BEVERLY ENTERPRISES INC Form 8-K February 14, 2006

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) February 14, 2006 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

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

On February 14, 2006, Beverly Enterprises, Inc. (BEI) issued a press release, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1, announcing that the stockholders of BEI have voted to adopt the merger agreement providing for the acquisition of BEI by Pearl Senior Care, Inc., an affiliate of Fillmore Capital Partners, LLC.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(a) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Exhibit

99.1 Press release, dated February 14, 2006

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: February 14, 2006 **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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