SANDERSON FARMS INC Form SC 13G February 12, 2007

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No.)*

Sanderson Farms, Inc.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock

(Title of Class of Securities)

800013104

(CUSIP Number)

December 31, 2006

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

- x Rule 13d-1(b)
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- o Rule 13d-1(d)

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^{*}The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

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CUSIP No. 800013104 13G Page 2 of 5 Pages Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only) 1. Sheffield Asset Management, L.L.C. 2. Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions) (b) o 3. SEC Use Only 4. Citizenship or Place of Organization Delaware 5. Sole Voting Power 0 Number of Shares 6. Shared Voting Power Beneficially 1,200,650 Owned by Each 7. Sole Dispositive Power Reporting Person With 8. Shared Dispositive Power 1,200,650 9. Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person 1,200,650 10. Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions) O 11. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9) 12. Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)

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Item 1.						
	(a)	Name of Issuer				
		Sanderson Farms				
(b) Address of Issuer s Prince		r s Principal Executive Offices				
		225 N. 13th Ave				
		Laurel, Mississip	opi 39440			
Item 2.						
Item 2.	(a)	Name of Person	Filino			
	(u)		This statement is being filed by Sheffield Asset Management, L.L.C. (SAM), which serves as General Partner			
			of Sheffield Partners, L.P. and Sheffield Institutional Partners, L.P. and Investment Advisor to Sheffield			
		International Partners, Ltd. (collectively, the Funds) with respect to the shares of the Issuer s common stock directly owned by the Funds. The members of SAM are Brian J. Feltzin and Craig C. Albert.				
	(b) Address of Principal Business Office or, if none, Residence					
	(-)	900 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 1100				
		Chicago, Illinois				
	(c) Citizenship					
		Delaware				
	(d)	Title of Class of Securities				
	Common Stock					
(e) CUSIP Number						
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Item 3.	If this statem	ent is filed nursuant t	to §§240.13d-1(b) or 240.13d-2(h) or (c) check whether t	the person filing is a:	
item 5.	(a)	0	Broker or dealer registered un	, , , , ,	1 0	
	(b)	0	Bank as defined in section 3(a			
	(c)	0	Insurance company as defined		*	
	(d)	0			Investment Company Act of 1940	
	(-)		(15 U.S.C 80a-8).			
	(e)	X	An investment adviser in acco	ordance with §240.13d-1	(b)(1)(ii)(E);	
	(f)	0			rdance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);	
	(g)	0			lance with § 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G);	
	(h)	0			e Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12	
	,		U.S.C. 1813);	` ,	•	
	(i)	0	***	d from the definition of a	an investment company under section	
			3(c)(14) of the Investment Co		1 5	
	(j)	0	Group, in accordance with §2		• *	
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Item 4. Ownership

The information in items 1 and 5 through 11 on the cover page (p. 2) of this Schedule 13G is hereby incorporated by reference.

Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following 0.

Not Applicable

Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person

Not Applicable

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on By the Parent

Holding Company

Not applicable.

Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group

Not applicable.

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group

Not applicable.

Item 10. Certification

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

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Signature

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

February 12, 2007 Date

Sheffield Asset Management, L.L.C.

/s/ Amy Rosenow Signature

Amy Rosenow, Chief Operating Officer Name/Title

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