FORM 3

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Whiteha	Address of Repo	orting Person*	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SunOpta Inc. [STKL]				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 7301 OHMS LANE SUITE 600 (Street) EDINA MN 55439 (City) (State) (Zip)		02/02/2018		4. Relationship of Reporting Pe (Check all applicable) Director X Officer (give title below) SVP, Operation	10% Owne Other (spe below)	(Mor 02/1 ecify 6. In	ath/Day/Year) 12/2018 dividual or Join icable Line) Form filed b Person	ate of Original Filed t/Group Filing (Check y One Reporting y More than One erson	
			Table I - No	n-Derivat	tive Securities Beneficial	ly Owned	<u> </u>		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)					2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)			. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership nstr. 5)	
		(e Securities Beneficially ants, options, convertible		s)		
Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)			2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Secur Underlying Derivative Secur		4. Conversion or	Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Restricted S	Restricted Stock Units		(1)	(2)	Common Shares	22,000(3)	(4)	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)		(5)	05/24/2027	Common Shares	29,999(3)	9.5	D		
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)			(5)	05/24/2027	Common Shares	10,526(3)	9.5	D	
Restricted Stock Units			(6)	(2)	Common Shares	18,155(3)	(4)	D	
Performance Share Units			(7)	(2)	Common Shares	90,777(3)	(8)	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. On April, 10, 2017 the reporting person was granted 22,000 restricted stock units, vesting in three equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.
- 2. This award has no expiration date. Units will either vest or be forfeit.
- 3. These shares were omitted from the reporting person's original Form 3.
- 4. Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of STKL common stock.
- 5. The grant cliff vests after 3 years on May 24, 2020.
- 6. On May 24, 2017 the reporting person was granted 18,155 Restricted Stock Units, vesting in three equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.
- 7. The Performance Stock Units will vest, if at all, on May 24, 2020 based upon meeting the following stock performance conditions for 20 consecutive trading days: one-third of the Performance Stock Units eligible to vest upon achieving a stock price of \$14.00, and one-third of the Performance Stock Units eligible to vest upon achieving a stock price of \$18.00.
- 8. Each Performance Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of STKL common stock.

Remarks:

EXHIBIT LIST Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

/s/ Jill Barnett,attorney-in-fact 03/28/2018

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * 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).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB Number.

The undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Jill Barnett and Karen McBride, or each of them acting singly and with full power of substitution, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- 1. execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer or director or both of SunOpta Inc. (the "Company"), Forms 3, 4 and 5 (and any amendments thereto) in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and the rules thereunder:
- 2. do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4 or 5, complete and execute any amendments thereto, and timely file such form with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and any securities exchange or similar authority, including without limitation the filing of a Form ID or any other documents necessary or appropriate to enable the undersigned to file the Forms 3, 4 and 5 electronically with the SEC;
- 3. seek or obtain, as the undersigned's representative and on the undersigned's behalf, information on transactions in the Company's securities from any third party, including brokers, employee benefit plan administrators and trustees, and the undersigned hereby authorizes any such person to release any such information to each of the undersigned's attorneys-in-fact appointed by this Limited Power of Attorney and approves and ratifies any such release of information; and
- 4. take any other action in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by or for, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Limited Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such information and disclosure as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever required, necessary or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Limited Power of Attorney and the rights and powers herein granted.

The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request and on the behalf of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with, or any liability for the failure to comply with, any provision of Section 16 of the Exchange Act.

This Limited Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4 or 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to each of the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this Limited Power of Attorney as of this 2nd day of February, 2018.

Signed and acknowledged:

Chris Whitehair

/s/ Chris Whitehair Signature