BEVERLY ENTERPRISES INC Form DEFA14A November 23, 2005

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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) November 20, 2005 BEVERLY ENTERPRISES, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware 1-9550 62-1691861

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) (Commission (I.R.S. Employer 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

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In connection with the execution of the Third Amendment to Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of November 20, 2005, by and among Beverly Enterprises, Inc. (the <u>Company</u>), North American Senior Care, Inc., NASC Acquisition Corp., SBEV Property Holdings LLC, Pearl Senior Care, Inc., PSC Sub Inc., and Geary Property Holdings LLC, the Company received (i) an Equity Commitment Letter, dated November 18, 2005, from Fillmore Strategic Investors, L.L.C. (the <u>Equity Commitment Letter</u>); and (ii) a Letter of Credit from Morgan Stanley Asset Funding Inc. (the <u>Letter of Credit</u>). The Equity Commitment Letter and the Letter of Credit are attached hereto as Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2, respectively, and incorporated herein by reference.

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(a) Exhibits

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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: November 23, 2005 **BEVERLY ENTERPRISES, INC.**

By: /s/ Pamela H. Daniels

Name:

Pamela H. Daniels

Title: Senior Vice President, Controller and

Chief Accounting Officer

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