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): September 5, 2019

BRINKER INTERNATIONAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE1-1027575-1914582(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)(Commission File Number)(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

3000 OLYMPUS BLVD, DALLAS, TEXAS, 75019

(Address of Principal Executive Offices, and Zip Code)

(972) 980-9917

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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:

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425).
- o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12).
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b)).
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)).

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company o

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. o

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of Each Class Trading Symbol(s)

Common Stock, \$0.10 par value EAT

Name of exchange on which registered

New York Stock Exchange

Section 7 - Regulation FD

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

In a press release issued today, Brinker International, Inc. announced it has completed the acquisition of 116 Chili's® Grill & Bar restaurants from its 14-year franchisee, ERJ Dining. This follows the announcement of the letter of intent that was made on July 10, 2019. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

The information in this Form 8-K and the accompanying exhibit is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities and 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.

Section 9 - Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release dated September 5, 2019.

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.

BRINKER INTERNATIONAL, INC.

Dated: September 5, 2019 By: /s/ Wyman T. Roberts

Wyman T. Roberts, President and Chief Executive Officer and President of Chili's Grill & Bar **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**September 5, 2019 at 7:30 a.m. CT

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BRINKER INTERNATIONAL ACQUIRES 116 FRANCHISED CHILI'S RESTAURANTS

DALLAS, Sept. 5, 2019 - Today, Brinker International, Inc. (NYSE: EAT), a leader in the casual dining industry, completed the acquisition of 116 Chili's® Grill & Bar restaurants from its 14-year franchisee, ERJ Dining. This follows the announcement of the letter of intent made on July 10, 2019. The restaurants, primarily located in the Midwest, generate approximately \$300 million of annualized revenue. The transaction was funded with availability under Brinker's existing credit facility and is expected to be EPS and cash flow accretive in fiscal year 2020.

"This acquisition reinforces our strategy to invest in our brand while generating additional earnings and cash flow for shareholders," said Joe Taylor, chief financial officer and executive vice president of Brinker. "Our strong operational infrastructure brings additional support and investment for the solid group of operators joining the Chili's corporate family as part of this transaction."

ABOUT BRINKER

Brinker International, Inc. is one of the world's leading casual dining restaurant companies. Based in Dallas, Texas, as of June 26, 2019, Brinker owned, operated, or franchised 1,665 restaurants under the names Chili's[®] Grill & Bar (1,612 restaurants) and Maggiano's Little Italy[®] (53 restaurants).

FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

The statements contained in this release that are not historical facts are forward-looking statements subject to risks and uncertainties which could cause actual results to differ materially from expectations. For more information, review the caption "Risk Factors" in our fiscal 2019 Annual Report on Form 10-K and our other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to forward looking statements.

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