

SunOpta Inc.  
Form 8-K  
December 23, 2014

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

**FORM 8-K**

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

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): December 17, 2014**

**SUNOPTA INC.**

*(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)*

**Canada**  
*(State or Other Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation)*

**001-34198**  
*(Commission File Number)*

**Not Applicable**  
*(IRS Employer Identification  
No.)*

**2838 Bovaird Drive West  
Brampton, Ontario, L7A 0H2, Canada**  
*(Address of Principal Executive Offices)*

**(905) 455-1990**  
*(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)*

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e -4(c))
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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.**

(b) Retirement of Director.

On December 17, 2014, SunOpta Inc. (the Company ) received notice from Vic Hepburn regarding Mr. Hepburn s retirement from the Company s Board of Directors effective December 31, 2014. M. Shan Atkins, appointed to the Board of Directors of the Company in October 2014, will serve as the Company's Audit Committee Chair following Mr. Hepburn s retirement. Effective January 1, 2015, the Company s Board of Directors will be comprised of ten directors, including eight independent directors.

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**SIGNATURES**

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.

SUNOPTA INC.

By: /s/ Robert McKeracher

Robert McKeracher  
Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Date: December 23, 2014

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