## 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) August 6, 2008

# Central Garden \& Pet Company 

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)<br>\section*{Delaware (State or other jurisdiction}<br>of incorporation)<br>001-33268<br>(Commission File<br>Number)<br>Identification No.)

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 ${ }^{\oplus}$ under the Exchange Act ( 17 CFR 240.13e-4 ${ }^{\ominus}$ )

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.
On August 6, 2008, Central Garden \& Pet Company issued a press release announcing its preliminary financial results for the third fiscal quarter ended June 28, 2008 and a delay in the filing of its Form 10-Q.

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 August 6, 2008.

## 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/ Stuart W. Booth
Stuart W. Booth

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

