

WELLTOWER INC.  
Form 8-K  
September 30, 2015

**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 28, 2015**

**Welltower Inc.**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**Delaware**  
**(State or other jurisdiction**  
  
**of incorporation)**

**1-8923**  
**(Commission**  
  
**File Number)**

**34-1096634**  
**(IRS Employer**  
  
**Identification No.)**

**4500 Dorr Street, Toledo, Ohio**  
**(Address of principal executive offices)**

**43615**  
**(Zip Code)**

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (419) 247-2800**

**Health Care REIT, Inc.**

**(Former name or former address, 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:

- .. Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- .. Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- .. 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))

**Item 5.03** *Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.*

On September 28, 2015, Health Care REIT, Inc. (the Company) filed an amendment to its Second Restated Certificate of Incorporation with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware to change its name to Welltower Inc., effective as of 12:01 a.m., Eastern time, on September 30, 2015. The foregoing description does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Certificate of Amendment, a copy of which is filed herewith as Exhibit 3.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 7.01** *Regulation FD Disclosure.*

On September 30, 2015, the Company issued a press release announcing the change of its name to Welltower Inc. A copy of the press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated in this Item 7.01 by reference.

The information contained in, or incorporated into, Item 7.01, including Exhibit 99.1 attached hereto, is being furnished and shall not be deemed filed for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference to such filing.

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

(d) Exhibits.

3.1 Certificate of Amendment of Second Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company.

99.1 Press release of the Company dated September 30, 2015.

**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 hereunto duly authorized.

WELLTOWER INC.

By: /s/ THOMAS J. DEROSA

Name: Thomas J. DeRosa

Title: Chief Executive Officer

Dated: September 30, 2015

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