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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

Antonio Tavares

(Last) (First)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

08/09/2008

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

SunOpta Inc. [stkl]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

683 CANYON STREET

(Street)

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner Other

Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group

Person

_X__ Officer (give title below) (specify below) VP & COO

Director

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

MISSISSAUGA, A6Â L5H

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(City)

(Instr. 4)

1. Title of Security

(State)

(Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

Ownership Form:

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

(Instr. 5)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially

owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security

(Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

(Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

4. Conversion or Exercise

Price of

Security

Derivative

5. Ownership Form of Derivative

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 5)

Expiration Date

Exercisable Date

Amount or Title Number of

Shares

Security: Direct (D) or Indirect

(I) (Instr. 5) Edgar Filing: SunOpta Inc. - Form 3

Common Share Options 08/09/2008 08/09/2014 Common Shares 50,000 \$ 5.12 D Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Antonio Tavares

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MISSISSAUGA, A6Â L5H 4L9

Signatures

Tony Tavares 08/11/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).

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Remarks:

Options vest 20 percent on August 8, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013

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