

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OF 15(d) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) December 19, 2000

Central Garden & Pet Company

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 0-20242 68-0275553

(State or other jurisdiction (Commission File (IRS Employer
of incorporation) Number) Identification No.)

3697 Mt. Diablo Boulevard, Lafayette, California 94549

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (925) 283-4573

Inapplicable

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

Item 5. Other Events

On December 19, 2000, Central Garden & Pet Company (the "Company") announced that it would cancel the spin-off of its garden distribution business and will reorganize its garden and pet businesses. Under the reorganization, the Company's garden products and distribution businesses will become one operating unit, while its pet products and distribution businesses will become another operating unit.

Item 7. Financial Statement and Exhibits

- (a) Not applicable
- (b) Not applicable
- (c) Not applicable.

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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.

CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY

By: /s/ P. Gregory Reams

P. Gregory Reams
Treasurer

Dated: December 20, 2000

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