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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) April 5, 2005

BEVERLY ENTERPRISES, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware 1-9550 62-1691861

(State or Other Jurisdiction of (Commission (I.R.S. Employer Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

One Thousand Beverly Way
Fort Smith, Arkansas 72919

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number including area code (479) 201-2000

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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On April 5, 2005, Beverly Enterprises, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing that its 2.75% Convertible Subordinated Notes due 2033 (the "Notes") are currently eligible for conversion into BEI's common stock at a conversion rate of \$7.45 per share, equal to a conversion rate of 134.1922 per \$1,000 principal amount of Notes. The Company issued a second press release announcing that it has today sent a letter to its stockholders as an update on its progress in the process to sell the company. Copies of the press releases are attached to this report as Exhibit 99.1 and Exhibit 99.2, respectively.

Item 9.01 Financial Statement, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits.

(a) Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Exhibit
99.1	Press Release
99.2	Press Release

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.

Dated: April 5, 2005 BEVERLY ENTERPRISES, INC.

By: /s/Pamela H. Daniels

Name: Pamela H. Daniels

Title: Senior Vice President, Controller and

Chief Accounting Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

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