

SANDERSON FARMS INC

Form 8-K

March 01, 2004

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 24, 2004

SANDERSON FARMS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Mississippi

0-16567

64-0615843

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

225 N. 13th Avenue
P.O. Box 988
Laurel, Mississippi

39440

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

(601) 649-4030

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not applicable.

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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The following exhibits are filed with this Current Report:

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| 99.1 | Press release of Sanderson Farms, Inc. dated February 24, 2004 |
| 99.2 | Transcript of conference call held by Sanderson Farms, Inc. on February 24, 2004 |

Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On February 24, 2004, the Registrant issued a press release announcing its earnings for its fiscal quarter ended January 31, 2004. The press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1. Also on February 24, 2004, the Registrant held a conference call to discuss its earnings for its fiscal quarter ended January 31, 2004. A transcript of the conference call is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.2. The information in the press release and transcript is not to be considered filed for purposes of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

SANDERSON FARMS, INC.
(Registrant)

Date: March 1, 2004

By: /s/ D. Michael Cockrell

D. Michael Cockrell
Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer

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