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July 02, 2004

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) June 30, 2004

BEVERLY ENTERPRISES, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

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| Delaware | 1-9550 | 62-1691861 |
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| (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.) |

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| 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

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THE REPORT

Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On June 30, 2004, Beverly Enterprises, Inc. issued a press release announcing the sale of ten skilled nursing facilities and one assisted living facility in Arkansas. This sale reflects Beverly's continuing commitment to strengthen its portfolio of eldercare facilities, significantly reduce its total projected patient care liability costs and strategically align its operations. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

Exhibit 99.1* - Press Release of Beverly Enterprises, Inc. dated June 30, 2004.

*Furnished with this document

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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: July 1, 2004

BEVERLY ENTERPRISES, INC.

By: /s/ DOUGLAS J. BABB

Name: Douglas J. Babb
Title: Executive Vice President - Chief
Administrative and Legal Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

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