

UNITED NATURAL FOODS INC
 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 *
 FUNK MICHAEL S

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 UNITED NATURAL FOODS INC
 [UNFI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O UNITED NATURAL FOODS, INC., 313 IRON HORSE WAY
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 09/12/2012

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

PROVIDENCE, RI 02908

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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) | Amount or Price | | | | | |
| Common Stock | 09/12/2012 | | M | | 2,000 | A | \$ 0 | 14,858 | D | |
| Common Stock | 09/12/2012 | | F(1) | | 934 | D | \$ 58.12 | 13,924 | D | |
| Common stock | | | | | | | | 1,747 | I | See footnote (2) |

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 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 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) | 8. Pr Deriv Secur (Instr. |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---------------------------|
| Restricted Stock Unit | \$ 0 ⁽³⁾ | 09/12/2012 | | M | 2,000 | <u>(4)</u> <u>(4)</u> | Common Stock 2,000 | \$ |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| FUNK MICHAEL S C/O UNITED NATURAL FOODS, INC. 313 IRON HORSE WAY PROVIDENCE, RI 02908 | X | | | |

Signatures

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| Lisa N'Chonon, Power-of-Attorney, in-fact | 09/14/2012 |
| __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) On September 12, 2012, 2,000 shares of United Natural Foods, Inc. (the "Company") restricted stock units vested. The Company retained 934 shares on that date to satisfy certain tax withholding obligations in connection with the vesting.
- (2) Represents 1,747 shares of common stock allocated to the reporting person under the United Natural Foods, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan as of September 13, 2012.
- (3) Each restricted stock unit represents the right to receive one share of United Natural Foods, Inc. common stock upon vesting in accordance with the terms of the reporting person's restricted stock unit award agreement.
- (4) The restricted stock units vest 1/3 immediately, with the remaining 2/3 vesting in two equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.

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