Ruths Hospitality Group, Inc. Form DEFA14A January 11, 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 11, 2010

RUTH S HOSPITALITY GROUP, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

000-51485 (Commission 72-1060618 (IRS Employer

of incorporation) File Number) 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:

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

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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On January 11, 2010, Ruth s Hospitality Group, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing that a record date of January 20, 2010 has been set for its previously announced rights offering. Pursuant to the rights offering, the Company will distribute, at no charge, transferable subscription rights to purchase shares of its common stock to each holder of record of its common stock as of the close of business on the record date.

The Company also announced that a record date of January 20, 2010 has been set for purposes of determining stockholders entitled to vote at the previously announced special meeting of stockholders to consider the approval of the proposed financing transactions announced on December 22, 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 11, 2010

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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 11, 2010 /s/ Brian M. Judge

Brian M. Judge

Brian M. Judge**

Title: Vice President and Controller

EXHIBIT INDEX

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