### **SMITH CRAIG HARDER**

Form 4

December 15, 2011

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

UNITED NATURAL FOODS INC

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Last)

(First) (Middle)

(Month/Day/Year) 12/14/2011

[UNFI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

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

(Check all applicable)

Eastern Region President

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

(State)

(Street)

(Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

below)

PROVIDENCE, RI 02908

(City)

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securion(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	12/14/2011		M	1,830	A	\$0	1,830	D	
Common Stock	12/14/2011		F(1)	594	D	\$ 37.01	1,236	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f 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. Pr Deri Secu (Inst
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Unit	<u>(2)</u>	12/14/2011		M	1,830	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	1,830	

# **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

Eastern Region President

## **Signatures**

Lisa N'Chonon, Power-of-Attorney, in-fact

12/15/2011

\*\*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) On December 14, 2011, 1,830 shares of United Natural Foods, Inc. (the "Company") restricted stock units vested. The Company retained 594 shares on December 14, 2011 to satisfy certain tax withholding obligations in connection with the vesting of such shares.
- (2) 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.
- (3) The restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.

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