SANDERSON FARMS INC Form 10-Q	
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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20549	N
FORM 10-Q	
(MARK ONE)  QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934	O SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES AND
For the quarterly period ended January 31, 2016	
OR TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO OF 1934	SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT
For the transition period from to Commission file number 1-14977	
Sanderson Farms, Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charte	er)
Mississippi	64-0615843
(State or other jurisdiction of	(I.R.S. Employer
incorporation or organization)	Identification No.)
127 Flynt Road, Laurel, Mississippi	39443
(Address of principal executive offices) (601) 649-4030	(Zip Code)
(Registrant's telephone number, including area co	
(Former name, former address and former fiscal y	ear, if changed since last report.)
Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the precede required to file such reports), and (2) has been sub Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has any, every Interactive Data File required to be sub	has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the ding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was bject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes x No "submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if smitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during od that the registrant was required to submit and post such
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a	large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer or large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting
Large accelerated filer x	Accelerated filer "
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company " shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange

APPLICABLE ONLY TO ISSUERS INVOLVED IN BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDINGS

DURING THE PRECEDING FIVE YEARS:

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has filed all documents and reports required to be filed by Sections 12, 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 subsequent to the distribution of securities under a plan confirmed by a court. Yes "No"

#### APPLICABLE ONLY TO CORPORATE ISSUERS:

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date. Common Stock, \$1 Par Value Per Share: 22,575,071 shares outstanding as of February 19, 2016.

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#### PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements

SANDERSON FARMS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(In thousands, except number of shares)

( a a a	January 31, 2016 (Unaudited)	October 31, 2015 (Note 1)	
Assets		,	
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$155,105	\$196,659	
Accounts receivable, net	119,895	112,924	
Inventories	209,772	198,753	
Refundable income taxes	42,260	16,414	
Deferred income taxes	3,735	4,709	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	35,421	33,331	
Total current assets	566,188	562,790	
Property, plant and equipment	1,341,944	1,318,530	
Less accumulated depreciation	(653,938	(636,196	)
	688,006	682,334	
Other assets	6,224	6,337	
Total assets	\$1,260,418	\$1,251,461	
Liabilities and stockholders' equity			
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$76,069	\$62,816	
Accrued expenses	45,311	88,431	
Current maturities of long-term debt	10,000	10,000	
Total current liabilities	131,380	161,247	
Claims payable	8,100	7,500	
Deferred income taxes and other liabilities	81,768	52,853	
Commitments and contingencies			
Stockholders' equity:			
Preferred Stock:			
Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock, \$100 par value: authorized 500,000			
shares, none issued			
Par value to be determined by the Board of Directors: authorized 4,500,000 shares;			
none issued			
Common Stock, \$1 par value: authorized 100,000,000 shares; issued and outstanding			
shares—22,571,570 and 22,520,875 at January 31, 2016 and October 31, 2015,	22,572	22,521	
respectively			
Paid-in capital	115,230	111,687	
Retained earnings	901,368	895,653	
Total stockholders' equity	1,039,170	1,029,861	
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$1,260,418	\$1,251,461	
See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.			

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# SANDERSON FARMS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (Unaudited) (In thousands, except per share amounts)

( a a,,,,,,	Three Months Ended January 31,		
	2016 2015		
Net sales	\$605,166 \$667,363		
Cost and expenses:			
Cost of sales	555,061 526,201		
Selling, general and administrative	30,294 38,105		
	585,355 564,306		
Operating Income	19,811 103,057		
Other income (expense):			
Interest income	<del></del>		
Interest expense	(431 ) (427 )		
Other	3 34		
	(428 ) (367 )		
Income before income taxes	19,383 102,690		
Income tax expense	8,702 36,187		
Net income	\$10,681 \$66,503		
Earnings per share:			
Basic	\$0.47 \$2.87		
Diluted	\$0.47 \$2.87		
Dividends per share	\$0.22 \$0.22		
See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.			

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# SANDERSON FARMS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Unaudited) (In thousands)

	Three Months Ended January 31,		
	2016	2015	
Operating activities			
Net income	\$10,681	\$66,503	
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization	19,871	16,256	
Non-cash stock compensation	2,722	5,910	
Deferred income taxes	29,735	8,976	
Change in assets and liabilities:			
Accounts receivable, net	(6,971	) 1,282	
Income taxes	(25,846	) 1,980	
Inventories	(11,019	) (22,349	)
Prepaid expenses and other assets	(2,226	)	