BEVERLY ENTERPRISES INC

Form 4

March 16, 2006

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SEELEY DONALD L

(First)

(Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

BEVERLY ENTERPRISES INC

[BEV]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

03/14/2006

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

OMB

Number:

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Estimated average

burden hours per

3235-0287

January 31,

2005

0.5

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner Other (specify

Officer (give title below)

ONE THOUSAND BEVERLY WAY

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

> > Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

_X__ Director

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

FORT SMITH, AR 72919

(City)	(State)	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securit	ties Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securition(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
\$.10 Par Value Common Stock	03/14/2006			48,469	` '		0	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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amoun Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3.64	03/14/2006		D	11,000	(2)	06/02/2013	\$.10 Par Value Common Stock	11,0
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 7.4	03/14/2006		D	1,833	(2)	06/01/2012	\$.10 Par Value Common Stock	1,8
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 7.81	03/14/2006		D	11,000	(2)	06/01/2012	\$.10 Par Value Common Stock	11,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SEELEY DONALD L ONE THOUSAND BEVERLY WAY X FORT SMITH, AR 72919

Signatures

By: Brenda Boster, by Power of Attorney For: Donald L. Seeley 03/15/2006

**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) In accordance with the terms of the Merger Agreement entered into by and between Beverly Enterprises, Inc. and Pearl Senior Care, LLC et al. the stock held by the Reporting Person were disposed of pursuant to the Merger Agreement.

This option was fully vested and was cancelled in the merger between Beverly Enterprises, Inc. and Pearl Senior Care, LLC (the "Merger") in exchange for a cash payment representing the difference between the exercise price of the option and the Merger consideration of \$12.50 per share for the underlying common stock.

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(3) Represents the difference between the per share exercise price of the option and the per share merger consideration.

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