



## United Natural Foods to Release Fiscal 2012 First Quarter Results on November 30, 2011

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PROVIDENCE, R.I., Nov. 16, 2011 /PRNewswire/ -- United Natural Foods, Inc., (the "Company") (Nasdaq: UNFI) announced today that it intends to release its financial results for the first quarter of fiscal 2012, ended October 29, 2011, before the market opens on Wednesday, November 30, 2011. Management will conduct a conference call and audio webcast at 10:00 a.m. ET on November 30, 2011 to review the Company's quarterly results, market trends and future outlook.

The conference call dial-in number is 480-629-9818. An audio webcast of the conference call will be available to the public, on a listen-only basis, via the internet at [www.earnings.com](http://www.earnings.com) or at the Investors section of the Company's website at [www.unfi.com](http://www.unfi.com). Please allow extra time, prior to the call, to visit the site and download the necessary software to listen to the Internet broadcast. An online archive of the webcast will be available for 30 days.

### About United Natural Foods

United Natural Foods, Inc. ([www.unfi.com](http://www.unfi.com)) carries and distributes more than 60,000 products to more than 23,000 customer locations throughout the United States and Canada. The Company serves a wide variety of retail formats including conventional supermarket chains, natural product superstores, independent retail operators and the food service channel. United Natural Foods, Inc. was ranked by Forbes in 2005 as one of the "Best Managed Companies in America," ranked by Fortune in 2006 – 2010 as one of its "Most Admired Companies," winner of the Supermarket News 2008 Sustainability Excellence Award, and recognized by the Nutrition Business Journal for its 2009 Environment and Sustainability Award.

*Safe Harbor" Statement under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995: Statements in this press release regarding the Company's business that are not historical facts are "forward-looking statements" that involve risks and uncertainties and are based on current expectations and management estimates; actual results may differ materially. The risks and uncertainties which could impact these statements are described in the Company's filings under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, including its annual report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on September 28, 2011 and other filings the Company makes with the SEC, and include, but are not limited to, the Company's dependence on its principal customers; the Company's sensitivity to general economic conditions, including the current economic environment, changes in disposable income levels and consumer spending trends; the Company's ability to reduce its expenses in amounts sufficient to offset its increased focus on sales to conventional supermarkets and the resulting lower gross margins on these sales; the Company's ability to timely and successfully deploy its new warehouse management system throughout its distribution facilities; increased fuel costs; the Company's ability to successfully consummate its pending divestiture of its non-foods and general merchandise lines of business within the expected timeframe currently contemplated; the Company's sensitivity to inflationary pressures; the relatively low margins and economic sensitivity of the Company's business; the Company's ability to successfully deploy its operational initiatives in the Canadian market; the ability to identify and successfully complete acquisitions of other natural, organic and specialty food and related product distributors; and management's allocation of capital and the timing of capital expenditures. Any forward-looking statements are made pursuant to the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and, as such, speak only as of the date made. The Company is not undertaking to update any information in the foregoing reports until the effective date of its future reports required by applicable laws. Any projections of future results of operations are based on a number of assumptions, many of which are outside the Company's control and should not be construed in any manner as a guarantee that such results will in fact occur. These projections are subject to change and could differ materially from final reported results. The Company may from time to time update these publicly announced projections, but it is not obligated to do so.*

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