UNITED NATURAL FOODS INC

Form 4

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HEFFERNAN JAMES P

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

(Check all applicable)

UNITED NATURAL FOODS INC

[UNFI]

(Middle)

X_ Director

10% Owner

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 12/06/2016

below)

Officer (give title Other (specify

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

(Street)

(First)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One Reporting

PROVIDENCE, RI 02908

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

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

4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Price

Common 12/06/2016 Stock

Code V Amount (D) M 2,660

21,109 36.6

D

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)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number op 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)	\$ 36.6 (1)	12/06/2016		M	2,660	(2)	12/06/2016 <u>(2)</u>	Common Stock	2,660

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
, F	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
HEFFERNAN JAMES P C/O UNITED NATURAL FOODS, INC. 313 IRON HORSE WAY PROVIDENCE, RI 02908	X				

Signatures

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

**Signature of Reporting Person

12/07/2016 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) United Natural Foods, Inc.'s closing price on the NASDAQ National Market on the date of grant.
- (2) The stock options vest and becomes exercisable as follows: 1/3 immediately, with the remainder in two equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant. The options expire on the tenth anniversary of the grant.

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