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): September 12, 2006

VENTAS, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction 1-10989 (Commission 61-1055020 (IRS Employer

of Incorporation) File Number)

Identification No.)

10350 Ormsby Park Place, Suite 300,

Louisville, Kentucky (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

40223 (Zip Code)

Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (502) 357-9000

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

 $(a) {\it Financial Statements of Businesses Acquired}.$

Not applicable.

 $(b) {\it Pro Forma Financial Information}.$

Not applicable.

(c) Exhibits:

Exhibit Number	Description
1.1	Underwriting Agreement dated September 12, 2006 among Ventas, Inc., Ventas Realty, Limited Partnership, Ventas LP Realty, L.L.C., Ventas Capital Corporation and the Underwriters named therein.
5	Opinion of Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP.

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SIGNATURES

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 thereunto duly authorized.

VENTAS, INC.

Date: September 18, 2006 By: /s/ T. Richard Riney

T. Richard Riney Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

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