

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): March 21, 2016

RED ROBIN GOURMET BURGERS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-34851
(Commission
File Number)

84-1573084
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

6312 S. Fiddler's Green Circle, Suite 200N
Greenwood Village, Colorado
(Address of principal executive offices)

80111
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(303) 846-6000**

Not Applicable
(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:

- 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))

**ITEM 7.01 Regulation FD
Disclosure**

On March 21, 2016, Red Robin Gourmet Burgers, Inc. issued a press release announcing the completion of the acquisition of 13 franchised Red Robin® restaurants in Texas, from Cowboy Red, L.C., Cowgirl Red, LLC, and Texas Red Real Estate, Ltd. and its affiliates, and Robert Y Reynolds and Carolyn Frost Keenan. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this current report on Form 8-K and is incorporated into this item 7.01 by reference.

The information in this report, including the information set forth in Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

**ITEM 9.01 Financial Statements and
Exhibits**

(d) Exhibits

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Red Robin Gourmet Burgers, Inc. Press Release dated March 21, 2016.

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.

RED ROBIN GOURMET BURGERS, INC.

Date: March 21, 2016

By: /s/ Michael L. Kaplan
Name: Michael L. Kaplan
Title: Senior Vice President and Chief Legal Officer

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Red Robin Acquires 13 Franchised Restaurants in Texas

GREENWOOD VILLAGE, Colo., March 21, 2016 – Red Robin Gourmet Burgers, Inc. (NASDAQ: RRGB), a casual dining restaurant chain focused on serving an innovative selection of high-quality gourmet burgers in a family-friendly atmosphere, today announced it has completed the acquisition of 13 Red Robin® franchised restaurants in Texas, from Cowboy Red, L.C., Cowgirl Red, LLC, and Texas Red Real Estate, Ltd. and its affiliates, and Robert Y Reynolds and Carolyn Frost Keenan. The 13 Texas restaurants are located in the trade areas of Houston (7), Dallas (2), Lubbock (1), Austin (1), Abilene (1), and Amarillo (1).

“This acquisition supports our strategy to expand in markets such as Texas which provide us strong growth prospects. We would also like to welcome almost 800 new members to the Red Robin corporate family and offer them an opportunity for continued growth as well,” said Steve Carley, Red Robin Gourmet Burgers, Inc. chief executive officer.

The Company will provide additional information with regards to this transaction when it reports results of the fiscal first quarter ended April 17, 2016.

About Red Robin Gourmet Burgers, Inc. (NASDAQ: RRGB)

Red Robin Gourmet Burgers, Inc. (www.redrobin.com), a casual dining restaurant chain founded in 1969 that operates through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Red Robin International, Inc., and under the trade name Red Robin Gourmet Burgers and Brews, is the Gourmet Burger Authority™, famous for serving more than two dozen craveable, high-quality burgers with Bottomless Steak Fries® in a fun environment welcoming to guests of all ages. Whether a family dining with kids, adults grabbing a drink at the bar, or teens enjoying a meal, Red Robin offers an unparalleled experience for its guests. In addition to its many burger offerings, Red Robin serves a wide variety of salads, soups, appetizers, entrees, desserts and signature beverages. Red Robin offers a variety of options behind the bar, including its extensive selection of local and regional beers, and innovative adult beer shakes and cocktails, earning the restaurant a VIBE Vista Award for Best Beer Program in a Multi-Unit Chain Restaurant. There are more than 530 Red Robin restaurants across the United States and Canada, including Red Robin Burger Works® locations and those operating under franchise agreements. Red Robin... YUMMM®! Connect with Red Robin on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), and [Twitter](#).

About Cowboy Red, L.C.\Cowgirl Red, LLC

Based in Houston, the companies are privately-held franchisees of Red Robin Gourmet Burgers, Inc. founded in 1999.

Forward-Looking Statements

Forward-looking statements in this press release regarding our expectations, plans, strategy, and all other statements that are not historical facts, are made under the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements are based on assumptions believed by the Company to be reasonable and speak only as of the date on which such statements are made. We undertake no obligation to update such statements to reflect events or circumstances arising after such date, and we caution investors not to place undue reliance on any such forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those described in the statements based on a number of factors, including but not limited to the following: our ability to expand in growth markets, our ability to integrate the acquired restaurants and operate them as expected; our ability to successfully integrate personnel at the acquired restaurants; effectiveness of our management strategies and decisions; and other risk factors described from time to time in the Company’s Form 10-K, Form 10-Q, and Form 8-K reports (including all amendments to those reports) filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

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