FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Bunker Stephen M	2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol NATURES SUNSHINE PRODUCTS INC [NATR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
(Last) (First) (Middle) 75 EAST 1700 SOUTH	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/01/2012	___ Director ___ 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below) EVP, CFO, Treasurer
(Street) PROVO, UT 84606	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (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 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 Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	$ 14.52	08/01/2012[1]		A		26,250		[2]	02/28/2022	Common Stock	26,250	$ 0	26,250	D	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Bunker Stephen M 75 EAST 1700 SOUTH PROVO, UT 84606			EVP, CFO, Treasurer	

Signatures

/s/ Jamon A. Jarvis as Attorney-in-Fact for Stephen M. Bunker	08/03/2012
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) The option grant was approved by the board of directors of Nature's Sunshine Products, Inc. (the "Company") on March 1, 2012, subject to shareholder approval of the stock option plan under which the option was granted. The Company's shareholders approved the plan on August 1, 2012. The option grant includes an additional 8,750 shares which will vest, if at all, upon achievement of certain performance conditions.

(2) Vests as follows: 25% on March 1, 2013; 25% on March 1, 2014; 25% on March 1, 2015; and 25% on March 1, 2016.

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