

Natural Grocers by Vitamin Cottage, Inc.  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Isely Charity

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 Natural Grocers by Vitamin Cottage, Inc. [NGVC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 12612 W. ALAMEDA PARKWAY  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/09/2016

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 \_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 13D Group Member

LAKESWOOD, CO 80228

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

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

(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) |                   |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | Code  | V   | Amount   | (A) or (D)                        | Price             |
| Common Stock                    | 02/09/2016                           |  | S                              |   | 700   | D  |                                   | \$ 17.8086<br>(1) |
| Common Stock                    | 02/29/2016                           |  | S                              |   | 500   | D  |                                   | \$ 20 20,962      |

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 of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
|  |  |                                      |  |                                |   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares  |
|  |  |                                      |  |                                |   | Code   | V   | (A)  | (D)   |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                  | Relationships |           |         |                  |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|------------------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other            |
| Isely Charity<br>12612 W. ALAMEDA PARKWAY<br>LAKEWOOD, CO 80228 |               |           |         | 13D Group Member |

## Signatures

/s/ Kemper Isely, by Power of Attorney  
 05/26/2016  
 \*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
  - \*\* 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 price reported is a weighted average price. These shares were purchased in two transactions priced at \$17.81 and \$17.80, respectively. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide Natural Grocers by Vitamin Cottage, Inc., any of its security holders or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold as set forth in this footnote.

### Remarks:

The Reporting Person is a party to a Stockholders Agreement that contains voting agreements and thus is a member of a Schedule 13D. Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.