UNITED NATURAL FOODS INC

Form 4

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

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1(b).

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obligations

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

ANTONELLI RICHARD

UNITED NATURAL FOODS INC

(Check all applicable)

[UNFI]

Symbol

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

_X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year)

12/06/2007

Chief Operating Officer

C/O UNITED NATURAL FOODS. INC., 260 LAKE ROAD

(Street)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One Reporting

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)

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

5. Amount of 6. Ownership Securities Form: Direct Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) Following

7. Nature of Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) or

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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

Conversion

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date

5. Number

6. Date Exercisable and

7. Title and Amount of 8 Underlying Securities

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| Security (Instr. 3) | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8 |) A (A D (I | ecurities (cquired A) or visposed D) (nstr. 3, and 5) | d d of | (Month/Day/Year) (In | | (Instr. 3 and | nstr. 3 and 4) | |
|--|---|------------|-------------------------|-------------------|---|---|-----------|----------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--|--|
| | | | | Code V | 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 | 7 | 7,000 | | <u>(2)</u> | 12/06/2017 | Common Stock | 7,000 | |
| Restricted Stock Unit | <u>(4)</u> | 12/06/2007 | | A | 8 | 3,400 | | <u>(1)</u> | <u>(1)</u> | Common Stock | 8,400 | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|--|--|
| 1 | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| ANTONELLI RICHARD C/O UNITED NATURAL FOODS, INC. 260 LAKE ROAD DAYVILLE, CT 06241 | X | | Chief Operating Officer | | | |

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 in four equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.
- (2) The stock option vests and becomes exercisable in four 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) 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. Antonelli's restricted unit award agreement.

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