CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY Form 8-K July 12, 2002

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) July 12, 2002

Central Garden & Pet Company

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 0-20242 (Commission File Number) 68-0275553 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

3697 Mt. Diablo Boulevard, Lafayette, California (Address of principal executive offices) 94549 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code (925) 283-4573

Inapplicable

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

Item 5. Other Events

On July 12, 2002, Central Garden & Pet Company (the Company) issued a press release announcing the extension of its primary credit facility through July 2004. A copy of the press release is filed as Exhibit 99.1 hereto.

Item 7. Financial Statement and Exhibits

- (a) Not applicable
- (b) Not applicable
- (c) Exhibits
 - Number Exhibit
 - 99.1 Press Release dated July 12, 2002.

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.

CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY

/s/ Stuart W. Booth

By:

Stuart W. Booth Vice President Finance and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: July 12, 2002

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