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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Laping Chris

(First) (Middle)

(Zip)

6312 S. FIDDLER'S GREEN CIRCLE, SUITE 200N

(Street)

(State)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Symbol

08/20/2012

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Month/Day/Year)

RED ROBIN GOURMET

BURGERS INC [RRGB]

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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10% Owner Director X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chief Information Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO 80111

(City)

(City)	(State) ((Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	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)
Common Stock	08/20/2012		M	3,417	A	\$ 14.93	11,024	D	
Common Stock	08/20/2012		S	3,417	D	\$ 31.27 (1)	7,607 (2)	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)

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof 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)	\$ 14.93	08/20/2012		M	3,417	(3)	02/24/2019	Common Stock	3,417	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Kelationships						
, <u>, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , </u>	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Laping Chris 6312 S. FIDDLER'S GREEN CIRCLE SUITE 200N GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO 80111			Chief Information Officer				

Signatures

/s/ Annita M. Menogan,
Attorney-in-Fact

08/21/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- The price reported is a weighted average price. The shares were purchased in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$31.24 to \$31.37, inclusive. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide to the issuer, any security holder of the issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.
- (2) Includes 5,432 restricted stock units and 375 shares of restricted stock that are subject to vesting and forfeiture restrictions.
- (3) The option exercised is a portion of the grant to the Reporting Person made on 2/24/2009 under the issuer's Amended and Restated 2007 Performance Incentive Plan. 25% of the option vested on 2/24/2010, and thereafter 75% of the option vests in 36 substantially equal monthly installments, with the first installment vesting on 3/24/2010 and an additional installment vesting on the same day of each of the

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35 months thereafter. As of August 20, 2012, 3,417 shares of common stock underlying the option had vested.

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