

UNITED NATURAL FOODS INC
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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 *
 ATWOOD DANIEL V

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)
 313 IRON HORSE WAY
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 12/06/2009

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 SVP, Chief Innovation Officer

PROVIDENCE, RI 02908

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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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			
Common Stock	12/06/2009		M	2,100 A \$ 0	146,516	D	
Common Stock	12/06/2009		F	684 D \$ 27.12	145,832	D	
Common Stock					49,048	I	See footnote (3)

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 (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. Price or Amount of Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Restricted Stock Unit	\$ 0 ⁽¹⁾	12/06/2009		M	2,100	⁽²⁾ / ⁽²⁾	Common Stock	2,100 \$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ATWOOD DANIEL V 313 IRON HORSE WAY PROVIDENCE, RI 02908			SVP, Chief Innovation Officer	

Signatures

Lisa N'Chonon, Power-of-Attorney,
in fact
**Signature of Reporting Person
12/08/2009
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) 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 Mr. Atwood's restricted unit award agreement.
- (2) The restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments beginning on December 6, 2008, the first anniversary of the date of grant.
- (3) Includes 49,048 shares of common stock allocated to Mr. Atwood under the United Natural Foods, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan as of December 8, 2009.
- (4) On December 6, 2009, 2,100 shares of United Natural Foods, Inc. (the "Company") restricted stock units vested. In connection with the vesting of such shares, the Company retained 684 shares on December 6, 2009 to satisfy certain tax withholding obligations.

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