KINDRED HEALTHCARE, INC Form 8-K January 22, 2007

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): January 19, 2007

KINDRED HEALTHCARE, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction 001-14057 (Commission File Number) 61-1323993 (IRS Employer

Identification No.)

of incorporation or organization)

680 South Fourth Street

Louisville, Kentucky

(Address of principal executive offices)

40202-2412

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (502) 596-7300

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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 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On January 19, 2007, Kindred Healthcare, Inc. (the Company) entered into a consent and waiver (the Consent) pursuant to its \$400 million Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated as of June 28, 2004 among the Company, the Lenders party thereto, and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. (formerly known as JPMorgan Chase Bank), as Administrative Agent and Collateral Agent.

The Consent authorizes certain transactions to lease and operate eight nursing centers in the California market.

A copy of the Consent is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1.

Item 9.01.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit 10.1 Consent No. 3 and Waiver dated as of January 19, 2007, pursuant to the \$400,000,000 Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated as of June 28, 2004 among Kindred Healthcare, Inc., the Lenders party thereto, and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. (formerly known as JPMorgan Chase Bank), as Administrative Agent and Collateral Agent.

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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 hereto duly authorized.

Date: January 22, 2007

By: /s/ Richard A. Lechleiter Richard A. Lechleiter

Executive Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer

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