
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): 08/02/2010

BRINKER INTERNATIONAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission File Number: 1-10275

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation)

75-1914582
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

6820 LBJ FREEWAY
DALLAS, TX 75240
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(972) 980-9917
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(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:

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

On August 2, 2010, Brinker International, Inc. (the "Registrant") announced that Mr. Joseph M. DePinto has been added to the Board of Directors of Registrant. As of this date, Mr. DePinto has not been assigned to any of the Committees of the Board of Directors.

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.

BRINKER INTERNATIONAL, INC.

Date: August 02, 2010

By: /s/ Douglas H. Brookis

Douglas H. Brookis
Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive
Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	Description
EX-99.	Press Release 08-02

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE CONTACT: Media Relations

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**BRINKER INTERNATIONAL APPOINTS JOSEPH M. DEPINTO
TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

DALLAS (August 2, 2010) - Brinker International, Inc. (NYSE: EAT), a recognized leader in casual dining, announces the election of Joseph M. DePinto, President and CEO of 7-Eleven, Inc., to its board of directors.

In his current role, DePinto leads the largest and most recognized company in the convenience store industry. 7-Eleven, Inc. operates, franchises and licenses more than 38,400 stores worldwide of which some 8,200 are in North America. Previously, DePinto served in other executive roles at 7-Eleven, as President of GameStop Corporation, as Chief Operating Officer of Thornton Oil, Inc. and held several positions within PepsiCo's KFC Division.

DePinto earned a Bachelor of Science degree from the United States Military Academy at West Point and a Master of Business Administration from Northwestern University.

He also serves on the Board of Directors for 7-Eleven, Inc. and OfficeMax, Inc.

"Joe DePinto is a visionary leader who brings with him vast knowledge of the operations-driven hospitality and retail industry," said Doug Brooks, President, CEO and Chairman of the Board for Brinker International. "We are pleased to welcome Joe, as his experience growing a global retailer into a strong brand will bring a beneficial perspective to our board."

ABOUT BRINKER INTERNATIONAL

Brinker International, Inc. (NYSE: EAT), is one of the world's leading casual dining restaurant companies, serving more than one million guests daily. Founded in 1975 and based in Dallas, Texas, Brinker owns or franchises more than 1,500 restaurants in 30 countries and two territories, and employs more than 100,000. Brinker's wholly-owned restaurant brands include Chili's® Grill & Bar and Maggiano's Little Italy®. Brinker also holds a minority investment in Romano's Macaroni Grill®. For more information, visit www.brinker.com.

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