

Ruths Hospitality Group, Inc.  
Form 8-K  
January 05, 2010

**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): January 4, 2010**

**RUTH S HOSPITALITY GROUP, INC.**

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

**Delaware**  
**(State or other jurisdiction**

**of incorporation)**

**000-51485**  
**(Commission**

**File Number)**

**72-1060618**  
**(IRS Employer**

**Identification No.)**

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**500 International Parkway, Suite 100, Heathrow, Florida 32746**

**(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)**

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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On January 4, 2010, Ruth's Hospitality Group, Inc. issued a press release announcing, among other things, its preliminary results for the quarter ended December 27, 2009. A copy of the press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

This information shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), or incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

| Exhibit No. | Description                          |
|-------------|--------------------------------------|
| 99.1        | Press release, dated January 4, 2010 |

**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.

**RUTH S HOSPITALITY GROUP, INC.**

Date: January 4, 2010

Name:  
Title:

/s/ BRIAN M. JUDGE  
**Brian M. Judge**  
**Vice President and Controller**

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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