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As filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 5, 2019

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM S-3
REGISTRATION STATEMENT
UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

Foundation Building Materials, Inc.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

81-4259606
(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

2741 Walnut Avenue, Suite 200
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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: From time to time on or after the effective date of this registration statement.

If the only securities being registered on this form are being offered pursuant to dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box: ☐

If any of the securities being registered on this form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the
Securities Act of 1933, other than securities offered only in connection with dividend or interest reinvestment plans, check the following box: ☐
CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

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\(^{(1)}\) Pursuant to the terms of a Registration Rights Agreement between the registrant and LSF9 Cypress Parent 2 LLC, dated February 9, 2017, the registrant is registering for resale a total of 28,054,239 shares of common stock. Pursuant to Rule 416 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the shares being registered hereunder include such indeterminate number of shares of common stock as may be issuable with respect to the shares being registered hereunder as a result of stock splits, stock dividends or similar transactions.

\(^{(2)}\) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee under Rule 457(c) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, based on the average of the high and low prices of a share of common stock on the New York Stock Exchange on August 1, 2019, which was $17.04.

The Registrant hereby amends this registration statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the Registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this registration statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 or until the registration statement shall become effective on such date as the Securities and Exchange Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.
The information in this preliminary prospectus is not complete and may be changed. The selling stockholder may not sell these securities until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is declared effective. This preliminary prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities and it is not soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any state where the offer or sale is not permitted.

Subject to Completion, Dated August 5, 2019

Foundation Building Materials, Inc.

28,054,239 Shares
Common Stock

The selling stockholder identified in this prospectus may offer and sell, from time to time, in one or more offerings, up to 28,054,239 shares of our common stock. You should carefully read this prospectus and any accompanying prospectus supplement before you decide to invest in any of these securities.

The distribution of the common stock by the selling stockholder may be effected from time to time by a variety of methods, including:

• in underwritten public offerings;
• in ordinary brokerage transactions on securities exchanges, including the New York Stock Exchange;
• to or through brokers or dealers who may act as principal or agent; or
• in one or more negotiated transactions at prevailing market prices or negotiated prices.

The brokers or dealers through or to whom the shares of common stock may be sold may be deemed underwriters of the shares within the meaning of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, in which event all brokerage commissions or discounts and other compensation received by those brokers or dealers may be deemed to be underwriting compensation. To the extent required, the names of any underwriters and applicable commissions or discounts and any other required information with respect to any particular sale will be set forth in an accompanying prospectus supplement. See "Plan of Distribution" for a further description of how the selling stockholder may dispose of the shares covered by this prospectus.

We are not selling any common stock under this prospectus and will not receive any of the proceeds from the sale of the common stock by the selling stockholder.

Our common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "FBM." We are a "smaller reporting company" under applicable Securities and Exchange Commission rules and are therefore subject to reduced public company reporting requirements. On August 2, 2019, the last reported sales price of a share of our common stock on the New York Stock Exchange was $16.94.

Investing in our common stock involves risk. Before making a decision to invest in our common stock, you should carefully consider the matters described under "Risk Factors" beginning on page 4 of this prospectus.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of this prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The date of this prospectus is , 2019.
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ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS

This prospectus is part of a registration statement that we filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or the SEC, using a "shelf" registration process. Under this shelf registration process, the selling stockholder may sell certain shares of our common stock in one or more offerings. When the selling stockholder sells shares of common stock under this shelf registration process, we may provide a prospectus supplement that will contain more specific information about the terms of such offering. The prospectus supplement may also add to, update or change any of the information contained in this prospectus. You should carefully read this prospectus and any accompanying prospectus supplement, as well as the information incorporated in this prospectus or any accompanying prospectus supplement by reference. See "Incorporation of Certain Information by Reference." Any information in any accompanying prospectus supplement or any subsequent material incorporated herein or therein by reference will supersede the information in this prospectus or any earlier prospectus supplement.

This prospectus contains summaries of certain provisions contained in some of the documents described herein, but reference is hereby made to the actual documents for complete information. All of the summaries are qualified in their entirety by reference to the actual documents. Copies of some of the documents referred to herein have been filed or will be filed or incorporated by reference as exhibits to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part, and you may obtain copies of those documents as described below in the section entitled "Where You Can Find More Information."

You should rely only on the information provided in this prospectus or any prospectus supplement, including information incorporated by reference herein or therein, or any free writing prospectus that we have specifically referred you to. We have not authorized any other person to provide you with different information. If anyone provides you with different or inconsistent information, you should not rely on it. The selling stockholder will not make an offer to sell securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted. You should not assume that the information in this prospectus, any accompanying prospectus supplement or any documents we incorporate by reference herein or therein is accurate as of any date other than the date on the front of those documents. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may have changed since those respective dates. Except as required by law, we do not undertake any obligation to update or revise, or to publicly announce any update or revision to, any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, after the date of this prospectus.

No action is being taken in any jurisdiction outside the United States to permit a public offering of common stock or possession or distribution of this prospectus in that jurisdiction. Persons who come into possession of this prospectus in jurisdictions outside the United States are required to inform themselves about and to observe any restriction as to this offering and the distribution of this prospectus applicable to those jurisdictions.

As used in this prospectus and any accompanying prospectus supplement, unless the context otherwise indicates, references to "our," "we," "us," the "Company," "Foundation Building Materials," "FBM" and "our business" refer to Foundation Building Materials, Inc. together with its consolidated subsidiaries. As used in this prospectus and any accompanying prospectus supplement, unless the context otherwise indicates, references to "Lone Star" refer to Lone Star Fund IX (U.S.), L.P. along with its affiliates and associates (excluding us and other companies that it or they own as a result of their investment activities).

CAUTIONARY STATEMENT REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus, any accompanying prospectus supplement and any document incorporated by reference herein or therein may include "forward-looking statements," which reflect our current views about future events and financial results. We have made these statements in reliance on the safe harbor created by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (set forth in Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Act, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the Exchange Act). These forward-looking statements relate to matters such as our industry, business strategy, goals and expectations concerning our market position, rebates, acquisitions, divestitures, future operations, margins, profitability, capital expenditures, liquidity, capital resources and other financial and operating information. We have used the words "approximately," "anticipate," "assume," "believe," "contemplate," "continue," "could," "estimate," "expect," "future," "intend," "may," "plan," "potential," "predict," "project," "seek," "should," "target," "will" and similar terms and phrases to identify forward-looking statements. All of our forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties that may cause actual results to differ materially from those that we are expecting, including:
• our ability to effectively manage any downturns in the new commercial construction market, the commercial repair and remodel market and the new residential construction market;
• our ability to effectively manage any changes in economic, political and social conditions;
• fluctuating demand for the products and services we offer;
• our ability to effectively compete in a highly competitive industry;
• our ability to realize the anticipated financial and strategic goals of future acquisitions or investments, including the identification of acquisition targets and the integration and performance of acquired stores and businesses, including integration of financial systems;
• our ability to achieve the intended benefits of our recent and pending acquisitions, including the realization of synergies;
• diversion of management’s attention from ongoing business concerns to matters related to acquisitions we may make in the future or the integration of previous acquisitions;
• our ability to maintain our existing contractual and business relationships;
• the change in any exclusive rights or relationships we have with suppliers that provide us access to leading brands;
• a material disruption at our suppliers’ facilities due to weather, environmental incidents, transportation disruption and other operational problems;
• the effects of any changes in environmental, health and safety laws and regulations on our operations and liquidity;
• our ability to attract and retain key management personnel and other talent required for our business;
• our exposure to legal claims and proceedings related to our business;
• our ability to manage the impact of debt and equity financing transactions;
• our ability to generate a sufficient amount of cash to service our indebtedness and fund our operations;
• our ability to operate our business under agreements governing certain of our indebtedness containing financial covenants and other restrictions;
• the effects of incurring a substantial amount of indebtedness under our asset-based lending credit facility and our term loan facility;
• the volatility of the trading price of our common stock;
• our relationship, and actual and potential conflicts of interest, with Lone Star; and
• the other matters described in "Risk Factors" in this prospectus, any accompanying prospectus supplement and in our SEC filings incorporated by reference and in "Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations," and "Business" in our SEC filings incorporated by reference.

The forward-looking statements contained in this prospectus, any accompanying prospectus supplement and any document incorporated by reference herein or therein are based on historical performance and management’s current plans, estimates and expectations in light of information currently available to us and are subject to uncertainty and changes in circumstances. There can be no assurance that future developments affecting us will be those that we have anticipated. Actual results may differ materially from these expectations due to changes in global, regional or local political, economic, business, competitive, market, regulatory and other factors, many of which are beyond our control, as well as other factors described in "Risk Factors" in this prospectus, any accompanying prospectus supplement and any document incorporated by reference herein or therein. Additional factors or events that could cause our actual results to differ may also emerge from time to time, and it is not possible for us to predict all of them. Comparisons of results for current and any prior periods are not intended to express any future trends, or indications of future performance, unless expressed as such, and should only be viewed as historical data. Should one or more of these risks or uncertainties materialize, or should any of our assumptions prove to be incorrect, our actual results may vary in material respects from what we may have expressed or implied by these forward-looking statements. You should not place undue reliance on any of our forward-looking statements. Any forward-looking statement made by us in this prospectus or any accompanying prospectus supplement and any document incorporated by reference speaks only as of the date on which we make it. We undertake no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future developments or otherwise, except as may be required by applicable securities laws.

Industry and Market Data

Market data and industry forecasts appear throughout this prospectus, any accompanying prospectus supplement or any document incorporated by reference herein or therein. Unless otherwise indicated, statements in this prospectus, any accompanying prospectus supplement or any document incorporated by reference herein or therein concerning our industry and the markets in which we operate, including our general expectations, competitive position, business opportunity and market size, growth and share, are based on information obtained from publicly available information, reports of government agencies and published industry sources.
Data regarding the industries in which we compete and our market position and market share within these industries are inherently imprecise and are subject to significant business, economic and competitive uncertainties beyond our control, but we believe that they generally indicate size and position and market share within these industries. We have not independently verified market data and industry forecasts provided by any of the third-party sources referred to in this prospectus, any accompanying prospectus supplement or any document incorporated by reference, although we believe such market data and industry forecasts are reliable. This information cannot always be verified with complete certainty due to the limits on the availability and reliability of raw data, the voluntary nature of the data gathering process and other limitations and uncertainties inherent in surveys of market size.

Management estimates are derived from the information referred to above, as well as our internal research, calculations and assumptions made by us based on our analysis of such information and data and our knowledge of our industries and markets. We believe these estimates to be accurate as of the date of this prospectus, any accompanying prospectus supplement or any document incorporated by reference herein or therein, as applicable. As a result, you should be aware that market, ranking and other similar industry data included in this prospectus, any accompanying prospectus supplement or any document incorporated by reference herein or therein, and estimates and beliefs based on that data, may not be reliable, and we cannot guarantee the accuracy or completeness of any such information. Assumptions, expectations and estimates of our future performance and the future performance of the industries and markets in which we operate are necessarily subject to a high degree of uncertainty and risk due to a variety of factors, including those described in the sections entitled “Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Statements” and “Risk Factors” in this prospectus, any accompanying prospectus supplement or any document incorporated by reference herein or therein. These and other factors could cause results to differ materially from those expressed in the estimates made by the independent parties and by us.

WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. Our SEC filings are available to the public on the website maintained by the SEC at http://www.sec.gov. Such documents, reports and information are also available on our website: http://investors.fbmsales.com/sec-filings. Information on our website does not constitute part of this prospectus or any accompanying prospectus supplement.

This prospectus is part of a registration statement we have filed with the SEC under the Securities Act. The registration statement, including the exhibits incorporated by reference herein, contains additional relevant information about us and the securities described in this prospectus. The SEC’s rules and regulations allow us to omit certain information included in the registration statement from this prospectus. For further information about us and our common stock, you should refer to the registration statement, including all amendments and exhibits thereto, any prospectus supplement filed subsequent thereto and the documents incorporated by reference herein and therein.

INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN INFORMATION BY REFERENCE

The SEC allows us to “incorporate by reference” into this prospectus the information we file with the SEC. This permits us to disclose important information to you by referencing these filed documents. Any information referenced in this way is considered part of this prospectus. Any subsequent information filed with the SEC will automatically be deemed to update and supersede the information in this prospectus and in our other filings with the SEC. We incorporate by reference the documents listed below and any filings made by us with the SEC under Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act from the initial filing of the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part until all of the securities offered in this prospectus are sold; provided, however, we are not incorporating by reference any information furnished (but not filed) under Item 2.02 or Item 7.01 of any Current Report on Form 8-K:

- our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2018, as filed with the SEC on February 27, 2019;
- the information included in our Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A, as filed with the SEC on April 4, 2019, to the extent incorporated by reference in Part III of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2018;
- our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2019, as filed with the SEC on May 7, 2019;
- our Current Reports on Form 8-K filed on January 31, 2019 and May 16, 2019; and
- the description of our common stock contained in our registration statement filed under Section 12 of the Exchange Act and on Form 8-A filed on February 7, 2017, including any amendments or reports filed for the purpose of updating the description.
Any statement contained in this prospectus, or in a document all or a portion of which is incorporated by reference in this prospectus, will be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this prospectus to the extent that a statement contained in a document incorporated by reference in this prospectus modifies or supersedes the statement. Any such statement or document so modified or superseded will not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this prospectus.

You can request a copy of any document incorporated by reference in this prospectus, at no cost, by writing or telephoning us at the following:

Foundation Building Materials, Inc.
2741 Walnut Avenue, Suite 200
Tustin, CA 92780
Attention: Investor Relations
(657) 900-3200

PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

This prospectus summary highlights certain information about our company and other information contained elsewhere in this prospectus or in documents incorporated by reference. This summary does not contain all of the information that you should consider before making an investment decision. You should carefully read the entire prospectus, any prospectus supplement, including the section entitled “Risk Factors” and the documents incorporated by reference into this prospectus and any prospectus supplement, before making an investment decision.

Our Company

We are one of the largest specialty distributors of wallboard, suspended ceiling systems and metal framing in the United States and Canada. Since 2013, we have completed more than 30 acquisitions. We have over 175 branches, 3,400 employees and 30,000 SKUs.

We have a national operating model supported by local market expertise and an entrepreneurial, customer-centric culture. Our strong national brand and acquisition expertise have established us as the distributor of choice for leading suppliers, and we have over 22,000 customers across a balanced mix of construction-related end markets. We believe that we are able to maintain our local market excellence due to our longstanding customer relationships, dependable service and market-specific product offerings that cater to local market trends and preferences.

On November 1, 2018, we completed the sale of our Mechanical Insulation segment to SPI LLC, an unrelated third party controlled by Dunes Point Capital and its associated funds, for approximately $122.5 million (subject to certain adjustments). As a result of this sale, we operate in one segment.

Our History

We were founded in 2011 by our President and Chief Executive Officer, Ruben Mendoza, our Chief Financial Officer, John Gorey, and one of our Regional Vice Presidents, Tom Fischbeck. In founding our company, Mr. Mendoza applied a proven customer-centric operating model that combines strong organic growth with an effective acquisition and integration program across a fragmented industry. On October 9, 2015, 100% of the outstanding equity of FBM Intermediate Holdings LLC was acquired by Lone Star, along with certain members of management for approximately $560.0 million.

Corporate Information

Our corporate headquarters is located at 2741 Walnut Avenue, Suite 200, Tustin, California 92780, and our telephone number is (714) 380-3127. Our website address is www.fbmsales.com. Except for the documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus as described under the heading ”Incorporation of Certain Information by Reference,” the information and other content contained on our website are not incorporated by reference and do not constitute part of this prospectus and should not be relied upon in connection with making any investment in our securities.
RISK FACTORS

Investing in our common stock involves a high degree of risk. You should carefully consider the risks, uncertainties and other factors described under the heading "Risk Factors" in any prospectus supplement, together with all of the other information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus or any prospectus supplement. You should also consider the risks, uncertainties and other factors described in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K, as supplemented and updated by subsequent Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and Current Reports on Form 8-K that we have filed or will file with the SEC, and in other documents which are incorporated by reference into this prospectus, as well as the risk factors and other information contained in or incorporated by reference into any accompanying prospectus supplement and any related free writing prospectus.

If any of these risks were to occur, our business, affairs, prospects, assets, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows could be materially and adversely affected. If this occurs, the trading price of our securities could decline, and you could lose all or part of your investment. For more information about our SEC filings, please see “Where You Can Find More Information.” Please also read carefully the section entitled "Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Statements."

USE OF PROCEEDS

The selling stockholder will receive all net proceeds from the sale of the shares of common stock offered by this prospectus and any accompanying prospectus supplement. We will not receive any of the proceeds from the sale of our common stock by the selling stockholder.

DESCRIPTION OF CAPITAL STOCK

The following is a summary of the material provisions of our capital stock, as well as other material terms of our certificate of incorporation and bylaws, each as amended and restated. This summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to and qualified in its entirety by our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws, copies of which are incorporated by reference as exhibits to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part. See “Where You Can Find More Information”.

General

Our authorized capital stock consists of 190,000,000 shares of common stock, par value $0.001 per share, and 10,000,000 shares of preferred stock, par value $0.001 per share.

Common Stock

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation authorizes the issuance of up to 190,000,000 shares of common stock. All outstanding shares of common stock, including the shares of common stock to be sold in the offering contemplated by this prospectus and any prospectus supplement, are validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable.

The holders of our common stock are entitled to one vote per share on all matters submitted to a vote of stockholders and our amended and restated certificate of incorporation does not provide for cumulative voting in the election of directors. Subject to preferences that may be applicable to any outstanding series of preferred stock, the holders of our common stock will receive ratably any dividends declared by our board of directors out of funds legally available for the payment of dividends. In the event of our liquidation, dissolution or winding-up, the holders of our common stock are entitled to share ratably in all assets remaining after payment of or provision for any liabilities, subject to prior distribution rights of preferred stock, if any, then outstanding.

Preferred Stock

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides that our board of directors has the authority, without further action by the stockholders, to issue up to 10,000,000 shares of preferred stock. Our board of directors may issue preferred stock in one or more series and determine the rights, preferences, privileges, qualifications and restrictions granted to or imposed upon our preferred stock, including dividend rights, conversion rights, voting rights, rights and terms of redemption, liquidation preferences and sinking fund terms, any or all of which may be greater than the rights of our common stock. Issuances of preferred stock could adversely affect the voting power of holders of our common stock and reduce the likelihood that holders of our common stock will receive dividend payments and payments upon liquidation. Any issuance of
preferred stock could also have the effect of decreasing the market price of our common stock and could delay, deter or prevent a change in control of our company. Our board of directors does not presently have any plans to issue shares of preferred stock.

Limitations on Directors’ Liability

Our governing documents limit the liability of, and require us to indemnify, our directors to the fullest extent permitted by the Delaware General Corporation Law, or the DGCL. The DGCL permits a corporation to limit or eliminate a director’s personal liability to the corporation or the holders of its capital stock for breach of fiduciary duty. This limitation is generally unavailable for acts or omissions by a director which (i) were not in good faith, (ii) were the result of intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, (iii) the director derived an improper personal benefit from (such as a financial profit or other advantage to which the director was not legally entitled) or (iv) breached the director’s duty of loyalty. The DGCL also prohibits limitations on director liability under Section 174 of the DGCL, which relates to certain unlawful dividend declarations and stock repurchases. The limitation of liability and indemnification provisions in our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws may discourage stockholders from bringing a lawsuit against directors for breach of their fiduciary duties. These provisions may also have the effect of reducing the likelihood of derivative litigation against directors and officers, even though such an action, if successful, might otherwise benefit us and our stockholders. In addition, your investment may be adversely affected to the extent we pay the settlement costs and damage awards against directors and officers pursuant to these indemnification provisions.

We maintain insurance that insures our directors and officers against certain losses and which insures us against our obligations to indemnify the directors and officers. We have also entered into indemnification agreements with our directors and executive officers.

Exclusive Forum Clause

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides that, unless we consent in writing to the selection of an alternative forum, to the fullest extent permitted by law, the sole and exclusive forum for any stockholder (including any beneficial owner) to bring (i) any derivative action or proceeding brought on our behalf, (ii) any action asserting a claim of breach of a fiduciary duty owed by any of our directors, officers, or employees to us or to our stockholders, (iii) any action asserting a claim arising pursuant to any provision of the DGCL or our certificate of incorporation or bylaws, or (iv) any action asserting a claim governed by the internal affairs doctrine, will be a state court located within the State of Delaware (or, if no state court located within the State of Delaware has jurisdiction, the federal district court for the District of Delaware); in all cases subject to such court having personal jurisdiction over the indispensable parties named as defendants. Any person or entity purchasing or otherwise acquiring any interest in shares of our capital stock is deemed to have notice of and consented to the foregoing provisions. See "Risk Factors—Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation includes an exclusive forum clause, which could limit our stockholders’ ability to obtain a favorable judicial forum for disputes with us” in our Annual Report on Form 10-K incorporated by reference in this prospectus.

Delaware Takeover Statute

Under our amended and restated certificate of incorporation, we have opted out of the provisions of Section 203 of the DGCL regulating corporate takeovers. This section prevents certain Delaware corporations, under certain circumstances, from engaging in a “business combination” with a stockholder who owns 15% or more of our outstanding voting stock, or an “interested stockholder”, an affiliate of an interested stockholder or an associate of an interested stockholder, in each case for three years following the date that the stockholder became an interested stockholder.

Provisions of Our Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws and Delaware Law That May Have an Anti-Takeover Effect

Provisions of the DGCL and our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws could make it more difficult to acquire our company by means of a tender offer, a proxy contest or otherwise, or to remove incumbent officers and directors. These provisions, summarized below, are intended to discourage coercive takeover practices and inadequate takeover bids and to encourage persons seeking to acquire control of us to first negotiate with our board of directors. We believe that the benefits of these provisions outweigh the disadvantages of discouraging certain takeover or acquisition proposals because, among other things, negotiation of these proposals could result in an improvement of their terms and enhance the ability of our board of directors to maximize stockholder value. However, these provisions may delay, deter or prevent a merger or acquisition of us that a stockholder might consider is in its best interest, including those attempts that might result in a premium over the prevailing market price of our common stock.

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Requirements for Advance Notification of Stockholder Meetings, Nominations and Proposals

Our amended and restated bylaws provide that special meetings of the stockholders may be called only by or at the direction of the board of directors, the chairman of our board or the chief executive officer with the concurrence of a majority of the board of directors. Our amended and restated bylaws prohibit the conduct of any business at a special meeting other than as specified in the notice for such meeting. These provisions may have the effect of deferring, delaying or discouraging hostile takeovers, or changes in control or management of our company.

Our amended and restated bylaws establish advance notice procedures with respect to stockholder proposals and the nomination of candidates for election as directors. In order for any matter to be “properly brought” before a meeting, a stockholder must comply with advance notice procedures and provide us with certain information. Our amended and restated bylaws allow the presiding officer at a meeting of the stockholders to adopt rules and regulations for the conduct of meetings which may have the effect of precluding the conduct of certain business at a meeting if such rules and regulations are not followed. These provisions may also defer, delay or discourage a potential acquirer from conducting a solicitation of proxies to elect the acquirer’s own slate of directors or otherwise attempting to influence or obtain control of our company.

Supermajority Voting for Amendments to Our Governing Documents

Any amendment to our amended and restated certificate of incorporation requires the affirmative vote of at least 66 2/3% of the voting power of all shares of our common stock then outstanding. Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides that the board of directors is expressly authorized to adopt, amend or repeal our bylaws and that our stockholders may amend our bylaws only with the approval of at least 66 2/3% of the voting power of all shares of our common stock then outstanding.

No Cumulative Voting

The DGCL provides that a stockholder’s right to vote cumulatively in the election of directors does not exist unless the certificate of incorporation specifically provides otherwise. Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation does not provide for cumulative voting.

Classified Board of Directors

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides that our board of directors is divided into three classes of directors, with the classes to be as nearly equal in number as possible. The members of each class serve for a three-year term. Beginning with the 2021 annual meeting of stockholders, directors of each class the term of which shall then expire shall be elected to hold office for a one-year term. The classification of directors has the effect of making it more difficult for stockholders to change the composition of our board of directors. Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides that the number of directors will be fixed from time to time pursuant to a resolution adopted by the board of directors, but must consist of not less than three or more than 15 directors.

Removal of Directors; Vacancies

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws provide that (i) prior to the date on which Lone Star and its affiliates cease to beneficially own, in the aggregate, at least a majority of the voting power of all outstanding shares entitled to vote generally in the election of directors, directors may be removed with or without cause upon the affirmative vote of holders of at least a majority of the voting power of all the then outstanding shares of stock entitled to vote generally in the election of directors, voting together as a single class and (ii) on and after the date Lone Star and its affiliates cease to beneficially own, in the aggregate, at least a majority of the voting power of all outstanding shares entitled to vote generally in the election of directors, directors may be removed only for cause and only upon the affirmative vote of holders of at least 66 2/3% of the voting power of all the then outstanding shares of stock entitled to vote generally in the election of directors, voting together as a single class. In addition, our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws also provide that any newly created directorships and any vacancies on our board of directors will be filled only by the affirmative vote of the majority of remaining directors.
**Corporate Opportunities and Transactions with Lone Star**

In recognition that principals, members, directors, managers, partners, stockholders, officers, employees and other representatives of Lone Star may serve as our directors or officers, and that Lone Star may engage in similar activities or lines of business that we do, our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws preclude stockholder action by written consent after the date on which Lone Star and its affiliates cease to beneficially own, in the aggregate, at least a majority of the voting power of all outstanding shares of our stock entitled to vote generally in the election of directors.

**Limitations on Liability and Indemnification of Officers and Directors**

The DGCL authorizes corporations to limit or eliminate the personal liability of officers and directors to corporations and their stockholders for monetary damages for breaches of directors’ fiduciary duties. Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws include provisions that eliminate, to the extent allowable under the DGCL, the personal liability of officers and directors for monetary damages for actions taken as a director or officer, as the case may be. Our organizational documents also provide that we may indemnify and advance reasonable expenses to our directors and officers to the fullest extent authorized by the DGCL. We are also expressly authorized to carry directors’ and officers’ insurance for our officers and directors as well as certain employees for certain liabilities.

The limitation of liability and indemnification provisions in our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws may discourage stockholders from bringing a lawsuit against officers and directors for breach of their fiduciary duty. These provisions may also have the effect of reducing the likelihood of derivative litigation against officers and directors, even though such an action, if successful, might otherwise benefit our company and our stockholders. In addition, your investment may be adversely affected to the extent that, in a class action or direct suit, we pay the costs of settlement and damage awards against officers and directors pursuant to these indemnification provisions.

There is currently no pending litigation or proceeding involving any of our officers, directors or employees for which indemnification is being sought.

**Authorized but Unissued Shares**

Our authorized but unissued shares of common stock and preferred stock are available for future issuance without stockholder approval. The DGCL does not require stockholder approval for any issuance of authorized shares. However, the New York Stock Exchange, or NYSE, listing requirements require stockholder approval of certain issuances equal to or exceeding 20% of the then-outstanding voting power or the then-outstanding number of shares of common stock. No assurances can be given that our shares will remain so listed. We may use additional shares for a variety of corporate purposes, including future public offerings to raise additional capital, corporate acquisitions and employee benefit plans. As discussed above, our board of directors has the ability to issue preferred stock with voting rights or other preferences, without stockholder approval. The existence of authorized but unissued shares of common stock and preferred stock could render more difficult or discourage an attempt to obtain control of our company by means of a proxy contest, tender offer, merger or otherwise.
In recognition that we may engage in material business transactions with Lone Star, from which we are expected to benefit, our amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides that any of our directors or officers who are also principals, members, directors, managers, partners, stockholders, officers, employees or other representatives of Lone Star will have fully satisfied and fulfilled his or her fiduciary duty to us and our stockholders with respect to such transaction, if:

- the transaction was approved, after being made aware of the material facts of the relationship between each of us or one of our subsidiaries and Lone Star and the material terms and facts of the transaction, by (1) an affirmative vote of a majority of the members of our board of directors who do not have a material financial interest in the transaction, or disinterested persons or (2) an affirmative vote of a majority of the members of a committee of our board of directors consisting of members who are disinterested persons;
- the transaction was fair to us at the time we entered into the transaction; or
- the transaction was approved by an affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of shares of our common stock entitled to vote, excluding Lone Star and any holder who has a material financial interest in the transaction.

By becoming a stockholder in our company, you will be deemed to have received notice of and consented to these provisions of our amended and restated certificate of incorporation.

Transfer Agent and Registrar

The Transfer Agent and Registrar for our common stock is Computershare Trust Company, N.A.

Listing

Our common stock is listed on the NYSE under the symbol "FBM."
The selling stockholder may offer and sell, from time to time, some or all of the shares of common stock covered by this prospectus. Registration of the shares of common stock covered by this prospectus does not mean, however, that those shares necessarily will be offered or sold. We will not receive any proceeds from any sale by the selling stockholder of the securities. See "Use of Proceeds." We will pay all costs, expenses and fees in connection with the registration of the shares of common stock, including fees of our counsel and accountants, fees payable to the SEC and fees of counsel to the selling stockholder. The selling stockholder will pay all underwriting discounts and commissions and similar selling expenses, if any, attributable to the sale of the shares of common stock covered by this prospectus.

The selling stockholder may sell the shares of common stock covered by this prospectus from time to time, at market prices prevailing at the time of sale, at prices related to market prices, at a fixed price or prices subject to change or at negotiated prices, in any manner permitted by the Securities Act, including any one or more of the following ways:

- in privately negotiated transactions;
- through broker-dealers, who may act as agents or principals;
- in a block trade in which a broker-dealer will attempt to sell a block of shares of common stock as agent but may position and resell a portion of the block as principal to facilitate the transaction;
- through one or more underwriters on a firm commitment or best-efforts basis;
- directly to one or more purchasers;
- through agents; or
- in any combination of the above.

In effecting sales, brokers or dealers engaged by the selling stockholder may arrange for other brokers or dealers to participate. Broker-dealer transactions may include:

- purchases of the shares of common stock by a broker-dealer as principal and resales of the shares of common stock by the broker-dealer for its account pursuant to this prospectus;
- ordinary brokerage transactions; or
- transactions in which the broker-dealer solicits purchasers.

At any time a particular offer of the shares of common stock covered by this prospectus is made, a prospectus supplement, if required, will be distributed which will set forth the aggregate amount of shares of common stock covered by this prospectus being offered and the terms of the offering, including the name or names of any underwriters, dealers, brokers or agents, any option under which underwriters may purchase additional shares of common stock from the selling stockholder, any discounts, commissions, concessions and other items constituting compensation from the selling stockholder and any discounts, commissions or concessions allowed or reallocated or paid to dealers. Such prospectus supplement, and, if necessary, a post-effective amendment to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part, will be filed with the SEC to reflect the disclosure of additional information with respect to the distribution of the shares of common stock covered by this prospectus.

(1) Based on 42,988,110 shares of common stock outstanding as of August 2, 2019.
(2) LSF9 Cypress Parent 2 LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, is wholly owned by LSF9 Cypress LP, a Delaware limited partnership, which is controlled by its general partner, LSF9 GenPar LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, which is controlled by Lone Star Fund IX (U.S.), L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, which is controlled by its general partner, Lone Star Partners IX, L.P., a Bermuda exempted limited partnership, which is controlled by its general partner, Lone Star Management Co. IX, Ltd., a Bermuda exempted company, which is controlled by its sole owner (shareholder) John P. Grayken. The address for such persons is 2711 North Haskell Avenue, Suite 1700, Dallas, Texas 75204.
(3) Each of Messrs. Ruben Mendoza, Fareed Khan and James F. Underhill, is a member of our board of directors and own direct non-controlling interests in LSF9 Cypress Parent 2 LLC, and therefore expressly disclaim any beneficial ownership of our common stock owned by LSF9 Cypress Parent 2 LLC.

### PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

The selling stockholder may offer and sell, from time to time, some or all of the shares of common stock covered by this prospectus.
In connection with the sale of the shares of common stock covered by this prospectus through underwriters, underwriters may receive compensation in the form of underwriting discounts or commissions and may also receive commissions from purchasers of shares of common stock for whom they may act as agent. Underwriters may sell to or through dealers, and such dealers may receive compensation in the form of discounts, concessions or commissions from the underwriters and/or commissions from the purchasers for whom they may act as agent.

Any underwriters, broker-dealers or agents participating in the distribution of the shares of common stock covered by this prospectus may be deemed to be "underwriters" within the meaning of the Securities Act, and any commissions received by any of those underwriters, broker-dealers or agents may be deemed to be underwriting commissions under the Securities Act. The selling stockholder may also be deemed to be an underwriter, and any discounts and commissions it receives and any profit it realizes on the sale of the common stock may be deemed to be underwriting commissions under the Securities Act.

The selling stockholder may enter into derivative transactions with third parties, or sell shares of common stock to third parties in privately negotiated transactions. If the applicable prospectus supplement indicates, in connection with those derivatives, the third parties may sell shares of common stock covered by this prospectus and the applicable prospectus supplement, including in short sale transactions. If so, the third party may use shares of common stock pledged by the selling stockholder or borrowed from the selling stockholder or others to settle those sales or to close out any related open borrowings of stock, and may use shares of common stock received from the selling stockholder in settlement of those derivatives to close out any related open borrowings of stock. The third party in such sale transactions will be an underwriter and, if not identified in this prospectus, will be identified in the applicable prospectus supplement (or a post-effective amendment).

We may authorize underwriters, dealers and agents to solicit from third parties offers to purchase shares of common stock under contracts providing for payment and delivery on future dates. The applicable prospectus supplement will describe the material terms of these contracts, including any conditions to the purchasers' obligations, and will include any required information about commissions we may pay for soliciting these contracts.

Agents, underwriters and dealers may be entitled under agreements which may be entered into with us or the selling stockholder to indemnification by us or the selling stockholder against specified liabilities, including liabilities incurred under the Securities Act, or to contribution by us or the selling stockholder to payments it may be required to make in respect of such liabilities. The prospectus supplement will describe the terms and conditions of such indemnification or contribution. Some of the agents, underwriters or dealers, or their affiliates may be customers of, engage in transactions with or perform services for us or our subsidiaries in the ordinary course of business.

In connection with the offering, the underwriters may purchase and sell shares of common stock in the open market. These transactions may include short sales, stabilizing transactions and purchases to cover positions created by short sales. Short sales involve the sale by the underwriters of a greater number of shares than they are required to purchase in the offering. "Covered" short sales are sales made in an amount not greater than the underwriters’ option to purchase additional shares from the selling stockholder in the offering. The underwriters may close out any covered short position by either exercising their option to purchase additional shares or purchasing shares in the open market. In determining the source of shares to close out the covered short position, the underwriters will consider, among other things, the price of shares available for purchase in the open market as compared to the price at which they may purchase shares through the overallotment option. "Naked" short sales are any sales in excess of such option. The underwriters must close out any naked short position by purchasing shares in the open market. A naked short position is more likely to be created if the underwriters are concerned that there may be downward pressure on the price of the common stock in the open market after pricing that could adversely affect investors who purchase in the offering. Stabilizing transactions consist of various bids for or purchases of common stock made by the underwriters in the open market prior to the completion of the offering.

The underwriters may also impose a penalty bid. This occurs when a particular underwriter repays to the underwriters a portion of the underwriting discount received by it because the representatives have repurchased shares sold by or for the account of such underwriter in stabilizing or short covering transactions.

Purchases to cover a short position and stabilizing transactions may have the effect of preventing or retarding a decline in the market price of the Company’s stock, and together with the imposition of the penalty bid, may stabilize, maintain or otherwise affect the market price of the common stock. As a result, the price of the common stock may be higher than the price that otherwise might exist in the open market. If these activities are commenced, they may be discontinued at any time.

Certain underwriters, agents or dealers or their affiliates may have provided from time to time, and may provide in the future, investment, commercial banking, derivatives and financial advisory services to the Company, the selling stockholder.
and their respective affiliates in the ordinary course of business, for which they have received or may receive customary fees and commissions.

Some of the shares of common stock covered by this prospectus may be sold in private transactions or under Rule 144 under the Securities Act rather than pursuant to this prospectus.

LEGAL MATTERS

The validity of the shares of common stock offered hereby will be passed upon for us by Stradling, Yocca, Carlson & Rauth, P.C., Newport Beach, California. Additional legal matters may be passed on for us, or any underwriters, dealers or agents, by counsel we will name in the applicable prospectus supplement.

EXPERTS

The consolidated financial statements incorporated in this prospectus by reference from the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2018, and the effectiveness of the Company and its subsidiaries’ internal control over financial reporting have been audited by Deloitte & Touche LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their reports, which are incorporated herein by reference. Such consolidated financial statements have been so incorporated in reliance upon the reports of such firm given upon their authority as experts in accounting and auditing.
PART II
INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN THE PROSPECTUS

Item 14. Other Expenses of Issuance and Distribution

The following table shows the costs and expenses, other than underwriting discounts and commissions, payable by us in connection with the sale and distribution of the securities being registered. The selling stockholder will not bear any portion of such costs and expenses. All amounts except the SEC registration fee are estimated.

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(1) Fees and expenses (other than the SEC registration fee to be paid upon filing of this registration statement) will depend on the number of shares of common stock offered and nature of the offerings, and cannot be estimated at this time. An estimate of the aggregate expenses in connection with the issuance and distribution of the securities being offered will be included in any applicable prospectus supplement.

Item 15. Indemnification of Directors and Officers

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides that, to the fullest extent permitted by the DGCL no director shall be personally liable to our company or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director. Our amended and restated bylaws provide that each person who was or is party or is threatened to be made a party to, or was or is otherwise involved in, any threatened, pending or completed proceeding by reason of the fact that he or she is or was a director or officer of our company or was serving at the request of our company as a director, officer, employee, agent or trustee of another entity shall be indemnified and held harmless by us to the full extent authorized by the DGCL against all expense, liability and loss actually and reasonably incurred in connection therewith, subject to certain limitations.

Section 145(a) of the DGCL authorizes a corporation to indemnify any person who was or is a party, or is threatened to be made a party, to a threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of the corporation), by reason of the fact that the person is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, against expenses (including attorneys’ fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by the person in connection with such action, suit or proceeding, if the person acted in good faith and in a manner the person reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, the best interests of the corporation and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe the person’s conduct was unlawful.
Section 145(b) of the DGCL provides in relevant part that a corporation may indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action or suit by or in the right of the corporation to procure a judgment in its favor by reason of the fact that the person is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against expenses (including attorneys’ fees) actually and reasonably incurred by the person in connection with the defense or settlement of such action or suit if the person acted in good faith and in a manner the person reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, the best interests of the corporation and except that no indemnification shall be made in respect of any claim, issue or matter as to which such person shall have been adjudged to be liable to the corporation unless and only to the extent that the Court of Chancery or the court in which such action or suit was brought shall determine upon application that, despite the adjudication of liability but in view of all the circumstances of the case, such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity for such expenses which the Court of Chancery or such other court shall deem proper.

The DGCL also provides that indemnification under Sections 145(a) and (b) can only be made upon a determination that indemnification of the present or former director, officer or employee or agent is proper in the circumstances because such person has met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in Sections 145(a) and (b). Such determination shall be made, with respect to a person who is a director or officer at the time of such determination, (1) by a majority vote of directors who are not a party to the action at issue (even though less than a quorum), or (2) by a majority vote of a designated committee of these directors (even though less than a quorum), or (3) if there are no such directors, or these directors authorize, by the written opinion of independent legal counsel, or (4) by the stockholders.

Section 145(g) of the DGCL also empowers a corporation to purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against any liability asserted against such person and incurred by such person in any such capacity, or arising out of such person’s status as such, whether or not the corporation would have the power to indemnify such person against such liability under Section 145 of the DGCL.

Section 102(b)(7) of the DGCL permits a corporation to provide for eliminating or limiting the personal liability of one of its directors for any monetary damages related to a breach of fiduciary duty as a director, as long as the corporation does not eliminate or limit the liability of a director for acts or omissions which (1) were in bad faith, (2) were the result of active and deliberate dishonesty and were material to the cause of action so adjudicated, (3) the director derived an improper personal benefit from (such as a financial profit or other advantage to which such director was not legally entitled) or (4) breached the director’s duty of loyalty.

We have entered into indemnification agreements with each of our officers and directors that provide, in general, that we will indemnify them to the fullest extent permitted by law in connection with their service to us or on our behalf.

Any form of underwriting agreement or similar purchase agreement that may be filed as an exhibit to a Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated by reference into this registration statement may provide for indemnification of our directors and officers by the underwriters against certain liabilities.
Item 16. Exhibits

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* To be filed by amendment pursuant to a Current Report on Form 8-K to be incorporated herein by reference.

Item 17. Undertakings

The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes:

(1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:

   (i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act;

   (ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20% change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement.

   (iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in this registration statement or any material change to such information in this registration statement; provided, however, that paragraphs (1)(i), (1)(ii) and (1)(iii) do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in periodic reports filed with or furnished to the Commission by the registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act that are incorporated by reference in this registration statement, or is contained in a form of prospectus filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) that is part of this registration statement.

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(2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.

(4) That, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each filing of the registrant’s annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan’s annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act) that is incorporated by reference in this registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered herein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(5) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the indemnification provisions described herein, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the SEC such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

(6) That for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, the information omitted from the form of prospectus filed as part of this registration statement in reliance upon Rule 430A and contained in a form of prospectus filed by the registrant pursuant to Rule 424(b)(1) or (4), or 497(h) under the Securities Act shall be deemed to be part of this registration statement as of the time it was declared effective.

(7) That for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each post-effective amendment that contains a form of prospectus shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(8) That for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each prospectus filed by the registrant pursuant to Rule 424(b) as part of this registration statement relating to an offering, other than registration statements relying on Rule 430B or other than prospectuses filed in reliance on Rule 430A, shall be deemed to be part of and included in this registration statement as of the date it is first used after effectiveness. Provided, however, that no statement made in this registration statement or prospectus that is part of this registration statement or made in a document incorporated or deemed incorporated by reference into the registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement will, as to a purchaser with a time of contract of sale prior to such first use, supersede or modify any statement that was made in the registration statement or prospectus that was part of the registration statement or made in any such document immediately prior to such date of first use.
Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized in the City of Tustin, State of California, on August 5, 2019.

Foundation Building Materials, Inc.

By: /s/ RICHARD J. TILLEY

Name: Richard J. Tilley

Title: Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel
POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints John Gorey and Richard J. Tilley, and each of them, his or her true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, each with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for him or her and in his or her name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments, including post-effective amendments, to this registration statement, and any registration statement relating to the offering covered by this registration statement and filed pursuant to Rule 462 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and to file the same, with exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done, as fully to all intents and purposes as he or she might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that each of said attorneys-in-fact and agents or their substitute or substitutes may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the following persons have signed this registration statement in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

/s/ RUBEN MENDOZA
Ruben Mendoza
President, Chief Executive Officer and Director
(Principal Executive Officer) August 5, 2019

/s/ JOHN GOREY
John Gorey
Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer) August 5, 2019

/s/ BARBARA BITZER
Barbara Bitzer
Chief Accounting Officer (Principal Accounting Officer) August 5, 2019

/s/ CHASE HAGIN
Chase Hagin
Director August 5, 2019

/s/ MATTHEW ESPE
Matthew Espe
Director August 5, 2019

/s/ FAREED KHAN
Fareed Khan
Director August 5, 2019

/s/ CHAD LEWIS
Chad Lewis
Director August 5, 2019

/s/ CHRIS MEYER
Chris Meyer
Director August 5, 2019

/s/ JAMES UNDERHILL
James Underhill
Director August 5, 2019

/s/ RAFAEL COLORADO
Rafael Colorado
Director August 5, 2019

/s/ ALLISON NAVITSKAS
Allison Navitskas
Director August 5, 2019
Section 2: EX-5.1 (EXHIBIT 5.1)

August 5, 2019

Foundation Building Materials, Inc.
2741 Walnut Avenue, Suite 200,
Tustin, California 92780

Re: Securities Registered under Registration Statement on Form S-3

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as counsel to Foundation Building Materials, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the “Company”), in connection with the Registration Statement on Form S-3 (the “Registration Statement”) filed by the Company on the date hereof with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “Commission”) pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Securities Act”), in connection with the proposed offering by the selling stockholder identified in the Registration Statement of up to 28,054,239 shares of the Company’s common stock, par value $0.001 per share (the “Resale Shares”) currently held by the selling stockholder. This opinion letter is being furnished to the Company in accordance with the requirements of Item 601(b)(5) of Regulation S-K under the Securities Act. No opinion is expressed herein as to any matter pertaining to the contents of the Registration Statement, other than as to the validity of the Resale Shares as set forth below.

In connection with the preparation of this opinion, we have examined such documents and considered such questions of law as we have deemed necessary or appropriate. We have assumed the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals, the conformity to originals of all documents submitted to us as copies thereof and the genuineness of all signatures. As to questions of fact material to our opinions, we have relied upon the certificates of certain officers of the Company.

Based on the foregoing, we are of the opinion that the Resale Shares are validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable.

We render this opinion only with respect to the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, and we express no opinion herein concerning the application or effect of the laws of any other jurisdiction. This opinion is limited to the matters stated herein, and no opinion is implied or may be inferred beyond the matters expressly stated herein.

We hereby consent to the use of this opinion as Exhibit 5.1 to the Registration Statement and further consent to the reference to us in the Registration Statement and any amendments thereto. In giving such consent, we do not hereby admit that we are within the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act or the rules and regulations thereunder.
This opinion is intended solely for use in connection with the offering of the Resale Shares pursuant to the Registration Statement and is not to be relied upon for any other purpose or delivered to or relied upon by any other person without our prior written consent. This opinion is rendered as of the date hereof and based solely on our understanding of facts in existence as of such date after the examination described in this opinion. We assume no obligation to advise you of any fact, circumstance, event or change in the law or the facts that may hereafter be brought to our attention whether or not such occurrence would affect or modify the opinions expressed herein.

Very truly yours,

STRADLING YOCCA CARLSON & RAUTH, P.C.

/s/ Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth, P.C.

Section 3: EX-23.1 (EXHIBIT 23.1)

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement on Form S-3 of our reports dated February 26, 2019, relating to the consolidated financial statements of Foundation Building Materials, Inc. and subsidiaries, and the effectiveness of Foundation Building Materials, Inc. and subsidiaries’ internal control over financial reporting, appearing in or incorporated by reference in the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2018, and to the reference to us under the heading “Experts” in the Prospectus, which is part of this Registration Statement.

/s/ Deloitte & Touche LLP

Costa Mesa, CA

August 5, 2019