock under the 2007 Omnibus Plan; 100% of the shares will vest on December 10, 2012, subject to acceleration provisions of the 2007 Omnibus Plan and restricted stock agreement.
- (4) Shares that have been allocated to the reporting person as of the reporting date pursuant to the Employee Stock Ownership Plan.
- (5) Grant of non-qualified stock option; the stock option vests pursuant to a three year vesting schedule, whereby one-third of total number of shares issuable under the option becomes exercisable each year on the anniversary of the grant date, commencing on March 3, 2009, subject to acceleration provisions of the 2007 Omnibus Plan and stock option agreement.
- (6) Grant of non-qualified stock option; the stock option vests pursuant to a three year vesting schedule, whereby one-third of total number of shares issuable under the option becomes exercisable each year on the anniversary of the grant date, commencing on December 11, 2009, subject to acceleration provisions of the 2007 Omnibus Plan and stock option agreement.
- (7) Grant of non-qualified stock option; the stock option vests pursuant to a three year vesting schedule, whereby one-third of total number of shares issuable under the option becomes exercisable each year on the anniversary of the grant date, commencing on December 10, 2010, subject to acceleration provisions of the 2007 Omnibus Plan and stock option agreement.

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