

DUNKIN' BRANDS GROUP, 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**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**COSTELLO JOHN H**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**C/O DUNKIN' BRANDS GROUP, INC., 130 ROYALL STREET**

(Street)

**CANTON, MA 02021**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**DUNKIN' BRANDS GROUP, INC.  
 [DNKN]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
**05/02/2016**

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, Global Mktg & Innov

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	
Common Stock	05/02/2016		M	8,757	A	\$ 7.31	41,210 D
Common Stock	05/02/2016		M	25,000	A	\$ 25.18	66,210 D
Common Stock	05/02/2016		M	19,000	A	\$ 37.26	85,210 D
Common Stock	05/02/2016		S	52,757	D	\$ 46.63	32,453 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. 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	Amount or Number of Shares
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 7.31	05/02/2016		M	2,627	<u>(1)</u> 03/09/2021	Common Stock	2,627	
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 7.31	05/02/2016		M	6,130	<u>(2)</u> 03/09/2021	Common Stock	6,130	
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 25.18	05/02/2016		M	25,000	<u>(3)</u> 12/11/2021	Common Stock	25,000	
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 37.26	05/02/2016		M	19,000	<u>(4)</u> 02/12/2023	Common Stock	19,000	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
COSTELLO JOHN H C/O DUNKIN' BRANDS GROUP, INC. 130 ROYALL STREET CANTON, MA 02021			President, Global Mktg & Innov	

## Signatures

/s/ Richard Emmett, as attorney-in-fact for John H.  
Costello

05/04/2016

\_\_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).
- (1) On 03/09/2011, the reporting person was granted an option to purchase 13,134 shares of Common Stock. The option vests based upon time criteria (five equal annual installments that began on 03/09/2012).
- (2) On 03/09/2011, the reporting person was granted an option to purchase 30,647 shares of Common Stock. The option vests based upon time (five equal annual installments that began on 03/09/2012) and performance criteria.
- (3) On 12/11/2011, the reporting person was granted an option to purchase 100,000 shares of common stock. The options vests based upon time criteria (four equal annual installments that began on 12/12/2012).
- (4) On 02/12/2013, the reporting person was granted an option to purchase 76,000 shares of common stock. The options vests based upon time criteria (four equal annual installments that began on 02/12/2014).

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