CHEESECAKE FACTORY INC Form 8-K December 05, 2008

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):

December 4, 2008

THE CHEESECAKE FACTORY INCORPORATED

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

0-20574 (Commission File Number)

51-0340466 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

26901 Malibu Hills Road

Calabasas Hills, California 91301

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code:

(818) 871-3000

Not Applicable

(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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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

ITEM 8 - OTHER EVENTS

ITEM 8.01 OTHER EVENTS

In a press release dated December 5, 2008, The Cheesecake Factory Incorporated (the Company) announced the opening of its newest Cheesecake Factory restaurant at the Westfield Annapolis mall in Annapolis, Maryland on December 4, 2008. The restaurant contains approximately 8,300 square feet and 235 seats.

This location is the first of the Company s smaller prototype restaurants built to support its full menu, but at an investment cost appropriate for the restaurant s size and expected volume, which will position the restaurant to deliver returns that are consistent with the returns from the Company s larger restaurants. This opening also marks the Company s final new restaurant opening for fiscal 2008 having met its goal of opening six Cheesecake Factory restaurants and the initial unit of RockSugar Pan Asian Kitchen this year.

The full text of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is hereby incorporated by reference herein.

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(d) Exhibits

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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.

Date: December 5, 2008 THE CHEESECAKE FACTORY INCORPORATED

By: /s/ CHERYL M. SLOMANN

Cheryl M. Slomann

Interim Chief Financial Officer and Vice President,

Controller

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Exhibit Description
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