

SunOpta Inc.  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**COLO DAVID**

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
7301 OHMS LANE, SUITE 600  
(Street)

EDINA, MN 55439

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**SunOpta Inc. [STKL]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
03/09/2017

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |     |       |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|-----|-------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Code  | V  | Amount                            | (D) | Price |

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 | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities | 8. P. Der. Sec |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|--|--|----------------|
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| (Instr. 3)             | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | (Instr. 3 and 4) | (Instr. 3 and 4) | (Instr. 3 and 4) | (Instr. 3 and 4)           | (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------|--|------------------|------------------|------------------|----------------------------|------------------|
|                        |                              |                  | Code       | V (A) (D)  | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date  | Title            | Amount or Number of Shares |                  |
| Restricted Stock Units | (1)                          | 03/09/2017       | A          |  | (2)              | (3)              | common shares    | 50,000                     |                  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                               | Relationships |           |                   |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer           | Other |
| COLO DAVID<br>7301 OHMS LANE<br>SUITE 600<br>EDINA, MN 55439 | X             |           | President and CEO |       |

## Signatures

/s/ David J. Colo                      03/10/2017  
 \*\*Signature of                      Date  
 Reporting Person

## 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) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of STKL common stock.
- (2) The Restricted Stock Units vest in three equal annual installments beginning on February 6, 2018.
- (3) The Restricted Stock Units do not have an expiration date.

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