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Wendy's Co Form SC TO-C January 14, 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))
(Ivalite of Subject Company (Issuer) and Fining Person (Offeror))
Common Stock, \$0.10 par value (Title of Class of Securities)
950587105 (CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)
R. Scott Toop, Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary The Wendy's Company One Dave Thomas Blvd. Dublin, OH 43017 (614) 764-3100 (Name, address and telephone number of person authorized to receive notices and communications on behalf of filing person)

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On January 14, 2014, The Wendy's Company, a Delaware corporation ("Wendy's"), issued a press release stating that it is commencing a modified "Dutch auction" tender offer to repurchase shares of its common stock for an aggregate purchase price of up to \$275.0 million. 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 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 to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") in connection with the tender 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. 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) or from Innisfree M&A Incorporated, the information agent for the tender offer, by telephone at: (888) 750-5834 (toll-free), or in writing to: 501 Madison Avenue, 20th Floor, New York, New York 10022.

Item 12. Exhibits.

Exhibit Number Description

99.1 Press release issued by The Wendy's Company on January 14, 2014.