BRIGHTON TODD

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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 * **BRIGHTON TODD**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

RED ROBIN GOURMET **BURGERS INC [RRGB]**

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

6312 S. FIDDLER'S GREEN

(First)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

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

CIRCLE, SUITE 200 NORTH

(Zip)

(Middle)

(Month/Day/Year) 02/24/2009

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Senior VP & Chief Dev. Officer

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

(Street)

GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO 80111

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(State)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities 3. TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Securities Beneficially Owned **Following** Reported

5. Amount of

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial (D) or Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or

(D)

Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Price

Common Stock

02/24/2009

Code V Amount 3,000 A (1)

\$0 $5,500^{(2)}$

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)

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number or 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 14.93	02/24/2009		A	8,000	<u>(3)</u>	02/24/2019	Common Stock	8,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BRIGHTON TODD 6312 S. FIDDLER'S GREEN CIRCLE SUITE 200 NORTH GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO 80111

Senior VP & Chief Dev. Officer

Signatures

Attorney-in-Fact Annita M. 02/26/2009 Menogan

**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).
- On February 24, 2009, the reporting person was issued 3,000 shares of restricted stock under the issuer's 2007 Amended and Restated
- (1) Performance Incentive Plan. The restricted stock will vest in four equal installments on each of the first four anniversaries of the grant date, so that the restricted stock will be fully vested on February 24, 2013.
- (2) Includes 5,500 shares of restricted stock that is subject to vesting and was issued to the reporting person under the issuer's 2007 Amended and Restated Performance Incentive Plan.
- 25% of the option vests on the first anniversary of the grant date, and thereafter 75% of the option will vest in 36 substantially equal monthly installments with the first installment vesting on the 24th day of the 13th month following the award date and an additional installment vesting on the 24th day of each of the 35 months thereafter.

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