

CENTRAL GARDEN & PET CO  
Form 8-K  
March 14, 2006

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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

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**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) March 13, 2006

**Central Garden & Pet Company**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction

**0-20242**  
(Commission File

**68-0275553**  
(IRS Employer

of incorporation)

Number)

Identification No.)

**1340 Treat Boulevard, Suite 600, Walnut Creek, California**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**94597**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (925) 948-4000

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

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**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On March 13, 2006, Central Garden & Pet Company issued a press release announcing that it increased its equity interest in Tech Pac, L.L.C. from 20% to 80%. A copy of the press release is filed as Exhibit 99.1 hereto.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

Exhibit 99.1 Press release dated March 13, 2006.

**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/ WILLIAM E. BROWN  
William E. Brown  
Chairman

Dated: March 13, 2006