#### SANDERS DONALD M

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading SANDERS DONALD M Issuer Symbol CALAVO GROWERS INC (Check all applicable) [CVGW] \_X\_\_ Director (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 1141A CUMMINGS RD 10/10/2012 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

SANTA PAULA, CA 93060

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(City)

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-E	Derivative S	Securi	ities Acqu	iired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y 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. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	10/10/2012		M	13,600	A	\$ 14.58	38,333	D	
Common Stock	10/10/2012		S	12,911	D	\$ 24	25,422	D	
Common Stock	10/10/2012		M	5,000	A	\$ 21.82	30,422	D	

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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 or 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 14.58	10/10/2012		M	13,600	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	13,600
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.82	10/10/2012		M	5,000	03/24/2012	03/24/2013	Common Stock	5,000

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
SANDERS DONALD M 1141A CUMMINGS RD SANTA PAULA, CA 93060	X					

# **Signatures**

/s/ Donald M.
Sanders

\*\*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).

The stock option, representing the right to purchase up to a total of 34,000 shares of Issuer common stock, vested as to 6,800 shares of (1) Issuer common stock on May 21, 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012, respectively, and the stock option is to vest as to the last installment of 6,800 shares on May 21, 2013, provided the Reporting Person remains a director of the Issuer on such vesting date.

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