

UNITED NATURAL FOODS INC
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 ATWOOD DANIEL V

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)
 C/O UNITED NATURAL FOODS INC, 260 LAKE ROAD
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 07/14/2005

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Senior VP Mktg & Secretary

DAYVILLE, CT 06241

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Common Stock | 07/14/2005 | | M | | 7,500 | A | \$ 4.485 |
| Common Stock | 07/14/2005 | | M | | 48,000 | A | \$ 7.75 |
| Common Stock | 07/14/2005 | | S | | 33,500 | D | \$ 31.7758 |
| Common Stock | 07/14/2005 | | S | | 934 | D | \$ 31.7694 |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 47,410 |
| | | | | | | I | See footnote |

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 |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 4.485 | 07/14/2005 | | M | 7,500 | 12/15/2003 12/15/2009 | | Common Stock | 7,500 |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 7.75 | 07/14/2005 | | M | 48,000 | 12/06/2004 12/06/2010 | | Common Stock | 50,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|----------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| ATWOOD DANIEL V C/O UNITED NATURAL FOODS INC 260 LAKE ROAD DAYVILLE, CT 06241 | | | Senior VP Mktg & Secretary | |

Signatures

Daniel V. Atwood 07/18/2005

**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) Includes 47,410 shares of common stock allocated to Mr. Atwood under the United Natural Foods, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan.

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