#### SANDERSON FARMS INC

Form 4 April 04, 2005

### FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HOGAN BEVERLY W			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SANDERSON FARMS INC [SAFM]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle)  225 NORTH 13TH AVENUE			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/31/2005					_X_ Director10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
	4. If Amendment, Date Original					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check					
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)					Applicable Line)			
LAUREL, N						_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year	med on Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D) 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)  7. Nature of Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
Common Stock	03/31/2005			Code V A	Amount 30	(D)	Price \$ 43.21	3,030	D		
Common Stock	03/31/2005			A	7	A	\$ 0 (1)	3,037	D		

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 Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transacti	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Title Amount		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)		or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(incinal, Day) Teal)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of	(Month/Day/Year) ive ies ed		Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	ying ies	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
					Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title N	Amount or Number of Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address Director 10% Owner Officer Other HOGAN BEVERLY W 225 NORTH 13TH AVENUE X **LAUREL, MS 39440** 

## **Signatures**

/s/ D. Michael Cockrell, Attorney-in-Fact

04/04/2005

\*\*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).
- (1) Shares granted by the Issuer pursuant to the matching contribution provisions of the Issuer's Management Share Purchase Plan.

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