BARKER GORDON D

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BARKER GORDON D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

UNITED NATURAL FOODS INC

(Check all applicable)

[UNFI]

(Last)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X_ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O UNITED NATURAL FOODS.

(Street)

(First)

INC., 260 LAKE ROAD

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

12/06/2007

Applicable Line)

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

Person

below)

DAYVILLE, CT 06241

(City) (State) (Zip) 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)

4. Securities 3. TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

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

Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount Price (D)

Common Stock

12/06/2007

\$0 A 1,064 A

D

Restricted

Common

Stock

3,192

4,256

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Numb orDerivati Securitie Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3, 5) | ve es d (A) or d of (D) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|---|---|--|--|----------------------------------|--|--------------------|--|--|
| | | | | Code V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 28.32 | 12/06/2007 | | A | 2,660 | | (2) | 12/06/2017 | Common Stock | 2,660 |
| Restricted Stock Unit | <u>(4)</u> | 12/06/2007 | | A | 3,192 | | <u>(1)</u> | <u>(1)</u> | Common Stock | 3,192 |
| Restricted Stock Unit | <u>(4)</u> | 12/06/2007 | | M | | 1,064 (5) | <u>(1)</u> | <u>(1)</u> | Common Stock | 1,064 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| BARKER GORDON D C/O UNITED NATURAL FOODS, INC. 260 LAKE ROAD DAYVILLE, CT 06241 | X | | | | | |

Signatures

Lisa N'Chonon (Power of Attorney, in fact) 12/10/2007

**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 restricted stock units vest as follows: one-third vested on the date of grant and the remaining two-thirds of the award vest in two equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.
- (2) The stock option vests as follows: one-third vests immediately and the remaining stock options become exercisable in two equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.
- (3) United Natural Foods, Inc.'s closing price on the NASDAQ National Market on December 6, 2007.

(4)

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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 Mr. Barker's restricted unit award agreement.

(5) Reflects the settlement of restricted stock units granted on December 6, 2007, which vested on the date of grant.

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