

DEVEREAUX DAVID R  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
DEVEREAUX DAVID R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
BEVERLY ENTERPRISES INC  
[BEV]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/23/2005

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT

ONE THOUSAND BEVERLY WAY

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)  
12/27/2005

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

FORT SMITH, AR 72919

(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount (A) or (D) Price   |  |                                   |
| \$.10 Par Value Common Stock    | 12/23/2005 <sup>(1)</sup>            |  | J                              |   | 13,761<br>(1)   | D  | (1) 172,437 D                     |
| \$.10 Par Value Common Stock    | 12/23/2005 <sup>(1)</sup>            |  | J                              |   | 17,727<br>(1)   | D  | (1) 154,710 D                     |
| \$.10 Par Value Common          | 12/23/2005 <sup>(1)</sup>            |  | J                              |   | 9,569<br>(1)  | D  | (1) 145,141 D                     |

Stock

\$.10 Par  
Value  
Common  
Stock

12/23/2005<sup>(1)</sup>

J 10,416 D (1) 134,725 D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 6) |
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## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                                |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                        | Other |
| DEVEREAUX DAVID R<br>ONE THOUSAND BEVERLY WAY<br>FORT SMITH, AR 72919 |               |           | EXECUTIVE<br>VICE<br>PRESIDENT |       |

## Signatures

By: Brenda Boster, by Power of Attorney For: David R. Devereaux

01/10/2006

Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) Reallocation of shares pursuant to the DRO.

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