

Stubenhofer Gerald J. Jr.
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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 *
 Stubenhofer Gerald J. Jr.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 GNC HOLDINGS, INC. [GNC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 GNC HOLDINGS, INC., 300
 SIXTH AVENUE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 12/12/2011

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 SVP, CLO and Secretary

PITTSBURGH, PA 15222
 (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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Class A common stock, par value \$0.001 ("Common Stock")	12/12/2011		A		2,202 <u>(1)</u>	A	\$ 0
					10,215 <u>(2)</u>	D	

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. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 27.7	12/12/2011		A	22,798	(3) 12/12/2018	Common Stock	22,798 (3)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Stubenhofer Gerald J. Jr. GNC HOLDINGS, INC. 300 SIXTH AVENUE PITTSBURGH, PA 15222			SVP, CLO and Secretary	

Signatures

/s/ Gavin O'Connor, by power of attorney
12/12/2011
**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).
- Represents a grant of restricted stock on December 12, 2011 pursuant to the GNC Holdings, Inc. 2011 Stock and Incentive Plan (the (1) "Restricted Stock"). The shares of Restricted Stock vest in three installments: 30% on December 12, 2014, 30% on December 12, 2015 and 40% on December 12, 2016.
- (2) Includes the Restricted Stock.
- (3) The option vests in five equal installments on December 12, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016.

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