Ruths Hospitality Group, Inc. Form 8-K October 06, 2008

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): October 6, 2008

RUTH S HOSPITALITY GROUP, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

000-51485 (Commission File Number) 72-1060618 (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

Identification No.)

500 International Parkway, Suite 100, Heathrow, Florida 32746

(Address of Principal executive offices, including Zip Code)

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(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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

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- " 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(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.

Ruth s Hospitality Group, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release on October 6, 2008 announcing that Geoffrey D. K. Stiles resigned today from his roles as the Company s Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer and President of the Ruth s Chris Steak House division, effective immediately. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1. Mr. Stiles responsibilities will be assumed by the Company s President and Chief Executive Officer, Michael P. O Donnell.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Exhibit 99.1 Press Release issued by Ruth s Hospitality Group, Inc., dated October 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.

Date: October 6, 2008

RUTH S HOSPITALITY GROUP, INC.

/s/ Thomas E. O Keefe Name: Thomas E. O Keefe

Title: Executive Vice President - Chief

Legal and Compliance Officer

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