BRINKER INTERNATIONAL INC Form 8-K January 04, 2007

# 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): January 4, 2007

# BRINKER INTERNATIONAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware** (State of Incorporation)

1-10275 (Commission File Number) 74-1914582 (IRS Employment Identification No.)

6820 LBJ Freeway
Dallas, Texas 75240
(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code 972-980-9917

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#### Section 8 Other Events

## Item 8.01. Other Events

On January 4, 2007 the Registrant announced an agreement with Pepper Dining, Inc., an affiliate of Olympus Partners. Under the agreement, Pepper Dining will acquire 89 company-owned Chili s Grill & Bar restaurants for an undisclosed sum with plans to develop an additional 20-44 new franchised Chili s locations in areas including Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Vermont, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Maine, New York, Virginia, South Carolina, North Carolina and Georgia.

## Section 9 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

## Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits.
- 99 Press Release, dated January 4, 2007.

## **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.

## BRINKER INTERNATIONAL, INC.

Date: January 4, 2007 By: /s/ Douglas H. Brooks

Douglas H. Brooks, Chairman of the Board President and Chief Executive Officer

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