DEAN FOODS CO Form 8-K January 25, 2010

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 22, 2010

Dean Foods Company

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

of incorporation)

File Number) 2515 McKinney Avenue, Suite 1200

Identification No.)

Dallas, TX 75201

(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (214) 303-3400

Not Applicable.

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

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-49(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On January 22, 2010, Dean Foods Company issued the press release attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1. This press release shall not be deemed filed for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise incorporated by reference into any filing pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, except as otherwise expressly stated in such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Dean Foods Company press release dated January 22, 2010.

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: January 25, 2010 DEAN FOODS COMPANY

By: /s/ Steven J. Kemps
Steven J. Kemps

Executive Vice President and General Counsel

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description

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