PEPSICO INC Form 425 February 26, 2010

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):

February 25, 2010

The Pepsi Bottling Group, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

| Delaware | 1-14893 | 13-4038356 |
|---|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (I.R.S. Employe Identification No |
| One Pepsi Way, Somers, New York | | 10589 |
| (Address of principal executive offices) | | (Zip Code) |
| Registrant s telephone number, including area code: | | (914) 767-6000 |
| | Not Applicable | |
| Former name | e 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:

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

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On February 25, 2010, The Pepsi Bottling Group, Inc. announced that the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) has granted early termination of the waiting period under the Hart-Scott Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, as amended, for its previously announced merger with PepsiCo, Inc.

A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (a) Not Applicable.
- (b) Not Applicable.
- (c) Not Applicable.
- (d) Exhibit 99.1 Press release issued by The Pepsi Bottling Group, Inc., dated February 25, 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 hereunto duly authorized.

The Pepsi Bottling Group, Inc.

February 25, 2010 By: /s/ David Yawman

Name: David Yawman

Title: Vice President, Associate General Counsel and

Assistant Secretary

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| Exhibit No. | Description |
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| 99.1 | Press release issued by The Pepsi Bottling Group, Inc., dated February 25, 2010 |