

Wendy's Co  
Form SC TO-C  
January 13, 2014

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

**SCHEDULE TO**  
**Tender Offer Statement under Section 14(d)(1) or 13(e)(1)**  
**of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**THE WENDY S COMPANY**  
**(Name of Subject Company (Issuer) and Filing Person (Offeror))**

**Common Stock, \$0.10 par value**

**(Title of Class of Securities)**

**950587105**

**(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)**

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- .. third-party tender offer subject to Rule 14d-1.
- x issuer tender offer subject to Rule 13e-4.
- .. going-private transaction subject to Rule 13e-3.
- .. amendment to Schedule 13D under Rule 13d-2.

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- .. Rule 13e-4(i) (Cross-Border Issuer Tender Offer)
- .. Rule 14d-1(d) (Cross-Border Third Party Tender Offer)

On January 13, 2014, The Wendy's Company, a Delaware corporation ( Wendy's ), issued a press release reporting preliminary, unaudited results for the fourth quarter and full year ended December 29, 2013 and other information. As part of the press release, Wendy's stated that it expects to commence a modified Dutch auction tender offer on January 14, 2014 to repurchase up to \$275 million of its common stock at a price range between \$8.50 and \$9.25 per share. A copy of the press release is included as Exhibit 99.1 to this Schedule TO.

The press release is for informational purposes only and is not an offer to buy or the solicitation of an offer to sell any shares of Wendy's common stock. The anticipated tender offer described in the attached press release has not yet commenced. If Wendy's commences the offer, the offer will be made solely by an Offer to Purchase and the related Letter of Transmittal, as they may be amended or supplemented. Stockholders and investors are urged to read Wendy's commencement tender offer statement on Schedule TO anticipated to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC ) in connection with the offer, which will include as exhibits the Offer to Purchase, the related Letter of Transmittal and other offer materials, as well as any amendments or supplements to the Schedule TO when they become available, because they will contain important information. If Wendy's commences the offer, each of these documents will be filed with the SEC, and, when available, investors may obtain them for free from the SEC at its website ([www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov)) or from Wendy's information agent in connection with the offer.

**Item 12. Exhibits.**

**Exhibit**

**Number**

**Description**

99.1 Press release issued by The Wendy's Company on January 13, 2014.