BEVERLY ENTERPRISES INC

Form 4/A January 20, 2005

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

ONE THOUSAND BEVERLY

HOWE JOHN P MD

WAY

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

BEVERLY ENTERPRISES INC

[BEV]

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Director Officer (give title

05/20/2004

4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Issuer

below)

Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person 08/04/2004 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

FORT SMITH, AR 72919

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

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

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect Beneficial (Instr. 4)

Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of

10% Owner

Other (specify

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Estimated average

burden hours per

(A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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

Conversion

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

5. Number of (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities**

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ear)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (I	D) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
PHANTOM STOCK UNITS (1)	Ш	05/20/2004		A	15,385	05/20/2005	<u>(1)</u>	\$.10 Par Value Common Stock	15,385

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Kelationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

HOWE JOHN P MD
ONE THOUSAND BEVERLY WAY
FORT SMITH, AR 72919

Signatures

By: Mona Brannon, by Power of Attorney For: John P Howe, MD 01/20/2005

**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) Annual Grant of Restricted Stock Units that vests one year from the date of grant, the value of which was 100% deferred by the director. The deferred amount will be paid in shares of Beverly stock upon retirement from the Board or, if earlier, upon his/her death or disability

Deletionships

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