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Form 8-K  
April 12, 2012

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

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FORM 8-K

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CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): April 12, 2012

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NUTRACEA  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

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California  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

0-32565  
(Commission File Number)

87-0673375  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

6720 N. Scottsdale Road, Suite 390  
Scottsdale, AZ  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

85253  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (602) 522-3000

(Former name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report.)

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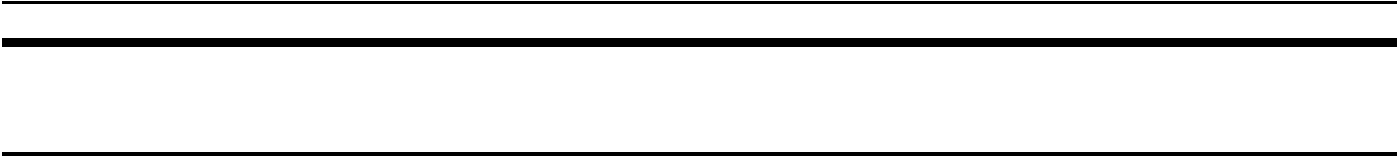
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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

Appointment of W. John Short as President of NutraCea

On April 12, 2012, W. John Short was appointed President of NutraCea. Mr. Short, 63, has served as NutraCea's Chief Executive Officer and Director since October 2009 and will continue to serve in such capacity. From July 2009 until October 2009, Mr. Short served as President of NutraCea. In 2008 and 2009, as Chief Executive Officer and managing member of W. John Short & Associates, LLC, Mr. Short was engaged as a management consultant, Advisory Board Member and/or Director to several companies including SRI Global Imports Inc., G4 Analytics Inc. and Unifi Technologies Inc. From April 2006 through December 2007, Mr. Short was the Chief Executive Officer of Skip's Clothing Company. From January 2004 through December 2005, Mr. Short was engaged as an advisor by the Government of El Salvador to assist in the restructuring of that country's apparel industry in relation to the elimination of global apparel quotas. Mr. Short has held senior positions with financial services and consumer products businesses in North America, South America, Asia and Europe including over a decade in international corporate banking with Citibank N.A. in New York, Venezuela, Ecuador and Hong Kong.

The terms and conditions of Mr. Short's employment agreement with NutraCea remain unchanged.

Resignation of Leo G. Gingras as Chief Operating Officer, President and Secretary of NutraCea

Effective as of April 12, 2012, Mr. Gingras resigned from his position as Chief Operating Officer, President and Secretary of NutraCea. As previously reported on October 12, 2011, Leo G. Gingras notified NutraCea of his intention to voluntarily terminate his employment on April 12, 2012 as President, Chief Operating Officer and Secretary of NutraCea.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

NUTRACEA

Date: April 12, 2012

By: /s/ J. Dale Belt  
Jerry Dale Belt  
Chief Financial Officer  
(Duly Authorized Officer)

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