

NATIONAL HEALTH INVESTORS INC

Form 8-K

April 18, 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):  
April 18, 2007 (April 17, 2007)

**NATIONAL HEALTH INVESTORS, INC.**  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland

001-10822

62-1470956

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

100 Vine Street, Suite 1202  
Murfreesboro, TN 37130

(Address of principal executive offices)

(615) 850-9100

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year,  
if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

On April 17, 2007, National Health Investors, Inc. (the Company ) issued a press release in response to apparent market rumors and the large volume of trades in its stock. The press release announced that the Company is engaged in preliminary discussions and the exchange of information regarding a possible combination of interests with another company. The press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99, which is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

| Number | Exhibit                             |
|--------|-------------------------------------|
| 99     | Press Release dated April 17, 2007. |

**SIGNATURE**

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.

**NATIONAL HEALTH INVESTORS, INC.**

By: /s/ Richard F. LaRoche, Jr.  
Name: Richard F. LaRoche, Jr.  
Title: Chairman of Special Committee

Date: April 18, 2007