

BALSON ANDREW  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
BALSON ANDREW

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
DUNKIN' BRANDS GROUP, INC.  
[DNKN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
11/16/2011

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

C/O BAIN CAPITAL INVESTORS, LLC, JOHN HANCOCK TOWER  
200 CLARENDON STREET

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

BOSTON, MA 02116

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	11/16/2011		J <sup>(4)</sup>		890,688 <sup>(4)</sup>	D	\$ 0 <sup>(4)</sup>
					29,091,875	I	
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	11/16/2011		J <sup>(4)</sup>		50,442 <sup>(4)</sup>	A	\$ 0 <sup>(4)</sup>
					50,442	D	
Common Stock,	11/16/2011		G <sup>(4)</sup>		50,442 <sup>(4)</sup>	D	\$ 0 <sup>(4)</sup>
					0	D	

See footnotes (1) (2) (3) (4)

\$0.001 par value

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 Derivative Securities 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 6)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

BALSON ANDREW  
C/O BAIN CAPITAL INVESTORS, LLC  
JOHN HANCOCK TOWER 200 CLARENDON STREET  
BOSTON, MA 02116

X                  X

## Signatures

By: /s/ Andrew Balson                          11/18/2011

\_\_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).

(1) Mr. Andrew Balson is a Managing Director of Bain Capital Investors, LLC ("BCI"), which is the administrative member of Bain Capital Integral Investors 2006, LLC ("BC Integral"). As a result, Mr. Balson may be deemed to share voting and dispositive power with respect to the shares of Common Stock held by BC Integral. Mr. Balson disclaims beneficial ownership of such securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

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(2) BCI is the administrative member of BCIP TCV, LLC ("BCIP TCV"). As a result, Mr. Balson may be deemed to share voting and dispositive power with respect to the shares of Common Stock held by BCIP TCV. Mr. Balson disclaims beneficial ownership of such securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

(3) BCI is the managing general partner BCIP Associates-G ("BCIP G", and together with BCI, BC Integral and BCIP TCV the "Bain Entities"). As a result, Mr. Balson may be deemed to share voting and dispositive power with respect to the shares of Common Stock held by BCIP G. Mr. Balson disclaims beneficial ownership of such securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

(4) On November 16, 2010, BC Integral distributed 890,688 shares of Common Stock to certain of its members in connection with charitable gifts made by certain members or partners of such members or their direct or indirect owners on November 16, 2011, including 50,442 shares of Common Stock distributed to Mr. Balson, all of which were gifted by Mr. Balson to charity on November 16, 2011.

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