UNITED NATURAL FOODS INC

Form 4

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SECURITIES Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

obligations may continue. See Instruction

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SMITH CRAIG HARDER

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

UNITED NATURAL FOODS INC [UNFI]

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Officer (give title below)

Issuer

10% Owner Other (specify

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

(Street)

09/19/2016

Director

SVP, Fresh Sales

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

PROVIDENCE, RI 02908

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securir(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	09/19/2016		M	1,025	A	\$ 0 (1)	7,920	D	
Common Stock	09/19/2016		F(2)	341	D	\$ 39.31	7,579	D	
Common Stock							161	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number out 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. P Der Sec (Ins
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Unit	<u>(4)</u>	09/19/2016		M	1,025	(5)	(5)	Common Stock	1,025	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SMITH CRAIG HARDER C/O UNITED NATURAL FOODS, INC. 313 IRON HORSE WAY PROVIDENCE, RI 02908

SVP, Fresh Sales

Signatures

Lisa N'Chonon, Power-of-Attorney,

in fact 09/21/2016

**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) Restricted stock units convert into common stock on a one-for-one basis. Accordingly, there was no purchase price paid by the reporting person.
- On September 19, 2016, 1,025 shares of United Natural Foods, Inc. (the "Company") restricted stock units vested. The Company retained 341 shares on that date to satisfy certain tax withholding obligations in connection with the vesting.
- (3) Includes 161 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 15, 2016.
- (4) 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.
- (5) The restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.

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