

BARKER GORDON D  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
BARKER GORDON D

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)  
03/11/2011

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

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) |            |       |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|---|--------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------|-------|
|                                 |                                      |                                                    |                                | Code                                                              | V | Amount |                                                                                               |                                                          |                                   | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Common Stock                    | 03/11/2011                           |                                                    | M                              |                                                                   |   | 13,300 | A                                                                                             | \$ 28.14                                                 | 13,300                            | D          |       |
| Common Stock                    | 03/11/2011                           |                                                    | M                              |                                                                   |   | 2,660  | A                                                                                             | \$ 25.37                                                 | 15,960                            | D          |       |
| Common Stock                    | 03/11/2011                           |                                                    | M                              |                                                                   |   | 2,660  | A                                                                                             | \$ 28.32                                                 | 18,620                            | D          |       |
| Common Stock                    | 03/11/2011                           |                                                    | M                              |                                                                   |   | 3,990  | A                                                                                             | \$ 24.54                                                 | 22,610                            | D          |       |
| Common Stock                    | 03/11/2011                           |                                                    | S                              |                                                                   |   | 22,610 | A                                                                                             | \$ 42.217                                                | 0                                 | D          |       |

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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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy)       | \$ 28.14                                               | 03/11/2011                           |                                                    | M                              | 13,300                                                                                  | 12/01/2004 <sup>(3)</sup> 12/01/2014 <sup>(3)</sup>      | Common Stock                                                | 13                            |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy)       | \$ 25.37                                               | 03/11/2011                           |                                                    | M                              | 2,660                                                                                   | 12/08/2007 <sup>(2)</sup> 12/08/2015 <sup>(2)</sup>      | Common Stock                                                | 2                             |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy)       | \$ 28.32                                               | 03/11/2011                           |                                                    | M                              | 2,660                                                                                   | 12/06/2009 <sup>(2)</sup> 12/06/2017 <sup>(2)</sup>      | Common Stock                                                | 2                             |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy)       | \$ 24.54                                               | 03/11/2011                           |                                                    | M                              | 3,990                                                                                   | 09/16/2010 <sup>(2)</sup> 09/16/2018 <sup>(2)</sup>      | Common Stock                                                | 3                             |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address        | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|                                       | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| BARKER GORDON D<br>313 IRON HORSE WAY | X             |           |         |       |

PROVIDENCE, RI 02908

## Signatures

Mark Shamber, Power-of-Attorney,  
in fact

03/14/2011

\_\_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).
- (1) The transaction price listed is a weighted average. Actual sale prices for these dispositions ranged from \$42.16 to \$42.42.
- (2) The stock options vest and becomes exercisable as follows: 1/3 immediately, with the remainder in two equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant. The options expire on the tenth anniversary of the grant.
- (3) These stock options vested and became exercisable immediately. The options expire on the tenth anniversary of the grant.

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