

UNITED NATURAL FOODS INC

Form 4

September 18, 2015

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

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Griffin Sean

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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
09/16/2015

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_X\_\_ Officer (give title \_\_\_\_ Other (specify  
below) below)  
Chief Operating Officer

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

(Street)

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

PROVIDENCE, RI 02908

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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)
				(A) or (D)			
Common Stock	09/16/2015		M	1,009	A \$ 0 <sup>(1)</sup>	9,868	D
Common Stock	09/16/2015		F <sup>(2)</sup>	345	D \$ 50.19	9,523	D
Common Stock						1,691	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)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Unit	(2)	09/16/2015		M			1,009	(4)	(4)	Common Stock	1,009
Restricted Stock Unit	(2)	09/16/2015		D			337	(4)	(4)	Common Stock	337
Phantom Stock	\$ 0	09/16/2015		A(2)		337		(5)	(5)	Common Stock	337
Restricted Stock Unit	(6)	09/17/2015		A		14,960		(4)	(4)	Common Stock	14,960

## 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-Attorney,  
in fact 09/18/2015  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\*\*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) 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) On September 16, 2015, 1,346 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 345 shares on that date to satisfy certain tax withholding obligations in connection with the vesting.

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- Includes 300 shares of common stock allocated to the reporting person under the United Natural Foods, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan and 1,391 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 16, 2015.
- (4) The restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.
  - (5) 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.
  - (6) 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.

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