DOWDEN ALBERT R

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

DOWDEN ALBERT R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

NATURES SUNSHINE PRODUCTS INC [NATR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 11/06/2009

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

below)

Issuer

2533 EVERGREEN LANE

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

Person

STEAMBOAT SPRINGS, CO 80477

> (City) (State)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

Code

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Instr. 8)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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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 Conversion 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative

5. Number of

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities**

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.35	11/06/2009(1)		A	25,000		11/06/2009	09/24/2019	Common Stock	25,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DOWDEN ALBERT R
2533 EVERGREEN LANE
X STEAMBOAT SPRINGS, CO 80477

Signatures

/s/ Jamon Jarvis, as attorney-in-fact for Albert R.

Dowden

11/10/2009

**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 option grant was approved by Nature's Sunshine's board of directors on September 24, 2009, subject to shareholder approval of the stock option plan under which the option was granted. Nature's Sunshine's shareholders approved the plan on November 6, 2009.

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