VAN KAMPEN HIGH INCOME TRUST II

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QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANIES

Investment Company Act file number 811-5769

Van Kampen High Income Trust II ______

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

1221 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10020

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

Ronald Robison 1221 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10020

(Name and address of agent for service)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 212-762-4000

Date of fiscal year end: 12/31

Date of reporting period: 9/30/04

Item 1. Schedule of Investments.

The Trust's schedule of investments as of the close of the reporting period prepared pursuant to Rule 12-12 of Regulation S-X is as follows:

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PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS SEPTEMBER 30, 2004 (UNAUDITED)

AMOUNT (000)	DESCRIPTION	COUPON	MA
	CORPORATE BONDS 170.2% BROADCASTING 3.1%		
\$ 125	Granite Broadcasting Corp.	9.750 %	12
220	Salem Communications Corp.	7.750	12
795	TV Azteca SA (Mexico)	10.500	02

	CARLE 7.70		
425	CABLE 7.7% Cablevision Systems Corp., 144A - Private Placement (a) (b)	5.670	04
755	Charter Communications Holdings LLC	9.625	11
115	DirecTV Holdings LLC	8.375	03
635	Echostar DBS Corp.	6.375	10
395	Kabel Deutschland GmbH, 144A - Private Placement (Germany) (a)	10.625	07
635	PanAmSat Corp., 144A - Private Placement (a)	9.000	08
	CHEMICALS 13.0%		
460	Equistar Chemicals LP	10.125	09
250	Equistar Chemicals LP	10.625	05
180	FMC Corp.	10.250	11
145	Huntsman Advanced Materials LLC, 144A - Private Placement (a)	11.000	07
200	Innophos, Inc.,144A - Private Placement (a)	8.875	08
145	ISP Chemco, Inc.	10.250	07
675	ISP Holdings, Inc.	10.625	12
105	Koppers, Inc.	9.875	10
570	Lyondell Chemical Co.	10.500	06
40 385	Millennium America, Inc. Millennium America, Inc.	7.000 9.250	11 06
395	Nalco Co.	7.750	11
365	Rhodia SA (France)	8.875	06
445	Rockwood Specialties Group, Inc.	10.625	0.5
101	Westlake Chemical Corp.	8.750	07
	CONSUMER PRODUCTS 3.7%		
200	Amscan Holdings, Inc., 144A - Private Placement (a)	8.750	0.5
155	Oxford Industrials, Inc., 144A - Private Placement (a)	8.875	06
620	Phillips Van-Heusen Corp.	7.250	02
235	Rayovac Corp.	8.500	10
116	Tempur Pedic, Inc.	10.250	08
604	DIVERSIFIED MEDIA 10.7% Advanstar Communications, Inc. (b)	9.220	08
485	Alliance Atlantis Communications, Inc. (Canada)	13.000	12
550	CanWest Media, Inc. (Canada)	10.625	05
			0.0

485 465 140 111 640 295	Houghton Mifflin Co. Marquee, Inc., 144A - Private Placement (a) (b) Marquee, Inc., 144A - Private Placement (a) PEI Holdings, Inc. Primedia, Inc. Vertis, Inc.	9.875 5.970 8.625 11.000 8.875 9.750	02 08 08 03 05 04
	ENERGY 16.5%		
245	BRL Universal Equipment	8.875	02
340	CHC Helicopter Corp. (Canada)	7.375	05
160 670	Citgo Petroleum Corp. El Paso Production Holding Co.	11.375 7.750	02 06
640	Frontier Oil Corp., 144A - Private Placement (a) (c)	7.750 6.625	10
285	Gulfterra Energy Partners LP	10.625	12
72	Gulfterra Energy Partners LP, Ser B	8.500	06
70	Hanover Compressor Co.	8.625	12
285	Hanover Compressor Co.	9.000	0 6
275	Hanover Equipment Trust	8.500	09
120	Hanover Equipment Trust	8.750	09
410	Hilcorp Energy Finance Corp., 144A - Private Placement (a)	10.500	09
140	Magnum Hunter Resources, Inc.	9.600	03
275	Pacific Energy Partners, 144A - Private Placement (a)	7.125	06
615	Plains Exploration & Production Co., 144A - Private Placement (a)	7.125	06
227	Port Arthur Finance Corp.	12.500	01
135 760	Tesoro Petroleum Corp.	9.625	0 4 0 5
/60	Vintage Petroleum, Inc.	7.875	U.5
510	FINANCIAL 1.5% Refco Finance Holdings LLC, 144A - Private Placement (a)	9.000	08
510 115	FOOD & DRUG 4.0% Delhaize America, Inc. Jean Coutu Group (PJC), Inc., 144A - Private Placement (Canada) (a)	8.125 7.625	0 4 0 8
530	Jean Coutu Group (PJC), Inc., 144A - Private Placement (Canada) (a)	8.500	0.8
1,180	Jitney-Jungle Stores America, Inc. (d) (e) (f)	12.000	03
270	Rite Aid Corp.	8.125	05

	FOOD & TOBACCO 8.1%		
550	Constellation Brands, Inc.	8.000	02
255	Michael Foods, Inc.	8.000	11

155	Pilgrim's Pride Corp.	9.250
570	Pilgrim's Pride Corp.	9.625
465	Smithfield Foods, Inc.	7.625
760	Smithfield Foods, Inc.	8.000
700	Smithitela 100a, inc.	0.000
	12 22	
	FOREST PRODUCTS 13.3%	
755	Abitibi-Consolidated, Inc. (Canada)	6.000
245	Abitibi-Consolidated, Inc. (Canada)	8.550
410	Georgia-Pacific Corp.	8.875
575	Graphic Packaging International, Inc.	9.500
415	MDP Acquisitions PLC (Ireland)	9.625
175	Norampac, Inc. (Canada)	6.750
1,020	Owens-Brockway Glass Containers, Inc.	8.875
365	Pliant Corp.	13.000
790	Tembec Industries, Inc. (Canada)	7.750
	GAMING & LEISURE 17.1%	
325	Caesars Entertainment	8.875
690	Harrahs Operating Co., Inc.	7.875
215	Hilton Hotels Corp.	7.625
129	HMH Properties, Inc.	7.875
200	Host Marriott LP	7.125
500	Intrawest Corp., 144A - Private Placement (Canada) (a) (c)	7.500
810	Isle of Capri Casinos, Inc.	7.000
115	MGM Mirage, Inc.	5.875
800	MGM Mirage, Inc.	6.000
30	MGM Mirage, Inc., 144A - Private Placement (a)	6.000
645	Mohegan Tribal Gaming Authority, 144A - Private Placement (a)	7.125
380	Park Place Entertainment Corp.	7.875
800	Starwood Hotels & Resorts Worldwide, Inc.	7.375
465	Station Casinos, Inc.	6.000
	HEALTHCARE 10.4%	
485	AmerisourceBergen Corp.	8.125
845	Extendicare Health Services, Inc.	6.875
295	Fisher Scientific International, Inc.	8.125
125	Fisher Scientific International, Inc., 144A - Private Placement (a)	6.750
410	Fresenius Medical Care Capital Trust II	7.875
180	Fresenius Medical Care Capital Trust IV	7.875
65	National Nephrology Associates, Inc., 144A - Private Placement (a)	9.000
305	Team Health, Inc., 144A - Private Placement (a)	9.000
303	ream hearth, file., 144A - Filvate Flacement (a)	9.000
325	Tenet Healthcare Corp., 144A - Private Placement (a)	9.875
140	VWR International, Inc., 144A - Private Placement (a)	6.875
485	VWR International, Inc., 144A - Private Placement (a)	8.000

	HOUSING 8.8%		
59	CB Richard Ellis Service, Inc.	9.750	05
405	CB Richard Ellis Service, Inc.	11.250	06
465	Interface, Inc.	9.500	02
455	Nortek Holdings, Inc., 144A - Private Placement (a)	8.500	09
650	Ply Gem Industries, Inc., 144A - Private Placement (a)	9.000	02
480	Technical Olympic USA, Inc.	9.000	07
215	Technical Olympic USA, Inc.	9.000	07
230	Technical Olympic USA, Inc.	10.375	07
140	WII Components, Inc.	10.000	02
	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY 4.3%		
335	Iron Mountain, Inc.	7.750	01
570	Iron Mountain, Inc.	8.625	04
590	Xerox Corp.	7.125	06
	MANUFACTURING 5.2%		
115	Flowserve Corp.	12.250	0.8
395	Johnsondiversey, Inc.	9.625	05
500	Manitowoc, Inc.	10.500	08
755	Trimas Corp.	9.875	06
4.50	METALS 2.8%		
150	Doe Run Resources Corp. (Acquired 02/15/01, Cost \$131,859) (f) (g) (h)	11.750	11
105 155	Foundation PA Coal Co., 144A - Private Placement (a)	7.250	08 11
325	General Cable Corp. UCAR Finance, Inc.	9.500 10.250	02
248	United States Steel Corp.	9.750	05
	DETAIL 1.70		
66	RETAIL 1.7%	10.875	11
215	Big 5 Corp. General Nutrition Centers, Inc.	8.500	12
315	Petro Stopping Center Financial	9.000	02
313	10010 DOOPPING CONCOL LINGUOIDE	3.000	0.2
1,140	SERVICES 7.4% Allied Waste North America, Inc.	8.875	0 4
380	Buhrmann US, Inc., 144A - Private Placement (a)	8.250	
200	Dunitmann OS, Inc., 144A filvace flacement (a)	0.230	07

295 65 295 540	MSW Energy Holdings II LLC MSW Energy Holdings LLC United Rentals North America, Inc. United Rentals North America, Inc.	7.375 8.500 6.500 7.750
450 640 220 320 525 425	TELECOMMUNICATIONS 6.3% Axtel SA (Mexico) Cincinnati Bell, Inc. Exodus Communications, Inc. (d) (e) (f) Qwest Communications International, Inc., 144A - Private Placement (a) (b) Qwest Corp. Qwest Corp., 144A - Private Placement (a)	11.000 7.250 11.250 5.211 6.625 7.875
335 435 795 820	TRANSPORTATION 7.1% AutoNation, Inc. Laidlaw International, Inc. Sonic Automotive, Inc. TRW Automotive, Inc.	9.000 10.750 8.625 9.375
365 18 54 530 50 295 405 295 170 350 360 220 300 145 580 200	UTILITY 12.1% AES Corp. AES Corp. AES Corp. Calpine Corp., 144A - Private Placement (a) CMS Energy Corp. CMS Energy Corp. Dynegy Holdings, Inc., Dynegy Holdings, Inc., 144A - Private Placement (a) IPALCO Enterprises, Inc. Monongahela Power Co. Nevada Power Co. Nevada Power Co. PSEG Energy Holdings, Inc. Southern Natural Gas Co. TNP Enterprises, Inc. Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corp.	7.750 8.875 9.375 8.500 7.500 8.500 6.875 9.875 8.625 5.000 9.000 8.250 7.750 8.875 10.250 8.875
435 950 185 425	WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS 5.4% Centennial Communications, 144A - Private Placement (a) Nextel Communications, Inc. Rural Cellular Corp., 144A - Private Placement (a) (b) Rural Cellular Corp., 144A - Private Placement (a)	8.125 6.875 6.380 8.250

TOTAL CORPORATE BONDS 170.2%

DESCRIPTION

EQUITIES 0.6%

DecisionOne Corp. (2,450 common shares) (f) (i)
DecisionOne Corp. (5,386 common stock warrants) (f) (i)
Doe Run Resources Corp. (1 common stock warrant) (f) (i)
HCI Direct, Inc. (30,357 common shares) (f) (i)
Hosiery Corp. of America, Inc. (500 common shares) (f) (i)
VS Holdings, Inc. (8,891 common shares) (f) (i)

TOTAL EQUITIES 0.6%

TOTAL LONG-TERM INVESTMENTS 170.8% (Cost \$63,662,255)

REPURCHASE AGREEMENT 3.6%

State Street Bank & Trust Co. (\$1,357,000 par collateralized by U.S. Government obligations in a pooled cash account, interest rate of 1.82%, dated 09/30/04, to be sold on 10/01/04 at \$1,357,069)

(Cost \$1,357,000)

TOTAL INVESTMENTS 174.4% (Cost \$65,019,255)

LIABILITIES IN EXCESS OF OTHER ASSETS (0.5%)

PREFERRED SHARES (INCLUDING ACCRUED DISTRIBUTIONS) (73.9%)

NET ASSETS APPLICABLE TO COMMON SHARES 100.0%

Percentages are calculated as a percentage of net assets applicable to common shares.

- (a) 144A securities are those which are exempt from registration under Rule 144A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. These securities may only be resold in transactions exempt from registration which are normally those transactions with qualified institutional buyers.
- (b) Variable rate security. Interest rate shown is that in effect at September 30, 2004.
- (c) Security purchased on a when-issued or delayed delivery basis.

- (d) Non-income producing as security is in default.
- (e) This borrower has filed for protection in federal bankruptcy court.

Item 2. Controls and Procedures.

- (a) The Trust's principal executive officer and principal financial officer have concluded that the Trust's disclosure controls and procedures are sufficient to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Trust in this Form N-Q was recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms, based upon such officers' evaluation of these controls and procedures as of a date within 90 days of the filing date of the report.
- (b) There were no changes in the Trust's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Trust's internal control over financial reporting.

Item 3. Exhibits.

- (a) A certification for the Principal Executive Officer of the registrant is attached hereto as part of EX-99.cert.
- (b) A certification for the Principal Financial Officer of the registrant is attached hereto as part of EX-99.cert.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

(Registrant) Van Kampen High Income Trust II

By: /s/ Ronald E. Robison
---Name: Ronald E. Robison

Title: Principal Executive Officer

Date: November 19, 2004

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, this report has been signed by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

By: /s/ Ronald E. Robison
----Name: Ronald E. Robison

Title: Principal Executive Officer

Date: November 19, 2004

By: /s/ James M. Dykas

Name: James M. Dykas

Title: Principal Financial Officer Date: November 19, 2004