

UNITED NATURAL FOODS INC

Form 4

September 21, 2016

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Griffin Sean

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

(Street)

PROVIDENCE, RI 02908

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

UNITED NATURAL FOODS INC
[UNFI]

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

09/19/2016

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Chief Operating Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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)
Common Stock	09/19/2016		M	989	A \$ 0 ⁽¹⁾	13,156	D
Common Stock	09/19/2016		F ⁽²⁾	338	D \$ 39.31	12,818	D
Common Stock						1,675	I
							See footnote (3)

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. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Unit	(4)	09/19/2016		M	989	(5) (5)	Common Stock	989 \$
Restricted Stock Unit	(4)	09/19/2016		D	330	(5) (5)	Common Stock	330 \$
Phantom Stock	\$ 0	09/19/2016		A(2)	330	(6) (6)	Common Stock	330 \$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Griffin Sean
C/O UNITED NATURAL FOODS, INC.
313 IRON HORSE WAY
PROVIDENCE, RI 02908

Chief Operating Officer

Signatures

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

09/21/2016

Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Restricted stock units convert into common stock on a one-for-one basis. Accordingly, there was no purchase price paid by the reporting person.

(2)

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On September 19, 2016, 1,319 shares of United Natural Foods, Inc. (the "Company") restricted stock units vested, 25% of which the reporting person had previously elected to defer to the Company's Deferred Compensation Plan. The Company retained 338 shares on that date to satisfy certain tax withholding obligations in connection with the vesting.

- (3) Includes 1,675 shares of common stock allocated to the reporting person under the United Natural Foods, Inc. 401(k) Plan's UNFI Stock Fund as of September 15, 2016.
- (4) 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.
- (5) The restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.
- (6) The security converts to common stock on a one-for-one basis subject to the terms of the United Natural Foods, Inc. Deferred Compensation Plan.

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