

Sprouts Farmers Market, Inc.
Form 4
January 02, 2015

FORM 4

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

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Sanders James Douglas

(Last) (First) (Middle)

11811 N.TATUM BLVD, SUITE
2400

(Street)

PHOENIX, AZ 85028

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

Sprouts Farmers Market, Inc. [SFM]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)

12/31/2014

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)

Chief Executive Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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 Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|---|--|
| Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share | 12/31/2014 | | M | 50,000 A | \$ 1.0864 85,449 | D | |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share | 12/31/2014 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | 50,000 D | \$ 33.45 35,449 ⁽²⁾ | 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 Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Date of Acquisition or Disposition (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 1.0864 | 12/31/2014 | | M | 50,000 | (3) 05/02/2018 | Common stock, par value \$0.001 per share | 50,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |
|--|----------------------------------|
| | Director 10% Owner Officer Other |
| Sanders James Douglas 11811 N.TATUM BLVD SUITE 2400 PHOENIX, AZ 85028 | Chief Executive Officer |

Signatures

/s/ Brandon F. Lombardi, Attorney-in-Fact for James Douglas
Sanders

01/02/2015

**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) The sales reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person.

Consists of 19,911 shares of common stock and 15,538 restricted stock units. Each restricted stock unit represents the right to receive, upon vesting, one share of common stock. These restricted stock units will vest over three years, with one-third vesting on March 4, 2015; one-third vesting on March 4, 2016; and the remaining one-third vesting on March 4, 2017, assuming continued employment through the applicable vest date.

(3)

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All such options are presently exercisable; excludes an additional 1,556,923 outstanding options held by the reporting person at various strike prices.

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