

Halle Richard
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Halle Richard

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Natural Grocers by Vitamin Cottage, Inc. [NGVC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/06/2019

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

C/O NATURAL GROCERS BY VITAMIN COTTAGE, 12612 W. ALAMEDA PARKWAY

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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LAKEWOOD, CO 80228

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock | 03/07/2019 | | M | (A) 8,196 (1) | \$ 0 33,395 | 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. 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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code V (A) (D) | | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title | |
| Restricted Stock Units | (2) | 03/06/2019 | | A | 4,569 | (3) (3) | Common Stock | 4,569 |
| Restricted Stock Units | (2) | 03/07/2019 | | M | 8,196 | 03/07/2019 03/07/2019 | Common Stock | 8,196 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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C/O NATURAL GROCERS BY VITAMIN COTTAGE
12612 W. ALAMEDA PARKWAY
LAKEWOOD, CO 80228

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Signatures

/s/ Kemper Isely, by Power of Attorney

03/08/2019

**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) Represents shares of NGVC common stock issued to the reporting person upon the vesting of 8,196 restricted stock units on March 7, 2019, where each restricted stock unit represented the economic equivalent of one share of NGVC common stock.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of NGVC common stock.
- (3) The restricted stock units vest on March 6, 2020 and will be settled in shares of NGVC common stock upon vesting.

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