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### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Ty	pe Response	es)																
1. Name ar Dean Mi		f Reporting Person*		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NATURES SUNSHINE PRODUCTS INC [NATR]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  _X_ Director								
125 E. M	*	NTE AVENUE	(Middle)	3. Date 03/12/		arliest Tran	sacti	on (Month	/Day/Year)									
SIERRA	MADRE,	(Street)		4. If An	nend	lment, Date	Orig	ginal Filed(N	Month/Day/Year	)		_X_ Form fil	led by (	One Reporting F	Filing(Check Person Leporting Person	Applicable Lis	ne)	
(Cit	ry)	(State)	(Zip)			Ta	able l	I - Non-De	rivative Sec	uritio	es Acqui	red, Disp	osed o	of, or Benef	icially Owne	ed		
1.Title of S (Instr. 3)	Security		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Yea	r) any	tion	Date, if C		8)	,	osed o	of (D)		llowii n(s)	ecurities Berng Reported		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	of Ir Bene Owr	eficial nership
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)		ise (Month/Day/Year)		Code		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Ex Expiration (Month/D		Oate of Ur Year) Secur		Title and Amount Underlying scurities astr. 3 and 4)			9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s	Owners Form of Derivat Securit Direct or India	ship of Hardine (Control of the Control of the Cont	Beneficia Ownersh (Instr. 4)
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Director Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.51	03/12/2010		A		150,000		(1)	03/12/2	019	Comm	. 1150	,000	\$ 0	150,000	) D		
Repor	ting O	wners																

	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Dean Michael 125 E. MIRA MONTE AVENUE SIERRA MADRE, CA 91024	X						

# **Signatures**

/s/ Jamon Jarvis, as attorney-in-fact for Michael D. Dean	03/16/2010
**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 option granted allows the purchase of up to 200,000 shares. 150,000 shares vest in three equal annual installments beginning on March 12, 2011. The remaining 50,000 shares vest based upon the Company achieving contain performance original described in the extra property of the company achieving contains a containing of the company achieving containing the containing of the contai upon the Company achieving certain performance criteria described in the option agreement.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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