RED ROBIN GOURMET BURGERS INC Form 8-K January 10, 2017

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): January 10, 2017

RED ROBIN GOURMET BURGERS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

 Delaware
 001-34851

 (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)
 (Commission File Number)

 (IRS Employer Identification Number)

6312 S. Fiddler's Green Circle, Suite 200N Greenwood Village, Colorado (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (303) 846-6000

Not Applicable (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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ITEM 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On January 10, 2017, Red Robin Gourmet Burgers, Inc. issued a press release describing selected preliminary unaudited financial results for the fiscal fourth quarter of 2016. A copy of this press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information in this Item 2.02, including the information set forth in Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), or the Exchange Act, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

ITEM 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits
Exhibit No. Description
99.1 Red Robin Gourmet Burgers, Inc. Press Release dated January 10, 2017

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SIGNATURE

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. Date: January 10, 2017 RED ROBIN GOURMET BURGERS, INC.

By: /s/ Guy J. Constant Guy J. Constant Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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