

DEAN FOODS CO
Form 8-K
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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):

February 10, 2010 (February 10, 2010)

Dean Foods Company

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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Delaware
(State or other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

1-12755
(Commission
File Number)
2515 McKinney Avenue, Suite 1200

75-2559681
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

Dallas, Texas 75201

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

(214) 303-3400

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):

- .. Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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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))

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Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

Attached as Exhibit 99.1 is the registrant's earnings release for the fourth quarter and full year of 2009, issued February 10, 2010. This 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 Earnings Release issued February 10, 2010

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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 thereunto duly authorized.

Dated: February 10, 2010

DEAN FOODS COMPANY

By: */s/* RONALD L. McCRUMMEN
Ronald L. McCrummen
Senior Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer

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EXHIBIT INDEX

EXHIBIT

NUMBER	DESCRIPTION
99.1	Earnings Release issued February 10, 2010