

DEVEREAUX DAVID R  
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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)  
04/30/2002

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Executive Vice President & COO

ONE THOUSAND BEVERLY WAY

(Street)

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

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 <sup>(1)</sup>	04/30/2002		F		1,492	D	\$ 8.6
\$.10 Par Value Common Stock	12/23/2005		A		70,909 <sup>(2)</sup>	A	\$ 0
\$.10 Par Value Common Stock	12/23/2005		F		18,103 <sup>(3)</sup>	D	\$ 11.77
							306,518

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Stock							
\$.10 Par Value Common Stock	12/23/2005	F	23,916 <u>(3)</u>	D	\$ 11.77	282,602	D
\$.10 Par Value Common Stock	12/23/2005	F	16,630 <u>(3)</u>	D	\$ 11.77	265,972	D
\$.10 Par Value Common Stock	12/23/2005	F	30,809 <u>(4)</u>	D	\$ 11.77	235,163	D
\$.10 Par Value Common Stock	12/23/2005 <sup>(5)</sup>	J	5,891 <u>(5)</u>	D	<u>(5)</u>	229,272	D
\$.10 Par Value Common Stock	12/23/2005 <sup>(5)</sup>	J	48,965 <u>(5)</u>	D	<u>(5)</u>	180,307	D
\$.10 Par Value Common Stock	12/23/2005 <sup>(5)</sup>	J	7,782 <u>(5)</u>	D	<u>(5)</u>	172,525	D
\$.10 Par Value Common Stock	12/23/2005 <sup>(5)</sup>	J	5,411 <u>(5)</u>	D	<u>(5)</u>	167,114	D
\$.10 Par Value Common Stock	12/23/2005 <sup>(5)</sup>	J	10,025 <u>(5)</u>	D	<u>(5)</u>	157,089	D
\$.10 Par Value Common Stock - ESPP	12/23/2005 <sup>(6)</sup>	J	822.53 <u>(6)</u>	D	<u>(6)</u>	822.5288	D

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

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- (5) The reporting person transferred a total of 78,074 shares of BEI common stock to his ex-wife pursuant to a domestic relations order.
- (6) The reporting person transferred 822.53 shares of stock (ESPP) to his ex-wife pursuant to a domestic relations order.

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