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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 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): February 16, 2017

THE WENDY S COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

1-2207 (Commission **38-0471180** (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

File Number)

Identification No.)

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One Dave Thomas Blvd., Dublin, Ohio

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (614) 764-3100

Not Applicable

(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.

On February 16, 2017, The Wendy s Company (the Company) issued a press release reporting its preliminary unaudited financial results for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended January 1, 2017 and other information. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The information in this Item 2.02, including the exhibit furnished pursuant to Item 9.01, shall not be deemed filed for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities under that section. Furthermore, the information in this Item 2.02, including the exhibit furnished pursuant to Item 9.01, shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into the filings of the Company under the Securities Act of 1933.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit

No. Description

99.1 Press release issued by The Wendy s Company on February 16, 2017.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: February 16, 2017

THE WENDY S COMPANY

By: /s/ Dana Klein

Dana Klein

Senior Vice President Corporate and Securities Counsel and Assistant Secretary

EXHIBIT INDEX

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