DUNKIN' BRANDS GROUP, INC.

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * THOMAS H. LEE ADVISORS, LLC

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

DUNKIN' BRANDS GROUP, INC. [DNKN]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

(State)

12/09/2011

(Month/Day/Year) 12/09/2011

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

100 FEDERAL STREET, 35TH FLOOR,

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Code V

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3. Date of Earliest Transaction

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person _X_ Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

BOSTON, MA 02110

(City)

Common

Stock

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

4. Securities Acquired (A) or 5. Amount of TransactionDisposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Amount

633,385

(1)

D

6. Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) or Indirect **Following** Reported (I)

(A) or (D) Price \$

24.7233

Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4)

See Note 22,154,595 I (2)

7. Nature of

Indirect

Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

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)

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
reporting owner runner radices	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
THOMAS H. LEE ADVISORS, LLC 100 FEDERAL STREET, 35TH FLOOR BOSTON, MA 02110		X				
THL EQUITY ADVISORS V LLC 100 FEDERAL STREET, 35TH FLOOR BOSTON, MA 02110		X				
LEE THOMAS H EQUITY FUND V LP C/O THOMAS H. LEE PARTNERS, L.P. 100 FEDERAL STREET, 35TH FLOOR BOSTON, MA 02110		X				
LEE THOMAS H PARALLEL FUND V LP C/O THOMAS H. LEE PARTNERS, L.P. 100 FEDERAL STREET, 35TH FLOOR BOSTON, MA 02110		X				
LEE THOMAS H EQUITY CAYMAN FUND V LP C/O THOMAS H. LEE PARTNERS, L.P. 100 FEDERAL STREET, 35TH FLOOR BOSTON, MA 02110		X				
LEE THOMAS H INVESTORS LP C/O THOMAS H. LEE PARTNERS, L.P. 100 FEDERAL STREET, 35TH FLOOR BOSTON, MA 02110		X				
Putnam Investments Employees Securities CO I LLC ONE POST OFFICE SQUARE BOSTON, MA 02109		X				
Putnam Investments Employees Securities CO II LLC ONE POST OFFICE SQUARE		X				

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BOSTON, MA 02109

Putnam Investment Holdings, LLC ONE POST OFFICE SQUARE BOSTON, MA 02109

X

Signatures

Thomas H. Lee Advisors, LLC, by: /s/ Charles P. Holden, Managing Director

12/09/2011

**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) See Exhibit 99.1 for text of footnote (1).
- (2) See Exhibit 99.1 for text of footnote (2).

Remarks:

Exhibit 99.1 (Footnotes) and Exhibit 99.2 (Joint Filer Information) are incorporated herein by reference.

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