

FEDERAL AGRICULTURAL MORTGAGE CORP  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Engebretsen James R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 FEDERAL AGRICULTURAL MORTGAGE CORP [AGM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 C/O FARMER MAC, 1133 21ST STREET, NW  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/16/2008

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

WASHINGTON, DC 20036

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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 (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Code V Amount (D) Price   |  |                                   |

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 | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 4. Transaction of Derivative | 5. Number | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date | 7. Title and Amount Underlying Securities |
|------------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------|---|---|
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| Security<br>(Instr. 3)         | or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | Code<br>(Instr. 8) | Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 3 and 4) |                     |                    |  |  |
|--------------------------------|---|-------------------------|--------------------|---|------------------|------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--|--|
|                                |   |                         | Code               | V   | (A)              | (D)              | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title                                    | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |
| Stock<br>Appreciation<br>Right | \$ 28.94  | 12/16/2008              | J <sup>(1)</sup>   | V   |                  | 6,000            | 05/31/2009          | 06/05/2018         | Class C<br>Non-Voting<br>Common<br>Stock | 6,000                                  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Engbretsen James R<br>C/O FARMER MAC<br>1133 21ST STREET, NW<br>WASHINGTON, DC 20036 |               | X         |         |       |

## Signatures

Jerome G. Oslick, as attorney-in-fact for James R.  
Engbretsen

12/16/2008

\_\_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) Stock appreciation rights granted in June 2008 were voluntarily forfeited by the reporting person.

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