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Class C Non-Voting

Common Stock

08/08/2006

(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 **CORTESE RALPH W BUDDY** Issuer Symbol FEDERAL AGRICULTURAL (Check all applicable) MORTGAGE CORP [AGM] X_ Director (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) 6210 HIGHWAY 290 EAST 08/04/2006 (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 Form filed by More than One Reporting AUSTIN, TX 78723-1026 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 7. Nature of 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Execution Date, if Security (Month/Day/Year) Transaction (A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial Direct (D) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Ownership Following or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (I) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code Amount (D) Price Class C Non-Voting 08/04/2006 $M^{(1)}$ 800 Α \$ 22.4 1,513 D Common Stock Class C Non-Voting $S^{(1)(2)}$ 08/04/2006 D D 800 713 28.06 Common Stock

 $M^{(1)}$

5.200

\$ 22.4 5.913

D

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Class C

Non-Voting Common 08/08/2006 $S_{\underline{(1)(2)}}^{(1)(2)}$ 5,200 D $S_{\underline{(2)(2)}}^{(1)(2)}$ 713 D

Stock

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number opposed 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.4	08/04/2006		M <u>(1)</u>	800	05/31/2005	06/05/2008	Class C Non-Voting Common Stock	6,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.4	08/08/2006		M <u>(1)</u>	5,200	05/31/2005	06/05/2008	Class C Non-Voting Common Stock	6,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	

CORTESE RALPH W BUDDY 6210 HIGHWAY 290 EAST X AUSTIN, TX 78723-1026

Signatures

Stephen P. Mullery, as attorney-in-fact for Ralph W.
Cortese

08/08/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reporting Owners 2

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- * 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).
 - This report reflects (on Table I) (i) the acquisition of a total of 6,000 shares of Class C Non-Voting Common Stock through two separate exercises of a previously unexercised employee stock option acquired by the reporting person in June 2003 pursuant to former Rule
- (1) 16b-3; and (ii) the sale of a total of 6,000 shares of Class C Stock in two different transactions; and (on Table II) the closing of the June 2003 employee stock option as a result of the two reported option exercises. The exercises of the June 2003 employee stock option are exempt under Section 16(b) under Rule 16b-6, but are reported herein pursuant to Rule 16a-4.
- (2) Transaction pursuant to plan under Rule 10b5-1.

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