

STEAK & SHAKE CO  
Form 8-K  
January 28, 2010

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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): January 26, 2010

THE STEAK N SHAKE COMPANY  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

INDIANA (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	0-8445 (Commission File Number)	37-0684070 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
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175 East Houston Street, Suite  
1300  
San Antonio, Texas  
(Address of principal executive  
offices)

78205  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (317) 633-4100

Not Applicable

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

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



Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On January 26, 2010, the Company and Duane E. Geiger terminated any prior agreement concerning employment, severance, or change of control. Instead, the Company and Mr. Geiger entered into a new, simpler agreement. The new contractual obligation stipulates that, only in the event Mr. Biglari ceases to be Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, shall Mr. Geiger have the option of terminating his employment with the Company and receiving a lump sum severance payment equal to one year of his then current base compensation. The new accord, unlike the prior one, does not contemplate or contractually bind the Company to severance payment in the event of termination without cause.

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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 thereunto duly authorized.

THE STEAK N SHAKE COMPANY

By: /s/ Duane E. Geiger  
Duane E. Geiger  
Interim Chief Financial Officer, Vice President and Controller

Dated: January 28, 2010

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