

Matthews David Allen  
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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 \*  
 Matthews David Allen

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)

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

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

President, UNFI International

C/O UNITED NATURAL FOODS, INC., 313 IRON HORSE WAY

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

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Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(Street)  
 PROVIDENCE, RI 02908

(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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount or Price   |  |                                   |
| Common stock                    | 06/22/2012                           |  | M                              |   | 1,625 A \$ 25.14  | 3,873  | D                                 |
| Common stock                    | 06/22/2012                           |  | S                              |   | 1,625 D \$ 51.6057  | 2,248  | D                                 |
| Common stock                    | 06/22/2012                           |  | M                              |   | 2,250 A \$ 0  | 4,498  | D                                 |
| Common stock                    | 06/22/2012                           |  | F <sup>(6)</sup>               |   | 725 D \$ 52.79  | 3,773  | D                                 |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   |   | 353  | I                                 |

Common stock

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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable Expiration Date                         | Title   |                            |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy)       | \$ 25.14   | 06/22/2012                           |  | M                              | 1,625   | (3) 06/19/2022(3)  | Common stock  | 1,625                      |
| Restricted Stock Unit                      | \$ 0 (4)   | 06/22/2012                           |  | M                              | 2,250   | (5) (5)  | Common stock  | 2,250                      |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                               |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                       | Other |
| Matthews David Allen<br>C/O UNITED NATURAL FOODS, INC.<br>313 IRON HORSE WAY<br>PROVIDENCE, RI 02908 |               |           | President, UNFI International |       |

## Signatures

Lisa N'Chonon, Power-of-Attorney, in-fact 06/26/2012

\*\*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) The transaction price listed is a weighted average. Actual sale prices for these dispositions ranged from \$51.56 to \$51.65.  
Includes 208 shares of common stock allocated to the reporting person under the United Natural Foods, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan and 145 shares of common stock allocated to the reporting person under the United Natural Foods, Inc. 401(k) Plan's UNFI Stock Fund as of June 25, 2012.
- (2) The stock options vest and become exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant, and expire on the tenth anniversary of the date of grant.
- (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 agreement.
- (4) The restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.
- (5) On June 22, 2012, 2,250 shares of United Natural Foods, Inc. (the "Company") restricted stock units vested. The Company retained 725 shares on that date to satisfy certain tax withholding obligations in connection with the vesting.
- (6)

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