

SMITH CRAIG HARDER  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

|                                           |         |                                      |                                                    |                                                                        |
|-------------------------------------------|---------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * |         | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement | 3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol |                                                                        |
| SMITH CRAIG HARDER                        |         | (Month/Day/Year)                     | UNITED NATURAL FOODS INC [UNFI]                    |                                                                        |
| (Last)                                    | (First) | (Middle)                             | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer   | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)                   |
|                                           |         | 12/16/2010                           |                                                    |                                                                        |
| C/O UNFI, 313 IRON HORSE WAY              |         |                                      | (Check all applicable)                             |                                                                        |
| (Street)                                  |         |                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Director                  | <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner                                     |
|                                           |         |                                      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer        | <input type="checkbox"/> Other                                         |
|                                           |         |                                      | (give title below)                                 | (specify below)                                                        |
|                                           |         |                                      | Eastern Region President                           |                                                                        |
| PROVIDENCE, RI 02908                      |         |                                      |                                                    | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)             |
| (City)                                    | (State) | (Zip)                                |                                                    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person |
|                                           |         |                                      |                                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person  |

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

|                                    |                                                          |                                                                   |                                                          |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. Title of Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned<br>(Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 5) |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

|                                               |                                                             |                                                                                |                                                        |                                                                            |                                                          |
|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. Title of Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect (I) | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 5) |
|                                               | Date Exercisable                                            | Expiration Date                                                                | Title                                                  | Amount or Number of Shares                                                 |                                                          |

(Instr. 5)

|                                         |                           |                  |                 |       |                         |   |   |
|-----------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|-----------------|-------|-------------------------|---|---|
| Employee Stock Option<br>(right to buy) | 12/14/2011 <sup>(1)</sup> | 12/14/2020       | Common<br>Stock | 5,490 | \$ 36.61 <sup>(2)</sup> | D | Â |
| Restricted Stock Unit                   | Â <sup>(3)</sup>          | Â <sup>(3)</sup> | Common<br>Stock | 7,320 | \$ 0 <sup>(4)</sup>     | D | Â |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                                  | Relationships |           |                            |       |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|----------------------------|-------|
|                                                                                 | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                    | Other |
| SMITH CRAIG HARDER<br>C/O UNFI<br>313 IRON HORSE WAY<br>PROVIDENCE, Â X1Â 02908 | Â             | Â         | Â Eastern Region President | Â     |

## Signatures

Lisa N'Chonon (Power of Attorney,  
in fact) 12/17/2010

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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 stock options vest and becomes exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on December 14, 2011, the first anniversary of the date of grant.
- (2) United Natural Foods, Inc.'s closing price on the NASDAQ National Market on December 14, 2010, the date of the grant.
- (3) The restricted stock units vest in four equal installments beginning on December 14, 2011, the first anniversary of the date of grant.
- (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 the reporting person's restricted stock unit agreement.

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