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

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Stubenhofer Gerald J. Jr.

(First) (Middle)

GNC HOLDINGS, INC., 300

SIXTH AVENUE

(Street)

(0, ,)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

GNC HOLDINGS, INC. [GNC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/12/2011

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

SVP, CLO and Secretary

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

PITTSBURGH, PA 15222

(City)	(State) (Zi	Table 1	I - Non-Der	rivative Securities A	Acquired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	4. Securities on Acquired (A) or	5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 3)	,	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Beneficially Owned	(D) or Indirect (I)	Beneficial Ownership
			Code V	(A) or Amount (D) Pr	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
G1 4			Code v	Amount (D) Pr	ice		

Class A common

Stock")

stock, par value \$0.001 ("Common

12/12/2011

A

10,215 (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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 27.7	12/12/2011		A	22,798	(3)	12/12/2018	Common Stock	22,798 (3)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Stubenhofer Gerald J. Jr.							
GNC HOLDINGS, INC.			SVP, CLO				
300 SIXTH AVENUE			and Secretary				
PITTSBURGH, PA 15222							

Signatures

/s/ Gavin O'Connor, by power of attorney 12/12/2011

**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).

Represents a grant of restricted stock on December 12, 2011 pursuant to the GNC Holdings, Inc. 2011 Stock and Incentive Plan (the

- (1) "Restricted Stock"). The shares of Restricted Stock vest in three installments: 30% on December 12, 2014, 30% on December 12, 2015 and 40% on December 12, 2016.
- (2) Includes the Restricted Stock.
- (3) The option vests in five equal installments on December 12, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016.

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