

Traficanti Joseph J
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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 *
 Traficanti Joseph J

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)
 ___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 SVP, General Counsel, CCO

(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

PROVIDENCE, RI 02908

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	09/12/2012		M	2,290 A \$ 0	2,290	D	
Common Stock	09/12/2012		F(1)	738 D \$ 58.12	1,552	D	
Common stock					466	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. Price
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Unit	\$ 0 ⁽³⁾	09/12/2012		M	2,290	⁽⁴⁾ ⁽⁴⁾	Common Stock	2,290

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships		
	Director	10% Owner	Officer
Traficanti Joseph J C/O UNITED NATURAL FOODS, INC. 313 IRON HORSE WAY PROVIDENCE, RI 02908			SVP, General Counsel, CCO

Signatures

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, 2,290 shares of United Natural Foods, Inc. (the "Company") restricted stock units vested. The Company retained 738 shares on that date to satisfy certain tax withholding obligations in connection with the vesting of such shares.
- (2) Includes 208 shares of common stock allocated to the reporting person under the United Natural Foods, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan and 258 shares of common stock allocated to the reporting person under the United Natural Foods, Inc. 401(k) Plan's UNFI Stock Fund 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 as follows: four equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.

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