Ruths Hospitality Group, Inc. Form 8-K December 23, 2009

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 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 22, 2009

RUTH S HOSPITALITY GROUP, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

000-51485 (Commission 72-1060618 (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

File Number)
500 International Parkway, Suite 100, Heathrow, Florida 32746

Identification No.)

(Address of Principal executive offices, including Zip Code)

(407) 333-7440

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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

Item 8.01 Other Events

On December 22, 2009, the Company issued a press release announcing that it has entered into a Securities Purchase Agreement with Bruckmann, Rosser, Sherrill & Co. III, L.P. and BRS Coinvestor III, L.P. and that it has entered into the Second Amendment to the First Amended and Restated Credit Agreement and Limited Waiver with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as administrative agent and the lenders from time to time party thereto. A copy of the press release is filed as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit

No. Description

99.1 Press release, dated December 22, 2009

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.

Date: December 22, 2009

RUTH S HOSPITALITY GROUP, INC.

/s/ Brian M. Judge Name: Brian M. Judge

Title: Vice President and Controller

EXHIBIT INDEX

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99.1 Exhibit 99.1 Press release, dated December 22, 2009