

PAPA JOHNS INTERNATIONAL INC  
Form 8-K  
December 20, 2011  
**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): December 20, 2011

**PAPA JOHN'S INTERNATIONAL, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**                                **0-21660**                **61-1203323**  
(State or other jurisdiction    (Commission    (I.R.S. Employer  
of incorporation)                File Number)    Identification No.)

**2002 Papa Johns Boulevard**  
**Louisville, Kentucky**                                **40299-2367**  
(Address of principal executive offices)    (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(502) 261-7272**

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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**Section 7 — Regulation FD**

**Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure**

A copy of the press release, announcing key operating assumptions and earnings guidance for 2012 and an increase in 2011 earnings guidance, is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) *Exhibits*

The following documents are herewith furnished as an exhibit to this report:

**Exhibit**

**Number    Description of Exhibit**

99.1        Papa John's International, Inc. Press Release dated December 20, 2011.

**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 thereunto duly authorized.

**PAPA JOHN'S INTERNATIONAL, INC.**  
(Registrant)

Date: December 20, 2011    /s/ Lance F. Tucker  
Lance F. Tucker  
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial  
Officer