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**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-K

ý ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2012

o TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
Commission File Number: 814-00659

PROSPECT CAPITAL CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

43-2048643
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

10 East 40th Street
New York, New York
(Address of principal executive offices)

10016
(Zip Code)

(212) 448-0702

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share
(Title of each class)

NASDAQ Global Select Market
(Name of each exchange where registered)

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: **None**

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes o No ý

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. Yes o No ý

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the Registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes ý No o

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes No

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of Registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a non-accelerated filer. See definition of "accelerated filer and large accelerated filer" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act:

Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer Non-accelerated filer Smaller reporting company
(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act) Yes No

The aggregate market value of common stock held by non-affiliates of the Registrant on December 31, 2011 based on the closing price on that date of \$9.29 on the NASDAQ Global Select Market was \$991.5 million. For the purposes of calculating this amount only, all directors and executive officers of the Registrant have been treated as affiliates.

As of August 21, 2012, there were 166,236,979 shares of the registrant's common stock outstanding.

Documents Incorporated by Reference

Portions of the Registrant's definitive Proxy Statement relating to the 2012 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, are incorporated by reference in Part III of this Annual Report on Form 10-K to the extent described therein.

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PART I

The terms "we," "us," "our," "Company" and "Prospect Capital" refer to Prospect Capital Corporation; "Prospect Capital Management" or the "Investment Adviser" refers to Prospect Capital Management LLC; "Prospect Administration" or the "Administrator" refers to Prospect Administration LLC.

Our \$150.0 million of 6.25% Convertible Senior Notes due 2015 are referred to as the 2015 Notes. Our \$167.5 million of 5.5% Convertible Senior Notes due 2016 are referred to as the 2016 Notes. Our \$130.0 million of 5.375% Convertible Senior Notes due 2017 are referred to as the 2017 Notes. Our \$200.0 million of 5.75% Convertible Senior Notes due 2018 are referred to as the 2018 Notes, and collectively with the 2015 Notes, 2016 Notes and the 2017 Notes, the Senior Convertible Notes. Our \$100.0 million of 6.95% Senior Notes due 2022 are referred to as the 2022 Notes. Any Prospect Capital InterNotes® issued pursuant to our medium term notes program are referred to as the Prospect Capital InterNotes, and together with our Senior Convertible Notes and the 2022 Notes are referred to as Senior Notes.

Item 1. Business.

General

We are a financial services company that primarily lends to and invests in middle market privately-held companies. We are a closed-end investment company that has filed an election to be treated as a business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, or the 1940 Act. We invest primarily in senior and subordinated debt and equity of companies in need of capital for acquisitions, divestitures, growth, development and recapitalization. We work with the management teams or financial sponsors to seek investments with historical cash flows, asset collateral or contracted pro-forma cash flows.

Typically, we concentrate on making investments in companies with annual revenues of less than \$500 million and enterprise values of less than \$250 million. Our typical investment involves a secured loan of less than \$100 million with some form of equity participation. From time to time, we acquire controlling interests in companies in conjunction with making secured debt investments in such companies. In most cases, companies in which we invest are privately held at the time we invest in them. We refer to these companies as "target" or "middle market" companies and these investments as "middle market investments".

We seek to maximize total returns to our investors, including both current yield and equity upside, by applying rigorous credit analysis and asset-based and cash-flow based lending techniques to make and monitor our investments. Many of our investments to date have been in energy-related industries. We have made no investments to date in the real estate or mortgage industries, and we do not intend currently to focus on such investments. We are currently pursuing multiple investment opportunities, including purchases of portfolios from private and public companies, as well as originations and secondary purchases of particular securities. We also regularly evaluate control investment opportunities in a range of industries, and some of these investments could be material to us. There can be no assurance that we will successfully consummate any investment opportunity we are currently pursuing. If any of these opportunities are consummated, there can be no assurance that investors will share our view of valuation or that any assets acquired will not be subject to future write downs, each of which could have an adverse effect on our stock price.

We seek to be a long-term investor with our portfolio companies. From our July 27, 2004 inception to the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, we invested primarily in industries related to the industrial/energy economy. Since then, we have widened our strategy to focus in other sectors of the economy

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and continue to reduce our exposure to the energy industry, and our holdings in the energy and energy related industries now represent less than 7% of our investment portfolio.

We have been organized as a closed-end investment company since April 13, 2004 and have filed an election to be treated as a business development company under the Investment company Act of 1940 ("1940 Act"). We are a non-diversified company within the meaning of the 1940 Act. Our headquarters are located at 10 East 40th Street, 44th Floor, New York, NY 10016, and our telephone number is (212) 448-0702. Our investment adviser is Prospect Capital Management LLC.

Our Investment Objective and Policies

Our investment objective is to generate both current income and long-term capital appreciation through debt and equity investments. We focus on making investments in private companies. We are a non-diversified company within the meaning of the 1940 Act.

We invest primarily in first and second lien senior loans and mezzanine debt, which in some cases includes an equity component. First and second lien senior loans generally are senior debt instruments that rank ahead of subordinated debt of a given portfolio company. These loans also have the benefit of security interests on the assets of the portfolio company, which may rank ahead of or be junior to other security interests. Mezzanine debt and our investments in collateralized loan obligation ("CLOs") is subordinated to senior loans and is generally unsecured. Our investments have generally ranged between \$5 million and \$75 million each, although the investment size may be more or less than this range. Our investment sizes are expected to grow as our capital base expands.

We also acquire controlling interests in companies in conjunction with making secured debt investments in such companies. In most cases, companies in which we invest are privately held at the time we invest in them. We refer to these companies as "target" or "middle market" companies and these investments as "middle market investments."

We seek to maximize returns and protect risk for our investors by applying rigorous analysis to make and monitor our investments. While the structure of our investments varies, we can invest in senior secured debt, senior unsecured debt, subordinated secured debt, subordinated unsecured debt, mezzanine debt, convertible debt, convertible preferred equity, preferred equity, common equity, warrants and other instruments, many of which generate current yield. While our primary focus is to seek current income through investment in the debt and/or dividend-paying equity securities of eligible privately-held, thinly-traded or distressed companies and long-term capital appreciation by acquiring accompanying warrants, options or other equity securities of such companies, we may invest up to 30% of the portfolio in opportunistic investments in order to seek enhanced returns for stockholders. Such investments may include investments in the debt and equity instruments of broadly-traded public companies. We expect that these public companies generally will have debt securities that are non-investment grade. Such investments may also include purchases (either in the primary or secondary markets) of the equity and junior debt tranches of a type of such pools known as CLOs. Structurally, CLOs are entities that are formed to manage a portfolio of senior secured loans made to companies whose debt is rated below investment grade or, in limited circumstances, unrated, or Senior Secured Loan. The Senior Secured Loans within a CLO are limited to Senior Secured Loans which meet specified credit and diversity criteria and are subject to concentration limitations in order to create an investment portfolio that is diverse by Senior Secured Loan, borrower, and industry, with limitations on non-U.S. borrowers. Within this 30% basket, we have and may make additional investments in debt and equity securities of companies located outside of the United States.

Our investments may include other equity investments, such as warrants, options to buy a minority interest in a portfolio company, or contractual payment rights or rights to receive a proportional interest in the operating cash flow or net income of such company. When determined by our Investment Adviser to be in our best interest, we may acquire a controlling interest in a portfolio

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company. Any warrants we receive with our debt securities may require only a nominal cost to exercise, and thus, as a portfolio company appreciates in value, we may achieve additional investment return from this equity interest. We have structured, and will continue to structure, some warrants to include provisions protecting our rights as a minority-interest or, if applicable, controlling-interest holder, as well as puts, or rights to sell such securities back to the company, upon the occurrence of specified events. In many cases, we obtain registration rights in connection with these equity interests, which may include demand and "piggyback" registration rights.

We plan to hold many of our investments to maturity or repayment, but will sell our investments earlier if a liquidity event takes place, such as the sale or recapitalization of a portfolio company, or if we determine a sale of one or more of our investments to be in our best interest.

We have qualified and elected to be treated for U.S. Federal income tax purposes as a Registered Investment Company ("RIC") under Subchapter M of the Code. As a RIC, we generally do not have to pay corporate-level U.S. Federal income taxes on any ordinary income or capital gains that we distribute to our stockholders as dividends. To continue to qualify as a RIC, we must, among other things, meet certain source-of-income and asset diversification requirements (as described below). In addition, to qualify for RIC tax treatment we must distribute to our stockholders, for each taxable year, at least 90% of our "investment company taxable income," which is generally our ordinary income plus the excess of our realized net short-term capital gains over our realized net long-term capital losses.

For a discussion of the risks inherent in our portfolio investments, see "Risk Factors Risks Relating to our Investments."

Industry Sectors

While our original investments were concentrated in industrial and energy related companies, we continue to widen our focus in other sectors of the economy to diversify our portfolio holdings. Our portfolio is now well diversified into 36 industry categories with no individual industry comprising more than 14.6% of the portfolio on either a cost or fair value basis.

Ongoing Relationships with Portfolio Companies

Monitoring

Prospect Capital Management monitors our portfolio companies on an ongoing basis. Prospect Capital Management will continue to monitor the financial trends of each portfolio company to determine if it is meeting its business plan and to assess the appropriate course of action for each company.

Prospect Capital Management employs several methods of evaluating and monitoring the performance and value of our investments, which may include, but are not limited to, the following:

Assessment of success in adhering to the portfolio company's business plan and compliance with covenants;

Regular contact with portfolio company management and, if appropriate, the financial or strategic sponsor, to discuss financial position, requirements and accomplishments;

Attendance at and participation in board meetings of the portfolio company; and

Review of monthly and quarterly financial statements and financial projections for the portfolio company.

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Investment Valuation

Our Board of Directors has established procedures for the valuation of our investment portfolio. These procedures are detailed below.

Investments for which market quotations are readily available are valued at such market quotations.

For most of our investments, market quotations are not available. With respect to investments for which market quotations are not readily available or when such market quotations are deemed not to represent fair value, our Board of Directors has approved a multi-step valuation process each quarter, as described below:

- 1) Each portfolio company or investment is reviewed by our investment professionals with an independent valuation firm engaged by our Board of Directors;
- 2) the independent valuation firms conduct independent appraisals and makes their own independent assessment;
- 3) the audit committee of our Board of Directors reviews and discusses the preliminary valuation of our Investment Adviser and that of the independent valuation firms; and
- 4) the Board of Directors discusses valuations and determines the fair value of each investment in our portfolio in good faith based on the input of our Investment Adviser, the respective independent valuation firm and the audit committee.

Investments are valued utilizing a shadow bond approach, a market approach, an income approach, a liquidation approach, or a combination of approaches, as appropriate. The shadow bond and market approaches use prices and other relevant information generated by market transactions involving identical or comparable assets or liabilities (including a business). The income approach uses valuation techniques to convert future amounts (for example, cash flows or earnings) to a single present value amount (discounted) calculated based on an appropriate discount rate. The measurement is based on the net present value indicated by current market expectations about those future amounts. In following these approaches, the types of factors that we may take into account in fair value pricing our investments include, as relevant: available current market data, including relevant and applicable market trading and transaction comparables, applicable market yields and multiples, security covenants, call protection provisions, information rights, the nature and realizable value of any collateral, the portfolio company's ability to make payments, its earnings and discounted cash flows, the markets in which the portfolio company does business, comparisons of financial ratios of peer companies that are public, M&A comparables, the principal market and enterprise values, among other factors.

Our investments in CLOs are classified as ASC 820 level 3 securities, and are valued using discounted cash flow model. The valuations have been accomplished through the analysis of the CLO deal structures to identify the risk exposures from the modeling point of view. For each security, the most appropriate valuation approach has been chosen from alternative approaches to ensure the most accurate valuation for each security. To value a CLO, both the assets and liabilities of the CLO capital structure need be modeled. We use a waterfall engine to store the collateral data, generate collateral cash flows from the assets, and distributes the cash flow to the liability structure based on the payment priorities, and discount them back using proper discount rates that incorporate all the risk factors. The main risk factors are: default risk, interest rate risk, downgrade risk, and credit spread risk.

In September 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC" or "Codification") 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures* ("ASC 820"). ASC 820 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in GAAP (defined herein), and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. We adopted ASC 820 on a prospective basis beginning in the quarter ended September 30, 2008.

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ASC 820 classifies the inputs used to measure these fair values into the following hierarchy:

Level 1: Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities, accessible by the Company at the measurement date.

Level 2: Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, or quoted prices for identical for similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, or other observable inputs other than quoted prices.

Level 3: Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

In all cases, the level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement in its entirety falls has been determined based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Our assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment and considers factors specific to each investment.

The changes to generally accepted accounting principles from the application of ASC 820 relate to the definition of fair value, framework for measuring fair value, and the expanded disclosures about fair value measurements. ASC 820 applies to fair value measurements already required or permitted by other standards.

In accordance with ASC 820, the fair value of our investments is defined as the price that we would receive upon selling an investment in an orderly transaction to an independent buyer in the principal or most advantageous market in which that investment is transacted.

In April 2009, the FASB issued ASC 820-10-65, *Determining Fair Value When the Volume and Level of Activity for the Asset or Liability Have Significantly Decreased and Identifying Transactions That Are Not Orderly* ("ASC 820-10-65"). This update provides further clarification for ASC 820 in markets that are not active and provides additional guidance for determining when the volume of trading level of activity for an asset or liability has significantly decreased and for identifying circumstances that indicate a transaction is not orderly. ASC 820-10-65 is effective for interim and annual reporting periods ending after June 15, 2009. The adoption of ASC 820-10-65 did not have any effect on our net asset value, financial position or results of operations as there was no change to the fair value measurement principles set forth in ASC 820.

In January 2010, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update 2010-06, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures (Topic 820): Improving Disclosures about Fair Value Measurements* ("ASU 2010-06"). ASU 2010-06 amends ASC 820-10 and clarifies and provides additional disclosure requirements related to recurring and non-recurring fair value measurements and employers' disclosures about postretirement benefit plan assets. ASU 2010-06 is effective December 15, 2009, except for the disclosure about purchase, sales, issuances and settlements in the roll forward of activity in level 3 fair value measurements. Those disclosures are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2010 (or July 1, 2011 for us) and for interim periods within those fiscal years. The adoption of ASU 2010-06 for the year ended June 30, 2012, did not have any effect on our financial statements.

For a discussion of the risks inherent in determining the value of securities for which readily available market values do not exist, see "Risk Factors - Risks relating to our business - Most of our portfolio investments are recorded at fair value as determined in good faith by our Board of Directors and, as a result, there is uncertainty as to the value of our portfolio investments."

Valuation of Other Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities

In February 2007, FASB issued ASC Subtopic 820-10-05-1, *The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities* ("ASC 820-10-05-1"). ASC 820-10-05-1 permits an entity to elect fair value as the initial and subsequent measurement attribute for many of assets and liabilities for which

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the fair value option has been elected and similar assets and liabilities measured using another measurement attribute. We have adopted this statement on July 1, 2008 and have elected not to value some assets and liabilities at fair value as would be permitted by ASC 820-10-05-1.

Managerial Assistance

As a business development company, we offer, and must provide upon request, managerial assistance to certain of our portfolio companies. This assistance could involve, among other things, monitoring the operations of our portfolio companies, participating in board and management meetings, consulting with and advising officers of portfolio companies and providing other organizational and financial guidance. Prospect Administration provides such managerial assistance on our behalf to portfolio companies when we are required to provide this assistance.

Our Investment Adviser

Prospect Capital Management manages our investments as our investment adviser. Prospect Capital Management is a Delaware limited liability corporation that has been registered as an investment adviser under the Advisers Act since March 31, 2004. Prospect Capital Management is led by John F. Barry III and M. Grier Eliasek, two senior executives with significant investment advisory and business experience. Both Messrs. Barry and Eliasek spend a significant amount of their time in their roles at Prospect Capital Management working on the Company's behalf. The principal executive offices of Prospect Capital Management are 10 East 40th Street, 44th Floor, New York, NY 10016. We depend on the due diligence, skill and network of business contacts of the senior management of our Investment Adviser. We also depend, to a significant extent, on our Investment Adviser's investment professionals and the information and deal flow generated by those investment professionals in the course of their investment and portfolio management activities. The Investment Adviser's senior management team evaluates, negotiates, structures, closes, monitors and services our investments. Our future success depends to a significant extent on the continued service of the senior management team, particularly John F. Barry III and M. Grier Eliasek. The departure of any of the senior managers of our Investment Adviser could have a materially adverse effect on our ability to achieve our investment objective. In addition, we can offer no assurance that Prospect Capital Management will remain our Investment Adviser or that we will continue to have access to its investment professionals or its information and deal flow. Under our Investment Advisory Agreement, we pay Prospect Capital Management investment advisory fees, which consist of an annual base management fee based on our gross assets as well as a two-part incentive fee based on our performance. Mr. Barry currently controls Prospect Capital Management.

Investment Advisory Agreement

Terms

We have entered into an investment advisory and management agreement (the Investment Advisory Agreement) with Prospect Capital Management, under which the Investment Adviser, subject to the overall supervision of our Board of Directors, manages our day-to-day operations and provides us with investment advisory services. Under the terms of the Investment Advisory Agreement, our Investment Adviser: (i) determines the composition of our portfolio, the nature and timing of the changes to our portfolio and the manner of implementing such changes, (ii) identifies, evaluates and negotiates the structure of the investments we make (including performing due diligence on our prospective portfolio companies); and (iii) closes and monitors investments we make.

Prospect Capital Management's services under the Investment Advisory Agreement are not exclusive, and it is free to furnish similar services to other entities so long as its services to us are not impaired. For providing these services the Investment Adviser receives a fee from us, consisting of two

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components: a base management fee and an incentive fee. The base management fee is calculated at an annual rate of 2.00% on our gross assets (including amounts borrowed). For services currently rendered under the Investment Advisory Agreement, the base management fee is payable quarterly in arrears. The base management fee is calculated based on the average value of our gross assets at the end of the two most recently completed calendar quarters and appropriately adjusted for any share issuances or repurchases during the current calendar quarter. Base management fees for any partial month or quarter are appropriately prorated.

The incentive fee has two parts. The first part, the income incentive fee, is calculated and payable quarterly in arrears based on our pre-incentive fee net investment income for the immediately preceding calendar quarter. For this purpose, pre-incentive fee net investment income means interest income, dividend income and any other income (including any other fees (other than fees for providing managerial assistance), such as commitment, origination, structuring, diligence and consulting fees and other fees that we receive from portfolio companies) accrued during the calendar quarter, minus our operating expenses for the quarter (including the base management fee, expenses payable under the Administration Agreement described below, and any interest expense and dividends paid on any issued and outstanding preferred stock, but excluding the incentive fee). Pre-incentive fee net investment income includes, in the case of investments with a deferred interest feature (such as original issue discount, debt instruments with payment in kind interest and zero coupon securities), accrued income that we have not yet received in cash. Pre-incentive fee net investment income does not include any realized capital gains, realized capital losses or unrealized capital appreciation or depreciation. Pre-incentive fee net investment income, expressed as a rate of return on the value of our net assets at the end of the immediately preceding calendar quarter, is compared to a "hurdle rate" of 1.75% per quarter (7.00% annualized).

The net investment income used to calculate this part of the incentive fee is also included in the amount of the gross assets used to calculate the 2.00% base management fee. We pay the Investment Adviser an income incentive fee with respect to our pre-incentive fee net investment income in each calendar quarter as follows:

no incentive fee in any calendar quarter in which our pre-incentive fee net investment income does not exceed the hurdle rate;

100.00% of our pre-incentive fee net investment income with respect to that portion of such pre-incentive fee net investment income, if any, that exceeds the hurdle rate but is less than 125.00% of the quarterly hurdle rate in any calendar quarter (8.75% annualized with a 7.00% annualized hurdle rate); and

20.00% of the amount of our pre-incentive fee net investment income, if any, that exceeds 125.00% of the quarterly hurdle rate in any calendar quarter (8.75% annualized with a 7.00% annualized hurdle rate).

These calculations are appropriately prorated for any period of less than three months and adjusted for any share issuances or repurchases during the current quarter.

The second part of the incentive fee, the capital gains incentive fee, is determined and payable in arrears as of the end of each calendar year (or upon termination of the Investment Advisory Agreement, as of the termination date), and equals 20.00% of our realized capital gains for the calendar year, if any, computed net of all realized capital losses and unrealized capital depreciation at the end of such year. In determining the capital gains incentive fee payable to the Investment Adviser, we calculate the aggregate realized capital gains, aggregate realized capital losses and aggregate unrealized capital depreciation, as applicable, with respect to each investment that has been in our portfolio. For the purpose of this calculation, an "investment" is defined as the total of all rights and claims which may be asserted against a portfolio company arising out of our participation in the debt,

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equity, and other financial instruments issued by that company. Aggregate realized capital gains, if any, equals the sum of the differences between the aggregate net sales price of each investment and the aggregate cost basis of such investment when sold or otherwise disposed of. Aggregate realized capital losses equal the sum of the amounts by which the aggregate net sales price of each investment is less than the aggregate cost basis of such investment when sold or otherwise disposed of. Aggregate unrealized capital depreciation equals the sum of the differences, if negative, between the aggregate valuation of each investment and the aggregate cost basis of such investment as of the applicable calendar year-end. At the end of the applicable calendar year, the amount of capital gains that serves as the basis for our calculation of the capital gains incentive fee involves netting aggregate realized capital gains against aggregate realized capital losses on a since-inception basis and then reducing this amount by the aggregate unrealized capital depreciation. If this number is positive, then the capital gains incentive fee payable is equal to 20.00% of such amount, less the aggregate amount of any capital gains incentive fees paid since inception.

Examples of Quarterly Incentive Fee Calculation

Example 1: Income Incentive Fee(*):

Alternative 1

Assumptions

Investment income (including interest, dividends, fees, etc.) = 1.25%

Hurdle rate(1) = 1.75%

Base management fee(2) = 0.50%

Other expenses (legal, accounting, custodian, transfer agent, etc.)(3) = 0.20%

Pre-incentive fee net investment income (investment income - (base management fee + other expenses)) = 0.55%

Pre-incentive net investment income does not exceed hurdle rate, therefore there is no income incentive fee.

Alternative 2

Assumptions

Investment income (including interest, dividends, fees, etc.) = 2.70%

Hurdle rate(1) = 1.75%

Base management fee(2) = 0.50%

Other expenses (legal, accounting, custodian, transfer agent, etc.)(3) = 0.20%

Pre-incentive fee net investment income (investment income - (base management fee + other expenses)) = 2.00%

Pre-incentive net investment income exceeds hurdle rate, therefore there is an income incentive fee payable by us to our Investment Adviser.

Income incentive Fee = 100% × "Catch Up" + the greater of 0% AND (20% × (pre-incentive fee net investment income - 2.1875%))

= (100% × (2.00% - 1.75%)) + 0%

= 100% × 0.25% + 0%

= 0.25%

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Alternative 3

Assumptions

Investment income (including interest, dividends, fees, etc.) = 3.00%

Hurdle rate(1) = 1.75%

Base management fee(2) = 0.50%

Other expenses (legal, accounting, custodian, transfer agent, etc.)(3) = 0.20%

Pre-incentive fee net investment income (investment income - (base management fee + other expenses)) = 2.30%

Pre-incentive net investment income exceeds hurdle rate, therefore there is an income incentive fee payable by us to our Investment Adviser.

Income incentive Fee = 100% × "Catch Up" + the greater of 0% AND (20% × (pre-incentive fee net investment income - 2.1875%))

= (100% × (2.1875% - 1.75%)) + the greater of 0% AND (20% × (2.30% - 2.1875%))

= (100% × 0.4375%) + (20% × 0.1125%)

= 0.4375% + 0.0225%

= 0.46%

- (1) Represents 7% annualized hurdle rate.
- (2) Represents 2% annualized base management fee.
- (3) Excludes organizational and offering expenses.
- (*) The hypothetical amount of pre-incentive fee net investment income shown is based on a percentage of total net assets.

Example 2: Capital Gains Incentive Fee:

Alternative 1

Assumptions

Year 1: \$20 million investment made

Year 2: Fair market value ("FMV") of investment determined to be \$22 million

Year 3: FMV of investment determined to be \$17 million

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Year 4: Investment sold for \$21 million

The impact, if any, on the capital gains portion of the incentive fee would be:

Year 1: No impact

Year 2: No impact

Year 3: Decrease base amount on which the second part of the incentive fee is calculated by \$3 million (unrealized capital depreciation)

Year 4: Increase base amount on which the second part of the incentive fee is calculated by \$4 million (\$1 million of realized capital gain and \$3 million *reversal* in unrealized capital depreciation)

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Alternative 2

Assumptions

Year 1: \$20 million investment made

Year 2: FMV of investment determined to be \$17 million

Year 3: FMV of investment determined to be \$17 million

Year 4: FMV of investment determined to be \$21 million

Year 5: FMV of investment determined to be \$18 million

Year 6: Investment sold for \$15 million

The impact, if any, on the capital gains portion of the incentive fee would be:

Year 1: No impact

Year 2: Decrease base amount on which the second part of the incentive fee is calculated by \$3 million (unrealized capital depreciation)

Year 3: No impact

Year 4: Increase base amount on which the second part of the incentive fee is calculated by \$3 million (*reversal* in unrealized capital depreciation)

Year 5: Decrease base amount on which the second part of the incentive fee is calculated by \$2 million (unrealized capital depreciation)

Year 6: Decrease base amount on which the second part of the incentive fee is calculated by \$3 million (\$5 million of realized capital loss offset by a \$2 million *reversal* in unrealized capital depreciation)

Alternative 3

Assumptions

Year 1: \$20 million investment made in company A ("Investment A"), and \$20 million investment made in company B ("Investment B")

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Year 2: FMV of Investment A is determined to be \$21 million, and Investment B is sold for \$18 million

Year 3: Investment A is sold for \$23 million

The impact, if any, on the capital gains portion of the incentive fee would be:

Year 1: No impact

Year 2: Decrease base amount on which the second part of the incentive fee is calculated by \$2 million (realized capital loss on Investment B)

Year 3: Increase base amount on which the second part of the incentive fee is calculated by \$3 million (realized capital gain on Investment A)

Alternative 4

Assumptions

Year 1: \$20 million investment made in company A ("Investment A"), and \$20 million investment made in company B ("Investment B")

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Year 2: FMV of Investment A is determined to be \$21 million, and FMV of Investment B is determined to be \$17 million

Year 3: FMV of Investment A is determined to be \$18 million, and FMV of Investment B is determined to be \$18 million

Year 4: FMV of Investment A is determined to be \$19 million, and FMV of Investment B is determined to be \$21 million

Year 5: Investment A is sold for \$17 million, and Investment B is sold for \$23 million

The impact, if any, on the capital gains portion of the incentive fee would be:

Year 1: No impact

Year 2: Decrease base amount on which the second part of the incentive fee is calculated by \$3 million (unrealized capital depreciation on Investment B)

Year 3: Decrease base amount on which the second part of the incentive fee is calculated by \$1 million (\$2 million in unrealized capital depreciation on Investment A and \$1 million recovery in unrealized capital depreciation on Investment B)

Year 4: Increase base amount on which the second part of the incentive fee is calculated by \$3 million (\$1 million recovery in unrealized capital depreciation on Investment A and \$2 million recovery in unrealized capital depreciation on Investment B)

Year 5: Increase base amount on which the second part of the incentive fee is calculated by \$1 million (\$3 million realized capital gain on Investment B offset by \$3 million realized capital loss on Investment A plus a \$1 million *reversal* in unrealized capital depreciation on Investment A from Year 4).

Duration and Termination

The Investment Advisory Agreement was originally approved by our Board of Directors on June 23, 2004 and was recently re-approved by the Board of Directors on May 4, 2012 for an additional one-year term expiring June 22, 2013. Unless terminated earlier as described below, it will remain in effect from year to year thereafter if approved annually by our Board of Directors or by the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of our outstanding voting securities, including, in either case, approval by a majority of our directors who are not interested persons. The Investment Advisory Agreement will automatically terminate in the event of its assignment. The Investment Advisory Agreement may be terminated by either party without penalty upon not more than 60 days' written notice to the other. See "Risk factors Risks relating to our business We are dependent upon Prospect Capital Management's key management personnel for our future success."

Indemnification

The Investment Advisory Agreement provides that, absent willful misfeasance, bad faith or gross negligence in the performance of its duties or by reason of the reckless disregard of its duties and obligations, Prospect Capital Management and its officers, managers, agents, employees, controlling persons, members and any other person or entity affiliated with it are entitled to indemnification from us for any damages, liabilities, costs and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees and amounts reasonably paid in settlement) arising from the rendering of Prospect Capital Management's services under the Investment Advisory Agreement or otherwise as our investment adviser.

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Administration Agreement

We have also entered into an Administration Agreement with Prospect Administration under which Prospect Administration, among other things, provides (or arranges for the provision of) administrative services and facilities for us. For providing these services, we reimburse Prospect Administration for our allocable portion of overhead incurred by Prospect Administration in performing its obligations under the Administration Agreement, including rent and our allocable portion of the costs of our chief compliance officer and chief financial officer and his staff, including the internal legal staff. Under this agreement, Prospect Administration furnishes us with office facilities, equipment and clerical, bookkeeping and record keeping services at such facilities. Prospect Administration also performs, or oversees the performance of, our required administrative services, which include, among other things, being responsible for the financial records that we are required to maintain and preparing reports to our stockholders and reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or the SEC. In addition, Prospect Administration assists us in determining and publishing our net asset value, overseeing the preparation and filing of our tax returns and the printing and dissemination of reports to our stockholders, and generally oversees the payment of our expenses and the performance of administrative and professional services rendered to us by others. Under the Administration Agreement, Prospect Administration also provides on our behalf managerial assistance to those portfolio companies to which we are required to provide such assistance. The Administration Agreement may be terminated by either party without penalty upon 60 days' written notice to the other party. Prospect Administration is a wholly owned subsidiary of our Investment Adviser.

We reimbursed Prospect Administration \$6.8 million, \$4.9 million and \$3.4 million for the twelve months ended June 30, 2012, June 30, 2011 and June 30, 2010, respectively, for services it provided to the Company at cost.

Payment of Our Expenses

All investment professionals of the Investment Adviser and its respective staff, when and to the extent engaged in providing investment advisory and management services, and the compensation and routine overhead expenses of such personnel allocable to such services, will be provided and paid for by the Investment Adviser. We bear all other costs and expenses of our operations and transactions, including those relating to: organization and offering; calculation of our net asset value (including the cost and expenses of any independent valuation firm); expenses incurred by Prospect Capital Management payable to third parties, including agents, consultants or other advisers (such as independent valuation firms, accountants and legal counsel), in monitoring our financial and legal affairs and in monitoring our investments and performing due diligence on our prospective portfolio companies; interest payable on debt, if any, and dividends payable on preferred stock, if any, incurred to finance our investments; offerings of our debt, our preferred shares, our common stock and other securities; investment advisory fees; fees payable to third parties, including agents, consultants or other advisors, relating to, or associated with, evaluating and making investments; transfer agent and custodial fees; registration fees; listing fees; taxes; independent directors' fees and expenses; costs of preparing and filing reports or other documents with the SEC; the costs of any reports, proxy statements or other notices to stockholders, including printing costs; our allocable portion of the fidelity bond, directors and officers/errors and omissions liability insurance, and any other insurance premiums; direct costs and expenses of administration, including auditor and legal costs; and all other expenses incurred by us, by our Investment Adviser or by Prospect Administration in connection with administering our business, such as our allocable portion of overhead under the administration agreement, including rent and our allocable portion of the costs of our chief compliance officer and chief financial officer and their respective staffs under the sub-administration agreement, as further described below.

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License Agreement

We entered into a license agreement with Prospect Capital Management, pursuant to which Prospect Capital Management agreed to grant us a nonexclusive, royalty free license to use the name "Prospect Capital." Under this agreement, we have a right to use the Prospect Capital name, for so long as Prospect Capital Management or one of its affiliates remains our Investment Adviser. Other than with respect to this limited license, we have no legal right to the Prospect Capital name. This license agreement will remain in effect for so long as the Investment Advisory Agreement with our Investment Adviser is in effect.

Determination of Net Asset Value

The net asset value per share of our outstanding shares of common stock will be determined quarterly by dividing the value of total assets minus liabilities by the total number of shares outstanding.

In calculating the value of our total assets, we will value investments for which market quotations are readily available at such market quotations. Short-term investments which mature in 60 days or less, such as U.S. Treasury bills, are valued at amortized cost, which approximates market value. The amortized cost method involves recording a security at its cost (i.e., principal amount plus any premium and less any discount) on the date of purchase and thereafter amortizing/accreting that difference between the principal amount due at maturity and cost assuming a constant yield to maturity as determined at the time of purchase. Short-term securities which mature in more than 60 days are valued at current market quotations by an independent pricing service or at the mean between the bid and ask prices obtained from at least two brokers or dealers (if available, or otherwise by a principal market maker or a primary market dealer). Investments in money market mutual funds are valued at their net asset value as of the close of business on the day of valuation.

Most of the investments in our portfolio do not have market quotations which are readily available, meaning the investments do not have actively traded markets. Debt and equity securities for which market quotations are not readily available are valued with the assistance of an independent valuation service using a documented valuation policy and a valuation process that is consistently applied under the direction of our Board of Directors. For a discussion of the risks inherent in determining the value of securities for which readily available market values do not exist, see "Risk Factors Risks Relating to Our Business Most of our portfolio investments are recorded at fair value as determined in good faith by our Board of Directors and, as a result, there is uncertainty as to the value of our portfolio investments."

The factors that may be taken into account in valuing such investments include, as relevant, the portfolio company's ability to make payments, its estimated earnings and projected discounted cash flows, the nature and realizable value of any collateral, the financial environment in which the portfolio company operates, comparisons to securities of similar publicly traded companies, changes in interest rates for similar debt instruments and other relevant factors. Due to the inherent uncertainty of determining the fair value of investments that do not have readily available market quotations, the fair value of these investments may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had such market quotations existed for such investments, and any such differences could be material.

As part of the fair valuation process, the independent valuation firm engaged by the Board of Directors performs a review of each debt and equity investment and provides a range of values for each investment, which, along with management's valuation recommendations, is reviewed by the Audit Committee. Management and the independent valuation firm may adjust their preliminary evaluations to reflect comments provided by the Audit Committee. The Audit Committee reviews the final valuation report and management's valuation recommendations and makes a recommendation to the Board of Directors based on its analysis of the methodologies employed and the various weights that

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should be accorded to each portion of the valuation as well as factors that the independent valuation firm and management may not have included in their evaluation processes. The Board of Directors then evaluates the Audit Committee recommendations and undertakes a similar analysis to determine the fair value of each investment in the portfolio in good faith.

Determination of fair values involves subjective judgments and estimates not susceptible to substantiation by auditing procedures. Accordingly, under current accounting standards, the notes to our financial statements will refer to the uncertainty with respect to the possible effect of such valuations, and any change in such valuations, on our financial statements.

Dividend Reinvestment Plan

We have adopted a dividend reinvestment plan that provides for reinvestment of our distributions on behalf of our stockholders, unless a stockholder elects to receive cash as provided below. As a result, when our Board of Directors authorizes, and we declare, a cash dividend, then our stockholders who have not "opted out" of our dividend reinvestment plan will have their cash dividends automatically reinvested in additional shares of our common stock, rather than receiving the cash dividends.

No action is required on the part of a registered stockholder to have their cash dividend reinvested in shares of our common stock. A registered stockholder may elect to receive an entire dividend in cash by notifying the plan administrator and our transfer agent and registrar, in writing so that such notice is received by the plan administrator no later than the record date for dividends to stockholders. The plan administrator sets up an account for shares acquired through the plan for each stockholder who has not elected to receive dividends in cash and hold such shares in non-certificated form. Upon request by a stockholder participating in the plan, the plan administrator will, instead of crediting shares to the participant's account, issue a certificate registered in the participant's name for the number of whole shares of our common stock and a check for any fractional share. Such request by a stockholder must be received three days prior to the dividend payable date in order for that dividend to be paid in cash. If such request is received less than three days prior to the dividend payable date, then the dividends are reinvested and shares are repurchased for the stockholder's account; however, future dividends are paid out in cash on all balances. Those stockholders whose shares are held by a broker or other financial intermediary may receive dividends in cash by notifying their broker or other financial intermediary of their election.

We primarily use newly issued shares to implement the plan, whether our shares are trading at a premium or at a discount to net asset value. However, we reserve the right to purchase shares in the open market in connection with our implementation of the plan. The number of shares to be issued to a stockholder is determined by dividing the total dollar amount of the dividend payable to such stockholder by the market price per share of our common stock at the close of regular trading on The NASDAQ Global Select Market on the last business day before the payment date for such dividend. Market price per share on that date will be the closing price for such shares on The NASDAQ Global Select Market or, if no sale is reported for such day, at the average of their reported bid and asked prices. The number of shares of our common stock to be outstanding after giving effect to payment of the dividend cannot be established until the value per share at which additional shares will be issued has been determined and elections of our stockholders have been tabulated. Stockholders who do not elect to receive dividends in shares of common stock may experience accretion to the net asset value of their shares if our shares are trading at a premium at the time we issue new shares under the plan and dilution if our shares are trading at a discount. The level of accretion or discount would depend on various factors, including the proportion of our stockholders who participate in the plan, the level of premium or discount at which our shares are trading and the amount of the dividend payable to a stockholder.

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There are no brokerage charges or other charges to stockholders who participate in the plan. The plan administrator's fees under the plan are paid by us. If a participant elects by written notice to the plan administrator to have the plan administrator sell part or all of the shares held by the plan administrator in the participant's account and remit the proceeds to the participant, the plan administrator is authorized to deduct a \$15 transaction fee plus a \$0.10 per share brokerage commissions from the proceeds.

Stockholders who receive dividends in the form of stock are subject to the same U.S. Federal, state and local tax consequences as are stockholders who elect to receive their dividends in cash. A stockholder's basis for determining gain or loss upon the sale of stock received in a dividend from us will be equal to the total dollar amount of the dividend payable to the stockholder. Any stock received in a dividend will have a new holding period for tax purposes commencing on the day following the day on which the shares are credited to the U.S. stockholder's account.

Participants may terminate their accounts under the plan by notifying the plan administrator via its website at www.amstock.com or by filling out the transaction request form located at the bottom of their statement and sending it to the plan administrator at American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, P.O. Box 922, Wall Street Station, New York, NY 10269-0560 or by calling the plan administrator's Interactive Voice Response System at (888) 888-0313.

The plan may be terminated by us upon notice in writing mailed to each participant at least 30 days prior to any payable date for the payment of any dividend by us. All correspondence concerning the plan should be directed to the plan administrator by mail at American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, 59 Maiden Lane, New York, NY 10007 or by telephone at (718) 921-8200.

Stockholders who purchased their shares through or hold their shares in the name of a broker or financial institution should consult with a representative of their broker or financial institution with respect to their participation in our dividend reinvestment plan. Such holders of our stock may not be identified as our registered stockholders with the plan administrator and may not automatically have their cash dividend reinvested in shares of our common stock by the administrator.

Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations

The following discussion is a general summary of the material U.S. Federal income tax considerations applicable to us and to an investment in our shares. This summary does not purport to be a complete description of the income tax considerations applicable to us or our investors on such an investment. For example, we have not described tax consequences that we assume to be generally known by investors or certain considerations that may be relevant to certain types of holders subject to special treatment under U.S. Federal income tax laws, including stockholders subject to the alternative minimum tax, tax-exempt organizations, insurance companies, dealers in securities, pension plans and trusts, financial institutions, U.S. stockholders (as defined below) whose functional currency is not the U.S. dollar, persons who mark-to-market our shares and persons who hold our shares as part of a "straddle," "hedge" or "conversion" transaction. This summary assumes that investors hold our common stock as capital assets (within the meaning of the Code). The discussion is based upon the Code, Treasury regulations, and administrative and judicial interpretations, each as of the date of this report and all of which are subject to change, possibly retroactively, which could affect the continuing validity of this discussion. This summary does not discuss any aspects of U.S. estate or gift tax or foreign, state or local tax. It does not discuss the special treatment under U.S. Federal income tax laws that could result if we invested in tax-exempt securities or certain other investment assets.

A "U.S. stockholder" is a beneficial owner of shares of our common stock that is for U.S. Federal income tax purposes:

a citizen or individual resident of the United States;

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a corporation, or other entity treated as a corporation for U.S. Federal income tax purposes, created or organized in or under the laws of the United States or any state thereof or the District of Columbia;

an estate, the income of which is subject to U.S. Federal income taxation regardless of its source; or

a trust if (1) a U.S. court is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of such trust and one or more U.S. persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust or (2) it has a valid election in place to be treated as a U.S. person.

A "Non-U.S. stockholder" is a beneficial owner of shares of our common stock that is not a partnership and is not a U.S. stockholder.

If a partnership (including an entity treated as a partnership for U.S. Federal income tax purposes) holds shares of our common stock, the tax treatment of a partner in the partnership will generally depend upon the status of the partner and the activities of the partnership. A prospective stockholder that is a partner of a partnership holding shares of our common stock should consult its tax advisors with respect to the purchase, ownership and disposition of shares of our common stock.

Tax matters are very complicated and the tax consequences to an investor of an investment in our shares will depend on the facts of his, her or its particular situation. We encourage investors to consult their own tax advisors regarding the specific consequences of such an investment, including tax reporting requirements, the applicability of U.S. Federal, state, local and foreign tax laws, eligibility for the benefits of any applicable tax treaty and the effect of any possible changes in the tax laws.

Election To Be Taxed As A RIC

As a business development company, we intend to qualify and continue to elect to be treated as a RIC under Subchapter M of the Code. As a RIC, we generally are not subject to corporate-level U.S. Federal income taxes on any ordinary income or capital gains that we distribute to our stockholders as dividends. To qualify as a RIC, we must, among other things, meet certain source-of-income and asset diversification requirements (as described below). In addition, to obtain RIC tax treatment, we must distribute to our stockholders, for each taxable year, at least 90% of our "investment company taxable income," which is generally our ordinary income plus the excess of realized net short-term capital gains over realized net long-term capital losses, or the Annual Distribution Requirement.

Taxation As A RIC

In order to qualify as a RIC for U.S. Federal income tax purposes, we must, among other things:

qualify to be treated as a business development company or be registered as a management investment company under the 1940 Act at all times during each taxable year;

derive in each taxable year at least 90% of our gross income from dividends, interest, payments with respect to certain securities loans, gains from the sale or other disposition of stock or other securities or currencies or other income derived with respect to our business of investing in such stock, securities or currencies and net income derived from an interest in a "qualified publicly traded partnership" (as defined in the Code) or the 90% Income Test; and

diversify our holdings so that at the end of each quarter of the taxable year:

at least 50% of the value of our assets consists of cash, cash equivalents, U.S. Government securities, securities of other RICs, and other securities if such other securities of any one issuer do not represent more than 5% of the value of our assets or more than 10% of the outstanding voting securities of the issuer (which for these purposes includes the equity securities of a "qualified publicly traded partnership"); and

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no more than 25% of the value of our assets is invested in the securities, other than U.S. Government securities or securities of other RICs, (i) of one issuer (ii) of two or more issuers that are controlled, as determined under applicable tax rules, by us and that are engaged in the same or similar or related trades or businesses or (iii) of one or more "qualified publicly traded partnerships," or the Diversification Tests.

To the extent that we invest in entities treated as partnerships for U.S. Federal income tax purposes (other than a "qualified publicly traded partnership"), we generally must include the items of gross income derived by the partnerships for purposes of the 90% Income Test, and the income that is derived from a partnership (other than a "qualified publicly traded partnership") will be treated as qualifying income for purposes of the 90% Income Test only to the extent that such income is attributable to items of income of the partnership which would be qualifying income if realized by us directly. In addition, we generally must take into account our proportionate share of the assets held by partnerships (other than a "qualified publicly traded partnership") in which we are a partner for purposes of the diversification tests. If the partnership is a "qualified publicly traded partnership," the net income derived from such partnership will be qualifying income for purposes of the 90% Income Test, and interests in the partnership will be "securities" for purposes of the diversification tests. We intend to monitor our investments in equity securities of entities that are treated as partnerships for U.S. Federal income tax purposes to prevent our disqualification as a RIC.

In order to meet the 90% Income Test, we may establish one or more special purpose corporations to hold assets from which we do not anticipate earning dividend, interest or other qualifying income under the 90% Income Test. Any such special purpose corporation would generally be subject to U.S. Federal income tax, and could result in a reduced after-tax yield on the portion of our assets held by such corporation.

Provided that we qualify as a RIC and satisfy the Annual Distribution Requirement, we will not be subject to U.S. Federal income tax on the portion of our investment company taxable income and net capital gain (which we define as net long-term capital gains in excess of net short-term capital losses) we timely distribute to stockholders. We will be subject to U.S. Federal income tax at the regular corporate rates on any income or capital gain not distributed (or deemed distributed) to our stockholders.

We will be subject to a 4% non-deductible U.S. Federal excise tax on certain undistributed income of RICs unless we distribute in a timely manner an amount at least equal to the sum of (1) 98.2% of our ordinary income for each calendar year, (2) 98% of our capital gain net income for the one-year period ending October 31 in that calendar year and (3) any income realized, but not distributed, in preceding years.

We may be required to recognize taxable income in circumstances in which we do not receive cash. For example, if we hold debt obligations that are treated under applicable tax rules as having original issue discount, we must include in income each year a portion of the original issue discount that accrues over the life of the obligation, regardless of whether cash representing such income is received by us in the same taxable year. Because any original issue discount accrued will be included in our investment company taxable income for the year of accrual, we may be required to make a distribution to our stockholders in order to satisfy the Annual Distribution Requirement, even though we will not have received any corresponding cash amount.

Gain or loss realized by us from warrants acquired by us as well as any loss attributable to the lapse of such warrants generally will be treated as capital gain or loss. Such gain or loss generally will be long-term or short-term, depending on how long we held a particular warrant. As a RIC, we are not allowed to carry forward or carry back a net operating loss for purposes of computing our investment company taxable income in other taxable years.

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Although we do not presently expect to do so, we are authorized to borrow funds and to sell assets in order to satisfy distribution requirements. However, under the 1940 Act, we are not permitted to make distributions to our stockholders while our debt obligations and other senior securities are outstanding unless certain "asset coverage" tests are met. See "Regulation Senior Securities." Moreover, our ability to dispose of assets to meet our distribution requirements may be limited by (1) the illiquid nature of our portfolio and/or (2) other requirements relating to our status as a RIC, including the diversification tests. If we dispose of assets in order to meet the Annual Distribution Requirement or to avoid the excise tax, we may make such dispositions at times that, from an investment standpoint, are not advantageous.

If we fail to satisfy the Annual Distribution Requirement or otherwise fail to qualify as a RIC in any taxable year, we would be subject to tax on all of our taxable income at regular corporate rates. We would not be able to deduct distributions to stockholders, nor would we be required to make distributions. Distributions would generally be taxable to our individual and other non-corporate taxable stockholders as ordinary dividend income eligible for the reduced maximum rate for taxable years beginning before 2013 (but not for taxable years beginning thereafter, unless the relevant provisions are extended by legislation) to the extent of our current and accumulated earnings and profits, provided certain holding period and other requirements are met. Subject to certain limitations under the Code, corporate distributees would be eligible for the dividends-received deduction. To qualify again to be taxed as a RIC in a subsequent year, we would be required to distribute to our shareholders our accumulated earnings and profits attributable to non-RIC years reduced by an interest charge on 50% of such earnings and profits payable by us as an additional tax. In addition, if we failed to qualify as a RIC for a period greater than two taxable years, then, in order to qualify as a RIC in a subsequent year, we would be required to elect to recognize and pay tax on any net built-in gain (the excess of aggregate gain, including items of income, over aggregate loss that would have been realized if we had been liquidated) or, alternatively, be subject to taxation on such built-in gain recognized for a period of ten years.

Certain of our investment practices may be subject to special and complex U.S. Federal income tax provisions that may, among other things, (i) disallow, suspend or otherwise limit the allowance of certain losses or deductions, (ii) convert lower taxed long-term capital gain and qualified dividend income into higher taxed short-term capital gain or ordinary income, (iii) convert an ordinary loss or a deduction into a capital loss (the deductibility of which is more limited), (iv) cause us to recognize income or gain without a corresponding receipt of cash, (v) adversely affect the time as to when a purchase or sale of stock or securities is deemed to occur, (vi) adversely alter the characterization of certain complex financial transactions, and (vii) produce income that will not be qualifying income for purposes of the 90% Income Test. We will monitor our transactions and may make certain tax elections in order to mitigate the effect of these provisions.

We may invest in preferred securities or other securities the U.S. Federal income tax treatment of which may be unclear or may be subject to recharacterization by the IRS. To the extent the tax treatment of such securities or the income from such securities differs from the expected tax treatment, it could affect the timing or character of income recognized, requiring us to purchase or sell securities, or otherwise change our portfolio, in order to comply with the tax rules applicable to RICs under the Code.

Taxation Of U.S. Stockholders

Distributions by us generally are taxable to U.S. Stockholders as ordinary income or capital gains. Distributions of our "investment company taxable income" (which is, generally, our ordinary income plus realized net short-term capital gains in excess of realized net long-term capital losses) will be taxable as ordinary income to U.S. Stockholders to the extent of our current or accumulated earnings and profits, whether paid in cash or reinvested in additional common stock. Distributions of our net

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capital gain (which is generally our realized net long-term capital gains in excess of realized net short-term capital losses) properly designated by us as "capital gain dividends" will be taxable to a U.S. Stockholder as long-term capital gains, regardless of the U.S. Stockholder's holding period for its common stock and regardless of whether paid in cash or reinvested in additional common stock. Distributions in excess of our current and accumulated earnings and profits first will reduce a U.S. Stockholder's adjusted tax basis in such stockholder's common stock and, after the adjusted basis is reduced to zero, will constitute capital gains to such U.S. Stockholder. Dividends distributed by us generally will not be eligible for the dividends-received deduction or the preferential rate applicable to so-called qualified dividend income.

Although we currently intend to distribute any long-term capital gains at least annually, we may in the future decide to retain some or all of our long-term capital gains, and designate the retained amount as a "deemed distribution." In that case, among other consequences, we will pay tax on the retained amount, each U.S. Stockholder will be required to include his, her or its proportionate share of the deemed distribution in income as if it had been actually distributed to the U.S. Stockholder, and the U.S. Stockholder will be entitled to claim a credit equal to its allocable share of the tax paid thereon by us. The amount of the deemed distribution net of such tax will be added to the U.S. Stockholder's tax basis for his, her or its common stock. Since we expect to pay tax on any retained capital gains at our regular corporate tax rate, and since that rate is in excess of the maximum rate currently payable by individuals on long-term capital gains, the amount of tax that individual stockholders will be treated as having paid and for which they will receive a credit will exceed the tax they owe on the retained net capital gain. Such excess generally may be claimed as a credit against the U.S. Stockholder's other U.S. Federal income tax obligations or may be refunded to the extent it exceeds a stockholder's liability for U.S. Federal income tax. A stockholder that is not subject to U.S. Federal income tax or otherwise required to file a U.S. Federal income tax return would be required to file a U.S. Federal income tax return on the appropriate form in order to claim a refund for the taxes we paid. In order to utilize the deemed distribution approach, we must provide written notice to our stockholders prior to the expiration of 60 days after the close of the relevant taxable year. We cannot treat any of our investment company taxable income as a "deemed distribution."

For purposes of determining (1) whether the Annual Distribution Requirement is satisfied for any year and (2) the amount of capital gain dividends paid for that year, we may, under certain circumstances, elect to treat a dividend that is paid during the following taxable year as if it had been paid during the taxable year in question. If we make such an election, the U.S. Stockholder will still be treated as receiving the dividend in the taxable year in which the distribution is made. However, any dividend declared by us in October, November or December of any calendar year, payable to stockholders of record on a specified date in any such month and actually paid during January of the following year, will be treated as if it had been received by our U.S. Stockholders on December 31 of the year in which the dividend was declared.

If a U.S. Stockholder purchases shares of our common stock shortly before the record date of a distribution, the price of the shares will include the value of the distribution and the investor will be subject to tax on the distribution even though it represents a return of its investment.

A U.S. Stockholder generally will recognize taxable gain or loss if such U.S. Stockholder sells or otherwise disposes of its shares of our common stock. Any gain or loss arising from such sale or taxable disposition generally will be treated as long-term capital gain or loss if the U.S. Stockholder has held his, her or its shares for more than one year. Otherwise, it would be classified as short-term capital gain or loss. However, any capital loss arising from the sale or taxable disposition of shares of our common stock held for six months or less will be treated as long-term capital loss to the extent of the amount of capital gain dividends received, or undistributed capital gain deemed received, with respect to such shares. In addition, all or a portion of any loss recognized upon a taxable disposition of shares of our common stock may be disallowed if other substantially identical shares are purchased (whether through reinvestment of distributions or otherwise) within 30 days before or after the disposition. Capital losses are deductible only to the extent of capital gains (subject to an exception for individuals under which a limited amount of capital losses may be offset against ordinary income).

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In general, individual U.S. Stockholders currently are subject to a preferential rate on their net capital gain, or the excess of realized net long-term capital gain over realized net short-term capital loss for a taxable year, including long-term capital gain derived from an investment in our shares. Such rate is lower than the maximum rate on ordinary income currently payable by individuals. Corporate U.S. stockholders currently are subject to U.S. Federal income tax on net capital gain at ordinary income rates. For tax years beginning after December 31, 2012, the U.S. Federal tax rates applicable to ordinary income and capital gain for individuals will increase unless further Congressional action is taken.

We will send to each of our U.S. Stockholders, as promptly as possible after the end of each calendar year, a notice detailing, on a per share and per distribution basis, the amounts includible in such U.S. Stockholder's taxable income for such year as ordinary income and as long-term capital gain. In addition, the amount and the U.S. federal tax status of each year's distributions generally will be reported to the IRS. Distributions may also be subject to additional state, local and foreign taxes depending on a U.S. Stockholder's particular situation.

Payments of dividends, including deemed payments of constructive dividends, or the proceeds of the sale or other taxable disposition of our common stock generally are subject to information reporting unless the U.S. Stockholder is an exempt recipient. Such payments may also be subject to U.S. federal backup withholding at the applicable rate if the recipient of such payment fails to supply a taxpayer identification number and otherwise comply with the rules for establishing an exemption from backup withholding. Backup withholding is not an additional tax, and any amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules generally will be allowed as a refund or credit against the holder's U.S. Federal income tax liability, provided that certain information is provided timely to the IRS.

Taxation Of Non-U.S. Stockholders

Whether an investment in our common stock is appropriate for a Non-U.S. Stockholder will depend upon that person's particular circumstances. An investment in our common stock by a Non-U.S. stockholder may have adverse tax consequences. Non-U.S. Stockholders should consult their tax advisers before investing in our common stock.

Distributions of our "investment company taxable income" to Non-U.S. Stockholders that are not "effectively connected" with a U.S. trade or business conducted by the Non-U.S. Stockholder, will generally be subject to withholding of U.S. Federal income tax at a rate of 30% (or lower applicable treaty rate) to the extent of our current and accumulated earnings and profits.

For our taxable years beginning before January 1, 2012, properly designated distributions to Non-U.S. Stockholders are generally exempt from U.S. federal withholding tax where they (i) are paid in respect of our "qualified net interest income" (generally, our U.S.-source interest income, other than certain contingent interest and interest from obligations of a corporation or partnership in which we are at least a 10% shareholder, reduced by expenses that are allocable to such income) or (ii) are paid in respect of our "qualified short-term capital gains" (generally, the excess of our net short-term capital gain over our long-term capital loss for such taxable year). Depending on the circumstances, however, we may designate all, some or none of our potentially eligible distributions as such qualified net interest income or as qualified short-term capital gains, and/or treat such distributions, in whole or in part, as ineligible for this exemption from withholding. In order to qualify for this exemption from withholding, a Non-U.S. Stockholder will need to comply with applicable certification requirements relating to its non-U.S. status (including, in general, furnishing an IRS Form W-8BEN or substitute Form). In the case of our shares held through an intermediary, the intermediary may withhold even if we designate the payment as qualified net interest income or qualified short-term capital gain. Non-U.S. Stockholders should contact their intermediaries with respect to the application of these rules

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to their accounts. There can be no assurance as to what portion of our distributions will qualify for favorable treatment as qualified net interest income or qualified short-term capital gains.

Actual or deemed distributions of our net capital gain to a Non-U.S. Stockholder, and gains recognized by a Non-U.S. Stockholder upon the sale of our common stock, that are not effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business conducted by the Non-U.S. Stockholder, will generally not be subject to U.S. Federal withholding tax and generally will not be subject to U.S. Federal income tax unless the Non-U.S. Stockholder is a nonresident alien individual and is physically present in the United States for 183 or more days during the taxable year and meets certain other requirements. A Non-U.S. Stockholder that is so present in the U.S. will be subject to tax as described in the following paragraph.

Distributions of our "investment company taxable income" and net capital gain (including deemed distributions) to Non-U.S. Stockholders, and gains realized by Non-U.S. Stockholders upon the sale of our common stock that are effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business conducted by the Non-U.S. Stockholder, will be subject to U.S. Federal income tax at the graduated rates applicable to U.S. citizens, residents and domestic corporations. In addition, if such Non-U.S. Stockholder is a foreign corporation, it may also be subject to a 30% (or lower applicable treaty rate) branch profits tax on its effectively connected earnings and profits for the taxable year, subject to adjustments, if its investment in our common stock is effectively connected with its conduct of a U.S. trade or business.

If we distribute our net capital gain in the form of deemed rather than actual distributions (which we may do in the future), a Non-U.S. Stockholder will be entitled to a U.S. Federal income tax credit or tax refund equal to the stockholder's allocable share of the tax we pay on the capital gains deemed to have been distributed. In order to obtain the refund, the Non-U.S. Stockholder must obtain a U.S. taxpayer identification number and file a U.S. Federal income tax return even if the Non-U.S. Stockholder would not otherwise be required to obtain a U.S. taxpayer identification number or file a U.S. Federal income tax return.

In addition, after December 31, 2013, withholding at a rate of 30% will be required on dividends in respect of, and after December 31, 2014, withholding at a rate of 30% will be required on gross proceeds from the sale of, shares of our stock held by or through certain foreign financial institutions (including investment funds), unless such institution enters into an agreement with the Secretary of the Treasury to report, on an annual basis, information with respect to shares in, and accounts maintained by, the institution to the extent such shares or accounts are held by certain U.S. persons or by certain non-U.S. entities that are wholly or partially owned by U.S. persons. Accordingly, the entity through which our shares are held will affect the determination of whether such withholding is required. Similarly, dividends in respect of, and gross proceeds from the sale of, our shares held by an investor that is a non-financial non-U.S. entity will be subject to withholding at a rate of 30%, unless such entity either (i) certifies to us that such entity does not have any "substantial U.S. owners" or (ii) provides certain information regarding the entity's "substantial U.S. owners," which we will in turn provide to the Secretary of the Treasury. Non-U.S. Stockholders are encouraged to consult with their tax advisers regarding the possible implications of the legislation on their investment in our common stock.

A Non-U.S. Holder generally will be required to comply with certain certification procedures to establish that such holder is not a U.S. person in order to avoid backup withholding with respect to payments of dividends, including deemed payments of constructive dividends, or the proceeds of a disposition of our common stock. In addition, we are required to annually report to the IRS and each Non-U.S. Holder the amount of any dividends or constructive dividends treated as paid to such Non-U.S. Holder, regardless of whether any tax was actually withheld. Copies of the information returns reporting such dividend or constructive dividend payments and the amount withheld may also be made available to the tax authorities in the country in which a Non-U.S. Holder resides under the provisions of an applicable income tax treaty. Backup withholding is not an additional tax, and any

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amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules generally will be allowed as a refund or credit against a Non-U.S. Holder's U.S. Federal income tax liability, if any, provided that certain required information is provided timely to the IRS.

Non-U.S. persons should consult their tax advisors with respect to the U.S. Federal income tax and withholding tax, and state, local and foreign tax consequences of an investment in our common stock.

Failure To Obtain RIC Tax Treatment

If we were unable to obtain tax treatment as a RIC, we would be subject to tax on all of our taxable income at regular corporate rates. We would not be able to deduct distributions to stockholders, nor would they be required to be made. Distributions would generally be taxable to our stockholders as ordinary dividend income (currently eligible for the 15% maximum rate) to the extent of our current and accumulated earnings and profits. Subject to certain limitations under the Code, corporate distributees would be eligible for the dividends-received deduction.

Distributions in excess of our current and accumulated earnings and profits would be treated first as a return of capital to the extent of the stockholder's tax basis, and any remaining distributions would be treated as a capital gain.

The discussion set forth herein does not constitute tax advice, and potential investors should consult their own tax advisors concerning the tax considerations relevant to their particular situation.

Regulation as a Business Development Company

General

We are a closed-end, non-diversified investment company that has filed an election to be treated as a business development company under the 1940 Act and has elected to be treated as a RIC under Subchapter M of the Code. The 1940 Act contains prohibitions and restrictions relating to transactions between business development companies and their affiliates (including any investment advisers or sub-advisers), principal underwriters and affiliates of those affiliates or underwriters and requires that a majority of the directors be persons other than "interested persons," as that term is defined in the 1940 Act. In addition, the 1940 Act provides that we may not change the nature of our business so as to cease to be, or to withdraw our election as, a business development company unless approved by a majority of our outstanding voting securities.

We may invest up to 100% of our assets in securities acquired directly from issuers in privately negotiated transactions. With respect to such securities, we may, for the purpose of public resale, be deemed an "underwriter" as that term is defined in the Securities Act. Our intention is to not write (sell) or buy put or call options to manage risks associated with the publicly traded securities of our portfolio companies, except that we may enter into hedging transactions to manage the risks associated with interest rate and other market fluctuations. However, in connection with an investment or acquisition financing of a portfolio company, we may purchase or otherwise receive warrants to purchase the common stock of the portfolio company. Similarly, in connection with an acquisition, we may acquire rights to require the issuers of acquired securities or their affiliates to repurchase them under certain circumstances. We also do not intend to acquire securities issued by any investment company that exceed the limits imposed by the 1940 Act. Under these limits, except with respect to money market funds, we generally cannot acquire more than 3% of the voting stock of any registered investment company, invest more than 5% of the value of our total assets in the securities of one investment company or invest more than 10% of the value of our total assets in the securities of more than one investment company. With regard to that portion of our portfolio invested in securities issued by investment companies, it should be noted that such investments subject our stockholders indirectly

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to additional expenses. None of these policies are fundamental and may be changed without stockholder approval.

Qualifying Assets

Under the 1940 Act, a business development company may not acquire any asset other than assets of the type listed in Section 55(a) of the 1940 Act, which are referred to as qualifying assets, unless, at the time the acquisition is made, qualifying assets represent at least 70% of the company's total assets. The principal categories of qualifying assets relevant to our business are the following:

- (1) Securities purchased in transactions not involving any public offering from the issuer of such securities, which issuer (subject to certain limited exceptions) is an eligible portfolio company, or from any person who is, or has been during the preceding 13 months, an affiliated person of an eligible portfolio company, or from any other person, subject to such rules as may be prescribed by the SEC. An "eligible portfolio company" is defined in the 1940 Act and rules adopted pursuant thereto as any issuer which:
 - (a) is organized under the laws of, and has its principal place of business in, the United States;
 - (b) is not an investment company (other than a small business investment company wholly owned by the business development company) or a company that would be an investment company but for certain exclusions under the 1940 Act for certain financial companies such as banks, brokers, commercial finance companies, mortgage companies and insurance companies; and
 - (c) satisfies any of the following:
 1. does not have any class of securities with respect to which a broker or dealer may extend margin credit;
 2. is controlled by a business development company or a group of companies including a business development company and the business development company has an affiliated person who is a director of the eligible portfolio company; or
 3. is a small and solvent company having total assets of not more than \$4 million and capital and surplus of not less than \$2 million;
 4. does not have any class of securities listed on a national securities exchange; or
 5. has a class of securities listed on a national securities exchange, but has an aggregate market value of outstanding voting and non-voting common equity of less than \$250 million.
- (2) Securities in companies that were eligible portfolio companies when we made our initial investment if certain other requirements are satisfied.
- (3) Securities of any eligible portfolio company which we control.
- (4) Securities purchased in a private transaction from a U.S. issuer that is not an investment company or from an affiliated person of the issuer, or in transactions incident thereto, if the issuer is in bankruptcy and subject to reorganization or if the issuer, immediately prior to the purchase of its securities was unable to meet its obligations as they came due without material assistance other than conventional lending or financing agreements.

(5)

Securities of an eligible portfolio company purchased from any person in a private transaction if there is no ready market for such securities and we already own 60% of the outstanding equity of the eligible portfolio company.

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- (6) Securities received in exchange for or distributed on or with respect to securities described in (1) through (4) above, or pursuant to the exercise of warrants or rights relating to such securities.
- (7) Cash, cash equivalents, U.S. government securities or high-quality debt securities maturing in one year or less from the time of investment.

In addition, a business development company must have been organized and have its principal place of business in the United States and must be operated for the purpose of making investments in the types of securities described in (1), (2), (3) or (4) above.

Managerial Assistance to Portfolio Companies

In order to count portfolio securities as qualifying assets for the purpose of the 70% test, the business development company must either control the issuer of the securities or must offer to make available to the issuer of the securities (other than small and solvent companies described above) significant managerial assistance; except that, where the business development company purchases such securities in conjunction with one or more other persons acting together, one of the other persons in the group may make available such managerial assistance. Making available significant managerial assistance means, among other things, any arrangement whereby the business development company, through its directors, officers or employees, offers to provide, and, if accepted, does so provide, significant guidance and counsel concerning the management, operations or business objectives and policies of a portfolio company.

Temporary Investments

Pending investment in other types of "qualifying assets," as described above, our investments may consist of cash, cash equivalents, including money market funds, U.S. government securities or high quality debt securities maturing in one year or less from the time of investment, which we refer to, collectively, as temporary investments, so that 70% of our assets are qualifying assets. Typically, we will invest in money market funds, U.S. treasury bills or in repurchase agreements that are fully collateralized by cash or securities issued by the U.S. government or its agencies. A repurchase agreement involves the purchase by an investor, such as us, of a specified security and the simultaneous agreement by the seller to repurchase it at an agreed upon future date and at a price which is greater than the purchase price by an amount that reflects an agreed-upon interest rate. There is no percentage restriction on the proportion of our assets that may be invested in such repurchase agreements. However, if more than 25% of our total assets constitute repurchase agreements from a single counterparty, we would not meet the diversification tests in order to qualify as a RIC for U.S. Federal income tax purposes. Thus, we do not intend to enter into repurchase agreements with a single counterparty in excess of this limit. Our Investment Adviser will monitor the creditworthiness of the counterparties with which we enter into repurchase agreement transactions.

Senior Securities

We are permitted, under specified conditions, to issue multiple classes of indebtedness and one class of stock senior to our common stock if our asset coverage, as defined in the 1940 Act, is at least equal to 200% immediately after each such issuance. In addition, while any preferred stock or public debt securities remain outstanding, we must make provisions to prohibit any distribution to our stockholders or the repurchase of such securities or shares unless we meet the applicable asset coverage ratios after giving effect to such distribution or repurchase. We may also borrow amounts up to 5% of the value of our total assets for temporary or emergency purposes without regard to asset coverage. For a discussion of the risks associated with leverage, see "Risk Factors."

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Code of Ethics

We, Prospect Capital Management and Prospect Administration, have each adopted a code of ethics pursuant to Rule 17j-1 under the 1940 Act that establishes procedures for personal investments and restricts certain personal securities transactions. Personnel subject to each code may invest in securities for their personal investment accounts, including securities that may be purchased or held by us, so long as such investments are made in accordance with the code's requirements. For information on how to obtain a copy of each code of ethics, see "Available Information."

Compliance Policies and Procedures

We and our Investment Adviser have adopted and implemented written policies and procedures reasonably designed to prevent violation of the U.S. Federal securities laws, and are required to review these compliance policies and procedures annually for their adequacy and the effectiveness of their implementation, and to designate a Chief Compliance Officer to be responsible for administering the policies and procedures. Brian H. Oswald serves as our Chief Compliance Officer.

Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures

We have delegated our proxy voting responsibility to Prospect Capital Management. The Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures of Prospect Capital Management are set forth below. The guidelines are reviewed periodically by Prospect Capital Management and our independent directors, and, accordingly, are subject to change.

Introduction. As an investment adviser registered under the Advisers Act, Prospect Capital Management has a fiduciary duty to act solely in the best interests of its clients. As part of this duty, Prospect Capital Management recognizes that it must vote client securities in a timely manner free of conflicts of interest and in the best interests of its clients.

These policies and procedures for voting proxies for Prospect Capital Management's Investment Advisory clients are intended to comply with Section 206 of, and Rule 206(4)-6 under, the Advisers Act.

Proxy policies. These policies are designed to be responsive to the wide range of subjects that may be the subject of a proxy vote. These policies are not exhaustive due to the variety of proxy voting issues that Prospect Capital Management may be required to consider. In general, Prospect Capital Management will vote proxies in accordance with these guidelines unless: (1) Prospect Capital Management has determined to consider the matter on a case-by-case basis (as is stated in these guidelines), (2) the subject matter of the vote is not covered by these guidelines, (3) a material conflict of interest is present, or (4) Prospect Capital Management might find it necessary to vote contrary to its general guidelines to maximize stockholder value and vote in its clients' best interests. In such cases, a decision on how to vote will be made by the Proxy Voting Committee (as described below). In reviewing proxy issues, Prospect Capital Management will apply the following general policies:

Elections of directors. In general, Prospect Capital Management will vote in favor of the management-proposed slate of directors. If there is a proxy fight for seats on the Board of Directors or Prospect Capital Management determines that there are other compelling reasons for withholding votes for directors, the Proxy Voting Committee will determine the appropriate vote on the matter. Prospect Capital Management believes that directors have a duty to respond to stockholder actions that have received significant stockholder support. Prospect Capital Management may withhold votes for directors that fail to act on key issues such as failure to implement proposals to declassify boards, failure to implement a majority vote requirement, failure to submit a rights plan to a stockholder vote and failure to act on tender offers where a majority of stockholders have tendered their shares. Finally, Prospect

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Capital Management may withhold votes for directors of non-U.S. issuers where there is insufficient information about the nominees disclosed in the proxy statement.

Appointment of auditors. Prospect Capital Management believes that the Company remains in the best position to choose the auditors and will generally support management's recommendation.

Changes in capital structure. Changes in a company's charter, articles of incorporation or by-laws may be required by state or U.S. Federal regulation. In general, Prospect Capital Management will cast its votes in accordance with the Company's management on such proposal. However, the Proxy Voting Committee will review and analyze on a case-by-case basis any proposals regarding changes in corporate structure that are not required by state or U.S. Federal regulation.

Corporate restructurings, mergers and acquisitions. Prospect Capital Management believes proxy votes dealing with corporate reorganizations are an extension of the investment decision. Accordingly, the Proxy Voting Committee will analyze such proposals on a case-by-case basis.

Proposals affecting the rights of stockholders. Prospect Capital Management will generally vote in favor of proposals that give stockholders a greater voice in the affairs of the Company and oppose any measure that seeks to limit those rights. However, when analyzing such proposals, Prospect Capital Management will weigh the financial impact of the proposal against the impairment of the rights of stockholders.

Corporate governance. Prospect Capital Management recognizes the importance of good corporate governance in ensuring that management and the Board of Directors fulfill their obligations to the stockholders. Prospect Capital Management favors proposals promoting transparency and accountability within a company.

Anti-takeover measures. The Proxy Voting Committee will evaluate, on a case-by-case basis, proposals regarding anti-takeover measures to determine the measure's likely effect on stockholder value dilution.

Stock splits. Prospect Capital Management will generally vote with the management of the Company on stock split matters.

Limited liability of directors. Prospect Capital Management will generally vote with management on matters that would affect the limited liability of directors.

Social and corporate responsibility. The Proxy Voting Committee may review and analyze on a case-by-case basis proposals relating to social, political and environmental issues to determine whether they will have a financial impact on stockholder value. Prospect Capital Management may abstain from voting on social proposals that do not have a readily determinable financial impact on stockholder value.

Proxy voting procedures. Prospect Capital Management will generally vote proxies in accordance with these guidelines. In circumstances in which (1) Prospect Capital Management has determined to consider the matter on a case-by-case basis (as is stated in these guidelines), (2) the subject matter of the vote is not covered by these guidelines, (3) a material conflict of interest is present, or (4) Prospect Capital Management might find it necessary to vote contrary to its general guidelines to maximize stockholder value and vote in its clients' best interests, the Proxy Voting Committee will vote the proxy.

Proxy voting committee. Prospect Capital Management has formed a proxy voting committee to establish general proxy policies and consider specific proxy voting matters as necessary. In addition, members of the committee may contact the management of the Company and interested stockholder groups as necessary to discuss proxy issues. Members of the committee will include relevant senior personnel. The committee may also evaluate proxies where we face a potential conflict of interest (as

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discussed below). Finally, the committee monitors adherence to guidelines, and reviews the policies contained in this statement from time to time.

Conflicts of interest. Prospect Capital Management recognizes that there may be a potential conflict of interest when it votes a proxy solicited by an issuer that is its advisory client or a client or customer of one of our affiliates or with whom it has another business or personal relationship that may affect how it votes on the issuer's proxy. Prospect Capital Management believes that adherence to these policies and procedures ensures that proxies are voted with only its clients' best interests in mind. To ensure that its votes are not the product of a conflict of interests, Prospect Capital Management requires that: (i) anyone involved in the decision making process (including members of the Proxy Voting Committee) disclose to the chairman of the Proxy Voting Committee any potential conflict that he or she is aware of and any contact that he or she has had with any interested party regarding a proxy vote; and (ii) employees involved in the decision making process or vote administration are prohibited from revealing how Prospect Capital Management intends to vote on a proposal in order to reduce any attempted influence from interested parties.

Proxy voting. Each account's custodian will forward all relevant proxy materials to Prospect Capital Management, either electronically or in physical form to the address of record that Prospect Capital Management has provided to the custodian.

Proxy recordkeeping. Prospect Capital Management must retain the following documents pertaining to proxy voting:

copies of its proxy voting policies and procedures;

copies of all proxy statements;

records of all votes cast by Prospect Capital Management;

copies of all documents created by Prospect Capital Management that were material to making a decision how to vote proxies or that memorializes the basis for that decision; and

copies of all written client requests for information with regard to how Prospect Capital Management voted proxies on behalf of the client as well as any written responses provided.

All of the above-referenced records will be maintained and preserved for a period of not less than five years from the end of the fiscal year during which the last entry was made. The first two years of records must be maintained at our office.

Proxy voting records. Clients may obtain information about how Prospect Capital Management voted proxies on their behalf by making a written request for proxy voting information to: Compliance Officer, Prospect Capital Management LLC, 10 East 40th Street, 44th Floor, New York, NY 10016.

Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

The Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 imposes a variety of regulatory requirements on publicly-held companies. In addition to our Chief Executive and Chief Financial Officers' required certifications as to the accuracy of our financial reporting, we are also required to disclose the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures as well as report on our assessment of our internal controls over financial reporting, the latter of which must be audited by our independent registered public accounting firm.

The Sarbanes-Oxley Act also requires us to continually review our policies and procedures to ensure that we remain in compliance with all rules promulgated under the Act.

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Available Information

We file with or submit to the SEC annual, quarterly and current periodic reports, proxy statements and other information meeting the informational requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, or the Exchange Act. This information is available free of charge by contacting us at 10 East 40th Street, 44th floor, New York, NY 10016 or by telephone at (212) 448-0702. You may inspect and copy these reports, proxy statements and other information, as well as the registration statement and related exhibits and schedules, at the Public Reference Room of the SEC at 100 F Street NE, Washington, D.C. 20549. You may obtain information on the operation of the Public Reference Room by calling the SEC at (202) 551-8090. The SEC maintains an Internet site that contains reports, proxy and information statements and other information filed electronically by us with the SEC which are available on the SEC's Internet site at <http://www.sec.gov>. Copies of these reports, proxy and information statements and other information may be obtained, after paying a duplicating fee, by electronic request at the following E-mail address: publicinfo@sec.gov, or by writing the SEC's Public Reference Section, Washington, D.C. 20549-0102.

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Item 1A. Risk Factors.

Investing in our Securities involves a high degree of risk. You should carefully consider the risks described below, together with all of the other information included in this report, before you decide whether to make an investment in our Securities. The risks set forth below are not the only risks we face. If any of the adverse events or conditions described below occurs, our business, financial condition and results of operations could be materially adversely affected. In such case, our NAV, and the trading price of our common stock could decline, or the value of our preferred stock, debt securities, and warrants, if any are outstanding, may decline, and you may lose all or part of your investment.

Forward Looking Information

Our annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 2012, any of our quarterly reports on Form 10-Q or current reports on Form 8-K, or any other oral or written statements made in press releases or otherwise by or on behalf of Prospect Capital Corporation may contain forward looking statements within the meaning of the Section 21E of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, which involve certain risks and uncertainties. Forward looking statements predict or describe our future operations, business plans, business and investment strategies and portfolio management and the performance of our investments and our investment management business. These forward looking statements are identified by their use of such terms and phrases as "intends," "intend," "intended," "goal," "estimate," "estimates," "expects," "expect," "expected," "project," "projected," "projections," "plans," "seeks," "anticipates," "anticipated," "should," "could," "may," "will," "designed to," "foreseeable future," "believe," "believes" and "scheduled" and similar expressions. Our actual results or outcomes may differ materially from those anticipated. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward looking statements, which speak only as of the date the statement was made. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

Our actual results may differ significantly from any results expressed or implied by these forward looking statements. Some, but not all, of the factors that might cause such a difference include, but are not limited to:

our future operating results;

our business prospects and the prospects of our portfolio companies;

the impact of investments that we expect to make;

our contractual arrangements and relationships with third parties;

the dependence of our future success on the general economy and its impact on the industries in which we invest;

the ability of our portfolio companies to achieve their objectives;

difficulty in obtaining financing or raising capital, especially in the current credit and equity environment;

the level and volatility of prevailing interest rates and credit spreads, magnified by the current turmoil in the credit markets;

adverse developments in the availability of desirable loan and investment opportunities whether they are due to competition, regulation or otherwise;

a compression of the yield on our investments and the cost of our liabilities, as well as the level of leverage available to us;

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our regulatory structure and tax treatment, including our ability to operate as a business development company and a regulated investment company;

the adequacy of our cash resources and working capital;

the timing of cash flows, if any, from the operations of our portfolio companies;

the ability of our investment adviser to locate suitable investments for us and to monitor and administer our investments.;

authoritative generally accepted accounting principles or policy changes from such standard-setting bodies as the Financial Accounting Standards Board, the Securities and Exchange Commission, Internal Revenue Service, the NASDAQ Global Select Market, and other authorities that we are subject to, as well as their counterparts in any foreign jurisdictions where we might do business; and

the risk factors set forth below.

Risks Relating to Our Business

We may suffer credit losses.

Investment in small and middle-market companies is highly speculative and involves a high degree of risk of credit loss. These risks are likely to increase during volatile economic periods, such as the US and many other economies have recently been experiencing. See "Risks Related to Our Investments."

Our financial condition and results of operations will depend on our ability to manage our future growth effectively.

Prospect Capital Management has been registered as an investment adviser since March 31, 2004, and we have been organized as a closed-end investment company since April 13, 2004. Our ability to achieve our investment objective depends on our ability to grow, which depends, in turn, on our Investment Adviser's ability to continue to identify, analyze, invest in and monitor companies that meet our investment criteria. Accomplishing this result on a cost-effective basis is largely a function of our Investment Adviser's structuring of investments, its ability to provide competent, attentive and efficient services to us and our access to financing on acceptable terms. As we continue to grow, Prospect Capital Management will need to continue to hire, train, supervise and manage new employees. Failure to manage our future growth effectively could have a materially adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We are dependent upon Prospect Capital Management's key management personnel for our future success.

We depend on the diligence, skill and network of business contacts of the senior management of our Investment Adviser. We also depend, to a significant extent, on our Investment Adviser's access to the investment professionals and the information and deal flow generated by these investment professionals in the course of their investment and portfolio management activities. The senior management team of the Investment Adviser evaluates, negotiates, structures, closes, monitors and services our investments. Our success depends to a significant extent on the continued service of the senior management team, particularly John F. Barry III and M. Grier Eliasek. The departure of any of the senior management team could have a materially adverse effect on our ability to achieve our investment objective. In addition, we can offer no assurance that Prospect Capital Management will remain our investment adviser or that we will continue to have access to its investment professionals or its information and deal flow.

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We operate in a highly competitive market for investment opportunities.

A large number of entities compete with us to make the types of investments that we make in target companies. We compete with other business development companies, public and private funds, commercial and investment banks and commercial financing companies. Additionally, because competition for investment opportunities generally has increased among alternative investment vehicles, such as hedge funds, those entities have begun to invest in areas they have not traditionally invested in, including investments in middle-market companies. As a result of these new entrants, competition for investment opportunities at middle-market companies has intensified, a trend we expect to continue.

Many of our existing and potential competitors are substantially larger and have considerably greater financial, technical and marketing resources than we do. For example, some competitors may have a lower cost of funds and access to funding sources that are not available to us. In addition, some of our competitors may have higher risk tolerances or different risk assessments, which could allow them to consider a wider variety of investments and establish more or fuller relationships with borrowers and sponsors than us. Furthermore, many of our competitors are not subject to the regulatory restrictions that the 1940 Act imposes on us as a business development company. We cannot assure you that the competitive pressures we face will not have a materially adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. Also, as a result of existing and increasing competition and our competitors ability to provide a total package solution, we may not be able to take advantage of attractive investment opportunities from time to time, and we can offer no assurance that we will be able to identify and make investments that are consistent with our investment objective.

We do not seek to compete primarily based on the interest rates that we offer, and we believe that some of our competitors make loans with interest rates that are comparable to or lower than the rates we offer. We may lose investment opportunities if we do not match our competitors' pricing, terms and structure. If we match our competitors' pricing, terms and structure, we may experience decreased net interest income and increased risk of credit loss.

Most of our portfolio investments are recorded at fair value as determined in good faith by our Board of Directors and, as a result, there is uncertainty as to the value of our portfolio investments.

A large percentage of our portfolio investments consist of securities of privately held companies. Hence, market quotations are generally not readily available for determining the fair values of such investments. The determination of fair value, and thus the amount of unrealized losses we may incur in any year, is to a degree subjective, and the Investment Adviser has a conflict of interest in making the determination. We value these securities quarterly at fair value as determined in good faith by our Board of Directors based on input from our Investment Adviser, our Administrator, a third party independent valuation firm and our audit committee. Our Board of Directors utilizes the services of an independent valuation firm to aid it in determining the fair value of any securities. The types of factors that may be considered in determining the fair values of our investments include the nature and realizable value of any collateral, the portfolio company's ability to make payments and its earnings, the markets in which the portfolio company does business, comparison to publicly traded companies, discounted cash flow, current market interest rates and other relevant factors. Because such valuations, and particularly valuations of private securities and private companies, are inherently uncertain, the valuations may fluctuate significantly over short periods of time due to changes in current market conditions. The determinations of fair value by our Board of Directors may differ materially from the values that would have been used if an active market and market quotations existed for these investments. Our net asset value could be adversely affected if the determinations regarding the fair value of our investments were materially higher than the values that we ultimately realize upon the disposal of such securities.

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In addition, decreases in the market values or fair values of our investments are recorded as unrealized depreciation. Unprecedented declines in prices and liquidity in the corporate debt markets experienced during the recent financial crises resulted in significant net unrealized depreciation in our portfolio in the past. The effect of all of these factors on our portfolio reduced our NAV by increasing net unrealized depreciation in our portfolio. Depending on market conditions, we could incur substantial realized losses and may continue to suffer additional unrealized losses in future periods, which could have a material adverse impact on our business, financial condition and results of operations. We have no policy regarding holding a minimum level of liquid assets. As such, a high percentage of our portfolio generally is not liquid at any given point in time. See "The lack of liquidity may adversely affect our business."

Senior securities, including debt, expose us to additional risks, including the typical risks associated with leverage and could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We currently use our revolving credit facility to leverage our portfolio and we expect in the future to borrow from and issue senior debt securities to banks and other lenders and may securitize certain of our portfolio investments. The Senior Notes are also a form of leverage.

With certain limited exceptions, as a BDC we are only allowed to borrow amounts or otherwise issue senior securities, such as the Senior Notes, such that our asset coverage, as defined in the 1940 Act, is at least 200% after such borrowing or other issuance. The amount of leverage that we employ will depend on our Investment Adviser's and our Board of Directors' assessment of market conditions and other factors at the time of any proposed borrowing. There is no assurance that a leveraging strategy will be successful. Leverage involves risks and special considerations for stockholders, including the following, any of which could adversely affect our business, financial condition and result of operations:

A likelihood of greater volatility in the net asset value and market price of our common stock;

Diminished operating flexibility as a result of asset coverage or investment portfolio composition requirements required by lenders or investors that are more stringent than those imposed by the 1940 Act;

The possibility that investments will have to be liquidated at less than full value or at inopportune times to comply with debt covenants or to pay interest or dividends on the leverage;

Increased operating expenses due to the cost of leverage, including issuance and servicing costs;

Convertible or exchangeable securities, such as the Senior Convertible Notes, issued in the future may have rights, preferences and privileges more favorable than those of our common stock;

Subordination to lenders' superior claims on our assets as a result of which lenders will be able to receive proceeds available in the case of our liquidation before any proceeds are distributed to our stockholders;

Making it more difficult for us to meet our payment and other obligations under the Notes and our other outstanding debt;

The occurrence of an event of default if we fail to comply with the financial and/or other restrictive covenants contained in our debt agreements, including the credit agreement and each indenture governing the Notes, which event of default could result in all or some of our debt becoming immediately due and payable;

Reduced availability of our cash flow to fund investments, acquisitions and other general corporate purposes, and limiting our ability to obtain additional financing for these purposes;

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The risk of increased sensitivity to interest rate increases on our indebtedness with variable interest rates, including borrowings under our amended senior credit facility; and

Reduced flexibility in planning for, or reacting to, and increasing our vulnerability to, changes in our business, the industry in which we operate and the general economy.

For example, the amount we may borrow under our revolving credit facility is determined, in part, by the fair value of our investments. If the fair value of our investments declines, we may be forced to sell investments at a loss to maintain compliance with our borrowing limits. Other debt facilities we may enter into in the future may contain similar provisions. Any such forced sales would reduce our net asset value and also make it difficult for the net asset value to recover. Our Investment Adviser and our Board of Directors in their best judgment nevertheless may determine to use leverage if they expect that the benefits to our shareholders of maintaining the leveraged position will outweigh the risks.

In addition, our ability to meet our payment and other obligations of the Notes and our credit facility depends on our ability to generate significant cash flow in the future. This, to some extent, is subject to general economic, financial, competitive, legislative and regulatory factors as well as other factors that are beyond our control. We cannot assure you that our business will generate cash flow from operations, or that future borrowings will be available to us under our existing credit facility or otherwise, in an amount sufficient to enable us to meet our payment obligations under the Notes and our other debt and to fund other liquidity needs. If we are not able to generate sufficient cash flow to service our debt obligations, we may need to refinance or restructure our debt, including the Notes, sell assets, reduce or delay capital investments, or seek to raise additional capital. If we are unable to implement one or more of these alternatives, we may not be able to meet our payment obligations under the Notes and our other debt.

Illustration. The following table illustrates the effect of leverage on returns from an investment in our common stock assuming various annual returns, net of interest expense. The calculations in the table below are hypothetical and actual returns may be higher or lower than those appearing below. The calculation assumes (i) \$2.6 billion in total assets, (ii) an average cost of funds of 5.91%, (iii) \$800 million in debt outstanding and (iv) \$1.8 billion of shareholders' equity.

Assumed Return on Our Portfolio (net of expenses)	(10)%	(5)%	0%	5%	10%
Corresponding Return to Stockholder	(17.1)%	(9.8)%	(2.6)%	4.6%	11.8%

The assumed portfolio return is required by regulation of the SEC and is not a prediction of, and does not represent, our projected or actual performance. Actual returns may be greater or less than those appearing in the table.

The Senior Convertible Notes present other risks to holders of our common stock, including the possibility that the Senior Convertible Notes could discourage an acquisition of the Company by a third party and accounting uncertainty.

Certain provisions of the Senior Convertible Notes could make it more difficult or more expensive for a third party to acquire us. Upon the occurrence of certain transactions constituting a fundamental change, holders of the Senior Convertible Notes will have the right, at their option, to require us to repurchase all of their Senior Convertible Notes or any portion of the principal amount of such Notes in integral multiples of \$1,000. We may also be required to increase the conversion rate or provide for conversion into the acquirer's capital stock in the event of certain fundamental changes. These provisions could discourage an acquisition of us by a third party.

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The accounting for convertible debt securities is subject to frequent scrutiny by the accounting regulatory bodies and is subject to change. We cannot predict if or when any such change could be made and any such change could have an adverse impact on our reported or future financial results. Any such impacts could adversely affect the market price of our common stock.

We fund a portion of our investments with borrowed money, which magnifies the potential for gain or loss on amounts invested and may increase the risk of investing in us.

Borrowings and other types of financing, also known as leverage, magnify the potential for gain or loss on amounts invested and, therefore, increase the risks associated with investing in our securities. Our lenders have fixed dollar claims on our assets that are superior to the claims of our common stockholders or any preferred stockholders. If the value of our assets increases, then leveraging would cause the net asset value to increase more sharply than it would have had we not leveraged. Conversely, if the value of our assets decreases, leveraging would cause net asset value to decline more sharply than it otherwise would have had we not leveraged. Similarly, any increase in our income in excess of consolidated interest payable on the borrowed funds would cause our net income to increase more than it would without the leverage, while any decrease in our income would cause net income to decline more sharply than it would have had we not borrowed. Such a decline could negatively affect our ability to make common stock dividend payments. Leverage is generally considered a speculative investment technique.

We may in the future determine to fund a portion of our investments with preferred stock, which would magnify the potential for gain or loss and the risks of investing in us in the same way as our borrowings.

Preferred stock, which is another form of leverage, has the same risks to our common stockholders as borrowings because the dividends on any preferred stock we issue must be cumulative. Payment of such dividends and repayment of the liquidation preference of such preferred stock must take preference over any dividends or other payments to our common stockholders, and preferred stockholders are not subject to any of our expenses or losses and are not entitled to participate in any income or appreciation in excess of their stated preference.

In addition to regulatory restrictions that restrict our ability to raise capital, our credit facility contains various covenants which, if not complied with, could accelerate repayment under the facility, thereby materially and adversely affecting our liquidity, financial condition and results of operations.

The agreement governing our credit facility requires us to comply with certain financial and operational covenants. These covenants include:

restrictions on the level of indebtedness that we are permitted to incur in relation to the value of our assets;

restrictions on our ability to incur liens; and

maintenance of a minimum level of stockholders' equity.

As of June 30, 2012, we were in compliance with these covenants. However, our continued compliance with these covenants depends on many factors, some of which are beyond our control. Accordingly, there are no assurances that we will continue to comply with the covenants in our credit facility. Failure to comply with these covenants would result in a default under this facility which, if we were unable to obtain a waiver from the lenders thereunder, could result in an acceleration of repayments under the facility and thereby have a material adverse impact on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

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Failure to extend our existing credit facility, the revolving period of which is currently scheduled to expire on March 27, 2015, could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and financial position and our ability to pay expenses and make distributions.

The revolving period for our credit facility with a syndicate of lenders is currently scheduled to terminate on March 27, 2015, with an additional two year amortization period (with distributions allowed) after the completion of the revolving period. During such two year amortization period, all principal payments on the pledged assets will be applied to reduce the balance. At the end of the two year amortization period, the remaining balance will become due if required by the lenders. If the credit facility is not renewed or extended by the participant banks by March 27, 2015, we will not be able to make further borrowings under the facility after such date and the outstanding principal balance on that date will be due and payable on March 27, 2017. At June 30, 2012 we had outstanding borrowings of \$96.0 million under our credit facility. Interest on borrowings under the credit facility is one-month LIBOR plus 275 basis points with no minimum Libor floor. Additionally, the lenders charge a fee on the unused portion of the credit facility equal to either 50 basis points if at least half of the credit facility is drawn or 100 basis points otherwise. The credit facility requires us to pledge assets as collateral in order to borrow under the credit facility. If we are unable to extend our facility or find a new source of borrowing on acceptable terms, we will be required to pay down the amounts outstanding under the facility during the two-year term-out period through one or more of the following: (1) principal collections on our securities pledged under the facility, (2) at our option, interest collections on our securities pledged under the facility and cash collections on our securities not pledged under the facility, or (3) possible liquidation of some or all of our loans and other assets, any of which could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and financial position and may force us to decrease or stop paying certain expenses and making distributions until the facility is repaid. In addition, our stock price could decline significantly, we would be restricted in our ability to acquire new investments and, in connection with our year-end audit, our independent registered accounting firm could raise an issue as to our ability to continue as a going concern.

Failure to refinance our existing Senior Notes, could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and financial position.

Our Senior Notes mature at various dates from December 15, 2015 to November 15, 2022. If we are unable to refinance our Senior Notes or find a new source of borrowing on acceptable terms, we will be required to pay down the amounts outstanding at maturity under the facility during the two-year term-out period through one or more of the following: (1) borrowing additional funds under our then current credit facility, (2) issuance of additional common stock or (3) possible liquidation of some or all of our loans another assets, any of which could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and financial position. In addition, our stock price could decline significantly; we would be restricted in our ability to acquire new investments and, in connection with our year-end audit, our independent registered accounting firm could raise an issue as to our ability to continue as a going concern.

Changes in interest rates may affect our cost of capital and net investment income.

A significant portion of the debt investments we make bears interest at fixed rates and the value of these investments could be negatively affected by increases in market interest rates. In addition, as the interest rate on our revolving credit facility is at a variable rate based on an index, an increase in interest rates would make it more expensive to use debt to finance our investments. As a result, a significant increase in market interest rates could both reduce the value of our portfolio investments and increase our cost of capital, which would reduce our net investment income.

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We need to raise additional capital to grow because we must distribute most of our income.

We need additional capital to fund growth in our investments. A reduction in the availability of new capital could limit our ability to grow. We must distribute at least 90% of our ordinary income and realized net short-term capital gains in excess of realized net long-term capital losses, if any, to our shareholders to maintain our RIC status. As a result, such earnings are not available to fund investment originations. We have sought additional capital by borrowing from financial institutions and may issue debt securities or additional equity securities. If we fail to obtain funds from such sources or from other sources to fund our investments, we could be limited in our ability to grow, which may have an adverse effect on the value of our common stock. In addition, as a business development company, we are generally required to maintain a ratio of total assets to total borrowings and other senior securities of at least 200%, which may restrict our ability to borrow in certain circumstances.

We may experience fluctuations in our quarterly results.

We could experience fluctuations in our quarterly operating results due to a number of factors, including the interest or dividend rates payable on the debt or equity securities we hold, the default rate on debt securities, the level of our expenses, variations in and the timing of the recognition of realized and unrealized gains or losses, the degree to which we encounter competition in our markets, the seasonality of the energy industry, weather patterns, changes in energy prices and general economic conditions. As a result of these factors, results for any period should not be relied upon as being indicative of performance in future periods.

Capital markets have recently been in a period of disruption and instability. These market conditions have materially and adversely affected debt and equity capital markets in the United States and abroad, which have had, and may in the future have, a negative impact on our business and operations.

The U.S. and foreign capital markets have recently been in a period of disruption as evidenced by a lack of liquidity in the debt capital markets, significant write-offs in the financial services sector, the re-pricing of credit risk in the broadly syndicated credit market and the failure of certain major financial institutions. Despite actions of the United States federal government and foreign governments, these events contributed to worsening general economic conditions that materially and adversely impacted the broader financial and credit markets and reduced the availability of debt and equity capital for the market as a whole and financial services firms in particular. While these conditions appear to be improving, they could continue for a prolonged period of time or worsen in the future. In addition, while these conditions persist, we and other companies in the financial services sector may have to access, if available, alternative markets for debt and equity capital in order to grow. Equity capital may be difficult to raise because subject to some limited exceptions, as a business development company, we are generally not able to issue additional shares of our common stock at a price less than net asset value without first obtaining approval for such issuance from our stockholders and our independent directors. At our annual meeting of stockholders held on December 8, 2011, subject to the condition that the maximum number of shares salable below net asset value pursuant to this authority in any particular offering that could result in such dilution is limited to 25% of our then outstanding common stock immediately prior to each such offering, our stockholders approved our ability to sell or otherwise issue shares of our common stock at a price below its then current net asset value per share for a twelve month period expiring on the anniversary of the date of stockholder approval. In addition, our ability to incur indebtedness or issue other senior securities (including by issuing preferred stock) is limited by applicable regulations such that our asset coverage, as defined in the 1940 Act, must equal at least 200% immediately after each time we incur indebtedness or issue other senior securities. The debt capital that will be available, if at all, may be at a higher cost and on less favorable terms and conditions in the future. Any inability to raise capital could have a negative effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

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Moreover, recent market conditions have made, and may in the future make, it difficult to extend the maturity of or refinance our existing indebtedness for borrowed money and any failure to do so could have a material adverse effect on our business. The illiquidity of our investments may make it difficult for us to sell such investments if required. As a result, we may realize significantly less than the value at which we have recorded our investments.

Given the recent extreme volatility and dislocation in the capital markets, many business development companies have faced, and may in the future face, a challenging environment in which to raise capital. Recent significant changes in the capital markets affecting our ability to raise capital have affected the pace of our investment activity. In addition, significant changes in the capital markets, including the recent extreme volatility and disruption, has had, and may in the future have, a negative effect on the valuations of our investments and on the potential for liquidity events involving our investments. An inability to raise capital, and any required sale of our investments for liquidity purposes, could have a material adverse impact on our business, financial condition or results of operations.

The instability in the financial markets has led the U.S. federal government to take a number of unprecedented actions and pass legislation designed to regulate and support certain financial institutions and numerous segments of the financial markets that have experienced extreme volatility, and in some cases a lack of liquidity.

On July 21, 2010, the President signed into law major financial services reform legislation in the form of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the "Dodd-Frank Act"). The Dodd-Frank Act, among other things, grants regulatory authorities such as the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC") and SEC broad rulemaking authority to implement various provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act, including comprehensive regulation of the over-the-counter derivatives market. The regulations adopted to date by these regulators have not had a material adverse effect on our business. However, several significant rulemaking initiatives have not been completed and these could have the effect of reducing liquidity or otherwise adversely affecting us or our investments. There can be no assurance that future regulatory actions authorized by the Dodd-Frank Act will not significantly reduce our profitability. The implementation of the Dodd-Frank Act could also adversely affect us by increasing transaction and/or regulatory compliance costs. In addition, greater regulatory scrutiny may increase our exposure to potential liabilities. Increased regulatory oversight can also impose administrative burdens on us and on PCM, including, without limitation, responding to examinations or investigations and implementing new policies and procedures.

Additionally, federal, state, foreign and other governments, their regulatory agencies or self regulatory organizations may take actions that affect the regulation of the securities in which we invest, or the issuers of such securities, in ways that are unforeseeable. Governments or their agencies may also acquire distressed assets from financial institutions and acquire ownership interests in those institutions. The implications of government ownership and disposition of these assets are unclear, and such a program may have positive or negative effects on the liquidity, valuation and performance of our portfolio companies. Furthermore, volatile financial markets can expose us to greater market and liquidity risk and potential difficulty in valuing securities.

At any time, legislation may be enacted that could negatively affect us or our portfolio companies. Changing approaches to regulation may have a negative impact on the entities in which we invest. Legislation or regulation may also change the way in which we are regulated. There can be no assurance that the Dodd-Frank Act or any future legislation, regulation or deregulation will not have a material adverse effect on us or will not impair our ability to achieve our investment objective.

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The recent downgrade of the U.S. credit rating and uncertainty about the financial stability of several countries in the European Union ("EU") could have a significant adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition.

Due to long-term federal budget deficit concerns, on August 5, 2011 S&P downgraded the federal government's credit rating from AAA to AA+ for the first time in history. This downgrade could lead to subsequent downgrades by S&P, as well as to downgrades by the other two major credit rating agencies, Moody's and Fitch Ratings. These developments, and the government's credit concerns in general, could cause interest rates and borrowing costs to rise, which may negatively impact both the perception of credit risk associated with our debt portfolio and our ability to access the debt markets on favorable terms. In addition, a decreased credit rating could create broader financial turmoil and uncertainty, which may weigh heavily on our stock price and our financial performance.

Our most recent net asset value was calculated on June 30, 2012 and our NAV when calculated effective September 30, 2012 may be higher or lower.

Our most recently estimated NAV per share is \$10.83. NAV as of September 30, 2012 may be higher or lower than \$10.83 based on potential changes in valuations and earnings for the quarter then ended. Our Board of Directors has not yet determined the fair value of portfolio investments at any date subsequent to June 30, 2012. Our Board of Directors determines the fair value of our portfolio investments on a quarterly basis in connection with the preparation of quarterly financial statements and based on input from an independent valuation firms, our Investment Adviser, our Administrator and the audit committee of our Board of Directors.

Potential conflicts of interest could impact our investment returns.

Our executive officers and directors, and the executive officers of our Investment Adviser, Prospect Capital Management, may serve as officers, directors or principals of entities that operate in the same or related lines of business as we do or of investment funds managed by our affiliates. Accordingly, they may have obligations to investors in those entities, the fulfillment of which might not be in our best interests or those of our stockholders. Nevertheless, it is possible that new investment opportunities that meet our investment objective may come to the attention of one of these entities in connection with another investment advisory client or program, and, if so, such opportunity might not be offered, or otherwise made available, to us. However, as an investment adviser, Prospect Capital Management has a fiduciary obligation to act in the best interests of its clients, including us. To that end, if Prospect Capital Management or its affiliates manage any additional investment vehicles or client accounts in the future, Prospect Capital Management will endeavor to allocate investment opportunities in a fair and equitable manner over time so as not to discriminate unfairly against any client. If Prospect Capital Management chooses to establish another investment fund in the future, when the investment professionals of Prospect Capital Management identify an investment, they will have to choose which investment fund should make the investment.

In the course of our investing activities, under the Investment Advisory Agreement we pay base management and incentive fees to Prospect Capital Management, and reimburse Prospect Capital Management for certain expenses it incurs. As a result of the Investment Advisory Agreement, there may be times when the senior management team of Prospect Capital Management has interests that differ from those of our stockholders, giving rise to a conflict.

Prospect Capital Management receives a quarterly income incentive fee based, in part, on our pre-incentive fee net investment income, if any, for the immediately preceding calendar quarter. This income incentive fee is subject to a fixed quarterly hurdle rate before providing an income incentive fee return to the Investment Adviser. This fixed hurdle rate was determined when then current interest rates were relatively low on a historical basis. Thus, if interest rates rise, it would become easier for our

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investment income to exceed the hurdle rate and, as a result, more likely that our Investment Adviser will receive an income incentive fee than if interest rates on our investments remained constant or decreased. Subject to the receipt of any requisite stockholder approval under the 1940 Act, our Board of Directors may adjust the hurdle rate by amending the Investment Advisory Agreement.

The income incentive fee payable by us is computed and paid on income that may include interest that has been accrued but not yet received in cash. If a portfolio company defaults on a loan that has a deferred interest feature, it is possible that interest accrued under such loan that has previously been included in the calculation of the income incentive fee will become uncollectible. If this happens, our Investment Adviser is not required to reimburse us for any such income incentive fee payments. If we do not have sufficient liquid assets to pay this incentive fee or distributions to stockholders on such accrued income, we may be required to liquidate assets in order to do so. This fee structure could give rise to a conflict of interest for our Investment Adviser to the extent that it may encourage the Investment Adviser to favor debt financings that provide for deferred interest, rather than current cash payments of interest.

We have entered into a royalty-free license agreement with Prospect Capital Management. Under this agreement, Prospect Capital Management agrees to grant us a non-exclusive license to use the name "Prospect Capital." Under the license agreement, we have the right to use the "Prospect Capital" name for so long as Prospect Capital Management or one of its affiliates remains our Investment Adviser. In addition, we rent office space from Prospect Administration, an affiliate of Prospect Capital Management, and pay Prospect Administration our allocable portion of overhead and other expenses incurred by Prospect Administration in performing its obligations as Administrator under the Administration Agreement, including rent and our allocable portion of the costs of our chief financial officer and chief compliance officer and their respective staffs. This may create conflicts of interest that our Board of Directors monitors.

Our incentive fee could induce Prospect Capital Management to make speculative investments.

The incentive fee payable by us to Prospect Capital Management may create an incentive for our Investment Adviser to make investments on our behalf that are more speculative or involve more risk than would be the case in the absence of such compensation arrangement. The way in which the incentive fee payable is determined (calculated as a percentage of the return on invested capital) may encourage the Investment Adviser to use leverage to increase the return on our investments. Increased use of leverage and this increased risk of replacement of that leverage at maturity would increase the likelihood of default, which would disfavor holders of our common stock. Similarly, because the Investment Adviser will receive an incentive fee based, in part, upon net capital gains realized on our investments, the Investment Adviser may invest more than would otherwise be appropriate in companies whose securities are likely to yield capital gains, as compared to income producing securities. Such a practice could result in our investing in more speculative securities than would otherwise be the case, which could result in higher investment losses, particularly during economic downturns.

The incentive fee payable by us to Prospect Capital Management could create an incentive for our Investment Adviser to invest on our behalf in instruments, such as zero coupon bonds, that have a deferred interest feature. Under these investments, we would accrue interest income over the life of the investment but would not receive payments in cash on the investment until the end of the term. Our net investment income used to calculate the income incentive fee, however, includes accrued interest. For example, accrued interest, if any, on our investments in zero coupon bonds will be included in the calculation of our incentive fee, even though we will not receive any cash interest payments in respect of payment on the bond until its maturity date. Thus, a portion of this incentive fee would be based on income that we may not have yet received in cash in the event of default may never receive.

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We may be obligated to pay our investment adviser incentive compensation even if we incur a loss.

Our investment adviser is entitled to incentive compensation for each fiscal quarter based, in part, on our pre-incentive fee net investment income if any, for the immediately preceding calendar quarter above a performance threshold for that quarter. Accordingly, since the performance threshold is based on a percentage of our net asset value, decreases in our net asset value make it easier to achieve the performance threshold. Our pre-incentive fee net investment income for incentive compensation purposes excludes realized and unrealized capital losses or depreciation that we may incur in the fiscal quarter, even if such capital losses or depreciation result in a net loss on our statement of operations for that quarter. Thus, we may be required to pay Prospect Capital Management incentive compensation for a fiscal quarter even if there is a decline in the value of our portfolio or we incur a net loss for that quarter.

Changes in laws or regulations governing our operations may adversely affect our business.

We and our portfolio companies are subject to regulation by laws at the local, state and U.S. federal levels. These laws and regulations, as well as their interpretation, may be changed from time to time. Accordingly, changes in these laws or regulations could have a material adverse effect on our business. For additional information regarding the regulations we are subject to, see "Business Regulation as a Business Development Company."

Foreign and domestic political risk may adversely affect our business.

We are exposed to political risk to the extent that Prospect Capital Management, on its behalf and subject to its investment guidelines, transacts in securities in the US and foreign markets. The governments in any of these jurisdictions could impose restrictions, regulations or other measures, which may have a material adverse impact on our strategy.

Risks Relating to Our Operation as a Business Development Company

A failure on our part to maintain our status as a business development company would significantly reduce our operating flexibility.

If we do not continue to qualify as a business development company, we might be regulated as a registered closed-end investment company under the 1940 Act; our failure to qualify as a BDC would make us subject to additional regulatory requirements, which may significantly decrease our operating flexibility by limiting our ability to employ leverage and issue common stock.

If we fail to qualify as a RIC, we will have to pay corporate-level taxes on our income, and our income available for distribution would be reduced.

To maintain our qualification for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a RIC under Subchapter M of the Code, and obtain RIC tax treatment, we must meet certain source of income, asset diversification and annual distribution requirements.

The source of income requirement is satisfied if we derive at least 90% of our annual gross income from interest, dividends, payments with respect to certain securities loans, gains from the sale or other disposition of securities or options thereon or foreign currencies, or other income derived with respect to our business of investing in such securities or currencies, and net income from interests in "qualified publicly traded partnerships," as defined in the Code.

The annual distribution requirement for a RIC is satisfied if we distribute at least 90% of our ordinary income and net short-term capital gains in excess of net long-term capital losses, if any, to our stockholders on an annual basis. Because we use debt financing, we are subject to certain asset coverage ratio requirements under the 1940 Act and financial covenants that could, under certain

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circumstances, restrict us from making distributions necessary to qualify for RIC tax treatment. If we are unable to obtain cash from other sources, we may fail to qualify for RIC tax treatment and, thus, may be subject to corporate-level income tax on all of our taxable income.

To maintain our qualification as a RIC, we must also meet certain asset diversification requirements at the end of each quarter of our taxable year. Failure to meet these tests may result in our having to dispose of certain investments quickly in order to prevent the loss of RIC status. Because most of our investments are in private companies, any such dispositions could be made at disadvantageous prices and may result in substantial losses.

If we fail to qualify as a RIC for any reason or become subject to corporate income tax, the resulting corporate taxes would substantially reduce our net assets, the amount of income available for distribution, and the actual amount of our distributions. Such a failure would have a materially adverse effect on us and our stockholders. For additional information regarding asset coverage ratio and RIC requirements, see "Business Tax Considerations" and "Business Regulation as a Business Development Company".

We may have difficulty paying our required distributions if we recognize income before or without receiving cash representing such income.

For U.S. federal income tax purposes, we include in income certain amounts that we have not yet received in cash, such as original issue discount or payment-in-kind interest, which represents contractual interest added to the loan balance and due at the end of the loan term. Such amounts could be significant relative to our overall investment activities. We also may be required to include in taxable income certain other amounts that we do not receive in cash. While we focus primarily on investments that will generate a current cash return, our investment portfolio currently includes, and we may continue to invest in, securities that do not pay some or all of their return in periodic current cash distributions.

The income incentive fee payable by us is computed and paid on income that may include interest that has been accrued but not yet received in cash. If a portfolio company defaults on a loan that is structured to provide accrued interest, it is possible that accrued interest previously used in the calculation of the income incentive fee will become uncollectible.

Since in some cases we may recognize taxable income before or without receiving cash representing such income, we may have difficulty distributing at least 90% of our ordinary income and net short-term capital gains in excess of net long-term capital losses, if any, as required to maintain RIC tax treatment. Accordingly, we may have to sell some of our investments at times we would not consider advantageous, raise additional debt or equity capital or reduce new investment originations to meet these distribution requirements. If we are not able to obtain cash from other sources, we may fail to qualify for RIC treatment and thus become subject to corporate-level income tax.

Regulations governing our operation as a business development company affect our ability to raise, and the way in which we raise, additional capital.

We have incurred indebtedness under our revolving credit facility and through the issuance of the Senior Notes and, in the future, may issue preferred stock and/or borrow additional money from banks or other financial institutions, which we refer to collectively as "senior securities," up to the maximum amount permitted by the 1940 Act. Under the provisions of the 1940 Act, we are permitted, as a BDC, to incur indebtedness or issue senior securities only in amounts such that our asset coverage, as defined in the 1940 Act, equals at least 200% after each issuance of senior securities. If the value of our assets declines, we may be unable to satisfy this test, which would prohibit us from paying dividends and could prohibit us from qualifying as a RIC. If we cannot satisfy this test, we may be required to sell a portion of our investments or sell additional shares of common stock at a time when such sales may be

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disadvantageous in order to repay a portion of our indebtedness. In addition, issuance of additional common stock could dilute the percentage ownership of our current stockholders in us.

As a BDC regulated under provisions of the 1940 Act, we are not generally able to issue and sell our common stock at a price below the current net asset value per share without shareholder approval. If our common stock trades at a discount to net asset value, this restriction could adversely affect our ability to raise capital. We may, however, sell our common stock, or warrants, options or rights to acquire our common stock, at a price below the current net asset value of our common stock in certain circumstances, including if (i)(1) the holders of a majority of our shares (or, if less, at least 67% of a quorum consisting of a majority of our shares) and a similar majority of the holders of our shares who are not affiliated persons of us approve the sale of our common stock at a price that is less than the current net asset value, and (2) a majority of our Directors who have no financial interest in the transaction and a majority of our independent Directors (a) determine that such sale is in our and our stockholders' best interests and (b) in consultation with any underwriter or underwriters of the offering, make a good faith determination as of a time either immediately prior to the first solicitation by us or on our behalf of firm commitments to purchase such shares, or immediately prior to the issuance of such shares, that the price at which such shares are to be sold is not less than a price which closely approximates the market value of such shares, less any distributing commission or discount or if (ii) a majority of the number of the beneficial holders of our common stock entitled to vote at our annual meeting, without regard to whether a majority of such shares are voted in favor of the proposal, approve the sale of our common stock at a price that is less than the current net asset value per share. At our 2011 annual meeting of stockholders held on December 8, 2011, we obtained the first method of approval from our shareholders. See "If we sell common stock at a discount to our net asset value per share, stockholders who do not participate in such sale will experience immediate dilution in an amount that may be material" discussed below.

To generate cash for funding new investments, we pledged a substantial portion of our portfolio investments under our revolving credit facility. These assets are not available to secure other sources of funding or for securitization. Our ability to obtain additional secured or unsecured financing on attractive terms in the future is uncertain.

Alternatively, we may securitize our future loans to generate cash for funding new investments. See " Securitization of our assets subjects us to various risks."

Securitization of our assets subjects us to various risks.

We may securitize assets to generate cash for funding new investments. We refer to the term securitize to describe a form of leverage under which a company (sometimes referred to as an "originator" or "sponsor") transfers income producing assets to a single-purpose, bankruptcy-remote subsidiary (also referred to as a "special purpose entity" or SPE), which is established solely for the purpose of holding such assets and entering into a structured finance transaction. The SPE then issues notes secured by such assets. The special purpose entity may issue the notes in the capital markets either publicly or privately to a variety of investors, including banks, non-bank financial institutions and other investors. There may be a single class of notes or multiple classes of notes, the most senior of which carries less credit risk and the most junior of which may carry substantially the same credit risk as the equity of the SPE.

An important aspect of most debt securitization transactions is that the sale and/or contribution of assets into the SPE be considered a true sale and/or contribution for accounting purposes and that a reviewing court would not consolidate the SPE with the operations of the originator in the event of the originator's bankruptcy based on equitable principles. Viewed as a whole, a debt securitization seeks to lower risk to the note purchasers by isolating the assets collateralizing the securitization in an SPE that is not subject to the credit and bankruptcy risks of the originator. As a result of this perceived

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reduction of risk, debt securitization transactions frequently achieve lower overall leverage costs for originators as compared to traditional secured lending transactions.

In accordance with the above description, to securitize loans, we may create a wholly owned subsidiary and contribute a pool of our assets to such subsidiary. The SPE may be funded with, among other things, whole loans or interests from other pools and such loans may or may not be rated. The SPE would then sell its notes to purchasers who we would expect to be willing to accept a lower interest rate and the absence of any recourse against us to invest in a pool of income producing assets to which none of our creditors would have access. We would retain all or a portion of the equity in the SPE. An inability to successfully securitize portions of our portfolio or otherwise leverage our portfolio through secured and unsecured borrowings could limit our ability to grow our business and fully execute our business strategy, and could decrease our earnings, if any. However, the successful securitization of portions of our portfolio exposes us to a risk of loss for the equity we retain in the SPE and might expose us to greater risk on our remaining portfolio because the assets we retain may tend to be those that are riskier and more likely to generate losses. A successful securitization may also impose financial and operating covenants that restrict our business activities and may include limitations that could hinder our ability to finance additional loans and investments or to make the distributions required to maintain our status as a RIC under Subchapter M of the Code. The 1940 Act may also impose restrictions on the structure of any securitizations.

Interests we hold in the SPE, if any, will be subordinated to the other interests issued by the SPE. As such, we will only receive cash distributions on such interests if the SPE has made all cash interest and other required payments on all other interests it has issued. In addition, our subordinated interests will likely be unsecured and rank behind all of the secured creditors, known or unknown, of the SPE, including the holders of the senior interests it has issued. Consequently, to the extent that the value of the SPEs portfolio of assets has been reduced as a result of conditions in the credit markets, or as a result of defaults, the value of the subordinated interests we retain would be reduced. Securitization imposes on us the same risks as borrowing except that our risk in a securitization is limited to the amount of subordinated interests we retain, whereas in a borrowing or debt issuance by us directly we would be at risk for the entire amount of the borrowing or debt issuance.

Generally, we would expect the SPE not to be consolidated with us and in that event our only interest will be the value of our retained subordinated interest and the income allocated to us, which may be more or less than the cash we receive from the SPE, and none of the SPEs liabilities will be reflected as our liabilities. If the assets of the SPE are not consolidated with our assets and liabilities, then our interest in the SPE may be deemed not to be a qualifying asset for purposes of determining whether 70% of our assets are qualifying assets and the leverage incurred by such SPE may or may not be treated as borrowings by us for purposes of the requirement that we not issue senior securities in an amount in excess of our net assets.

We may also engage in transactions utilizing SPEs and securitization techniques where the assets sold or contributed to the SPE remain on our balance sheet for accounting purposes. If, for example, we sell the assets to the SPE with recourse or provide a guarantee or other credit support to the SPE, its assets will remain on our balance sheet. Consolidation would also generally result if we, in consultation with the SEC, determine that consolidation would result in a more accurate reflection of our assets, liabilities and results of operations. In these structures, the risks will be essentially the same as in other securitization transactions but the assets will remain our assets for purposes of the limitations described above on investing in assets that are not qualifying assets and the leverage incurred by the SPE will be treated as borrowings incurred by us for purposes of our limitation on the issuance of senior securities.

Our Investment Adviser may have conflicts of interest with respect to potential securitizations in as much as securitizations that are not consolidated may reduce our assets for purposes of determining its

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investment advisory fee although in some circumstances our investment adviser may be paid certain fees for managing the assets of the SPE so as to reduce or eliminate any potential bias against securitizations.

Our ability to invest in public companies may be limited in certain circumstances.

As a BDC, we must not acquire any assets other than "qualifying assets" specified in the 1940 Act unless, at the time the acquisition is made, at least 70% of our total assets are qualifying assets (with certain limited exceptions). Subject to certain exceptions for follow-on investments and distressed companies, an investment in an issuer that has outstanding securities listed on a national securities exchange may be treated as qualifying assets only if such issuer has a market capitalization that is less than \$250 million at the time of such investment.

Price declines and illiquidity in the corporate debt markets have adversely affected, and may in the future adversely affect, the fair value of our portfolio investments, reducing our net asset value through increased net unrealized depreciation.

As a BDC, we are required to carry our investments at market value or, if no market value is ascertainable, at fair value as determined in good faith by or under the direction of our Board of Directors. As part of the valuation process, the types of factors that we may take into account in determining the fair value of our investments include, as relevant and among other factors: available current market data, including relevant and applicable market trading and transaction comparables, applicable market yields and multiples, security covenants, call protection provisions, information rights, the nature and realizable value of any collateral, the portfolio company's ability to make payments, its earnings and discounted cash flows, the markets in which the portfolio company does business, comparisons of financial ratios of peer companies that are public, merger and acquisition comparables, our principal market (as the reporting entity) and enterprise values. Decreases in the market values or fair values of our investments are recorded as unrealized depreciation. Unprecedented declines in prices and liquidity in the corporate debt markets resulted in significant net unrealized depreciation in our portfolio in the past. The effect of all of these factors on our portfolio has reduced our net asset value by increasing net unrealized depreciation in our portfolio. Depending on market conditions, we could incur substantial realized losses and may suffer additional unrealized losses in future periods, which could have a material adverse impact on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Our common stock may trade at a discount to our net asset value per share.

Common stock of BDCs, like that of closed-end investment companies, frequently trades at a discount to current net asset value, which could adversely affect the ability to raise capital. In the past, our common stock has traded at a discount to our net asset value. The risk that our common stock may continue to trade at a discount to our net asset value is separate and distinct from the risk that our net asset value per share may decline.

If we sell common stock at a discount to our net asset value per share, stockholders who do not participate in such sale will experience immediate dilution in an amount that may be material.

At our 2011 annual meeting of stockholders held on December 8, 2011, our stockholders approved our ability to sell, subject to the condition that the maximum number of shares salable below net asset value pursuant to this authority in any particular offering that could result in such dilution is limited to 25% of our then outstanding common stock immediately prior to each such offering, an unlimited number of shares of our common stock at any level of discount from NAV per share during the twelve month period ending on December 9, 2012. The issuance or sale by us of shares of our common stock at a discount to net asset value poses a risk of dilution to our stockholders. In particular, stockholders

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who do not purchase additional shares of common stock at or below the discounted price in proportion to their current ownership will experience an immediate decrease in NAV per share (as well as in the aggregate NAV of their shares of common stock if they do not participate at all). These stockholders will also experience a disproportionately greater decrease in their participation in our earnings and assets and their voting power than the increase we experience in our assets, potential earning power and voting interests from such issuance or sale. In addition, such sales may adversely affect the price at which our common stock trades. We have sold shares of our common stock at prices below NAV and may continue to do so in the future.

Our ability to enter into transactions with our affiliates is restricted.

We are prohibited under the 1940 Act from knowingly participating in certain transactions with our affiliates without the prior approval of our independent directors. Any person that owns, directly or indirectly, 5% or more of our outstanding voting securities is our affiliate for purposes of the 1940 Act and we are generally prohibited from buying or selling any security or other property from or to such affiliate, absent the prior approval of our independent directors. The 1940 Act also prohibits "joint" transactions with an affiliate, which could include investments in the same portfolio company (whether at the same or different times), without prior approval of our independent directors. We are prohibited from buying or selling any security or other property from or to our Investment Adviser and its affiliates and persons with whom we are in a control relationship, or entering into joint transactions with any such person, absent the prior approval of the SEC.

Risks Relating to Our Investments

We may not realize gains or income from our investments.

We seek to generate both current income and capital appreciation. However, the securities we invest in may not appreciate and, in fact, may decline in value, and the issuers of debt securities we invest in may default on interest and/or principal payments. Accordingly, we may not be able to realize gains from our investments, and any gains that we do realize may not be sufficient to offset any losses we experience. See "Business Our Investment Objective and Policies".

Our investments in prospective portfolio companies may be risky and we could lose all or part of our investment.

Some of our portfolio companies have relatively short or no operating histories. These companies are and will be subject to all of the business risk and uncertainties associated with any new business enterprise, including the risk that these companies may not reach their investment objective and the value of our investment in them may decline substantially or fall to zero.

In addition, investment in the middle market companies that we are targeting involves a number of other significant risks, including:

these companies may have limited financial resources and may be unable to meet their obligations under their securities that we hold, which may be accompanied by a deterioration in the value of their securities or of any collateral with respect to any securities and a reduction in the likelihood of our realizing on any guarantees we may have obtained in connection with our investment;

they may have shorter operating histories, narrower product lines and smaller market shares than larger businesses, which tend to render them more vulnerable to competitors' actions and market conditions, as well as general economic downturns;

because many of these companies are privately held companies, public information is generally not available about these companies. As a result, we will depend on the ability of our

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Investment Adviser to obtain adequate information to evaluate these companies in making investment decisions. If our Investment Adviser is unable to uncover all material information about these companies, it may not make a fully informed investment decision, and we may lose money on our investments;

they are more likely to depend on the management talents and efforts of a small group of persons; therefore, the death, disability, resignation or termination of one or more of these persons could have a materially adverse impact on our portfolio company and, in turn, on us;

they may have less predictable operating results, may from time to time be parties to litigation, may be engaged in changing businesses with products subject to a risk of obsolescence and may require substantial additional capital to support their operations, finance expansion or maintain their competitive position;

changes in laws and regulations, as well as their interpretations, may adversely affect their business, financial structure or prospects;

they may have difficulty accessing the capital markets to meet future capital needs; and

increased taxes, regulatory expense or the costs of changes to the way they conduct business due to the effects of climate change may adversely affect their business, financial structure or prospects.

In addition, our executive officers, directors and our Investment Adviser could, in the ordinary course of business, be named as defendants in litigation arising from proposed investments or from our investments in the portfolio companies.

Our portfolio contains a limited number of portfolio companies, which subjects us to a greater risk of significant loss if any of these companies defaults on its obligations under any of its debt securities.

A consequence of the limited number of investments in our portfolio is that the aggregate returns we realize may be significantly adversely affected if one or more of our significant portfolio company investments perform poorly or if we need to write down the value of any one significant investment. Beyond our income tax diversification requirements, we do not have fixed guidelines for diversification, and our portfolio could contain relatively few portfolio companies.

Our failure to make follow-on investments in our portfolio companies could impair the value of our portfolio.

Following an initial investment in a portfolio company, we may make additional investments in that portfolio company as "follow-on" investments, in order to: (1) increase or maintain in whole or in part our equity ownership percentage; (2) exercise warrants, options or convertible securities that were acquired in the original or subsequent financing or (3) attempt to preserve or enhance the value of our investment.

We may elect not to make follow-on investments, may be constrained in our ability to employ available funds, or otherwise may lack sufficient funds to make those investments. We have the discretion to make any follow-on investments, subject to the availability of capital resources. The failure to make follow-on investments may, in some circumstances, jeopardize the continued viability of a portfolio company and our initial investment, or may result in a missed opportunity for us to increase our participation in a successful operation. Even if we have sufficient capital to make a desired follow-on investment, we may elect not to make a follow-on investment because we may not want to increase our concentration of risk, because we prefer other opportunities, or because we are inhibited by compliance with BDC requirements or the desire to maintain our tax status.

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We may be unable to invest the net proceeds raised from offerings and repayments from investments on acceptable terms, which would harm our financial condition and operating results.

Until we identify new investment opportunities, we intend to either invest the net proceeds of future offerings and repayments from investments in interest-bearing deposits or other short-term instruments or use the net proceeds from such offerings to reduce then-outstanding obligations under our credit facility. We cannot assure you that we will be able to find enough appropriate investments that meet our investment criteria or that any investment we complete using the proceeds from an offering will produce a sufficient return.

The lack of liquidity in our investments may adversely affect our business.

We make investments in private companies. A portion of these investments may be subject to legal and other restrictions on resale, transfer, pledge or other disposition or will otherwise be less liquid than publicly traded securities. The illiquidity of our investments may make it difficult for us to sell such investments if the need arises. In addition, if we are required to liquidate all or a portion of our portfolio quickly, we may realize significantly less than the value at which we have previously recorded our investments. In addition, we face other restrictions on our ability to liquidate an investment in a business entity to the extent that we or our Investment Adviser has or could be deemed to have material non-public information regarding such business entity.

We may have limited access to information about privately held companies in which we invest.

We invest primarily in privately-held companies. Generally, little public information exists about these companies, and we are required to rely on the ability of our Investment Adviser's investment professionals to obtain adequate information to evaluate the potential returns from investing in these companies. These companies and their financial information are not subject to the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and other rules that govern public companies. If we are unable to uncover all material information about these companies, we may not make a fully informed investment decision, and we may lose money on our investment.

We may not be in a position to control a portfolio investment when we are a debt or minority equity investor and its management may make decisions that could decrease the value of our investment.

We make both debt and minority equity investments in portfolio companies. As a result, we are subject to the risk that a portfolio company may make business decisions with which we disagree, and the management of such company, as representatives of the holders of their common equity, may take risks or otherwise act in ways that do not serve our interests. As a result, a portfolio company may make decisions that could decrease the value of our portfolio holdings.

Our portfolio companies may incur debt or issue equity securities that rank equally with, or senior to, our investments in such companies.

We may invest in mezzanine debt and dividend-paying equity securities issued by our portfolio companies. Our portfolio companies usually have, or may be permitted to incur, other debt, or issue other equity securities, that rank equally with, or senior to, the securities in which we invest. By their terms, such instruments may provide that the holders are entitled to receive payment of dividends, interest or principal on or before the dates on which we are entitled to receive payments in respect of the securities in which we invest. Also, in the event of insolvency, liquidation, dissolution, reorganization or bankruptcy of a portfolio company, holders of securities ranking senior to our investment in that portfolio company would typically be entitled to receive payment in full before we receive any distribution in respect of our investment. After repaying the senior security holders, the portfolio company may not have any remaining assets to use for repaying its obligation to us. In the

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case of securities ranking equally with securities in which we invest, we would have to share on an equal basis any distributions with other security holders in the event of an insolvency, liquidation, dissolution, reorganization or bankruptcy of the relevant portfolio company.

We may not be able to fully realize the value of the collateral securing our debt investments.

Although a substantial amount of our debt investments are protected by holding security interests in the assets of the portfolio companies, we may not be able to fully realize the value of the collateral securing our investments due to one or more of the following factors:

our debt investments may be in the form of mezzanine loans, therefore our liens on the collateral, if any, are subordinated to those of the senior secured debt of the portfolio companies, if any. As a result, we may not be able to control remedies with respect to the collateral;

the collateral may not be valuable enough to satisfy all of the obligations under our secured loan, particularly after giving effect to the repayment of secured debt of the portfolio company that ranks senior to our loan;

bankruptcy laws may limit our ability to realize value from the collateral and may delay the realization process;

our rights in the collateral may be adversely affected by the failure to perfect security interests in the collateral;

the need to obtain regulatory and contractual consents could impair or impede how effectively the collateral would be liquidated and could affect the value received; and

some or all of the collateral may be illiquid and may have no readily ascertainable market value. The liquidity and value of the collateral could be impaired as a result of changing economic conditions, competition, and other factors, including the availability of suitable buyers.

Our investments in foreign securities may involve significant risks in addition to the risks inherent in U.S. investments.

Our investment strategy contemplates potential investments in securities of foreign companies, including those located in emerging market countries. Investing in foreign companies may expose us to additional risks not typically associated with investing in U.S. companies. These risks include changes in exchange control regulations, political and social instability, expropriation, imposition of foreign taxes, less liquid markets and less available information than is generally the case in the United States, higher transaction costs, less government supervision of exchanges, brokers and issuers, less developed bankruptcy laws, difficulty in enforcing contractual obligations, lack of uniform accounting and auditing standards and greater price volatility. Such risks are more pronounced in emerging market countries

Although currently all of our investments are, and we expect that most of our investments will be, U.S. dollar-denominated, investments that are denominated in a foreign currency will be subject to the risk that the value of a particular currency will change in relation to one or more other currencies. Among the factors that may affect currency values are trade balances, the level of short-term interest rates, differences in relative values of similar assets in different currencies, long-term opportunities for investment and capital appreciation, and political developments.

We may expose ourselves to risks if we engage in hedging transactions.

We may employ hedging techniques to minimize certain investment risks, such as fluctuations in interest and currency exchange rates, but we can offer no assurance that such strategies will be effective. If we engage in hedging transactions, we may expose ourselves to risks associated with such

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transactions. We may utilize instruments such as forward contracts, currency options and interest rate swaps, caps, collars and floors to seek to hedge against fluctuations in the relative values of our portfolio positions from changes in currency exchange rates and market interest rates. Hedging against a decline in the values of our portfolio positions does not eliminate the possibility of fluctuations in the values of such positions or prevent losses if the values of such positions decline. However, such hedging can establish other positions designed to gain from those same developments, thereby offsetting the decline in the value of such portfolio positions. Such hedging transactions may also limit the opportunity for gain if the values of the portfolio positions should increase. Moreover, it may not be possible to hedge against an exchange rate or interest rate fluctuation that is so generally anticipated that we are not able to enter into a hedging transaction at an acceptable price.

The success of our hedging transactions depends on our ability to correctly predict movements, currencies and interest rates. Therefore, while we may enter into such transactions to seek to reduce currency exchange rate and interest rate risks, unanticipated changes in currency exchange rates or interest rates may result in poorer overall investment performance than if we had not engaged in any such hedging transactions. The degree of correlation between price movements of the instruments used in a hedging strategy and price movements in the portfolio positions being hedged may vary. Moreover, for a variety of reasons, we may not seek to establish a perfect correlation between such hedging instruments and the portfolio holdings being hedged. Any such imperfect correlation may prevent us from achieving the intended hedge and expose us to risk of loss. In addition, it may not be possible to hedge fully or perfectly against currency fluctuations affecting the value of securities denominated in non-U.S. currencies. The Company has no current intention of engaging in any of the hedging transaction described above, although it reserves the right to do so in the future.

Our Board of Directors may change our operating policies and strategies without prior notice or stockholder approval, the effects of which may be adverse to us and could impair the value of our stockholders' investment.

Our Board of Directors has the authority to modify or waive our current operating policies and our strategies without prior notice and without stockholder approval. We cannot predict the effect any changes to our current operating policies and strategies would have on our business, financial condition, and value of our common stock. However, the effects might be adverse, which could negatively impact our ability to pay dividends and cause stockholders to lose all or part of their investment.

Risks Relating To Our Securities

Investing in our securities may involve a high degree of risk and is highly speculative.

The investments we make in accordance with our investment objective may result in a higher amount of risk than alternative investment options and volatility or loss of principal. Our investments in portfolio companies may be speculative and aggressive, and therefore, an investment in our shares may not be suitable for someone with low risk tolerance.

The market price of our securities may fluctuate significantly.

The market price and liquidity of the market for our securities may be significantly affected by numerous factors, some of which are beyond our control and may not be directly related to our operating performance. These factors include:

significant volatility in the market price and trading volume of securities of business development companies or other companies in the energy industry, which are not necessarily related to the operating performance of these companies;

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changes in regulatory policies or tax guidelines, particularly with respect to RICs or business development companies;

loss of RIC qualification;

changes in earnings or variations in operating results;

changes in the value of our portfolio of investments;

any shortfall in revenue or net income or any increase in losses from levels expected by investors or securities analysts;

departure of one or more of Prospect Capital Management's key personnel;

operating performance of companies comparable to us;

changes in prevailing interest rates;

litigation matters;

general economic trends and other external factors; and

loss of a major funding source.

In the past, following periods of volatility in the market price of a company's securities, securities class action litigation has, from time to time, been brought against that company.

If our stock price fluctuates significantly, we may be the target of securities litigation in the future. Securities litigation could result in substantial costs and divert management's attention and resources from our business.

Sales of substantial amounts of our securities in the public market may have an adverse effect on the market price of our securities.

Sales of substantial amounts of our securities or the availability of such securities for sale could adversely affect the prevailing market price for our securities. If this occurs and continues it could impair our ability to raise additional capital through the sale of securities should we desire to do so.

There is a risk that you may not receive distributions or that our distributions may not grow over time.

We have made and intend to continue to make distributions on a quarterly basis to our stockholders out of assets legally available for distribution. We cannot assure you that we will achieve investment results or maintain a tax status that will allow or require any specified level of cash distributions or year-to-year increases in cash distributions. In addition, due to the asset coverage test applicable to us as a business development company, we may be limited in our ability to make distributions.

Provisions of the Maryland General Corporation Law and of our charter and bylaws could deter takeover attempts and have an adverse impact on the price of our common stock.

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Our charter and bylaws and the Maryland General Corporation Law contain provisions that may have the effect of delaying, deferring or preventing a transaction or a change in control that might involve a premium price for our stockholders or otherwise be in their best interest. These provisions may prevent stockholders from being able to sell shares of our common stock at a premium over the current of prevailing market prices.

Our charter provides for the classification of our Board of Directors into three classes of directors, serving staggered three-year terms, which may render a change of control or removal of our incumbent

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management more difficult. Furthermore, any and all vacancies on our Board of Directors will be filled generally only by the affirmative vote of a majority of the remaining directors in office, even if the remaining directors do not constitute a quorum, and any director elected to fill a vacancy will serve for the remainder of the full term until a successor is elected and qualifies.

Our Board of Directors is authorized to create and issue new series of shares, to classify or reclassify any unissued shares of stock into one or more classes or series, including preferred stock and, without stockholder approval, to amend our charter to increase or decrease the number of shares of common stock that we have authority to issue, which could have the effect of diluting a stockholder's ownership interest. Prior to the issuance of shares of common stock of each class or series, including any reclassified series, our Board of Directors is required by our governing documents to set the terms, preferences, conversion or other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends or other distributions, qualifications and terms or conditions of redemption for each class or series of shares of stock.

Our charter and bylaws also provide that our Board of Directors has the exclusive power to adopt, alter or repeal any provision of our bylaws, and to make new bylaws. The Maryland General Corporation Law also contains certain provisions that may limit the ability of a third party to acquire control of us, such as:

The Maryland Business Combination Act, which, subject to certain limitations, prohibits certain business combinations between us and an "interested stockholder" (defined generally as any person who beneficially owns 10% or more of the voting power of the common stock or an affiliate thereof) for five years after the most recent date on which the stockholder becomes an interested stockholder and, thereafter, imposes special minimum price provisions and special stockholder voting requirements on these combinations; and

The Maryland Control Share Acquisition Act, which provides that "control shares" of a Maryland corporation (defined as shares of common stock which, when aggregated with other shares of common stock controlled by the stockholder, entitles the stockholder to exercise one of three increasing ranges of voting power in electing directors, as described more fully below) acquired in a "control share acquisition" (defined as the direct or indirect acquisition of ownership or control of "control shares") have no voting rights except to the extent approved by stockholders by the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of all the votes entitled to be cast on the matter, excluding all interested shares of common stock.

The provisions of the Maryland Business Combination Act will not apply, however, if our Board of Directors adopts a resolution that any business combination between us and any other person will be exempt from the provisions of the Maryland Business Combination Act. Our Board of Directors has adopted a resolution that any business combination between us and any other person is exempted from the provisions of the Business Combination Act, *provided* that the business combination is first approved by the Board of Directors, including a majority of the directors who are not interested persons as defined in the 1940 Act. There can be no assurance that this resolution will not be altered or repealed in whole or in part at any time. If the resolution is altered or repealed, the provisions of the Maryland Business Combination Act may discourage others from trying to acquire control of us.

As permitted by Maryland law, our bylaws contain a provision exempting from the Maryland Control Share Acquisition Act any and all acquisitions by any person of our common stock. Although our bylaws include such a provision, such a provision may also be amended or eliminated by our Board of Directors at any time in the future, provided that we will notify the Division of Investment Management at the SEC prior to amending or eliminating this provision. However, as noted above, the SEC has recently taken the position that the Maryland Control Share Acquisition Act is inconsistent with the 1940 Act and may not be invoked by a BDC. It is the view of the staff of the SEC that opting

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into the Maryland Control Share Acquisition Act would be acting in a manner inconsistent with section 18(i) of the 1940 Act.

We may in the future choose to pay dividends in our own stock, in which case our stockholders may be required to pay tax in excess of the cash they receive.

We may distribute taxable dividends that are payable in part in our stock. Under IRS Revenue Procedure 2010-12, up to 90% of any such taxable dividend could be payable in our stock for dividends declared on or before December 31, 2012 with respect to any taxable year ending on or before December 31, 2011. The IRS has also issued (and where Revenue Procedure 2010-12 is not currently applicable, the IRS continues to issue) private letter rulings on cash/stock dividends paid by RICs and real estate investment trusts if certain requirements are satisfied, and we have received such a ruling permitting us to declare such taxable cash/stock dividends, up to 80% in stock, with respect to our taxable years ending August 31, 2012 and August 31, 2013. Taxable stockholders receiving such dividends would be required to include the full amount of the dividend as ordinary income (or as long-term capital gain to the extent such distribution is properly designated as a capital gain dividend) to the extent of our current and accumulated earnings and profits for United States federal income tax purposes. As a result, a U.S. stockholder may be required to pay tax with respect to such dividends in excess of any cash received. If a U.S. stockholder sells the stock it receives as a dividend in order to pay this tax, it may be subject to transaction fees (e.g. broker fees or transfer agent fees) and the sales proceeds may be less than the amount included in income with respect to the dividend, depending on the market price of its stock at the time of the sale. Furthermore, with respect to non-U.S. stockholders, we may be required to withhold U.S. tax with respect to such dividends, including in respect of all or a portion of such dividend that is payable in stock. In addition, if a significant number of our stockholders determine to sell shares of our stock in order to pay taxes owed on dividends, it may put downward pressure on the trading price of our stock. It is unclear whether and to what extent we will be able to pay dividends in cash and our stock (whether pursuant to Revenue Procedure 2010-12, a private letter ruling, or otherwise).

Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments.

Not applicable.

Item 2. Properties.

We do not own any real estate or other physical properties materially important to our operation. Our principal executive offices are located at 10 East 40th Street, New York, New York 10016, where we occupy our office space pursuant to our Administration Agreement with Prospect Administration. The office facilities, which are shared with our Investment Adviser and Administrator, consist of approximately 13,657 square feet, with principal leases expiring in September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2017. We believe that our office facilities are suitable and adequate for our business as currently conducted.

Item 3. Legal Proceedings.

From time to time, we may become involved in various investigations, claims and legal proceedings that arise in the ordinary course of our business. These matters may relate to intellectual property, employment, tax, regulation, contract or other matters. The resolution of these matters as they arise will be subject to various uncertainties and, even if such claims are without merit, could result in the expenditure of significant financial and managerial resources. We are not aware of any such litigation as of June 30, 2012.

Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures.

Not applicable.

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Our common stock is quoted on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol "PSEC." The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, our net asset value per share of common stock and the high and low closing prices per share of our common stock as reported on the NASDAQ Global Select Market. Our common stock historically has traded at prices both above and below its net asset value. There can be no assurance, however, that such premium or discount, as applicable, to net asset value will be maintained.

Year Ended	Net Asset Value Per Share(1)	High	Low	Premium (Discount) of High Sales Price to Net Asset Value	Premium (Discount) of Low Sales Price to Net Asset Value
<i>June 30, 2012</i>					
First quarter	\$ 10.41	\$ 10.18	\$ 7.41	(2.2)%	(28.8)%
Second quarter	\$ 10.69	\$ 9.88	\$ 7.99	(7.6)%	(25.3)%
Third quarter	\$ 10.82	\$ 11.39	\$ 9.43	5.3%	(12.8)%
Fourth quarter	\$ 10.83	\$ 11.39	\$ 10.55	5.2%	(2.5)%
<i>June 30, 2011</i>					
First quarter	\$ 10.24	\$ 10.00	\$ 9.18	(2.3)%	(10.4)%
Second quarter	\$ 10.25	\$ 10.86	\$ 9.69	6.0%	(5.5)%
Third quarter	\$ 10.33	\$ 12.33	\$ 10.72	19.4%	3.8%
Fourth quarter	\$ 10.36	\$ 12.18	\$ 9.95	17.6%	(4.0)%
<i>June 30, 2010</i>					
First quarter	\$ 11.11	\$ 10.99	\$ 8.82	(1.1)%	(20.6)%
Second quarter	\$ 10.10	\$ 12.31	\$ 9.93	21.9%	(1.7)%
Third quarter	\$ 10.12	\$ 13.20	\$ 10.45	30.4%	3.3%
Fourth quarter	\$ 10.30	\$ 12.20	\$ 9.65	18.4%	(6.3)%
<i>June 30, 2009</i>					
First quarter	\$ 14.63	\$ 14.24	\$ 11.12	(2.7)%	(24.0)%
Second quarter	\$ 14.43	\$ 13.08	\$ 6.29	(9.4)%	(56.4)%
Third quarter	\$ 14.19	\$ 12.89	\$ 6.38	(9.2)%	(55.0)%
Fourth quarter	\$ 12.40	\$ 10.48	\$ 7.95	(15.5)%	(35.9)%
<i>June 30, 2008</i>					
First quarter	\$ 15.08	\$ 18.68	\$ 14.16	23.9%	(6.1)%
Second quarter	\$ 14.58	\$ 17.17	\$ 11.22	17.8%	(23.0)%
Third quarter	\$ 14.15	\$ 16.00	\$ 13.55	13.1%	(4.2)%
Fourth quarter	\$ 14.55	\$ 16.12	\$ 13.18	10.8%	(9.4)%

(1)

Net asset value per share is determined as of the last day in the relevant quarter and therefore may not reflect the net asset value per share on the date of the high or low sales price. The net asset values shown are based on outstanding shares at the end of each period.

On August 16, 2012, the last reported sales price of our common stock was \$11.29 per share. As of August 16, 2012, we had approximately 134 stockholders of record, and we had approximately 86,404 beneficial owners whose shares are held in the names of brokers, dealers and clearing agencies.

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Distributions

Through March 2010, we made quarterly distributions to our stockholders out of assets legally available for distribution. In June 2010, we changed our distribution policy from a quarterly payment to a monthly payment and intend to continue with monthly distributions. Our distributions, if any, will be determined by our Board of Directors. Certain amounts of the monthly distributions may from time to time be paid out of our capital rather than from earnings for the quarter as a result of our deliberate planning or by accounting reclassifications.

As a RIC, we generally are not subject to U.S. federal income tax on income and gains we distribute each taxable year to our stockholders, provided that in such taxable year we distribute at least 90% of our ordinary income and net short-term capital gains in excess of realized net long-term capital losses. In order to avoid certain excise taxes imposed on RICs, we are required to timely distribute with respect to each calendar year an amount at least equal to the sum of

98% of our ordinary income for the calendar year,

98.2% of our capital gains in excess of capital losses for the one-year period ending on October 31 of the calendar year, and

any ordinary income and net capital gains for preceding years that were not distributed during such years.

In addition, although we currently intend to distribute realized net capital gains (which we define as net long-term capital gains in excess of short-term capital losses), if any, at least annually, out of the assets legally available for such distributions, we may decide in the future to retain such capital gains for investment. In such event, the consequences of our retention of net capital gains are as described under "Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations." We can offer no assurance that we will achieve results that will permit the payment of any cash distributions and, if we issue senior securities, we may be prohibited from making distributions if doing so causes us to fail to maintain the asset coverage ratios stipulated by the 1940 Act or if distributions are limited by the terms of any of our borrowings.

We maintain an "opt out" dividend reinvestment plan for our common stockholders. As a result, if we declare a distribution, then stockholders' cash distributions will be automatically reinvested in additional shares of our common stock, unless they specifically "opt out" of the dividend reinvestment plan so as to receive cash distributions. Stockholders who receive distributions in the form of stock are subject to the same U.S. Federal, state and local tax consequences as are stockholders who elect to receive their distributions in cash. See "Dividend Reinvestment Plan". To the extent prudent and practicable, we intend to declare and pay dividends on a monthly basis.

With respect to the distributions paid to stockholders, income from origination, structuring, closing, commitment and other upfront fees associated with investments in portfolio companies were treated as taxable income and accordingly, distributed to stockholders. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2012, we declared total distributions of approximately \$141.4 million.

Tax characteristics of all distributions will be reported to stockholders, as appropriate, on Form 1099-DIV after the end of the year. Our ability to pay distributions could be affected by future business performance, liquidity, capital needs, alternative investment opportunities and loan covenants.

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Not yet determinable

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Dividend Reinvestment

We maintain an "opt out" dividend reinvestment and cash purchase plan for our registered stockholders. Under the plan, if shares of our common stock are registered, distributions will be automatically reinvested in additional shares of common stock unless you "opt out" of the plan. Stockholders are advised to consult with their brokers or financial institutions, as appropriate, with respect to the administration of their dividends and related instructions.

Assuming that we maintain our status as a RIC under Subchapter M of the Code, we intend to make distributions to our stockholders on a monthly basis of substantially all of our net operating income. We may also make distributions of net realized capital gains, as appropriate.

Tax characteristics of all distributions will be reported to stockholders, as appropriate, on Form 1099-DIV after the end of the year. Our Board of Directors presently intends to declare and pay monthly distributions on the common stock. Our ability to make distributions could be affected by future business performance, liquidity, capital needs, alternative investment opportunities and loan covenants.

Stock distributions distributed pursuant to this dividend reinvestment plan may come in the form of the issuance of new shares or the distribution of pre-existing shares re-acquired from the open market. How the stock to be distributed as part of this plan is made available is a determination made by our Board of Directors.

During the year ended June 30, 2012, we distributed 1,056,484 shares of common stock in accordance with this dividend reinvestment plan. All of the shares issued were distributed from new issues.

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The following table reflects dividend reinvestments distributed through the issuance of new shares:

Record Date	Shares Issued	Aggregate Offering Price (in thousands)	% of Dividend
June 29, 2012	205,834	\$ 2,287	16.1%
May 31, 2012	72,407	815	5.7%
April 30, 2012	81,773	893	7.2%
March 30, 2012	85,063	930	7.5%
February 29, 2012	77,764	833	6.7%
January 31, 2012	69,864	771	6.9%
December 30, 2011	85,252	896	8.1%
November 30, 2011	90,677	854	7.7%
October 31, 2011	94,213	868	7.8%
September 30, 2011	89,078	853	7.7%
August 31, 2011	100,634	845	7.6%
July 31, 2011	106,869	931	8.4%
June 30, 2011	102,890	1,041	9.6%
May 31, 2011	92,813	941	9.5%
April 29, 2011	78,689	909	9.2%
March 31, 2011	76,377	917	10.3%
February 28, 2011	76,253	926	10.4%
January 31, 2011	83,021	1,004	11.3%
December 31, 2010	84,155	958	10.8%
November 30, 2010	89,603	970	11.2%
October 29, 2010	87,941	865	10.4%
September 30, 2010	92,999	913	11.6%
August 31, 2010	90,006	876	11.5%
July 30, 2010	89,620	833	10.3%
June 30, 2010	83,875	822	11.9%
March 31, 2010	248,731	2,962	11.2%
December 31, 2009	236,985	2,896	11.2%
October 8, 2009	233,523	2,456	11.0%
July 8, 2009	297,274	2,901	14.8%
March 31, 2009	214,456	1,827	14.4%
December 31, 2008	148,200	1,774	14.8%
September 30, 2008	117,549	1,506	12.7%
March 31, 2008	99,241	1,510	14.4%
September 19, 2007	72,073	1,243	15.9%
June 22, 2007	69,834	1,190	15.3%
March 23, 2007	93,843	1,595	20.8%
December 29, 2006	108,047	1,850	25.5%
September 22, 2006	80,818	1,273	26.2%
June 23, 2006	7,932	130	5.4%
March 24, 2006	6,841	111	5.2%

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The following table reflects dividend reinvestments distributed from re-acquired shares:

Record Date	Shares Purchased	Aggregate Amount Distributed (in thousands)	% of Dividend
June 30, 2008	133,156	\$ 1,635	13.8%
December 28, 2007	111,335	1,541	16.4%
December 22, 2005	6,192	95	4.8%
September 22, 2005	7,848	105	7.4%
June 10, 2005	10,885	138	13.0%
March 11, 2005	8,986	117	13.2%
December 10, 2004	7,540	92	13.0%

Stock Performance Graph

This graph compares the return on our common stock with that of the Standard & Poor's 500 Stock Index and the NASDAQ Financial 100 Index, for the period July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2012. The graph assumes that, on July 1, 2005, a person invested \$100 in each of our common stock, the S&P 500 Index, and the NASDAQ Financial 100 Index. The graph measures total shareholder return, which takes into account both changes in stock price and dividends. It assumes that dividends paid are invested in like securities.

The graph and other information furnished under this Part II, Item 5 of this annual report on Form 10-K shall not be deemed to be "soliciting material" or to be "filed" with the SEC or subject to Regulation 14A or 14C, or to the liabilities of Section 18 of the 1934 Act. The stock price performance included in the above graph is not necessarily indicative of future stock performance.

Table of Contents**Sales of unregistered securities**

The following table reflects recent sales of unregistered common stock (amounts in thousands except data relating to shares):

Issuances of Common Stock	Number of Shares Issued	Gross Proceeds Raised	Underwriting Fees	Offering Expenses	Offering Price
April 16, 2012(1)	11,159,746	\$ 130,000	\$ 3,575	\$ 390	\$ 11.65
June 15, 2012(2)	14,518,207	\$ 160,571	\$	\$	\$ 11.06

(1)

At June 30, 2012, we have reserved 11,159,746 shares of our common stock for issuance upon conversion of the 2017 Notes. The 2017 Notes are convertible into shares of common stock at a conversion rate at June 30, 2012 of 85.8442 shares of common stock per \$1,000 principal amount of 2017 Notes, which is equivalent to a conversion price of approximately \$11.65 per share of common stock, subject to adjustment in certain circumstances. The conversion price has not been adjusted since the issuance (April 16, 2012) and will next be adjusted on the first anniversary, unless the exercise price shall have changed by more than 1% before the anniversary.

(2)

On June 15, 2012, we completed the acquisition of the businesses of First Tower, LLC ("First Tower"). We acquired 80.1% of First Tower's businesses for \$110,200 in cash and 14,518,207 unregistered shares of our common stock.

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Item 6. Selected Financial Data.

The following selected financial data is derived from our financial statements which have been audited by BDO USA, LLP, our independent registered public accounting firm. The financial data should be read in conjunction with our financial statements and related notes thereto and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" included below in this annual report.

	For the Year/Period Ended June 30,				
	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008
	(in thousands except data relating to shares, per share and number of portfolio companies)				
Performance Data:					
Interest income	\$ 219,536	\$ 134,454	\$ 86,518	\$ 62,926	\$ 59,033
Dividend income	64,881	15,092	15,366	22,793	12,033
Other income	36,493	19,930	12,675	14,762	8,336
Total investment income	320,910	169,476	114,559	100,481	79,402
Interest and credit facility expenses	(35,836)	(17,598)	(8,382)	(6,161)	(6,318)
Investment advisory expense	(46,671)	(46,051)	(30,727)	(26,705)	(20,199)
Other expenses	(51,719)	(11,606)	(8,260)	(8,452)	(7,772)
Total expenses	(134,226)	(75,255)	(47,369)	(41,318)	(34,289)
Net investment income	186,684	94,221	67,190	59,163	45,113
Realized and unrealized gains (losses)	4,220	24,017	(47,565)	(24,059)	(17,522)
Net increase in net assets from operations	\$ 190,904	\$ 118,238	\$ 19,625	\$ 35,104	\$ 27,591
Per Share Data:					
Net increase in net assets from operations(1)	\$ 1.67	\$ 1.38	\$ 0.33	\$ 1.11	\$ 1.17
Distributions declared per share	\$ (1.22)	\$ (1.21)	\$ (1.33)	\$ (1.62)	\$ (1.59)
Average weighted shares outstanding for the period	114,394,554	85,978,757	59,429,222	31,559,905	23,626,642
Assets and Liabilities Data:					
Investments	\$ 2,094,221	\$ 1,463,010	\$ 748,483	\$ 547,168	\$ 497,530
Other assets	161,303	86,307	84,212	119,857	44,248
Total assets	2,255,524	1,549,317	832,695	667,025	541,778
Amount drawn on credit facility	96,000	84,200	100,300	124,800	91,167
Senior convertible notes	447,500	322,500			
Senior unsecured notes	100,000				
InterNotes®	20,638				
Amount owed to related parties	8,571	7,918	9,300	6,713	6,641
Other liabilities	70,571	20,342	11,671	2,916	14,347
Total liabilities	743,280	434,960	121,271	134,429	112,155
Net assets	\$ 1,511,974	\$ 1,114,357	\$ 711,424	\$ 532,596	\$ 429,623
Investment Activity Data:					
No. of portfolio companies at period end	82	72	58	30	29(2)

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Acquisitions	\$ 1,120,659	\$ 953,337	\$ 364,788(3)	\$ 98,305	\$ 311,947
Sales, repayments, and other disposals	\$ 500,952	\$ 285,562	\$ 136,221	\$ 27,007	\$ 127,212
Weighted-Average Yield at end of period(4)	13.6%	12.8%	16.2%	14.6%	15.5%

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- (1) Per share data is based on average weighted shares for the period
- (2) Includes a net profits interest in Charlevoix Energy Trading LLC ("Charlevoix"), remaining after loan was paid.
- (3) Includes \$207,126 of acquired portfolio investments from Patriot Capital Funding, Inc.
- (4) Excludes equity investments and non-performing loans.

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Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations. *(All figures in this item are in thousands except per share and other data)*

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with our financial statements and related notes and other financial information appearing elsewhere in this annual report. In addition to historical information, the following discussion and other parts of this annual report contain forward-looking information that involves risks and uncertainties. Our actual results could differ materially from those anticipated by such forward-looking information due to the factors discussed under Part I, Item 1A "Risk Factors" and "Note about Forward-Looking Statements" appearing elsewhere herein.

Overview

We are a financial services company that primarily lends to and invests in middle market privately-held companies. We are a closed-end investment company that has filed an election to be treated as a business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, or the 1940 Act. We invest primarily in senior and subordinated debt and equity of companies in need of capital for acquisitions, divestitures, growth, development and recapitalization. We work with the management teams or financial sponsors to seek investments with historical cash flows, asset collateral or contracted pro-forma cash flows.

We seek to be a long-term investor with our portfolio companies. From our July 27, 2004 inception to the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, we invested primarily in industries related to the industrial/energy economy. Since then, we have widened our strategy to focus in other sectors of the economy and continue to reduce our exposure to the energy industry, and our holdings in the energy and energy related industries now represent less than 7% of our investment portfolio.

The aggregate value of our portfolio investments was \$2,094,221 and \$1,463,010 as of June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011, respectively. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2012, our net cost of investments increased by \$663,579, or 46.2%, as a result of thirty-eight new investments, seventeen follow-on investments and revolver advances of \$1,115,012, accrued of payment-in-kind interest of \$5,647 and accretion of purchase discount of \$7,284, while we received full repayment on seventeen investments, sold five investments and received several partial prepayments and revolver repayments totaling of \$500,952, including a net realized gain of \$36,588. During the year ended June 30, 2012, Deb Shops, Inc. ("Deb Shops") filed for bankruptcy and a plan for reorganization was proposed. The plan was approved by the bankruptcy court and our debt position was eliminated with no payment to us. As a result, we determined that the impairment of Deb Shops was other-than-temporary on September 30, 2011 and recorded a realized loss of \$14,607 for the full amount of the amortized cost. The asset was completely written off when the plan of reorganization was approved. This realized loss was primarily offset the sale of our shares in NRG Manufacturing Inc. ("NRG") common stock for which we realized a gain of \$36,940. The remaining net realized gain of \$14,255 is primarily due to the sale of our equity investments in C&J Cladding, LLC ("C&J"), The Copernicus Group, Inc. ("Copernicus"), Nupla Corporation ("Nupla") and Sport Helmets Holdings, LLC ("Sport Helmets").

Compared to the end of last fiscal year (ended June 30, 2011), net assets increased by \$397,617 or 35.7% during the year ended June 30, 2012, from \$1,114,357 to \$1,511,974. This increase resulted from the issuance of new shares of our common stock (less offering costs) in the amount of \$337,562, dividend reinvestments of \$10,530, and another \$190,904 from operations. These increases, in turn, were offset by \$141,379 in dividend distributions to our stockholders. The \$190,904 increase in net assets resulting from operations is net of the following: net investment income of \$186,684, net realized gain on investments of \$36,588, and a decrease in net assets due to changes in net unrealized depreciation of investments of \$32,368.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the

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financial statements and the reported amounts of income and expenses during the reported period. Changes in the economic environment, financial markets and any other parameters used in determining these estimates could cause actual results to differ and those differences could be material.

Fourth Quarter Highlights

Investment Transactions

On April 2, 2012 we made an investment of \$22,000 to purchase 51.2% of the subordinated notes in Galaxy XII CLO, Ltd ("Galaxy").

On April 16, 2012, we made a senior secured debt investment of \$15,000 to support the acquisition of Nixon, Inc. ("Nixon"), a designer and distributor of watches and accessories. The first lien note bears interest in cash at 8.75% and interest in kind of 2.75% and has a final maturity of April 16, 2018.

On April 20, 2012 we made an investment of \$43,195 to purchase 71.1% of the LP Certificates in Symphony CLO IX, Ltd ("Symphony").

On May 8, 2012, SonicWALL, Inc. ("SonicWALL") repaid the \$23,000 loan receivable to us.

On May 17, 2012, we made an investment of \$50,000 in Archipelago Learning, Inc. ("Archipelago"), providers of educational software which deliver online curriculum and assessments to the U.S. educational market. The second lien note bears interest in cash at the greater of 11.25% or Libor plus 9.75% and has a final maturity of May 17, 2019.

On May 21, 2012, we made a follow-on investment of \$10,500 in Stauber Performance Ingredients, Inc ("Stauber"). The first lien note bears interest in cash at the greater of 10.5% or Libor plus 7.5% and has a final maturity of May 21, 2017.

On May 31, 2012, Copernicus repaid the remaining \$17,596 loan receivable to us and we received \$2,562 for our preferred stock positions, resulting in a realized gain of \$2,283.

On June 1, 2012, we made a senior secured second lien investment of \$17,500 in Southern Management Corporation ("SMC"). The second lien note bears interest in cash at 12.0% and interest in kind of 5.0% and has a final maturity of May 31, 2017.

On June 1, 2012, we sold our membership interests in C&J for \$4,000, recognizing a realized gain of \$3,420 on the sale, and received an advisory fee of \$1,500.

On June 7, 2012, we provided \$51,100 of senior secured financing to Naylor, LLC ("Naylor"), an outsourced provider of media and communications services to professional, trade and interest associations, of which \$48,600 was funded at closing. The first lien notes bear interest in cash at the greater of 11.0% or Libor plus 8.0% and has a final maturity of June 7, 2017.

On June 7, 2012, we made an investment of \$27,449 to purchase 73.6% of the unrated subordinated notes in Babson CLO Ltd. 2012-IIA ("Babson 2012-IIA").

On June 14, 2012, we made an investment of \$18,723 to purchase 52.7% of the subordinated notes in Apidos CLO IX ("Apidos IX").

On June 15, 2012, we acquired 80.1% of the businesses of First Tower LLC ("First Tower") for \$110,200 in cash and 14,518,207 unregistered shares of our common stock. Based on our share price of \$11.06 at the time of issuance, we acquired our 80.1% interest in First Tower for approximately \$270,771. As consideration for our investment, First Tower Holdings of Delaware LLC ("First Tower Delaware"), which is 100% owned by us, recorded a secured revolving credit facility to us of \$244,760 and equity of \$43,193. First Tower Delaware owns 80.1% of First Tower Holdings LLC, the holding company of First Tower. The assets of First Tower acquired include, among other things, the subsidiaries owned by First Tower, which hold finance receivables, leaseholds, and tangible property

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associated with First Tower's businesses. We received \$8,075 in structuring fee income as part of the acquisition.

On June 15, 2012, we exited our investment in Nupla for a sales price of \$6,850. After payment of expenses, including accumulated managerial assistance of \$450 paid to our Administrator and a \$1,500 structuring fee paid to us, the proceeds were applied to repayment of the loans receivable to us, resulting in a realized gain of \$2,907, as this loan was acquired in the Patriot Capital acquisition at a discount to the par amount outstanding.

On June 22, 2012, we made an investment of \$25,810 to purchase 51.0% of the subordinated notes in Madison Park Funding IX, Ltd ("Madison IX").

On June 29, 2012, Sport Helmets repaid the \$17,556 loan receivable to us. We recognized \$2,585 of accelerated purchase discount accretion in the quarter ended June 30, 2012.

Equity Issuance

On June 1, 2012, we and KeyBanc Capital Markets Inc. entered into an equity distribution agreement relating to sales by us through KeyBanc Capital Markets, by means of at-the-market offerings from time to time, of up to 9,500,000 shares of our common stock (the "ATM Program"). During the period from June 7, 2012 to June 30, 2012, we sold 2,952,489 shares of our common stock at an average price of \$11.22 per share, and raised \$33,130 of gross proceeds, under the ATM Program. Net proceeds were \$32,615 after 1% commission to the broker-dealer on shares sold and offering costs.

On April 20, 2012, May 24, 2012 and June 22, 2012, we issued 85,063, 81,773 and 72,407 shares of our common stock in connection with the dividend reinvestment plan, respectively.

Dividend

On May 7, 2012, we announced the declaration of monthly dividends in the following amounts and with the following dates:

\$0.101525 per share for May 2012 to holders of record on May 31, 2012 with a payment date of June 22, 2012;

\$0.101550 per share for June 2012 to holders of record on June 29, 2012 with a payment date of July 24, 2012; and

\$0.101575 per share for July 2012 to holders of record on July 31, 2012 with a payment date of August 24, 2012; and

\$0.10160 per share for August 2012 to holders of record on August 31, 2012 with a payment date of September 21, 2012.

Credit Facility

On April 4, 2012, April 17, 2012, June 8, 2012 and June 13, 2012 we closed increases to our commitments to our credit facility of \$15,000, \$57,500, \$5,000 and \$5,000, respectively. Total commitments to the credit facility were \$492,500 as of June 30, 2012.

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Debt Issuance

During the quarter ended June 30, 2012, we issued \$15,173 in aggregate principal amount of our Prospect Capital InterNotes® for net proceeds of approximately \$14,857, as follows:

Date of Issuance	Amount	Interest Rate	Maturity Date
April 5, 2012	\$ 4,000	6.85%	April 15, 2022
April 12, 2012	2,462	6.70%	April 15, 2022
April 26, 2012	2,054	6.50%	April 15, 2022
June 14, 2012	2,657	6.95%	June 15, 2022
June 28, 2012	4,000	6.55%	June 15, 2019

On April 16, 2012, we issued \$130,000 in aggregate principal amount of 5.375% senior convertible notes due 2017 (the "2017 Notes") for net proceeds following underwriting expenses of approximately \$126,035. Other than the coupon and maturity date, the 2017 Notes have terms that are substantially similar to the terms of our 5.50% senior convertible notes due 2016 (the "2016 Notes").

On May 1, 2012, we issued \$100,000 in aggregate principal amount of 6.95% senior unsecured notes due 2022 for net proceeds net of offering expenses of approximately \$96,800 (the "2022 Notes").

Patriot Acquisition

On December 2, 2009, we acquired the outstanding shares of Patriot Capital Funding, Inc. ("Patriot") common stock for \$201,083. Under the terms of the merger agreement, Patriot common shareholders received 0.363992 shares of our common stock for each share of Patriot common stock, resulting in 8,444,068 shares of common stock being issued by us. In connection with the transaction, we repaid all the outstanding borrowings of Patriot, in compliance with the merger agreement.

The fair value of Patriot's investments was determined by the Board of Directors in conjunction with an independent valuation agent. This valuation resulted in a purchase price of \$207,126 which was \$98,150 below the amortized cost of such investments. During the year ended June 30, 2012, we recognized \$6,613 of interest income due to purchase discount accretion from the assets acquired from Patriot. Included in the \$6,613 is \$3,083 of normal accretion and \$3,530 of accelerated accretion resulting from the repayment of Mac & Massey, Nupla, ROM and Sport Helmets.

During the year ended June 30, 2011, we recognized \$22,084 of interest income due to purchase discount accretion from the assets acquired from Patriot. Included in the \$22,084 is \$4,912 of normal accretion, \$12,035 of accelerated accretion resulting from the repayment of Impact Products, LLC ("Impact Products"), Label Corp Holdings Inc ("Label Corp") and Prince Mineral Company, Inc. ("Prince") and \$4,968 of accelerated accretion resulting from the recapitalization of our debt investments in Arrowhead General Insurance Agency, Inc. ("Arrowhead"), Copernicus, Fischbein, LLC ("Fischbein") and Northwestern Management Services, LLC ("Northwestern"). The restructured loans for Arrowhead, Copernicus, Fischbein and Northwestern were issued at market terms comparable to other industry transactions. In accordance with ASC 320-20-35 the cost basis of the new loan was recorded at par value, which precipitated the acceleration of original purchase discount from the loan repayment which was recognized as interest income.

During the period from the acquisition of Patriot on December 2, 2009 to June 30, 2010, we recognized \$18,795 of interest income due to purchase discount accretion from the assets acquired from Patriot. Included in this amount \$4,579 of normal accretion and \$14,216 of accelerated accretion resulting from the early repayments of four loans, three revolving lines of credit, sale of one investment position and restructuring of our loans to Aircraft Fasteners International, LLC ("AFI"), EXL Acquisition Corp. ("EXL"), LHC Holdings Corp. ("LHC"), Prince, ROM Acquisition Corporation ("ROM"). The revised terms were more favorable than the original terms and increased the present

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value of the future cash flows. In accordance with ASC 320-20-35 the cost basis of the new loans were recorded at par value, which precipitated the acceleration of original purchase discount from the loan repayment which was recognized as interest income.

Investment Holdings

As of June 30, 2012, we continue to pursue our investment strategy. In May 2007, we changed our name to "Prospect Capital Corporation" and terminated our policy to invest at least 80% of our net assets in energy companies. Since that time, we have reduced our exposure to the energy industry, and our holdings in the energy and energy related industries now represent less than 20% of our investment portfolio.

At June 30 2012, approximately \$2,094,221 or 138.5% of our net assets are invested in 82 long-term portfolio investments and 7.8% of our net assets invested in money market funds.

During the year ended June 30, 2012, we originated \$1,115,012 of new investments. Our origination efforts are focused primarily on secured lending, to reduce the risk in the portfolio, investing primarily in first lien loans, and subordinated notes in CLOs, though we also continue to close selected junior debt and equity investments. In addition to targeting investments senior in corporate capital structures with our new originations, we have also increased our origination business mix of third party private equity sponsor owned companies, which tend to have more third party equity capital supporting our debt investments than non-sponsor transactions. Our performing loan's annualized current yield increased from 12.8% as of June 30, 2011 to 13.6% as of June 30, 2012 across all long-term investments. This increase in yield is primarily due to the acquisition of First Tower. Excluding our loans to First Tower, our annualized current yield would have been 12.5% as of June 30, 2012. We expect Prospect's current asset yield may continue to decline modestly as we continue to reduce credit risk. Generally, we have seen a decrease in interest rates on first lien loans issued during our fiscal years ended June 30, 2011 and June 30, 2012 in comparison to the rates in effect at June 30, 2010 along with the effects from reducing the percentage level of second lien loans. Monetization of other equity positions that we hold is not included in this yield calculation. In many of our portfolio companies we hold equity positions, ranging from minority interests to majority stakes, which we expect over time to contribute to our investment returns. Some of these equity positions include features such as contractual minimum internal rates of returns, preferred distributions, flip structures and other features expected to generate additional investment returns, as well as contractual protections and preferences over junior equity, in addition to the yield and security offered by our cash flow and collateral debt protections.

We classify our investments by level of control. As defined in the 1940 Act, control investments are those where there is the ability or power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of a company. Control is generally deemed to exist when a company or individual possesses or has the right to acquire within 60 days or less, a beneficial ownership of 25% or more of the voting securities of an investee company. Affiliated investments and affiliated companies are defined by a lesser degree of influence and are deemed to exist through the possession outright or via the right to acquire within 60 days or less, beneficial ownership of 5% or more of the outstanding voting securities of another person.

As of June, 2012, we own controlling interests in AIRMALL USA, Inc. ("AIRMALL"), Ajax Rolled Ring & Machine, Inc. ("Ajax"), AWCNC, LLC, Borgia, Inc., Energy Solutions Holdings, Inc. ("Energy Solutions"), First Tower, Integrated Contract Services, Inc. ("ICS"), Manx Energy, Inc. ("Manx"), NMMB Holdings, Inc. ("NMMB"), R-V Industries, Inc. ("R-V") and Wolf Energy Holdings, Inc. ("Wolf"). We also own an affiliated interest in BNN Holdings Corp. f/k/a Biotronic NeuroNetwork ("Biotronic"), Boxercraft Incorporated ("Boxercraft") and Smart, LLC.

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The following is a summary of our investment portfolio by level of control at June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011, respectively:

Level of Control	June 30, 2012				June 30, 2011			
	Cost	Percent of Portfolio	Fair Value	Percent of Portfolio	Cost	Percent of Portfolio	Fair Value	Percent of Portfolio
Control	\$ 518,015	24.7%	\$ 564,489	27.0%	\$ 262,301	18.3%	\$ 310,072	21.2%
Affiliate	44,229	2.1%	46,116	2.2%	56,833	4.0%	72,337	4.9%
Non-control/Non-affiliate	1,537,069	73.2%	1,483,616	70.8%	1,116,600	77.7%	1,080,601	73.9%
Total Portfolio	\$ 2,099,313	100.0%	\$ 2,094,221	100.0%	\$ 1,435,734	100.0%	\$ 1,463,010	100.0%

The following is our investment portfolio presented by type of investment at June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011, respectively:

Type of Investment	June 30, 2012				June 30, 2011			
	Cost	Percent of Portfolio	Fair Value	Percent of Portfolio	Cost	Percent of Portfolio	Fair Value	Percent of Portfolio
Revolving Line of Credit	\$ 1,145	0.1%	\$ 868	0.0%	\$ 7,144	0.5%	\$ 7,278	0.5%
Senior Secured Debt	1,138,991	54.3%	1,080,053	51.6%	822,582	57.3%	789,981	54.0%
Subordinated Secured Debt	544,363	25.9%	488,113	23.3%	491,188	34.2%	448,675	30.7%
Subordinated Unsecured Debt	72,617	3.5%	73,195	3.5%	54,687	3.8%	55,336	3.8%
CLO Debt	27,258	1.3%	27,717	1.3%		%		%
CLO Residual Interest	214,559	10.2%	218,009	10.4%		%		%
Preferred Stock	31,323	1.5%	29,155	1.4%	31,979	2.2%	25,454	1.7%
Common Stock	61,459	2.9%	137,198	6.6%	19,865	1.4%	116,076	7.9%
Membership Interests	5,437	0.2%	13,844	0.7%	6,128	0.4%	15,392	1.1%
Overriding Royalty Interests		%	1,623	0.1%		%	2,168	0.1%
Escrows Receivable		%	17,686	0.8%		%		%
Warrants	2,161	0.1%	6,760	0.3%	2,161	0.2%	2,650	0.2%
Total Portfolio	\$ 2,099,313	100.0%	\$ 2,094,221	100.0%	\$ 1,435,734	100.0%	\$ 1,463,010	100.0%

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The following is our investments in debt securities presented by type of security at June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011, respectively:

Level of Control	June 30, 2012				June 30, 2011			
	Cost	Percent of Debt Securities	Fair Value	Percent of Debt Securities	Cost	Percent of Debt Securities	Fair Value	Percent of Debt Securities
First Lien	\$ 1,147,599	64.3%	\$ 1,088,887	65.2%	\$ 902,031	65.6%	\$ 854,975	65.7%
Second Lien	536,900	30.1%	480,147	28.7%	418,883	30.5%	390,959	30.0%
Unsecured	72,617	4.1%	73,195	4.4%	54,687	4.0%	55,336	4.3%
CLO Debt	27,258	1.5%	27,717	1.7%		%		%
Total Debt Securities	\$ 1,784,374	100.0%	\$ 1,669,946	100.0%	\$ 1,375,601	100.0%	\$ 1,301,270	100.0%

The following is our investment portfolio presented by geographic location of the investment at June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011, respectively:

Geographic Location	June 30, 2012				June 30, 2011			
	Cost	Percent of Portfolio	Fair Value	Percent of Portfolio	Cost	Percent of Portfolio	Fair Value	Percent of Portfolio
Canada	\$ 15,134	0.7%	\$ 17,040	0.8%	\$ 74,239	5.2%	\$ 75,207	5.1%
Cayman Islands	241,817	11.5%	245,726	11.7%		%		%
Ireland	14,918	0.7%	15,000	0.7%	14,908	1.0%	15,000	1.0%
Midwest US	427,430	20.4%	377,139	18.0%	358,540	25.0%	340,251	23.4%
Northeast US	293,181	14.0%	313,437	15.0%	242,039	16.9%	234,628	16.0%
Southeast US	642,984	30.6%	634,945	30.4%	234,528	16.3%	208,226	14.2%
Southwest US	193,627	9.2%	234,433	11.2%	189,436	13.2%	266,004	18.2%
Western US	270,222	12.9%	256,501	12.2%	322,044	22.4%	323,694	22.1%
Total Portfolio	\$ 2,099,313	100.0%	\$ 2,094,221	100.0%	\$ 1,435,734	100.0%	\$ 1,463,010	100.0%

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The following is our investment portfolio presented by industry sector of the investment at June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011, respectively:

Industry	June 30, 2012				June 30, 2011			
	Cost	Percent of Portfolio	Fair Value	Percent of Portfolio	Cost	Percent of Portfolio	Fair Value	Percent of Portfolio
Aerospace and Defense	\$ 56	%		%	56	%	35	%
Automobile / Auto Finance	32,806	1.6%	32,478	1.6%	41,924	2.9%	42,444	2.9%
Biomass Power(1)		%		%	2,540	0.2%		%
Business Services	3,164	0.2%	3,288	0.2%	6,604	0.5%	6,787	0.5%
Chemicals	58,104	2.8%	58,104	2.8%	25,277	1.8%	25,277	1.7%
Commercial Services	80,418	3.8%	80,407	3.8%	34,625	2.4%	34,625	2.4%
Consumer Finance	305,521	14.6%	305,521	14.6%		%		%
Consumer Services	146,335	7.0%	147,809	7.1%	68,286	4.8%	68,286	4.7%
Contracting	15,949	0.8%		%	18,220	1.3%	1,767	0.1%
Diversified Financial Services	260,219	12.3%	264,128	12.6%		%		%
Diversified / Conglomerate Service		%	35	%		%		%
Durable Consumer Products	153,327	7.3%	152,862	7.3%	141,779	9.9%	144,362	9.9%
Ecological	141	%	240	%	141	%	194	%
Electronics		%	144	%	588	%	1,374	0.1%
Energy(1)	63,245	3.0%	126,868	6.1%		%		%
Food Products	101,975	4.9%	96,146	4.5%	144,503	10.1%	146,498	10.0%
Gas Gathering and Processing(1)		%		%	42,003	2.9%	105,406	7.2%
Healthcare	141,990	6.8%	143,561	6.9%	156,396	10.9%	163,657	11.2%
Home and Office Furnishings, Housewares and Durable		%		%	1,916	0.1%	6,109	0.4%
Insurance	83,461	4.0%	83,461	4.0%	86,850	6.0%	87,448	6.0%
Machinery	4,684	0.2%	6,485	0.3%	13,179	0.9%	13,171	0.9%
Manufacturing	95,191	4.5%	127,127	6.1%	114,113	7.9%	136,039	9.3%
Media	165,866	7.9%	161,843	7.7%	121,302	8.4%	121,300	8.3%
Metal Services and Minerals		%		%	580	%	4,699	0.3%
Mining, Steel, Iron and Non-Precious Metals and Coal Production(1)		%		%	1,448	0.1%		%
Oil and Gas Equipment Services	7,188	0.3%	7,391	0.4%		%		%
Oil and Gas Production	130,928	6.2%	38,993	1.9%	124,662	8.7%	70,923	4.8%
Oilfield Fabrication		%		%	23,076	1.6%	23,076	1.6%
Personal and Nondurable Consumer Products	39,351	1.8%	39,968	1.9%	15,147	1.1%	23,403	1.6%
Production Services	268	%	2,040	0.1%	14,387	1.0%	15,357	1.0%
Property Management	51,770	2.5%	47,982	2.2%	52,420	3.7%	51,726	3.5%
Retail	63	%	129	%	14,669	1.0%	145	%
Shipping Vessels(1)		%		%	11,303	0.8%	3,079	0.2%
Software & Computer Services	53,908	2.6%	54,711	2.6%	37,890	2.7%	38,000	2.7%
Specialty Minerals	37,732	1.8%	44,562	2.1%	30,169	2.1%	34,327	2.3%
Textiles and Leather	15,123	0.7%	17,161	0.8%	12,931	0.9%	15,632	1.1%
Transportation	50,530	2.4%	50,777	2.4%	76,750	5.3%	77,864	5.3%
Total Portfolio	\$ 2,099,313	100.0%	\$ 2,094,221	100.0%	\$ 1,435,734	100.0%	\$ 1,463,010	100.0%

(1) During the quarter ended December 31, 2011, our ownership of Change Clean Energy Holdings, Inc. ("CCEHI") and Change Clean Energy, Inc. ("CCEI"), Freedom Marine Holdings, LLC ("Freedom Marine") and Yatesville Coal Holdings, Inc. ("Yatesville") was transferred to Energy Solutions to consolidate all of our energy holdings under one management team.

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Portfolio Investment Activity

During the year ended June 30, 2012, we acquired \$1,000,885 of new investments, completed follow-on investments in existing portfolio companies, totaling approximately \$112,627, funded \$1,500 of revolver advances, and recorded PIK interest of \$5,647, resulting in gross investment originations of \$1,120,659. The more significant of these investments are described briefly in the following:

On July 1, 2011, we made a senior secured follow-on investment of \$2,300 in Boxercraft to support the acquisition of Jones & Mitchell, a supplier of college-licensed apparel. The first lien note bears interest in cash at Libor plus 7.50% and has a final maturity on September 16, 2013.

On July 8, 2011, we made a senior secured investment of \$39,000 to support the recapitalization of Totes Isotoner Corporation ("Totes"). The second lien note bears interest in cash at the greater of 10.75% or Libor plus 9.25% and has a final maturity on January 8, 2018.

On August 5, 2011 and September 7, 2011, we made senior secured follow-on investments of \$3,850 and \$11,800, respectively, in ROM to support the acquisitions of Havis Lighting Solutions, a supplier of products primarily used by emergency response and police vehicles, and the acquisition of a leading manufacturer of personal safety products for the transportation and industrial markets. The first lien notes bear interest in cash at the greater of 10.50% or Libor plus 9.50% and have a final maturity on May 8, 2013.

On August 9, 2011, we provided a \$15,000 term loan to support the acquisition of Nobel Learning Communities, Inc., a leading national operator of private schools. The unsecured note bears interest in cash at 11.50% and interest in kind of 1.50% and has a final maturity on August 9, 2017.

On August 9, 2011, we made an investment of \$32,116 to purchase 66.2% of the unrated subordinated notes in Babson CLO Ltd 2011-I.

On September 16, 2011, we acted as the facility agent and lead lender of a syndication of lenders that collectively provided \$132,000 in senior secured financing to support the financing of Capstone Logistics, LLC ("Capstone"), a leading logistics company. This company provides a broad array of logistics services to a diverse group of blue chip customers in the grocery, food service, retail, and specialty automotive industries. As of June 30, 2012 our investment is \$75,418 structured as \$33,793 of Term Loan A and \$41,625 of Term Loan B first lien notes. After the financing, we received repayment of the loan that was outstanding for Progressive Logistics Services, LLC. The Term Loan A notes bear interest in cash at the greater of 7.50% or Libor plus 5.50% and have a final maturity on September 16, 2016. The Term Loan B notes bear interest in cash at the greater of 13.50% or Libor plus 11.50% and have a final maturity on September 16, 2016.

On September 30, 2011, we provided a \$23,000 senior secured loan to support the recapitalization of Anchor Hocking, LLC ("Anchor Hocking"), a leading designer, manufacturer, and marketer of high quality glass products for the retail, food service, and OEM channels. The second lien note bears interest in cash at the greater of 10.50% or Libor plus 9.00% and has a final maturity on September 27, 2016.

On October 13, 2011 and October 19, 2011, we made investments of \$9,319 and \$1,358, respectively, to purchase 32.9% of the unrated subordinated notes to Apidos CLO VIII, Ltd ("Apidos VIII").

On October 24, 2011, we made a secured second lien investment of \$6,000 in Renaissance Learning, Inc., a leading provider of technology based school improvement and student assessment programs. The second lien loan bears interest in cash at the greater of 12.0% or Libor plus 10.50% and has a final maturity on October 19, 2018.

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On October 28, 2011, we made a follow-on investment of \$8,200 in Empire Today, LLC. The follow-on first lien note bears interest in cash at 11.375% and has a final maturity on February 1, 2017.

On November 4, 2011, we made a secured second lien investment of \$15,000 to support the acquisition of Injured Workers Pharmacy, LLC, a specialty pharmacy services company, in a private equity backed transaction. The secured loan bears interest in cash at the greater of 12.0% or Libor plus 7.50% and has a final maturity on November 4, 2017.

On December 2, 2011, we made a secured second-lien follow-on investment of \$7,500 to American Gilsonite Company ("American Gilsonite") for a dividend recapitalization. After the financing, we received a \$1,383 dividend as a result of our equity holdings in American Gilsonite. The second lien note bears interest in cash at the greater of 12.0% or Libor plus 10.0% and interest in kind of 2.5% and has a final maturity on March 10, 2016.

On December 22, 2011, we made a secured first lien investment of \$31,083 to VanDeMark Chemicals, Inc ("VanDeMark"), a specialty chemical manufacturer. The secured loan bears interest in cash at the greater of 12.2% or Libor plus 10.2% and has a final maturity on December 31, 2014.

On December 22, 2011, we made an investment of \$17,900 to purchase 13.2% of the secured Class D Notes and 86.0% of the unsecured Class E Notes in CIFIC Funding 2011-I, Ltd ("CIFIC"). The \$2,500 secured Class D Notes bear interest in cash at Libor plus 5.0% and have a final maturity date on January 19, 2023. The \$15,400 unsecured Class E Notes bear interest in cash at Libor plus 7.0% and have a final maturity on January 19, 2023.

On December 28, 2011, we made a secured first-lien follow-on investment of \$4,750 in Energy Solutions in order to facilitate the acquisition of a new vessel by Vessel Holdings LLC, a subsidiary of Freedom Marine. We invested \$1,250 of equity in Energy Solutions and \$3,500 of debt to Vessel Holdings LLC. The first lien note bears interest in cash at 18.0% and has a final maturity of December 12, 2016.

On December 28, 2011, we made a secured debt investment of \$10,000 to support the acquisition of Hoffmaster Group, Inc. After the financing we received a repayment of the loan that was previously outstanding. The \$10,000 second lien note bears interest in cash at the greater of 11.0% or Libor plus 9.50% and has a final maturity date of January 3, 2019.

On December 28, 2011, we made a secured debt investment of \$37,218 to support the recapitalization of NRG. After the financing, we received repayment of the \$13,080 loan that was previously outstanding and a dividend of \$6,711 as a result of our equity holdings. In addition, we sold 392 shares of NRG common stock for \$13,266, realizing a gain of \$12,131. Our remaining 408 shares of NRG common stock held by us were sold back to NRG on February 2, 2012. The secured first lien note bears interest at 15.0% and has a final maturity on December 27, 2016.

On December 30, 2011, we provided \$8,000 of senior secured debt to Hi-Tech Testing Service, Inc. and Wilson Inspection X-Ray Services, Inc, a provider of non-destructive testing services to detect leaks and other defects in pipes, vessels, and related equipment for the oil and gas pipeline, chemical and paper and pulp industries. The secured note bears interest in cash at 11.0% and has a final maturity on September 26, 2016.

On January 12, 2012, we made a follow-on investment of \$16,500 to purchase 86.8% of the secured Class D Notes in CIFIC. The secured Class D Notes bear interest in cash at Libor plus 5.0% and have a final maturity date on January 19, 2023.

On January 17, 2012, we provided \$18,332 of secured second-lien financing to National Bankruptcy Solutions, LLC, a financial services processing company purchased by a leading private

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equity sponsor. The second lien note bears interest in cash at the greater of 12.00% or Libor plus 9.0% and interest in kind of 1.50% and has a final maturity of July 17, 2017.

On February 10, 2012, we provided \$15,000 of secured second-lien financing to Rocket Software, Inc., a leading global infrastructure software company. The second lien note bears interest in cash at the greater of 10.25% or Libor plus 8.75% and has a final maturity of February 8, 2019.

On February 15, 2012, we provided \$25,000 of secured second-lien financing to Blue Coat Systems, Inc., a leading provider of Web security and wide area network (WAN) optimization solutions. The second lien note bears interest in cash at the greater of 11.50% or Libor plus 10.0% and has a final maturity of August 15, 2018.

On February 24, 2012, we made a follow-on investment of \$7,856 to purchase 23.9% of the unrated subordinated notes to Apidos VIII.

On February 28, 2012, we made a senior secured follow-on investment of \$9,500 in Clearwater Seafoods LP ("Clearwater") to finance the repayment of a senior secured note due to mature in 2012 and settle outstanding claims senior to our own investment. The second lien note bears interest in cash at 12.00% and has a final maturity of February 4, 2016.

On February 29, 2012, we provided \$15,000 of secured second-lien financing to Focus Brands, Inc., a leading franchiser and operator of restaurants, cafes, ice cream stores and retail bakeries. The second lien note bears interest in cash at the greater of 10.25% or Libor plus 9.00% and has a final maturity on August 21, 2018.

On March 1, 2012, we made a senior secured follow-on investment of \$27,500 in SG Acquisition Inc. ("Safe-Guard") to support a recapitalization. As of June 30, 2012, our investment is \$26,367 structured as \$12,686 of Term Loan C and \$13,681 of Term Loan D first lien notes. The Term Loan C note bears interest in cash at the greater of 8.50% or Libor plus 6.50% and has a final maturity of March 18, 2016. The Term Loan D notes bears interest in cash at the greater of 14.50% or Libor plus 12.50% and has a final maturity of March 18, 2016.

On March 14, 2012, we made an investment of \$26,569 to purchase 74.4% of the unrated subordinated notes in Babson CLO Ltd 2012-I.

On March 27, 2012, we provided \$12,500 of senior secured financing to IDQ Holdings, Inc., a manufacturer of a refrigerant refill kit for automobile air conditioners. The senior secured note bears interest in cash at 11.50% and has a final maturity of April 1, 2017.

On April 2, 2012 we made an investment of \$22,000 to purchase 51.2% of the subordinated notes in Galaxy.

On April 16, 2012, we made a senior secured debt investment of \$15,000 to support the acquisition of Nixon, a designer and distributor of watches and accessories. The first lien note bears interest in cash at 8.75% and interest in kind of 2.75% and has a final maturity of April 16, 2018.

On April 20, 2012 we made an investment of \$43,195 to purchase 71.1% of the LP Certificates in Symphony.

On May 17, 2012, we made an investment of \$50,000 in Archipelago, providers of educational software which deliver online curriculum and assessments to the U.S. educational market. The second lien note bears interest in cash at the greater of 11.25% or Libor plus 9.75% and has a final maturity of May 17, 2019.

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On May 21, 2012, we made a follow-on investment of \$10,500 in Stauber. The first lien note bears interest in cash at the greater of 10.5% or Libor plus 7.5% and has a final maturity of May 21, 2017.

On June 1, 2012, we made a senior secured second lien investment of \$17,500 in SMC. The second lien note bears interest in cash at 12.0% and interest in kind of 5.0% and has a final maturity of May 31, 2017.

On June 7, 2012, we provided \$51,100 of senior secured financing to Naylor, an outsourced provider of media and communications services to professional, trade and interest associations, of which \$48,600 was funded at closing. The first lien notes bear interest in cash at the greater of 11.0% or Libor plus 8.0% and has a final maturity of June 7, 2017.

On June 7, 2012, we made an investment of \$27,449 to purchase 73.6% of the unrated subordinated notes in Babson 2012-IIA.

On June 14, 2012, we made an investment of \$18,723 to purchase 52.7% of the subordinated notes in Apidos IX.

On June 15, 2012, we completed the acquisition of the businesses of First Tower. We acquired 80.1% of First Tower's businesses for \$110,200 in cash and 14,518,207 unregistered shares of our common stock. The first lien note bears interest at the greater of 18.50% or Libor plus 17.0% and has a final maturity of June 30, 2022.

On June 22, 2012, we made an investment of \$25,810 to purchase 51.0% of the subordinated notes in Madison IX.

During the year ended June 30, 2012, we closed-out fifteen positions which are briefly described below.

On October 31, 2011, IEC-Systems, LP/Advanced Rig Services, LLC ("IEC/ARS") repaid the \$20,909 loan receivable to us.

On November 21, 2011, we received an equity distribution from the sale of our shares of Fairchild Industrial Products, Co. ("Fairchild") common and preferred stock, realizing \$1,549 of gross proceeds and a total gain of \$960 on settlement of the investment.

On December 29, 2011, Iron Horse Coiled Tubing, Inc ("Iron Horse") repaid the \$11,338 loan receivable to us.

On December 30, 2011, we exited our investment in Mac & Massey Holdings, LLC ("Mac & Massey") and received \$10,239 for repayment of the \$9,323 loan receivable to us and monetization of our equity position, resulting in a realized gain of \$820. We recognized \$694 of accelerated purchase discount accretion in the quarter ended December 31, 2011.

On January 9, 2012, Arrowhead repaid the \$27,000 loan receivable to us.

On January 31, 2012, AFI repaid the \$7,441 loan receivable to us.

On February 2, 2012, NRG was sold to an outside buyer for \$123,258. In conjunction with the sale, the \$37,218 loan that was outstanding was repaid. We also received a \$26,936 make-whole fee for early repayment of the outstanding loan, which was recorded as interest income in the year ended June 30, 2012. Further, we received a \$3,800 advisory fee for the transaction, which was recorded as other income in the year ended June 30, 2012. After expenses, including the make whole and advisory fees discussed above, \$40,886 was available to be distributed to stockholders. While our 408 shares of NRG common stock represented 67.1% of the ownership, we received net proceeds of \$25,991 as our contribution to the escrow amount was proportionately higher than the other shareholders. In connection with the sales, we recognized a realized gain of \$24,810 in the

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results for year ended June 30, 2012. In total, we received proceeds of \$93,977 at closing. In addition, there is \$11,125 being held in escrow of which 80% is due to us upon release of the escrowed amounts. This will be recognized as additional gain when and if received.

On March 16, 2012, VPSI, Inc. repaid the \$16,958 loan receivable to us.

On March 23, 2012, Anchor Hocking repaid the \$20,444 loan receivable to us.

On March 30, 2012, ROM repaid the \$31,638 loan receivable to us.

On May 8, 2012, SonicWALL repaid the \$23,000 loan receivable to us.

On May 31, 2012, Copernicus repaid the remaining \$17,596 loan receivable to us and we received \$2,562 for our preferred stock positions, resulting in a realized gain of \$2,283.

On June 1, 2012, we sold our membership interests in C&J for \$4,000, recognizing a realized gain of \$3,420 on the sale, and received an advisory fee of \$1,500.

On June 15, 2012, we exited our investment in Nupla for a sales price of \$6,850. After payment of expenses, including accumulated managerial assistance of \$450 paid to our Administrator and a \$1,500 structuring fee paid to us, the proceeds were applied to repayment of the loans receivable to us, resulting in a realized gain of \$2,907, as this loan was acquired in the Patriot Capital acquisition at a discount to the par amount outstanding.

On June 29, 2012, Sport Helmets repaid the \$17,556 loan receivable to us. We recognized \$2,585 of accelerated purchase discount accretion in the quarter ended June 30, 2012.

During the year ended June 30, 2012, we also received principal amortization payments of \$23,923 on several loans, and \$38,418 of partial prepayments primarily related to AIRMALL, AFI, Ajax, Byrider Systems Acquisition Corp., Copernicus, EXL, Fischbein, Iron Horse, LHC, Nupla, Northwestern, Progrexion Holdings, Inc. ("Progrexion"), ROM, Seaton Corp. and Stauber Performance Ingredients, Inc.

During the year ended June 30, 2012, we recognized \$6,613 of interest income due to purchase discount accretion from the assets acquired from Patriot. Included in the \$6,613 is \$3,083 of normal accretion and \$3,530 of accelerated accretion resulting from the repayment of Mac & Massey, Nupla, ROM and Sport Helmets. We expect to recognize \$284 of normal accretion during the three months ended September 30, 2012.

During the year ended June 30, 2011, we recognized \$22,084 of interest income due to purchase discount accretion from the assets acquired from Patriot. Included in the \$22,084 is \$4,912 of normal accretion, \$12,035 of accelerated accretion resulting from the repayment of Impact Products, Label Corp and Prince, and \$4,968 of accelerated accretion resulting from the recapitalization of our debt investments in Arrowhead, Copernicus, Fischbein and Northwestern. The restructured loans for Arrowhead, Copernicus, Fischbein and Northwestern were issued at market terms comparable to other industry transactions. In accordance with ASC 320-20-35 the cost basis of the new loans were recorded at par value, which precipitated the acceleration of original purchase discount from the loan repayments which were recognized as interest income.

During the period from the acquisition of Patriot on December 2, 2009 to June 30, 2010, we recognized \$18,795 of interest income due to purchase discount accretion from the assets acquired from Patriot. Included in this amount is \$4,579 of normal accretion and \$14,216 of accelerated accretion resulting from the early repayments of four loans, three revolving lines of credit, sale of one investment position and restructuring of our loans to AFI, EXL, LHC, Prince and ROM. The revised terms were more favorable than the original terms and increased the present value of the future cash flows. In accordance with ASC 320-20-35 the cost basis of the new loans were recorded at par value, which precipitated the acceleration of original purchase discount from the loan repayment which was recognized as interest income.

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The following is a quarter-by-quarter summary of our investment activity:

Quarter-End	Acquisitions(1)	Dispositions(2)
June 30, 2012	\$ 573,314	\$ 146,292
March 31, 2012	170,073	188,399
December 31, 2011	154,697	120,206
September 30, 2011	222,575	46,055
June 30, 2011	312,301	71,738
March 31, 2011	359,152	78,571
December 31, 2010	140,933	67,405
September 30, 2010	140,951	68,148
June 30, 2010	88,973	39,883
March 31, 2010	59,311	26,603
December 31, 2009(3)	210,438	45,494
September 30, 2009	6,066	24,241
June 30, 2009	7,929	3,148
March 31, 2009	6,356	10,782
December 31, 2008	13,564	2,128
September 30, 2008	70,456	10,949
June 30, 2008	118,913	61,148
March 31, 2008	31,794	28,891
December 31, 2007	120,846	19,223
September 30, 2007	40,394	17,949
June 30, 2007	130,345	9,857
March 31, 2007	19,701	7,731
December 31, 2006	62,679	17,796
September 30, 2006	24,677	2,781
June 30, 2006	42,783	5,752
March 31, 2006	15,732	901
December 31, 2005		3,523
September 30, 2005	25,342	
June 30, 2005	17,544	
March 31, 2005	7,332	
December 31, 2004	23,771	32,083
September 30, 2004	30,371	
Since inception	\$ 3,249,313	\$ 1,157,677

(1) Includes new deals, additional fundings, refinancings and PIK interest.

(2) Includes scheduled principal payments, prepayments and refinancings.

(3) The \$210,438 of acquisitions for the quarter ended December 31, 2009 includes \$207,126 of portfolio investments acquired from Patriot.

Investment Valuation

In determining the fair value of our portfolio investments at June 30, 2012 the Audit Committee considered valuations from the independent valuation firm having an aggregate range of \$2,018,360 to \$2,190,139, excluding money market investments.

In determining the range of value for debt instruments, the independent valuation firm generally shadow rated the investment and then based upon the range of ratings, determined appropriate yields

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to maturity for a loan rated as such. A discounted cash flow analysis was then prepared using the appropriate yield to maturity as the discount rate, yielding the ranges. For equity investments, the enterprise value was determined by applying EBITDA multiples for similar recent investment sales. For stressed equity investments, a liquidation analysis was prepared.

The Board of Directors looked at several factors in determining where within the range to value the asset including: recent operating and financial trends for the asset, independent ratings obtained from third parties and comparable multiples for recent sales of companies within the industry. The composite of all these analysis, applied to each investment, was a total valuation of \$2,094,221, excluding money market investments.

Our portfolio companies are generally lower middle market companies, outside of the financial sector, with less than \$150,000 of annual EBITDA. We believe our market has experienced less volatility than others because we believe there are more buy and hold investors who own these less liquid investments.

Control investments offer increased risk and reward over straight debt investments. Operating results and changes in market multiples can result in dramatic changes in values from quarter to quarter. Significant downturns in operations can further result in our looking to recoveries on sales of assets rather than the enterprise value of the investment. Several control investments in our portfolio are under enhanced scrutiny by our senior management and our Board of Directors and are discussed below.

AIRMALL USA, Inc.

AIRMALL is a leading developer and manager of airport retail operations. AIRMALL has developed and presently manages all or substantially all of the retail operations and food and beverage concessions at Baltimore/Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport (BWI), Boston Logan International Airport (BOS), Cleveland Hopkins International Airport (CLE) and Pittsburgh International Airport (PIT). AIRMALL does so pursuant to long-term, infrastructure-like contracts with the respective municipal agencies that own and operate the airports.

On July 30, 2010, we invested \$52,420 of combined debt and equity as follows: \$30,000 senior term loan, \$12,500 senior subordinated note and \$9,920 preferred equity. We own 100% of AIRMALL's equity securities. AIRMALL's financial performance has been consistent since the acquisition and we continue to monitor the medium to long-term growth prospects for the company.

The Board of Directors decreased the fair value of our investment in AIRMALL to \$47,982 as of June 30, 2012, a discount of \$3,788 from its amortized cost, compared to the \$694 unrealized depreciation recorded at June 30, 2011.

Ajax Rolled Ring & Machine, Inc.

Ajax forges large seamless steel rings on two forging mills in the company's York, South Carolina facility. The rings are used in a range of industrial applications, including in construction equipment and power turbines. Ajax also provides machining and other ancillary services.

We acquired a controlling equity interest in Ajax in a recapitalization of Ajax that was closed on April 4, 2008. We funded \$22,000 of senior secured term debt, \$11,500 of subordinated term debt and \$6,300 of equity as of that closing. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010, we funded an additional \$3,530 of secured subordinated debt to refinance a third-party revolver provider and provide working capital. Ajax repaid \$3,461 of this secured subordinated debt during the quarter ended September 30, 2010. As of June 30, 2012, we control 78.01% of the fully-diluted common

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and preferred equity. The principal balance of our senior debt to Ajax was \$20,167 and new debt was \$15,035 as of June 30, 2012.

The Board of Directors increased the fair value of our investment in Ajax to \$52,410 as of June 30, 2012, a premium of \$11,151 from its amortized cost, compared to the \$7,822 unrealized depreciation recorded at June 30, 2011.

Energy Solutions Holdings Inc. (f/k/a Gas Solutions Holdings, Inc.)

Energy Solutions owns interests in other companies operating in the energy sector. These include operating offshore supply vessels and ownerships of a non-operating biomass plant and several coal mines. Energy Solutions subsidiaries formerly owned interests in a gas gathering and processing system in the East Texas.

In December 2011, we completed a reorganization of Gas Solutions Holdings, Inc. ("GSHI") renaming the company Energy Solutions and transferring ownership of other operating companies owned by us and operating within the energy industry with the intent of strategically expanding Energy Solutions operations across energy sectors. As part of the reorganization, we transferred our equity interests in CCEHI, CCEI, Freedom Marine and Yatesville to Energy Solutions. On December 28, 2011, we made a follow-on investment of \$4,750 to support the acquisition of a new vessel by Vessel Holdings LLC, a subsidiary of Freedom Marine.

On January 4, 2012, Energy Solutions sold its gas gathering and processing assets ("Gas Solutions") for a sale price of \$199,805, adjusted for the final working capital settlement, including a potential earnout of \$28,000 that will be paid based on the future performance of Gas Solutions. Our loans to and investment in Energy Solutions remain outstanding as Energy Solutions and will continue as a portfolio company of Prospect managing other energy-related subsidiaries. The cash balances of Energy Solutions continue to collateralize our loan positions.

In determining the value of Energy Solutions, we have utilized two valuation techniques to determine the value of the investment. Our Board of Directors has determined the value to be \$126,868 for our debt and equity positions at June 30, 2012 based upon a combination of a current value method for the cash balances of Energy Solutions and a liquidation analysis for our interests in CCEHI, CCEI, Freedom Marine and Yatesville. At June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011, Energy Solutions, including the underlying portfolio companies affected by the reorganization, was valued at \$63,623 and \$51,491 above its amortized cost, respectively. We received a distribution of \$33,250 from Energy Solutions which was recorded as dividend income during the quarter ended June 30, 2012.

First Tower Holdings of Delaware LLC

First Tower is a multiline specialty finance company based in Flowood, Mississippi with over 150 branch offices.

On June 15, 2012, we acquired 80.1% of First Tower's businesses for \$110,200 in cash and 14,518,207 unregistered shares of our common stock. Based on our share price of \$11.06 at the time of issuance, we acquired our 80.1% interest in First Tower for approximately \$270,771. As consideration for our investment, First Tower Holdings of Delaware, which is 100% owned by us, recorded a secured revolving credit facility to us of \$244,760 and equity of \$43,193. First Tower Delaware owns 80.1% of First Tower Holdings LLC, the holding company of First Tower. The assets of First Tower acquired include, among other things, the subsidiaries owned by First Tower, which hold finance receivables, leaseholds, and tangible property associated with First Tower's businesses. We received \$8,075 in structuring fee income as part of the acquisition.

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The Board of Directors set the fair value of our investment in First Tower to \$287,953 as of June 30, 2012, equal to its amortized cost.

Integrated Contract Services, Inc.

ICS is a company that was created to purchase the assets of ESA Environmental Specialists, Inc. ("ESA") out of bankruptcy in April 2007. ESA was a contract management company with core expertise in construction, environmental and engineering services and competed in the market for government contracts. Prior to January 2009, ICS owned the assets of ESA and 100% of the stock of The Healing Staff ("THS"). THS is a contractor focused on providing outsourced medical staffing solutions primarily to government agencies.

ESA originally defaulted under our contract governing our investment in ESA, prompting us to commence foreclosure actions with respect to certain ESA assets in respect of which we have a priority lien. In response to our actions, ESA filed voluntarily for reorganization under the bankruptcy code on August 1, 2007. On September 20, 2007, the U.S. Bankruptcy Court approved a Section 363 Asset Sale from ESA to us. To complete this transaction, we contributed our ESA debt to a newly-formed entity, ICS, and provided funds for working capital on October 9, 2007. In return for the ESA debt, we received senior secured debt in ICS of equal amount to our ESA debt, preferred stock of ICS, and 49% of the ICS common stock. ICS subsequently ceased operations and assigned the collateral back to us. ICS is in default of both payment and financial covenants. During September and October 2007, we provided \$1,170 to THS for working capital.

In January 2009, we foreclosed on the real and personal property of ICS. Through this foreclosure process, we gained 100% ownership of THS and certain ESA assets. THS provides outsourced medical staffing and security staffing services to governmental and commercial enterprises. In November 2009, THS was informed that the U.S. Air Force would not exercise its option to renew its contract. THS continues to solicit new contracts to replace the revenue lost when the Air Force contract ended. As part of its strategy to recovery from the loss of the Air Force contract, in 2010 THS started a new business, Vets Securing America, Inc. ("VSA"), to provide out-sourced security guards staffed primarily using retired military veterans. During the year ended June 30, 2011 and the six months ended December 31, 2011, we made follow-on secured debt investments of \$1,708 and \$874, respectively, to support the ongoing operations of THS and VSA. In early May 2012, we made short-term secured debt investments of \$118 and \$42, respectively, to support the operations of THS and VSA, which short term debt was repaid in early June 2012. There were no additional fundings during the six months ended June 30, 2012. In October 2011, we sold a building acquired from ESA for \$894. In January 2012, we received \$2,250 towards an ESA litigation settlement. The proceeds from both of these transactions were used to reduce the outstanding loan balance due to us. In May 2012, in connection with the implementation of accounts receivable based funding programs for THS and VSA with a third party provider we agreed to subordinate our first priority security interest in all of the accounts receivable and other assets of THS and VSA to the third party provider of that accounts receivable based funding.

Based upon an analysis of the liquidation value of the ESA assets and the enterprise value of THS/VSA, our Board of Directors determined the fair value of our investment in ICS to be zero at June 30, 2012, a reduction of \$15,949 from its amortized cost, compared to the \$16,453 unrealized loss recorded at June 30, 2011.

Manx Energy, Inc.

Manx was formed for the purpose of rolling up the assets of two existing Prospect portfolio companies, Coalbed, LLC ("Coalbed") and Appalachian Energy Holdings, LLC ("AEH"), bringing

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them under new management, restructuring the outstanding debt, and infusing additional capital to allow for future growth. Coalbed is the owner of 100% of the outstanding equity interests of Coalbed Pipelines, LLC and Coalbed Operator, LLC. Coalbed was formed in October 2009 to acquire our outstanding senior secured loan and assigned interests in Conquest Cherokee, LLC ("Conquest"). Conquest's assets consisted primarily of coalbed methane reserves in the Cherokee Basin. AEH was formed in 2006 and is the owner of 100% of the outstanding equity interests of East Cumberland L.L.C., a provider of outsourced mine site development and construction services for coal production companies operating in Southern Appalachia, and C&S Oilfield and Pipeline Construction, a provider of support services to companies engaged in the exploration and production of oil and natural gas.

On January 19, 2010, we modified the terms of our senior secured debt in AEH and Coalbed in conjunction with the formation of Manx, a new entity consisting of the assets of AEH, Coalbed and Kinley Exploration LLC. The assets of the three companies were combined under new common management. We funded \$2,800 at closing to Manx to provide for working capital. A portion of our loans to AEH and Coalbed was exchanged for Manx preferred equity, while our AEH equity interest was converted into Manx common stock. There was no change to fair value at the time of restructuring, and we continue to fully reserve any income accrued for Manx. During the year ended June 30, 2011, we made a follow-on secured debt investments of \$750 in Manx to support ongoing operations. On June 30, 2012, Manx assigned the membership interests of Coalbed and AEH to Wolf Energy Holdings, Inc. ("Wolf"), a newly-formed, separately owned holding company.

The Board of Directors decreased the fair value of our investment in Manx to zero as of June 30, 2012, a reduction of \$11,028 from its amortized cost, compared to the \$17,707 unrealized loss recorded at June 30, 2011.

Wolf Energy Holdings, Inc.

Wolf Energy Holdings, Inc. ("Wolf") is a holding company formed to hold 100% of the outstanding membership interests of each of Coalbed and AEH. The membership interests of Coalbed and AEH, which were previously owned by Manx, were assigned to Wolf effective June 30, 2012. The purpose of assignment was to remove those activities from Manx deemed non-core by the Manx convertible debt investors who were not interested in funding those operations. In addition, effective June 29, 2012 C&J Cladding Holding Company, Inc. ("C&J") merged with and into Wolf, with Wolf surviving. At the time of the merger, C&J held the remaining undistributed proceeds from the sale of its membership interests in C&J Cladding, LLC. The merger was effectuated in connection with the broader simplification of our energy investment holdings.

The Board of Directors set the fair value of our investment in Wolf to zero as of June 30, 2012, a reduction of \$7,991 from its amortized cost.

Equity positions in the portfolio are susceptible to potentially significant changes in value, both increases as well as decreases, due to changes in operating results. Two of our portfolio companies experienced such volatility due to improved operating results and experienced meaningful increases in valuation during the year ended June 30, 2012 Ajax and R-V. The valuation of Ajax increased due to improved operating results and emergent customer base. The value of our equity position in Ajax has increased to \$17,191 as of June 30, 2012, a premium of \$11,134 to its cost, compared to the \$6,057 unrealized loss recorded at June 30, 2011. The valuation of R-V has increased due to improved operating results. The value of our equity position in R-V has increased to \$23,856 as of June 30, 2012, a premium of \$17,087 to its cost, compared to the \$1,348 unrealized gain recorded at June 30, 2011. Six of the other controlled investments have been valued at discounts to the original investment. Four of

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the control investments are valued at the original investment amounts or higher. Overall, at June 30, 2012, the control investments are valued at \$46,474 above their amortized cost.

We hold three affiliate investments at June 30, 2012. The affiliate investments reported strong operating results with valuations remaining relatively consistent from June 30, 2011. Our equity investment in Biotronic experienced a decrease in valuation as in the prior year we anticipated that the company would be sold at a substantial premium to our cost basis. This sales process was discontinued during the year ended June 30, 2012 as the buyer and Biotronic could not agree to terms acceptable to each party. The value of our equity position in Biotronic has decreased to \$2,693 as of June 30, 2012, a discount of \$186 to its amortized cost, compared to the \$4,127 unrealized gain recorded at June 30, 2011. Overall, at June 30, 2012, affiliate investments are valued \$1,887 above their amortized cost.

With the Non-control/Non-affiliate investments, generally, there is less volatility related to our total investments because our equity positions tend to be smaller than with our control/affiliate investments, and debt investments are generally not as susceptible to large swings in value as equity investments. For debt investments, the fair value is limited on the high side to each loan's par value, plus any prepayment premia that could be imposed. Many of the debt investments in this category have not experienced a significant change in value, as they were previously valued at or near par value. The exception to this categorization relates to investments which were acquired in the Patriot Acquisition, many of which were acquired at significant discounts to par value, and any changes in operating results or interest rates can have a significant effect on the value of such investments. During the year ended June 30, 2012, our investment in Stryker Energy, LLC ("Stryker") experienced a decrease in valuation due to declining operating results and lower natural gas prices. The value of our investment in Stryker has decreased to \$1,623 as of June 30, 2012, a discount of \$31,088 to its amortized cost, compared to the \$6,706 unrealized loss recorded at June 30, 2011. The decrease was due primarily to a drop in natural gas prices during the year ended June 30, 2012. During the year ended June 30, 2012, our investment in H&M Oil & Gas, LLC ("H&M") also experienced a significant decrease in valuation due to declining operating results. The value of our investment in H&M has decreased to \$35,031 as of June 30, 2012, a discount of \$29,418 to its amortized cost, compared to the \$21,556 unrealized loss recorded at June 30, 2011. Other Non-control/Non-affiliate investments did not experience significant changes in valuation and are generally performing as expected or better than expected. Overall, at June 30, 2012, other Non-control/Non-affiliate investments are valued \$7,053 above their amortized cost, excluding our investments in H&M and Stryker.

Capitalization

Our investment activities are capital intensive and the availability and cost of capital is a critical component of our business. We capitalize our business with a combination of debt and equity. Our debt currently consists of a revolving credit facility availing us of the ability to borrow debt subject to borrowing base determinations and Senior Convertible Notes which we issued in December 2010, February 2011 and April 2012, Prospect Capital InterNotes®, which we may issue from time to time, and our equity capital, which is comprised entirely of common equity. The following table shows the Revolving Credit Facility, Senior Convertible Notes, Senior Unsecured Notes and InterNotes® amounts and outstanding borrowings at June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011:

	As of June 30, 2012		As of June 30, 2011	
	Maximum Draw Amount	Amount Outstanding	Maximum Draw Amount	Amount Outstanding
Revolving Credit Facility	\$ 492,500	\$ 96,000	\$ 325,000	\$ 84,200
Senior Convertible Notes	\$ 447,500	\$ 447,500	\$ 322,500	\$ 322,500
Senior Unsecured Notes	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$	\$
InterNotes®	\$ 20,638	\$ 20,638	\$	\$

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The following table shows the contractual maturity of our Revolving Credit Facility, Senior Convertible Notes, Senior Unsecured Notes and InterNotes® at June 30, 2012:

	Total	Payments Due by Period			After 5 Years
		Less than 1 year	1 - 3 Years	3 - 5 Years	
Revolving Credit Facility	\$ 96,000	\$	\$ 96,000	\$	\$
Senior Convertible Notes	447,500			317,500	130,000
Senior Unsecured Notes	100,000				100,000
InterNotes®	20,638				20,638
Total contractual obligations	\$ 664,138	\$	\$ 96,000	\$ 317,500	\$ 250,638

We have and expect to continue to fund a portion of our cash needs through borrowings from banks, issuances of senior securities, including secured, unsecured and convertible debt securities and preferred stock, or issuances of common equity. For flexibility, we maintain a universal shelf registration statement that allows for the public offering and sale of our debt securities, common stock, preferred stock and warrants to purchase such securities in an amount up to \$465,163 as of June 30, 2012. We may from time to time issue securities pursuant to the shelf registration statement or otherwise pursuant to private offerings. The issuance of debt or equity securities will depend on future market conditions, funding needs and other factors and there can be no assurance that any such issuance will occur or be successful.

Revolving Credit Facility

On June 11, 2010, we closed an extension and expansion of our existing credit facility with a syndicate of lenders through PCF (the "2010 Facility"). The 2010 Facility, which had \$325,000 total commitments as of June 30, 2011, included an accordion feature which allowed the Syndicated Facility to accept up to an aggregate total of \$400,000 of commitments, a limit which was met on September 1, 2011. Interest on borrowings under the 2010 Facility was one-month Libor plus 325 basis points, subject to a minimum Libor floor of 100 basis points. Additionally, the lenders charged a fee on the unused portion of the 2010 Facility equal to either 75 basis points if at least half of the credit facility is used or 100 basis points otherwise.

On March 27, 2012, we renegotiated the Syndicated Facility and closed on an expanded five-year \$650,000 revolving credit facility (the "2012 Facility"). The lenders have extended commitments of \$492,500 under the 2012 Facility as of June 30, 2012; which was increased by \$507,500 in July 2012 (See *Recent Developments*). The 2012 Facility includes an accordion feature which allows commitments to be increased up to \$650,000 in the aggregate. The revolving period of the 2012 Facility extends through March 2015, with an additional two year amortization period (with distributions allowed) after the completion of the revolving period. During such two year amortization period, all principal payments on the pledged assets will be applied to reduce the balance. At the end of the two year amortization period, the remaining balance will become due, if required by the lenders.

The 2012 Facility contains restrictions pertaining to the geographic and industry concentrations of funded loans, maximum size of funded loans, interest rate payment frequency of funded loans, maturity dates of funded loans and minimum equity requirements. The 2012 Facility also contains certain requirements relating to portfolio performance, including required minimum portfolio yield and limitations on delinquencies and charge-offs, violation of which could result in the early termination of the 2012 Facility. The 2012 Facility also requires the maintenance of a minimum liquidity requirement. At June 30, 2012, we were in compliance with the applicable covenants.

Interest on borrowings under the 2012 Facility is one-month Libor plus 275 basis points with no minimum Libor floor. Additionally, the lenders charge a fee on the unused portion of the 2012 Facility

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equal to either 50 basis points if at least half of the credit facility is drawn or 100 basis points otherwise. The 2012 Facility requires us to pledge assets as collateral in order to borrow under the credit facility. As of June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011, we had \$451,252 and \$255,673, respectively, available to us for borrowing under our 2012 Facility, of which the amount outstanding was \$96,000 and \$84,200, respectively. As additional investments that are eligible are transferred to PCF and pledged under the 2012 Facility, PCF will generate additional availability up to the commitment amount of \$492,500. At June 30, 2012, the investments used as collateral for the 2012 Facility had an aggregate market value of \$783,384, which represents 51.8% of our net assets. These assets have been transferred to PCF, a bankruptcy remote special purpose entity, which owns these investments and as such, these investments are not available to our general creditors. PCF holds all of these investments at market value as of June 30, 2012. The release of any assets from PCF requires the approval of the facility agent.

Concurrent with the extension of our 2012 Facility, in March 2012, we wrote off \$304 of the unamortized debt issue costs associated with the previous credit facility, in accordance with ASC 470-50, *Debt Modifications and Extinguishments*. In connection with the origination and amendments of the 2012 Facility, we incurred \$8,428 of fees, including \$1,319 of fees carried over from the previous facility, which are being amortized over the term of the facility in accordance with ASC 470-50, *Debt Modifications and Extinguishments*, of which \$8,722 remains to be amortized.

During the years ended June 30, 2012, June 30, 2011 and June 30, 2010, we recorded \$14,883, \$8,507 and \$8,382 of interest costs, unused fees and amortization of financing costs on our credit facility as interest expense, respectively.

Senior Convertible Notes

On December 21, 2010, we issued \$150,000 in aggregate principal amount of our 6.25% senior convertible notes due 2015 ("2015 Notes") for net proceeds following underwriting expenses of approximately \$145,200. Interest on the 2015 Notes is paid semi-annually in arrears on June 15 and December 15, at a rate of 6.25% per year, commencing June 15, 2011. The 2015 Notes mature on December 15, 2015 unless converted earlier. The 2015 Notes are convertible into shares of common stock at an initial conversion rate and conversion rate at June 30, 2012 of 88.0902 and 88.1030 shares of common stock, respectively, per \$1 principal amount of 2015 Notes, which is equivalent to a conversion price of approximately \$11.35 per share of common stock, subject to adjustment in certain circumstances. The conversion price in effect at June 30, 2012 was last calculated on the anniversary of the issuance (December 21, 2010) and will next be adjusted on the next anniversary, unless the exercise price shall have changed by more than 1% before the anniversary. The conversion rate for the 2015 Notes will be increased if monthly cash dividends paid to common shares exceed the rate of \$0.101125 cents per share, subject to adjustment.

On February 18, 2011, we issued \$172,500 in aggregate principal amount of our 5.50% senior convertible notes due 2016 ("2016 Notes") for net proceeds following underwriting expenses of approximately \$167,325. Interest on the 2016 Notes is paid semi-annually in arrears on February 15 and August 15, at a rate of 5.50% per year, commencing August 15, 2011. The 2016 Notes mature on August 15, 2016 unless converted earlier. The 2016 Notes are convertible into shares of common stock at an initial conversion rate and conversion rate at June 30, 2012 of 78.3699 and 78.3835 shares, respectively, of common stock per \$1 principal amount of 2016 Notes, which is equivalent to a conversion price of approximately \$12.76 per share of common stock, subject to adjustment in certain circumstances. The conversion price in effect at June 30, 2012 was last calculated on the anniversary of the issuance (February 18, 2011) and will next be adjusted on the next anniversary, unless the exercise price shall have changed by more than 1% before the anniversary. The conversion rate for the 2016 Notes will be increased when monthly cash dividends paid to common shares exceed the rate of \$0.101150 per share.

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On April 16, 2012, we issued \$130,000 in aggregate principal amount of our 5.375% senior convertible notes due 2017 ("2017 Notes") for net proceeds following underwriting expenses of approximately \$126,035. Interest on the 2017 Notes is paid semi-annually in arrears on October 15 and April 15, at a rate of 5.375% per year, commencing October 15, 2012. The 2017 Notes mature on October 15, 2017 unless converted earlier. The 2017 Notes are convertible into shares of common stock at an initial conversion rate and conversion rate at June 30, 2012 of 85.8442 shares of common stock per \$1 principal amount of 2017 Notes, which is equivalent to a conversion price of approximately \$11.65 per share of common stock, subject to adjustment in certain circumstances. The conversion price has not been adjusted since the issuance (April 16, 2012) and will next be adjusted on the first anniversary, unless the exercise price shall have changed by more than 1% before the anniversary. The conversion rate for the 2017 Notes will be increased when monthly cash dividends paid to common shares exceed the monthly dividend rate of \$0.10150 per share.

In no event will the total number of shares of common stock issuable upon conversion exceed 96.8992 per \$1 principal amount of the 2015 Notes (the "conversion rate cap"), except that, to the extent we receive written guidance or a no-action letter from the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Guidance") permitting us to adjust the conversion rate in certain instances without regard to the conversion rate cap and to make the 2015 Notes convertible into certain reference property in accordance with certain reclassifications, business combinations, asset sales and corporate events by us without regard to the conversion rate cap, we will make such adjustments without regard to the conversion rate cap and will also, to the extent that we make any such adjustment without regard to the conversion rate cap pursuant to the Guidance, adjust the conversion rate cap accordingly. We will use our commercially reasonable efforts to obtain such Guidance as promptly as practicable.

Prior to obtaining the Guidance, we will not engage in certain transactions that would result in an adjustment to the conversion rate increasing the conversion rate beyond what it would have been in the absence of such transaction unless we have engaged in a reverse stock split or share combination transaction such that in our reasonable best estimation, the conversion rate following the adjustment for such transaction will not be any closer to the conversion rate cap than it would have been in the absence of such transaction.

Upon conversion, unless a holder converts after a record date for an interest payment but prior to the corresponding interest payment date, the holder will receive a separate cash payment with respect to the Notes surrendered for conversion representing accrued and unpaid interest to, but not including the conversion date. Any such payment will be made on the settlement date applicable to the relevant conversion on the Senior Convertible Notes.

No holder of Senior Convertible Notes will be entitled to receive shares of our common stock upon conversion to the extent (but only to the extent) that such receipt would cause such converting holder to become, directly or indirectly, a beneficial owner (within the meaning of Section 13(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder) of more than 5.0% of the shares of our common stock outstanding at such time. The 5.0% limitation shall no longer apply following the effective date of any fundamental change. We will not issue any shares in connection with the conversion or redemption of the Notes which would equal or exceed 20% of the shares outstanding at the time of the transaction in accordance with NASDAQ rules.

Subject to certain exceptions, holders may require us to repurchase, for cash, all or part of their Notes upon a fundamental change at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Notes being repurchased plus any accrued and unpaid interest up to, but excluding, the fundamental change repurchase date. In addition, upon a fundamental change that constitutes a non-stock change of control we will also pay holders an amount in cash equal to the present value of all remaining interest payments (without duplication of the foregoing amounts) on such Senior Convertible Notes through and including the maturity date.

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In connection with the issuance of the Senior Convertible Notes, we incurred \$14,527 of fees which are being amortized over the term of the notes in accordance with ASC 470-50, *Debt Modifications and Extinguishments*, of which \$11,713 remains to be amortized and is included within deferred financing costs on the consolidated statements of assets and liabilities.

During the year ended June 30, 2012, we recorded \$22,197 of interest costs and amortization of financing costs on the Senior Convertible Notes as interest expense.

Senior Unsecured Notes

On May 1, 2012, we issued \$100,000 in aggregate principal amount of 6.95% senior unsecured notes due 2022 for net proceeds net of offering expenses of \$97,000 (the "2022 Notes"). Interest on the 2022 Notes is paid quarterly in arrears on August 15, November 15, February 15 and May 15, at a rate of 6.95% per year, commencing on August 15, 2012. The 2022 Notes mature on November 15, 2022. These notes will be our direct unsecured obligations and rank equally with all of our unsecured senior indebtedness from time to time outstanding.

In connection with the issuance of the 2022 Notes, we incurred \$3,200 of fees which are being amortized over the term of the notes in accordance with ASC 470-50, *Debt Modifications and Extinguishments*, of which \$3,180 remains to be amortized and is included within deferred financing costs on the consolidated statements of assets and liabilities.

During the year ended June 30, 2012, we recorded \$1,178 of interest costs and amortization of financing costs on the 2022 Notes as interest expense.

Prospect Capital InterNotes®

On February 16, 2012, we entered into a Selling Agent Agreement (the "Selling Agent Agreement") with Incapital LLC, as purchasing agent for our issuance and sale from time to time of up to \$500,000 of Prospect Capital InterNotes® (the "InterNotes Offering"). Additional agents appointed by the Company from time to time in connection with the InterNotes Offering may become parties to the Selling Agent Agreement.

These notes will be our direct unsecured senior obligations and will rank equally with all of our unsecured senior indebtedness from time to time outstanding. Each series of notes will be issued by a separate trust. These notes bear interest at fixed interest rates and offer a variety of maturities no less than twelve months from the original date of issuance.

In connection with the issuance of the Prospect Capital InterNotes®, we incurred \$812 of fees which are being amortized over the term of the notes in accordance with ASC 470-50, *Debt Modifications and Extinguishments*, of which \$800 remains to be amortized and is included within deferred financing costs on the consolidated statements of assets and liabilities.

During the year ended June 30, 2012, we issued \$20,638 in aggregate principal amount of our Prospect Capital InterNotes® for net proceeds of approximately \$20,202. These notes were issued with stated interest rates ranging from 6.50% to 7.00% with an average rate of 6.78%. These notes mature between June 15, 2019 and June 15, 2022. We issued an additional \$38,473 in aggregate principal amount of our Prospect Capital InterNotes® subsequent to June 30, 2012. (See *Recent Developments*.)

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The following table shows our issuances to date:

Date of Issuance	Amount	Interest Rate	Maturity Date
March 1, 2012	\$ 4,000	7.00%	March 15, 2022
March 8, 2012	1,465	6.90%	March 15, 2022
April 5, 2012	4,000	6.85%	April 15, 2022
April 12, 2012	2,462	6.70%	April 15, 2022
April 26, 2012	2,054	6.50%	April 15, 2022
June 14, 2012	2,657	6.95%	June 15, 2022
June 28, 2012	4,000	6.55%	June 15, 2019
July 6, 2012	2,778	6.45%	June 15, 2019
July 12, 2012	5,673	6.35%	June 15, 2019
July 19, 2012	6,810	6.30%	June 15, 2019
July 26, 2012	5,667	6.20%	June 15, 2019
August 2, 2012	3,633	6.15%	August 15, 2019
August 9, 2012	2,830	6.15%	August 15, 2019
August 16, 2012	2,681	6.10%	August 15, 2019
August 23, 2012	8,401	6.05%	August 15, 2019

Net Asset Value

During the year ended June 30, 2012, we raised \$337,562 of additional equity, net of offering costs, by issuing 30,970,696 shares of our common stock. The following table shows the calculation of net asset value per share as of June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011:

	As of June 30, 2012	As of June 30, 2011
Net Assets	\$ 1,511,974	\$ 1,114,357
Shares of common stock outstanding	139,633,870	107,606,690
Net asset value per share	\$ 10.83	\$ 10.36

At June 30, 2012, we had 139,633,870 of our common stock issued and outstanding.

Results of Operations

Net increase in net assets resulting from operations for the years ended June 30, 2012, 2011 and 2010 was \$190,904, \$118,238 and \$19,625, respectively, representing \$1.67, \$1.38 and \$0.33 per weighted average share, respectively. During the year ended June 30, 2012, we experienced net unrealized and realized gains of \$4,220 or approximately \$0.04 per weighted average share primarily from significant write-ups of our investments in Ajax, Energy Solutions and R-V, and our sale of NRG for which we realized a gain of \$36,940. These instances of appreciation were partially offset by unrealized depreciation in Biotronic, H&M, New Meatco Provisions, LLC ("Meatco"), NMMB, Stryker and Wind River Resources Corp. and Wind River II Corp. ("Wind River"). Net investment income increased on a weighted average per share basis from \$1.10 to \$1.63 for the years ended June 30, 2011 and 2012, respectively. This increase is primarily due to the sale of NRG, for which we received a \$26,936 make-whole fee for early repayment of the outstanding loan, which was recorded as interest income in the year ended June 30, 2012, and an increase in dividend income received from Energy Solutions and NRG. These increases were partially offset by a \$15,471 decline in interest income from purchase discount accretion from the assets acquired from Patriot.

During the year ended June 30, 2011, we experienced net unrealized and realized gains of \$24,017, or approximately \$0.28 per weighted average share, primarily from significant write-ups of our investments in Ajax, Biotronic, GSHI, Iron Horse, NRG and Sport Helmets, and our sale of our

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common equity in Fischbein and Miller Petroleum, Inc. ("Miller"), for which we realized gains of \$9,893 and \$7,977, respectively. These instances of realized and unrealized appreciation were partially offset by unrealized depreciation in H&M, Shearer's Food's Inc. ("Shearer's") and Stryker. During the year ended June 30, 2010, we experienced net unrealized and realized losses of \$47,565 or approximately \$0.80 per weighted average share due primarily due to the impairment of Yatesville (See Investment Valuations for further discussion.). The \$51,228 realized loss for Yatesville was partially offset by write-ups of our investments in Ajax, Freedom Marine, H&M, Manx, NRG, and R-V. Net investment income decreased on a weighted average per share basis from \$1.13 to \$1.10 for the years ended June 30, 2010 and 2011, respectively. The per share decrease for the year ended June 30, 2011 is primarily due to a decrease in dividends from existing equity investments along with new equity investments in the portfolio which have not yet declared any dividends and the non-recurring nature of the gain from the Patriot Acquisition during the year ended June 30, 2010 offset by an increase in structuring fees collected in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011.

While we seek to maximize gains and minimize losses, our investments in portfolio companies can expose our capital to risks greater than those we may anticipate. These companies are typically not issuing securities rated investment grade, have limited resources, have limited operating history, have concentrated product lines or customers, are generally private companies with limited operating information available and are likely to depend on a small core of management talents. Changes in any of these factors can have a significant impact on the value of the portfolio company.

Investment Income

We generate revenue in the form of interest income on the debt securities that we own, dividend income on any common or preferred stock that we own, fees generated from the structuring of new deals. Our investments, if in the form of debt securities, will typically have a term of one to ten years and bear interest at a fixed or floating rate. To the extent achievable, we will seek to collateralize our investments by obtaining security interests in our portfolio companies' assets. We also may acquire minority or majority equity interests in our portfolio companies, which may pay cash or in-kind dividends on a recurring or otherwise negotiated basis. In addition, we may generate revenue in other forms including prepayment penalties and possibly consulting fees. Any such fees generated in connection with our investments are recognized as earned.

Investment income, which consists of interest income, including accretion of loan origination fees and prepayment penalty fees, dividend income and other income, including settlement of net profits interests, overriding royalty interests and structuring fees, was \$320,910, \$169,476, and \$114,559 for the years ended June 30, 2012, June 30, 2011 and June 30, 2010, respectively. During the year ended June 30, 2012, the primary driver of the increase in investment income is primarily the result of a larger income producing portfolio and the deployment of additional capital in revenue-producing assets through increased origination and increased dividends and other income received from Energy Solutions, First Tower and NRG. We received dividends from NRG of \$15,011 and \$3,600 during the years ended June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011, respectively. We received dividends from Energy Solutions of \$47,850 and \$9,850 during the years ended June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011, respectively. In conjunction with the sale of NRG, we also received a \$26,936 make-whole fee for early repayment of the outstanding loan, which was recorded as interest income during the year ended June 30, 2012. We recognized \$22,212 of structuring and advisory fees during the year ended June 30, 2012 from our investments in Energy Solutions, First Tower and NRG. During the year ended June 30, 2011, the primary driver of the increase in investment income is the deployment of additional capital in revenue-producing assets through increased origination, for which we recognized an increase of \$16,107 in structuring fee income, and \$44,685 in cash and payment-in-kind interest income. This \$44,685 of interest income excludes purchase discount accretion from the assets acquired from Patriot and is the result of a larger income producing investment portfolio. These increases were partially offset by a

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\$4,650 decline in dividend income from GSHI as well as a decline, year over year, related to the one-time gain of \$8,632 in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010, recorded upon acquiring Patriot.

The following table describes the various components of investment income and the related levels of debt investments:

	Year Ended June 30, 2012	Year Ended June 30, 2011	Year Ended June 30, 2010
Interest income	\$ 219,536	\$ 134,454	\$ 86,518
Dividend income	64,881	15,092	15,366
Other income	36,493	19,930	12,675
 Total investment income	 \$ 320,910	 \$ 169,476	 \$ 114,559
 Average debt principal of investments	 \$ 1,391,588	 \$ 871,400	 \$ 507,907
 Weighted-average interest rate earned	 15.6%	 15.2%	 16.8%

Average interest income producing assets have increased from \$871,400 for the year ended June 30, 2011 to \$1,391,588 for the year ended June 30, 2012. The increase in annual returns is primarily the result of the sale of our investment in NRG for which we received a \$26,936 make-whole fee for early repayment of the outstanding loan, which was recorded as interest income in the year ended June 30, 2012. Without this adjustment, the weighted average interest rate earned on debt investments would have been 13.7% for the year ended June 30, 2012. The remaining decrease in annual returns is primarily the result of accretion on the assets acquired from Patriot on which we recognized \$6,613 and \$22,084 during the years ended June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011, respectively. Without these adjustments, the weighted average interest rates earned on debt investments would have been 13.2% and 12.7% for the year ended June 30, 2012 and 2011, respectively.

Average interest income producing assets have increased from \$507,907 for the year ended June 30, 2010 and \$871,400 for the year ended June 30, 2011. The decrease in annual returns is primarily the accretion on the assets acquired from Patriot on which we recognized \$22,084 and \$18,794 during the years ended June 30, 2011 and June 30, 2010, respectively. Without these adjustments, the weighted average interest rates earned on debt investments would have been 12.7% and 13.2% for the years ended June 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

Investment income is also generated from dividends and other income. Dividend income increased from \$15,092 for the year ended June 30, 2011 to \$64,881 for the year ended June 30, 2012. This \$49,789 increase in dividend income is primarily attributed to an increase in the dividends received from our investments in Energy Solutions and NRG due to increased profits generated by the portfolio companies. We received dividends from NRG of \$15,011 and \$3,600 during the years ended June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011, respectively. We received dividends from Energy Solutions of \$47,850 and \$9,850 during the years ended June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011, respectively. The sale of Gas Solutions by Energy Solutions has resulted in significant earnings and profits, as defined by the Internal Revenue Code, at Energy Solutions for calendar year 2012. As a result, distributions from Energy Solutions to us will be required to be recognized as dividend income, in accordance with ASC 946, *Financial Services Investment Companies*, as cash distributions are received from Energy Solutions to the extent there are current year earnings and profits sufficient to support such recognition.

Other income has come primarily from structuring fees, overriding royalty interests, and settlement of net profits interests. Comparing the year ended June 30, 2011 to the year ended June 30, 2012, income from other sources increased from \$19,930 to \$36,493. This \$16,563 increase is primarily due to \$14,137 of structuring and advisory fees recognized during the year ended June 30, 2012 from our investments in Energy Solutions and NRG. The remaining \$2,426 increase is primarily due to \$21,088 of structuring fees recognized, excluding those received from our investments in Energy Solutions and

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NRG, during the year ended June 30, 2012 primarily from the Capstone, First Tower, Naylor and Totes originations, in comparison to \$18,494 of structuring fees recognized during the year ended June 30, 2011.

Comparing the year ended June 30, 2010 to the year ended June 30, 2011, income from other sources, excluding the \$8,632 gain on the Patriot acquisition, increased from \$4,043 to \$19,930. This \$15,887 increase is primarily due to \$18,494 of structuring fees recognized during the year ended June 30, 2011 primarily from the AIRMALL, Cargo Airport Services USA, LLC, CRT MIDCO, LLC, Progexion, Safe-Guard, Springs Window Fashion, LLC, and NMMB originations, in comparison to \$2,388 of structuring fees recognized during the year ended June 30, 2010.

Operating Expenses

Our primary operating expenses consist of investment advisory fees (base management and income incentive fees), borrowing costs, legal and professional fees and other operating and overhead-related expenses. These expenses include our allocable portion of overhead under the Administration Agreement with Prospect Administration under which Prospect Administration provides administrative services and facilities for us. Our investment advisory fees compensate Prospect Capital Management (the "Investment Adviser") for its work in identifying, evaluating, negotiating, closing and monitoring our investments. We bear all other costs and expenses of our operations and transactions in accordance with our Administration Agreement with Prospect Administration. Operating expenses were \$134,226, \$75,255 and \$47,369 for the years ended June 30, 2012, June 30, 2011 and June 30, 2010, respectively.

The base investment advisory expenses were \$35,836, \$22,496 and \$13,929 for the years ended June 30, 2012, June 30, 2011 and June 30, 2010, respectively. These increases are directly related to our growth in total assets. For the years ended June 30, 2012, June 30, 2011 and June 30, 2010, income incentive fees earned were \$46,761, \$23,555 and \$16,798, respectively. The \$23,116 increase in the income incentive fee for the year ended June 30, 2012 is driven by an increase in pre-incentive fee net investment income of \$115,279 primarily due to an increase in interest income from a larger asset base and increased interest, dividend and other income generated by our investments in Energy Solutions, First Tower and NRG. In conjunction with the sale of NRG, we received a \$26,936 make-whole fee for early repayment of the outstanding loan, which was recorded as interest income during the year ended June 30, 2012. No capital gains incentive fee has yet been incurred pursuant to the Investment Advisory Agreement.

During the years ended June 30, 2012, June 30, 2011 and June 30, 2010, we incurred \$38,534, \$17,598 and \$8,382, respectively, of expenses related to our Syndicated Facility, InterNotes®, Senior Unsecured Notes and Senior Convertible Notes. These expenses are related directly to the leveraging capacity put into place for each of those years and the levels of indebtedness actually undertaken in those years. The table below describes the various expenses of our Syndicated Facility, InterNotes®, Senior Unsecured Notes and Senior Convertible Notes and the related indicators of leveraging capacity and indebtedness during these years.

	Year Ended June 30, 2012	Year Ended June 30, 2011	Year Ended June 30, 2010
Interest expense	\$ 27,346	\$ 9,861	\$ 1,338
Amortization of deferred financing costs	8,510	5,366	5,297
Commitment and other fees	2,678	2,371	1,747
Total	\$ 38,534	\$ 17,598	\$ 8,382
Weighted average debt outstanding	\$ 502,038	\$ 176,277	\$ 23,910
Weighted average interest rate	5.45%	5.59%	5.60%
Facility amount at beginning of year	\$ 325,000	\$ 210,000	\$ 175,000

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The increase in interest expense for the years ended June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011 is due to the issuance of Senior Convertible Notes on December 21, 2010, February 18, 2011 and April 16, 2012 for which we incurred \$20,234 and \$8,374 of interest expense, respectively.

As our asset base has grown and we have added complexity to our capital raising activities, we have commensurately increased the size of our administrative and financial staff, accounting for a significant increase in the overhead allocation from Prospect Administration. Over the last two years, Prospect Administration has increased staffing levels along with costs passed through. The allocation of overhead expense from Prospect Administration was \$6,848, \$4,979 and \$3,361 for the years ended June 30, 2012, 2011 and 2010, respectively. As our portfolio continues to grow, we expect to continue to increase the size of our administrative and financial staff on a basis that provides increasing returns to scale. Other allocated expenses from Prospect Administration will continue to increase along with the increase in staffing and asset base.

Total operating expenses, net of management fees, interest costs and allocation of overhead from Prospect Administration ("Other Operating Expenses"), were \$6,337, \$6,627 and \$4,899 for the years ended June 30, 2012, 2011 and 2010, respectively. The decrease in Other Operating Expenses during the year ended June 30, 2012 when compared to the year ended June 30, 2011 is primarily the result of a \$1,000 insurance claim settlement for legal fees expensed in previous periods that was received during the year ended June 30, 2012. The increase in Other Operating Expenses during the year ended June 30, 2011 when compared to the year ended June 30, 2010 is primarily the result of a \$1,058 increase in costs expensed in connection with abandoned originations and portfolio company acquisitions, an \$818 increase in administrative expenses incurred to support of our portfolio and a \$589 increase in unreimbursed legal and consulting fees incurred related to the management of loans. These increases were offset by the non-recurrence of the costs incurred in connection with the merger discussions with Allied Capital Corporation expensed in the 2010 period.

Net Investment Income

Net investment income represents the difference between investment income and operating expenses. Our net investment income was \$186,684, \$94,221 and \$67,190 for the years ended June 30, 2012, June 30, 2011 and June 30, 2010, respectively, or \$1.63 per share, \$1.10 per share and \$1.13 per share, respectively. The \$92,463 increase for the year ended June 30, 2012 is primarily due to a \$151,434 increase in investment income offset by an increase in operating expenses of \$58,971. The \$151,434 increase in investment income is due to increases of \$85,082, \$49,789 and \$16,563 in interest income, dividend income and other income, respectively, due to the increased size of our portfolio for which we have recognized additional interest income, dividends, structuring fees and advisory fees recognized primarily from our investments in Energy Solutions, First Tower and NRG. In conjunction with the sale of NRG we also received a \$26,936 make-whole fee for early repayment of the outstanding loan, which was recorded as interest income in the year ended June 30, 2012. The offsetting \$58,971 increase in operating expenses is primarily due to a \$36,456 increase in advisory fees due to the growing size of our portfolio and related income, \$20,936 of additional interest and credit facility expenses and a \$1,869 increase in overhead allocated from Prospect Administration.

The \$27,031 increase for the year ended June 30, 2011 in comparison to the year ended June 30, 2010 is due to an increase of \$54,917 in investment income primarily due to increases of \$47,936 and \$7,255 in interest income and other income, respectively, due to the increased size of our portfolio for which we have recognized additional interest income and structuring fees. The \$54,917 increase in investment income is offset by an increase in operating expenses of \$27,886, primarily due to a \$15,324 increase in advisory fees due to the growing size of our portfolio and related income, and \$9,216 of additional interest and credit facility expenses. The per share decrease for the year ended June 30, 2011 is primarily due to a decrease in dividends from existing equity investments along with new equity investments in the portfolio which have not yet declared any dividends and the non-recurring nature of

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the gain from the Patriot Acquisition during the year ended June 30, 2010 offset by an increase in structuring fees collected in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011.

Net Realized Gains (Losses), Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets from Net Changes in Unrealized Appreciation/Depreciation

Net realized gains (losses) were \$36,588, \$16,465 and (\$51,545) for the years ended June 30, 2012, June 30, 2011 and June 30, 2010, respectively. The net realized gain for the year ended June 30, 2012 was due primarily to the sale of NRG common stock for which we realized a gain of \$36,940 and the sale of our equity interests in Copernicus, C&J, Fairchild, Fischbein, Mac & Massey, Nupla and Sport Helmets for which we realized a total gain of \$14,317. These gains were offset by our impairment of Deb Shops. During the year ended June 30, 2012, Deb Shops filed for bankruptcy and a plan for reorganization was proposed. The plan was approved by the bankruptcy court and our debt position was eliminated with no payment to us. We determined that the impairment of Deb Shops was other-than-temporary on September 30, 2011 and recorded a realized loss of \$14,607 for the full amount of the amortized cost. The asset was completely written off when the plan of reorganization was approved. The net realized gain for the year ended June 30, 2011 was due primarily to gains from the sales of our common equity in Fischbein and Miller of \$9,893 and \$7,977, respectively. The net realized loss of \$51,545 for the year ended June 30, 2010 was due primarily to the impairment of Yatesville. (See *Investment Valuations* for further discussion.)

Net (decrease) increase in net assets from changes in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) was (\$32,368), \$7,552 and \$3,980 for the years ended June 30, 2012, June 30, 2011 and June 30, 2010, respectively, or (\$0.28) per share, \$0.09 per share and \$0.07 per share, respectively. For the year ended June 30, 2012, the \$32,368 decrease in net assets from the net change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation was driven by write-downs of \$68,197 related to our investments in H&M, Meatco and Stryker, as well as the elimination of the unrealized appreciation resulting from the sale of NRG mentioned above. The unrealized depreciation was partially offset by unrealized appreciation of approximately \$34,712 related to our investments in Ajax and R-V. For the year ended June 30, 2011, the \$7,552 increase in net assets from the net change in unrealized appreciation was driven by significant write-ups of \$54,916 related to our investments in Ajax, Biotronic, GSHI, Iron Horse, NRG and Sport Helmets. The unrealized appreciation were partially offset by unrealized depreciation of approximately \$35,689 related to our investments in H&M, ICS, Manx, Shearer's, Stryker, and \$10,840 related to the repayment of Prince. For the year ended June 30, 2010, the net unrealized appreciation was driven by \$25,184 of write-ups in our investments in Fischbein, GSHI, Prince, Shearer's, and Regional Management Corporation, and by the disposition of previously written-down investment in Yatesville mentioned above with an unrealized net appreciation of \$35,471, which, in turn, were offset by \$56,954 of write-downs in our investments in Deb Shops, Freedom Marine, H&M, Manx, NRG, R-V and Wind River.

Financial Condition, Liquidity and Capital Resources

For the years ended June 30, 2012, June 30, 2011 and June 30, 2010, our operating activities (used)/provided (\$448,452), (\$581,609) and \$54,838 of cash, respectively. Investing activities used \$106,586 for the acquisition of Patriot for the year ended June 30, 2010. There were no investing activities for the years ended June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011. Financing activities provided cash flows of \$449,785, \$582,020 and \$42,887 for the years ended June 30, 2012, June 30, 2011 and June 30, 2010, respectively. Dividends paid were \$127,564, \$91,247 and \$82,908 for the years ended June 30, 2012, June 30, 2011 and June 30, 2010, respectively.

Our primary uses of funds have been to continue to invest in portfolio companies, through both debt and equity investments, acquire Patriot, repay outstanding borrowings and to make cash distributions to holders of our common stock.

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Our primary sources of funds have been issuances of debt and equity. We have and may continue to fund a portion of our cash needs through borrowings from banks, issuances of senior securities or secondary offerings. We may also securitize a portion of our investments in mezzanine or senior secured loans or other assets. Our objective is to put in place such borrowings in order to enable us to expand our portfolio. During the year ended June 30, 2012, we borrowed \$726,800 and made repayments totaling \$715,000 under our revolving credit facility. As of June 30, 2012, we had \$96,000 outstanding borrowings on our revolving credit facility, \$447,500 outstanding on our Senior Convertible Notes, \$100,000 outstanding on our Senior Unsecured Notes and \$20,638 outstanding on InterNotes®. (See Note 5, Note 6 and Note 7 to our consolidated financial statements).

On October 21, 2011, our Registration Statement on Form N-2 was declared effective by the SEC. Under this Shelf Registration can issue up to \$465,163 of additional equity securities as of June 30, 2012.

We also continue to generate liquidity through public and private stock offerings. (See *Recent Developments*.)

On July 18, 2011, we issued 1,500,000 shares in connection with the exercise of an overallotment option granted with the June 21, 2011 offering of 10,000,000 shares which were delivered June 24, 2011, raising an additional \$15,225 of gross proceeds and \$14,895 of net proceeds.

On February 28, 2012, we issued 12,000,000 shares of our common stock, raising an additional \$131,400 of gross proceeds and \$129,480 of net proceeds.

On June 1, 2012, we and KeyBanc Capital Markets Inc. entered into an equity distribution agreement relating to sales by us through KeyBanc Capital Markets, by means of at-the-market offerings from time to time, of up to 9,500,000 shares of our common stock (the "ATM Program"). Through the ATM Program, we anticipate generating an aggregate of approximately \$100,000 in net proceeds after deducting the estimated commissions and estimated offering expenses. We expect to use proceeds from the ATM Program initially to maintain balance sheet liquidity, involving repayment of all or a portion of the amounts outstanding under the our credit facility, if any, investment in high quality short-term debt instruments or a combination thereof, and thereafter to make long-term investments in accordance with our investment objective. During the period from June 7, 2012 to June 30, 2012, we sold 2,952,489 shares of our common stock at an average price of \$11.22 per share, and raised \$33,130 of gross proceeds, under the ATM Program. Net proceeds were \$32,799 after 1% commission to the broker-dealer on shares sold.

Our Board of Directors, pursuant to the Maryland General Corporation Law, executed Articles of Amendment to increase the number of shares authorized for issuance from 200,000,000 to 500,000,000 in the aggregate. The amendment became effective July 30, 2012.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

At June 30, 2012, we did not have any off-balance sheet liabilities or other contractual obligations that are reasonably likely to have a current or future material effect on our financial condition, other than those which originate from 1) the investment advisory and management agreement and the administration agreement and 2) the portfolio companies.

Recent Developments

On July 5, 2012, we made a senior secured debt investment of \$28,000 to support the acquisition of Material Handling Services, LLC, d/b/a/ Total Fleet Solutions, a provider of forklift and other material handling equipment fleet management and procurement services, by funds managed by CI Capital Partners, LLC.

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During the period from July 6, 2012 to August 23, 2012, we issued approximately \$38,473 in aggregate principal amount of Prospect Capital InterNotes® for net proceeds of \$37,800, as follows:

Date of Issuance	Gross Proceeds	Interest Rate	Maturity Date
July 6, 2012	\$ 2,778	6.45%	June 15, 2019
July 12, 2012	5,673	6.35%	June 15, 2019
July 19, 2012	6,810	6.30%	June 15, 2019
July 26, 2012	5,667	6.20%	June 15, 2019
August 2, 2012	3,633	6.15%	August 15, 2019
August 9, 2012	2,830	6.15%	August 15, 2019
August 16, 2012	2,681	6.10%	August 15, 2019
August 23, 2012	8,401	6.05%	August 15, 2019

On July 16, 2012, we issued 21,000,000 shares of our common stock at \$11.15 per share (or \$11.05 per share net proceeds excluding expenses), raising \$234,150 of gross proceeds.

On July 16, 2012 we provided \$15,000 of secured second lien financing to Pelican Products, Inc., a leading provider of unbreakable, watertight protective cases and technically advanced professional lighting equipment.

On July 20, 2012, we provided \$12,000 of senior secured financing to EIG Investors Corp., a provider of an array of online services such as web presence, domain hosting, e-commerce, e-mail and other related services to small- and medium-sized businesses.

On July 20, 2012, we provided \$10,000 of senior secured financing to FPG, LCC a supplier of branded consumer and commercial products sold to the retail, foodservice, and hospitality sectors.

On July 24, 2012, we issued 205,834 shares of our common stock in connection with the dividend reinvestment plan.

On July 24, 2012, we sold our 3,821 shares of Iron Horse common stock in connection with the exercise of an equity buyout option, receiving \$2,040 of net proceeds and realizing a gain of approximately \$1,772 on the sale.

On July 27, 2012, we issued 3,150,000 shares in connection with the exercise of an option granted with the July 12, 2012 offering of 21,000,000 shares which were delivered July 16, 2012, raising an additional \$35,123 of gross proceeds and \$34,808 of net proceeds.

On July 27, 2012 we closed an increase of \$15,000 to our commitments to our credit facility. The commitments to the credit facility now stand at \$507,500.

On July 27, 2012, we provided \$85,000 of senior subordinated financing to support the acquisition of substantially all the assets of Arctic Glacier Income Funds by funds affiliated with H.I.G. Capital, LLC ("H.I.G."). The new company, Arctic Glacier Holdings, Inc., will continue to conduct business under the "Arctic Glacier" name and be a leading producer, marketer, and distributor of high-quality packaged ice to consumers in Canada and the United States.

On July 30, 2012, we amended our charter to increase the shares of common stock authorized for issuance by us from 200,000,000 to 500,000,000 in the aggregate.

On August 2, 2012, we provided a \$27,000 secured loan to support the acquisition of New Star Metals, Inc., a provider of specialized processing services to the steel industry, by funds managed by Insight Equity Management Company.

On August 3, 2012, we provided \$110,000 senior secured financing to support the acquisition of InterDent, Inc., a leading provider of dental practice management services to dental professional corporations and associations in the United States, by funds managed by H.I.G.

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On August 3, 2012, we provided \$44,000 of secured subordinated financing to support the refinancing of New Century Transportation, Inc., a leading transportation and logistics company.

On August 3, 2012, we provided \$10,000 of senior secured financing to Paradigm Geophysical, Ltd., the largest multi-national software company focused on the delivery of analytical and information management solutions for the discovery and extraction of subsurface natural resources.

On August 3, 2012, Pinnacle Treatment Centers, Inc. repaid the \$17,450 loan receivable to us.

On August 6, 2012, we made an investment of \$22,210 to purchase 62.9% of the subordinated notes in Halcyon Loan Advisors Funding 2012-I.

On August 7, 2012, we made an investment of \$36,798 to purchase 95.0% of the subordinated notes in ING IM CLO 2012-II.

On August 10, 2012, U.S. HealthWorks Holding Company, Inc. repaid the \$25,000 loan receivable to us.

On August 14, 2012, we issued \$200,000 in aggregate principal amount of our 5.75% senior convertible notes due 2018 ("2018 Notes") for net proceeds following underwriting expenses of approximately \$193,600. Interest on the 2018 Notes is paid semi-annually in arrears on March 15 and September 15, at a rate of 5.75% per year, commencing March 15, 2013. The 2018 Notes mature on March 15, 2018 unless converted earlier. The 2018 Notes are convertible into shares of common stock at an initial conversion rate of 82.3451 shares of common stock per \$1 principal amount of 2018 Notes, which is equivalent to a conversion price of approximately \$12.14 per share of common stock, subject to adjustment in certain circumstances. The conversion rate for the 2018 Notes will be increased when monthly cash dividends paid to common shares exceed the monthly dividend rate of \$0.1016 per share.

On August 17, 2012, we made a secured second lien investment of \$38,500 to support the recapitalization of American Gilsonite. After the financing we expect to receive a repayment of the loans currently outstanding.

On August 21, 2012, we announced the declaration of monthly dividends in the following amounts and with the following dates:

\$0.101625 per share for September 2012 to holders of record on September 28, 2012 with a payment date of October 24, 2012; and

\$0.101650 per share for October 2012 to holders of record on October 31, 2012 with a payment date of November 22, 2012.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Our discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations are based upon our financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP"). The preparation of these financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses. Changes in the economic environment, financial markets and any other parameters used in determining such estimates could cause actual results to differ materially. In addition to the discussion below, our critical accounting policies are further described in the notes to the financial statements.

Basis of Consolidation

Under the 1940 Act rules, the regulations pursuant to Article 6 of Regulation S-X, and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants' Audit and Accounting Guide for Investment Companies, we are precluded from consolidating any entity other than another investment company or

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an operating company which provides substantially all of its services and benefits to us. Our June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011 financial statements include our accounts and the accounts of Prospect Capital Funding, LLC, our only wholly-owned, closely-managed subsidiary that is also an investment company. All intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

Investment Classification

We are a non-diversified company within the meaning of the 1940 Act. We classify our investments by level of control. As defined in the 1940 Act, control investments are those where there is the ability or power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of a company. Control is generally deemed to exist when a company or individual possesses or has the right to acquire within 60 days or less, a beneficial ownership of 25% or more of the voting securities of an investee company. Affiliated investments and affiliated companies are defined by a lesser degree of influence and are deemed to exist through the possession outright or via the right to acquire within 60 days or less, beneficial ownership of 5% or more of the outstanding voting securities of another person.

Investments are recognized when we assume an obligation to acquire a financial instrument and assume the risks for gains or losses related to that instrument. Investments are derecognized when we assume an obligation to sell a financial instrument and forego the risks for gains or losses related to that instrument. Specifically, we record all security transactions on a trade date basis. Investments in other, non-security financial instruments are recorded on the basis of subscription date or redemption date, as applicable. Amounts for investments recognized or derecognized but not yet settled are reported as Receivables for investments sold and Payables for investments purchased, respectively, in the Consolidated Statements of Assets and Liabilities.

Investment Valuation

Our Board of Directors has established procedures for the valuation of our investment portfolio. These procedures are detailed below.

Investments for which market quotations are readily available are valued at such market quotations.

For most of our investments, market quotations are not available. With respect to investments for which market quotations are not readily available or when such market quotations are deemed not to represent fair value, our Board of Directors has approved a multi-step valuation process each quarter, as described below:

- 1) Each portfolio company or investment is reviewed by our investment professionals with the independent valuation firms engaged by our Board of Directors;
- 2) the independent valuation firms conduct independent appraisals and make their own independent assessment;
- 3) the audit committee of our Board of Directors reviews and discusses the preliminary valuation of our Investment Adviser and that of the independent valuation firms; and
- 4) the Board of Directors discusses the valuations and determines the fair value of each investment in our portfolio in good faith based on the input of our Investment Adviser, the independent valuation firms and the audit committee.

Effective July 1, 2008, we adopted the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC" or "Codification") 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures* ("ASC 820"). ASC 820 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in GAAP, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements.

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ASC 820 classifies the inputs used to measure these fair values into the following hierarchy:

Level 1: Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities, accessible by us at the measurement date.

Level 2: Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, or quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, or other observable inputs other than quoted prices.

Level 3: Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

In all cases, the level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement in its entirety falls has been determined based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Our assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment and considers factors specific to each investment.

In April 2009, the FASB issued ASC 820-10-65, *Determining Fair Value When the Volume and Level of Activity for the Asset or Liability Have Significantly Decreased and Identifying Transactions That Are Not Orderly* ("ASC 820-10-65"). This update provides further clarification for ASC 820 in markets that are not active and provides additional guidance for determining when the volume of trading level of activity for an asset or liability has significantly decreased and for identifying circumstances that indicate a transaction is not orderly. ASC 820-10-65 is effective for interim and annual reporting periods ending after June 15, 2009. The adoption of ASC 820-10-65 did not have any effect on our net asset value, financial position or results of operations as there was no change to the fair value measurement principles set forth in ASC 820.

In January 2010, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update 2010-06, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures (Topic 820): Improving Disclosures about Fair Value Measurements* ("ASC 2010-06"). ASU 2010-06 amends ASC 820-10 and clarifies and provides additional disclosure requirements related to recurring and non-recurring fair value measurements and employers' disclosures about postretirement benefit plan assets. ASU 2010-06 is effective December 15, 2009, except for the disclosure about purchase, sales, issuances and settlements in the roll forward of activity in level 3 fair value measurements. Those disclosures are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2010 (or July 1, 2011 for us) and for interim periods within those fiscal years. The adoption of ASC 2010-06 for the year ended June 30, 2012, did not have any effect on our financial statements.

Federal and State Income Taxes

We have elected to be treated as a regulated investment company and intend to continue to comply with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the "Code"), applicable to regulated investment companies. We are required to distribute at least 90% of our investment company taxable income and intend to distribute (or retain through a deemed distribution) all of our investment company taxable income and net capital gain to stockholders; therefore, we have made no provision for income taxes. The character of income and gains that we will distribute is determined in accordance with income tax regulations that may differ from GAAP. Book and tax basis differences relating to stockholder dividends and distributions and other permanent book and tax differences are reclassified to paid-in capital.

If we do not distribute at least 98% of our annual income and 98.2% of our capital gains in the calendar year earned, we will generally be required to pay an excise tax equal to 4% of the amount by which 98% of our annual ordinary income and 98.2% of our capital gains exceeds the distributions from such taxable income for the year. To the extent that we determine that our estimated current year annual taxable income will be in excess of estimated current year dividend distributions from such taxable income, we accrue excise taxes, if any, on estimated excess taxable income as taxable income is

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earned using an annual effective excise tax rate. The annual effective excise tax rate is determined by dividing the estimated annual excise tax by the estimated annual taxable income.

If we fail to satisfy the Annual Distribution Requirement or otherwise fail to qualify as a RIC in any taxable year, we would be subject to tax on all of our taxable income at regular corporate rates. We would not be able to deduct distributions to stockholders, nor would we be required to make distributions. Distributions would generally be taxable to our individual and other non-corporate taxable stockholders as ordinary dividend income eligible for the reduced maximum rate for taxable years beginning before 2013 (but not for taxable years beginning thereafter, unless the relevant provisions are extended by legislation) to the extent of our current and accumulated earnings and profits, provided certain holding period and other requirements are met. Subject to certain limitations under the Code, corporate distributions would be eligible for the dividends-received deduction. To qualify again to be taxed as a RIC in a subsequent year, we would be required to distribute to our shareholders our accumulated earnings and profits attributable to non-RIC years reduced by an interest charge of 50% of such earnings and profits payable by us as an additional tax. In addition, if we failed to qualify as a RIC for a period greater than two taxable years, then, in order to qualify as a RIC in a subsequent year, we would be required to elect to recognize and pay tax on any net built-in gain (the excess of aggregate gain, including items of income, over aggregate loss that would have been realized if we had been liquidated) or, alternatively, be subject to taxation on such built-in gain recognized for a period of ten years.

We adopted FASB ASC 740, *Income Taxes* ("ASC 740"). ASC 740 provides guidance for how uncertain tax positions should be recognized, measured, presented, and disclosed in the financial statements. ASC 740 requires the evaluation of tax positions taken or expected to be taken in the course of preparing our tax returns to determine whether the tax positions are "more-likely-than-not" of being sustained by the applicable tax authority. Tax positions not deemed to meet the more-likely-than-not threshold are recorded as a tax benefit or expense in the current year. Adoption of ASC 740 was applied to all open tax years as of July 1, 2007. The adoption of ASC 740 did not have an effect on our net asset value, financial condition or results of operations as there was no liability for unrecognized tax benefits and no change to our beginning net asset value. As of June 30, 2012 and for the year then ended, we did not have a liability for any unrecognized tax benefits. Management's determinations regarding ASC 740 may be subject to review and adjustment at a later date based upon factors including, but not limited to, an on-going analysis of tax laws, regulations and interpretations thereof.

Revenue Recognition

Realized gains or losses on the sale of investments are calculated using the specific identification method.

Interest income, adjusted for amortization of premium and accretion of discount, is recorded on an accrual basis. Origination, closing and/or commitment fees associated with investments in portfolio companies are accreted into interest income over the respective terms of the applicable loans. Upon the prepayment of a loan or debt security, any prepayment penalties and unamortized loan origination, closing and commitment fees are recorded as interest income.

Interest income from investments in the "equity" class of security of CLO Funds (typically income notes or subordinated notes) is recorded based upon an estimation of an effective yield to expected maturity utilizing assumed cash flows in accordance with ASC 325-40-35, *Beneficial Interests in Securitized Financial Assets*. We monitor the expected cash inflows from our CLO equity investments, including the expected residual payments and the effective yield is determined and updated periodically.

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Loans are placed on non-accrual status when principal or interest payments are past due 90 days or more or when there is reasonable doubt that principal or interest will be collected. Unpaid accrued interest is generally reversed when a loan is placed on non-accrual status. Interest payments received on non-accrual loans may be recognized as income or applied to principal depending upon management's judgment. Non-accrual loans are restored to accrual status when past due principal and interest is paid and in management's judgment, are likely to remain current. As of June 30, 2012, approximately 2.9% of our net assets are in non-accrual status.

Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date.

Structuring fees and similar fees are recognized as income as earned, usually when paid. Structuring fees, excess deal deposits, net profits interests and overriding royalty interests are included in other income.

Dividends and Distributions

Dividends and distributions to common stockholders are recorded on the ex-dividend date. The amount, if any, to be paid as a dividend or distribution is approved by our Board of Directors each quarter and is generally based upon our management's estimate of our earnings for the quarter. Net realized capital gains, if any, are distributed at least annually.

Financing Costs

We record origination expenses related to our credit facility and Senior Notes as deferred financing costs. These expenses are deferred and amortized as part of interest expense using the straight-line method for our revolving credit facility and the effective interest method for our Senior Notes, over the respective expected life.

We record registration expenses related to shelf filings as prepaid assets. These expenses consist principally of Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") registration fees, legal fees and accounting fees incurred. These prepaid assets will be charged to capital upon the receipt of an equity offering proceeds or charged to expense if no offering completed.

Guarantees and Indemnification Agreements

We follow ASC 460, *Guarantees* ("ASC 460"). ASC 460 elaborates on the disclosure requirements of a guarantor in its interim and annual financial statements about its obligations under certain guarantees that it has issued. It also requires a guarantor to recognize, at the inception of a guarantee, for those guarantees that are covered by ASC 460, the fair value of the obligation undertaken in issuing certain guarantees.

Per Share Information

Net increase or decrease in net assets resulting from operations per common share are calculated using the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the period presented. In accordance with ASC 946, *Financial Services Investment Companies*, convertible securities are not considered in the calculation of net assets per share.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In January 2010, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update 2010-06, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures (Topic 820): Improving Disclosures about Fair Value Measurements* ("ASC 2010-06"). ASU 2010-06 amends ASC 820-10 and clarifies and provides additional disclosure requirements related to recurring and non-recurring fair value measurements and employers' disclosures about postretirement benefit plan assets. ASU 2010-06 is effective December 15, 2009, except for the

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disclosure about purchase, sales, issuances and settlements in the roll forward of activity in level 3 fair value measurements. Those disclosures are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2010 (or July 1, 2011 for us) and for interim periods within those fiscal years. The adoption of amended guidance in ASU 2010-06 did not have a significant effect on our financial statements.

In February 2011, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update 2011-02, *Receivables (Topic 310): A Creditor's Determination of Whether a Restructuring is a Troubled Debt Restructuring* ("ASU 2011-02"). ASU 2011-02 clarifies which loan modifications constitute troubled debt restructurings. It is intended to assist creditors in determining whether a modification of the terms of a receivable meets the criteria to be considered a troubled debt restructuring, both for purposes of recording an impairment loss and for disclosure of troubled debt restructurings. In evaluating whether a restructuring constitutes a troubled debt restructuring, a creditor must separately conclude that both of the following exist: (a) the restructuring constitutes a concession; and (b) the debtor is experiencing financial difficulties. ASU 2011-02 provides guidance to clarify whether the creditor has granted a concession and whether a debtor is experiencing financial difficulties. The new guidance is effective for interim and annual periods beginning on or after June 15, 2011, and applies retrospectively to restructurings occurring on or after the beginning of the fiscal year of adoption or July 1, 2011 for us. The adoption of the amended guidance in ASU 2011-02 did not have a significant effect on our financial statements.

In May 2011, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update 2011-04, *Amendments to Achieve Common Fair Value Measurement and Disclosure Requirements in U.S. GAAP and IFRSs* ("ASU 2011-04"). ASU 2011-04 amends Accounting Standards Codification Topic 820, "Fair Value Measurements" ("ASC 820") by: (1) clarifying that the highest-and-best-use and valuation-premise concepts only apply to measuring the fair value of non-financial assets; (2) allowing a reporting entity to measure the fair value of the net asset or net liability position in a manner consistent with how market participants would price the net risk position, if certain criteria are met; (3) providing a framework for considering whether a premium or discount can be applied in a fair value measurement; (4) providing that the fair value of an instrument classified in a reporting entity's shareholders' equity is estimated from the perspective of a market participant that holds the identical item as an asset; and (5) expanding the qualitative and quantitative fair value disclosure requirements. The expanded disclosures include, for Level 3 items, a description of the valuation process and a narrative description of the sensitivity of the fair value to changes in unobservable inputs and interrelationships between those inputs if a change in those inputs would result in a significantly different fair value measurement. ASU 2011-4 also requires disclosures about the highest-and-best-use of a non-financial asset when this use differs from the asset's current use and the reasons for such a difference. In addition, this ASU amends Accounting Standards Codification 820, "Fair Value Measurements," to require disclosures to include any transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy. These amendments are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2011 and for interim periods within those fiscal years. The amendments of ASU 2011-04, when adopted, are not expected to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.

We are subject to financial market risks, including changes in interest rates and equity price risk. Some of the loans in our portfolio have floating interest rates.

We may hedge against interest rate fluctuations by using standard hedging instruments such as futures, options and forward contracts subject to the requirements of the 1940 Act. While hedging activities may insulate us against adverse changes in interest rates, they may also limit our ability to participate in the benefits of higher interest rates with respect to our portfolio of investments. During the twelve months ended June 30, 2012, we did not engage in hedging activities.

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Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

Board of Directors and Stockholders
Prospect Capital Corporation
New York, New York

We have audited the accompanying consolidated statements of assets and liabilities of Prospect Capital Corporation, including the schedule of investments, as of June 30, 2012 and 2011, and the related consolidated statements of operations, changes in net assets, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended June 30, 2012, and the financial highlights for each of the periods presented. These financial statements and financial highlights are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements and financial highlights based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements and financial highlights are free of material misstatement. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements and financial highlights referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Prospect Capital Corporation at June 30, 2012 and 2011, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended June 30, 2012, and the financial highlights for each of the periods presented in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), Prospect Capital Corporation's internal control over financial reporting as of June 30, 2012, based on criteria established in Internal Control Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO) and our report dated August 22, 2012 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

/s/ BDO USA, LLP

BDO USA, LLP
New York, New York
August 22, 2012

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(in thousands, except share and per share data)

	June 30, 2012	June 30, 2011
Assets (Note 5)		
Investments at fair value:		
Control investments (net cost of \$518,015 and \$262,301, respectively)	\$ 564,489	\$ 310,072
Affiliate investments (net cost of \$44,229 and \$56,833, respectively)	46,116	72,337
Non-control/Non-affiliate investments (net cost of \$1,537,069 and \$1,116,601, respectively)	1,483,616	1,080,601
Total investments at fair value (net cost of \$2,099,313 and \$1,435,734, respectively, Note 4)	2,094,221	1,463,010
Investments in money market funds	118,369	59,903
Cash	2,825	1,492
Receivables for:		
Interest, net	14,219	9,269
Dividends	1	
Other	783	267
Prepaid expenses	421	101
Deferred financing costs	24,415	15,275
Total Assets	2,255,254	1,549,317
Liabilities		
Credit facility payable (Note 5)	96,000	84,200
Senior convertible notes (Note 6)	447,500	322,500
Senior unsecured notes (Note 7)	100,000	
Prospect Capital InterNotes® (Note 8)	20,638	
Dividends payable	14,180	10,895
Due to Prospect Administration (Note 12)	658	212
Due to Prospect Capital Management (Note 12)	7,913	7,706
Due to Broker	44,533	
Accrued expenses	9,648	5,876
Other liabilities	2,210	3,571
Total Liabilities	743,280	434,960
Net Assets	\$ 1,511,974	\$ 1,114,357
Components of Net Assets		
Common stock, par value \$0.001 per share (500,000,000 common shares authorized; 139,633,870 and 107,606,690 issued and outstanding, respectively) (Note 9 and Note 17)	\$ 140	\$ 108
Paid-in capital in excess of par (Note 9)	1,544,801	1,196,741
Undistributed (distributions in excess of) net investment income	23,667	(21,638)
Accumulated realized losses on investments	(51,542)	(88,130)
Unrealized (depreciation) appreciation on investments	(5,092)	27,276
Net Assets	\$ 1,511,974	\$ 1,114,357
Net Asset Value Per Share	\$ 10.83	\$ 10.36

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(in thousands, except share and per share data)

	June 30, 2012	Year Ended June 30, 2011	June 30, 2010
Investment Income			
Interest income: (Note 4)			
Control investments	\$ 53,408	\$ 21,747	\$ 17,218
Affiliate investments	12,155	11,307	7,957
Non-control/Non-affiliate investments	144,592	101,400	61,343
CLO Fund securities	9,381		
Total interest income	219,536	134,454	86,518
Dividend income:			
Control investments	63,144	13,569	14,860
Non-control/Non-affiliate investments	1,733	1,507	474
Money market funds	4	16	32
Total dividend income	64,881	15,092	15,366
Other income: (Note 10)			
Control investments	25,464	2,829	261
Affiliate investments	108	190	169
Non-control/Non-affiliate investments	10,921	16,911	3,613
Gain on Patriot acquisition (Note 3)			8,632
Total other income	36,493	19,930	12,675
Total Investment Income	320,910	169,476	114,559
Operating Expenses			
Investment advisory fees:			
Base management fee (Note 12)	35,836	22,496	13,929
Income incentive fee (Note 12)	46,671	23,555	16,798
Total investment advisory fees	82,507	46,051	30,727
Interest and credit facility expenses			
Legal fees	279	1,062	702
Valuation services	1,212	992	734
Audit, compliance and tax related fees	1,446	876	981
Allocation of overhead from Prospect Administration (Note 12)	6,848	4,979	3,361
Insurance expense	324	285	254
Directors' fees	273	255	255
Potential merger expenses (Note 13)			852
Other general and administrative expenses	2,803	3,157	1,121
Total Operating Expenses	134,226	75,255	47,369

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Net Investment Income	186,684	94,221	67,190
Net realized gain (loss) on investments (Note 4)	36,588	16,465	(51,545)
Net change in unrealized (depreciation) appreciation on investments (Note 4)	(32,368)	7,552	3,980
Net Increase in Net Assets Resulting from Operations	\$ 190,904	\$ 118,238	\$ 19,625
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations per share: (Note 11 and Note 16)	\$ 1.67	\$ 1.38	\$ 0.33
Weighted average shares of common stock outstanding:	114,394,554	85,978,757	59,429,222

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

(in thousands, except share data)

	June 30, 2012	Year Ended June 30, 2011	June 30, 2010
Increase in Net Assets from Operations:			
Net investment income	\$ 186,684	\$ 94,221	\$ 67,190
Net gain (loss) on investments	36,588	16,465	(51,545)
Net change in unrealized (depreciation) appreciation on investments	(32,368)	7,552	3,980
Net Increase in Net Assets Resulting from Operations	190,904	118,238	19,625
Dividends to Shareholders	(141,379)	(106,167)	(101,034)
Capital Share Transactions:			
Net proceeds from capital shares sold	338,270	381,316	158,002
Less: Offering costs of public share offerings	(708)	(1,388)	(1,781)
Fair value of equity issued in conjunction with Patriot acquisition			92,800
Reinvestment of dividends	10,530	10,934	11,216
Net Increase in Net Assets Resulting from Capital Share Transactions	348,092	390,862	260,237
Total Increase in Net Assets:	397,617	402,933	178,828
Net assets at beginning of year	1,114,357	711,424	532,596
Net Assets at End of Year	\$ 1,511,974	\$ 1,114,357	\$ 711,424
Capital Share Activity:			
Shares sold	30,970,696	37,494,476	16,683,197
Shares issued for Patriot acquisition			8,444,068
Shares issued through reinvestment of dividends	1,056,484	1,025,352	1,016,513
Net increase in capital share activity	32,027,180	38,519,828	26,143,778
Shares outstanding at beginning of year	107,606,690	69,086,862	42,943,084
Shares Outstanding at End of Year	139,633,870	107,606,690	69,086,862

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(in thousands, except share data)

	Year Ended		
	June 30, 2012	June 30, 2011	June 30, 2010
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:			
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations	\$ 190,904	\$ 118,238	\$ 19,625
Net realized (gain) loss on investments	(36,588)	(16,465)	51,545
Net change in unrealized depreciation (appreciation) on investments	32,368	(7,552)	(3,980)
Accretion of purchase discount on investments	(7,284)	(23,035)	(20,313)
Amortization of deferred financing costs	8,511	5,365	5,297
Gain on Patriot acquisition (Note 3)			(8,632)
Structuring fees	(8,075)		
Change in operating assets and liabilities:			
Payments for purchases of investments	(1,062,404)	(943,703)	(150,108)
Payment-in-kind interest	(5,647)	(9,634)	(7,554)
Proceeds from sale of investments and collection of investment principal	500,952	285,862	136,221
Purchases of cash equivalents			(199,997)
Sales of cash equivalents			199,997
Net (increase) decrease of investments in money market funds	(58,466)	8,968	29,864
(Increase) decrease in interest receivable, net	(4,950)	(3,913)	530
(Increase) decrease in dividends receivable	(1)	1	27
(Increase) decrease in other receivables	(516)	152	152
(Increase) decrease in prepaid expenses	(320)	270	(268)
Decrease in due from Prospect Administration			1,500
Decrease (increase) in other assets		534	(534)
Increase (decrease) in due to Prospect Administration	446	(82)	(548)
Increase (decrease) in due to Prospect Capital Management	207	(1,300)	3,135
Increase (decrease) in accrued expenses	3,772	1,819	(1,291)
(Decrease) increase in other liabilities	(1,361)	2,866	170
Net Cash (Used In) Provided By Operating Activities:	(448,452)	(581,609)	54,838
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:			
Acquisition of Patriot, net of cash acquired (Note 3)			(106,586)
Net Cash Used In Investing Activities:			(106,586)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities:			
Borrowings under credit facility (Note 5)	726,800	465,900	244,100
Payments under credit facility (Note 5)	(715,000)	(482,000)	(268,600)
Issuance of Senior Convertible Notes (Note 6)	130,000	322,500	
Repurchases under Senior Convertible Notes (Note 6)	(5,000)		
Issuance of Senior Unsecured Notes (Note 7)	100,000		
Issuance of Prospect Capital InterNotes® (Note 8)	20,638		
Financing costs paid and deferred	(17,651)	(13,061)	(5,925)
Net proceeds from issuance of common stock	338,270	381,316	158,001
Offering costs from issuance of common stock	(708)	(1,388)	(1,781)
Dividends paid	(127,564)	(91,247)	(82,908)
Net Cash Provided By Financing Activities:	449,785	582,020	42,887
Total Increase (Decrease) in Cash	1,332	411	(8,861)
Cash balance at beginning of year	1,492	1,081	9,942
Cash Balance at End of Year	\$ 2,825	\$ 1,492	\$ 1,081

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Cash Paid For Interest	\$	24,515	\$	6,101	\$	1,444
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Non-Cash Financing Activity:

Amount of shares issued in connection with dividend reinvestment plan	\$	10,530	\$	10,934	\$	11,216
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Fair value of shares issued in conjunction with the Patriot Acquisition	\$		\$		\$	92,800
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Fair value of shares issued in conjunction with the First Tower investment	\$	160,571	\$		\$	
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Portfolio Company	Locale / Industry	Investments(1)	Principal Value	June 30, 2012		% of Net Assets
				Cost	Fair Value(2)	
LEVEL 3 PORTFOLIO INVESTMENTS:						
Control Investments (25.00% or greater of voting control)						
AIRMALL USA, Inc(27)	Pennsylvania / Property Management	Senior Secured Term Loan (12.00% (LIBOR + 9.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 6/30/2015)(3)(4)	\$ 29,350	\$ 29,350	\$ 29,350	2.0%
		Senior Subordinated Term Loan (12.00% plus 6.00% PIK, due 12/31/2015)	12,500	12,500	12,500	0.8%
		Convertible Preferred Stock (9,919.684 shares)		9,920	6,132	0.4%
		Common Stock (100 shares)				0.0%
				51,770	47,982	3.2%
Ajax Rolled Ring & Machine, Inc.	South Carolina / Manufacturing	Senior Secured Note Tranche A (10.50% (LIBOR + 7.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 4/01/2013)(3)(4)	20,167	20,167	20,167	1.3%
		Subordinated Secured Note Tranche B (11.50% (LIBOR + 8.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor) plus 6.00% PIK, due 4/01/2013)(3)(4)	15,035	15,035	15,035	1.0%
		Convertible Preferred Stock Series A (6,142.6 shares)		6,057	17,191	1.1%
		Unrestricted Common Stock (6 shares)			17	0.0%
				41,259	52,410	3.4%
AWCNC, LLC(19)	North Carolina / Machinery	Members Units Class A (1,800,000 units)				0.0%
		Members Units Class B-1 (1 unit)				0.0%
		Members Units Class B-2 (7,999,999 units)				0.0%
						0.0%
Borga, Inc.	California / Manufacturing	Revolving Line of Credit \$1,000 Commitment (5.00% (PRIME + 1.75%) plus 3.00% default interest, in non-accrual status effective 03/02/2010, past due)(4)(25)	1,000	945	668	0.0%
		Senior Secured Term Loan B (8.50% (PRIME + 5.25%) plus 3.00% default interest, in non-accrual status effective 03/02/2010, past due)(4)	1,612	1,500		0.0%
		Senior Secured Term Loan C (12.00% plus 4.00% PIK plus 3.00% default interest, in non-accrual status effective 03/02/2010, past due)	9,352	707		0.0%
		Common Stock (100 shares)(21)				0.0%
		Warrants (33,750 warrants)(21)				0.0%
				3,152	668	0.0%

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Energy Solutions Holdings, Inc.(8)	Texas / Gas Gathering and Processing	Senior Secured Note (18.00%, due 12/11/2016)(3)	25,000	25,000	25,000	1.7%
		Junior Secured Note (18.00%, due 12/12/2016)(3)	12,000	12,000	12,000	0.8%
		Senior Secured Note to Vessel Holdings LLC (18.00%, due 12/12/2016)	3,500	3,500	3,500	0.2%
		Subordinated Secured Note to Freedom Marine Holdings, LLC (12.00% (LIBOR + 6.11% with 5.89% LIBOR floor) plus 4.00% PIK, in non-accrual status effective 10/1/2010, due 12/31/2011)(4)	13,352	12,504	5,603	0.4%
		Senior Secured Debt to Yatesville Coal Holdings, Inc. (Non-accrual status effective 1/1/2009, past due)	1,035	1,035		0.0%
		Junior Secured Debt to Yatesville Coal Holdings, Inc. (Non-accrual status effective 1/1/2009, past due)	414	414		0.0%
		Escrow Receivable			9,825	0.6%
		Common Stock (100 shares)		8,792	70,940	4.7%
				63,245	126,868	8.4%

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Portfolio Company	Locale / Industry	Investments(1)	Principal Value	June 30, 2012		% of Net Assets
				Cost	Fair Value(2)	
LEVEL 3 PORTFOLIO INVESTMENTS:						
Control Investments (25.00% or greater of voting control)						
First Tower Holdings of Delaware, LLC.(29)	Mississippi / Consumer Finance	Senior Secured Revolving Credit Facility Commitment (20.00% (LIBOR + 18.50% with 1.50% LIBOR floor), due 6/30/2022)(25) Common Stock (83,729,323 shares) Net Revenue Interest (5% of Net Revenue & Distributions)	\$ 244,760	\$ 244,760 43,193	\$ 244,760 43,193	16.2% 2.9% 0.0%
				287,953	287,953	19.1%
Integrated Contract Services, Inc.(9)	North Carolina / Contracting	Secured Promissory Notes (15.00%, in non-accrual status effective 12/22/2010, due 3/21/2012 12/18/2013)(10) Senior Demand Note (15.00%, in non-accrual status effective 11/1/2010, past due)(10) Senior Secured Note (7.00% plus 7.00% PIK plus 6.00% default interest, in non-accrual status effective 10/9/2007, past due) Junior Secured Note (7.00% plus 7.00% PIK plus 6.00% default interest, in non-accrual status effective 10/9/2007, past due) Preferred Stock Series A (10 shares) Common Stock (49 shares)	2,581 1,170 300 11,520	2,580 1,170		0.0% 0.0% 0.0% 0.0% 0.0% 0.0%
				15,949		0.0%
Manx Energy, Inc. ("Manx")(12)	Kansas / Oil & Gas Production	Manx Senior Secured Note (13.00%, in non-accrual status effective 1/19/2010, due 6/21/2013) Manx Preferred Stock (6,635 shares) Manx Common Stock (17,082 shares)	3,550	3,550 6,307 1,170		0.0% 0.0% 0.0%
				11,027		0.0%
NMMB Holdings, Inc.(24)	New York / Media	Senior Term Loan (14.00%, due 5/6/2016) Senior Subordinated Term Loan (15.00%, due 5/6/2016) Series A Preferred Stock (4,400 shares)	21,700 2,800	21,700 2,800 4,400	21,700 252	1.4% 0.2% 0.0%
				28,900	24,752	1.6%
R-V Industries, Inc.	Pennsylvania / Manufacturing	Warrants (200,000 warrants, expiring 6/30/2017) Common Stock (545,107 shares)		1,682 5,087	6,403 17,453	0.4% 1.2%
				6,769	23,856	1.6%

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Wolf Energy Holdings, Inc(12)	Kansas / Oil & Gas Production	Appalachian Energy Holdings, LLC ("AEH") Senior Secured First Lien Note (8.00%, in non-accrual status effective 1/19/2010, due 6/21/2013)	2,437	2,000	0.0%	
		Coalbed, LLC Senior Secured Note (8.00%, in non-accrual status effective 1/19/2010, due 6/21/2013)(6)	7,311	5,991	0.0%	
		Common Stock (100 Shares)			0.0%	
				7,991	0.0%	
		Total Control Investments		518,015	564,489	37.3%

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Portfolio Company	Locale / Industry	Investments(1)	Principal Value	June 30, 2012		% of Net Assets
				Cost	Fair Value(2)	
LEVEL 3 PORTFOLIO INVESTMENTS:						
Affiliate Investments (5.00% to 24.99% voting control)						
BNN Holdings Corp., (f/k/a Biotronic NeuroNetwork)	Michigan / Healthcare	Senior Secured Note (11.50% (LIBOR + 7.00% with 4.50% LIBOR floor) plus 1.00% PIK, due 2/21/2013)(3)(4)	\$ 26,227	\$ 26,227	\$ 26,227	1.8%
		Preferred Stock Series A (9,925,455 shares)(13)		2,300	2,151	0.2%
		Preferred Stock Series B (1,753.64 shares)(13)		579	542	0.0%
				29,106	28,920	2.0%
Boxercraft Incorporated	Georgia / Textiles & Leather	Senior Secured Term Loan A (9.50% (LIBOR + 6.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 9/16/2013)(3)(4)	1,644	1,532	1,644	0.1%
		Senior Secured Term Loan B (10.00% (LIBOR + 7.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 9/16/2013)(3)(4)	4,698	4,265	4,698	0.3%
		Senior Secured Term Loan C (10.50% (LIBOR + 7.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 9/16/2013)(3)(4)	2,277	2,277	2,277	0.2%
		Subordinated Secured Term Loan (12.00% plus 3.00% PIK, due 3/16/2014)(3)	7,966	7,049	7,966	0.5%
		Preferred Stock (1,000,000 shares)			576	0.0%
		Common Stock (10,000 shares)				0.0%
				15,123	17,161	1.1%
Smart, LLC(14)	New York / Diversified / Conglomerate Service	Membership Interest			35	0.0%
					35	0.0%
Total Affiliate Investments				44,229	46,116	3.1%

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Portfolio Company	Locale / Industry	Investments(1)	Principal Value	June 30, 2012		% of Net Assets
				Cost	Fair Value(2)	
LEVEL 3 PORTFOLIO INVESTMENTS:						
Non-control/Non-affiliate Investments (less than 5.00% of voting control)						
ADAPCO, Inc.	Florida / Ecological	Common Stock (5,000 shares)		\$ 141	\$ 240	0.0%
				141	240	0.0%
Aircraft Fasteners International, LLC	California / Machinery	Convertible Preferred Stock (32,500 units)		396	471	0.0%
				396	471	0.0%
American Gilsonite Company	Utah / Specialty Minerals	Senior Subordinated Note (12.00% (LIBOR + 10.00% with 2.00% LIBOR floor) plus 2.50% PIK, due 3/10/2016)(3)(4)	\$ 30,232	30,232	30,232	2.0%
		Senior Subordinated Note (12.00% (LIBOR + 10.00% with 2.00% LIBOR floor) plus 2.50% PIK, due 3/10/2016)(4)	7,500	7,500	7,500	0.5%
		Membership Interest in AGC/PEP, LLC (99.9999%)(15)			6,830	0.5%
				37,732	44,562	3.0%
Apidos CLO VIII, Ltd	Cayman Islands / Diversified Financial Services	Subordinated Notes (Residual Interest)		18,056	19,509	1.3%
				18,056	19,509	1.3%
Apidos CLO IX, Ltd	Cayman Islands / Diversified Financial Services	Subordinated Notes (Residual Interest)		18,723	18,723	1.2%
				18,723	18,723	1.2%
Archipelago Learning, Inc.	Minnesota / Consumer Services	Second Lien Debt (11.25% (LIBOR + 9.75% with 1.50% LIBOR floor), due 5/17/2019)(4)(16)	50,000	48,022	49,271	3.3%
				48,022	49,271	3.3%
Babson CLO Ltd 2011-I	Cayman Islands / Diversified Financial Services	Subordinated Notes (Residual Interest)		33,080	34,244	2.3%
				33,080	34,244	2.3%

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Babson CLO Ltd 2012-IA	Cayman Islands / Diversified Financial Services	Subordinated Notes (Residual Interest)	27,014	27,197	1.8%
			27,014	27,197	1.8%
Babson CLO Ltd 2012-IIA.	Cayman Islands / Diversified Financial Services	Subordinated Notes (Residual Interest)	27,486	27,017	1.8%
			27,486	27,017	1.8%
Blue Coat Systems, Inc.(3)(4)	Massachusetts / Software & Computer Services	Second Lien Term Loan (11.50% (LIBOR + 10.00% with 1.50% LIBOR floor), due 8/15/2018)	25,000	24,279	1.7%
			24,279	25,000	1.7%
Byrider Systems Acquisition Corp	Indiana / Auto Finance	Senior Subordinated Notes (12.00% plus 2.00% PIK, due 11/3/2016)(3)	20,546	20,546	1.3%
			20,546	19,990	1.3%

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Portfolio Company	Locale / Industry	Investments(1)	Principal Value	June 30, 2012		% of Net Assets
				Cost	Fair Value(2)	
LEVEL 3 PORTFOLIO INVESTMENTS:						
Non-control/Non-affiliate Investments (less than 5.00% of voting control)						
Caleel + Hayden, LLC(14)(31)	Colorado / Personal & Nondurable Consumer Products	Membership Units (7,500 shares)		\$ 351	\$ 1,031	0.1%
				351	1,031	0.1%
Capstone Logistics, LLC.(4)	Georgia / Commercial Services	Senior Secured Term Loan A (7.50% (LIBOR + 5.50% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due 9/16/2016)	\$ 33,793	33,793	33,793	2.2%
		Senior Secured Term Loan B (13.50% (LIBOR + 11.50% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due 9/16/2016)(3)	41,625	41,625	41,625	2.8%
				75,418	75,418	5.0%
Cargo Airport Services USA, LLC.	New York / Transportation	Senior Secured Term Loan (10.50% (LIBOR + 7.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 3/31/2016)(3)(4)	48,891	48,891	48,891	3.2%
		Common Equity (1.6 units)		1,639	1,886	0.1%
				50,530	50,777	3.3%
CIFC Funding 2011-I, Ltd.(4)	Cayman Islands / Diversified Financial Services	Secured Class D Notes (5.79% (LIBOR + 5.00%), due 1/19/2023)	19,000	14,778	15,229	1.0%
		Unsecured Class E Notes (7.79% (LIBOR + 7.00%), due 1/19/2023)	15,400	12,480	12,488	0.8%
				27,258	27,717	1.8%
The Copernicus Group, Inc.	North Carolina / Healthcare	Escrow Receivable			315	0.0%
					315	0.0%
CRT MIDCO, LLC.	Wisconsin / Media	Senior Secured Term Loan (10.50% (LIBOR + 7.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 6/30/2017)(3)(4)	73,500	73,500	73,491	4.9%
				73,500	73,491	4.9%
Diamondback Operating, LP	Oklahoma / Oil & Gas Production	Net Profits Interest (15.00% payable on Equity distributions)(7)				0.0%
						0.0%

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Empire Today, LLC	Illinois / Durable Consumer Products	Senior Secured Note (11.375%, due 2/1/2017)	15,700	15,255	15,700	1.0%
				15,255	15,700	1.0%
Fairchild Industrial Products, Co.	North Carolina / Electronics	Escrow Receivable			144	0.0%
					144	0.0%
Fischbein, LLC	North Carolina / Machinery	Senior Subordinated Debt (12.00% plus 2.00% PIK, due 10/31/2016)	3,413	3,413	3,413	0.3%
					565	0.0%
				875	2,036	0.1%
				4,288	6,014	0.4%

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Focus Brands, Inc(4)	Georgia / Consumer Services	Second Lien Term Loan (10.25% (LIBOR + 9.00% with 1.25% LIBOR floor), due 8/21/2018)	\$ 15,000	\$ 14,711	\$ 14,711	1.0%
				14,711	14,711	1.0%
Galaxy XII CLO, Ltd	Cayman Islands / Diversified Financial Services	Subordinated Notes (Residual Interest)		21,526	21,897	1.4%
				21,526	21,897	1.4%
H&M Oil & Gas, LLC	Texas / Oil & Gas Production	Senior Secured Note (13.00% (LIBOR + 7.50% with 5.50% LIBOR floor) plus 3.00% PIK, plus 2.00% default interest, in non-accrual status effective 1/1/2011, past due)(4)	62,814	60,019	30,524	2.0%
		Senior Secured Note (18.00% PIK, in non-accrual status effective 4/27/2012, past due)	4,507	4,430	4,507	0.3%
		Net Profits Interest (8.00% payable on Equity distributions)(7)				0.0%
				64,449	35,031	2.3%
Hi-Tech Testing Service, Inc. and Wilson Inspection X-Ray Services, Inc.	Texas / Oil & Gas Equipment & Services	Senior Secured Term Loan (11.00%, due 9/26/2016)	7,400	7,188	7,391	0.5%
				7,188	7,391	0.5%
Hoffmaster Group, Inc.(4)	Wisconsin / Durable Consumer Products	Second Lien Term Loan (11.00% (LIBOR + 9.50% with 1.50% LIBOR floor), due 1/3/2019)	10,000	9,810	9,811	0.6%
		Second Lien Term Loan (10.25% (LIBOR + 9.00% with 1.25% LIBOR floor), due 1/3/2019)	1,000	990	951	0.1%
				10,800	10,762	0.7%
Hudson Products Holdings, Inc.(16)	Texas / Manufacturing	Senior Secured Term Loan (9.00% (PRIME + 5.00% with 4.00% PRIME floor), due 8/24/2015)(3)(4)	6,299	5,880	5,826	0.4%
				5,880	5,826	0.4%

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ICON Health & Fitness, Inc	Utah / Durable Consumer Products	Senior Secured Note (11.875% , due 10/15/2016)(3)	43,100	43,361	43,100	2.9%
				43,361	43,100	2.9%
IDQ Holdings, Inc.	Texas / Automobile	Senior Secured Note (11.50%, due 4/1/2017)	12,500	12,260	12,488	0.8%
				12,260	12,488	0.8%
Injured Workers Pharmacy LLC.	Massachusetts / Healthcare	Second Lien Debt (12.00% (LIBOR + 7.50% with 4.50% LIBOR floor) plus 1.00% PIK, due 11/4/2017)(3)(4)	15,100	15,100	15,100	1.0%
				15,100	15,100	1.0%
Iron Horse Coiled Tubing, Inc.(23)	Alberta, Canada / Production Services	Common Stock (3,821 shares)		268	2,040	0.1%
				268	2,040	0.1%

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JHH Holdings, Inc.	Texas / Healthcare	Second Lien Debt (12.00% (LIBOR + 10.00% with 2.00% LIBOR floor) plus 2.50% PIK, due 6/23/2016)(3)(4)	\$ 15,736	\$ 15,736	\$ 15,736	1.0%
				15,736	15,736	1.0%
LHC Holdings Corp.	Florida / Healthcare	Revolving Line of Credit \$750 Commitment (8.50% (LIBOR + 6.00% with 2.50% LIBOR floor), due 5/31/2015)(4)(25)(26)			4,125	0.0%
		Senior Subordinated Debt (10.50%, due 5/31/2015)(3)	4,265	4,125	4,125	0.3%
		Membership Interest (125 units)		216	225	0.0%
				4,588	4,761	0.3%
Madison Park Funding IX, Ltd.	Cayman Islands / Diversified Financial Services	Subordinated Notes (Residual Interest)		25,810	25,810	1.7%
				25,810	25,810	1.7%
Maverick Healthcare, LLC	Arizona / Healthcare	Preferred Units (1,250,000 units)		1,252	1,756	0.1%
		Common Units (1,250,000 units)			95	0.0%
				1,252	1,851	0.1%
Medical Security Card Company, LLC(4)	Arizona / Healthcare	Revolving Line of Credit \$1,500 Commitment (9.50% (LIBOR + 7.00% with 2.50% LIBOR floor), due 2/1/2016)(25)				0.0%
		First Lien Term Loan (11.25% (LIBOR + 8.75% with 2.50% LIBOR floor), due 2/1/2016)(3)	17,317	17,317	17,317	1.1%
				17,317	17,317	1.1%
Mood Media Corporation(16)(3)	Canada / Media	Senior Subordinated Term Loan (10.25% (LIBOR + 8.75% with 1.50% LIBOR floor), due 11/6/2018)(4)	15,000	14,866	15,000	1.0%
				14,866	15,000	1.0%
National Bankruptcy Services, LLC(3)(4)	Texas / Diversified Financial Services	Senior Subordinated Term Loan (12.00% (LIBOR + 9.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor) plus 1.50% PIK, due 7/16/2017)	18,402	18,402	18,402	1.2%

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			18,402	18,402	1.2%
Naylor, LLC(4)	Florida / Media	Revolving Line of Credit \$2,500 Commitment (11.00% (LIBOR + 8.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 6/7/2017)(25)			0.0%
		Senior Secured Term Loan (11.00% (LIBOR + 8.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 6/7/2017)	48,600	48,600	3.2%
			48,600	48,600	3.2%
New Meatco Provisions, LLC.	California / Food Products	Senior Subordinated Term Loan (12.00% (LIBOR + 9.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor) plus 4.00%, PIK due 4/18/2016)(4)	12,438	12,438	0.4%
			12,438	6,571	0.4%
Nixon, Inc.	California / Durable Consumer Products	Senior Secured Term Loan (8.75% plus 2.75% PIK, due 4/16/2018)(16)	15,085	14,792	1.0%
			14,792	14,792	1.0%

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Nobel Learning Communities, Inc.	Pennsylvania / Consumer Services	Subordinated Unsecured (11.50% plus 1.50% PIK, due 8/9/2017)	\$ 15,147	\$ 15,147	\$ 15,147	1.0%
				15,147	15,147	1.0%
Northwestern Management Services, LLC	Florida / Healthcare	Revolving Line of Credit \$1,500 Commitment (10.50% (PRIME + 6.75% with 3.75% PRIME floor), due 7/30/2015)(4)(25)	200	200	200	0.0%
		Senior Secured Term Loan A (10.00% (LIBOR + 7.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 7/30/2015)(3)(4)	16,092	16,092	16,092	1.1%
		Common Stock (50 shares)		371	1,205	0.1%
				16,663	17,497	1.2%
NRG Manufacturing, Inc.	Texas / Manufacturing	Escrow Receivable			6,431	0.4%
					6,431	0.4%
Out Rage, LLC(4)	Wisconsin / Durable Consumer Products	Revolving Line of Credit \$1,500 Commitment (11.0% (LIBOR + 8.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 3/02/2013)(25)				0.0%
		Senior Secured Term Loan (11.00% (LIBOR + 8.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 3/2/2015)	10,756	10,756	10,686	0.7%
				10,756	10,686	0.7%
Pinnacle Treatment Centers, Inc(4)	Pennsylvania / Healthcare	Revolving Line of Credit \$1,000 Commitment (8.0% (LIBOR + 5.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 1/10/2016)(25)				0.0%
		Senior Secured Term Loan (11.00% (LIBOR + 8.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 1/10/2016)(3)	17,475	17,475	17,475	1.2%
				17,475	17,475	1.2%
Potters Holdings II, L.P.(16)	Pennsylvania / Manufacturing	Senior Subordinated Term Loan (10.25% (LIBOR + 8.50% with 1.75% LIBOR floor), due 11/6/2017)(3)(4)	15,000	14,803	14,608	1.0%
				14,803	14,608	1.0%
Pre-Paid Legal Services, Inc(16)	Oklahoma / Consumer Services	Senior Subordinated Term Loan (11.00% (LIBOR + 9.50% with 1.50% LIBOR floor), due	5,000	5,000	4,989	0.3%

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				5,000	4,989	0.3%
Progexion Holdings, Inc(4)(28)	Utah / Consumer Services	Senior Secured Term Loan A (11.25% (LIBOR + 9.25% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due 12/31/2014)(3)	34,502	34,502	34,502	2.3%
		Senior Secured Term Loan B (11.25% (LIBOR + 9.25% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due 12/31/2014)	28,178	28,178	28,178	1.9%
				62,680	62,680	4.2%
Renaissance Learning, Inc.(16)	Wisconsin / Consumer Services	Second Lien Term Loan (12.00% (LIBOR + 10.50% with 1.50% LIBOR floor), due 10/19/2018)(4)	6,000	5,775	6,000	0.4%
				5,775	6,000	0.4%

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Non-control/Non-affiliate Investments (less than 5.00% of voting control)						
Rocket Software, Inc.(3)(4)	Massachusetts / Software & Computer Services	Second Lien Term Loan (10.25% (LIBOR + 8.75% with 1.50% LIBOR floor), due 2/8/2019)	\$ 15,000	\$ 14,711	\$ 14,711	1.0%
				14,711	14,711	1.0%
Royal Adhesives & Sealants, LLC.	Indiana / Chemicals	Senior Subordinated Unsecured Term Loan (12.00% plus 2.00% PIK due 11/29/2016)	27,798	27,798	27,798	1.8%
				27,798	27,798	1.8%
Seaton Corp.	Illinois / Business Services	Subordinated Secured (12.50% (LIBOR + 9.00% with 3.50% LIBOR floor) plus 2.00% PIK, due 3/14/2014)(3)(4)	3,288	3,164	3,288	0.2%
				3,164	3,288	0.2%
SG Acquisition, Inc(4)	Georgia / Insurance	Senior Secured Term Loan A (8.50% (LIBOR + 6.50% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due 3/18/2016)	27,469	27,469	27,469	1.8%
		Senior Secured Term Loan B (14.50% (LIBOR + 12.50% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due 3/18/2016)(3)	29,625	29,625	29,625	2.0%
		Senior Secured Term Loan C (8.50% (LIBOR + 6.50% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due 3/18/2016)	12,686	12,686	12,686	0.8%
		Senior Secured Term Loan D (14.50% (LIBOR + 12.50% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due 3/18/2016)	13,681	13,681	13,681	0.9%
				83,461	83,461	5.5%
Shearer's Foods, Inc.	Ohio / Food Products	Junior Secured Debt (12.00% plus 3.75% PIK (3.75% LIBOR floor), due 3/31/2016)(3)(4)	37,639	37,639	37,639	2.5%
		Membership Interest in Mistral Chip Holdings, LLC Common (2,000 units)(17)		2,000	2,161	0.1%
		Membership Interest in Mistral Chip Holdings, LLC 2 Common (595 units)(17)		1,322	643	0.0%
		Membership Interest in Mistral Chip Holdings, LLC 3 Preferred (67 units)(17)		673	883	0.1%
				41,634	41,326	2.7%
Skillsoft Public Limited Company	Ireland / Software & Computer Services	Subordinated Unsecured (11.125%, due 6/1/2018)	15,000	14,916	15,000	1.0%

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				14,916	15,000	1.0%
Snacks Holding Corporation	Minnesota / Food Products	Senior Subordinated Unsecured Term Loan (12.00% plus 1.00% PIK, due 11/12/2017)	15,250	14,754	15,250	1.0%
		Series A Preferred Stock (4,021.45 shares)		56	42	0.0%
		Series B Preferred Stock (1,866.10 shares)		56	42	0.0%
		Warrant (to purchase 31,196.52 voting common shares, expires 11/12/2020)		479	357	0.0%
				15,345	15,691	1.0%
Southern Management Corporation(30)	South Carolina / Consumer Finance	Second Lien Term Loan (12.00% plus 5.00% PIK due 5/31/2017)	17,568	17,568	17,568	1.2%
				17,568	17,568	1.2%

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LEVEL 3 PORTFOLIO INVESTMENTS:						
Non-control/Non-affiliate Investments (less than 5.00% of voting control)						
Sport Helmets Holdings, LLC(14)	New York / Personal & Nondurable Consumer Products	Escrow Receivable		\$	\$ 406	0.0%
					406	0.0%
Springs Window Fashions, LLC.	Wisconsin / Durable Consumer Products	Second Lien Term Loan (11.25% (LIBOR + 9.25% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due 11/30/2017)(3)(4)	\$ 35,000	35,000	34,062	2.3%
				35,000	34,062	2.3%
ST Products, LLC.	Pennsylvania/ Manufacturing	Senior Secured Term Loan (12.00% (LIBOR + 9.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 6/16/2016)(3)(4)	23,328	23,328	23,328	1.5%
				23,328	23,328	1.5%
Stauber Performance Ingredients, Inc.(4)	California / Food Products	Senior Secured Term Loan (10.50% (LIBOR + 7.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 1/21/2016)(3)	22,058	22,058	22,058	1.5%
		Senior Secured Term Loan (10.50% (LIBOR + 7.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 5/21/2017)	10,500	10,500	10,500	0.7%
				32,558	32,558	2.2%
Stryker Energy, LLC	Ohio / Oil & Gas Production	Subordinated Secured Revolving Credit Facility \$50,300 Commitment (8.50% (LIBOR + 7.00% with 1.50% LIBOR floor) plus 3.75% PIK, in non-accrual status effective 12/1/2011, due 12/1/2015)(4)(25) Overriding Royalty Interests(18)	33,444	32,711	1,623	0.0%
				32,711	1,623	0.1%
Symphony CLO, IX Ltd.	Cayman Islands / Diversified Financial Services	LP Certificates (Residual Interest)		42,864	43,612	2.9%
				42,864	43,612	2.9%
Targus Group International, Inc(16)	California / Durable Consumer Products	First Lien Term Loan (11.00% (LIBOR + 9.50% with 1.50% LIBOR floor), due 5/25/2016)(3)(4)	23,760	23,363	23,760	1.6%

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				23,363	23,760	1.6%
Totes Isotoner Corporation	Ohio / Nondurable Consumer Products	Second Lien Term Loan (10.75%, (LIBOR + 9.25% with 1.50% LIBOR floor) due 1/8/2018)(3)(4)	39,000	39,000	38,531	2.5%
				39,000	38,531	2.5%
U.S. HealthWorks Holding Company, Inc(16)	California / Healthcare	Second Lien Term Loan (10.50% (LIBOR + 9.00% with 1.50% LIBOR floor), due 6/15/2017)(3)(4)	25,000	25,000	25,000	1.7%
				25,000	25,000	1.7%
VanDeMark Chemicals, Inc.(3)	New York / Chemicals	Senior Secured Term Loan Note (12.20% (LIBOR + 10.20% with 2.0% LIBOR floor), due 12/31/2014)(4)	30,306	30,306	30,306	2.0%
				30,306	30,306	2.0%

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Wind River Resources Corp. and Wind River II Corp.	Utah / Oil & Gas Production	Senior Secured Note (13.00% (LIBOR + 7.50% with 5.50% LIBOR floor) plus 3.00% default interest on principal, 16.00% default interest on past due interest, in non-accrual status effective 12/1/2008, past due)(4) Net Profits Interest (5.00% payable on Equity distributions)(7)	\$ 14,750	\$ 14,750	\$ 2,339	0.2%
				14,750	2,339	0.2%
Total Non-control/Non-affiliate Investments (Level 3 Investments)				1,536,950	1,483,487	98.1%
Total Level 3 Portfolio Investments				2,099,194	2,094,092	138.5%
LEVEL 1 PORTFOLIO INVESTMENTS:						
Non-control/Non-affiliate Investments (less than 5.00% of voting control)						
Allied Defense Group, Inc.	Virginia / Aerospace & Defense	Common Stock (10,000 shares)		56		0.0%
				56		0.0%
Dover Saddlery, Inc.	Massachusetts / Retail	Common Stock (30,974 shares)		63	129	0.0%
				63	129	0.0%
Total Non-control/Non-affiliate Investments (Level 1 Investments)				119	129	0.0%
Total Portfolio Investments				2,099,313	2,094,221	138.5%
SHORT TERM INVESTMENTS: Money Market Funds (Level 2 Investments)						
Fidelity Institutional Money Market Funds	Government Portfolio (Class I)			86,596	86,596	5.7%
Fidelity Institutional Money Market Funds	Government Portfolio (Class I)(3)			31,772	31,772	2.1%
Victory Government Money Market Funds				1	1	0.0%
Total Money Market Funds				118,369	118,369	7.8%
Total Investments				2,217,682	2,212,590	146.3%

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Control Investments (25.00% or greater of voting control)						
AIRMALL USA, Inc(27)	Pennsylvania / Property Management	Senior Secured Term Loan (12.00% (LIBOR + 9.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 6/30/2015)(3)(4)	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	2.7%
		Senior Subordinated Term Loan (12.00% plus 6.00% PIK, due 12/31/2015)	12,500	12,500	12,500	1.1%
		Convertible Preferred Stock (9,919.684 shares)		9,920	9,226	0.8%
		Common Stock (100 shares)				0.0%
				52,420	51,726	4.6%
Ajax Rolled Ring & Machine, Inc.	South Carolina / Manufacturing	Senior Secured Note Tranche A (10.50% (LIBOR + 7.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 4/01/2013)(3)(4)	20,607	20,607	20,607	1.8%
		Subordinated Secured Note Tranche B (11.50% (LIBOR + 8.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor) plus 6.00% PIK, due 4/01/2013)(3)(4)	15,035	15,035	13,270	1.2%
		Convertible Preferred Stock Series A (6,142.6 shares)		6,057		0.0%
		Unrestricted Common Stock (6 shares)				0.0%
				41,699	33,877	3.0%
AWCNC, LLC(19)	North Carolina / Machinery	Members Units Class A (1,800,000 units)				0.0%
		Members Units Class B-1 (1 unit)				0.0%
		Members Units Class B-2 (7,999,999 units)				0.0%
						0.0%
Borga, Inc.	California / Manufacturing	Revolving Line of Credit \$1,000 Commitment (5.00% (PRIME + 1.75%) plus 3.00% default interest, in non-accrual status effective 03/02/2010, past due)(4)(25)	1,000	945	1,000	0.1%
		Senior Secured Term Loan B (8.50% (PRIME + 5.25%) plus 3.00% default interest, in non-accrual status effective 03/02/2010, past due)(4)	1,612	1,500	691	0.1%
		Senior Secured Term Loan C (12.00% plus 4.00% PIK plus 3.00% default interest, in non-accrual status effective 03/02/2010, past due)	8,980	706		0.0%
		Common Stock (100 shares)(21)				0.0%
		Warrants (33,750 warrants)(21)				0.0%
				3,151	1,691	0.2%
C&J Cladding LLC		Membership Interest (400 units)(22)		580	4,699	0.4%

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				580	4,699	0.4%
Change Clean Energy Holdings, Inc. ("CCEHI" or "Biomass")(5)(8)	Maine / Biomass Power	Common Stock (1,000 shares)		2,540		0.0%
				2,540		0.0%
Freedom Marine Services LLC(20)(8)	Louisiana / Shipping Vessels	Subordinated Secured Note (12.00% (LIBOR + 6.11% with 5.89% LIBOR floor) plus 4.00% PIK, in non-accrual status effective 10/1/2010, due 12/31/2011)(4) Net Profits Interest (22.50% payable on equity distributions)(7)	11,674	11,303	3,079	0.3%
						0.0%
				11,303	3,079	0.3%

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LEVEL 3 PORTFOLIO INVESTMENTS:						
Control Investments (25.00% or greater of voting control)						
Gas Solutions Holdings, Inc.(8)(3)	Texas / Gas Gathering and Processing	Senior Secured Note (18.00%, due 12/11/2016)	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	2.2%
		Junior Secured Note (18.00%, due 12/12/2016)	12,000	12,000	12,000	1.1%
		Common Stock (100 shares)		5,003	68,406	6.2%
				42,003	105,406	9.5%
Integrated Contract Services, Inc.(9)	North Carolina / Contracting	Secured Promissory Notes (15.00%, in non-accrual status effective 12/22/2010, due 3/21/2012 - 4/10/2013)(10)	1,708	1,708	1,708	0.2%
		Senior Demand Note (15.00%, in non-accrual status effective 11/1/2010, past due)(10)	1,170	1,170	59	0.0%
		Senior Secured Note (7.00% plus 7.00% PIK plus 6.00% default interest, in non-accrual status effective 10/09/2007, past due)	960	660		0.0%
		Junior Secured Note (7.00% plus 7.00% PIK plus 6.00% default interest, in non-accrual status effective 10/09/2007, past due)	14,003	14,003		0.0%
		Preferred Stock Series A (10 shares)				0.0%
		Common Stock (49 shares)		679		0.0%
				18,220	1,767	0.2%
Iron Horse Coiled Tubing, Inc.(23)	Alberta, Canada / Production Services	Senior Secured Tranche 2 (Zero Coupon, due 1/1/2016)	2,338	2,338	2,186	0.2%
		Senior Secured Tranche 3 (2.00%, due 1/1/2016)	12,000	11,781	11,514	1.0%
		Common Stock (3,821 shares)		268	1,657	0.2%
				14,387	15,357	1.4%
Manx Energy, Inc. ("Manx")(12)	Kansas / Oil & Gas Production	Appalachian Energy Holdings, LLC ("AEH") Senior Secured Note (8.00%, in non-accrual status effective 1/19/2010, due 1/19/2013)	2,248	2,000		0.0%
		Coalbed, LLC Senior Secured Note (8.00%, in non-accrual status effective 1/19/2010, due 1/19/2013)(6)	6,743	5,991		0.0%
		Manx Senior Secured Note (13.00%, in non-accrual status effective 1/19/2010, due 1/19/2013)	3,550	3,550	1,312	0.1%
		Manx Preferred Stock (6,635 shares)		6,307		0.0%
		Manx Common Stock (3,416,335 shares)		1,171		0.0%
				19,019	1,312	0.1%
NMMB Holdings, Inc.(24)	New York / Media	Revolving Line of Credit \$3,000 Commitment (10.50% (LIBOR + 8.50% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due 5/6/2016)(4)(25)				0.0%

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		Senior Term Loan (14.00%, due 5/6/2016)	24,250	24,250	24,250	2.2%
		Senior Subordinated Term Loan (15.00%, due 5/6/2016)	2,800	2,800	2,800	0.2%
		Series A Preferred Stock (4,400 shares)		4,400	4,400	0.4%
				31,450	31,450	2.8%
NRG Manufacturing, Inc.	Texas / Manufacturing	Senior Secured Note (16.50% (LIBOR + 11.00% with 5.50% LIBOR floor), due 8/31/2011)(3)(4)	13,080	13,080	13,080	1.2%
		Common Stock (800 shares)		2,317	32,403	2.9%
				15,397	45,483	4.1%

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LEVEL 3 PORTFOLIO INVESTMENTS:						
Control Investments (25.00% or greater of voting control)						
Nupla Corporation	California / Home & Office Furnishings, Housewares & Durable	Revolving Line of Credit \$2,000 Commitment (7.25% (PRIME + 4.00%) plus 2.00% default interest, due 9/04/2012)(4) (25)	\$ 1,093	\$ 1,014	\$ 1,093	0.1%
		Senior Secured Term Loan A (8.00% (PRIME + 4.75%) plus 2.00% default interest, due 9/04/2012)(4)	4,538	902	4,538	0.4%
		Senior Subordinated Debt (15.00% PIK, in non-accrual status effective 4/01/2009, due 3/04/2013)	3,910		478	0.0%
		Preferred Stock Class A (2,850 shares)				0.0%
		Preferred Stock Class B (1,330 shares)				0.0%
		Common Stock (2,360,743 shares)				0.0%
				1,916	6,109	0.5%
R-V Industries, Inc.	Pennsylvania / Manufacturing	Warrants (200,000 warrants, expiring 6/30/2017)		1,682	2,178	0.2%
		Common Stock (545,107 shares)		5,086	5,938	0.5%
				6,768	8,116	0.7%
Yatesville Coal Holdings, Inc.(11)(8)	Kentucky / Mining, Steel, Iron and Non-Precious Metals and Coal Production	Senior Secured Note (Non-accrual status effective 1/01/2009, past due)(4)	1,035	1,035		0.0%
		Junior Secured Note (Non-accrual status effective 1/01/2009, past due)(4)	413	413		0.0%
		Common Stock (1,000 shares)				0.0%
				1,448		0.0%
Total Control Investments				262,301	310,072	27.8%
Affiliate Investments (5.00% to 24.99% voting control)						
BNN Holdings Corp., (f/k/a Biotronic NeuroNetwork)	Michigan / Healthcare	Senior Secured Note (11.50% (LIBOR + 7.00% with 4.50% LIBOR floor) plus 1.00% PIK, due 2/21/2013)(3)(4)	26,227	26,227	27,014	2.4%
		Preferred Stock Series A (9,925.455 shares)(13)		2,300	5,597	0.6%
		Preferred Stock Series B (1,753.64 shares)(13)		579	1,409	0.1%
				29,106	34,020	3.1%
Boxercraft Incorporated	Georgia / Textiles & Leather	Senior Secured Term Loan A (9.50% (LIBOR + 6.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 9/16/2013)(3)(4)	2,710	2,423	2,674	0.2%
		Senior Secured Term Loan B (10.00% (LIBOR + 7.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 9/16/2013)(3)(4)	4,753	4,025	4,722	0.4%
			7,727	6,483	7,766	0.8%

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Subordinated Secured Term Loan (12.00% plus 6.50% PIK, due 3/16/2014)(3)		
Preferred Stock (1,000,000 shares)	470	0.0%
Common Stock (10,000 shares)		0.0%

	12,931	15,632	1.4%
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Smart, LLC(14)	New York / Diversified / Conglomerate Service	Membership Interest Class B (1,218 units) Membership Interest Class D (1 unit)		0.0% 0.0%
				0.0%

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Affiliate Investments (5.00% to 24.99% voting control)						
Sport Helmets Holdings, LLC(14)	New York / Personal & Nondurable Consumer Products	Revolving Line of Credit \$3,000 Commitment (4.00% (LIBOR + 3.75%), due 12/14/2013)(4)(25)(26)	\$	\$	\$	0.0%
		Senior Secured Term Loan A (4.00% (LIBOR + 3.75%), due 12/14/2013)(3)(4)	2,125	1,326	2,107	0.2%
		Senior Secured Term Loan B (4.50% (LIBOR + 4.25%), due 12/14/2013)(3)(4)	7,313	5,616	7,271	0.7%
		Senior Subordinated Debt Series A (12.00% plus 3.00% PIK, due 6/14/2014)(3)	7,550	6,318	7,550	0.7%
		Senior Subordinated Debt Series B (10.00% plus 5.00% PIK, due 6/14/2014)(3)	1,427	1,077	1,427	0.1%
		Common Stock (20,974 shares)		459	4,330	0.3%
				14,796	22,685	2.0%
Total Affiliate Investments				56,833	72,337	6.5%
Non-control/Non-affiliate Investments (less than 5.00% of voting control)						
ADAPCO, Inc.	Florida / Ecological	Common Stock (5,000 shares)		141	194	0.0%
				141	194	0.0%
Aircraft Fasteners International, LLC	California / Machinery	Revolving Line of Credit \$500 Commitment (9.50% (LIBOR + 7.00% with 2.50% LIBOR floor), due 11/01/2012)(4)(25)(26)				0.0%
		Senior Secured Term Loan (9.50% (LIBOR + 7.00% with 2.50% LIBOR floor), due 11/01/2012)(3)(4)	3,663	3,663	3,663	0.3%
		Junior Secured Term Loan (12.00% plus 6.00% PIK, due 5/01/2013)(3)	4,900	4,900	4,900	0.5%
		Convertible Preferred Stock (32,500 units)		396	280	0.0%
				8,959	8,843	0.8%
American Gilsonite Company	Utah / Specialty Minerals	Senior Subordinated Note (12.00% (LIBOR + 10.00% with 2.00% LIBOR floor) plus 2.50% PIK, due 3/10/2016)(3)(4)	30,169	30,169	30,169	2.7%
		Membership Interest in AGC/PEP, LLC (99.9999%)(15)			4,158	0.4%
				30,169	34,327	3.1%
Arrowhead General Insurance Agency, Inc.(16)	California / Insurance	Junior Secured Term Loan (11.25% (LIBOR + 9.50% with 1.75% LIBOR floor), due 9/30/2017)(4)	27,000	27,000	27,000	2.4%

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			27,000	27,000	2.4%
Byrider Systems Acquisition Corp.	Indiana / Auto Finance	Senior Subordinated Notes (12.00% plus 2.00% PIK, due 11/3/2016)	25,082	25,082	2.3%
			25,082	25,082	2.3%
Caleel + Hayden, LLC(14)	Colorado / Personal & Nondurable Consumer Products	Membership Units (7,500 shares) Options in Mineral Fusion Natural Brands, LLC (11,662 options)	351	718	0.1%
					0.0%
			351	718	0.1%

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Non-control/Non-affiliate Investments (less than 5.00% of voting control)						
Cargo Airport Services USA, LLC.	New York / Transportation	Revolving Line of Credit \$5,000 Commitment (11.50% (LIBOR + 8.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 3/31/2012)(4)(25)	\$ 4,935	\$ 4,935	\$ 4,935	0.4%
		Senior Secured Term Loan (11.50% (LIBOR + 8.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 3/31/2016)(4)	52,669	52,669	53,459	4.8%
		Common Equity (1.5 units)		1,500	1,824	0.2%
				59,104	60,218	5.4%
Clearwater Seafoods LP	Canada / Food Products	Second Lien Term Loan (12.00%, due 2/4/2016)	45,000	45,000	45,000	4.0%
				45,000	45,000	4.0%
The Copernicus Group, Inc.	North Carolina / Healthcare	Revolving Line of Credit \$1,000 Commitment (8.00% (LIBOR + 5.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 2/9/2016)(4)(25)				0.0%
		Senior Secured Term Loan A (8.00% (LIBOR + 5.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 2/9/2016)(3)(4)	11,250	11,250	11,419	1.0%
		Senior Secured Term Loan B (14.00% (LIBOR + 11.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 2/9/2016)(4)	11,250	11,250	11,419	1.0%
		Preferred Stock Series A (1,000,000 shares)		67	1,227	0.2%
		Preferred Stock Series C (212,121 shares)		212	317	0.0%
				22,779	24,382	2.2%
CRT MIDCO, LLC.	Wisconsin / Media	Revolving Line of Credit \$7,500 Commitment (10.50% (LIBOR + 7.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 6/30/2012)(4)(25)				0.0%
		Senior Secured Term Loan (10.50% (LIBOR + 7.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 6/30/2017)(4)	75,000	75,000	75,000	6.7%
				75,000	75,000	6.7%
Deb Shops, Inc.(16)	Pennsylvania / Retail	Second Lien Debt (14.00% PIK, in non-accrual status effective 2/24/2009, due 10/23/2014)	19,906	14,606		0.0%
				14,606		0.0%
Diamondback Operating, LP	Oklahoma / Oil & Gas Production	Net Profits Interest (15.00% payable on Equity distributions)(7)				0.0%

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						0.0%
Empire Today, LLC(16)	Illinois / Durable Consumer Products	Senior Secured Note (11.375%, due 2/1/2017)	7,500	7,424	7,500	0.7%
				7,424	7,500	0.7%
Fairchild Industrial Products, Co.	North Carolina / Electronics	Preferred Stock Class A (285.1 shares)		377	795	0.1%
		Common Stock Class B (28 shares)		211	579	0.1%
				588	1,374	0.2%
Fischbein, LLC	North Carolina / Machinery	Senior Subordinated Debt (12.00% plus 2.00% PIK, due 10/31/2016)	3,345	3,345	3,345	0.3%
		Membership Class A (875,000 units)		875	983	0.1%
				4,220	4,328	0.4%

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Non-control/Non-affiliate Investments (less than 5.00% of voting control)						
H&M Oil & Gas, LLC	Texas / Oil & Gas Production	Senior Secured Note (13.00% (LIBOR + 7.50% with 5.50% LIBOR floor) plus 3.00% PIK, in non-accrual status effective 01/01/2011, past due)(4)	\$ 60,930	\$ 60,019	\$ 38,463	3.5%
				60,019	38,463	3.5%
Hoffmaster Group, Inc.	Wisconsin / Durable Consumer Products	Second Lien Term Loan (13.50%, due 6/2/2017)(3)	20,000	20,000	20,400	1.8%
				20,000	20,400	1.8%
Hudson Products Holdings, Inc.(16)	Texas / Manufacturing	Senior Secured Term Loan (8.50% (PRIME + 4.50% with 4.00% LIBOR floor), due 8/24/2015)(3)(4)	6,348	5,819	5,597	0.5%
				5,819	5,597	0.5%
ICON Health & Fitness, Inc(16)	Utah / Durable Consumer Products	Senior Secured Note (11.875%, due 10/15/2016)(3)	43,100	43,407	45,040	4.0%
				43,407	45,040	4.0%
IEC-Systems, LP ("IEC") /Advanced Rig Services, LLC ("ARS")	Texas / Oilfield Fabrication	IEC Senior Secured Note (12.00% (LIBOR + 6.00% with 6.00% LIBOR floor) plus 3.00% PIK, due 11/20/2012)(3)(4)	15,360	15,360	15,360	1.5%
		ARS Senior Secured Note (12.00% (LIBOR + 6.00% with 6.00% LIBOR floor) plus 3.00% PIK, due 11/20/2012)(3)(4)	7,716	7,716	7,716	0.7%
				23,076	23,076	2.2%
JHH Holdings, Inc.	Texas / Healthcare	Senior Subordinated Debt (12.00% (LIBOR + 10.00% with 2.00% LIBOR floor) plus 2.50% PIK, due 6/23/2016)(4)	15,439	15,439	15,439	1.5%
				15,439	15,439	1.5%
LHC Holdings Corp.	Florida / Healthcare	Revolving Line of Credit \$750 Commitment (8.50% (LIBOR + 6.00% with 2.50% LIBOR floor), due 6/30/2012)(4)(25)(26)				0.0%
		Senior Secured Term Loan A (8.50% (LIBOR + 6.00% with 2.50% LIBOR floor), due 6/30/2012)(3)(4)	1,052	1,052	1,041	0.1%
			4,565	4,299	4,486	0.4%

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		Senior Subordinated Debt (12.00% plus 2.50% PIK, due 5/31/2013)(3)		216	219	0.0%
		Membership Interest (125 units)				
				5,567	5,746	0.5%
Mac & Massey Holdings, LLC	Georgia / Food Products	Senior Subordinated Debt (10.00% plus 5.75% PIK, due 2/10/2013)(3)	9,188	8,250	9,188	0.8%
		Membership Interest (250 units)		111	617	0.1%
				8,361	9,805	0.9%
Maverick Healthcare, LLC	Arizona / Healthcare	Preferred Units (1,250,000 units)		1,252	1,623	0.1%
		Common Units (1,250,000 units)				0.0%
				1,252	1,623	0.1%
Medical Security Card Company, LLC(4)	Arizona / Healthcare	Revolving Line of Credit \$1,500 Commitment (9.50% (LIBOR + 7.00% with 2.50% LIBOR floor), due 2/1/2016)(25)				0.0%
		Senior Secured Term Loan (11.25% (LIBOR + 8.75% with 2.50% LIBOR floor), due 2/1/2016)(3)	20,500	20,500	20,500	1.8%
				20,500	20,500	1.8%

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Non-control/Non-affiliate Investments (less than 5.00% of voting control)						
Mood Media Corporation(16)	Canada / Media	Senior Subordinated Term Loan (10.25% (LIBOR + 8.75% with 1.50% LIBOR floor), due 11/6/2018)(4)	\$ 15,000	\$ 14,852	\$ 14,850	1.3%
				14,852	14,850	1.3%
New Meatco Provisions, LLC.	California / Food Products	Senior Subordinated Term Loan (12.00% (LIBOR + 9.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor) plus 4.00% PIK due 4/18/2016)(4)	13,106	13,106	13,106	1.2%
				13,106	13,106	1.2%
Northwestern Management Services, LLC	Florida / Healthcare	Revolving Line of Credit \$1,500 Commitment (10.50% (LIBOR + 7.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 7/30/2015)(4)(25) Senior Secured Term Loan A (10.50% (LIBOR + 7.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 7/30/2015)(3)(4) Common Stock (50 shares)	17,369	17,369 371	17,369 565	0.0% 1.5% 0.1%
				17,740	17,934	1.6%
Out Rage, LLC(4)	Wisconsin / Durable Consumer Products	Revolving Line of Credit \$1,500 Commitment (11.00% (LIBOR + 8.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 3/2/2015)(25) Senior Secured Term Loan (11.00% (LIBOR + 8.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 3/2/2015)	12,422	12,422	12,422	0.0% 1.1%
				12,422	12,422	1.1%
Pinnacle Treatment Centers, Inc(4)	Pennsylvania / Healthcare	Revolving Line of Credit \$1,000 Commitment (8.0% (LIBOR + 5.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 1/10/2016)(25) Senior Secured Term Loan (11.00% (LIBOR + 8.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 1/10/2016)(3)	250 18,763	250 18,763	250 18,763	0.0% 1.7%
				19,013	19,013	1.7%
Potters Holdings II, L.P.(16)	Pennsylvania / Manufacturing	Senior Subordinated Term Loan (10.25% (LIBOR + 8.50% with 1.75% LIBOR floor), due 11/6/2017)(4)	15,000	14,779	14,775	1.4%
				14,779	14,775	1.4%

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Pre-Paid Legal Services, Inc(16)	Oklahoma / Consumer Services	Senior Subordinated Term Loan (11.00% (LIBOR + 9.50% with 1.50% LIBOR floor), due 12/31/2016)(4)	5,000	5,000	5,000	0.4%	
				5,000	5,000	0.4%	
Progressive Logistics Services, LLC(3)	Georgia / Commercial Services	Senior Secured Term Loan A (8.50% (LIBOR + 6.50% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due 1/6/2016)(4)	14,625	14,625	14,625	1.3%	
			Senior Secured Term Loan B (14.50% (LIBOR + 12.50% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due 1/6/2016)(4)	15,000	15,000	15,000	1.4%
					29,625	29,625	2.7%
Progexion Holdings, Inc(4)(28)	Utah / Consumer Services	Senior Secured Term Loan A (10.75% (LIBOR + 8.75% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due 12/31/2014)(3)	35,618	35,618	35,618	3.2%	
			Senior Secured Term Loan B (10.75% (LIBOR + 8.75% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due 12/31/2014)	32,668	32,668	32,668	2.9%
					68,286	68,286	6.1%

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Non-control/Non-affiliate Investments (less than 5.00% of voting control)						
ROM Acquisition Corporation	Missouri / Automobile	Revolving Line of Credit \$1,750 Commitment (4.25% (LIBOR + 3.25% with 1.00% LIBOR floor), due 2/08/2013)(4)(25)(26)	\$	\$	\$	0.0%
		Senior Secured Term Loan A (4.25% (LIBOR + 3.25% with 1.00% LIBOR floor), due 2/08/2013)(3)(4)	2,932	2,684	2,895	0.3%
		Senior Secured Term Loan B (8.00% (LIBOR + 7.00% with 1.00% LIBOR floor), due 5/08/2013)(3)(4)	7,187	7,187	7,187	0.6%
		Senior Subordinated Debt (12.00% plus 3.00% PIK due 8/08/2013)(3)	7,208	6,971	7,280	0.7%
				16,842	17,362	1.6%
Royal Adhesives & Sealants, LLC.	Indiana / Chemicals	Senior Subordinated Unsecured Term Loan (12.00% plus 2.00% PIK due 11/29/2016)	25,277	25,277	25,277	2.3%
				25,277	25,277	2.3%
Seaton Corp.	Illinois / Business Services	Subordinated Secured (12.50% (LIBOR + 9.00% with 3.50% LIBOR floor) plus 2.00% PIK, due 3/14/2014)(3)(4)	6,788	6,604	6,787	0.6%
				6,604	6,787	0.6%
SG Acquisition, Inc(4)	Georgia / Insurance	Senior Secured Term Loan A (8.50% (LIBOR + 6.50% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due 3/18/2016)	29,925	29,925	30,224	2.7%
		Senior Secured Term Loan B (14.50% (LIBOR + 12.50% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due 3/18/2016)(3)	29,925	29,925	30,224	2.7%
				59,850	60,448	5.4%
Shearer's Foods, Inc.	Ohio / Food Products	Junior Secured Debt (12.00% plus 3.75% PIK (3.75% LIBOR floor), due 3/31/2016)(3)(4)	36,248	36,248	36,248	3.2%
		Membership Interest in Mistral Chip Holdings, LLC Common (2,000 units)(17)		2,000	2,562	0.2%
		Membership Interest in Mistral Chip Holdings, LLC 2 Common (595 units)(17)		1,322	762	0.1%
		Membership Interest in Mistral Chip Holdings, LLC 3 Preferred (67 units)(17)		673	674	0.1%
				40,243	40,246	3.6%
			15,000	14,908	15,000	1.3%

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Skillsoft Public Limited Company	Ireland / Software & Computer Services	Subordinated Unsecured (11.125%, due 06/01/2018)		14,908	15,000	1.3%
Snacks Holding Corporation.	Minnesota / Food Products	Senior Subordinated Unsecured Term Loan (12.00% plus 1.00% PIK, due 11/12/2017)	15,059	14,502	15,059	1.4%
		Series A Preferred Stock (4,021.45 shares)		56	55	0.0%
		Series B Preferred Stock (1,866.10 shares)		56	55	0.0%
		Warrant (to purchase 31,196.52 voting common shares, expires 11/12/2020)		479	472	0.0%
				15,093	15,641	1.4%

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Portfolio Company	Locale / Industry	Investments(1)	Principal Value	June 30, 2011		% of Net Assets
				Cost	Fair Value(2)	
LEVEL 3 PORTFOLIO INVESTMENTS:						
Non-control/Non-affiliate Investments (less than 5.00% of voting control)						
SonicWALL, Inc.	California / Software & Computer Services	Subordinated Secured (12.00% (LIBOR + 10.00% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due 1/23/2017)(3)(4)	\$ 23,000	\$ 22,982	\$ 23,000	2.1%
				22,982	23,000	2.1%
Springs Window Fashions, LLC.	Wisconsin / Durable Consumer Products	Second Lien Term Loan (11.25% (LIBOR + 9.25% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due 11/30/2017)(4)	35,000	35,000	35,000	3.1%
				35,000	35,000	3.1%
ST Products, LLC.	Pennsylvania/ Manufacturing	Senior Secured Term Loan (12.00% (LIBOR + 9.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 6/16/2016)(4)	26,500	26,500	26,500	2.4%
				26,500	26,500	2.4%
Stauber Performance Ingredients, Inc.	California / Food Products	Senior Secured Term Loan (10.50% (LIBOR + 7.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 1/21/2016)(3)(4)	22,700	22,700	22,700	2.0%
				22,700	22,700	2.0%
Stryker Energy, LLC	Ohio / Oil & Gas Production	Subordinated Secured Revolving Credit Facility \$50,300 Commitment (8.50% (LIBOR + 7.00% with 1.50% LIBOR floor) plus 3.75% PIK, due 12/01/2015)(3)(4)(25) Overriding Royalty Interests(18)	30,699	30,624	21,750 2,168	1.9% 0.2%
				30,624	23,918	2.1%
Targus Group International, Inc(16)	California / Durable Consumer Products	First Lien Term Loan (11.00% (LIBOR + 9.50% with 1.50% LIBOR floor), due 5/25/2016)(4)	24,000	23,526	24,000	2.1%
				23,526	24,000	2.1%
U.S. HealthWorks Holding Company, Inc(16)	California / Healthcare	Second Lien Term Loan (10.50% (LIBOR + 9.00% with 1.50% LIBOR floor), due 6/15/2017)(4)	25,000	25,000	25,000	2.2%
				25,000	25,000	2.2%
VPSI, Inc.			17,646	17,646	17,646	1.6%

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	Michigan / Transportation	First Lien Senior Secured Note (12.00% (LIBOR + 10.00% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due 12/23/2015)(4)		17,646	17,646	1.6%
Wind River Resources Corp. and Wind River II Corp.	Utah / Oil & Gas Production	Senior Secured Note (13.00% (LIBOR + 7.50% with 5.50% LIBOR floor) plus 3.00% default interest on principal, 16.00% default interest on past due interest, in non-accrual status effective 12/01/2008, past due)(4) Net Profits Interest (5.00% payable on Equity distributions)(7)	15,000	15,000	7,230	0.6%
				15,000	7,230	0.6%
		Total Non-control/Non-affiliate Investments (Level 3 Investments)		1,116,481	1,080,421	97.0%
		Total Level 3 Portfolio Investments		1,435,615	1,462,830	131.3%

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Portfolio Company	Locale / Industry	Investments(1)	Principal Value	June 30, 2011		% of Net Assets
				Cost	Fair Value(2)	
LEVEL 1 PORTFOLIO INVESTMENTS:						
Non-control/Non-affiliate Investments (less than 5.00% of voting control)						
Allied Defense Group, Inc.	Virginia / Aerospace & Defense	Common Stock (10,000 shares)		\$ 56	\$ 35	0.0%
				56	35	0.0%
Dover Saddlery, Inc.	Massachusetts / Retail	Common Stock (30,974 shares)		63	145	0.0%
				63	145	0.0%
		Total Non-control/Non-affiliate Investments (Level 1 Investments)		119	180	0.0%
		Total Portfolio Investments		1,435,734	1,463,010	131.3%
SHORT TERM INVESTMENTS: Money Market Funds (Level 2 Investments)						
Fidelity Institutional Money Market Funds	Government Portfolio (Class I)			45,986	45,986	4.2%
Fidelity Institutional Money Market Funds	Government Portfolio (Class I)(3)			13,916	13,916	1.2%
Victory Government Money Market Funds				1	1	0.0%
		Total Money Market Funds		59,903	59,903	5.4%
		Total Investments		1,495,637	1,522,913	136.7%

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- (1) The securities in which Prospect Capital Corporation ("we", "us" or "our") has invested were acquired in transactions that were exempt from registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the "Securities Act." These securities may be resold only in transactions that are exempt from registration under the Securities Act.
- (2) Fair value is determined by or under the direction of our Board of Directors. As of June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011, two of our portfolio investments, Allied Defense Group, Inc. ("Allied") and Dover Saddlery, Inc. ("Dover") were publically traded and classified as Level 1 within the valuation hierarchy established by Accounting Standards Codification 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures* ("ASC 820"). As of June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011, the fair value of our remaining portfolio investments was determined using significant unobservable inputs. ASC 820 classifies such inputs used to measure fair value as Level 3 within the valuation hierarchy. Our investments in money market funds are classified as Level 2. See Note 2 and Note 3 within the accompanying consolidated financial statements for further discussion.
- (3) Security, or portion thereof, is held by Prospect Capital Funding LLC, a bankruptcy remote special purpose entity, and is pledged as collateral for the revolving credit facility and such security is not available as collateral to our general creditors (See Note 5). The market values of these investments at June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011 were \$783,384 and \$700,321, respectively; they represent 35.4% and 46.0% of total investments at fair value, respectively. Prospect Capital Funding LLC (See Note 1), our wholly-owned subsidiary, holds an aggregate market value of \$783,384 and \$631,915 of these investments as of June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011, respectively.
- (4) Security, or portion thereof, has a floating interest rate which may be subject to a LIBOR or PRIME floor. Stated interest rate was in effect at June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011.
- (5) There are several entities involved in the Biomass investment. As of June 30, 2011, we owned directly 3,265 shares of common stock in CCEI, f/k/a Worcester Energy Partners, Inc., representing 100% of the issued and outstanding common stock. CCEI owns 100 shares of common stock in Precision Logging and Landclearing, Inc. ("PLL"), representing 100% of the issued and outstanding common stock.

As of June 30, 2011, we owned directly 552 shares of common stock in Worcester Energy Co., Inc. ("WECO"), representing 100% of the issued and outstanding common stock.

Our 100% ownership of each of CCEI and WECO resulted from our successful bid, in December 2010, for the 49% of each of those stocks we did not own directly.

As of June 30, 2011, we owned directly 100 shares of common stock in Worcester Energy Holdings, Inc. ("WEHI"), representing 100% of the issued and outstanding common stock. WEHI, in turn, owns 51 membership certificates in Biochips LLC ("Biochips"), which represents a 51% ownership stake.

During the quarter ended March 31, 2009, we created two new entities CCEHI and DownEast Power Company, LLC ("DEPC") in anticipation of the foreclosure proceedings against the three

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co-borrowers, WECO, CCEI and Biochips, on a note due to us that we had put on non-accrual status effective July 1, 2008.

As of June 30, 2011, we owned 1,000 shares of CCEHI, representing 100% of the issued and outstanding stock, which in turn, owns a 100% of the membership interests in DEPC.

On March 11, 2009, we foreclosed on the assets formerly held by CCEI and Biochips with a successful credit bid of \$6,000 to acquire the assets. The credit bid was assigned to DEPC and the assets subsequently were acquired by DEPC.

Biochips, WECO, CCEI, Precision and WEHI currently have no material operations. As of June 30, 2009, our Board of Directors assessed a fair value of zero for all of the equity positions and the loan position. We determined that the impairment of both CCEI and CCEHI as of June 30, 2009 was other than temporary and recorded a realized loss for the amount that the amortized cost exceeds the fair value at June 30, 2009. Our Board of Directors set value at zero for the Biomass investment as a whole as of June 30, 2011, respectively.

In December 2011, we formed New CCEI, Inc. ("New CCEI") and contributed 100% of the equity of CCEI to New CCEI. After the contribution, CCEI converted into a limited liability company. On December 9, 2011, each of CCEH, PLL, WECO and WEHI merged with and into New CCEI. During the quarter ended December 31, 2011, New CCEI merged into Change Clean Energy Holdings, LLC and our ownership of New CCEI was transferred to Energy Solutions Holdings, Inc

(6) During the quarter ended December 31, 2009, we created two new entities, Coalbed Inc. and Coalbed LLC, to foreclose on the outstanding senior secured loan and assigned rights and interests of Conquest Cherokee, LLC ("Conquest"), as a result of the deterioration of Conquest's financial performance and inability to service debt payments. We own 1,000 shares of common stock in Coalbed Inc., representing 100% of the issued and outstanding common stock. Coalbed Inc., in turn owns 100% of the membership interest in Coalbed LLC.

On October 21, 2009, Coalbed LLC foreclosed on the loan formerly made to Conquest. On January 19, 2010, as part of the Manx rollup, the Coalbed LLC assets and loan was assigned to Manx, the holding company. On June 30, 2012, Manx reassigned our investment in Coalbed to Wolf Energy Holdings, Inc. ("Wolf"), a newly-formed, separately owned holding company. Our Board of Directors set value at zero for the loan position in Coalbed LLC investment as of June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011.

(7) In addition to the stated returns, the net profits interest held will be realized upon sale of the borrower or a sale of the interests.

(8) During the quarter ended December 31, 2011, our ownership of Change Clean Energy Holdings, Inc. ("CCEHI") and Change Clean Energy, Inc. ("CCEI"), Freedom Marine Holding, Inc. ("Freedom Marine") and Yatesville Coal Holdings, Inc. ("Yatesville") was transferred to Energy Solutions Holdings Inc. (f/k/a Gas Solutions Holdings Inc.) ("Energy Solutions") to consolidate all of our energy holdings under one management team. We own 100% of Energy Solutions.

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- (9) Entity was formed as a result of the debt restructuring of ESA Environmental Specialist, Inc. In early 2009, we foreclosed on the two loans on non-accrual status and purchased the underlying personal and real property. We own 1,000 shares of common stock in The Healing Staff ("THS"), f/k/a Lisamarie Fallon, Inc. representing 100% ownership. We own 1,500 shares of Vets Securing America, Inc. ("VSA"), representing 100% ownership. VSA is a holding company for the real property of Integrated Contract Services, Inc. ("ICS") purchased during the foreclosure process.
- (10) Loan is with THS an affiliate of ICS.
- (11) On June 30, 2008, we consolidated our holdings in four coal companies into Yatesville, and consolidated the operations under one management team. As part of the transaction, the debt that we held of C&A Construction, Inc. ("C&A"), Genesis Coal Corp. ("Genesis"), North Fork Collieries LLC ("North Fork") and Unity Virginia Holdings LLC ("Unity") were exchanged for newly issued debt from Yatesville, and our ownership interests in C&A, E&L Construction, Inc. ("E&L"), Whymore Coal Company Inc. ("Whymore") and North Fork were exchanged for 100% of the equity of Yatesville. This reorganization allowed for a better utilization of the assets in the consolidated group.
- At June 30, 2011, Yatesville held a \$9,325 note receivable from North Fork and owned 100% of the membership interest of East Kentucky Coal Holdings, Inc. ("East Kentucky"). North Fork was owned 100% by East Kentucky.
- At June 30, 2011, we owned 100% of the common stock of Genesis and held a note receivable of \$20,933.
- Yatesville held a note receivable of \$4,261 from Unity at June 30, 2011.
- As of June 30, 2011, Yatesville owned 10,000 shares of common stock or 100% of the equity of C&A and held a \$16,210 senior secured debt receivable from C&A.
- As of June 30, 2011, Yatesville owned 10,000 shares of common stock or 100% of the equity of E&L. As of June 30, 2011 Yatesville also owned 4,285 Series A convertible preferred shares in each of C&A and E&L.
- In August 2009, Yatesville sold its 49% ownership interest in the common shares of Whymore to the 51% holder of the Whymore common shares ("Whymore Purchaser"). All reclamation liability was transferred to the Whymore Purchaser.
- Yatesville currently has no material operations. During the quarter ended December 31, 2009, our Board of Directors determined that the impairment of Yatesville was other than temporary and we recorded a realized loss for the amount that the amortized cost exceeds the fair value. Our Board of Directors set the value of the remaining Yatesville investment at zero as of June 30, 2011.
- On December 9, 2011, each of Genesis, E&L, C&A and East Kentucky merged with and into Yatesville. During the quarter ended December 31, 2011, our ownership of Yatesville merged into a subsidiary of Energy Solutions.

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- (12) On January 19, 2010, we modified the terms of our senior secured debt in AEH and Coalbed in conjunction with the formation of Manx Energy, a new entity consisting of the assets of AEH, Coalbed and Kinley Exploration. The assets of the three companies were brought under new common management. We funded \$2,800 at closing to Manx to provide for working capital. A portion of our loans to AEH and Coalbed was exchanged for Manx preferred equity, while our AEH equity interest was converted into Manx common stock. There was no change to fair value at the time of restructuring. On June 30, 2012, Manx reassigned our investments in Coalbed and AEH to Wolf, a newly-formed, separately owned holding company. We continue to fully reserve any income accrued for Manx.
- (13) On a fully diluted basis represents 10.00% of voting common shares.
- (14) A portion of the positions listed were issued by an affiliate of the portfolio company.
- (15) We own 99.9999% of AGC/PEP, LLC. AGC/PEP, LLC owns 2,037.65 out of a total of 83,818.69 shares (including 5,111 vested and unvested management options) of American Gilsonite Holding Company which owns 100% of American Gilsonite Company.
- (16) Syndicated investment which had been originated by another financial institution and broadly distributed.
- (17) At June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011, Mistral Chip Holdings, LLC owns 44,800 shares of Chip Holdings, Inc. and Mistral Chip Holdings 2, LLC owns 11,975 shares in Chip Holdings, Inc. Chip Holdings, Inc. is the parent company of Shearer's Foods, Inc. and has 67,936 shares outstanding before adjusting for management options.
- (18) The overriding royalty interests held receive payments at the stated rates based upon operations of the borrower.
- (19) On December 31, 2009, we sold our investment in Aylward Enterprises, LLC. AWCNC, LLC is the remaining holding company with zero assets. Our remaining outstanding debt after the sale was written off on December 31, 2009 and no value has been assigned to the equity position as of June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011.
- (20) As of June 30, 2011, we own 100% of Freedom Marine Holding, Inc. ("Freedom Marine"), which owns 100% of the common units of Jettco Marine Services LLC. During the quarter ended December 31, 2011, our ownership of Freedom Marine was transferred to Energy Solutions.
- (21) We own warrants to purchase 33,750 shares of common stock in Metal Buildings Holding Corporation ("Metal Buildings"), the former holding company of Borga, Inc. Metal Buildings Holding Corporation owned 100% of Borga, Inc.
- On March 8, 2010, we foreclosed on the stock in Borga, Inc. that was held by Metal Buildings, obtaining 100% ownership of Borga, Inc.
- (22) We own 100% of C&J Cladding Holding Company, Inc., which owns 40% of the membership interests in C&J Cladding, LLC.

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- (23) On January 1, 2010, we restructured our senior secured and bridge loans investment in Iron Horse Coiled Tubing, Inc. ("Iron Horse") and we reorganized Iron Horse's management structure. The senior secured loan and bridge loan were replaced with three new tranches of senior secured debt. During the period from June 30, 2011 to June 30, 2012, our fully diluted ownership of Iron Horse decreased from 57.8% to 5.0%, respectively, as we continued to transfer ownership interests to Iron Horse's management as they repaid our outstanding debt. Iron Horse management has an option to repurchase our remaining interest for \$2,040.
- As of June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011, our Board of Directors assessed a fair value in Iron Horse of \$2,040 and \$15,357, respectively.
- (24) On May 6, 2011, we made a secured first-lien \$24,250 debt investment to NMMB Acquisition, Inc., a \$2,800 secured debt and \$4,400 equity investment to NMMB Holdings, Inc. We own 100% of the Series A Preferred Stock in NMMB Holdings, Inc. NMMB Holdings, Inc. owns 100% of the Convertible Preferred in NMMB Acquisition, Inc. NMMB Acquisition, Inc. has a 5.8% dividend rate which is paid to NMMB Holdings, Inc. Our fully diluted ownership in NMMB Holdings, Inc. is 100% as of June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011. Our fully diluted ownership in NMMB Acquisition, Inc. is 83.5% and 94.7% as of June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011, respectively.
- (25) Undrawn committed revolvers incur commitment fees ranging from 0.50% to 2.00%. As of June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011, we have \$180,646 and \$35,822 of undrawn revolver commitments to our portfolio companies, respectively.
- (26) Stated interest rates are based on June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011 one month Libor rates plus applicable spreads based on the respective credit agreements. Interest rates are subject to change based on actual elections by the borrower for a Libor rate contract or Base Rate contract when drawing on the revolver.
- (27) On July 30, 2010, we made a secured first-lien \$30,000 debt investment to AIRMALL USA, Inc., a \$12,500 secured second-lien to AMU Holdings, Inc., and 100% of the Convertible Preferred Stock and Common stock of AMU Holdings, Inc. Our Convertible Preferred Stock in AMU Holdings, Inc. has a 12.0% dividend rate which is paid from the dividends received from the underlying operating company, AIRMALL USA Inc. AMU Holdings, Inc. owns 100% of the common stock in AIRMALL USA, Inc.
- (28) Progrexion Marketing, Inc., Progrexion Teleservices, Inc., Progrexion ASG, Inc. Progrexion IP, Inc. and Efolks, LLC, are joint borrowers on our senior secured investment. Progrexion Holdings, Inc. and eFolks Holdings, Inc. are the guarantors of this debt investment.
- (29) Our wholly-owned entity, First Tower Holdings of Delaware LLC, owns 80.1% of First Tower Holdings LLC, the operating company of First Tower, LLC.
- (30) Southern Management Corporation, Thaxton Investment Corporation, Southern Finance of Tennessee, Inc., Covington Credit of Texas, Inc., Covington Credit, Inc., Covington Credit of Alabama, Inc., Covington Credit of Georgia, Inc., Southern Finance of South Carolina, Inc. and

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Quick Credit Corporation, are joint borrowers on our senior secured investment. SouthernCo, Inc. is the guarantor of this debt investment.

- (31) We own 2.6% of Caleel + Hayden, LLC, which holds 11,662 options in Mineral Fusion Natural, LLC, its subsidiary.

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Note 1. Organization

References herein to "we", "us" or "our" refer to Prospect Capital Corporation ("Prospect") and its subsidiary unless the context specifically requires otherwise.

We were organized on April 13, 2004 and were funded in an initial public offering ("IPO"), completed on July 27, 2004. We are a closed-end investment company that has filed an election to be treated as a Business Development Company ("BDC"), under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "1940 Act"). As a BDC, we have qualified and have elected to be treated as a regulated investment company ("RIC"), under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the "Internal Revenue Code"). We invest primarily in senior and subordinated debt and equity of companies in need of capital for acquisitions, divestitures, growth, development, recapitalizations and other purposes.

On May 15, 2007, we formed a wholly-owned subsidiary, Prospect Capital Funding LLC ("PCF"), a Delaware limited liability company and a bankruptcy remote special purpose entity, which holds certain of our portfolio loan investments that are used as collateral for the credit facility at PCF.

Note 2. Significant Accounting Policies

The following are significant accounting policies consistently applied by us:

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") and pursuant to the requirements for reporting on Form 10-K and Regulation S-X. The financial results of our portfolio investments are not consolidated in the financial statements.

Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications have been made in the presentation of prior notes to consolidated financial statements to conform to the presentation as of and for the twelve months ended June 30, 2012.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of GAAP financial statements requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of income and expenses during the reported period. Changes in the economic environment, financial markets, creditworthiness of our portfolio companies and any other parameters used in determining these estimates could cause actual results to differ, and these differences could be material.

Basis of Consolidation

Under the 1940 Act rules, the regulations pursuant to Article 6 of Regulation S-X and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants' Audit and Accounting Guide for Investment Companies, we are precluded from consolidating any entity other than another investment company or

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an operating company which provides substantially all of its services and benefits to us. Our financial statements include our accounts and the accounts of PCF, our only wholly-owned, closely-managed subsidiary that is also an investment company. All intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

Investment Classification

We are a non-diversified company within the meaning of the 1940 Act. We classify our investments by level of control. As defined in the 1940 Act, control investments are those where there is the ability or power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of a company. Control is generally deemed to exist when a company or individual possesses or has the right to acquire within 60 days or less, a beneficial ownership of 25% or more of the voting securities of an investee company. Affiliated investments and affiliated companies are defined by a lesser degree of influence and are deemed to exist through the possession outright or via the right to acquire within 60 days or less, beneficial ownership of 5% or more of the outstanding voting securities of another person.

Investments are recognized when we assume an obligation to acquire a financial instrument and assume the risks for gains or losses related to that instrument. Investments are derecognized when we assume an obligation to sell a financial instrument and forego the risks for gains or losses related to that instrument. Specifically, we record all security transactions on a trade date basis. Investments in other, non-security financial instruments are recorded on the basis of subscription date or redemption date, as applicable. Amounts for investments recognized or derecognized but not yet settled are reported as receivables for investments sold and payables for investments purchased, respectively, in the Consolidated Statements of Assets and Liabilities.

Investment Risks

The Company's investments are subject to a variety of risks. Those risks include the following:

Market Risk

Market risk represents the potential loss that can be caused by a change in the fair value of the financial instrument.

Credit Risk

Credit risk represents the risk that the Company would incur if the counterparties failed to perform pursuant to the terms of their agreements with the Company.

Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk represents the possibility that the Company may not be able to rapidly adjust the size of its positions in times of high volatility and financial stress at a reasonable price.

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Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk represents a change in interest rates, which could result in an adverse change in the fair value of an interest-bearing financial instrument.

Prepayment Risk

Many of the Company's debt investments allow for prepayment of principal without penalty. Downward changes in interest rates may cause prepayments to occur at a faster than expected rate, thereby effectively shortening the maturity of the security and making the security less likely to be an income producing instrument.

Investment Valuation

Our Board of Directors has established procedures for the valuation of our investment portfolio. These procedures are detailed below.

Investments for which market quotations are readily available are valued at such market quotations.

For most of our investments, market quotations are not available. With respect to investments for which market quotations are not readily available or when such market quotations are deemed not to represent fair value, our Board of Directors has approved a multi-step valuation process each quarter, as described below:

- 1) Each portfolio company or investment is reviewed by our investment professionals with the independent valuation firms engaged by our Board of Directors;
- 2) the independent valuation firms conduct independent appraisals and make their own independent assessment;
- 3) the audit committee of our Board of Directors reviews and discusses the preliminary valuation with Prospect Capital Management (the "Investment Adviser") proposing values within the valuation range presented by the independent valuation firms; and
- 4) the Board of Directors discusses valuations and determines the fair value of each investment in our portfolio in good faith based on the input of our Investment Adviser, the respective independent valuation firms and the audit committee.

Investments are valued utilizing a shadow bond approach, a market approach, an income approach, a liquidation approach, or a combination of approaches, as appropriate. The shadow bond and market approach uses prices and other relevant information generated by market transactions involving identical or comparable assets or liabilities (including a business). The income approach uses valuation techniques to convert future amounts (for example, cash flows or earnings) to a single present value amount (discounted) calculated based on an appropriate discount rate. The measurement is based on the net present value indicated by current market expectations about those future amounts. In following these approaches, the types of factors that we may take into account in fair value pricing our investments include, as relevant: available current market data, including relevant and applicable market trading and transaction comparables, applicable market yields and multiples, security covenants,

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call protection provisions, information rights, the nature and realizable value of any collateral, the portfolio company's ability to make payments, its earnings and discounted cash flows, the markets in which the portfolio company does business, comparisons of financial ratios of peer companies that are public, M&A comparables, the principal market and enterprise values, among other factors.

Our investments in collateralized loan obligation funds ("CLOs") are classified as ASC 820 level 3 securities, and are valued using discounted cash flow model. The valuations have been accomplished through the analysis of the CLO deal structures to identify the risk exposures from the modeling point of view. For each security, the most appropriate valuation approach has been chosen from alternative approaches to ensure the most accurate valuation for each security. To value a CLO, both the assets and liabilities of the CLO capital structure need be modeled. We use a waterfall engine to store the collateral data, generate collateral cash flows from the assets, and distributes the cash flow to the liability structure based on the payment priorities, and discount them back using proper discount rates that incorporate all the risk factors. The main risk factors are: default risk, interest rate risk, downgrade risk, and credit spread risk.

In September 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued ASC 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures* ("ASC 820"). ASC 820 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in GAAP, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. We adopted ASC 820 on a prospective basis beginning on July 1, 2008.

ASC 820 classifies the inputs used to measure these fair values into the following hierarchy:

Level 1: Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities, accessible by us at the measurement date.

Level 2: Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, or quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, or other observable inputs other than quoted prices.

Level 3: Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

In all cases, the level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement in its entirety falls has been determined based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Our assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment and considers factors specific to each investment. The changes to GAAP from the application of ASC 820 relate to the definition of fair value, the framework for measuring fair value, and the expanded disclosures about fair value measurements. ASC 820 applies to fair value measurements already required or permitted by other standards. In accordance with ASC 820, the fair value of our investments is defined as the price that we would receive upon selling an investment in an orderly transaction to an independent buyer in the principal or most advantageous market in which that investment is transacted.

Valuation of Other Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities

In February 2007, FASB issued ASC Subtopic 820-10-05-1, *The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities* ("ASC 820-10-05-1"). ASC 820-10-05-1 permits an entity to elect fair value as the initial and subsequent measurement attribute for many assets and liabilities. We adopted

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this statement on July 1, 2008 and have elected not to value other assets and liabilities at fair value as would be permitted by ASC 820-10-05-1.

Senior Convertible Notes

We have recorded the Senior Convertible Notes (See Note 6) at their contractual amounts. The Senior Convertible Notes were analyzed for any features that would require its accounting to be bifurcated and they were determined to be immaterial.

Revenue Recognition

Realized gains or losses on the sale of investments are calculated using the specific identification method.

Interest income, adjusted for amortization of premium and accretion of discount, is recorded on an accrual basis. Origination, closing and/or commitment fees associated with investments in portfolio companies are accreted into interest income over the respective terms of the applicable loans. Accretion of such purchase discounts or premiums is calculated by the effective interest method as of the purchase date and adjusted only for material amendments or prepayments. Upon the prepayment of a loan or debt security, any prepayment penalties and unamortized loan origination, closing and commitment fees are recorded as interest income. The purchase discount for portfolio investments acquired from Patriot Capital Funding, Inc. ("Patriot") was determined based on the difference between par value and fair market value as of December 2, 2009, and will continue to accrete until maturity or repayment of the respective loans.

Interest income from investments in the "equity" class of security of CLO Funds (typically income notes or subordinated notes) is recorded based upon an estimation of an effective yield to expected maturity utilizing assumed cash flows in accordance with ASC 325-40-35, *Beneficial Interests in Securitized Financial Assets*. We monitor the expected cash inflows from our CLO equity investments, including the expected residual payments and the effective yield is determined and updated periodically.

Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date.

Structuring fees and similar fees are recognized as income as earned, usually when paid. Structuring fees, excess deal deposits, net profits interests and overriding royalty interests are included in other income.

Loans are placed on non-accrual status when there is reasonable doubt that principal or interest will not be collected in accordance with the terms of the investment. Accrued interest is generally reversed when a loan is placed on non-accrual status. Interest payments received on non-accrual loans may be recognized as income or applied to principal depending upon management's judgment. Non-accrual loans are restored to accrual status when past due principal and interest is paid and in management's judgment, are likely to remain current.

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Federal and State Income Taxes

We have elected to be treated as a regulated investment company and intend to continue to comply with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code, applicable to regulated investment companies. We are required to distribute at least 90% of our investment company taxable income and intend to distribute (or retain through a deemed distribution) all of our investment company taxable income and net capital gain to stockholders; therefore, we have made no provision for income taxes. The character of income and gains that we will distribute is determined in accordance with income tax regulations that may differ from GAAP. Book and tax basis differences relating to stockholder dividends and distributions and other permanent book and tax differences are reclassified to paid-in capital.

If we do not distribute (or are not deemed to have distributed) at least 98% of our annual ordinary income and 98.2% of our capital gains in the calendar year earned, we will generally be required to pay an excise tax equal to 4% of the amount by which 98% of our annual ordinary income and 98.2% of our capital gains exceed the distributions from such taxable income for the year. To the extent that we determine that our estimated current year annual taxable income will be in excess of estimated current year dividend distributions from such taxable income, we accrue excise taxes, if any, on estimated excess taxable income as taxable income is earned using an annual effective excise tax rate. The annual effective excise tax rate is determined by dividing the estimated annual excise tax by the estimated annual taxable income.

If we fail to satisfy the annual distribution requirement or otherwise fail to qualify as a RIC in any taxable year, we would be subject to tax on all of our taxable income at regular corporate rates. We would not be able to deduct distributions to stockholders, nor would we be required to make distributions. Distributions would generally be taxable to our individual and other non-corporate taxable stockholders as ordinary dividend income eligible for the reduced maximum rate for taxable years beginning before 2013 (but not for taxable years beginning thereafter, unless the relevant provisions are extended by legislation) to the extent of our current and accumulated earnings and profits, provided certain holding period and other requirements are met. Subject to certain limitations under the Internal Revenue Code, corporate distributions would be eligible for the dividends-received deduction. To qualify again to be taxed as a RIC in a subsequent year, we would be required to distribute to our shareholders our accumulated earnings and profits attributable to non-RIC years reduced by an interest charge of 50% of such earnings and profits payable by us as an additional tax. In addition, if we failed to qualify as a RIC for a period greater than two taxable years, then, in order to qualify as a RIC in a subsequent year, we would be required to elect to recognize and pay tax on any net built-in gain (the excess of aggregate gain, including items of income, over aggregate loss that would have been realized if we had been liquidated) or, alternatively, be subject to taxation on such built-in gain recognized for a period of ten years.

We follow ASC 740, *Income Taxes* ("ASC 740"). ASC 740 provides guidance for how uncertain tax positions should be recognized, measured, presented, and disclosed in the financial statements. ASC 740 requires the evaluation of tax positions taken or expected to be taken in the course of preparing our tax returns to determine whether the tax positions are "more-likely-than-not" of being sustained by the applicable tax authority. Tax positions not deemed to meet the more-likely-than-not threshold are recorded as a tax benefit or expense in the current year. Adoption of ASC 740 was

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applied to all open tax years as of July 1, 2007. The adoption of ASC 740 did not have an effect on our net asset value, financial condition or results of operations as there was no liability for unrecognized tax benefits and no change to our beginning net asset value. As of June 30, 2012 and for the year then ended, we did not have a liability for any unrecognized tax benefits. Management's determinations regarding ASC 740 may be subject to review and adjustment at a later date based upon factors including, but not limited to, an on-going analysis of tax laws, regulations and interpretations thereof.

Dividends and Distributions

Dividends and distributions to common stockholders are recorded on the ex-dividend date. The amount, if any, to be paid as a monthly dividend or distribution is approved by our Board of Directors quarterly and is generally based upon our management's estimate of our earnings for the quarter. Net realized capital gains, if any, are distributed at least annually.

Financing Costs

We record origination expenses related to our credit facility and Senior Convertible Notes, Senior Unsecured Notes and Prospect Capital InterNotes® (collectively, our "Senior Notes"), as deferred financing costs. These expenses are deferred and amortized as part of interest expense using the straight-line method for our revolving credit facility and the effective interest method for our Senior Notes, over the respective expected life.

We record registration expenses related to shelf filings as prepaid assets. These expenses consist principally of Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") registration fees, legal fees and accounting fees incurred. These prepaid assets will be charged to capital upon the receipt of an equity offering proceeds or charged to expense if no offering completed.

Guarantees and Indemnification Agreements

We follow ASC 460, *Guarantees* ("ASC 460"). ASC 460 elaborates on the disclosure requirements of a guarantor in its interim and annual financial statements about its obligations under certain guarantees that it has issued. It also requires a guarantor to recognize, at the inception of a guarantee, for those guarantees that are covered by ASC 460, the fair value of the obligation undertaken in issuing certain guarantees.

Per Share Information

Net increase or decrease in net assets resulting from operations per common share are calculated using the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the period presented. In accordance with ASC 946, *Financial Services Investment Companies*, convertible securities are not considered in the calculation of net assets per share.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In January 2010, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update 2010-06, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures (Topic 820): Improving Disclosures about Fair Value Measurements* ("ASC 2010-06"). ASU 2010-06 amends ASC 820-10 and clarifies and provides additional disclosure requirements related

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to recurring and non-recurring fair value measurements and employers' disclosures about postretirement benefit plan assets. ASU 2010-06 is effective December 15, 2009, except for the disclosure about purchase, sales, issuances and settlements in the roll forward of activity in level 3 fair value measurements. Those disclosures are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2010 (or July 1, 2011 for us) and for interim periods within those fiscal years. The adoption of the amended guidance in ASC 820-10 did not have a significant effect on our financial statements.

In February 2011, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update 2011-02, *Receivables (Topic 310): A Creditor's Determination of Whether a Restructuring is a Troubled Debt Restructuring* ("ASU 2011-02"). ASU 2011-02 clarifies which loan modifications constitute troubled debt restructurings. It is intended to assist creditors in determining whether a modification of the terms of a receivable meets the criteria to be considered a troubled debt restructuring, both for purposes of recording an impairment loss and for disclosure of troubled debt restructurings. In evaluating whether a restructuring constitutes a troubled debt restructuring, a creditor must separately conclude that both of the following exist: (a) the restructuring constitutes a concession; and (b) the debtor is experiencing financial difficulties. ASU 2011-02 provides guidance to clarify whether the creditor has granted a concession and whether a debtor is experiencing financial difficulties. The new guidance is effective for interim and annual periods beginning on or after June 15, 2011, and applies retrospectively to restructurings occurring on or after the beginning of the fiscal year of adoption or July 1, 2011 for us. The adoption of the amended guidance in ASU 2011-02 did not have a significant effect on our financial statements.

In May 2011, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update 2011-04, *Amendments to Achieve Common Fair Value Measurement and Disclosure Requirements in U.S. GAAP and IFRSs* ("ASU 2011-04"). ASU 2011-04 amends Accounting Standards Codification Topic 820, "Fair Value Measurements" ("ASC 820") by: (1) clarifying that the highest-and-best-use and valuation-premise concepts only apply to measuring the fair value of non-financial assets; (2) allowing a reporting entity to measure the fair value of the net asset or net liability position in a manner consistent with how market participants would price the net risk position, if certain criteria are met; (3) providing a framework for considering whether a premium or discount can be applied in a fair value measurement; (4) providing that the fair value of an instrument classified in a reporting entity's shareholders' equity is estimated from the perspective of a market participant that holds the identical item as an asset; and (5) expanding the qualitative and quantitative fair value disclosure requirements. The expanded disclosures include, for Level 3 items, a description of the valuation process and a narrative description of the sensitivity of the fair value to changes in unobservable inputs and interrelationships between those inputs if a change in those inputs would result in a significantly different fair value measurement. ASU 2011-4 also requires disclosures about the highest-and-best-use of a non-financial asset when this use differs from the asset's current use and the reasons for such a difference. In addition, this ASU amends Accounting Standards Codification 820, "Fair Value Measurements," to require disclosures to include any transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy. These amendments are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2011 and for interim periods within those fiscal years. The amendments of ASU 2011-04, when adopted, are not expected to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

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On December 2, 2009, we acquired the outstanding shares of Patriot Capital Funding, Inc. ("Patriot") common stock for \$201,083. Under the terms of the merger agreement, Patriot common shareholders received 0.363992 shares of our common stock for each share of Patriot common stock, resulting in 8,444,068 shares of common stock being issued by us. In connection with the transaction, we repaid all the outstanding borrowings of Patriot, in compliance with the merger agreement. Patriot was accounted for in accordance with ASC 805, *Business Combinations*. We acquired net assets of approximately \$209,715, which primarily consisted of portfolio investments and recognized a gain on the acquisition of approximately \$8,632.

The following unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information does not purport to be indicative of actual financial position or results of our operations had the Patriot acquisition actually been consummated at the beginning of each year presented. Certain one-time charges have been eliminated. The pro forma adjustments reflecting the allocation of the purchase price of Patriot and the gain of \$8,632 recognized on the Patriot Acquisition have been eliminated from all periods presented. Management expects to realize net operating synergies from this transaction. The pro forma condensed combined financial information does not reflect the potential impact of these synergies and does not reflect any impact of additional accretion which would have been recognized on the transaction, except for that which was recorded after the transaction was consummated on December 2, 2009. There are no applicable pro-forma adjustments to the operating results for the year ended June 30, 2011 as the Patriot acquisition was consummated prior to the beginning of the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011.

	Year ended June 30, 2010
Total Investment Income	\$ 119,258
Net Investment Income	65,538
Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets Resulting from Operations	12,117
Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets Resulting from Operations per share	0.19

Note 4. Portfolio Investments

At June 30, 2012, we had invested in 82 long-term portfolio investments, which had an amortized cost of \$2,099,313 and a fair value of \$2,094,221 and at June 30, 2011, we had invested in 72 long-term portfolio investments, which had an amortized cost of \$1,435,734 and a fair value of \$1,463,010.

As of June 30, 2012, we own controlling interests in AIRMALL USA, Inc., Ajax Rolled Ring & Machine, Inc., AWCNC, LLC, Borga, Inc. ("Borga"), Energy Solutions Holdings, Inc. (f/k/a Gas Solutions Holdings, Inc.) ("Energy Solutions"), First Tower Holdings of Delaware, LLC ("First Tower Delaware"), Integrated Contract Services, Inc. ("ICS"), Manx Energy, Inc. ("Manx"), NMMB Holdings, Inc., R-V Industries, Inc. and Wolf Energy Holdings, Inc. ("Wolf"). We also own an affiliated interest in BNN Holdings Corp. f/k/a Biotronic NeuroNetwork, Boxercraft Incorporated and Smart, LLC.

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The composition of our investments and money market funds as of June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011 at cost and fair value was as follows:

	June 30, 2012		June 30, 2011	
	Cost	Fair Value	Cost	Fair Value
Revolving Line of Credit	\$ 1,145	\$ 868	\$ 7,144	\$ 7,278
Senior Secured Debt	1,138,991	1,080,053	822,582	789,981
Subordinated Secured Debt	544,363	488,113	491,188	448,675
Subordinated Unsecured Debt	72,617	73,195	54,687	55,336
CLO Debt	27,258	27,717		
CLO Residual Interest	214,559	218,009		
Equity	100,380	206,266	60,133	161,740
Total Investments	2,099,313	2,094,221	1,435,734	1,463,010
Money Market Funds	118,369	118,369	59,903	59,903
Total Investments and Money Market Funds	\$ 2,217,682	\$ 2,212,590	\$ 1,495,637	\$ 1,522,913

The fair values of our investments and money market funds as of June 30, 2012 disaggregated into the three levels of the ASC 820 valuation hierarchy are as follows:

	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Securities (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)	Total
Investments at fair value				
Revolving Line of Credit	\$	\$	\$ 868	\$ 868
Senior Secured Debt			1,080,053	1,080,053
Subordinated Secured Debt			488,113	488,113
Subordinated Unsecured Debt			73,195	73,195
CLO Debt			27,717	27,717
CLO Residual Interest			218,009	218,009
Equity	129		206,137	206,266
Total Investments	129		2,094,092	2,094,221
Money Market Funds		118,369		118,369
Total Investments and Money Market Funds	\$ 129	\$ 118,369	\$ 2,094,092	\$ 2,212,590

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Note 4. Portfolio Investments (Continued)

	Fair Value Hierarchy			Total
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
Investments at fair value				
Control investments	\$	\$	\$ 564,489	\$ 564,489
Affiliate investments			46,116	46,116
Non-control/non-affiliate investments	129		1,483,487	1,483,616
	129		2,094,092	2,094,221
Investments in money market funds		118,369		118,369
Total assets reported at fair value	\$ 129	\$ 118,369	\$ 2,094,092	\$ 2,212,590

The fair values of our investments and money market funds as of June 30, 2011 disaggregated into the three levels of the ASC 820 valuation hierarchy are as follows:

	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Securities (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)	Total
Investments at fair value				
Revolving Line of Credit	\$	\$	\$ 7,278	\$ 7,278
Senior Secured Debt			789,981	789,981
Subordinated Secured Debt			448,675	448,675
Subordinated Unsecured Debt			55,336	55,336
Equity		180	161,560	161,740
Total Investments		180	1,462,830	1,463,010
Money Market Funds			59,903	59,903
Total Investments and Money Market Funds	\$	180	\$ 59,903	\$ 1,462,830
				\$ 1,522,913

	Fair Value Hierarchy			Total
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
Investments at fair value				
Control investments	\$	\$	\$ 310,072	\$ 310,072
Affiliate investments			72,337	72,337
Non-control/non-affiliate investments	180		1,080,421	1,080,601
	180		1,462,830	1,463,010
Investments in money market funds		59,903		59,903
Total assets reported at fair value	\$ 180	\$ 59,903	\$ 1,462,830	\$ 1,522,913

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The aggregate values of Level 3 portfolio investments changed during the year ended June 30, 2012 as follows:

	Fair Value Measurements Using Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)			
	Control Investments	Affiliate Investments	Non-Control/ Non-Affiliate Investments	Total
Fair value as of June 30, 2011	\$ 310,072	\$ 72,337	\$ 1,080,421	\$ 1,462,830
Total realized loss (gain), net	42,267	4,445	(10,115)	36,597
Change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation)	6,776	(13,617)	(25,476)	(32,317)
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	49,043	(9,172)	(35,591)	4,280
Purchases of portfolio investments	332,156	2,300	780,556	1,115,012
Payment-in-kind interest	219	467	4,961	5,647
Accretion of purchase discount	81	4,874	2,329	7,284
Repayments and sales of portfolio investments	(118,740)	(24,690)	(357,531)	(500,961)
Transfers within Level 3	(8,342)		8,342	
Transfers in (out) of Level 3				
Fair value as of June 30, 2012	\$ 564,489	\$ 46,116	\$ 1,483,487	\$ 2,094,092

	Fair Value Measurements Using Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)							
	Revolver	Senior Secured Debt	Subordinated Secured Debt	Subordinated Unsecured Debt	CLO Debt	CLO Residual Interest	Equity	Total
Fair value as of June 30, 2011	\$ 7,278	\$ 789,981	\$ 448,675	\$ 55,336	\$	\$	\$ 161,560	\$ 1,462,830
Total realized loss (gain), net		2,686	(14,606)				48,517	36,597
Change in unrealized (depreciation) appreciation	(412)	(26,340)	(13,737)	(67)	3,450	459	4,330	(32,317)
Net realized and unrealized (loss) gain	(412)	(23,654)	(28,343)	(67)	3,450	459	52,847	4,280
Purchases of portfolio investments	1,500	582,566	227,733	17,000	214,559	27,072	44,582	1,115,012
Payment-in-kind interest		304	4,485	858				5,647
Accretion of purchase discount	80	3,449	3,501	68		186		7,284
Repayments and sales of portfolio investments	(7,578)	(272,593)	(167,938)				(52,852)	(500,961)
Transfers within Level 3								
Transfers in (out) of Level 3								
Fair value as of June 30, 2012	\$ 868	\$ 1,080,053	\$ 488,113	\$ 73,195	\$ 218,009	\$ 27,717	\$ 206,137	\$ 2,094,092

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The aggregate values of Level 3 portfolio investments changed during the year ended June 30, 2011 as follows:

	Fair Value Measurements Using Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)			Total
	Control Investments	Affiliate Investments	Non-Control/ Non-Affiliate Investments	
Fair value as of June 30, 2010	\$ 195,958	\$ 73,740	\$ 477,417	\$ 747,115
Total realized (loss) gain, net	8,558	(549)	8,052	16,061
Change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation)	37,533	6,846	(37,036)	7,343
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	46,091	6,297	(28,984)	23,404
Purchases of portfolio investments	92,662	1,380	849,661	943,703
Payment-in-kind interest	2,297	1,281	6,056	9,634
Accretion of purchase discount	244	2,630	20,161	23,035
Repayments and sales of portfolio investments	(23,142)	(12,991)	(247,928)	(284,061)
Transfers within Level 3	(4,038)		4,038	
Transfers in (out) of Level 3				
Fair value as of June 30, 2011	\$ 310,072	\$ 72,337	\$ 1,080,421	\$ 1,462,830

	Fair Value Measurements Using Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)					Total
	Revolving Line of Credit	Senior Secured Debt	Subordinated Secured Debt	Subordinated Unsecured Debt	Equity	
Fair value as of June 30, 2010	\$ 5,017	\$ 287,470	\$ 313,511	\$ 30,895	\$ 110,222	\$ 747,115
Total realized (loss) gain, net		(1,072)			17,133	16,061
Change in unrealized (depreciation) appreciation	(129)	(6,326)	(22,562)	(37)	36,397	7,343
Net realized and unrealized (loss) gain	(129)	(7,398)	(22,562)	(37)	53,530	23,404
Purchases of portfolio investments	9,385	578,862	297,302	39,410	18,744	943,703
Payment-in-kind interest		1,407	7,834	393		9,634
Accretion of purchase discount	184	5,118	17,563	170		23,035
Repayments and sales of portfolio investments	(7,179)	(75,478)	(164,973)	(15,495)	(20,936)	(284,061)
Transfers within Level 3						
Transfers in (out) of Level 3						
Fair value as of June 30, 2011	\$ 7,278	\$ 789,981	\$ 448,675	\$ 55,336	\$ 161,560	\$ 1,462,830

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For the year ended June 30, 2012 and 2011, the net change in unrealized appreciation on the investments that use Level 3 inputs was \$18,866 and \$21,403 for assets still held as of June 30, 2012 and 2011, respectively.

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In December 2011, we completed a reorganization of Gas Solutions Holdings, Inc. renaming the company Energy Solutions and transferring ownership of other operating companies owned by us and operating within the energy industry. As part of the reorganization, our equity interests in Change Clean Energy Holdings, Inc. and Change Clean Energy, Inc., Freedom Marine Holdings LLC ("Freedom Marine") and Yatesville Coal Holdings, Inc. ("Yatesville") were transferred to Energy Solutions to consolidate all of our energy holdings under one management team, strategically expanding Energy Solutions across several energy sectors.

On January 4, 2012, Energy Solutions sold its gas gathering and processing assets ("Gas Solutions") for a sale price of \$199,805, adjusted for the final working capital settlement, including a potential earnout of \$28,000 that will be paid based on the future performance of Gas Solutions. After expenses, including structuring fees of \$9,966 paid to us, Energy Solutions received approximately \$148,687 in cash and an additional \$10,000 is being held in escrow. Currently, our loans to Energy Solutions remain outstanding and are collateralized by the cash held by Energy Solutions after the sale transaction. The sale of Gas Solutions by Energy Solutions has resulted in significant earnings and profits, as defined by the Internal Revenue Code, at Energy Solutions for calendar year 2012. As a result, distributions from Energy Solutions to us will be required to be recognized as dividend income, in accordance with ASC 946, *Financial Services Investment Companies*, as cash distributions are received from Energy Solutions to the extent there are current year earnings and profits sufficient to support such recognition.

During the year ended June 30, 2012, the valuation methodology for Energy Solutions changed from a combination of a discounted cash flow analysis and a public comparables analysis to a current value method for the undistributed sale proceeds held at Energy Solutions.

During the year ended June 30, 2012, the valuation methodology for New Meatco Provisions, LLC ("Meatco") changed from a discounted cash flow analysis to a liquidation value analysis. As a result, and combined with declining financial results, the fair market value of Meatco decreased from \$13,106 to \$6,571 as of June 30, 2011 and June 30, 2012, respectively.

At June 30, 2012, nine loan investments were on non-accrual status: Borga, Freedom Marine, a subsidiary of Energy Solutions, H&M Oil and Gas, LLC ("H&M"), ICS, Manx, Stryker Energy, LLC, Wind River Resources Corp. and Wind River II Corp. ("Wind River"), Wolf and Yatesville, a subsidiary of Energy Solutions. At June 30, 2011, nine loan investments were on non-accrual status: Borga, Deb Shops, Inc. ("Deb Shops"), Freedom Marine, H&M, ICS, Nupla, Manx, Wind River and Yatesville. The loan principal of these loans amounted to \$171,149 and \$154,752 as of June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011, respectively. The fair value of these loans amounted to \$43,641 and \$54,020 as of June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011, respectively. The fair values of these investments represent approximately 2.9% and 4.8% of our net assets as of June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011, respectively. For the years ended June 30, 2012, June 30, 2011 and June 30, 2010, the income foregone as a result of not accruing interest on non-accrual debt investments amounted to \$25,460, \$18,535 and \$19,764, respectively.

On December 3, 2010, we exercised our warrants in Miller Petroleum, Inc ("Miller") and received 2,013,814 shares of Miller common stock. On December 27, 2010, we sold 1,397,510 of these shares receiving \$3.95 of net proceeds per share, realizing a gain of \$5,415. On January 10, 2011, we sold the

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remaining 616,304 shares of Miller common stock receiving \$4.23 of net proceeds per share, realizing an additional gain of \$2,561. The total gain was \$7,976 on the sale of the Miller common stock.

On May 2, 2011, we sold our membership interests in Fischbein, LLC ("Fischbein") for \$12,396 of gross proceeds, \$1,479 of which is deferred revenue held in escrow, realizing a gain of \$9,893, and received a repayment on the loan that was outstanding. We subsequently made a \$3,334 senior secured second-lien term loan and invested \$875 in the common equity of Fischbein with the new ownership group.

During the year ended June 30, 2012, Deb Shops filed for bankruptcy and a plan for reorganization was proposed. The plan was approved by the bankruptcy court and our debt position was eliminated with no payment to us. We determined that the impairment of Deb Shops was other-than-temporary on September 30, 2011 and recorded a realized loss of \$14,607 for the full amount of the amortized cost. The asset was completely written off when the plan of reorganization was approved.

On December 28, 2011, we made a secured debt investment of \$37,218 to support the recapitalization of NRG Manufacturing, Inc. ("NRG"). After the financing, we received repayment of the \$13,080 loan that was previously outstanding and a dividend of \$6,711 as a result of our equity holdings. In addition, we sold 392 shares of NRG common stock held by us back to NRG for \$13,266, realizing a gain of \$12,131.

On February 2, 2012, NRG was sold to an outside buyer for \$123,258. In conjunction with the sale, the \$37,218 loan that was outstanding was repaid. We also received a \$26,936 make-whole fee for early repayment of the outstanding loan, which was recorded as interest income in the year ended June 30, 2012. Further, we received a \$3,800 advisory fee for the transaction, which was recorded as other income in the quarter ending March 31, 2012. After expenses, including the make whole and advisory fees discussed above, \$40,886 was available to be distributed to stockholders. While our 408 shares of NRG common stock represented 67.1% of the ownership, we received net proceeds of \$25,991 as our contribution to the escrow amount was proportionately higher than the other shareholders. In connection with the sales, we recognized a realized gain of \$24,810 during the quarter ended March 31, 2012. In total, we received proceeds of \$93,977 at closing. In addition, there is \$11,125 being held in escrow of which 80% is due to us upon release of the escrowed amounts. This will be recognized as additional gain if and when received.

Energy Solutions has indemnified us against any legal action arising from its investment in Gas Solutions, LP. We have incurred approximately \$2,093 from the inception of the investment in Energy Solutions through June 30, 2012 for fees associated with a legal action, and Energy Solutions has reimbursed us for the entire amount. There were no such legal fees incurred or reimbursed for the year ended June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011.

Additionally, certain other operating expenses incurred by us which are attributable to Energy Solutions have been reimbursed by Energy Solutions and are reflected as dividend income: control investments in the Consolidated Statements of Operations. For the years ended June 30, 2012, June 30, 2011 and June 30, 2010, such reimbursements totaled as \$16,236, \$5,704 and \$6,944, respectively.

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On June 15, 2012, we acquired 80.1% of the businesses of First Tower LLC ("First Tower") for \$110,200 in cash and 14,518,207 unregistered shares of our common stock. Based on our share price of \$11.06 at the time of issuance, we acquired our 80.1% interest in First Tower for approximately \$270,771. As consideration for our investment, First Tower Holdings of Delaware, which is 100% owned by us, recorded a secured revolving credit facility to us of \$244,760 and equity of \$43,193. First Tower Delaware owns 80.1% of First Tower Holdings LLC, the holding company of First Tower. The assets of First Tower acquired include, among other things, the subsidiaries owned by First Tower, which hold finance receivables, leaseholds, and tangible property associated with First Tower's businesses. We received \$8,075 in structuring fee income as part of the acquisition.

The original cost basis of debt placements and equity securities acquired, including follow-on investments for existing portfolio companies, totaled \$1,120,659, \$953,337 and \$364,788 during the years ended June 30, 2012, June 30, 2011 and June 30, 2010, respectively. The \$364,788 for the year ended June 30, 2010 includes \$207,126 of portfolio investments acquired from Patriot. Debt repayments and proceeds from sales of equity securities of \$500,952, \$285,862 and \$136,221 were received during the years ended June 30, 2012, June 30, 2011 and June 30, 2010, respectively.

During the year ended June 30, 2012, we recognized \$6,613 of interest income due to purchase discount accretion from the assets acquired from Patriot. Included in the \$6,613 is \$3,083 of normal accretion and \$3,530 of accelerated accretion resulting from the repayment of Mac & Massey Holdings, LLC, Nupla Corporation, ROM Acquisition Corp and Sport Helmets Holdings, LLC.

During the year ended June 30, 2011, we recognized \$22,084 of interest income due to purchase discount accretion from the assets acquired from Patriot. Included in the \$22,084 is \$4,912 of normal accretion, \$12,035 of accelerated accretion resulting from the repayment of Impact Products, LLC, Label Corp Holdings Inc. and Prince Mineral Company, Inc., and \$4,968 of accelerated accretion resulting from the recapitalization of our debt investments in Arrowhead General Insurance Agency, Inc. ("Arrowhead"), The Copernicus Inc. ("Copernicus"), Fischbein and Northwestern Management Services, LLC ("Northwestern"). The restructured loans for Arrowhead, Copernicus, Fischbein and Northwestern were issued at market terms comparable other industry transactions. In accordance with ASC 320-20-35 the cost basis of the new loan was recorded at par value, which precipitated the acceleration of original purchase discount from the loan repayment which was recognized as interest income.

As of June 30, 2012, \$2,022 of purchase discount from the assets acquired from Patriot remains to be accreted as interest income, of which \$284 is expected to be amortized during the three months ending September 30, 2012.

As of June 30, 2012, \$1,373,124 of our loans bear interest at floating rates, \$1,345,407 of which have Libor floors ranging from 1.00% to 5.89%.

Undrawn committed revolvers incur commitment fees ranging from 0.50% to 2.00%. As of June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011, we have \$180,646 and \$35,822 of undrawn revolver commitments to our portfolio companies, respectively.

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Note 5. Revolving Credit Agreements

On June 11, 2010, we closed an extension and expansion of our existing credit facility with a syndicate of lenders through PCF (the "2010 Facility"). The 2010 Facility, which had \$325,000 total commitments as of June 30, 2011, included an accordion feature which allowed the Syndicated Facility to accept up to an aggregate total of \$400,000 of commitments, a limit which was met on September 1, 2011. Interest on borrowings under the 2010 Facility was one-month Libor plus 325 basis points, subject to a minimum Libor floor of 100 basis points. Additionally, the lenders charged a fee on the unused portion of the 2010 Facility equal to either 75 basis points if at least half of the credit facility is used or 100 basis points otherwise.

On March 27, 2012, we renegotiated the Syndicated Facility and closed on an expanded five-year \$650,000 revolving credit facility (the "2012 Facility"). The lenders have extended commitments of \$492,500 under the 2012 Facility as of June 30, 2012. The 2012 Facility includes an accordion feature which allows commitments to be increased up to \$650,000 in the aggregate. The revolving period of the 2012 Facility extends through March 2015, with an additional two year amortization period (with distributions allowed) after the completion of the revolving period. During such two year amortization period, all principal payments on the pledged assets will be applied to reduce the balance. At the end of the two year amortization period, the remaining balance will become due, if required by the lenders.

The 2012 Facility contains restrictions pertaining to the geographic and industry concentrations of funded loans, maximum size of funded loans, interest rate payment frequency of funded loans, maturity dates of funded loans and minimum equity requirements. The 2012 Facility also contains certain requirements relating to portfolio performance, including required minimum portfolio yield and limitations on delinquencies and charge-offs, violation of which could result in the early termination of the 2012 Facility. The 2012 Facility also requires the maintenance of a minimum liquidity requirement. At June 30, 2012, we were in compliance with the applicable covenants.

Interest on borrowings under the 2012 Facility is one-month Libor plus 275 basis points with no minimum Libor floor. Additionally, the lenders charge a fee on the unused portion of the 2012 Facility equal to either 50 basis points if at least half of the credit facility is drawn or 100 basis points otherwise. The 2012 Facility requires us to pledge assets as collateral in order to borrow under the credit facility. As of June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011, we had \$451,252 and \$255,673, respectively, available to us for borrowing under our 2012 Facility, of which the amount outstanding was \$96,000 and \$84,200, respectively. As additional investments that are eligible are transferred to PCF and pledged under the 2012 Facility, PCF will generate additional availability up to the commitment amount of \$492,500. At June 30, 2012, the investments used as collateral for the 2012 Facility had an aggregate market value of \$783,384, which represents 51.8% of our net assets. These assets have been transferred to PCF, a bankruptcy remote special purpose entity, which owns these investments and as such, these investments are not available to our general creditors. PCF, a bankruptcy remote special purpose entity and our wholly-owned subsidiary, holds all of these investments at market value as of June 30, 2012. The release of any assets from PCF requires the approval of the facility agent.

Concurrent with the extension of our 2012 Facility, in March 2012, we wrote off \$304 of the unamortized debt issue costs associated with the previous credit facility, in accordance with ASC 470-50, *Debt Modifications and Extinguishments*. In connection with the origination and amendments of the 2012 Facility, we incurred \$8,428 of fees, including \$1,319 of fees carried over from

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the previous facility, which are being amortized over the term of the facility in accordance with ASC 470-50, *Debt Modifications and Extinguishments*, of which \$8,722 remains to be amortized.

During the years ended June 30, 2012, June 30, 2011 and June 30, 2010, we recorded \$14,883, \$8,507 and \$8,382 of interest costs, unused fees and amortization of financing costs on our credit facility as interest expense, respectively.

Note 6. Senior Convertible Notes

On December 21, 2010, we issued \$150,000 in aggregate principal amount of our 6.25% senior convertible notes due 2015 ("2015 Notes") for net proceeds (after deducting underwriting expenses) of approximately \$145,200. Interest on the 2015 Notes is paid semi-annually in arrears on June 15 and December 15, at a rate of 6.25% per year, commencing June 15, 2011. The 2015 Notes mature on December 15, 2015 unless converted earlier. The 2015 Notes are convertible into shares of common stock at an initial conversion rate and conversion rate at June 30, 2012 of 88.0902 and 88.1030 shares, respectively, of common stock per \$1 principal amount of 2015 Notes, which is equivalent to a conversion price of approximately \$11.35 per share of common stock, subject to adjustment in certain circumstances. The conversion price in effect at June 30, 2012 was last calculated on the anniversary of the issuance (December 21, 2010) and will next be adjusted on the next anniversary, unless the exercise price shall have changed by more than 1% before the anniversary. The conversion rate for the 2015 Notes will be increased when monthly cash dividends paid to common shares exceed the monthly dividend rate of \$0.101125 per share, subject to adjustment.

On February 18, 2011, we issued \$172,500 in aggregate principal amount of our 5.50% senior convertible notes due 2016 ("2016 Notes") for net proceeds following underwriting expenses of approximately \$167,325. Between January 30, 2012 and February 2, 2012, we repurchased \$5,000 of our 2016 Notes at a price of 97.5, including commissions. The transactions resulted in our recognizing \$10 of loss in the year ended June 30, 2012. Interest on the remaining \$167,500 of 2016 Notes is paid semi-annually in arrears on February 15 and August 15, at a rate of 5.50% per year, commencing August 15, 2011. The 2016 Notes mature on August 15, 2016 unless converted earlier. The 2016 Notes are convertible into shares of common stock at an initial conversion rate and conversion rate at June 30, 2012 of 78.3699 and 78.3835 shares, respectively, of common stock per \$1 principal amount of 2016 Notes, which is equivalent to a conversion price of approximately \$12.76 per share of common stock, subject to adjustment in certain circumstances. The conversion price in effect at June 30, 2012 was last calculated on the anniversary of the issuance (February 14, 2011) and will next be adjusted on the next anniversary, unless the exercise price shall have changed by more than 1% before the anniversary. The conversion rate for the 2016 Notes will be increased when monthly cash dividends paid to common shares exceed the monthly dividend rate of \$0.101150 per share.

On April 16, 2012, we issued \$130,000 in aggregate principal amount of our 5.375% senior convertible notes due 2017 ("2017 Notes") for net proceeds following underwriting expenses of approximately \$126,035. Interest on the 2017 Notes is paid semi-annually in arrears on October 15 and April 15, at a rate of 5.375% per year, commencing October 15, 2012. The 2017 Notes mature on October 15, 2017 unless converted earlier. The 2017 Notes are convertible into shares of common stock at an initial conversion rate and conversion rate at June 30, 2012 of 85.8442 shares of common stock per \$1 principal amount of 2017 Notes, which is equivalent to a conversion price of approximately

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Note 6. Senior Convertible Notes (Continued)

\$11.65 per share of common stock, subject to adjustment in certain circumstances. The conversion price has not been adjusted since the issuance (April 16, 2012) and will next be adjusted on the first anniversary, unless the exercise price shall have changed by more than 1% before the anniversary. The conversion rate for the 2017 Notes will be increased when monthly cash dividends paid to common shares exceed the monthly dividend rate of \$0.10150 per share.

In no event will the total number of shares of common stock issuable upon conversion exceed 96.8992 per \$1 principal amount of the 2015 Notes (the "conversion rate cap"), except that, to the extent we receive written guidance or a no-action letter from the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Guidance") permitting us to adjust the conversion rate in certain instances without regard to the conversion rate cap and to make the 2015 Notes convertible into certain reference property in accordance with certain reclassifications, business combinations, asset sales and corporate events by us without regard to the conversion rate cap, we will make such adjustments without regard to the conversion rate cap and will also, to the extent that we make any such adjustment without regard to the conversion rate cap pursuant to the Guidance, adjust the conversion rate cap accordingly. We will use our commercially reasonable efforts to obtain such Guidance as promptly as practicable.

Prior to obtaining the Guidance, we will not engage in certain transactions that would result in an adjustment to the conversion rate increasing the conversion rate beyond what it would have been in the absence of such transaction unless we have engaged in a reverse stock split or share combination transaction such that in our reasonable best estimation, the conversion rate following the adjustment for such transaction will not be any closer to the conversion rate cap than it would have been in the absence of such transaction.

Upon conversion, unless a holder converts after a record date for an interest payment but prior to the corresponding interest payment date, the holder will receive a separate cash payment with respect to the Notes surrendered for conversion representing accrued and unpaid interest to, but not including the conversion date. Any such payment will be made on the settlement date applicable to the relevant conversion on the Senior Convertible Notes.

No holder of Senior Convertible Notes will be entitled to receive shares of our common stock upon conversion to the extent (but only to the extent) that such receipt would cause such converting holder to become, directly or indirectly, a beneficial owner (within the meaning of Section 13(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder) of more than 5.0% of the shares of our common stock outstanding at such time. The 5.0% limitation shall no longer apply following the effective date of any fundamental change. We will not issue any shares in connection with the conversion or redemption of the Notes which would equal or exceed 20% of the shares outstanding at the time of the transaction in accordance with NASDAQ rules.

Subject to certain exceptions, holders may require us to repurchase, for cash, all or part of their Notes upon a fundamental change at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Notes being repurchased plus any accrued and unpaid interest up to, but excluding, the fundamental change repurchase date. In addition, upon a fundamental change that constitutes a non-stock change of control we will also pay holders an amount in cash equal to the present value of all remaining interest payments (without duplication of the foregoing amounts) on such Senior Convertible Notes through and including the maturity date.

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In connection with the issuance of the Senior Convertible Notes, we incurred \$14,527 of fees which are being amortized over the terms of the notes in accordance with ASC 470-50, *Debt Modifications and Extinguishments*, of which \$11,713 remains to be amortized and is included within deferred financing costs on the consolidated statements of assets and liabilities.

During the years ended June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011, we recorded \$22,197 and \$9,090 of interest costs and amortization of financing costs on the Senior Convertible Notes as interest expense.

The fair value of our Senior Convertible Notes was approximately \$456,671 at June 30, 2012.

Note 7. Senior Unsecured Notes

On May 1, 2012, we issued \$100,000 in aggregate principal amount of 6.95% senior unsecured notes due 2022 for net proceeds net of offering expenses of \$97,000 (the "2022 Notes"). Interest on the 2022 Notes is paid quarterly in arrears on August 15, November 15, February 15 and May 15, at a rate of 6.95% per year, commencing on August 15, 2012. The 2022 Notes mature on November 15, 2022. These notes will be our direct unsecured obligations and rank equally with all of our unsecured senior indebtedness from time to time outstanding.

In connection with the issuance of the 2022 Notes, we incurred \$3,200 of fees which are being amortized over the term of the notes in accordance with ASC 470-50, *Debt Modifications and Extinguishments*, of which \$3,180 remains to be amortized and is included within deferred financing costs on the consolidated statements of assets and liabilities.

During the year ended June 30, 2012, we recorded \$1,178 of interest costs and amortization of financing costs on the 2022 Notes as interest expense.

The fair value of our Senior Unsecured Notes was approximately \$99,560 at June 30, 2012.

Note 8. Prospect Capital InterNotes®

On February 16, 2012, we entered into a Selling Agent Agreement (the "Selling Agent Agreement") with Incapital LLC, as purchasing agent for our issuance and sale from time to time of up to \$500,000 of Prospect Capital InterNotes® (the "InterNotes® Offering"). Additional agents appointed by us from time to time in connection with the InterNotes Offering may become parties to the Selling Agent Agreement.

These notes will be our direct unsecured senior obligations and will rank equally with all of our unsecured senior indebtedness from time to time outstanding. Each series of notes will be issued by a separate trust. These notes bear interest at fixed interest rates and offer a variety of maturities no less than twelve months from the original date of issuance.

During the year ended June 30, 2012, we issued \$20,638 in aggregate principal amount of our Prospect Capital InterNotes® for net proceeds of approximately \$20,202. These notes were issued with

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stated interest rates ranging from 6.50% to 7.00% with an average rate of 6.78%. These notes mature between June 15, 2019 and June 15, 2022.

Date of Issuance	Amount	Interest Rate	Maturity Date
March 1, 2012	\$ 4,000	7.00%	March 15, 2022
March 8, 2012	\$ 1,465	6.90%	March 15, 2022
April 5, 2012	\$ 4,000	6.85%	April 15, 2022
April 12, 2012	\$ 2,462	6.70%	April 15, 2022
April 26, 2012	\$ 2,054	6.50%	April 15, 2022
June 14, 2012	\$ 2,657	6.95%	June 15, 2022
June 28, 2012	\$ 4,000	6.55%	June 15, 2019

In connection with the issuance of the Prospect Capital InterNotes®, we incurred \$812 of fees which are being amortized over the term of the notes in accordance with ASC 470-50, *Debt Modifications and Extinguishments*, of which \$800 remains to be amortized and is included within deferred financing costs on the consolidated statements of assets and liabilities.

The fair value of our Prospect Capital InterNotes® was approximately \$20,280 at June 30, 2012.

Note 9. Equity Offerings, Offering Expenses, and Distributions

We issued 30,970,696 and 37,494,476 shares of our common stock during the year ended June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011, respectively. The proceeds raised, the related underwriting fees, the offering expenses and the prices at which these shares were issued are as follows:

Issuances of Common Stock	Number of Shares Issued	Gross Proceeds Raised	Underwriting Fees	Offering Expenses	Average Offering Price
During the year ended June 30, 2012:					
June 12, 2012 - June 29, 2012(1)	2,952,489	\$ 33,130	\$ 331	\$ 184	\$ 11.220
June 15, 2012(2)	14,518,207	\$ 160,571	\$	\$	\$ 11.06
February 28, 2012	12,000,000	\$ 131,400	\$ 1,560	\$ 360	\$ 10.950
July 18, 2011	1,500,000	\$ 15,225	\$ 165	\$ 165	\$ 10.150
During the year ended June 30, 2011:					
June 24, 2011	10,000,000	\$ 101,500	\$ 1,100	\$ 227	\$ 10.150
April 7, 2011	9,000,000	\$ 102,600	\$	\$ 436	\$ 11.400
November 16, 2010 - December 15, 2010(3)	4,513,920	\$ 45,147	\$ 904	\$ 459	\$ 10.000
September 29, 2010 - November 3, 2010(4)	5,231,956	\$ 51,597	\$ 1,033	\$ 163	\$ 9.861
July 22, 2010 - September 28, 2010(5)	6,000,000	\$ 58,403	\$ 1,156	\$ 103	\$ 9.734
July 1, 2010 - July 21, 2010(6)	2,748,600	\$ 26,799	\$ 536	\$	\$ 9.749

(1)

On June 1, 2012, we established a fifth at-the-market program through which we may sell, from time to time and at our sole discretion 9,500,000 shares of our common stock. Through this

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Note 9. Equity Offerings, Offering Expenses, and Distributions (Continued)

program we issued 2,952,489 shares of our common stock at an average price of \$11.22 per share, raising \$33,130 of gross proceeds, from June 12, 2012 through June 29, 2012.

- (2) On June 15, 2012, we completed the acquisition of the businesses of First Tower. We acquired 80.1% of First Tower's businesses for \$110,200 in cash and 14,518,207 unregistered shares of our common stock.
- (3) On November 10, 2010, we established a fourth at-the-market program through which we may sell, from time to time and at our sole discretion 9,750,000 shares of our common stock. Through this program we issued 4,513,920 shares of our common stock at an average price of \$10.00 per share, raising \$45,147 of gross proceeds, from November 16, 2010 through December 15, 2010. This program was suspended at that time.
- (4) On September 24, 2010, we established a third at-the-market program through which we sold 5,231,956 shares of our common stock at an average price of \$9.86 per share, raising \$51,597 of gross proceeds, from September 29, 2010 through November 3, 2010.
- (5) On July 19, 2010, we established a second at-the-market program through which we sold 6,000,000 shares of our common stock at an average price of \$9.73 per share, raising \$58,403 of gross proceeds, from July 22, 2010 through September 28, 2010.
- (6) On March 17, 2010, we established an at-the-market program through which we sold 8,000,000 shares of our common stock. Through this program we issued 811,500 shares of our common stock at an average price of \$12.60 per share, raising \$10,230 of gross proceeds, from March 23, 2010 through March 31, 2010. Through this program we also issued 2,748,600 shares of our common stock at an average price of \$9.75 per share, raising \$26,799 of gross proceeds, from July 1, 2010 through July 21, 2010.

Our shareholders' equity accounts at June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011 reflect cumulative shares issued as of those respective dates. Our common stock has been issued through public offerings, a registered direct offering, the exercise of over-allotment options on the part of the underwriters and our dividend reinvestment plan. When our common stock is issued, the related offering expenses have been charged against paid-in capital in excess of par. All underwriting fees and offering expenses were borne by us.

On August 24, 2011, our Board of Directors approved a share repurchase plan under which we may repurchase up to \$100,000 of our common stock at prices below our net asset value. We have not made any purchases of our common stock during the period from August 24, 2011 to June 30, 2012 pursuant to this plan. Prior to any repurchase we are required to notify shareholders of our intention to purchase our common stock. This notice lasts for six months after notice is given. Our last notice was delivered with our annual proxy mailing and expired on March 16, 2012. In order to reactivate the share repurchase plan prior to any future purchases, a new notice would need to be mailed to shareholders.

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Note 9. Equity Offerings, Offering Expenses, and Distributions (Continued)

On May 7, 2012, we announced the declaration of monthly dividends in the following amounts and with the following dates:

\$0.101525 per share for May 2012 to holders of record on May 31, 2012 with a payment date of June 22, 2012;

\$0.101550 per share for June 2012 to holders of record on June 29, 2012 with a payment date of July 24, 2012; and

\$0.101575 per share for July 2012 to holders of record on July 31, 2012 with a payment date of August 24, 2012; and

\$0.10160 per share for August 2012 to holders of record on August 31, 2012 with a payment date of September 21, 2012.

On October 21, 2011, our Registration Statement on Form N-2 was declared effective by the SEC. Under this Shelf Registration Statement, we can issue up to \$465,163 of additional debt and equity securities in the public market.

During the years ended June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011, we issued 1,056,484 and 1,025,352 shares, respectively, of our common stock in connection with the dividend reinvestment plan.

At June 30, 2012, we have reserved 37,896,349 shares of our common stock for issuance upon conversion of the Senior Convertible Notes (See Note 6).

Note 10. Other Investment Income

Other investment income consists of structuring fees, overriding royalty interests, settlement of net profit interests, deal deposits, administrative agent fee, and other miscellaneous and sundry cash receipts. Income from such sources was \$36,493, \$19,930 and \$12,675 for the years ended June 30, 2012, June 30, 2011 and June 30, 2010, respectively.

Income Source	For The Year Ended		
	June 30, 2012	June 30, 2011	June 30, 2010
Gain on Patriot acquisition (Note 3)	\$	\$	\$ 8,632
Structuring, advisory and amendment fees (Note 4)	35,976	19,589	3,749
Overriding royalty interests	224	154	194
Administrative agent fee	293	187	100
Other Investment Income	\$ 36,493	\$ 19,930	\$ 12,675

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The following information sets forth the computation of net increase in net assets resulting from operations per common share for the years ended June 30, 2012, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

	For The Year Ended		
	June 30, 2012	June 30, 2011	June 30, 2010
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations	\$ 190,904	\$ 118,238	\$ 19,625
Weighted average common shares outstanding	114,394,554	85,978,757	59,429,222
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations per common share	\$ 1.67	\$ 1.38	\$ 0.33

Note 12. Related Party Agreements and Transactions*Investment Advisory Agreement*

We have entered into an investment advisory and management agreement with Prospect Capital Management (the "Investment Advisory Agreement") under which the Investment Adviser, subject to the overall supervision of our Board of Directors, manages the day-to-day operations of, and provides investment advisory services to, us. Under the terms of the Investment Advisory Agreement, our Investment Adviser: (i) determines the composition of our portfolio, the nature and timing of the changes to our portfolio and the manner of implementing such changes, (ii) identifies, evaluates and negotiates the structure of the investments we make (including performing due diligence on our prospective portfolio companies); and (iii) closes and monitors investments we make.

Prospect Capital Management's services under the Investment Advisory Agreement are not exclusive, and it is free to furnish similar services to other entities so long as its services to us are not impaired. For providing these services the Investment Adviser receives a fee from us, consisting of two components: a base management fee and an incentive fee. The base management fee is calculated at an annual rate of 2.00% on our gross assets (including amounts borrowed). For services currently rendered under the Investment Advisory Agreement, the base management fee is payable quarterly in arrears. The base management fee is calculated based on the average value of our gross assets at the end of the two most recently completed calendar quarters and appropriately adjusted for any share issuances or repurchases during the current calendar quarter.

The total base management fees earned by and paid to Prospect Capital Management for the years ended June 30, 2012, June 30, 2011 and June 30, 2010 were \$35,836, \$22,496 and \$13,929, respectively.

The incentive fee has two parts. The first part, the income incentive fee, is calculated and payable quarterly in arrears based on our pre-incentive fee net investment income for the immediately preceding calendar quarter. For this purpose, pre-incentive fee net investment income means interest income, dividend income and any other income (including any other fees (other than fees for providing managerial assistance), such as commitment, origination, structuring, diligence and consulting fees and other fees that we receive from portfolio companies) accrued during the calendar quarter, minus our operating expenses for the quarter (including the base management fee, expenses payable under the Administration Agreement described below, and any interest expense and dividends paid on any issued and outstanding preferred stock, but excluding the incentive fee). Pre-incentive fee net investment

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income includes, in the case of investments with a deferred interest feature (such as original issue discount, debt instruments with payment in kind interest and zero coupon securities), accrued income that we have not yet received in cash. Pre-incentive fee net investment income does not include any realized capital gains, realized capital losses or unrealized capital appreciation or depreciation. Pre-incentive fee net investment income, expressed as a rate of return on the value of our net assets at the end of the immediately preceding calendar quarter, is compared to a "hurdle rate" of 1.75% per quarter (7.00% annualized).

The net investment income used to calculate this part of the incentive fee is also included in the amount of the gross assets used to calculate the 2.00% base management fee. We pay the Investment Adviser an income incentive fee with respect to our pre-incentive fee net investment income in each calendar quarter as follows:

no incentive fee in any calendar quarter in which our pre-incentive fee net investment income does not exceed the hurdle rate;

100.00% of our pre-incentive fee net investment income with respect to that portion of such pre-incentive fee net investment income, if any, that exceeds the hurdle rate but is less than 125.00% of the quarterly hurdle rate in any calendar quarter (8.75% annualized assuming a 7.00% annualized hurdle rate); and

20.00% of the amount of our pre-incentive fee net investment income, if any, that exceeds 125.00% of the quarterly hurdle rate in any calendar quarter (8.75% annualized assuming a 7.00% annualized hurdle rate).

These calculations are appropriately prorated for any period of less than three months and adjusted for any share issuances or repurchases during the current quarter.

The second part of the incentive fee, the capital gains incentive fee, is determined and payable in arrears as of the end of each calendar year (or upon termination of the Investment Advisory Agreement, as of the termination date), and equals 20.00% of our realized capital gains for the calendar year, if any, computed net of all realized capital losses and unrealized capital depreciation at the end of such year. In determining the capital gains incentive fee payable to the Investment Adviser, we calculate the aggregate realized capital gains, aggregate realized capital losses and aggregate unrealized capital depreciation, as applicable, with respect to each investment that has been in its portfolio. For the purpose of this calculation, an "investment" is defined as the total of all rights and claims which maybe asserted against a portfolio company arising from our participation in the debt, equity, and other financial instruments issued by that company. Aggregate realized capital gains, if any, equal the sum of the differences between the aggregate net sales price of each investment and the aggregate cost basis of such investment when sold or otherwise disposed. Aggregate realized capital losses equal the sum of the amounts by which the aggregate net sales price of each investment is less than the aggregate cost basis of such investment when sold or otherwise disposed. Aggregate unrealized capital depreciation equals the sum of the differences, if negative, between the aggregate valuation of each investment and the aggregate cost basis of such investment as of the applicable calendar year-end. At the end of the applicable calendar year, the amount of capital gains that serves as the basis for our calculation of the capital gains incentive fee involves netting aggregate realized capital gains against aggregate realized capital losses on a since-inception basis and then reducing this amount by the

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aggregate unrealized capital depreciation. If this number is positive, then the capital gains incentive fee payable is equal to 20.00% of such amount, less the aggregate amount of any capital gains incentive fees paid since inception.

Income incentive fees totaling \$46,671, \$23,555 and \$16,798 were earned for the years ended June 30, 2012, June 30, 2011 and June 30, 2010, respectively. No capital gains incentive fees were earned for years ended June 30, 2012, June 30, 2011 and June 30, 2010, respectively.

Administration Agreement

We have also entered into an Administration Agreement with Prospect Administration, LLC ("Prospect Administration") under which Prospect Administration, among other things, provides (or arranges for the provision of) administrative services and facilities for us. For providing these services, we reimburse Prospect Administration for our allocable portion of overhead incurred by Prospect Administration in performing its obligations under the Administration Agreement, including rent and our allocable portion of the costs of our chief compliance officer and chief financial officer and his staff. For the years ended June 30, 2012, 2011 and 2010, the reimbursement was approximately \$6,848, \$4,979 and \$3,361, respectively. Under this agreement, Prospect Administration furnishes us with office facilities, equipment and clerical, bookkeeping and record keeping services at such facilities. Prospect Administration also performs, or oversees the performance of, our required administrative services, which include, among other things, being responsible for the financial records that we are required to maintain and preparing reports to our stockholders and reports filed with the SEC. In addition, Prospect Administration assists us in determining and publishing our net asset value, overseeing the preparation and filing of our tax returns and the printing and dissemination of reports to our stockholders, and generally oversees the payment of our expenses and the performance of administrative and professional services rendered to us by others. Under the Administration Agreement, Prospect Administration also provides on our behalf managerial assistance to those portfolio companies to which we are required to provide such assistance. The Administration Agreement may be terminated by either party without penalty upon 60 days' written notice to the other party. Prospect Administration is a wholly owned subsidiary of our Investment Adviser.

The Administration Agreement provides that, absent willful misfeasance, bad faith or negligence in the performance of its duties or by reason of the reckless disregard of its duties and obligations, Prospect Administration and its officers, managers, partners, agents, employees, controlling persons, members and any other person or entity affiliated with it are entitled to indemnification from us for any damages, liabilities, costs and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees and amounts reasonably paid in settlement) arising from the rendering of Prospect Administration's services under the Administration Agreement or otherwise as administrator for us.

Managerial Assistance

As a business development company, we offer, and must provide upon request, managerial assistance to certain of our portfolio companies. This assistance could involve, among other things, monitoring the operations of our portfolio companies, participating in board and management meetings, consulting with and advising officers of portfolio companies and providing other organizational and financial guidance. As of June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011, \$165 and \$84 of

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managerial assistance fees remain on the consolidated statements of assets and liabilities as a payable to the Administrator.

Note 13. Merger Proposal to Allied Capital Corporation

In January 2010, we delivered a proposal letter to Allied Capital Corporation ("Allied") noting our opposition to Allied's proposed merger with Ares Capital Corporation ("Ares") and containing an offer to acquire each outstanding Allied share in exchange for 0.385 of a share of our common stock. Allied expressed that our offer did not constitute a "Superior Proposal" as defined in their Merger Agreement with Ares and declined our January 2010 offer. In February 2010, we increased our offer to 0.4416 of a share of our common stock. This final offer was also declined by Allied. On March 5, 2010, following Allied's announcement of a special dividend to shareholders, we terminated our solicitation in opposition of the proposed merger with Ares. We incurred \$852 of administrative and legal expense for advice relating to this potential acquisition for the year ended June 30, 2010.

Note 14. Litigation

From time to time, we may become involved in various investigations, claims and legal proceedings that arise in the ordinary course of our business. These matters may relate to intellectual property, employment, tax, regulation, contract or other matters. The resolution of these matters as they arise will be subject to various uncertainties and, even if such claims are without merit, could result in the expenditure of significant financial and managerial resources. We are not aware of any such material litigation as of June 30, 2012.

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Note 15. Financial Highlights

	Year Ended June 30, 2012	Year Ended June 30, 2011	Year Ended June 30, 2010	Year Ended June 30, 2009	Year Ended June 30, 2008
Per Share Data(1):					
Net asset value at beginning of period	\$ 10.36	\$ 10.30	\$ 12.40	\$ 14.55	\$ 15.04
Costs related to the secondary public offering					(0.07)
Net investment income	1.63	1.10	1.13	1.87	1.91
Realized gain (loss)	0.32	0.19	(0.87)	(1.24)	(0.69)
Net unrealized (depreciation) appreciation	(0.28)	0.09	0.07	0.48	(0.05)
Net (decrease) increase in net assets as a result of public offering	0.04	(0.08)	(0.85)	(2.11)	
Net increase in net assets as a result of shares issued for Patriot acquisition			0.12		
Dividends to shareholders	(1.24)	(1.24)	(1.70)	(1.15)	(1.59)
Net asset value at end of period	\$ 10.83	\$ 10.36	\$ 10.30	\$ 12.40	\$ 14.55
Per share market value at end of period	\$ 11.39	\$ 10.11	\$ 9.65	\$ 9.20	\$ 13.18
Total return based on market value(2)	27.21%	17.22%	17.66%	(18.60)%	(15.90)%
Total return based on net asset value(2)	18.03%	12.54%	(6.82)%	(0.61)%	7.84%
Shares outstanding at end of period	139,633,870	107,606,690	69,086,862	42,943,084	29,520,379
Average weighted shares outstanding for period	114,394,554	85,978,757	59,429,222	31,559,905	23,626,642
Ratio / Supplemental Data:					
Net assets at end of period (in thousands)	\$ 1,511,974	\$ 1,114,357	\$ 711,424	\$ 532,596	\$ 429,623
Portfolio turnover rate	29.06%	27.63%	21.61%	4.99%	31.07%
Annualized ratio of operating expenses to average net assets	10.73%	8.47%	7.54%	9.03%	9.62%
Annualized ratio of net investment income to average net assets	14.92%	10.60%	10.69%	13.14%	12.66%

(1) Financial highlights are based on weighted average shares.

(2) Total return based on market value is based on the change in market price per share between the opening and ending market prices per share in each period and assumes that dividends are reinvested in accordance with our dividend reinvestment plan. Total return based on net asset value is based upon the change in net asset value per share between the opening and ending net asset values per share in each period and assumes that dividends are reinvested in accordance with our dividend reinvestment plan.

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Quarter Ended	Investment Income		Net Investment Income		Net Realized and Unrealized Gains (Losses)		Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets from Operations	
	Total	Per Share(1)	Total	Per Share(1)	Total	Per Share(1)	Total	Per Share(1)
September 30, 2009	\$ 21,517	\$ 0.43	\$ 12,318	\$ 0.25	\$ (18,696)	\$ (0.38)	\$ (6,378)	\$ (0.13)
December 31, 2009(2)	31,801	0.55	19,258	0.33	(33,778)	(0.59)	(14,520)	(0.25)
March 31, 2010	32,005	0.50	18,974	0.30	6,966	0.11	25,940	0.41
June 30, 2010	29,236	0.44	16,640	0.25	(2,057)	(0.03)	14,583	0.22
September 30, 2010	35,212	0.47	20,995	0.28	4,585	0.06	25,580	0.34
December 31, 2010	33,300	0.40	19,080	0.23	12,860	0.16	31,940	0.38
March 31, 2011	44,573	0.51	23,956	0.27	9,803	0.11	33,759	0.38
June 30, 2011	56,391	0.58	30,190	0.31	(3,232)	(0.03)	26,959	0.28
September 30, 2011	55,342	0.51	27,877	0.26	12,023	0.11	39,900	0.37
December 31, 2011	67,263	0.61	36,508	0.33	27,984	0.26	64,492	0.59
March 31, 2012	95,623	0.84	58,072	0.51	(7,863)	(0.07)	50,209	0.44
June 30, 2012	102,682	0.82	64,227	0.52	(27,924)	(0.22)	36,303	0.29

(1) Per share amounts are calculated using weighted average shares during period.

(2) As adjusted for increase in earnings from Patriot.

Note 17. Subsequent Events

On July 5, 2012, we made a senior secured debt investment of \$28,000 to support the acquisition of Material Handling Services, LLC, d/b/a/ Total Fleet Solutions, a provider of forklift and other material handling equipment fleet management and procurement services, by funds managed by CI Capital Partners, LLC.

During the period from July 6, 2012 to August 23, 2012, we issued approximately \$38,473 in aggregate principal amount of Prospect Capital InterNotes® for net proceeds of \$37,800, as follows:

Date of Issuance	Gross Proceeds	Interest Rate	Maturity Date
July 6, 2012	\$ 2,778	6.45%	June 15, 2019
July 12, 2012	5,673	6.35%	June 15, 2019
July 19, 2012	6,810	6.30%	June 15, 2019
July 26, 2012	5,667	6.20%	June 15, 2019
August 2, 2012	3,633	6.15%	August 15, 2019
August 9, 2012	2,830	6.15%	August 15, 2019
August 16, 2012	2,681	6.10%	August 15, 2019
August 23, 2012	8,401	6.05%	August 15, 2019

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On July 16, 2012, we issued 21,000,000 shares of our common stock at \$11.15 per share (or \$11.05 per share net proceeds excluding expenses), raising \$234,150 of gross proceeds.

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On July 16, 2012 we provided \$15,000 of secured second lien financing to Pelican Products, Inc., a leading provider of unbreakable, watertight protective cases and technically advanced professional lighting equipment.

On July 20, 2012, we provided \$12,000 of senior secured financing to EIG Investors Corp., a provider of an array of online services such as web presence, domain hosting, e-commerce, e-mail and other related services to small- and medium-sized businesses.

On July 20, 2012, we provided \$10,000 of senior secured financing to FPG, LCC a supplier of branded consumer and commercial products sold to the retail, foodservice, and hospitality sectors.

On July 24, 2012, we issued 205,834 shares of our common stock in connection with the dividend reinvestment plan.

On July 24, 2012, we sold our 3,821 shares of Iron Horse common stock in connection with the exercise of an equity buyout option, receiving \$2,040 of net proceeds and realizing a gain of approximately \$1,772 on the sale.

On July 27, 2012, we issued 3,150,000 shares in connection with the exercise of an option granted with the July 12, 2012 offering of 21,000,000 shares which were delivered July 16, 2012, raising an additional \$35,123 of gross proceeds and \$34,808 of net proceeds.

On July 27, 2012 we closed an increase of \$15,000 to our commitments to our credit facility. The commitments to the credit facility now stand at \$507,500.

On July 27, 2012, we provided \$85,000 of senior subordinated financing to support the acquisition of substantially all the assets of Arctic Glacier Income Funds by funds affiliated with H.I.G. Capital, LLC ("H.I.G."). The new company, Arctic Glacier Holdings, Inc., will continue to conduct business under the "Arctic Glacier" name and be a leading producer, marketer, and distributor of high-quality packaged ice to consumers in Canada and the United States.

On July 30, 2012, we amended our charter to increase the shares of common stock authorized for issuance by us from 200,000,000 to 500,000,000 in the aggregate.

On August 2, 2012, we provided a \$27,000 secured loan to support the acquisition of New Star Metals, Inc., a provider of specialized processing services to the steel industry, by funds managed by Insight Equity Management Company.

On August 3, 2012, we provided \$110,000 senior secured financing to support the acquisition of InterDent, Inc., a leading provider of dental practice management services to dental professional corporations and associations in the United States, by funds managed by H.I.G.

On August 3, 2012, we provided \$44,000 of secured subordinated financing to support the refinancing of New Century Transportation, Inc., a leading transportation and logistics company.

On August 3, 2012, we provided \$10,000 of senior secured financing to Paradigm Geophysical, Ltd., the largest multi-national software company focused on the delivery of analytical and information management solutions for the discovery and extraction of subsurface natural resources.

On August 3, 2012, Pinnacle Treatment Centers, Inc. repaid the \$17,450 loan receivable to us.

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On August 6, 2012, we made an investment of \$22,210 to purchase 62.9% of the subordinated notes in Halcyon Loan Advisors Funding 2012-I.

On August 7, 2012, we made an investment of \$36,798 to purchase 95.0% of the subordinated notes in ING IM CLO 2012-II.

On August 10, 2012, U.S. HealthWorks Holding Company, Inc. repaid the \$25,000 loan receivable to us.

On August 14, 2012, we issued \$200,000 in aggregate principal amount of our 5.75% senior convertible notes due 2018 ("2018 Notes") for net proceeds following underwriting expenses of approximately \$193,600. Interest on the 2018 Notes is paid semi-annually in arrears on March 15 and September 15, at a rate of 5.75% per year, commencing March 15, 2013. The 2018 Notes mature on March 15, 2018 unless converted earlier. The 2018 Notes are convertible into shares of common stock at an initial conversion rate of 82.3451 shares of common stock per \$1 principal amount of 2018 Notes, which is equivalent to a conversion price of approximately \$12.14 per share of common stock, subject to adjustment in certain circumstances. The conversion rate for the 2018 Notes will be increased when monthly cash dividends paid to common shares exceed the monthly dividend rate of \$0.1016 per share.

On August 17, 2012, we made a secured second lien investment of \$38,500 to support the recapitalization of American Gilsonite Company. After the financing we expect to receive a repayment of the loans currently outstanding.

On August 21, 2012, we announced the declaration of monthly dividends in the following amounts and with the following dates:

\$0.101625 per share for September 2012 to holders of record on September 28, 2012 with a payment date of October 24, 2012; and

\$0.101650 per share for October 2012 to holders of record on October 31, 2012 with a payment date of November 22, 2012.

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Item 9. Changes in and Disagreements With Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure.

None.

Item 9A. Controls and Procedures.

As of June 30, 2012, we evaluated the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) of the 1934 Act). Based on that evaluation, our management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective and provided reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed in our periodic SEC filings is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. However, in evaluating the disclosure controls and procedures, management recognized that any controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated can provide only reasonable assurance of achieving the desired control objectives, and management necessarily was required to apply its judgment in evaluating the cost-benefit relationship of such possible controls and procedures.

Report of Management on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting, and for performing an assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting as of June 30, 2012. Internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The Company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (i) pertain to assets of the Company; (ii) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the Company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the Company; and (iii) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the Company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Management performed an assessment of the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of June 30, 2012 based upon criteria in Internal Control Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission ("COSO"). Based on our assessment, management determined that the Company's internal control over financial reporting was effective as of June 30, 2012 based on the criteria on Internal Control Integrated Framework issued by COSO. There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting during the quarter ended June 30, 2012 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

Our management's assessment of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of June 30, 2012 has been audited by BDO USA, LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their report which appears herein.

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Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

Board of Directors and Shareholders
Prospect Capital Corporation
New York, New York

We have audited Prospect Capital Corporation's internal control over financial reporting as of June 30, 2012, based on criteria established in Internal Control - Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (the COSO criteria). Prospect Capital Corporation's management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in the accompanying "Item 9A, Report of Management on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting". Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. Our audit also included performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, Prospect Capital Corporation maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of June 30, 2012, based on the COSO criteria.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated statement of assets and liabilities of Prospect Capital Corporation as of June 30, 2012 and 2011, and the related consolidated statements of operations, changes in net assets, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended June 30, 2012 and our report dated, August 22, 2012 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

/s/ BDO USA, LLP
New York, New York
August 22, 2012

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Item 9B. Other Information

None.

PART III

We will file a definitive Proxy Statement for our 2012 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, or the 2012 Proxy Statement, with the SEC, pursuant to Regulation 14A, not later than 120 days after the end of our fiscal year. Accordingly, certain information required by Part III has been omitted under General Instruction G(3) to Form 10-K. Only those sections of the 2012 Proxy Statement that specifically address the items set forth herein are incorporated by reference.

Item 10. Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance.

Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance

Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, requires the Company's directors and executive officers, and persons who own more than 10% of the Company's common stock to file reports of ownership and changes in ownership with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). To the Company's knowledge, during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2012, the Company's officers, directors and greater than 10% stockholders had complied with all Section 16(a) filing requirements.

The information required by Item 10 is hereby incorporated by reference from our 2012 Proxy Statement.

Code of Ethics

We and Prospect Capital Management have each adopted a code of ethics pursuant to Rule 17j-1 under the 1940 Act that establishes procedures for personal investments and restricts certain personal securities transactions. Personnel subject to each code may invest in securities for their personal investment accounts, including securities that may be purchased or held by us, so long as such investments are made in accordance with the code's requirements. For information on how to obtain a copy of each code of ethics, see "Available Information" in Part I, Item 1 of this report.

Item 11. Executive Compensation.

The information required by Item 11 is hereby incorporated by reference from our 2012 Proxy Statement.

Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters.

The information required by Item 12 is hereby incorporated by reference from our 2012 Proxy Statement.

Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence.

The information required by Item 13 is hereby incorporated by reference from our 2012 Proxy Statement.

Item 14. Principal Accounting Fees and Services.

The information required by Item 14 is hereby incorporated by reference from our 2012 Proxy Statement.

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PART IV

Item 15 Exhibits, Financial Statement Schedules

The following exhibits are filed as part of this report or hereby incorporated by reference to exhibits previously filed with the SEC (according to the number assigned to them in Item 601 of Regulation S-K):

- 3.1 Articles of Amendment and Restatement(3).
- 3.2 Amended and Restated Bylaws(5).
- 4.1 Form of Share Certificate(1).
- 10.1 Investment Advisory Agreement between the Registrant and Prospect Capital Management LLC(1).
- 10.2 Custodian Agreement(2).
- 10.3 Administration Agreement between the Registrant and Prospect Administration LLC(1).
- 10.4 Transfer Agency and Service Agreement(2).
- 10.5 Dividend Reinvestment Plan(1).
- 10.6 License Agreement between the Registrant and Prospect Capital Management LLC(1).
- 10.7 Master Purchase and Sale and Contribution Agreement, dated as of March 19, 2012, by and among the Registrant, First Tower Corp., certain other entities related to the Registrant and certain shareholders of First Tower Corp.(7).
- 10.8 Fourth Amended and Restated Loan and Servicing Agreement, dated March 27, 2012, among Prospect Capital Funding LLC, the Registrant, the lenders from time to time party thereto, the managing agents from time to time party thereto, Key Equipment Finance Inc. and Royal Bank of Canada as Syndication Agents, U.S. Bank National Association as Calculation Agent, Paying Agent and Documentation Agent, Key Equipment Finance Inc. as Facility Agent, and Key Equipment Finance Inc. as Structuring Agent, Sole Lead Arranger and Sole Bookrunner(8).
- 10.9 Indenture dated as of December 21, 2010 relating to the 6.25% Senior Convertible Notes, by and between the Registrant and American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, as Trustee(9).
- 10.10 Form of 6.25% Senior Convertible Note due 2015(10).
- 10.11 Indenture dated as of February 18, 2011 relating to the 5.50% Senior Convertible Notes, by and between the Registrant and American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, as Trustee(11).
- 10.11 Form of 5.50% Senior Convertible Note due 2016(12).
- 10.12 Indenture dated as of February 16, 2012, by and between the Registrant and American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC, as Trustee(13).
- 10.13 First Supplemental Indenture dated as of March 1, 2012, to the Indenture dated as of February 16, 2012, by and between the Registrant and American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC, as Trustee(14).
- 10.14 Form of 7.00% Prospect Capital InterNote® due 2022 (included as part of Exhibit 10.13)(14).
- 10.15 Second Supplemental Indenture dated as of March 8, 2012, to the Indenture dated as of February 16, 2012, by and between the Registrant and American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC, as Trustee(15).

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- 10.16 Form of 6.900% Prospect Capital InterNote® due 2022 (included as part of Exhibit 10.15)(15).
- 10.17 Joinder Supplemental Indenture dated as of March 8, 2012, to the Indenture dated as of February 16, 2012, by and among the Registrant, American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC, as Original Trustee, and U.S. Bank National Association, as Series Trustee(16).
- 10.18 Agreement of Resignation, Appointment and Acceptance dated as of March 12, 2012, by and among the Registrant, American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC, as Retiring Trustee, and U.S. Bank National Association, as Successor Trustee(17).
- 10.19 Third Supplemental Indenture dated as of April 5, 2012, to the Indenture dated as of February 16, 2012, as amended by that certain Agreement of Resignation, Appointment and Acceptance dated as of March 12, 2012, by and among the Registrant, American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC, as Retiring Trustee, and U.S. Bank National Association, as Successor Trustee, by and between the Registrant and U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee(18).
- 10.20 Form of 6.850% Prospect Capital InterNote® due 2022 (included as part of Exhibit 10.19)(18).
- 10.21 Fourth Supplemental Indenture dated as of April 12, 2012, to the Indenture dated as of February 16, 2012, as amended by that certain Agreement of Resignation, Appointment and Acceptance dated as of March 12, 2012, by and among the Registrant, American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC, as Retiring Trustee, and U.S. Bank National Association, as Successor Trustee, by and between the Registrant and U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee(19).
- 10.22 Form of 6.700% Prospect Capital InterNote® due 2022 (included as part of Exhibit 10.21)(19).
- 10.23 Indenture dated as of April 16, 2012 relating to the 5.375% Senior Convertible Notes, by and between the Registrant and American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, as Trustee(20).
- 10.24 Form of 5.375% Senior Convertible Note due 2017(21).
- 10.25 Fifth Supplemental Indenture dated as of April 26, 2012, to the Indenture dated as of February 16, 2012, as amended by that certain Agreement of Resignation, Appointment and Acceptance dated as of March 12, 2012, by and among the Registrant, American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC, as Retiring Trustee, and U.S. Bank National Association, as Successor Trustee, by and between the Registrant and U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee(22).
- 10.26 Form of 6.500% Prospect Capital InterNote® due 2022 (included as part of Exhibit 10.25)(22).
- 10.27 Supplemental Indenture dated as of May 1, 2012, by and between the Registrant and U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee(23).
- 10.28 Form of Global Note 6.95% Senior Note due 2022(24).
- 10.29 Sixth Supplemental Indenture dated as of June 14, 2012, to the Indenture dated as of February 16, 2012, as amended by that certain Agreement of Resignation, Appointment and Acceptance dated as of March 12, 2012, by and among the Registrant, American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC, as Retiring Trustee, and U.S. Bank National Association, as Successor Trustee, by and between the Registrant and U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee(25).
- 10.30 Form of 6.950% Prospect Capital InterNote® due 2022 (included as part of Exhibit 10.29)(25).

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- 10.31 Seventh Supplemental Indenture dated as of June 28, 2012, to the Indenture dated as of February 16, 2012, as amended by that certain Agreement of Resignation, Appointment and Acceptance dated as of March 12, 2012, by and among the Registrant, American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC, as Retiring Trustee, and U.S. Bank National Association, as Successor Trustee, by and between the Registrant and U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee(26).
- 10.32 Form of 6.550% Prospect Capital InterNote® due 2019 (included as part of Exhibit 10.31)(26).
- 11 Computation of Per Share Earnings (included in the notes to the financial statements contained in this report).
- 12 Computation of Ratios (included in the notes to the financial statements contained in this report).
- 14 Code of Conduct(6).
- 21 Subsidiaries of the Registrant (included in the notes to the consolidated financial statements contained in this annual report).
- 22.1 Proxy Statement(4).
- 31.1* Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
- 31.2* Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
- 32.1* Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 906 of The Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (18 U.S.C. 1350).
- 32.2* Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 906 of The Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (18 U.S.C. 1350).
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Filed herewith.

- (1) Incorporated by reference to Pre-Effective Amendment No. 2 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-114522), filed on July 6, 2004.
- (2) Incorporated by reference to Pre-Effective Amendment No. 3 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-114522), filed on July 23, 2004.
- (3) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of the Registrant's Form 8-K filed on July 30, 2012.
- (4) Incorporated by reference from the Registrant's Proxy Statement filed on September 16, 2011.
- (5) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of the Registrant's Form 8-K filed on August 26, 2011.
- (6) Incorporated by reference from the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on November 10, 2008.
- (7) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.1 of the Registrant's Form 8-K filed on March 21, 2012.
- (8) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 of the Registrant's Form 8-K filed on April 2, 2012.
- (9)

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Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 of the Registrant's Form 8-K filed on December 21, 2010.

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Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 of the Registrant's Form 8-K filed on December 21, 2010.

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Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 of the Registrant's Form 8-K filed on February 18, 2011.

(12)

Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 of the Registrant's Form 8-K filed on February 18, 2011.

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- (13) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit (d)(7) of Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registrant's Registration Statement under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, on Form N-2 (File No. 333-176637), filed on March 1, 2012.
- (14) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit (d)(8) of Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registrant's Registration Statement under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, on Form N-2 (File No. 333-176637), filed on March 1, 2012.
- (15) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit (d)(10) of Post-Effective Amendment No. 2 to the Registrant's Registration Statement under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, on Form N-2 (File No. 333-176637), filed on March 8, 2012.
- (16) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit (d)(11) of Post-Effective Amendment No. 2 to the Registrant's Registration Statement under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, on Form N-2 (File No. 333-176637), filed on March 8, 2012.
- (17) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit (d)(13) of Post-Effective Amendment No. 3 to the Registrant's Registration Statement under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, on Form N-2 (File No. 333-176637), filed on March 14, 2012.
- (18) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit (d)(14) of Post-Effective Amendment No. 5 to the Registrant's Registration Statement under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, on Form N-2 (File No. 333-176637), filed on April 5, 2012.
- (19) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit (d)(16) of Post-Effective Amendment No. 6 to the Registrant's Registration Statement under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, on Form N-2 (File No. 333-176637), filed on April 12, 2012.
- (20) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 of the Registrant's Form 8-K filed on April 16, 2012.
- (21) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 of the Registrant's Form 8-K filed on April 16, 2012.
- (22) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit (d)(20) of Post-Effective Amendment No. 8 to the Registrant's Registration Statement under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, on Form N-2 (File No. 333-176637), filed on April 26, 2012.
- (23) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 of the Registrant's Form 8-K filed on May 7, 2012.
- (24) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 of the Registrant's Form 8-K filed on May 7, 2012.
- (25) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit (d)(24) of Post-Effective Amendment No. 10 to the Registrant's Registration Statement under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, on Form N-2 (File No. 333-176637), filed on June 14, 2012.
- (26) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit (d)(26) of Post-Effective Amendment No. 11 to the Registrant's Registration Statement under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, on Form N-2 (File No. 333-176637), filed on June 28, 2012.

