

DUNKIN' BRANDS GROUP, INC.  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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

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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)  
**02/28/2014**

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, Glob.Mkt & Innovat.**

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		
Common Stock	02/28/2014		A	V	27,096 <u>(1)</u>	A	\$ 0 59,549 D
Common Stock	03/03/2014		M		783	A	\$ 3.02 60,332 D
Common Stock	03/03/2014		M		1,217	A	\$ 37.26 61,549 D
Common Stock	03/03/2014		S <sup>(2)</sup>		2,000	D	\$ 51.12 59,549 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 Derivatives 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
					V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	
Option to purchase Common Stock	\$ 51.67	02/28/2014		A		101,318		(3)	02/28/2021	Common Stock 101,
Option to purchase Common Stock	\$ 3.02	03/03/2014		M		783		(4)	02/23/2020	Common Stock 78
Option to purchase Common Stock	\$ 37.26	03/03/2014		M		1,217		(5)	02/12/2023	Common Stock 1,2

## 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,  
Glob.Mkt &  
Innovat.

## Signatures

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

03/04/2014

\_\_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).

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On 2/28/2014, the reporting person was granted a restricted stock award of 27,096 shares of common stock. The award vests based on time criteria (full vesting on 7/31/2016 subject to continued employment by the reporting person on the vesting date).

- (2) The sales reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10B5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on 4/26/2013.
- (3) On 2/28/2014, the reporting person was granted an option to purchase 101,318 shares of common stock. The option vests based upon time criteria (four equal annual installments that begin on 2/28/2015).
- (4) On 02/23/2010, the reporting person was granted an option to purchase 65,674 shares of Common Stock. The option vests based upon time (five equal installments that began on 02/23/2011).
- (5) On 2/12/2013, the reporting person was granted an option to purchase 76,000 shares of common stock. The option vests based upon time criteria (four equal annual installments that began on 2/12/2014).

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