

HERSHEY CO  
Form 8-K  
February 03, 2016

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

February 3, 2016

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

The Hershey Company

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-183

(Commission File Number)

23-0691590

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

100 Crystal A Drive, Hershey, Pennsylvania 17033

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (717) 534-4200

Not Applicable

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

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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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Item 8.01. Other Events.

On February 3, 2016, The Hershey Company, acting through its wholly-owned subsidiaries, Hershey Netherlands B.V. and Hershey (China) Investment Management Co., Ltd., completed the acquisition of the remaining 20 percent of the total outstanding shares of Shanghai Golden Monkey Food Joint Stock Co., Ltd. at a purchase price of RMB 235.3 million (approximately USD 36 million). This final purchase price reflects a significant reduction from the initially anticipated purchase price of RMB 604.2 million (approximately USD 98 million) as a result of adjustments made with respect to working capital and other closing conditions and factors.

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.

THE HERSHEY COMPANY

Date: February 3, 2016

By: /s/ Patricia A. Little  
Patricia A. Little  
Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer