

Short Jeffrey B.
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * | | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | |
| Short Jeffrey B. | | (Month/Day/Year) | Fresh Market, Inc. [TFM] | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) |
| | | 12/07/2012 | | |
| 628 GREEN VALLEY ROAD, SUITE 500 | | | (Check all applicable) | |
| (Street) | | | <input type="checkbox"/> Director | <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner |
| | | | <input type="checkbox"/> Officer | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| GREENSBORO, NC 27408 | | | (give title below) | (specify below) |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | VP-Controller (interim PAO) | |
| | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) |
| | | | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person |
| | | | | <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|---------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Common stock | 684.54 ⁽¹⁾ | 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 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 Derivative Security | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
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- (8) The 2012 RSUs vest in 25% increments on March 21 of each of the following years: 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016.

Each 2012 RSU represents the right to receive one share of common stock of The Fresh Market, Inc. on the vesting date, provided that the holder of the RSU remains employed by The Fresh Market, Inc. or its affiliates through the relevant vesting date, subject to provisions for death, disability, retirement, and change of control. RSUs include the right to have shares withheld to satisfy tax withholding obligations upon vesting.

- (9) Each performance share represents the contingent right to receive one share of common stock of The Fresh Market, Inc. in the event that a performance goal is satisfied. This goal is based on the Company's cumulative earnings per share, on an excluded items basis, over a three year performance period ending January 25, 2015. The final number of shares of common stock earned can be between 0% and 100% of the maximum award and will be delivered within two and one-half months of the end of the performance period. The performance shares include the right to have shares withheld to satisfy tax withholding obligations upon vesting.
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Remarks:

ExhibitÂ ListÂ ExhibitÂ 24Â -Â PowerÂ ofÂ Attorney

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