CENTRAL GARDEN & PET CO Form 8-K February 01, 2012

UNITED STATES 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) February 1, 2012

Central Garden & Pet Company

 $(Exact\ name\ of\ registrant\ as\ specified\ in\ its\ charter)$

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

001-33268 (Commission File Number) 68-0275553 (IRS Employer

of incorporation) Identification No.)

1340 Treat Boulevard, Suite 600,

Walnut Creek, California 94597
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)
Registrant s telephone number, including area code (925) 948-4000

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

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

Item 2.02 <u>Results of Operations and Financial Condition.</u>

On February 1, 2012, Central Garden & Pet Company issued a press release announcing its financial results for the first quarter ended December 24, 2011. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit 99.1 Press release dated February 1, 2012.

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

By: /s/ Lori Varlas Lori Varlas

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: February 1, 2012