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PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT (To Prospectus dated October 8, 2010)

10,000,000 Shares

Common Stock

We are offering for sale 10,000,000 shares of our common stock.

Ares Capital Corporation is a specialty finance company that is a closed-end, non-diversified management investment company incorporated in Maryland. We have elected to be regulated as a business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940. Our investment objective is to generate both current income and capital appreciation through debt and equity investments. We invest primarily in first and second lien senior loans and mezzanine debt, which in some cases includes an equity component. To a lesser extent, we also make equity investments.

We are externally managed by Ares Capital Management LLC, an affiliate of Ares Management LLC, a global alternative asset manager and a Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") registered investment adviser with approximately \$37 billion of total committed capital under management as of September 30, 2010. Ares Operations LLC, an affiliate of Ares Management LLC, provides the administrative services necessary for us to operate.

Our common stock is traded on The NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol "ARCC." On November 9, 2010, the last reported sales price of our common stock on The NASDAQ Global Select Market was \$17.00 per share. The net asset value per share of our common stock at September 30, 2010 (the last date prior to the date of this prospectus supplement on which our board of directors determined net asset value) was \$14.43.

Investing in our common stock involves risks that are described in the "Risk Factors" section beginning on page 25 of the accompanying prospectus, including the risk of leverage.

This prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus concisely provide important information about us that you should know before investing in our common stock. Please read this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus before you invest and keep it for future reference. We file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. This information is available free of charge by calling us collect at (310) 201-4200 or on our website at www.arescapitalcorp.com. The SEC also maintains a website at www.sec.gov that contains such information. The information on the websites referred to herein is not incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus.

| | Per Share | Total |
|---|------------|-------------------|
| Public offering price | \$ 16.5000 | \$ 165,000,000 |
| Underwriting discount (sales load) | \$ 0.7425 | \$ 7,425,000 |
| Proceeds, before expenses, to Ares Capital Corporation(1) | \$ 15.7575 | \$ 157,575,000 |

(1) Before deducting expenses payable by us related to this offering, estimated at \$0.7 million.

The underwriters may also purchase up to an additional 1,500,000 shares from us at the public offering price, less the underwriting discount, within 30 days of the date of this prospectus supplement to cover overallotments. If the underwriters exercise this option in full, the total public offering price will be \$189,750,000, the total underwriting discount (sales load) paid by us will be \$8,538,750, and total proceeds, before expenses, will be \$181,211,250.

Neither the SEC nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The shares will be ready for delivery on or about November 16, 2010. Joint Bookrunners Wells Fargo **BofA Merrill SunTrust Robinson Securities** Lynch Humphrey Lead Managers **Deutsche Bank Securities Morgan Stanley** Co-Managers **BB&T Capital** Markets **BMO Capital Markets** Stifel Nicolaus Weisel **JMP Securities** The date of this prospectus supplement is November 10, 2010.

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You should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. We have not, and the underwriters have not, authorized any other person to provide you with different information. If anyone provides you with different or inconsistent information, you should not rely on it. We are not, and the underwriters are not, making an offer to sell these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted. You should assume that the information appearing in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus is accurate only as of the date on the front cover of this prospectus supplement or such prospectus, as applicable. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may have changed since that date.

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FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Some of the statements in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus constitute forward-looking statements, which relate to future events or our future performance or financial condition. The forward-looking statements contained in this prospectus supplement involve a number of risks and uncertainties, including statements concerning:

| our, or our portfolio companies', future business, operations, operating results or prospects; |
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| the return or impact of current and future investments; |
| the impact of a protracted decline in the liquidity of credit markets on our business; |
| the impact of fluctuations in interest rates on our business; |
| the impact of changes in laws or regulations governing our operations or the operations of our portfolio companies; |
| the valuation of our investments in portfolio companies, particularly those having no liquid trading market; |
| our ability to successfully integrate our business with the business of Allied Capital Corporation; |
| our ability to recover unrealized losses; |
| our ability to successfully invest any capital raised in this offering; |
| market conditions and our ability to access alternative debt markets and additional debt and equity capital; |
| our contractual arrangements and relationships with third parties; |
| the general economy and its impact on the industries in which we invest; |
| the financial condition of and ability of our current and prospective portfolio companies to achieve their objectives; |
| our expected financings and investments; |
| our ability to successfully integrate any acquisitions; |

the adequacy of our cash resources and working capital;

the timing, form and amount of any dividends or distributions;

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

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

We use words such as "anticipates," "believes," "expects," "intends," "will," "should," "may" and similar expressions to identify forward-looking statements, although not all forward-looking statements include these words. Our actual results and condition could differ materially from those implied or expressed in the forward-looking statements for any reason, including the factors set forth in "Risk Factors" in the accompanying prospectus and the other information included in this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus.

The forward-looking statements included in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus have been based on information available to us as of their respective dates, and we assume no obligation to update any such forward-looking statements. Although we undertake no obligation to revise or update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events

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or otherwise, you are advised to consult any additional disclosures that we may make directly to you or through reports that we have filed or in the future may file with the SEC, including annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q and current reports on Form 8-K.

The forward-looking statements in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus are excluded from the safe harbor protection provided by Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 (the "Securities Act") and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act").

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THE COMPANY

This summary highlights some of the information contained elsewhere in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. It is not complete and may not contain all of the information that you may want to consider. You should read carefully the more detailed information set forth under "Risk Factors" in the accompanying prospectus and the other information included in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. Except where the context suggests otherwise, the terms "we," "us," "our," "the Company" and "Ares Capital" refer to Ares Capital Corporation and its consolidated subsidiaries; "Ares Capital Management" or "the investment adviser" refers to Ares Capital Management LLC; "Ares Operations" refers to Ares Operations LLC; and "Ares" refers to Ares Partners Management Company LLC and its affiliated companies (other than portfolio companies of its affiliated funds), including Ares Management LLC, which we refer to separately as "Ares Management."

As described in more detail below, we consummated the acquisition (the "Allied Acquisition") of Allied Capital Corporation ("Allied Capital") on April 1, 2010. Other than as set forth in the pro forma financial information or otherwise specifically set forth herein or the accompanying prospectus, financial information presented herein and in the accompanying prospectus for and as of periods ended on or prior to March 31, 2010 does not include any information in respect of Allied Capital. In addition, other than as set forth in the pro forma financial information or otherwise specifically set forth herein or the accompanying prospectus, financial information for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, including, without limitation, with respect to the Company's consolidated statements of operations, stockholders' equity and cash flows, only includes results attributable to Allied Capital for the period beginning on April 1, 2010.

Ares Capital

Ares Capital, a Maryland corporation, is a specialty finance company that is a closed-end, non-diversified management investment company. We have elected to be regulated as a business development company, or a "BDC," under the Investment Company Act of 1940, or the "Investment Company Act." We were founded on April 16, 2004, were initially funded on June 23, 2004 and completed our initial public offering on October 8, 2004. We are one of the largest BDCs with approximately \$12 billion of total committed capital under management as of September 30, 2010, including available debt capacity (subject to leverage restrictions), funds managed or co-managed by us or one of our wholly owned subsidiaries and funds managed or sub-managed by our wholly owned portfolio company, Ivy Hill Asset Management, L.P. ("IHAM").

Ares Capital's investment objective is to generate both current income and capital appreciation through debt and equity investments. We invest primarily in U.S. middle market companies, where we believe the supply of primary capital is limited and the investment opportunities are most attractive. However, we may from time to time invest in larger companies. In this prospectus supplement, we generally use the term "middle market" to refer to companies with annual EBITDA between \$10 million and \$250 million. As used herein, EBITDA represents net income before net interest expense, income tax expense, depreciation and amortization.

On April 1, 2010, we consummated the Allied Acquisition in an all stock merger whereby each existing share of common stock of Allied Capital was exchanged for 0.325 shares of our common stock. The Allied Acquisition was valued at approximately \$908 million as of April 1, 2010. In connection therewith, we issued approximately 58.5 million shares of our common stock to Allied Capital's then-existing stockholders, thereby resulting in our then-existing stockholders owning approximately 69% of the combined company and the then-existing Allied Capital stockholders owning approximately 31% of the combined company. For a description of the risks that the Company may face as a result of the Allied Acquisition, see in the accompanying prospectus "Risk Factors" Risks Relating to Our Business. We may be unable to realize the benefits anticipated by the Allied Acquisition, including estimated cost savings and synergies, or it may take longer than anticipated to achieve such benefits."

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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 is subordinated to senior loans and is generally unsecured. Our investments have ranged between \$20 million and \$200 million each, although the investment sizes may be more or less than the targeted range. Our investment sizes are expected to grow with our capital availability.

To a lesser extent, we also make equity investments, which have generally been non-control equity investments of less than \$20 million (usually in conjunction with a concurrent loan investment). However, we may increase the size or change the nature of these investments. Also, as a result of the Allied Acquisition, Allied Capital's equity investments, including equity investments larger than those we have historically made and controlled portfolio company equity investments, became part of our portfolio. We intend to actively seek opportunities over time to dispose of certain of these non-yielding equity investments, as well as lower or non-yielding debt investments acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition (i.e., the legacy Allied Capital portfolio) and rotate them into higher-yielding first and second lien senior loans and mezzanine debt investments. As of April 1, 2010, the investments comprising the legacy Allied Capital portfolio had a fair value of approximately \$1.8 billion and a total weighted average yield at fair value of approximately 9.1%, including approximately \$769 million at fair value of lower or non-yielding debt and equity securities with an aggregate weighted average yield at fair value of 1.2% and approximately \$1.1 billion at fair value of higher-yielding debt and collateralized loan obligation securities with an aggregate weighted average yield of 14.8%. Since April 1, 2010 through September 30, 2010, we have decreased the assets comprising the legacy Allied Capital portfolio by approximately \$153 million, primarily as a result of payoffs and exits of approximately \$261 million, offset by an increase in net unrealized appreciation in the portfolio of approximately \$67 million, and other increases of approximately \$40 million due to fundings of revolving and other commitments of \$23 million, payment-in-kind interest and accretion of purchase discounts. As of September 30, 2010, the remaining investments in the legacy Allied Capital portfolio had a fair value of approximately \$1.7 billion and a total weighted average yield at fair value of approximately 9.9%. including approximately \$600 million at fair value of lower or non-yielding debt and equity investments with an aggregate weighted average yield at fair value of 1.6% and approximately \$1.1 billion at fair value of higher-yielding debt and collateralized loan obligation investments with an aggregate weighted average yield of 14.5%. The total fair value of investments on non-accrual status in the legacy Allied Capital portfolio has decreased by approximately \$128 million, from approximately \$336 million at fair value as of April 1, 2010 to approximately \$208 million at fair value as of September 30, 2010. Ares Capital intends to continue its strategy of rotating and repositioning a portion of the legacy Allied Capital portfolio, with a focus on reducing our holdings of lower and non-yielding investments and investments on non-accrual, over time. However, there can be no assurance that this strategy will be successful. For risks relating to our equity investments, see in the accompanying prospectus "Risk Factors Risks Relating to Our Investments Investments in equity securities involve a substantial degree of risk."

The proportion of these investments will change over time given our views on, among other things, the economic and credit environment we are operating in. In connection with our investing activities, we may make commitments with respect to indebtedness or securities of a potential portfolio company substantially in excess of our final investment. In such situations, while we may initially agree to fund up to a certain dollar amount of an investment, we may syndicate a portion of such amount to third parties, such that we make a smaller investment than what was reflected in our original commitment.

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The first and second lien senior loans in which we invest generally have stated terms of three to 10 years and the mezzanine debt investments in which we invest generally have stated terms of up to 10 years, but the expected average life of such first and second lien loans and mezzanine debt is generally between three and seven years. However, we may invest in loans and securities with any maturity or duration. The instruments that we invest in typically are not initially rated by any rating agency, but we believe that if such instruments were rated, they would be below investment grade (rated lower than "Baa3" by Moody's Investors Service, lower than "BBB-" by Fitch Ratings or lower than "BBB-" by Standard & Poor's). We may invest without limit in debt or other securities of any rating, as well as debt that has not been rated by any nationally recognized statistical rating organization.

We believe that our investment adviser, Ares Capital Management, is able to leverage Ares' current investment platform, resources and existing relationships with financial sponsors, financial institutions, hedge funds and other investment firms to provide us with attractive investments. In addition to deal flow, the Ares investment platform assists our investment adviser in analyzing, structuring and monitoring investments. Ares has been in existence for more than 12 years and its senior principals have an average of over 20 years experience investing in senior loans, high yield bonds, mezzanine debt and private equity securities. The Company has access to the Ares staff of approximately 140 investment professionals and approximately 190 administrative professionals who provide assistance in accounting, finance, legal, compliance, operations, information technology and investor relations.

Since our inception on October 8, 2004 through September 30, 2010, our realized gains have exceeded our realized losses by \$13.8 million (excluding the one-time gain on the Allied Acquisition and gains/losses from the extinguishment of debt). For this same time period, our portfolio exits have resulted in an aggregate cash flow realized internal rate of return to us of approximately 14% on original cash invested of \$2.5 billion and total proceeds from such exits of \$2.9 billion. Approximately 81% of the exits resulted in an aggregate cash flow internal rate of return to us of 10% or greater. Internal rate of return is the discount rate that makes the net present value of all cash flows related to a particular investment equal to zero. Internal rate of return is gross of expenses related to investments as these expenses are not allocable to specific investments. Investments are considered to be exited when the original investment objective has been achieved through the receipt of cash and/or non-cash consideration upon the repayment of our debt investment or sale of an investment or through the determination that no further consideration was collectible and, thus, a loss may have been realized. These internal rate of return results are historical results relating to our past performance and are not necessarily indicative of future results, the achievement of which cannot be assured.

While our primary focus is to generate current income and capital appreciation through investments in first and second lien senior loans and mezzanine debt and, to a lesser extent, equity securities of eligible portfolio companies, we also may invest up to 30% of our portfolio in opportunistic investments of non-eligible portfolio companies. Specifically, as part of this 30% basket, we may invest in debt of middle-market companies located outside of the United States, in investment funds that are operating pursuant to certain exceptions to the Investment Company Act, in advisers to similar investment funds and in debt and equity of public companies that do not meet the definition of eligible portfolio companies because their market capitalization of publicly traded equity securities exceeds the levels provided for in the Investment Company Act. We expect that these public companies generally will have debt that may be non-investment grade. From time to time we may also invest in high yield bonds, which, depending on the issuer, may or may not be included in this 30% basket.

We and GE Commercial Finance Investment Advisory Services LLC ("GE") also co-manage an unconsolidated senior debt fund, the Senior Secured Loan Fund LLC, or the "Senior Secured Loan Program." The Senior Secured Loan Program was initially formed in December 2007 to invest in "unitranche" loans (loans that combine both senior and subordinated debt, generally in a first lien

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position) of middle-market companies and currently has approximately \$3.6 billion of total committed capital, approximately \$2.0 billion in aggregate principal amount of which was funded as of September 30, 2010. At September 30, 2010, the Company's total commitment to the Senior Secured Loan Program was \$0.5 billion, of which \$98 million was unfunded. The Senior Secured Loan Program is capitalized as transactions are completed. Investments made by the program must be approved by both the Company and GE.

In addition, we have made investments in our portfolio company, IHAM, which manages five unconsolidated senior debt funds: Ivy Hill Middle Market Credit Fund, Ltd. ("Ivy Hill I"), Ivy Hill Middle Market Credit Fund II, Ltd. ("Ivy Hill II"), Ivy Hill Senior Debt Fund, L.P. and related vehicles ("Ivy Hill SDF" and, together with Ivy Hill I and Ivy Hill II, the "Ivy Hill Funds"), Knightsbridge CLO 2007-1, Ltd. and Knightsbridge CLO 2008-1, Ltd. In addition, IHAM serves as the sub-adviser/sub-manager for four others: CoLTS 2005-1 Ltd., CoLTS 2005-2 Ltd., CoLTS 2007-1 Ltd. and FirstLight Funding I, Ltd. As of September 30, 2010, IHAM had total committed capital under management of over \$2.7 billion, which includes approximately \$0.3 billion of capital committed by Ares Capital.

We also manage an unconsolidated fund, AGILE Fund I, LLC (the "AGILE Fund"), and our wholly owned subsidiary A.C. Corporation manages three unconsolidated loan funds: Emporia Preferred Funding I, Ltd., Emporia Preferred Funding II, Ltd. and Emporia Preferred Funding III, Ltd. As of September 30, 2010, A.C. Corporation managed approximately \$1.2 billion of committed capital. In August 2010, the Company made an incremental cash investment of approximately \$8 million in IHAM to facilitate IHAM's acquisition of an equity interest in Emporia Preferred Funding III, Ltd.

About Ares

Founded in 1997, Ares is a global alternative asset manager and SEC registered investment adviser with approximately \$37 billion of total committed capital under management and over 330 employees as of September 30, 2010.

Ares specializes in originating and managing assets in both the leveraged finance and private equity markets. Ares' leveraged finance activities include the origination, acquisition and management of senior loans, high yield bonds, mezzanine debt and special situation investments. Ares' private equity activities focus on providing flexible, junior capital to middle-market companies. Ares has the ability to invest across a capital structure, from senior floating rate debt to common equity. This flexibility, combined with Ares' "buy and hold" philosophy, enables Ares to structure an investment to meet the specific needs of a company rather than the less flexible demands of the public markets.

Ares is comprised of the following groups:

Private Debt Group. The Ares Private Debt Group manages the assets of Ares Capital, Ares Credit Strategies Fund II, L.P., Ares Credit Strategies Fund III, L.P. and Ares' private debt middle market financing business in Europe, Ares Capital Europe ("ACE"), which together had approximately \$13 billion of committed capital under management as of September 30, 2010. The Private Debt Group focuses primarily on non-syndicated first and second lien senior loans and mezzanine debt, which in some cases may include an equity component. The Private Debt Group also makes equity investments in private middle-market companies, usually in conjunction with loans.

Capital Markets Group. The Ares Capital Markets Group managed approximately \$18 billion of committed capital as of September 30, 2010 through a variety of funds and investment vehicles, focusing primarily on syndicated senior secured loans, high yield bonds, distressed debt, other liquid fixed income investments and other publicly traded debt securities.

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Private Equity Group. The Ares Private Equity Group managed approximately \$6 billion of committed capital as of September 30, 2010, primarily through Ares Corporate Opportunities Fund L.P., Ares Corporate Opportunities Fund II, L.P. and Ares Corporate Opportunities Fund III, L.P. (collectively referred to as "ACOF"). ACOF generally makes private equity investments in amounts substantially larger than the private equity investments anticipated to be made by Ares Capital. In particular, the Private Equity Group generally focuses on control-oriented equity investments in under-capitalized companies or companies with capital structure issues.

Ares' senior principals have been working together as a group for many years and have an average of over 20 years of experience in leveraged finance, private equity, distressed debt, investment banking and capital markets. They are backed by a large team of highly disciplined professionals. Ares' rigorous investment approach is based upon an intensive, independent financial analysis, with a focus on preservation of capital, diversification and active portfolio management. These fundamentals underlie Ares' investment strategy and have resulted in large pension funds, banks, insurance companies, endowments and high net worth individuals investing in Ares' funds.

Ares Capital Management

Ares Capital Management, our investment adviser, is served by a dedicated origination and transaction development team of approximately 72 investment professionals led by the senior partners of Ares Capital Management: Michael Arougheti, Eric Beckman, Kipp deVeer, Mitchell Goldstein and Michael Smith. Ares Capital Management leverages off of Ares' entire investment platform and benefits from the significant capital markets, trading and research expertise of all of Ares' investment professionals. Ares has over 140 investment professionals covering current investments in approximately 1,000 companies across over 30 industries. Ares Capital Management's investment committee has nine members, including the senior partners of Ares Capital Management and senior partners in Ares' Capital Markets and Private Equity Groups and ACE.

Recent Developments

On October 21, 2010, we issued \$200 million of senior unsecured notes that mature on October 15, 2040 (the "2040 Notes") and may be redeemed in whole or in part at our option at any time or from time to time on or after October 15, 2015 at a par redemption price of \$25 per security plus accrued and unpaid interest. The principal amount of the 2040 Notes will be payable at maturity. The 2040 Notes bear interest at a rate of 7.75% per year payable quarterly commencing on January 15, 2011. Total proceeds from the issuance of the 2040 Notes, net of underwriters' discount and offering costs, were approximately \$193 million. We used the net proceeds of this offering to repay outstanding indebtedness under our senior secured revolving credit facility (as amended and restated, the "Revolving Credit Facility").

As of November 3, 2010, we had made new investment commitments of \$128 million, all of which were funded, since September 30, 2010. Of these new investment commitments, 61% were in investments in subordinated notes of the Senior Secured Loan Program, 29% were in first lien senior secured debt, 2% were in second lien senior secured debt, and 8% were in equity securities. Of the \$128 million of new investment commitments, 66% were fixed rate with a weighted average yield at amortized cost of 15.2% and 31% were floating rate with a weighted average spread at amortized cost of 6.2%.

As of November 3, 2010, we had exited \$146 million of investments since September 30, 2010. Of these investments, 33% were in first lien senior secured debt, 37% were in senior subordinated debt, 17% were in second lien senior secured debt and 13% were in equity investments. Of the \$146 million of investments exited, 30% were in fixed rate investments with a weighted average yield at

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amortized cost of 17.4%. Of the remaining investments, 54% were in floating rate investments with a weighted average spread at amortized cost of 6.7%, 3% were investments on non-accrual status and 13% were non-interest earning. Also, of the \$146 million of investments exited since September 30, 2010, \$66 million were investments acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition, including \$4 million that were on non-accrual status. Additionally, we have recognized net realized gains of approximately \$19 million on the investments exited that were acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition.

In addition, as of November 3, 2010, we had an investment backlog and pipeline of \$180 million and \$310 million, respectively. We may syndicate a portion of these investments and commitments to third parties. The consummation of any of the investments in this backlog and pipeline depends upon, among other things: satisfactory completion of our due diligence investigation of the prospective portfolio company, our acceptance of the terms and structure of such investment and the execution and delivery of satisfactory transaction documentation. We cannot assure you that we will make any of these investments or that we will syndicate any portion of such investments and commitments.

We are in the process of changing transfer agents and expect that The Bank of New York Mellon ("BNY Mellon") will replace Computershare Trust Company, N.A. ("Computershare") as our transfer agent, dividend paying agent, registrar and dividend plan administrator in December. Upon any such change, all references in the accompanying prospectus to the transfer agent, dividend paying agent, registrar or dividend plan administrator, or to Computershare, acting in its capacity as such, shall be deemed to be references to BNY Mellon.

Our Corporate Information

Our administrative offices are located at 2000 Avenue of the Stars, 12th Floor, Los Angeles, California 90067, telephone number (310) 201-4200, and our executive offices are located at 280 Park Avenue, 22nd Floor, Building East, New York, New York 10017, telephone number (212) 750-7300.

FEES AND EXPENSES

The following table is intended to assist you in understanding the costs and expenses that an investor in our common stock will bear, directly or indirectly, based on the assumptions set forth below. We caution you that some of the percentages indicated in the table below are estimates and may vary. Except where the context suggests otherwise, whenever this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus contains a reference to fees or expenses paid or to be paid by "you," "us," "the Company" or "Ares Capital," or that "we" will pay fees or expenses, stockholders will indirectly bear such fees or expenses as investors in Ares Capital.

| Sales load paid by us | 4.50%(1) |
|---|-----------|
| Offering expenses borne by us | 0.42%(2) |
| Dividend reinvestment plan expenses | None (3 |
| Total stockholder transaction expenses paid by us | 4.92% |
| Estimated annual expenses (as a percentage of consolidated net assets attributable to common stock)(4): | |
| Management fees | 2.23%(5) |
| Incentive fees payable under investment advisory and management agreement (20% of realized capital gains and 20% of | |
| pre-incentive fee net investment income, subject to certain limitations) | 2.48%(6 |
| Interest payments on borrowed funds | 3.30%(7) |
| Other expenses | 2.30%(8 |
| Acquired fund fees and expenses | 0.01%(9) |
| Total annual expenses (estimated) | 10.32%(10 |

- (1)

 The underwriting discounts and commissions with respect to the shares sold in this offering, which is a one-time fee, is the only sales load paid in connection with this offering.
- (2) Amount reflects estimated offering expenses of approximately \$0.7 million and based on the 10,000,000 shares offered in this offering (assuming that the underwriters do not exercise their overallotment option).
- (3) The expenses of the dividend reinvestment plan are included in "other expenses."
- "Consolidated net assets attributable to common stock" equals our average net assets for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 plus the anticipated net proceeds from this offering (assuming that the underwriters do not exercise their overallotment option).

 Because the Allied Acquisition was consummated on April 1, 2010 and because we calculate consolidated net assets attributable to common stock as a monthly average based on the period from January 1, 2010 to September 30, 2010, the consolidated net assets attributable to common stock used to calculate the amounts shown in this table are significantly lower than our net assets as of September 30, 2010.
- Our management fee is currently 1.5% of our total assets other than cash and cash equivalents (which includes assets purchased with borrowed amounts). For the purposes of this table, we have assumed that we maintain no cash or cash equivalents. The 2.23% reflected on the table is calculated on our average net assets (rather than our total assets). See "Management Investment Advisory and Management Agreement" in the accompanying prospectus.
- This item represents our investment adviser's incentive fees based on annualizing actual amounts earned on our pre-incentive fee net income for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and assumes that the incentive fees earned at the end of the 2010 calendar year will be based on the

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actual realized capital gains as of September 30, 2010, computed net of realized capital losses and unrealized capital depreciation. Because the Allied Acquisition was consummated on April 1, 2010 and because we calculate our incentive fee earned on our pre-incentive fee net income by annualizing our pre-incentive fee net income for the period from January 1, 2010 to September 30, 2010, this percentage is slightly lower than what we anticipate it would have been had we consummated the Allied Acquisition on January 1, 2010. It also assumes that this fee will remain constant although it is based on Ares Capital's performance and will not be paid unless Ares Capital achieves certain goals.

We expect to invest or otherwise utilize all of the net proceeds from this offering within three months of the date of this offering and may have capital gains and interest income that could result in the payment of an incentive fee to our investment adviser in the first year after completion of this offering. Since our inception, the average quarterly incentive fee payable to our investment adviser has been approximately 0.63% of our weighted net assets (2.5% on an annualized basis). For more detailed information about incentive fees previously incurred by us, please see Note 3 to our consolidated financial statements for the period ended September 30, 2010.

The incentive fee consists of two parts:

The first, payable quarterly in arrears, equals 20% of our pre-incentive fee net investment income (including interest that is accrued but not yet received in cash), subject to a 2.00% quarterly (8% annualized) hurdle rate and a "catch-up" provision measured as of the end of each calendar quarter. Under this provision, in any calendar quarter, our investment adviser receives no incentive fee until our net investment income equals the hurdle rate of 2.00% but then receives, as a "catch-up," 100% 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 2.50%. The effect of this provision is that, if pre-incentive fee net investment income exceeds 2.50% in any calendar quarter, our investment adviser will receive 20% of our pre-incentive fee net investment income as if a hurdle rate did not apply.

The second part, payable annually in arrears, equals 20% of our realized capital gains on a cumulative basis from inception through the end of the year, if any, computed net of all realized capital losses and unrealized capital depreciation on a cumulative basis, less the aggregate amount of any previously paid capital gain incentive fees.

We will defer cash payment of any incentive fee otherwise earned by our investment adviser if, during the most recent four full calendar quarter period ending on or prior to the date such payment is to be made, the sum of (a) our aggregate distributions to our stockholders and (b) our change in net assets (defined as total assets less indebtedness and before taking into account any incentive fees payable during the period) is less than 8.0% of our net assets at the beginning of such period. These calculations will be adjusted for any share issuances or repurchases.

See "Management Investment Advisory and Management Agreement" in the accompanying prospectus.

"Interest payments on borrowed funds" represents an estimate of our annualized interest expenses based on actual interest and credit facility expenses incurred for the nine months ended September 30, 2010. Because the Allied Acquisition was consummated on April 1, 2010 and because we calculate our interest expenses by annualizing our actual interest and credit facility expenses incurred for the period from January 1, 2010 to September 30, 2010, this percentage is slightly lower than what we anticipate it would have been had we consummated the Allied Acquisition on January 1, 2010. During the nine months ended September 30, 2010, our average borrowings were \$1,474.2 million and cash paid for interest expense was \$39.4 million. We had outstanding borrowings of \$1,583.4 million (with a carrying value of \$1,524.2 million) at

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September 30, 2010. This item is based on our assumption that our borrowings and interest costs after this offering will remain similar to those prior to this offering. The amount of leverage that we employ at any particular time will depend on, among other things, our board of directors and investment adviser's assessment of market and other factors at the time of any proposed borrowing. See "Risk Factors Risks Relating to Our Business We borrow money, which magnifies the potential for gain or loss on amounts invested and may increase the risk of investing with us" in the accompanying prospectus.

- Includes our overhead expenses, including payments under our administration agreement with Ares Operations based on our allocable portion of overhead and other expenses incurred by Ares Operations in performing its obligations under the administration agreement. Such expenses are estimated based on annualized "Other expenses" for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 (other than \$17.8 million of professional fees and other costs related to the Allied Acquisition, which are included in "Other expenses" but not annualized). Because the Allied Acquisition was consummated on April 1, 2010 and because we calculate our "Other expenses" by annualizing our actual other expenses (other than \$17.8 million of professional fees and other costs related to the Allied Acquisition, which are included in "Other expenses" but not annualized) incurred for the period from January 1, 2010 to September 30, 2010, this percentage is slightly lower than what we anticipate it would have been had we consummated the Allied Acquisition on January 1, 2010. See "Management Administration Agreement" in the accompanying prospectus. The holders of shares of our common stock (and not the holders of our debt securities or preferred stock, if any) indirectly bear the cost associated with our annual expenses.
- The Company's stockholders indirectly bear the expenses of underlying investment companies in which the Company invests. This amount includes the fees and expenses of investment companies in which the Company is invested as of September 30, 2010. Certain of these investment companies are subject to management fees, which generally range from 1% to 2.5% of total net assets, or incentive fees, which generally range between 15% to 25% of net profits. When applicable, fees and expenses are based on historic fees and expenses for the investment companies. For those investment companies with little or no operating history, fees and expenses are based on expected fees and expenses stated in the investment companies' offering memorandum, private placement memorandum or other similar communication without giving effect to any performance. Future fees and expenses for these investment companies may be substantially higher or lower because certain fees and expenses are based on the performance of the investment companies, which may fluctuate over time. The amount of the Company's average net assets used in calculating this percentage was based on average monthly net assets of \$2.0 billion for the nine months ended September 30, 2010.
- "Total annual expenses" as a percentage of consolidated net assets attributable to common stock are higher than the total annual expenses percentage would be for a company that is not leveraged. We borrow money to leverage and increase our total assets. The SEC requires that the "Total annual expenses" percentage be calculated as a percentage of net assets (defined as total assets less indebtedness and before taking into account any incentive fees payable during the period), rather than the total assets, including assets that have been funded with borrowed monies.

Example

The following example demonstrates the projected dollar amount of total cumulative expenses over various periods with respect to a hypothetical investment in our common stock. In calculating the following expense amounts, we have assumed that we would have no additional leverage, that none of

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our assets are cash or cash equivalents, and that our annual operating expenses would remain at the levels set forth in the table above. Transaction expenses are not included in the following example.

| | 1 y | ear | 3 y | years | 5 | years | 10 | years |
|--|-----|-----|-----|-------|----|-------|----|-------|
| You would pay the following expenses on a \$1,000 investment, assuming a 5% annual | | | | | | | | |
| return(1) | \$ | 80 | \$ | 234 | \$ | 378 | \$ | 702 |

The above illustration assumes that we will not realize any capital gains computed net of all realized capital losses and unrealized capital depreciation. The expenses you would pay, based on a \$1,000 investment and assuming a 5% annual return resulting entirely from net realized capital gains (and therefore subject to the capital gain incentive fee), and otherwise making the same assumptions in the example above, would be: 1 year, \$90; 3 years, \$262; 5 years, \$422; and 10 years, \$775. However, cash payment of the capital incentive fee would be deferred if during the most recent four full calendar quarter period ending on or prior to the date the payment set forth in the example is to be made, the sum of (a) our aggregate distributions to our stockholders and (b) our change in net assets (defined as total assets less indebtedness and before taking into account any incentive fees payable during the period) was less than 8.0% of our net assets at the beginning of such period (as adjusted for any share issuances or repurchases).

The foregoing table is to assist you in understanding the various costs and expenses that an investor in our common stock will bear directly or indirectly. While the example assumes, as required by the SEC, a 5% annual return, our performance will vary and may result in a return greater or less than 5%. The incentive fee under the investment advisory and management agreement, which, assuming a 5% annual return, would either not be payable or have an insignificant impact on the expense amounts shown above, is not included in the example. If we achieve sufficient returns on our investments, including through the realization of capital gains, to trigger an incentive fee of a material amount, our expenses, and returns to our investors, would be higher. In addition, while the example assumes reinvestment of all dividends and distributions at net asset value, if our board of directors authorizes and we declare a cash dividend, participants in our dividend reinvestment plan who have not otherwise elected to receive cash will receive a number of shares of our common stock, determined by dividing the total dollar amount of the dividend payable to a participant by the market price per share of our common stock at the close of trading on the valuation date for the dividend. See "Dividend Reinvestment Plan" in the accompanying prospectus for additional information regarding our dividend reinvestment plan.

This example and the expenses in the table above should not be considered a representation of our future expenses as actual expenses (including the cost of debt, if any, and other expenses) may be greater or less than those shown.

SELECTED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL DATA OF ARES CAPITAL

The following selected financial and other data for the years ended December 31, 2009, 2008, 2007, 2006 and 2005 are derived from our consolidated financial statements, which have been audited by KPMG LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm whose report thereon is included elsewhere in the accompanying prospectus. The selected financial and other data for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 and other quarterly financial information are derived from our unaudited financial statements, but in the opinion of management, reflect all adjustments (consisting only of normal recurring adjustments) that are necessary to present fairly the results of such interim periods. Interim results as of and for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending December 31, 2010. The data should be read in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements and notes thereto and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and "Senior Securities," which are included elsewhere in this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus.

ARES CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

As of and For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 and As of and For the Years Ended December 31, 2009, 2008, 2007, 2006 and 2005 (dollar amounts in thousands, except per share data and as otherwise indicated)

| | | As of and For the Nine Months Ended otember 30, | | As of and For the Nine Months Ended otember 30, | | As of and For the Year Ended exember 31, | 1 | As of and For the Year Ended cember 31, | | As of and For the Year Ended cember 31, | | As of and For the Year Ended ccember 31, | For he Year tl | |
|--|----|--|---------|--|----|--|----|---|----|---|----|--|-------------------|------------------|
| | _ | 2010 | _ | 2009 | | 2009 | | 2008 | | 2007 | | 2006 | | 2005 |
| Total Investment Income | \$ | 326,226 | \$ | 176,008 | \$ | 245,272 | \$ | 240,461 | \$ | 188,873 | \$ | 120,021 | \$ | 41,850 |
| Total Expenses | | 173,400 | | 80,391 | | 111,290 | | 113,221 | | 94,750 | | 58,458 | | 14,569 |
| Net Investment Income Before Income Taxes | | 152,826 | | 95,617 | | 133,982 | | 127,240 | | 94,123 | | 61,563 | | 27,281 |
| Income Tax Expense (Benefit), Including Excise Tax | | 360 | | 563 | | 576 | | 248 | | (826) | | 4,931 | | 158 |
| Net Investment Income | | 152,466 | | 95,054 | | 133,406 | | 126,992 | | 94,949 | | 56,632 | | 27,123 |
| Gain on the acquisition of Allied Capital | | . , | | , | | , | | - , | | ,, | | | | , , |
| Corporation | | 195,876 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Net Realized and Unrealized Gains (Losses) on Investments, Foreign Currencies and | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Extinguishment of Debt | | 186,604 | | 38,009 | | 69,287 | | (266,447) | | (4,117) | | 13,064 | | 14,727 |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Stockholders' Equity Resulting from Operations | \$ | 534,996 | \$ | 133,063 | \$ | 202,693 | \$ | (139,455) | \$ | 90,832 | \$ | 69,696 | \$ | 41,850 |
| Per Share Data: Net Increase (Decrease) in Stockholder's Equity Resulting from Operations: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Basic(1) | \$ | 3.16 | \$ | 1.34 | \$ | 1.99 | \$ | (1.56) | \$ | 1.34 | \$ | 1.58 | \$ | 1.75 |
| Diluted(1) | \$ | 3.16 | \$ | 1.34 | \$ | 1.99 | \$ | (1.56) | \$ | 1.34 | \$ | 1.58 | \$ | 1.75 |
| Cash Dividend Declared | \$ | 1.05 | \$ | 1.12 | \$ | 1.47 | \$ | 1.68 | \$ | 1.66 | \$ | 1.64 | \$ | 1.30 |
| Net Asset Value | \$ | 14.43 | \$ | 11.16 | \$ | 11.44 | \$ | 11.27 | \$ | 15.47 | \$ | 15.17 | \$ | 15.03 |
| Total Assets | \$ | 4,432,181 | \$ | 2,065,081 | \$ | 2,313,515 | \$ | 2,091,333 | \$ | 1,829,405 | \$ | 1,347,991 | \$ | 613,645 |
| Total Debt | \$ | 1,524,143 | \$ | 767,871 | \$ | 969,465 | \$ | 908,786 | \$ | 681,528 | \$ | 482,000 | \$ | 18,000 |
| Total Stockholders' Equity | \$ | 2,778,476 | \$ | 1,222,591 | \$ | 1,257,888 | \$ | 1,094,879 | \$ | 1,124,550 | \$ | 789,433 | \$ | 569,612 |
| Other Data: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Number of Portfolio Companies at Period | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| End(2) | _ | 184 | | 94 | | 95 | | 91 | | 78 | | 60 | _ | 38 |
| Principal Amount of Investments Purchased | \$ | 1,089,500 | \$ | 220,141 | \$ | 575,046 | \$ | 925,945 | \$ | 1,251,300 | \$ | 1,087,507 | \$ | 504,299 |
| Principal Amount of Investments Acquired as | ф | 1 022 766 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| part of the Allied Acquisition | Э | 1,833,766 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Principal Amount of Investments Sold and | ф | 1 162 406 | Ф | 271 796 | Ф | 515 240 | \$ | 195 270 | ¢ | 719 (05 | ф | 420.021 | ф | 100 415 |
| Repayments Total Return Based on Market Value(3) | Э | 1,163,496 34.14% | | 271,786 91.94% | | 515,240 119.919 | | 485,270 (45.25) | \$ | 718,695 | \$ | 430,021 29.12% | | 108,415 (10.60)% |
| Total Return Based on Net Asset Value(4) | | 24.10% | | 12.02% | | 17.849 | | (11.17) | | 8.98% | | 10.73% | | 12.04% |
| Weighted Average Yield of Debt and Income | | 24.10% | υ | 12.02% | υ | 17.047 | U | (11.17) | 10 | 0.90% | , | 10.73% | , | 14.0470 |
| Producing Equity Securities at Fair Value(5): | | 12.90% | <u></u> | 12.53% | , | 12.679 | 6 | 12.79% | 6 | 11.68% | , | 11.95% | , | 11.25% |
| Weighted Average Yield of Debt and Income Producing Equity Securities at Amortized | | 12.50% | D | 12.33 // | | 12.077 | | 12.77 | | 11.00 / | , | 11.93 / | , | 11.23 // |
| Cost(5): | | 13.10% | ó | 11.70% | ó | 12.089 | 6 | 11.73% | ó | 11.64% |) | 11.63% |) | 11.40% |

⁽¹⁾In accordance with Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 260-10 (previously Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 128, Earnings Per Share), the weighted average shares of common stock outstanding used in

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computing basic and diluted earnings per common share have been adjusted retroactively by a factor of 1.02% to recognize the bonus element associated with rights to acquire shares of common stock that we issued to stockholders of record as of March 24, 2008 in connection with a rights offering.

- (2) Includes commitments to portfolio companies for which funding has yet to occur.
- Total return based on market value for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 equals the increase of the ending market value at September 30, 2010 of \$15.65 per share over the ending market value at December 31, 2009 of \$12.45 per share, plus the declared dividends of \$1.05 per share for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, divided by the market value at December 31, 2009. Total return based on market value for the year ended December 31, 2009 equals the increase of the ending market value at December 31, 2009 of \$12.45 per share over the ending market value at December 31, 2008 of \$6.33 per share plus the declared dividends of \$1.47 per share for the year ended December 31, 2008 of \$6.33 per share over the ending market value at December 31, 2008 equals the decrease of the ending market value at December 31, 2008 of \$6.33 per share over the ending market value at December 31, 2007 of \$14.63 per share plus the declared dividends of \$1.68 per share for the year ended December 31, 2008. Total return based on market value at December 31, 2007 of \$14.63 per share over the ending market value at December 31, 2006 of \$19.11 per share plus the declared dividends of \$1.66 per share for the year ended December 31, 2007. Total return based on market value for the year ended December 31, 2006 of \$19.11 per share plus the declared dividends of \$1.64 per share for the year ended December 31, 2006. Total return based on market value at December 31, 2005 of \$16.07 per share plus the declared dividends of \$1.64 per share for the year ended December 31, 2005 of \$16.07 per share plus the decrease of the ending market value at December 31, 2005 of \$16.07 per share plus the declared dividends of \$1.64 per share plus the declared dividends of \$1.64 per share for the year ended December 31, 2005 of \$16.07 per share plus the declared dividends of \$1.64 per share plus the declared dividends of \$1.69 per share plus the declared dividends of \$1.60 per share plus the declared dividends of \$1.60 per share plus the declared dividend
- Total return based on net asset value for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 equals the change in net asset value during the period (adjusted for share issuances) plus the declared dividends of \$1.05 per share for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, divided by the beginning net asset value at January 1, 2010. Total return based on net asset value for the year ended December 31, 2009 equals the change in net asset value during the period (adjusted for share issuances) plus the declared dividends of \$1.47 per share for the year ended December 31, 2009, divided by the beginning net asset value. Total return based on net asset value for the year ended December 31, 2008 equals the change in net asset value during the period (adjusted for share issuances) plus the declared dividends of \$1.68 per share for the year ended December 31, 2008, divided by the beginning net asset value. Total return based on net asset value for the year ended December 31, 2007 equals the change in net asset value during the period (adjusted for share issuances) plus the declared dividends of \$1.66 per share for the year ended December 31, 2007, divided by the beginning net asset value. Total return based on net asset value for the year ended December 31, 2006 equals the change in net asset value during the period (adjusted for share issuances) plus the declared dividends of \$1.64 per share for the year ended December 31, 2006, divided by the beginning net asset value. Total return based on net asset value for the year ended December 31, 2005, divided by the beginning net asset value. Total return based on net asset value for the year ended December 31, 2005, divided by the beginning net asset value. Total return based on net asset value for the year ended December 31, 2005, divided by the beginning net asset value. Total return based on net asset value is not annualized.
- Weighted average yield on debt and income producing equity securities at fair value is computed as (a) the annual stated interest rate or yield earned plus the net annual amortization of original issue discount and market discount on accruing debt divided by (b) total income producing equity securities and debt at fair value. Weighted average yield on debt and income producing equity securities at amortized cost is computed as (a) the annual stated interest rate or yield earned plus the net annual amortization of original issue discount and market discount on accruing debt divided by (b) total income producing equity securities and debt at amortized cost.

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SELECTED QUARTERLY DATA (Unaudited) (dollar amounts in thousands, except per share data)

| | | | | | | 2010 | | |
|--|-------|-----------|----|----------|----|----------|----|-----------|
| | | | | Q3 | | Q2 | | Q1 |
| Total investment income | | | \$ | 138,126 | \$ | 121,590 | \$ | 66,510 |
| Net investment income before net realized and unrealized gains (losses) and ince | ntive | | | | | | | |
| compensation | | | \$ | 89,025 | \$ | 64,514 | \$ | 39,849 |
| Incentive compensation | | | \$ | 17,805 | \$ | 14,973 | \$ | 8,144 |
| Net investment income before net realized and unrealized gains (losses) | | | \$ | 71,220 | \$ | 49,541 | \$ | 31,705 |
| Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) | | | \$ | 57,157 | \$ | 84,737 | \$ | 44,710 |
| Gain on the acquisition of Allied Capital Corporation | | | \$ | | \$ | 195,876 | \$ | |
| Net increase in stockholders' equity resulting from operations | | | \$ | 128,377 | \$ | 330,154 | \$ | 76,415 |
| Basic and diluted earnings per common share | | | \$ | 0.67 | \$ | 1.73 | \$ | 0.61 |
| Net asset value per share as of the end of the quarter | | | \$ | 14.43 | \$ | 14.11 | \$ | 11.78 |
| | | | | 200 |)9 | | | |
| | | Q4 | | Q3 | | Q2 | | Q1 |
| Total investment income | \$ | 69,264 | \$ | 60,881 | \$ | 59,111 | \$ | 56,016 |
| Net investment income before net realized and unrealized gains (losses) and | - | 07,201 | - | 00,000 | - | -, | - | - 0,0 - 0 |
| incentive compensation | \$ | 47,920 | \$ | 41.133 | \$ | 39,935 | \$ | 37,750 |
| Incentive compensation | \$ | 9,568 | \$ | 8,227 | \$ | 7,987 | \$ | 7,550 |
| Net investment income before net realized and unrealized gains (losses) | \$ | 38,352 | \$ | 32,906 | \$ | 31,948 | \$ | 30,200 |
| Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) | \$ | 31,278 | \$ | 30,370 | \$ | 2,805 | \$ | 4,834 |
| Net increase (decrease) in stockholders' equity resulting from operations | \$ | 69,630 | \$ | 63,276 | \$ | 34,753 | \$ | 35,034 |
| Basic and diluted earnings per common share | \$ | 0.64 | \$ | 0.62 | \$ | 0.36 | \$ | 0.36 |
| Net asset value per share as of the end of the quarter | \$ | 11.44 | \$ | 11.16 | \$ | 11.21 | \$ | 11.20 |
| · | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | 200 | 8 | | | |
| | | Q4 | | Q3 | | Q2 | | Q1 |
| Total investment income | \$ | 62,723 | \$ | 62,067 | \$ | 63,464 | \$ | 52,207 |
| Net investment income before net realized and unrealized gains (losses) and | | | | | | | | |
| incentive compensation | \$ | 40,173 | \$ | 41,025 | \$ | 45,076 | \$ | 32,466 |
| Incentive compensation | \$ | 8,035 | \$ | 8,205 | \$ | 9,015 | \$ | 6,493 |
| Net investment income before net realized and unrealized gains (losses) | \$ | 32,138 | \$ | 32,820 | \$ | 36,061 | \$ | 25,973 |
| Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) | \$ | (142,638) | | (74,213) | | (32,789) | \$ | (16,807) |
| Net increase (decrease) in stockholders' equity resulting from operations | \$ | (110,500) | | (41,393) | | 3,272 | \$ | 9,166 |
| Basic and diluted earnings per common share | \$ | (1.14) | | (0.43) | | 0.04 | \$ | 0.12 |
| Net asset value per share as of the end of the quarter | \$ | 11.27 | \$ | 12.83 | \$ | 13.67 | \$ | 15.17 |
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UNAUDITED SELECTED PRO FORMA CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

The following tables set forth unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated statements of operations for Ares Capital and Allied Capital as a consolidated entity. The unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated operating data for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and for the year ended December 31, 2009 are presented as if the Allied Acquisition had been completed on January 1, 2010 and January 1, 2009, respectively. In the opinion of management, all adjustments necessary to reflect the effect of these transactions have been made. The Allied Acquisition was accounted for under the acquisition method of accounting as provided by ASC 805-10 (previously SFAS No. 141(R)), *Business Combinations*.

The unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated statements of operations should be read together with the respective historical audited and unaudited consolidated financial statements and financial statement notes of Allied Capital and Ares Capital in the accompanying prospectus. The unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated statements of operations are presented for comparative purposes only and do not necessarily indicate what the future operating results of Ares Capital will be following completion of the Allied Acquisition. The unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated statements of operations do not include adjustments to reflect any cost savings or other operational efficiencies that may be realized as a result of the Allied Acquisition or any future merger related restructuring or integration expenses.

See in this prospectus supplement "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Allied Acquisition" for a description of the terms of the Allied Acquisition and in the accompanying prospectus "Risk Factors Risks Relating to Our Business We may be unable to realize the benefits anticipated by the Allied Acquisition, including estimated cost savings and synergies, or it may take longer than anticipated to achieve such benefits" for a description of certain risks associated with the Allied Acquisition.

(dollar amounts in thousands, except per share data and as otherwise indicated)

| | Niı | For the ne Months Ended tember 30, 2010 | Ye | For the ear Ended cember 31, 2009 |
|--|-----|---|----|-----------------------------------|
| Total Investment Income | \$ | 380,318 | \$ | 563,958 |
| Total Expenses | | 205,103 | | 373,165 |
| Net Investment Income Before Income Taxes | | 175,215 | | 190,793 |
| Income Tax Expense | | 1,562 | | 6,152 |
| Net Investment Income | | 173,653 | | 184,641 |
| Net Realized and Unrealized Gains (Losses) on Investments, Foreign Currencies and Extinguishment of Debt | | 153,341 | | (507,774) |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Stockholders' Equity Resulting from Operations | \$ | 326,994 | \$ | (323,133) |
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UNAUDITED PRO FORMA PER SHARE DATA

The following selected unaudited combined pro forma per share information for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and for the year ended December 31, 2009 reflects the Allied Acquisition and related transactions as if they had occurred on January 1, 2010 and January 1, 2009, respectively.

Such unaudited pro forma combined per share information is based on the historical financial statements of Ares Capital and Allied Capital and on publicly available information and certain assumptions and adjustments as discussed in the section entitled "Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations." This unaudited pro forma combined per share information is provided for illustrative purposes only and is not necessarily indicative of what the operating results of Ares Capital or Allied Capital would have been had the Allied Acquisition and related transactions been completed at the beginning of the periods indicated, nor are they necessarily indicative of any future operating results.

The following should be read in connection with the section entitled "Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations" and other information included in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus.

See in this prospectus supplement "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Allied Acquisition" for a description of the terms of the Allied Acquisition and in the accompanying prospectus "Risk Factors Risks Relating to Our Business We may be unable to realize the benefits anticipated by the Allied Acquisition, including estimated cost savings and synergies, or it may take longer than anticipated to achieve such benefits" for a description of certain risks associated with the Allied Acquisition.

| | For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2010 | | | | | | | | | | | For the | _ | | | |
|---|---|--------------|----|------------------|-------------------------------|------------|----|--|----|----------------|---|---------|----|-------------|--|--------|
| | | res pital | | Allied apital | Pro fo Comb Arc Capi | ined es | C | Per uivalent Allied apital nare(1) | | Ares apital | Pro forma Combined Allied Ares Capital Capital | | | oined es | Per Equivalent Allied Capital Share(2) | |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Stockholders' Equity Resulting from Operations: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Basic | \$ | 3.16 | \$ | (0.20) | \$ | 1.73 | \$ | 0.56 | \$ | 1.99 | \$ | (2.91) | \$ | (2.02) | \$ | (0.66) |
| Diluted | \$ | 3.16 | \$ | (0.20) | \$ | 1.73 | \$ | 0.56 | \$ | 1.99 | \$ | (2.91) | \$ | (2.02) | \$ | (0.66) |
| Cash Dividends Declared(2) | \$ | 1.05 | \$ | 0.20 | \$ | 1.05 | \$ | 0.34 | \$ | 1.47 | \$ | | \$ | 1.47 | \$ | 0.48 |

(1) The Allied Capital equivalent pro forma per share amount is calculated by multiplying the pro forma combined share amounts by the common stock exchange ratio of 0.325.

(2)

The cash dividends declared per share represent the actual dividends declared per share for the period presented. The pro forma combined dividends declared is the dividends per share as declared by Ares Capital.

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USE OF PROCEEDS

We estimate that the net proceeds we will receive from the sale of 10,000,000 shares of our common stock in this offering will be approximately \$156.9 million (or approximately \$180.5 million if the underwriters fully exercise their overallotment option), in each case at the public offering price of \$16.50 per share, after deducting the underwriting discounts and commissions of \$7.4 million (or approximately \$8.5 million if the underwriters fully exercise their overallotment option) payable by us and estimated offering expenses of approximately \$0.7 million payable by us.

We expect to use the net proceeds of this offering to repay outstanding indebtedness under the Revolving Credit Facility (\$169 million outstanding as of November 8, 2010). The interest charged on the indebtedness incurred under the Revolving Credit Facility is based on LIBOR (one, two, three or six month) plus an applicable spread of between 2.50% and 4.00%. As of November 8, 2010, the one, two, three and six month LIBOR were 0.25%, 0.27%, 0.29% and 0.44%, respectively, and the applicable LIBOR spread was 3.00%. The Revolving Credit Facility matures on January 22, 2013.

Affiliates of certain of the underwriters, including Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc., Deutsche Bank Securities Inc., Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated and BMO Capital Markets Corp., are lenders under the Revolving Credit Facility and affiliates of Wells Fargo Securities, LLC are lenders under the CP Funding Facility. Accordingly, affiliates of certain of the underwriters will receive more than 5% of the proceeds of this offering which are used to repay outstanding indebtedness under our Revolving Credit Facility and which may be used to repay outstanding indebtedness under the CP Funding Facility. We intend to use any net proceeds from this offering that are not applied as described above to repay outstanding indebtedness under the CP Funding Facility (\$320.8 million outstanding as of November 8, 2010) and for general corporate purposes, which include investing in portfolio companies in accordance with our investment objective and strategies and market conditions.

Subject to certain exceptions, the interest charged on the CP Funding Facility is based on LIBOR plus an applicable spread of between 2.25% and 3.75% or on a "base rate" (which is the higher of a prime rate, or the federal funds rate plus 0.50%) plus an applicable spread of between 1.25% to 2.75%, in each case based on a pricing grid depending upon the credit rating of the Company. The effective LIBOR spread under the CP Funding Facility on November 8, 2010 was 2.75%. The CP Funding Facility is scheduled to expire on January 22, 2013 (subject to two one-year extension options exercisable upon mutual consent).

Investing in portfolio companies could include investments in our investment backlog and pipeline that as of November 3, 2010, were approximately \$180 million and \$310 million, respectively. Please note that the consummation of any of the investments in this backlog and pipeline depends upon, among other things: satisfactory completion of our due diligence investigation of the prospective portfolio company, our acceptance of the terms and structure of such investment and the execution and delivery of satisfactory transaction documentation, and there can be no guarantee that we will consummate any of these investments.

Our primary focus is to generate current income and capital appreciation through investments in first and second lien senior loans and mezzanine debt and, to a lesser extent, equity securities of eligible portfolio companies. In addition to such investments, we may invest up to 30% of our portfolio in opportunistic investments of non-eligible portfolio companies. As part of this 30%, we may invest in debt of middle-market companies located outside of the United States.

Pending such investments, we will invest a portion of the net proceeds primarily in cash, cash equivalents, U.S. government securities and other high-quality short-term investments. These securities may earn yields substantially lower than the income that we anticipate receiving once we are fully invested in accordance with our investment objective. As a result, we may not be able to achieve our

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investment objective and/or pay any dividends during this period or, if we are able to do so, such dividends may be substantially lower than the dividends that we expect to pay when our portfolio is fully invested. If we do not realize yields in excess of our expenses, we may incur operating losses and the market price of our shares may decline. See "Regulation Temporary Investments" in the accompanying prospectus for additional information about temporary investments we may make while waiting to make longer-term investments in pursuit of our investment objective.

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PRICE RANGE OF COMMON STOCK AND DISTRIBUTIONS

Our common stock trades on The NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol "ARCC." Our common stock has historically traded at prices both above and below its net asset value. It is not possible to predict whether the common stock offered hereby will trade at, above, or below net asset value. See "Risk Factors" Risks Relating to Offerings Pursuant to this Prospectus. Our shares of common stock have traded at a discount from net asset value and may do so again in the future, which could limit our ability to raise additional equity capital" in the accompanying prospectus.

The following table sets forth, for each fiscal quarter during the last two fiscal years and the current fiscal year, the net asset value per share of our common stock, the range of high and low closing sales prices of our common stock, the closing sales price as a percentage of net asset value and the dividends or distributions declared by us. On November 9, 2010, the last reported closing sales price of our common stock on The NASDAQ Global Select Market was \$17.00 per share, which represented a premium of approximately 17.8% to the net asset value per share reported by us as of September 30, 2010.

| | | | | | | | High Sales Price | Low Sales Price | Cash Dividend |
|-------------------------------------|----|-----------------------|----|---------|-----|-------|---------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| | Ne | Net Asset Value(1) | | Price 1 | Ran | ge | to Net Asset | to Net Asset | Per |
| | Va | | | High | | Low | Value(2) | Value(2) | Share(3) |
| Year ended December 31, 2008 | | | | | | | | | |
| First Quarter | \$ | 15.17 | \$ | 14.39 | \$ | 12.14 | 94.9% | 80.0% | \$ 0.42 |
| Second Quarter | \$ | 13.67 | \$ | 12.98 | \$ | 10.08 | 95.0% | 73.7% | \$ 0.42 |
| Third Quarter | \$ | 12.83 | \$ | 12.60 | \$ | 9.30 | 98.2% | 72.5% | \$ 0.42 |
| Fourth Quarter | \$ | 11.27 | \$ | 10.15 | \$ | 3.77 | 90.1% | 33.5% | \$ 0.42 |
| Year ended December 31, 2009 | | | | | | | | | |
| First Quarter | \$ | 11.20 | \$ | 7.39 | \$ | 3.21 | 66.0% | 28.7% | \$ 0.42 |
| Second Quarter | \$ | 11.21 | \$ | 8.31 | \$ | 4.53 | 74.1% | 40.4% | \$ 0.35 |
| Third Quarter | \$ | 11.16 | \$ | 11.02 | \$ | 7.04 | 98.7% | 63.1% | \$ 0.35 |
| Fourth Quarter | \$ | 11.44 | \$ | 12.71 | \$ | 10.21 | 111.1% | 89.2% | \$ 0.35 |
| Year ending December 31, 2010 | | | | | | | | | |
| First Quarter | \$ | 11.78 | \$ | 14.82 | \$ | 11.75 | 125.8% | 99.7% | \$ 0.35 |
| Second Quarter | \$ | 14.11 | \$ | 16.40 | \$ | 12.53 | 116.2% | 88.8% | \$ 0.35 |
| Third Quarter | \$ | 14.43 | \$ | 15.89 | \$ | 12.44 | 110.1% | 86.2% | \$ 0.35 |
| Fourth Quarter (through November 9, | | | | | | | | | |
| 2010) | | * | \$ | 17.26 | \$ | 15.64 | * | * | \$ 0.35 |

- (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 and low closing sales prices. The net asset values shown are based on outstanding shares at the end of the relevant quarter.
- (2) Calculated as the respective high or low closing sales price divided by net asset value.
- (3) Represents the dividend or distribution declared in the relevant quarter.
 - Net asset value has not yet been calculated for this period.

We currently intend to distribute quarterly dividends or distributions to our stockholders. Our quarterly dividends or distributions, if any, will be determined by our board of directors.

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The following table summarizes our dividends declared to date:

| Date Declared | Record Date | Payment Date | | Amount | |
|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----|--------|--|
| December 16, 2004 | December 27, 2004 | January 26, 2005 | \$ | 0.30 | |
| Total declared for 2004 | | | \$ | 0.30 | |
| February 23, 2005 | March 7, 2005 | April 15, 2005 | \$ | 0.30 | |
| June 20, 2005 | June 30, 2005 | July 15, 2005 | \$ | 0.32 | |
| September 6, 2005 | September 16, 2005 | September 30, 2005 | \$ | 0.34 | |
| December 12, 2005 | December 22, 2005 | January 16, 2006 | \$ | 0.34 | |
| Total declared for 2005 | | | \$ | 1.30 | |
| February 28, 2006 | March 24, 2006 | April 14, 2006 | \$ | 0.36 | |
| May 8, 2006 | June 15, 2006 | June 30, 2006 | \$ | 0.38 | |
| August 9, 2006 | September 15, 2006 | September 29, 2006 | \$ | 0.40 | |
| November 8, 2006 | December 15, 2006 | December 29, 2006 | \$ | 0.40 | |
| November 8, 2006 | December 15, 2006 | December 29, 2006 | \$ | 0.10 | |
| Total declared for 2006 | | | \$ | 1.64 | |
| M 1 0 2007 | M 1 10 2007 | M 1 20 2007 | Ф | 0.41 | |
| March 8, 2007 | March 19, 2007 | March 30, 2007 | \$ | 0.41 | |
| May 10, 2007 | June 15, 2007 | June 29, 2007 | \$ | 0.41 | |
| August 9, 2007 | September 14, 2007 | September 28, 2007 | \$ | 0.42 | |
| November 8, 2007 | December 14, 2007 | December 31, 2007 | Э | 0.42 | |
| Total declared for 2007 | | | \$ | 1.66 | |
| February 28, 2008 | March 17, 2008 | March 31, 2008 | \$ | 0.42 | |
| May 8, 2008 | June 16, 2008 | June 30, 2008 | \$ | 0.42 | |
| August 7, 2008 | September 15, 2008 | September 30, 2008 | \$ | 0.42 | |
| November 6, 2008 | December 15, 2008 | January 2, 2009 | \$ | 0.42 | |
| Total declared for 2008 | | | \$ | 1.68 | |
| March 2, 2009 | March 16, 2009 | March 31, 2009 | \$ | 0.42 | |
| May 7, 2009 | June 15, 2009 | June 30, 2009 | \$ | 0.35 | |
| August 6, 2009 | September 15, 2009 | September 30, 2009 | \$ | 0.35 | |
| November 5, 2009 | December 15, 2009 | December 31, 2009 | \$ | 0.35 | |
| Total declared for 2009 | December 13, 2007 | Becomoci 31, 2007 | \$ | 1.47 | |
| E.I. 25 2010 | 14.5.0010 | M 1 21 2012 | Ф | 0.25 | |
| February 25, 2010 | March 15, 2010 | March 31, 2010 | \$ | 0.35 | |
| May 10, 2010 | June 15, 2010 | June 30, 2010 | \$ | 0.35 | |
| August 5, 2010 | September 15, 2010 | September 30, 2010 | \$ | 0.35 | |
| November 4, 2010 | December 15, 2010 | December 31, 2010 | \$ | 0.35 | |
| Total declared for 2010 | | | \$ | 1.40 | |

To maintain our status as a regulated investment company, or a "RIC," under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), we must timely distribute generally an amount equal to at least 90% of our investment company taxable income out of the assets legally available for distribution for each year. To avoid certain excise taxes imposed on RICs, we are generally required to distribute during each calendar year an amount at least equal to the sum of (a) 98% of our ordinary income for the calendar year, plus (b) 98% of our capital gains in excess of capital losses for the one-year period ending on October 31 of the calendar year, plus (c) any ordinary income and capital gains for preceding years that were not distributed during such years. If this requirement is not met, we will be required to pay a nondeductible excise tax equal to 4% of the amount by which 98% of the current year's taxable income exceeds the distribution for the year. The

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excise tax is paid is generally carried forward and distributed to stockholders in the next tax year. Depending on the level of taxable income earned in a tax year, we may choose to carry forward taxable income in excess of current year distributions into the next tax year and pay a 4% excise tax on such income, as required. For the nine months ended September 30, 2010, we recorded no amounts for U.S. Federal excise tax. Our excise tax benefit for the year ended December 31, 2009 was approximately \$0.1 million. We cannot assure you that we will achieve results that will permit the payment of any cash distributions.

We maintain an "opt out" dividend reinvestment plan for our common stockholders. As a result, if we declare a cash dividend, then stockholders' cash dividends 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 dividends. See "Dividend Reinvestment Plan" in the accompanying prospectus.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The information contained in this section should be read in conjunction with the Selected Condensed Consolidated Financial Data of Ares Capital and our financial statements and notes thereto appearing elsewhere in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus.

OVERVIEW

We are a specialty finance company that is a closed-end, non-diversified management investment company incorporated in Maryland. We have elected to be regulated as a BDC under the Investment Company Act. We were founded on April 16, 2004, were initially funded on June 23, 2004 and on October 8, 2004 completed our initial public offering.

Our investment objective is to generate both current income and capital appreciation through debt and equity investments. We invest primarily in first and second lien senior loans and mezzanine debt, which in some cases includes an equity component like warrants. To a lesser extent, we also make equity investments, which have generally been non-control equity investments of less than \$20 million (usually in conjunction with a concurrent loan investment). However, we may increase the size or change the nature of these investments. Also, as a result of the Allied Acquisition, Allied Capital's equity investments, including equity investments larger than those we have historically made and controlled portfolio company equity investments, became part of our portfolio. We intend to actively seek opportunities over time to dispose of certain of these non-yielding equity investments, as well as lower or non-yielding debt investments acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition (i.e., the legacy Allied Capital portfolio) and rotate them into higher-yielding first and second lien senior loans and mezzanine debt investments. However, there can be no assurance that this strategy will be successful.

We are externally managed by Ares Capital Management, an affiliate of Ares Management, a global alternative asset manager and an SEC-registered investment adviser, pursuant to an investment advisory and management agreement. Ares Operations, an affiliate of Ares Management, provides the administrative services necessary for us to operate.

As a BDC, we are required to comply with certain regulatory requirements. For instance, we generally have to invest at least 70% of our total assets in "qualifying assets," including securities and indebtedness of private U.S. companies and certain public U.S. companies, cash, cash equivalents, U.S. government securities and high-quality debt investments that mature in one year or less.

The Company has elected to be treated as a RIC under Subchapter M of the Code, and operates in a manner so as to qualify for the tax treatment applicable to RICs. To qualify as a RIC, we must, among other things, meet certain source-of-income and asset diversification requirements and timely distribute to our stockholders generally at least 90% of our investment company taxable income, as defined by the Code, for each year. Pursuant to this election, we generally will not have to pay corporate level taxes on any income that we distribute to our stockholders provided that we satisfy those requirements.

Allied Acquisition

On April 1, 2010, we consummated the Allied Acquisition in an all stock merger whereby each existing share of common stock of Allied Capital was exchanged for 0.325 shares of our common stock. The Allied Acquisition was valued at approximately \$908 million as of April 1, 2010. In connection therewith, we issued approximately 58.5 million shares of our common stock to Allied Capital's then-existing stockholders, thereby resulting in our then-existing stockholders owning approximately 69% of the combined company and the then-existing Allied Capital stockholders owning approximately 31% of the combined company. Accordingly, although information presented herein as of and for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010 does include the results of operations and financial condition of the combined company, information presented herein as of and for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009 relates solely to Ares Capital, as it existed before the Allied Acquisition.

PORTFOLIO AND INVESTMENT ACTIVITY

(in millions, except number of new investment commitments, terms and percentages)

| | Three months ended | | | |
|---|--------------------|---------------|--------------------|--------|
| | Septe | mber 30, 2010 | September 30, 2009 | |
| New investment commitments(1): | | | | |
| New portfolio companies | \$ | 39.5 | \$ | |
| Existing portfolio companies | | 472.3 | | 54.5 |
| | | | | |
| Total new investment commitments | | 511.8 | | 54.5 |
| Less: | | | | |
| Investment commitments exited | | 230.7 | | 85.4 |
| | | | | |
| Net investment commitments | \$ | 281.1 | \$ | (30.9) |
| Principal amount of investments purchased: | | | | , , , |
| Senior term debt | \$ | 236.0 | \$ | 49.4 |
| Senior subordinated debt | | 40.4 | | |
| Subordinated Notes of Senior Secured Loan Program | | 209.9 | | |
| Equity and other | | 23.0 | | 16.4 |
| | | | | |
| Total | \$ | 509.3 | \$ | 65.8 |
| Principal amount of investments sold or repaid excluding | | | | |
| investments acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition: | | | | |
| Senior term debt | \$ | 74.7 | \$ | 43.4 |
| Senior subordinated debt | | 56.5 | | 43.5 |
| Equity and other | | 0.1 | | 18.9 |
| 1 3 | | | | |
| Total | \$ | 131.3 | \$ | 105.8 |
| Principal amount of investments acquired as a part of the | Ψ | 131.3 | Ψ | 103.0 |
| Allied Acquisition sold or repaid: | | | | |
| Senior term debt | \$ | 90.5 | \$ | |
| Senior subordinated debt | T | 5.0 | 4 | |
| Collateralized loan obligations | | 2.5 | | |
| Equity and other | | 1.4 | | |
| | | | | |
| Total | \$ | 99.4 | \$ | |
| Number of new investment commitments(2) | Ť | 19 | _ | 7 |
| Average new investment commitments amount | \$ | 26.9 | \$ | 7.8 |
| Weighted average term for new investment commitments (in | | | | |
| months) | | 57 | | 47 |
| Percentage of new investment commitments at floating rates | | 44% | ó | 37% |
| Percentage of new investment commitments at fixed rates | | 51% | ó | 34% |
| Weighted average yield of debt and income producing | | | | |
| securities at fair value funded during the period(3) | | 13.01% | ó | 10.27% |
| Weighted average yield of debt and income producing | | | | |
| securities at amortized cost funded during the period(3) | | 13.07% | ó | 11.66% |
| Weighted average yield of debt and income producing | | | | |
| securities at fair value sold or repaid during the period(3)(4) | | 13.23% | b | 12.67% |
| Weighted average yield of debt and income producing | | | | |
| securities at amortized cost sold or repaid during the | | | | |
| period(3)(4) | | 13.24% | b | 11.49% |
| Weighted average yield of debt and income producing | | | | |
| securities acquired as a part of the Allied Acquisition at fair | | | | |
| value sold or repaid during the period(3) | | 13.31% | o | Ċ |
| Weighted average yield of debt and income producing | | | | |
| securities acquired as a part of the Allied Acquisition at | | | | |
| amortized cost sold or repaid during the period(3) | | 13.18% | Ó | ć, |
| | | | | |

(1) New investment commitments include new agreements to fund revolving credit facilities or delayed draw loans.

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- (2) Number of new investments represents each commitment to a particular portfolio company.
- When we refer to the "weighted average yield at fair value" in this prospectus supplement, we compute it with respect to particular securities by taking the (a) annual stated interest rate or yield earned plus the net annual amortization of original issue discount and market discount earned on accruing debt included in such securities, and dividing it by (b) total debt and income producing securities at fair value included in such securities. When we refer to the "weighted average yield at amortized cost" in this prospectus supplement, we compute it with respect to particular securities by taking the (a) annual stated interest rate or yield earned plus the net annual amortization of original issue discount and market discount earned on accruing debt included in such securities, and dividing it by (b) total debt and income producing securities at amortized cost included in such securities.
- (4) Excludes investments acquired as a part of the Allied Acquisition on April 1, 2010.

The investment adviser employs an investment rating system to categorize our investments. In addition to various risk management and monitoring tools, our investment adviser grades the risk of all investments on a scale of 1 to 4 no less frequently than quarterly. This system is intended primarily to reflect the underlying risk of a portfolio investment relative to our initial cost basis in respect of such portfolio investment (i.e. at the time of acquisition), although it may also take into account under certain circumstances the performance of the portfolio company's business, the collateral coverage of the investment and other relevant factors. Under this system, investments with a grade of 4 involve the least amount of risk to our initial cost basis. The trends and risk factors for this investment since origination or acquisition are generally favorable, which may include the performance of the portfolio company or a potential exit. Investments graded 3 involve a level of risk to our initial cost basis that is similar to the risk to our initial cost basis at the time of origination or acquisition. This portfolio company is generally performing as expected and the risk factors to our ability to ultimately recoup the cost of our investment are neutral to favorable. All investments or acquired investments in new portfolio companies are initially assessed a grade of 3. Investments graded 2 indicate that the risk to our ability to recoup the cost of such investment has increased materially since origination or acquisition, including as a result of factors such as declining performance and non-compliance with debt covenants; however, payments are generally not more than 120 days past due. An investment grade of 1 indicates that the risk to our ability to recoup the cost of such investment has substantially increased since origination or acquisition, and the portfolio company likely has materially declining performance. For debt investments with an investment grade of 1, most or all of the debt covenants are out of compliance and payments are substantially delinquent. For investments graded 1, it is not anticipated that we will be repaid in an amount equal to our full initial cost basis. For investments graded 1 or 2, our investment adviser enhances its level of scrutiny over the monitoring of such portfolio company.

Each investment acquired in the Allied Acquisition was initially assessed a grade of 3 (i.e., the grade we generally assign a portfolio company at acquisition) on April 1, 2010, the date of initial acquisition, reflecting the relative risk to our initial cost basis of such investments. Ares Capital grades the investments in its portfolio each quarter and it is possible that the grade of certain of these portfolio investments may be reduced or increased over time.

Set forth below is the distribution of our portfolio companies as of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009 (dollar amounts in thousands).

| | | September 30, 2010 | | December 31, 2009 | | | |
|---------|----|--------------------|-----------|-------------------|------------|-----------|--|
| | | | Number of | amber of | | Number of | |
| | F | air Value | Companies | I | Fair Value | Companies | |
| Grade 1 | \$ | 15,770 | 10 | \$ | 7,170 | 8 | |
| Grade 2 | | 90,290 | 7 | | 154,509 | 9 | |
| Grade 3 | | 3,767,699 | 158 | | 1,796,641 | 70 | |
| Grade 4 | | 276,031 | 9 | | 213,494 | 8 | |
| | \$ | 4,149,790 | 184 | \$ | 2,171,814 | 95 | |

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As of September 30, 2010, the weighted average grade of the investments in our portfolio (excluding investments acquired in connection with the Allied Acquisition), the investments in our portfolio acquired in connection with the Allied Acquisition and the investments in our portfolio as a whole were each 3.0. The weighted average grade of the investments in our portfolio as of December 31, 2009 was 3.0.

As of September 30, 2010, non-accruing investments for the total portfolio were as follows:

2.2% of the total investments in our portfolio (excluding investments acquired in connection with the Allied Acquisition) at amortized cost (0.2% at fair value) were on non-accrual status;

5.3% of the total investments in our portfolio acquired in connection with the Allied Acquisition at amortized cost (5.0% at fair value) were on non-accrual status; and

In total, 7.5% of the total investments in our portfolio at amortized cost (or 5.2% at fair value) were on non-accrual status.

As of December 31, 2009, 2.5% of the investments in our portfolio at amortized cost (or 0.5% at fair value) were on non-accrual status.

As of June 30 and September 30, 2010, core Ares Capital investments (excluding investments acquired in connection with the Allied Acquisition) on non-accrual status were 4.0% and 3.6%, respectively, at amortized cost of the core Ares Capital portfolio (excluding investments acquired in connection with the Allied Acquisition) and 0.4% and 0.3%, respectively, at fair value.

The weighted average yields of the following portions of our portfolio as of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009 were as follows:

| | September 30, 2010 | | December 31, 2009 | |
|---|--------------------|-----------|-------------------|-----------|
| | | Amortized | Fair | Amortized |
| | Value | Cost | Value | Cost |
| Debt and income producing securities | 12.90% | 13.10% | 12.67% | 12.08% |
| Debt and income producing securities for investments acquired as part of the Allied | | | | |
| Acquisition | 13.68% | 14.35% | % | % |
| Total portfolio | 10.17% | 10.11% | 11.19% | 10.23% |
| Senior term debt | 9.95% | 9.67% | 11.42% | 10.62% |
| Senior subordinated debt | 13.19% | 12.76% | 13.74% | 12.47% |
| Subordinated Notes of Senior Secured Loan Program | 15.96% | 16.96% | 17.00% | 17.00% |
| Income producing equity securities | 16.47% | 19.04% | 9.61% | 10.52% |
| First lien senior term debt | 9.29% | 9.32% | 10.67% | 10.38% |
| Second lien senior term debt | 13.04% | 11.06% | 12.92% | 11.06% |
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RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009

Operating results for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 are as follows (in thousands):

| | For the three months ended September 30, September 30, 2010 2009 | | For the nine n September 30, 2010 | | hs ended eptember 30, 2009 | |
|--|--|---------|---|----|--------------------------------------|---------------|
| Total investment income | \$ | 138,126 | \$ 60,881 | \$ | 326,226 | \$ 176,008 |
| Total expenses | | 67,070 | 27,521 | | 173,400 | 80,391 |
| Net investment income before income taxes | | 71,056 | 33,360 | | 152, 826 | 95,617 |
| Income tax expense (benefit), including excise | | | | | | |
| tax | | (164) | 454 | | 360 | 563 |
| Net investment income | | 71,220 | 32,906 | | 152,466 | 95,054 |
| Net realized gains (losses) | | (350) | (1,656) | | 6,693 | 22,311 |
| Net unrealized gains (losses) | | 57,507 | 32,026 | | 179,911 | 15,698 |
| Gain from acquisition of Allied Capital | | | | | 195,876 | |
| Net increase in stockholders' equity resulting from operations | \$ | 128,377 | \$ 63,276 | \$ | 534,946 | \$ 133,063 |

Net income can vary substantially from period to period as a result of various factors, including the recognition of realized gains and losses and unrealized appreciation and depreciation. As a result, quarterly comparisons of net income may not be meaningful.

Investment Income

For the three months ended September 30, 2010, total investment income increased \$77.2 million, or 127%, to \$138.1 million from \$60.9 million for the comparable period in 2009. For the three months ended September 30, 2010, total investment income primarily consisted of \$107.8 million in interest income from investments, \$20.6 million in capital structuring service fees, \$4.4 million in management fees and \$3.9 million in dividend income. Interest income from investments increased \$50.9 million, or 90%, to \$107.8 million for the three months ended September 30, 2010 from \$56.9 million for the comparable period in 2009. The increase in interest income from investments was primarily due to the increase in investments as the average investments at fair value increased from \$2.0 billion for the three months ended September 30, 2009 to \$4.0 billion for the three months ended September 30, 2010, which was largely due to the investments acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition. Interest income from investments acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition was approximately \$46.6 million for the three months ended September 30, 2010. Capital structuring service fees earned for the three months ended September 30, 2010 were \$20.6 million as compared to no capital structuring service fees earned for the three months ended September 30, 2009. The increase in capital structuring service fees was primarily due to the increase in new investment commitments for the three months ended September 30, 2010 as compared to the three months ended September 30, 2009, Capital structuring fees for the three months ended September 30, 2010 includes sourcing fees related to the Senior Secured Loan Program of \$12.5 million. Management fees increased \$4.3 million, or 4,757%, to \$4.4 million for the three months ended September 30, 2010 from \$0.1 million for the comparable period in 2009. The increase in management fees was primarily related to \$2.5 million in management fees earned from the investments and management contracts acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition as well as \$1.8 million in management fees earned from the Senior Secured Loan Program.

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For the nine months ended September 30, 2010, total investment income increased \$150.2 million, or 85%, to \$326.2 million from \$176.0 million for the comparable period in 2009. For the nine months ended September 30, 2010, total investment income primarily consisted of \$273.4 million in interest income from investments, \$30.4 million in capital structuring service fees, \$10.0 million in management fees and \$7.8 million in dividend income. Interest income from investments increased \$110.2 million, or 68%, to \$273.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 from \$163.2 million for the comparable period in 2009. The increase in interest income from investments was primarily due to the increase in investments as the average investments at fair value increased from \$2.0 billion for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 to \$3.2 billion for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, which was largely due to the investments acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition. Interest income from investments acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition were approximately \$90.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010. Capital structuring service fees increased \$28.6 million, or 1,546%, to \$30.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 from \$1.8 million for the comparable period in 2009. The increase in capital structuring service fees was primarily due to the increase in new investment commitments for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 as compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2009. Capital structuring fees for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 includes sourcing fees related to the Senior Secured Loan Program of \$15.1 million. Management fees increased \$7.4 million, or 273%, to \$10.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 from \$2.7 million for the comparable period in 2009. The increase in management fees was primarily related to \$5.4 million in management fees earned from the investments and management contracts acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition as well as \$3.7 million in management fees earned related to the Senior Secured Loan Program.

Operating Expenses

For the three months ended September 30, 2010, total expenses increased \$39.6 million, or 144%, to \$67.1 million from \$27.5 million for the comparable period in 2009. Interest expense and credit facility fees increased \$17.0 million, or 298%, to \$22.8 million for the three months ended September 30, 2010 from \$5.7 million for the comparable period in 2009, primarily due to the additional interest expense incurred for the three months ended September 30, 2010 on Allied Capital's publicly issued unsecured notes assumed in the Allied Acquisition (the "Unsecured Notes") of \$14.8 million. Base and incentive management fees increased \$17.5 million, or 111%, to \$33.2 million from \$15.7 million in total for the comparable period in 2009, primarily due to the increase in investments and the related interest income on those investments as a result of the Allied Acquisition, partially offset by an increase in interest expense related to the assumption of the Unsecured Notes in the Allied Acquisition.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2010, total expenses increased \$93.0 million, or 116%, to \$173.4 million from \$80.4 million for the comparable period in 2009. Interest expense and credit facility fees increased \$35.8 million, or 193%, to \$54.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 from \$18.6 million for the comparable period in 2009, primarily due to the additional interest expense incurred for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 on the Unsecured Notes assumed in the Allied Acquisition of \$29.8 million. For the nine months ended September 30, 2010, professional fees and other costs related to the Allied Acquisition increased \$15.8 million, or 794%, to \$17.8 million from \$2.0 million for the comparable period in 2009. Base and incentive management fees increased \$30.2 million, or 66%, to \$76.5 million from \$46.3 million in total for the comparable period in 2009, primarily due to the increase in investments and the related interest income on those investments as a result of the Allied Acquisition.

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Income Tax Expense, Including Excise Tax

The Company has elected to be treated as a RIC under Subchapter M of the Code and operates in a manner so as to qualify for the tax treatment applicable to RICs. To qualify as a RIC, the Company must, among other things, timely distribute to its stockholders generally at least 90% of its investment company taxable income, as defined by the Code, for each year. Among other things, the Company has, in order to maintain its RIC status, made and intends to continue to make the requisite distributions to its stockholders which will generally relieve the Company from U.S. Federal income taxes.

Depending on the level of taxable income earned in a tax year, we may choose to carry forward taxable income in excess of current year dividend distributions into the next tax year and pay a 4% excise tax on such income, as required. To the extent that the Company determines that its estimated current year annual taxable income will be in excess of estimated current year dividend distributions, the Company accrues excise tax, if any, on estimated excess taxable income as taxable income is earned. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, the Company recorded no amounts for U.S. Federal excise tax. For the three months ended September 30, 2009, the Company recorded no amounts for U.S. Federal excise tax. For the nine months ended September 30, 2009, the Company recognized a \$0.1 million benefit for U.S. Federal excise tax.

Certain of our subsidiaries are subject to U.S. Federal and state income taxes. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, we recorded a tax (benefit)/expense of \$(0.2) million and \$0.4 million, respectively, for these subsidiaries, and for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009, we recorded tax provisions of approximately \$0.5 million and \$0.6 million, respectively, for these subsidiaries.

Net Unrealized Gains/Losses

For the three months ended September 30, 2010, the Company had net unrealized gains of \$57.5 million, which were primarily comprised of \$115.6 million in unrealized appreciation, \$59.4 million in unrealized depreciation and \$1.3 million related to the reversal of prior period net unrealized depreciation. Of the total net unrealized gains for the three months ended September 30, 2010, \$19.1 million were related to investments acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition, which were primarily comprised of \$59.3 million in unrealized appreciation, \$41.5 million in unrealized depreciation, and \$1.3 million related to the reversal of prior period net unrealized depreciation. The most significant changes in net unrealized appreciation and depreciation for the total portfolio (excluding the reversal of prior period net unrealized depreciation) during the three months ended September 30, 2010 were as follows (in millions):

For the

| Portfolio Company | three n Septem Net U App | for the norths ended aber 30, 2010 Unrealized preciation preciation |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| Senior Secured Loan Fund LLC(1) | \$ | 12.8 |
| Air Medical Group Holdings LLC | | 10.3 |
| Stag-Parkway, Inc. | | 9.6 |
| Hot Stuff Foods, LLC | | 6.0 |
| DSI Renal, Inc. | | 5.2 |
| Reflexite Corporation | | 4.5 |
| Ivy Hill Asset Management, L.P.(1) | | 4.0 |
| American Broadband Holding | | |
| Company | | 4.0 |
| Crescent Equity Corporation | | 3.6 |
| Things Remembered, Inc. | | 3.2 |

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| Portfolio Company | For the three months ended September 30, 2010 Net Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation) |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| National Print Group, Inc. | 3.1 |
| Bumble Bee Foods, LLC | 2.7 |
| Canon Communications LLC | 2.4 |
| InSight Pharmaceuticals Corporation | 2.4 |
| CT Technologies Intermediate | |
| Holdings | 2.3 |
| Callidus Debt Partners Equity | |
| Interest, Ltd. | 2.1 |
| S.B. Restaurant Company | 1.9 |
| Vistar Corporation | 1.8 |
| Thermal Solutions LLC | 1.8 |
| Callidus Debt Partners CDO Fund | |
| VI, Ltd. | 1.7 |
| Industrial Container Services, LLC | 1.5 |
| Community Educations Centers, Inc. | 1.5 |
| Network Hardware Resale LLC | 1.5 |
| Bushnell, Inc. | 1.5 |
| PENN Detroit Diesel Allison LLC | 1.4 |
| Dryden XVIII Leveraged Loan 2007 | |
| Limited | 1.4 |
| Cleveland East Equity LLC | 1.2 |
| Callidus Debt Partners CDO Fund | |
| III, Ltd. | (1.0) |
| Prommis Solutions, LLC | (1.2) |
| Callidus Debt Partners CDO Fund | , |
| I, Ltd. | (1.3) |
| Promo Works, LLC | (1.5) |
| Huddle House, Inc. | (1.8) |
| Pillar Holdings LLC | (2.1) |
| ADF Restaurant Group, LLC | (2.3) |
| Making Memories Wholesale, Inc. | (2.3) |
| Aquila Binks Forest | |
| Development,LLC | (2.4) |
| Ciena Capital LLC | (3.3) |
| Crescent Hotels & Resorts, LLC | (3.8) |
| Campus Management Corp. | (4.2) |
| Reed Group, Ltd. | (5.2) |
| Benefit Mall Holdings, Inc. | (8.0) |
| Coverall North America, Inc. | (8.7) |
| Other | 9.9 |
| Total | \$ 56.2 |

(1) See Note 10 to the consolidated financial statements for the period ended September 30, 2010.

For the three months ended September 30, 2009, the Company had net unrealized gains of \$32.0 million, which was primarily comprised of \$17.6 million in unrealized depreciation, \$45.7 million in unrealized appreciation and \$3.9 million related to the reversal of prior period net unrealized

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depreciation. The most significant changes in net unrealized appreciation and depreciation during the three months ended September 30, 2009 were as follows (in millions):

| Portfolio Company | For the three month September 3 Unreali Apprecia (Deprecia | as ended 30, 2009 zed ation |
|-------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|
| ADF Restaurant Group, LLC | \$ | 5.1 |
| Imperial Capital Group, LLC | | 5.0 |
| Wear Me Apparel, LLC | | 4.8 |
| CT Technologies Holdings, LLC | | 2.8 |
| Apple & Eve, LLC | | 2.3 |
| OTG Management, Inc. | | 1.8 |
| Best Brands Corporation | | 1.8 |
| Capella Healthcare, Inc. | | 1.7 |
| Bumble Bee Foods, LLC | | 1.7 |
| Prommis Solutions, LLC | | 1.6 |
| National Print Group, Inc. | | 1.6 |
| Instituto de Banca y Comercio, Inc. | | 1.5 |
| The Teaching Company, LLC | | 1.4 |
| Pillar Holdings LLC | | 1.0 |
| 3091779 Nova Scotia Inc. | | (1.1) |
| Wastequip, Inc. | | (1.3) |
| AWTP, LLC | | (1.4) |
| MPBP Holdings, Inc. | | (1.9) |
| LVCG Holdings LLC | | (2.0) |
| Canon Communications LLC | | (2.2) |
| R3 Education, Inc. | | (3.5) |
| Other | | 7.4 |
| Total | \$ | 28.1 |
| | | |

For the nine months ended September 30, 2010, the Company had net unrealized gains of \$179.9 million, which was primarily comprised of \$298.6 million in unrealized appreciation, \$119.2 million in unrealized depreciation and \$0.5 million related to the reversal of prior period net unrealized depreciation. Of the total net unrealized gains for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, \$65.4 million was related to investments acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition, which was primarily comprised of \$132.4 million in unrealized appreciation, \$68.3 million in unrealized depreciation, and \$1.3 million related to the reversal of prior period net unrealized depreciation. The most significant changes in net unrealized appreciation and depreciation for the total portfolio (excluding the reversal of prior period net unrealized depreciation) during the nine months ended September 30, 2010 were as follows (in millions):

| Portfolio Company | For the nine months ended September 30, 2010 Net Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation) | |
|------------------------------------|---|------|
| Senior Secured Loan Fund LLC(1) | \$ | 25.0 |
| R3 Education, Inc. | | 15.7 |
| Air Medical Group Holdings LLC | | 15.1 |
| Stag-Parkway, Inc. | | 14.1 |
| Ivy Hill Asset Management, L.P.(1) | | 12.5 |
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For the nine months ended September 30, 2010 Net Unrealized Appreciation

| Portfolio Company | Appreciation (Depreciation) |
|---|-----------------------------|
| Portfolio Company DSI Renal, Inc. | (Depreciation) |
| | 10.1 |
| Things Remembered, Inc. S.B. Restaurant Company | 7.1 |
| Hot Stuff Foods, LLC | 6.8 |
| Callidus Debt Partners CDO Fund | 0.0 |
| VI, Ltd. | 6.4 |
| , | 5.5 |
| Component Hardware Group, Inc. Woodstream Corporation | 5.4 |
| American Broadband Holding | J. T |
| Company | 4.9 |
| Industrial Container Services, LLC | 4.9 |
| Canon Communications LLC | 4.8 |
| Callidus Debt Partners CDO Fund | 7.0 |
| VII, Ltd. | 4.7 |
| Callidus MAPS CLO Fund II, LLC | 4.7 |
| Reflexite Corporation | 4.5 |
| Bumble Bee Foods, LLC | 4.4 |
| Callidus MAPS CLO Fund I, Ltd. | 4.1 |
| Tradesmen International, Inc. | 4.0 |
| Vantage Oncology, Inc | 3.7 |
| Vistar Corporation | 3.7 |
| Instituto de Banca y Comercio, Inc. | 3.7 |
| Dryden XVIII Leveraged Loan 2007 | 3.1 |
| Limited | 3.6 |
| Crescent Equity Corporation | 3.6 |
| Network Hardware Resale LLC | 3.4 |
| National Print Group, Inc. | 3.2 |
| OTG Management, Inc. | 3.1 |
| Callidus Debt Partners Equity | 3.1 |
| Interest, Ltd. | 3.1 |
| CT Technologies Intermediate | 3.1 |
| Holdings, Inc. | 3.0 |
| Callidus Debt Partners CDO Fund | 5.0 |
| IV, Ltd. | 2.9 |
| Waste Pro USA, Inc. | 2.7 |
| Callidus Debt Partners CDO Fund | 2.7 |
| V, Ltd. | 2.4 |
| NPH, Inc | 2.3 |
| ALD TBB/WIN Equity, LLC | 2.3 |
| Promo Works, LLC | 2.3 |
| eInstruction Corporation | 2.2 |
| Web Services Company, LLC | 2.2 |
| Community Education Centers, Inc. | 2.1 |
| Callidus Debt Partners CDO Fund III | 2.1 |
| Carador, PLC | 2.1 |
| Planet Organic Health Corp. | 1.9 |
| Growing Family, Inc. | 1.7 |
| Thermal Solutions LLC | 1.5 |
| Financial Pacific Company | 1.5 |
| PODS Funding Corp. | 1.4 |
| The Kenan Advantage Group, Inc. | 1.4 |
| Vistar Corporation | 1.3 |
| MVL Group, Inc. | 1.2 |
| Bushnell, Inc. | 1.2 |
| PRA International, Inc. | 1.1 |
| - 10 - mornanomar, mo. | 1.1 |

| STS Operating, Inc. | 1.0 | |
|-------------------------|-------|--|
| Pangaea CLO 2007-1 Ltd. | (1.2) | |
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For the nine months ended September 30, 2010 Net Unrealized Appreciation

| Portfolio Company | (Depreciation) |
|----------------------------------|----------------|
| Callidus Debt Partners CDO Fund | |
| I, Ltd. | (1.4) |
| PENN Detroit Diesel Allison LLC | (1.5) |
| Distant Lands Trading Co. | (1.7) |
| Tranzact Holdings LLC | (1.8) |
| Border Foods, Inc. | (2.4) |
| Making Memories Wholesale, Inc. | (2.6) |
| The Step2 Company, LLC | (2.8) |
| Trivergance Capital Partners, LP | (2.9) |
| CNA Holding Corporation | (3.0) |
| Huddle House, Inc. | (3.4) |
| Knightsbridge CLO 2007-1 Ltd. | (3.6) |
| Knightsbridge CLO 2008-1 Ltd. | (3.7) |
| Eagle AC Holdings, Inc. | (3.8) |
| Coverall North America, Inc. | (4.3) |
| ADF Restaurant Group | (4.4) |
| Reed Group, Ltd. | (5.1) |
| Ciena Capital LLC | (5.1) |
| Aquila Binks Forest | |
| Development, LLC | (5.2) |
| MPBP Holdings, Inc. | (5.2) |
| Crescent Hotels & Resorts, LLC | (6.2) |
| FirstLight Financial Corporation | (7.4) |
| Other | 6.9 |
| | |
| Total \$ | 179.4 |

(1) See Note 10 to the consolidated financial statements for the period ended September 30, 2010.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2009, the Company had net unrealized gains of \$15.7 million, which was primarily comprised of \$81.4 million in unrealized depreciation and \$91.8 million in unrealized appreciation and \$5.3 million relating to the reversal of prior period net unrealized depreciation. The most significant changes in net unrealized appreciation and depreciation during the nine months ended September 30, 2009 were as follows (in millions):

| Portfolio Company | nine m Septem Un App | For the conths ended conths ended conths and conths ended control conths are continued |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| Apple & Eve, LLC | \$ | 10.5 |
| Best Brands Corp. | | 8.2 |
| Ivy Hill Asset Management, L.P.(1) | | 8.0 |
| Capella Healthcare, Inc. | | 6.0 |
| Wear Me Apparel, LLC | | 6.0 |
| Imperial Capital Group, LLC | | 5.0 |
| ADF Restaurant Group | | 4.9 |
| Waste Pro USA, Inc. | | 4.2 |
| Prommis Solutions, LLC | | 3.8 |
| Booz Allen Hamilton, Inc. | | 3.5 |
| DSI Renal, Inc. | | 2.8 |

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| Portfolio Company | For the nine months ended September 30, 2009 Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation) |
|--|---|
| Instituto de Banca y Comercio, Inc. | 2.7 |
| CT Technologies Holdings, LLC | 2.4 |
| Lakeland Finance, LLC | 2.0 |
| Pillar Holdings LLC | 2.0 |
| Bumble Bee Foods, LLC | 1.7 |
| Wyle Laboratories, Inc. | 1.4 |
| Savers, Inc. | 1.4 |
| Magnacare Holdings, Inc. | 1.4 |
| The Teaching Company, LLC | 1.3 |
| Encanto Restaurants, Inc. | 1.2 |
| American Residential Services, LLC | 1.2 |
| Hudson Group, Inc. | 1.2 |
| Diversified Collections Services, Inc. | 1.0 |
| Industrial Container Services, LLC | (1.3) |
| Planet Organic Health Corp. | (1.3) |
| Things Remembered, Inc. | (1.8) |
| HB&G Building Products | (1.8) |
| Sigma International Group, Inc. | (2.6) |
| Canon Communications LLC | (2.6) |
| VOTC Acquisition Corp. | (2.8) |
| National Print Group, Inc. | (2.8) |
| MPBP Holdings, Inc. | (3.2) |
| Growing Family, Inc. | (3.4) |
| R3 Education, Inc. | (3.4) |
| Courtside Acquisition Corp. | (3.4) |
| Wastequip, Inc. | (4.0) |
| AWTP, LLC | (4.1) |
| Direct Buy Holdings, Inc. | (4.2) |
| Summit Business Media, LLC | (4.7) |
| LVCG Holdings LLC | (6.5) |
| Reflexite Corporation | (10.6) |
| Firstlight Financial Corporation | (11.0) |
| Other | 2.1 |
| | |

(1) See Note 10 to the consolidated financial statements for the period ended September 30, 2010.

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Net Realized Gains/Losses

Total

During the three months ended September 30, 2010, the Company had \$231.8 million of sales and repayments resulting in \$1.2 million of net realized gains. Net realized gains on investments were comprised of \$3.6 million of gross realized gains and \$2.4 million of gross realized losses. Of the \$1.2 million of net realized gains, approximately \$1.0 million were from investments acquired as part of

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the Allied Acquisition. The most significant realized gains and losses on investments for the three months ended September 30, 2010 were as follows (in millions):

| Portfolio Company | three m Septem Re | or the onths ended ber 30, 2010 ealized n (Loss) |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------|--|
| Component Hardware Group, Inc. | \$ | 1.9 |
| Promo Works, LLC | | 1.4 |
| Distant Lands Trading Co. | | (1.8) |
| Other | | (0.3) |
| Total | \$ | 1.2 |

During the three months ended September 30, 2009, the Company had \$104.4 million of sales and repayments resulting in \$1.7 million of net realized losses. These sales and repayments included \$5.0 million of loans sold to Ivy Hill I and Ivy Hill II, the two middle market credit funds managed by our affiliate, IHAM (see Note 10 to the consolidated financial statements for the period ended September 30, 2010 for more detail on IHAM and its managed funds). Net realized losses on investments were comprised of \$12.8 million of gross realized gains and \$14.5 of gross realized losses. The most significant realized gains and losses on investments for the three months ended September 30, 2009 were as follows (in millions):

| Portfolio Company | three i | For the nree months ended eptember 30, 2009 Realized Gain (Loss) | |
|---------------------------------|---------|--|--|
| WastePro USA, Inc. | \$ | 12.3 | |
| Making Memories Wholesale, Inc. | | (14.2) | |
| Other | | 0.2 | |
| m . 1 | Φ. | (1.7) | |
| Total | \$ | (1.7) | |

During the nine months ended September 30, 2010, the Company recognized a gain on the acquisition of Allied Capital of \$195.9 million. Additionally, during the nine months ended September 30, 2010, the Company had \$1.2 billion of sales and repayments resulting in \$8.7 million of net realized gains. These sales and repayments included \$94.5 million of loans sold to Ivy Hill I and Ivy Hill II, two middle market credit funds managed by our portfolio company, IHAM (see Note 10 to the consolidated financial statements for the period ended September 30, 2010 for more detail on IHAM and its managed funds). Net realized gains on investments were comprised of \$26.2 million of gross realized gains and \$17.5 million of gross realized losses. The most significant realized gains and losses on investments for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 were as follows (in millions):

| Portfolio Company | For the nine months ended September 30, 2010 Realized Gain (Loss) | | | | |
|---------------------------------|---|-----|--|--|--|
| DSI Renal, Inc. | \$ | 3.9 | | | |
| Instituto de Banca y | | | | | |
| Comercio, Inc. | | 3.6 | | | |
| Best Brands Corp. | | 2.4 | | | |
| Component Hardware Group, Inc. | | 1.9 | | | |
| The Kenan Advantage Group, Inc. | | 1.8 | | | |
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| Portfolio Company | For th nine month September : Realiz Gain (L | s ended 30, 2010 ed |
|-----------------------------|--|---------------------------|
| Capella Healthcare, Inc. | | 1.6 |
| Promo Works, LLC | | 1.4 |
| Daily Candy, Inc. | | 1.3 |
| Magnacare Holdings, Inc. | | 1.2 |
| Wyle Laboratories, Inc. | | 1.2 |
| Savers, Inc. | | 1.0 |
| Arrow Group Industries | | (1.2) |
| Distant Lands Trading Co. | | (1.8) |
| Planet Organic Health Corp. | | (1.8) |
| 3091779 Nova Scotia, Inc. | | (3.2) |
| Growing Family, Inc. | | (7.6) |
| Other | | 3.0 |
| Total | \$ | 8.7 |

During the nine months ended September 30, 2009, the Company repurchased \$34.8 million of the CLO Notes (as defined below) resulting in a \$26.5 million realized gain on the extinguishment of debt. The Company also had \$267.4 million of sales and repayments resulting in \$4.2 million of net realized losses. These sales and repayments included \$45.5 million of loans sold to Ivy Hill I and Ivy Hill II. Net realized losses on investments were comprised of \$13.0 million of gross realized gains and \$17.2 of gross realized losses. The most significant realized gains and losses on investments for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 were as follows (in millions):

| Portfolio Company | Septe | For the months ended mber 30, 2009 Realized tain (Loss) |
|---------------------------------|-------|---|
| WastePro USA, Inc. | \$ | 12.3 |
| Capella Healthcare, Inc. | | (1.0) |
| Instituto de Banca y | | |
| Commercio, Inc. | | (1.2) |
| Making Memories Wholesale, Inc. | | (14.2) |
| Other | | (0.1) |
| Total | \$ | (4.2) |

FINANCIAL CONDITION, LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Since the Company's inception, the Company's liquidity and capital resources have been generated primarily from the net proceeds of public offerings of common stock, the Debt Securitization and advances from the combined CP Funding Facility (and its predecessors) and Revolving Credit Facility, each as defined herein (together, the "Facilities"), as well as cash flows from operations. As part of the Allied Acquisition, the Company assumed all outstanding debt obligations of Allied Capital, including the Unsecured Notes, which consist of 6.625% Notes due on July 15, 2011 (the "2011 Notes"), 6.000% Notes due on April 1, 2012 (the "2012 Notes") and 6.875% Notes due on April 15, 2047 (the "2047 Notes").

As of September 30, 2010, the Company had \$134 million in cash and cash equivalents and \$1.5 billion in total indebtedness outstanding at carrying value (\$1.6 billion at principal amount). Subject to leverage and borrowing base restrictions, the Company had approximately \$495 million

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available for additional borrowings under the Facilities and Debt Securitization as of September 30, 2010. As our debt comes due, we will be required to repay or refinance our outstanding indebtedness. Our repayment and refinancing of our indebtedness will be affected by the levels of our available cash, our ordinary course cash flows and a range of economic, competitive and business factors, some of which are outside our control.

We are regularly in discussions with third parties regarding potential capital-raising opportunities, both in the public debt and equity capital markets as well as in the private markets. Based on market conditions, limitations contained in our existing debt instruments and under the Investment Company Act, our capital needs, interest rate conditions, and other factors, we may from time to time seek to execute financing opportunities which our management and board of directors believes to be in the best interests of our company. Such transactions could include, among other things, debt and equity public offerings, credit facilities, funding facilities, private placements of debt and equity securities, and other transactions, with lenders, underwriters, investment companies, institutional investors, and others.

Equity Offerings

The following table summarizes the total shares of common stock issued and proceeds we received in underwritten public offerings of our common stock net of underwriter, dealer-manager and offering costs for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 (dollar amounts in millions, except per share data):

| | Shares issued | Offering per sh | - | Proceeds net of underwriting and offering costs | | | |
|--|---------------|--------------------|-------|---|-------|--|--|
| February 2010 public offering | 22,957,993 | \$ | 12.75 | \$ | 277.0 | | |
| Total for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 | 22,957,993 | | | \$ | 277.0 | | |
| August 2009 public offering | 12,439,908 | \$ | 9.25 | \$ | 109.1 | | |
| Total for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 | 12,439,908 | | | \$ | 109.1 | | |

In addition, in connection with the closing of the Allied Acquisition, on April 1, 2010, we issued 58,492,537 shares of common stock valued at approximately \$872.7 million.

Part of the proceeds from the February 2010 and August 2009 public offerings were used to repay outstanding indebtedness. The remaining unused portions of the proceeds from these public offerings were used to fund investments in portfolio companies in accordance with our investment objective and strategies and market conditions.

As of September 30, 2010, total equity market capitalization for the Company was \$3.0 billion compared to \$1.4 billion as of December 31, 2009.

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Debt Capital Activities

Our debt obligations as of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009 consisted of the following (in millions):

| | September 30, 2010 Carrying Total | | Total | | arrying | ber 31, 2009 Total | | |
|--|--------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------|---------|---------|-----------------------|----------|---------------------|
| CP Funding Facility | \$ | 7alue(1) 283.4 | AVa \$ | 400.0 | \$ | Value 221.6 | AV \$ | ailable(2) 221.6 |
| Revolving Credit Facility | φ | 431.0 | Ψ | 810.0 | φ | 474.1 | ψ | 525.0 |
| CP Funding II Facility(3) | | | | | | | | 200.0 |
| Debt Securitization | | 177.2 | | 200.1 | | 273.8 | | 275.0 |
| 2011 Notes (principal amount outstanding of \$300.6) | | 294.3(4 | l) | 300.6 | | | | |
| 2012 Notes (principal amount outstanding of \$161.2) | | 157.5(4 |) | 161.2 | | | | |
| 2047 Notes (principal amount outstanding of \$230.0) | | 180.8(4 |) | 230.0 | | | | |
| | | | _ | | | | _ | |
| | \$ | 1,524.2 | \$ | 2,101.9 | \$ | 969.5 | \$ | 1,221.6 |

- (1) Except for the Unsecured Notes, all carrying values are the same as the principal amounts outstanding.
- (2) Subject to borrowing base and leverage restrictions.
- (3)
 The CP Funding II Facility was combined with the CP Funding Facility on January 22, 2010. In connection therewith the CP Funding II Facility was terminated.
- (4)

 Represents the aggregate principal amount of the applicable series of notes less the unaccreted discount initially recorded as a part of the Allied Acquisition.

The weighted average interest rate and weighted average maturity, both on principal value, of all our outstanding borrowings as of September 30, 2010 were 4.63% and 8 years, respectively. The weighted average interest rate and weighted average maturity of all our outstanding borrowings as of December 31, 2009 were 2.05% and 3.8 years, respectively.

The ratio of total principal debt outstanding to stockholders' equity as of September 30, 2010 was 0.57:1.00 compared to 0.77:1.00 as of December 31, 2009. The ratio of total carrying value of debt to stockholders' equity as of September 30, 2010 was 0.55:1.00 compared to 0.77:1.00 as of December 31, 2009.

As required by the Investment Company Act, with certain limited exceptions, we are only allowed to borrow amounts such that our asset coverage, as defined in the Investment Company Act, is at least 200% after such borrowing. As of September 30, 2010, our asset coverage for borrowed amounts was 282%.

CP Funding Facilities

In October 2004, we formed Ares Capital CP Funding LLC ("Ares Capital CP"), a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, through which we established a revolving facility (as amended, the "CP Funding Facility") that, as amended, allowed Ares Capital CP to issue up to \$350 million of variable funding certificates. On May 7, 2009, the Company and Ares Capital CP entered into an amendment that, among other things, converted the CP Funding Facility from a revolving facility to an amortizing facility, extended the maturity from July 21, 2009 to May 7, 2012 and reduced the availability from \$350 million to \$225 million.

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On July 21, 2009, we entered into an agreement with Wachovia Bank N.A. ("Wachovia") to establish a new revolving facility (the "CP Funding II Facility") whereby Wachovia agreed to extend credit to us in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$200 million at any one time outstanding. Prior to its combination with the CP Funding Facility, the CP Funding II Facility was scheduled to expire on July 21, 2012.

On January 22, 2010, we combined the CP Funding Facility with the CP Funding II Facility into a single \$400 million revolving securitized facility (the "combined CP Funding Facility"). In connection with the combination, we terminated the CP Funding II Facility and entered into an Amended and Restated Purchase and Sale Agreement with Ares Capital CP Funding Holdings LLC, our wholly owned subsidiary ("CP Holdings"), pursuant to which we may sell to CP Holdings certain loans that we have originated or acquired, or will originate or acquire from time to time, which CP Holdings will subsequently sell to Ares Capital CP, which is a wholly owned subsidiary of CP Holdings. The combined CP Funding Facility is secured by all of the assets held by, and the membership interest in, Ares Capital CP. The combined CP Funding Facility, among other things, extends the maturity date of the facility to January 22, 2013 (with two one-year extension options, subject to mutual consent). Prior to January 22, 2010, the interest rate charged on the CP Funding Facility was the commercial paper rate plus 3.50%. After January 22, 2010, subject to certain exceptions, the interest charged on the combined CP Funding Facility is based on LIBOR plus an applicable spread of between 2.25% and 3.75% or on a "base rate" (which is the higher of a prime rate, or the federal funds rate plus 0.50%) plus an applicable spread of between 1.25% to 2.75%, in each case, based on a pricing grid depending upon our credit rating. Additionally, we are required to pay a commitment fee of between 0.50% and 2.00% depending on the usage level on any unused portion of the combined CP Funding Facility. As of September 30, 2010, the effective LIBOR spread under the CP Funding Facility was 2.75%.

As of September 30, 2010, the principal amount outstanding under the combined CP Funding Facility was \$283.4 million and the Company continues to be in material compliance with all of the limitations and requirements of the CP Funding Facility. See Note 7 to our consolidated financial statements for the period ended September 30, 2010 for more detail on the combined CP Funding Facility.

Revolving Credit Facility

In December 2005, we entered into the Revolving Credit Facility, under which, as amended, the lenders agreed to extend credit to the Company. On January 22, 2010, we entered into an agreement to amend and restate the Revolving Credit Facility. The amendment and restatement of the Revolving Credit Facility, among other things, increased the size of the facility from \$525 million to \$690 million (comprised of \$615 million in commitments on a stand-alone basis and an additional \$75 million in commitments contingent upon the closing of the Allied Acquisition), extended the maturity date from December 28, 2010 to January 22, 2013 and modified pricing. The Revolving Credit Facility also includes an "accordion" feature that allows us, under certain circumstances, to increase the size of the facility to a maximum of \$1.05 billion. During the three months ended September 30, 2010, we exercised this "accordion" feature and increased the size of the facility by \$60 million to bring the total facility size to \$810 million. As of September 30, 2010, there was \$431.0 million outstanding under the Revolving Credit Facility and the Company continues to be in material compliance with all of the limitations and requirements of the Revolving Credit Facility.

Prior to January 22, 2010, subject to certain exceptions, pricing on the Revolving Credit Facility was based on LIBOR plus 1.00% or on an "alternate base rate" (which was the highest of a prime rate, the federal funds rate plus 0.50%, or one month LIBOR plus 1.00%). After January 22, 2010, subject to certain exceptions, pricing under the Revolving Credit Facility is based on LIBOR plus an applicable spread of between 2.50% and 4.00% or on the "alternate base rate" plus an applicable spread of between 1.50% and 3.00%, in each case, based on a pricing grid depending upon our credit

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rating. As of September 30, 2010, the effective LIBOR spread under the Revolving Credit Facility was 3.00%. See Note 7 to our consolidated financial statements for the period ended September 30, 2010 for more detail on the Revolving Credit Facility.

Debt Securitization

In July 2006, through ARCC Commercial Loan Trust 2006, a vehicle serviced by our wholly owned subsidiary, ARCC CLO 2006 LLC ("ARCC CLO"), we completed a \$400 million debt securitization (the "Debt Securitization") and issued approximately \$314 million principal amount of asset-backed notes (including revolving notes in an aggregate amount of up to \$50 million, \$27.0 million of which were drawn down as of September 30, 2010) (the "CLO Notes") to third parties that were secured by a pool of middle market loans that have been purchased or originated by the Company. The CLO Notes are included in the September 30, 2010 consolidated balance sheet. We retained approximately \$86 million of aggregate principal amount of certain BBB and non-rated securities in the Debt Securitization. During the first quarter of 2009, we repurchased \$34.8 million of additional CLO Notes, bringing our total holdings of CLO Notes to \$120.8 million (the "Retained Notes"). During the nine months ended September 30, 2010, we repaid \$96.6 million of the CLO Notes.

The CLO Notes mature on December 20, 2019 and have a blended pricing of LIBOR plus 0.35%. As of September 30, 2010, there was \$177.2 million outstanding under the Debt Securitization (excluding the Retained Notes). See Note 7 to our consolidated financial statements for the period ended September 30, 2010 for more detail on the Debt Securitization.

Publicly Issued Unsecured Notes Payable

As part of the Allied Acquisition, the Company assumed all outstanding debt obligations of Allied Capital, including the Unsecured Notes, which consist of the 2011 Notes, the 2012 Notes and the 2047 Notes.

| | Carrying Value(1) | | |
|--|-------------------|-------|--|
| 2011 Notes (principal amount | | | |
| of \$300.6) | \$ | 294.3 | |
| 2012 Notes (principal amount of \$161.2) | | 157.5 | |
| 2047 Notes (principal amount | | 137.3 | |
| of \$230.0) | | 180.8 | |
| Total | \$ | 632.6 | |

(1) Represents the principal amount of the notes less the unaccreted discount initially recorded as a part of the Allied Acquisition.

The 2011 Notes and the 2012 Notes require payment of interest semi-annually, and all principal is due upon maturity. The Company has the option to redeem these notes in whole or in part, together with a redemption premium, as stipulated in the notes.

The 2047 Notes require payment of interest quarterly, and all principal is due upon maturity. These notes are redeemable in whole or in part at any time or from time to time on or after April 15, 2012, at par and upon the occurrence of certain tax events as stipulated in the notes.

In addition, the Company may purchase the Unsecured Notes in the market to the extent permitted by the Investment Company Act. During the three months ended September 30, 2010, the Company purchased \$14.4 million of the 2011 Notes and \$29.4 million of the 2012 Notes. As a result of these transactions a realized loss of \$1.6 million was recognized during the period. During the nine months ended September 30, 2010, the Company purchased \$19.4 million of the 2011 Notes and

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\$34.4 million of the 2012 Notes. As a result of these transactions a realized loss of \$2.0 million was recognized during the period.

See Recent Developments and Note 17 to our consolidated financial statements for the period ended September 30, 2010 for more detail on the issuance of unsecured notes on October 21, 2010.

PORTFOLIO VALUATION

Investments for which market quotations are readily available are typically valued at such market quotations. In order to validate market quotations, we look at a number of factors to determine if the quotations are representative of fair value, including the source and nature of the quotations. Debt and equity securities that are not publicly traded or whose market prices are not readily available (i.e., substantially all of our investments) are valued at fair value as determined in good faith by our board of directors, based on the input of our management and audit committee and independent valuation firms that have been engaged at the direction of the board to assist in the valuation of each portfolio investment without a readily available market quotation at least once during a trailing 12-month period, and under a valuation policy and a consistently applied valuation process. The valuation process is conducted at the end of each fiscal quarter, and a minimum 50% of our valuations of portfolio at fair value are subject to review by an independent valuation firm each quarter.

As part of the valuation process, we may take into account the following types of factors, if relevant, in determining the fair value of our investments: the enterprise value of a portfolio company (an estimate of the total fair value of the portfolio company's debt and equity), the nature and realizable value of any collateral, the portfolio company's ability to make payments and its earnings and discounted cash flow, the markets in which the portfolio company does business, a comparison of the portfolio company's securities to publicly traded securities, changes in the interest rate environment and the credit markets generally that may affect the price at which similar investments may be made in the future and other relevant factors. When an external event such as a purchase transaction, public offering or subsequent equity sale occurs, we use the pricing indicated by the external event to corroborate our valuation.

Because there is not a readily available market value for most of the investments in our portfolio, we value substantially all of our portfolio investments at fair value as determined in good faith by our board of directors, based on the input of our management and audit committee and independent valuation firms, under a valuation policy and a consistently applied valuation process. Due to the inherent uncertainty of determining the fair value of investments that do not have a readily available market value, the fair value of our investments may fluctuate from period to period. Additionally, the fair value of our investments may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had a ready market existed for such investments and may differ materially from the values that we may ultimately realize. Further, such investments are generally subject to legal and other restrictions on resale or otherwise are less liquid than publicly traded securities. If we were required to liquidate a portfolio investment in a forced or liquidation sale, we may realize significantly less than the value at which we have recorded it.

In addition, changes in the market environment, such as inflation, and other events that may occur over the life of the investments may cause the gains or losses ultimately realized on these investments to be different than the gains or losses that would be realized based on the valuations currently assigned. See the factors set forth in "Risk Factors" included in our annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2009, including the Risk Factor entitled "Risk Factors" Risks Relating to our Investments Price declines and illiquidity in the corporate debt

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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."

With respect to investments for which market quotations are not readily available, our board of directors undertakes a multi-step valuation process each quarter, as described below:

Our quarterly valuation process begins with each portfolio company or investment being initially valued by the investment professionals responsible for the portfolio investment in conjunction with our portfolio management team.

Preliminary valuations are reviewed and discussed with the entire investment portfolio and management team, and then valuation recommendations are presented to the board of directors.

The audit committee of our board of directors reviews these valuations, as well as the input of independent third-party valuation firms with respect to the valuations of a minimum of 50% of our portfolio at fair value.

The board of directors discusses valuations and determines the fair value of each investment in our portfolio without a readily available market quotation in good faith based on the input of our management and audit committee and independent third-party valuation firms.

Effective January 1, 2008, the Company adopted ASC 820-10 (previously SFAS No. 157, *Fair Value Measurements*), which expands the application of fair value accounting for investments (see Note 8 to the consolidated financial statements for the period ended September 30, 2010). Investments acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition were accounted for in accordance with ASC 805-10 (previously SFAS No. 141(R)), *Business Combinations*, which requires that all assets be recorded at fair value. As a result, the initial amortized cost basis and fair value for the acquired investments were the same value at April 1, 2010 (see Note 15 to the consolidated financial statements for the period ended September 30, 2010).

OFF BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS

As of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, the Company had the following commitments to fund various revolving and delayed draw senior secured and subordinated loans to its portfolio companies (in millions):

| | Septen | nber 30, 2010 | December 3 | 1, 2009 |
|--|--------|---------------|------------|---------|
| Total revolving and delayed draw commitments | \$ | 633.4 | \$ | 136.8 |
| Less: funded commitments | | (382.6) | | (37.2) |
| Total unfunded commitments | | 250.8 | | 99.6 |
| Less: commitments substantially at discretion of the Company | | (63.4) | | (4.0) |
| Less: unavailable commitments due to borrowing base or other covenant restrictions | | (16.1) | | (16.2) |
| Total net adjusted unfunded commitments | \$ | 171.3 | \$ | 79.4 |

Of the total net adjusted unfunded commitments as of September 30, 2010, \$78.1 million are from commitments for investments acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition. Also, of the total commitments as of September 30, 2010, \$176.6 million extend beyond the maturity date for our Revolving Credit Facility. Included within the total commitments as of September 30, 2010 are commitments to issue up to \$21.7 million in standby letters of credit through a financial intermediary

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on behalf of certain portfolio companies. Under these arrangements, the Company would be required to make payments to third parties if the portfolio companies were to default on their related payment obligations. As of September 30, 2010, the Company had \$18.7 million in standby letters of credit issued and outstanding on behalf of the portfolio companies, of which no amounts were recorded as a liability on the balance sheet as they are considered in the valuation of the investments in the portfolio company. Of these letters of credit, \$0.3 million expire in December 2010, \$0.8 million expire in January 2011, \$8.2 million expire in February 2011, \$2.0 million expire in March 2011, \$2.3 million expire in September 2011, and \$5.1 million expire in December 2011.

As of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, the Company was a party to subscription agreements to fund equity investments in private equity investment partnerships as follows (in millions):

| | Septem | ber 30, 2010 | Dece | mber 31, 2009 |
|---|--------|--------------|------|---------------|
| Total private equity commitments | \$ | 567.6 | \$ | 428.3 |
| Total unfunded private equity commitments | \$ | 442.5 | \$ | 415.4 |

Of the total unfunded private equity commitments as of September 30, 2010, \$400.5 million are substantially at the discretion of the Company. Additionally, of the total unfunded private equity commitments as of September 30, 2010, \$28.1 million are for investments acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition.

As of September 30, 2010, one of the Company's portfolio companies, Ciena Capital LLC ("Ciena"), had one non-recourse securitization Small Business Administration ("SBA") loan warehouse facility, which has reached its maturity date but remains outstanding. Ciena is working with the providers of the SBA loan warehouse facility with regard to the repayment of that facility. Allied Capital had previously issued a performance guaranty (which Ares Capital succeeded to as a result of the Allied Acquisition) whereby Ares Capital must indemnify the warehouse providers for any damages, losses, liabilities and related costs and expenses that they may incur as a result of Ciena's failure to perform any of its obligations as loan originator, loan seller or loan servicer under the warehouse facility. As of September 30, 2010, there are no known issues or claims with respect to this performance guaranty.

See Notes 5 and 10 to the consolidated financial statements for the period ended September 30, 2010 for more information on the Company's commitment to the Senior Secured Loan Program.

QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

We are subject to financial market risks, including changes in interest rates and the valuations of our investment portfolio.

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate sensitivity refers to the change in earnings that may result from changes in the level of interest rates. Because we fund a portion of our investments with borrowings, our net investment income is affected by the difference between the rate at which we invest and the rate at which we borrow. As a result, there can be no assurance that a significant change in market interest rates will not have a material adverse effect on our net investment income.

As of September 30, 2010, approximately 53% of the investments at fair value in our portfolio were at fixed rates while approximately 26% were at variable rates, 16% were non-interest earning and 5% were on non-accrual status. Additionally, as of September 30, 2010, 18% of the investments at fair value or 69% of the investments at fair value with variable rates contain interest rate floors. The Debt

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Securitization, the combined CP Funding Facility and the Revolving Credit Facility all bear interest at variable rates while the Unsecured Notes bear interest at fixed rates.

We regularly measure our exposure to interest rate risk. We assess interest rate risk and manage our interest rate exposure on an ongoing basis by comparing our interest rate sensitive assets to our interest rate sensitive liabilities. Based on that review, we determine whether or not any hedging transactions are necessary to mitigate exposure to changes in interest rates.

In October 2008, we entered into an interest rate swap agreement that ends on December 20, 2010, for a total notional amount of \$75 million. Under the interest rate swap agreement, we will pay a fixed interest rate of 2.985% and receive a floating rate based on the prevailing three-month LIBOR.

While hedging activities may mitigate our exposure to adverse fluctuations in interest rates, certain hedging transactions that we may enter into in the future, such as interest rate swap agreements, may also limit our ability to participate in the benefits of lower interest rates with respect to our portfolio investments.

Based on our September 30, 2010 balance sheet, the following table shows the annual impact on net income of base rate changes in interest rates (considering interest rate floors for variable rate instruments) assuming no changes in our investment and borrowing structure and reflecting the effect of our interest rate swap agreement described above and in Note 11 to the consolidated financial statements for the period ended September 30, 2010 (in millions):

| Basis Point Change | Inter | est Income | Int | erest Expense | No | et Income |
|-----------------------|-------|------------|-----|---------------|----|-----------|
| Up 300 basis points | \$ | 20.5 | \$ | 24.5 | \$ | (4.0) |
| Up 200 basis points | \$ | 11.7 | \$ | 16.3 | \$ | (4.6) |
| Up 100 basis points | \$ | 4.5 | \$ | 8.2 | \$ | (3.7) |
| Down 100 basis points | \$ | (1.4) | \$ | (5.0) | \$ | 3.6 |
| Down 200 basis points | \$ | (1.6) | \$ | (5.0) | \$ | 3.4 |
| Down 300 basis points | \$ | (1.7) | \$ | (5.0) | \$ | 3.3 |

Based on our December 31, 2009 balance sheet, the following table shows the annual impact on net income of base rate changes in interest rates (considering interest rate floors for variable rate instruments) assuming no changes in our investment and borrowing structure and reflecting the effect of our interest rate swap agreement described above and in Note 11 to the consolidated financial statements for the period ended September 30, 2010 (in millions):

| Basis Point Change | Interes | Interest Income Inter | | est Expense | Ne | t Income |
|-----------------------|---------|-----------------------|----|-------------|-----|----------|
| Up 300 basis points | \$ | 17.6 | \$ | 26.8 | \$ | (9.2) |
| Up 200 basis points | \$ | 11.2 | \$ | 17.9 | \$ | (6.7) |
| Up 100 basis points | \$ | 5.6 | \$ | 8.9 | \$ | (3.3) |
| Down 100 basis points | \$ | (2.1) | \$ | (2.9) | \$ | 0.8 |
| Down 200 basis points | \$ | (3.1) | \$ | (2.9) | \$ | (0.2) |
| Down 300 basis points | \$ | (4.1) | \$ | (2.9) | \$ | (1.2) |
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CAPITALIZATION

The following table sets forth (a) our actual capitalization at September 30, 2010 and (b) our pro forma capitalization to reflect the effects of the sale of our common stock in this offering (assuming that the underwriters do not exercise their overallotment option) at the public offering price of \$16.50 per share, after deducting the underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us. You should read this table together with "Use of Proceeds" and our balance sheet included elsewhere in this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus.

| | As of September 30, 2010 (unaudited, dollar amounts in thousands) | | | amounts |
|--|---|-----------|----|-----------|
| | | Actual | F | Pro Forma |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ | 134,362 | \$ | 134,362 |
| Debt(1) | | | | |
| CP Funding Facility | \$ | 283,374 | \$ | 283,374 |
| Revolving Credit Facility | | 431,000 | | 274,125 |
| CLO Notes under the Debt Securitization | | 177,163 | | 177,163 |
| 2011 Notes | | 294,333 | | 294,333 |
| 2012 Notes | | 157,523 | | 157,523 |
| 2047 Notes | | 180,750 | | 180,750 |
| | | | | |
| Total Debt | \$ | 1,524,143 | \$ | 1,367,268 |
| Stockholders' Equity | | | | |
| Common stock, par value \$.001 per share, 300,000,000 common shares authorized, 192,566,434 and | | | | |
| 202,566,434 common shares issued and outstanding, respectively | \$ | | \$ | 203 |
| Capital in excess of par value | | 2,656,890 | | 2,813,755 |
| Accumulated overdistributed net investment income | | (25,264) | | (25,264) |
| Accumulated net realized gain on investments, foreign currency transactions, extinguishment of debt and acquisitions | | 171,454 | | 171,454 |
| Net unrealized loss on investments and foreign currency transactions | | (24,797) | | (24,797) |
| · · · | | | | |
| Total stockholders' equity | \$ | 2,778,476 | \$ | 2,935,351 |
| Total capitalization | \$ | 4,302,619 | \$ | 4,302,619 |

The above table reflects the carrying value of indebtedness outstanding as of September 30, 2010. However, on October 21, 2010, we issued \$200 million of the 2040 Notes, the proceeds of which were used to pay down outstanding indebtedness under the Revolving Credit Facility. As of November 8, 2010, outstanding indebtedness under the Revolving Credit Facility and the CP Funding Facility was \$169 million and \$321 million, respectively. For pro forma purposes, the above table assumes that net proceeds from the sale of our common stock in this offering are used to paydown outstanding indebtedness under the Revolving Credit Facility as of September 30, 2010.

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UNDERWRITING

Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, Merrill Lynch, Pierce Fenner & Smith Incorporated and SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc. are acting as representatives of each of the underwriters named below. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth in a purchase agreement among us and the underwriters, we have agreed to sell to the underwriters, and each of the underwriters has agreed, severally and not jointly, to purchase from us, the number of shares of common stock set forth opposite its name below.

| | Number of |
|---|------------|
| Underwriter | Shares |
| Wells Fargo Securities, LLC | 1,940,000 |
| Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith | |
| Incorporated | 1,940,000 |
| SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc. | 1,940,000 |
| Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. | 970,000 |
| Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated | 970,000 |
| BB&T Capital Markets, a division of Scott & Stringfellow, LLC | 727,500 |
| BMO Capital Markets Corp. | 727,500 |
| Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated | 485,000 |
| JMP Securities LLC | 300,000 |
| | |
| Total | 10,000,000 |

Subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the purchase agreement, the underwriters have agreed, severally and not jointly, to purchase all of the shares sold under the purchase agreement if any of these shares are purchased. If an underwriter defaults, the purchase agreement provides that the purchase commitments of the nondefaulting underwriters may be increased or the purchase agreement may be terminated.

We have agreed to indemnify the underwriters against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, or to contribute to payments the underwriters may be required to make in respect of those liabilities.

The underwriters are offering the shares, subject to prior sale, when, as and if issued to and accepted by them, subject to approval of legal matters by their counsel, including the validity of the shares, and other conditions contained in the purchase agreement, such as the receipt by the underwriters of officer's certificates and legal opinions. The underwriters reserve the right to withdraw, cancel or modify offers to the public and to reject orders in whole or in part.

Commissions and Discounts

The representatives have advised us that the underwriters propose initially to offer the shares to the public at the public offering price set forth on the cover page of this prospectus and to dealers at that price less a concession not in excess of \$0.4455 per share. After the initial offering, the public offering price, concession or any other term of the offering may be changed.

The following table shows the public offering price, underwriting discount and proceeds before expenses to us. The information assumes either no exercise or full exercise by the underwriters of their overallotment option.

| | P | er Share | W | ithout Option | With Option | | |
|----------------------------------|----|----------|----|---------------|-------------|-------------|--|
| Public offering price | \$ | 16.5000 | \$ | 165,000,000 | \$ | 189,750,000 | |
| Underwriting discount | \$ | 0.7425 | \$ | 7,425,000 | \$ | 8,538,750 | |
| Proceeds, before expenses, to us | \$ | 15.7575 | \$ | 157,575,000 | \$ | 181,211,250 | |
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The expenses of the offering, not including the underwriting discount, are estimated at \$0.7 million and are payable by us.

Overallotment Option

We have granted an option to the underwriters to purchase up to 1,500,000 additional shares at the public offering price, less the underwriting discount. The underwriters may exercise this option for 30 days from the date of this prospectus supplement solely to cover any overallotments. If the underwriters exercise this option, each will be obligated, subject to conditions contained in the purchase agreement, to purchase a number of additional shares proportionate to that underwriter's initial amount reflected in the above table.

No Sales of Similar Securities

We have agreed, with exceptions, not to sell or transfer any common stock for 45 days after the date of this prospectus supplement without first obtaining the written consent of Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated and SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc.

Our executive officers and directors and Ares Capital Management and certain of its affiliates have agreed, with exceptions, not to sell or transfer any common stock for 45 days after the date of this prospectus supplement without first obtaining the written consent of Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated and SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc. Specifically, we and these other persons have agreed, with certain limited exceptions, not to directly or indirectly

offer, pledge, sell or contract to sell any common stock,
sell any option or contract to purchase any common stock,
purchase any option or contract to sell any common stock,
grant any option, right or warrant for the sale of any common stock,
lend or otherwise dispose of or transfer any common stock,

request or demand that we file a registration statement related to the common stock, or

enter into any swap or other agreement that transfers, in whole or in part, the economic consequence of ownership of any common stock whether any such swap or transaction is to be settled by delivery of shares or other securities, in cash or otherwise.

This lock-up provision applies to common stock and to securities convertible into or exchangeable or exercisable for or repayable with common stock. It also applies to common stock owned now or acquired later by the person executing the agreement or for which the person executing the agreement later acquires the power of disposition. In the event that either (x) during the last 17 days of the lock-up period referred to above, we issue an earnings release or material news or a material event relating to the Company occurs or (y) prior to the expiration of the lock-up period, we announce that we will release earnings results or become aware that material news or a material event will occur during the 16-day period beginning on the last day of the lock-up period, the restrictions described above shall continue to apply until the expiration of the 18-day period beginning on the issuance of the earnings release or the occurrence of the material news or material event.

NASDAQ Global Select Market Listing

The shares are listed on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol "ARCC."

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Price Stabilization, Short Positions

Until the distribution of the shares is completed, SEC rules may limit underwriters and selling group members from bidding for and purchasing our common stock. However, the representatives may engage in transactions that stabilize the price of the common stock, such as bids or purchases to peg, fix or maintain that price.

In connection with the offering, the underwriters may purchase and sell our common stock in the open market. These transactions may include short sales, purchases on the open market to cover positions created by short sales and stabilizing transactions. Short sales involve the sale by the underwriters of a greater number of shares than they are required to purchase in the offering. "Covered" short sales are sales made in an amount not greater than the underwriters' overallotment option described above. The underwriters may close out any covered short position by either exercising their overallotment option or purchasing shares in the open market. In determining the source of shares to close out the covered short position, the underwriters will consider, among other things, the price of shares available for purchase in the open market as compared to the price at which they may purchase shares through the overallotment option. "Naked" short sales are sales in excess of the overallotment option. The underwriters must close out any naked short position by purchasing shares in the open market. A naked short position is more likely to be created if the underwriters are concerned that there may be downward pressure on the price of our common stock in the open market after pricing that could adversely affect investors who purchase in the offering. Stabilizing transactions consist of various bids for or purchases of shares of common stock made by the underwriters in the open market prior to the completion of the offering.

Similar to other purchase transactions, the underwriters' purchases to cover the syndicate short sales may have the effect of raising or maintaining the market price of our common stock or preventing or retarding a decline in the market price of our common stock. As a result, the price of our common stock may be higher than the price that might otherwise exist in the open market. The underwriters may conduct these transactions on the NASDAO Global Select Market, in the over-the-counter market or otherwise.

Neither we nor any of the underwriters make any representation or prediction as to the direction or magnitude of any effect that the transactions described above may have on the price of our common stock. In addition, neither we nor any of the underwriters make any representation that the representatives will engage in these transactions or that these transactions, once commenced, will not be discontinued without notice.

Passive Market Making

In connection with this offering, underwriters and selling group members may engage in passive market making transactions in the common stock on the NASDAQ Global Select Market in accordance with Rule 103 of Regulation M under the Exchange Act during a period before the commencement of offers or sales of common stock and extending through the completion of distribution. A passive market maker must display its bid at a price not in excess of the highest independent bid of that security. However, if all independent bids are lowered below the passive market maker's bid, that bid must then be lowered when specified purchase limits are exceeded. Passive market making may cause the price of our common stock to be higher than the price that otherwise would exist in the open market in the absence of those transactions. The underwriters and dealers are not required to engage in passive market making and may end passive market making activities at any time.

Electronic Offer, Sale and Distribution of Shares

The underwriters may make prospectuses available in electronic (PDF) format. A prospectus in electronic (PDF) format may be made available on a web site maintained by the underwriters, and the

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underwriters may distribute such prospectuses electronically. The underwriters may allocate a limited number of shares for sale to their online brokerage customers.

Other Relationships

The underwriters and their affiliates have provided in the past and may provide from time to time in the future in the ordinary course of their business certain commercial banking, financial advisory, investment banking and other services to Ares and its affiliates and managed funds and Ares Capital or our portfolio companies for which they have received or will be entitled to receive separate fees. In particular, the underwriters or their affiliates may execute transactions with Ares Capital or on behalf of Ares Capital, Ares or any of our or their portfolio companies, affiliates and/or managed funds. In addition, the underwriters or their affiliates may act as arrangers, underwriters or placement agents for companies whose securities are sold to or whose loans are syndicated to Ares, Ares Capital or Ares Capital Management and their affiliates and managed funds.

Affiliates of certain of the underwriters are limited partners of private investment funds affiliated with our investment adviser, Ares Capital Management.

The underwriters or their affiliates may also trade in our securities, securities of our portfolio companies or other financial instruments related thereto for their own accounts or for the account of others and may extend loans or financing directly or through derivative transactions to Ares, Ares Capital, Ares Capital Management or any of the portfolio companies.

We may purchase securities of third parties from the underwriters or their affiliates after the offering. However, we have not entered into any agreement or arrangement regarding the acquisition of any such securities, and we may not purchase any such securities. We would only purchase any such securities if among other things we identified securities that satisfied our investment needs and completed our due diligence review of such securities.

After the date of this prospectus supplement, the underwriters and their affiliates may from time to time obtain information regarding specific portfolio companies or us that may not be available to the general public. Any such information is obtained by the underwriters and their affiliates in the ordinary course of its business and not in connection with the offering of the common stock. In addition, after the offering period for the sale of our common stock, the underwriters or their affiliates may develop analyses or opinions related to Ares, Ares Capital or our portfolio companies and buy or sell interests in one or more of our portfolio companies on behalf of their proprietary or client accounts and may engage in competitive activities. There is no obligation on behalf of these parties to disclose their respective analyses, opinions or purchase and sale activities regarding any portfolio company or regarding Ares Capital to our stockholders.

Affiliates of certain of the underwriters serve as lenders under our credit facilities or other debt instruments and are also lenders to private investment funds managed by Ivy Hill Asset Management, L.P., our portfolio company. Certain of the underwriters and their affiliates were underwriters in connection with our initial public offering and our subsequent common stock and debt offerings and rights offering, for which they received customary fees.

Frank E. O'Bryan and Greg Penske, two of our independent directors, hold certain securities of one or more of this offering's underwriters (or their affiliates). As a result, each of Mr. O'Bryan and Mr. Penske may be considered an "interested person" of the Company during the pendency of this offering under relevant rules of the Investment Company Act.

The principal business address of Wells Fargo Securities, LLC is 375 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10152. The principal business address of Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated is One Bryant Park, New York, NY 10036. The principal business address of SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc. is 3333 Peachtree Road, NE, Atlanta, GA 30326. The principal business

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address of Deutsche Bank Securities, Inc. is 60 Wall Street, New York, NY 10005. The principal business address of Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated is 1585 Broadway, New York, NY 10036. The principal business address of BB&T Capital Markets, a division of Scott & Stringfellow, LLC, is 901 E. Byrd Street, Suite 410, Richmond, Virginia 23219. The principal business address of BMO Capital Markets Corp. is 3 Times Square, New York, NY 10036. The principal business address of Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated is 501 North Broadway, St. Louis, MO 63102. The principal business address of JMP Securities LLC is 600 Montgomery Street, 10th Floor, San Francisco, CA 94111.

Conflicts of Interest

Proceeds of this offering will be used to repay or repurchase outstanding indebtedness under (a) the Revolving Credit Facility and (b) the CP Funding Facility. Affiliates of certain of the underwriters, including Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc., Deutsche Bank Securities Inc., Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated and BMO Capital Markets Corp., are lenders under the Revolving Credit Facility and affiliates of certain of the underwriters, including Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, are lenders under the CP Funding Facility. Accordingly, affiliates of certain of the underwriters will receive more than 5% of the proceeds of this offering which are used to repay or repurchase outstanding indebtedness under the Revolving Credit Facility and the CP Funding Facility.

Notice to Prospective Investors in the EEA

In relation to each Member State of the European Economic Area which has implemented the Prospectus Directive (each, a "Relevant Member State") an offer to the public of any shares which are the subject of the offering contemplated by this prospectus (the "Shares") may not be made in that Relevant Member State, except that an offer to the public in that Relevant Member State of any Shares may be made at any time under the following exemptions under the Prospectus Directive, if they have been implemented in that Relevant Member State:

- (a) to legal entities which are authorized or regulated to operate in the financial markets or, if not so authorized or regulated, whose corporate purpose is solely to invest in securities;
- (b)
 to any legal entity which has two or more of (1) an average of at least 250 employees during the last financial year;
 (2) a total balance sheet of more than €43,000,000 and (3) an annual net turnover of more than €50,000,000, as shown in its last annual or consolidated accounts:
- (c) by the underwriters to fewer than 100 natural or legal persons (other than "qualified investors" as defined in the Prospectus Directive) subject to obtaining the prior consent of the representatives for any such offer; or
- (d) in any other circumstances falling within Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive,

provided that no such offer of Shares shall result in a requirement for the publication by us or any representative of a prospectus pursuant to Article 3 of the Prospectus Directive.

Any person making or intending to make any offer of shares within the EEA should only do so in circumstances in which no obligation arises for us or any of the underwriters to produce a prospectus for such offer. Neither we nor the underwriters have authorized, nor do they authorize, the making of any offer of shares through any financial intermediary, other than offers made by the underwriters which constitute the final offering of shares contemplated in this prospectus.

For the purposes of this provision, and your representation below, the expression an "offer to the public" in relation to any Shares in any Relevant Member State means the communication in any

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form and by any means of sufficient information on the terms of the offer and any Shares to be offered so as to enable an investor to decide to purchase any Shares, as the same may be varied in that Relevant Member State by any measure implementing the Prospectus Directive in that Relevant Member State and the expression "Prospectus Directive" means Directive 2003/71/EC and includes any relevant implementing measure in each Relevant Member State.

Each person in a Relevant Member State who receives any communication in respect of, or who acquires any shares under, the offer of shares contemplated by this prospectus will be deemed to have represented, warranted and agreed to and with us and each underwriter that:

- (A)it is a "qualified investor" within the meaning of the law in that Relevant Member State implementing Article 2(1)(e) of the Prospectus Directive; and
- (B)

 in the case of any shares acquired by it as a financial intermediary, as that term is used in Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive, (i) the shares acquired by it in the offering have not been acquired on behalf of, nor have they been acquired with a view to their offer or resale to, persons in any Relevant Member State other than "qualified investors" (as defined in the Prospectus Directive), or in circumstances in which the prior consent of the representatives has been given to the offer or resale; or (ii) where shares have been acquired by it on behalf of persons in any Relevant Member State other than qualified investors, the offer of those shares to it is not treated under the Prospectus Directive as having been made to such persons.

In addition, in the United Kingdom, this document is being distributed only to, and is directed only at, and any offer subsequently made may only be directed at persons who are "qualified investors" (as defined in the Prospectus Directive) (i) who have professional experience in matters relating to investments falling within Article 19 (5) of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Financial Promotion) Order 2005, as amended (the "Order") and/or (ii) who are high net worth companies (or persons to whom it may otherwise be lawfully communicated) falling within Article 49(2)(a) to (d) of the Order (all such persons together being referred to as "relevant persons"). This document must not be acted on or relied on in the United Kingdom by persons who are not relevant persons. In the United Kingdom, any investment or investment activity to which this document relates is only available to, and will be engaged in with, relevant persons.

Notice to Prospective Investors in Switzerland

The Shares may not be publicly offered in Switzerland and will not be listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange ("SIX") or on any other stock exchange or regulated trading facility in Switzerland. This document has been prepared without regard to the disclosure standards for issuance prospectuses under art. 652a or art. 1156 of the Swiss Code of Obligations or the disclosure standards for listing prospectuses under art. 27 ff. of the SIX Listing Rules or the listing rules of any other stock exchange or regulated trading facility in Switzerland. Neither this document nor any other offering or marketing material relating to the Shares or the offering may be publicly distributed or otherwise made publicly available in Switzerland.

Neither this document nor any other offering or marketing material relating to the offering, Ares Capital Corporation or the Shares have been or will be filed with or approved by any Swiss regulatory authority. In particular, this document will not be filed with, and the offer of Shares will not be supervised by, the Swiss Financial Market Supervisory Authority FINMA (FINMA), and the offer of Shares has not been and will not be authorized under the Swiss Federal Act on Collective Investment Schemes ("CISA"). The investor protection afforded to acquirers of interests in collective investment schemes under the CISA does not extend to acquirers of Shares.

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Notice to Prospective Investors in the Dubai International Financial Centre

This document relates to an Exempt Offer in accordance with the Offered Securities Rules of the Dubai Financial Services Authority ("DFSA"). This document is intended for distribution only to persons of a type specified in the Offered Securities Rules of the DFSA. It must not be delivered to, or relied on by, any other person. The DFSA has no responsibility for reviewing or verifying any documents in connection with Exempt Offers. The DFSA has not approved this document nor taken steps to verify the information set forth herein and has no responsibility for this document. The shares to which this document relates may be illiquid and/or subject to restrictions on their resale. Prospective purchasers of the shares offered should conduct their own due diligence on the shares. If you do not understand the contents of this document you should consult an authorized financial advisor.

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LEGAL MATTERS

Certain legal matters in connection with the offering will be passed upon for us by Proskauer Rose LLP, Los Angeles, California, Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP, Washington, D.C., and Venable LLP, Baltimore, Maryland. Proskauer Rose LLP has from time to time represented the underwriters, Ares and Ares Capital Management on unrelated matters. Certain legal matters in connection with the offering will be passed upon for the underwriters by Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP, New York, New York.

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ARES CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

(dollar amounts in thousands, except per share data)

| | As of | | | | | | |
|---|-------|-----------------------------------|----|----------------------|--|--|--|
| | • | ptember 30, 2010 unaudited) | De | December 31, 2009 | | | |
| ASSETS | () | maudited) | | | | | |
| Investments at fair value (amortized cost of \$4,174,139 and \$2,376,384, respectively) | | | | | | | |
| Non-controlled/non-affiliate company investments | \$ | 2,343,641 | \$ | 1,568,423 | | | |
| Non-controlled affiliate company investments | | 565,988 | | 276,351 | | | |
| Controlled affiliate company investments | | 1,240,161 | | 327,040 | | | |
| Total investments at fair value | | 4,149,790 | | 2,171,814 | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | | 134,362 | | 99,227 | | | |
| Interest receivable | | 88,184 | | 28,019 | | | |
| Other assets | | 59,845 | | 14,455 | | | |
| Total assets | \$ | 4,432,181 | \$ | 2,313,515 | | | |
| LIABILITIES | | | | | | | |
| Debt | \$ | 1,524,143 | \$ | 969,465 | | | |
| Management and incentive fees payable | | 33,241 | | 66,495 | | | |
| Accounts payable and accrued expenses | | 79,996 | | 16,533 | | | |
| Interest and facility fees payable | | 16,325 | | 2,645 | | | |
| Payable for open trades | | · | | 489 | | | |
| Total liabilities | | 1,653,705 | | 1,055,627 | | | |
| Commitments and contingencies (Note 6) STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY | | | | | | | |
| Common stock, par value \$.001 per share, 300,000,000 common shares authorized, 192,566,434 and 109,944,674 | | | | | | | |
| common shares issued and outstanding, respectively | | 193 | | 110 | | | |
| Capital in excess of par value | | 2,656,890 | | 1,490,458 | | | |
| Accumulated (overdistributed) undistributed net investment income | | (25,264) | | 3,143 | | | |
| Accumulated net realized gain (loss) on investments, | | (23,201) | | 3,113 | | | |
| foreign currency transactions, extinguishment of debt and | | | | | | | |
| acquisitions | | 171,454 | | (31,115) | | | |
| Net unrealized loss on investments and foreign currency transactions | | (24,797) | | (204,708) | | | |
| Total stockholders' equity | | 2,778,476 | | 1,257,888 | | | |
| Total liabilities and stockholders' equity | \$ | 4,432,181 | \$ | 2,313,515 | | | |
| | · | , , | · | , , | | | |
| NET ASSETS PER SHARE | \$ | 14.43 | \$ | 11.44 | | | |

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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ARES CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

(dollar amounts in thousands, except per share data)

| | For the three September 30, 2010 | months ended September 30, 2009 | For the nine of September 30, 2010 | months ended September 30 2009 |
|--|--|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| | (unaudited) | (unaudited) | (unaudited) | (unaudited) |
| NVESTMENT INCOME: | | | | , |
| From non-controlled/non-affiliate company investments: | | | | |
| Interest from investments | \$ 66,319 | \$ 49,728 | \$ 177,285 | \$ 138,86 |
| Capital structuring service fees | 8,122 | | 15,258 | 1,65 |
| Management fees | 1,711 | 29 | 4,261 | 2 |
| Dividend income | 1,381 | 525 | 3,299 | 1,50 |
| Interest from cash & cash equivalents | 47 | 35 | 75 | 24 |
| Other income | 1,094 | 1,501 | 3,648 | 4,19 |
| Total investment income from non-controlled/non-affiliate company | | | | |
| investments | 78,674 | 51,818 | 203,826 | 146,5 |
| From non-controlled affiliate company investments: | | | | |
| Interest from investments | 13,607 | 4,916 | 33,602 | 17,0 |
| Dividend income | 127 | 148 | 318 | 2 |
| Management fees | 75 | 63 | 363 | 1,3 |
| Other income | 63 | 140 | 485 | 3 |
| Total investment income from non-controlled affiliate company investments | 13,872 | 5,267 | 34,768 | 18,9 |
| From controlled affiliate company investments: | | | | |
| Interest from investments | 27,908 | 2,255 | 62,545 | 7,3 |
| Capital structuring service fees | 12,489 | | 15,146 | 1 |
| Dividend income | 2,415 | 1,511 | 4,211 | 1,5 |
| Management fees | 2,652 | | 5,430 | 1,2 |
| Other income | 116 | 30 | 300 | 1 |
| Total investment income from controlled affiliate company investments | 45,580 | 3,796 | 87,632 | 10,45 |
| Total investment income | 138,126 | 60,881 | 326,226 | 176,0 |
| XPENSES: | | | | |
| Interest and credit facility fees | 22,755 | 5,721 | 54,453 | 18,60 |
| Incentive management fees | 17,805 | 8,227 | 40,922 | 23,70 |
| Base management fees | 15,436 | 7,508 | 35,574 | 22,50 |
| Professional fees | 3,233 | 2,044 | 9,191 | 5,7 |
| Administrative | 2,642 | 809 | 6,251 | 2,9 |
| Professional fees and other costs related to the acquisition of Allied Capital | 2,0.2 | 00) | 0,201 | 2,> |
| • | 1,450 | 1,989 | 17,773 | 1,9 |
| Corporation | | | | 1,4 |
| • | | | 3 659 | |
| Rent | 1,565 | 301 | 3,659 1,433 | |
| Corporation Rent Insurance Depreciation | 1,565 539 | 301 313 | 1,433 | 9 |
| Rent Insurance Depreciation | 1,565 539 252 | 301 313 167 | 1,433 662 | 9. |
| Rent Insurance Depreciation Directors fees | 1,565 539 252 198 | 301 313 167 134 | 1,433 662 476 | 99 50 3° |
| Rent Insurance Depreciation Directors fees | 1,565 539 252 | 301 313 167 | 1,433 662 | 90 50 33 1,50 |
| Rent Insurance Depreciation Directors fees | 1,565 539 252 198 | 301 313 167 134 | 1,433 662 476 | 99 50 3° |
| Rent Insurance Depreciation Directors fees Other Total expenses | 1,565 539 252 198 1,195 | 301 313 167 134 308 | 1,433 662 476 3,006 | 9 5 3 1,5 |
| Rent Insurance Depreciation Directors fees Other | 1,565 539 252 198 1,195 | 301 313 167 134 308 | 1,433 662 476 3,006 | 9 55 3 1,5 |

KEALIZED AND UNKEALIZED GAINS (LOSSES) ON INVESTMENTS AND

FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSACTIONS:

Net realized gains (losses):

| Non-controlled/non-affiliate company investments | | 1,225 | | 12,049 | | 10,998 | | 9,887 |
|---|----|---|----|-------------|----|-------------|----|--|
| Non-controlled affiliate company investments | | 9 | | | | (3,725) | | (482) |
| Controlled affiliate company investments | | (6) | | (13,705) | | 1,296 | | (13,705) |
| Foreign currency transactions | | | | | | 85 | | 68 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Net realized gains (losses) | | 1,228 | | (1,656) | | 8,654 | | (4,232) |
| Net unrealized gains (losses): | | | | | | | | |
| Non-controlled/non-affiliate company investments | | 17,509 | | (552) | | 113,590 | | 1,336 |
| Non-controlled affiliate company investments | | 16,064 | | 14,916 | | 35,152 | | 3,644 |
| Controlled affiliate company investments | | 23,934 | | 17,699 | | 31,321 | | 10,773 |
| Foreign currency transactions | | | | (37) | | (152) | | (55) |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Net unrealized gains (losses) | | 57,507 | | 32,026 | | 179,911 | | 15,698 |
| Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) from investments and foreign | | | | | | | | |
| currency transactions | | 58,735 | | 30,370 | | 188,565 | | 11,466 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| GAIN ON THE ACQUISITION OF ALLIED CAPITAL CORPORATION | | | | | | 195,876 | | |
| GAIN ON THE ACQUISITION OF ALLIED CAPITAL CONFORATION | | | | | | 173,670 | | |
| REALIZED GAIN (LOSS) ON EXTINGUISHMENT OF DEBT | | (1,578) | | | | (1,961) | | 26,543 |
| REALIZED GAIN (LOSS) ON EXTINGUISHMENT OF DEBT | | (1,576) | | | | (1,701) | | 20,545 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| NET INCREASE IN STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY RESULTING FROM | _ | | _ | | _ | | _ | |
| OPERATIONS | \$ | 128,377 | \$ | 63,276 | \$ | 534,946 | \$ | 133,063 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| BASIC AND DILUTED EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE (Note 4) | \$ | 0.67 | \$ | 0.62 | \$ | 3.16 | \$ | 1.34 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| WEIGHTED AVERAGE SHARES OF COMMON STOCK | | | | | | | | |
| OUTSTANDING BASIC AND DILUTED (Note 4) | 1 | 92,167,337 | | 102,831,909 | | 169,499,905 | | 99,066,652 |
| COTOTILIDATE DIDICITED (17000 T) | 1 | ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,, | | 102,031,707 | | 102,722,203 | | ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,, |

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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ARES CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS

As of September 30, 2010 (unaudited) (dollar amounts in thousands, except per unit data)

| Company(1) Industry Investment Funds | Investment | Interest(5)(10) | Acquisition Date | Amortized Cost | Fair Value | Fair Value Per Unit | Percentage of Net Assets |
|---|---|----------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|
| AGILE Investment Fund I, LLC(7) partnership | Member interest (0.50% interest) | | 4/1/2010 | \$ 264 | \$ 217 | (16) | |
| BB&T Investment Capital partnership Partners/Windsor Mezzanine Fund, LLC(6) | Member interest (32.59% interest) | | 4/1/2010 | 12,877 | 15,190 | | |
| Callidus Investment Debt Partners company CDO Fund I, Ltd.(8) | Class C notes (\$18,800 par due 12/2013) | 4.59% | 4/1/2010 | 2,518 | 1,448 | \$ 0.08(16) | |
| | Class D notes (\$9,400 par due 12/2013) | | 4/1/2010 | | | \$ (13) | 0(16) |
| | | | | 2,518 | 1,448 | | |
| Callidus Investment Debt Partners company CLO Fund III, Ltd.(8) | Preferred shares (23,600,000 shares) | 9.05% | 4/1/2010 | 4,753 | 6,874 | \$ 0.31(16) | |
| Callidus Investment Debt Partners company CLO Fund IV, Ltd.(8) | Class D notes (\$3,000 par due 4/2020) | 4.84% (Libor + 4.55%/Q) | 4/1/2010 | 1,789 | 1,741 | \$ 0.58(16) | |
| | Subordinated notes (\$17,500 par due 4/2020) | 14.03% | 4/1/2010 | 7,216 | 10,285 | \$ 0.59(16) | |
| | | | | 9,005 | 12,026 | | |
| Callidus Investment Debt Partners company CLO Fund V, Ltd.(8) | Subordinated notes (\$14,150 par due 11/2020) | 19.70% | 4/1/2010 | 8,692 | 11,096 | \$ 0.78(16) | |
| Callidus Investment Debt Partners company CLO Fund VI, Ltd.(8) | Class D notes (\$9,000 par due 10/2021) | 6.29% (Libor + 6.00%/Q) | 4/1/2010 | 3,962 | 4,241 | \$ 0.47(16) | |
| CEO I und VI, Etd.(0) | Subordinated notes (\$25,500 par due 10/2021) | 18.39% | 4/1/2010 | 11,050 | 17,101 | \$ 0.67(16) | |
| | | | | 15,012 | 21,342 | | |
| Callidus Investment Debt Partners company CLO Fund VII, Ltd.(8) | Subordinated notes (\$28,000 par due 1/2021) | 13.27% | 4/1/2010 | 10,374 | 15,080 | \$ 0.54(16) | |
| Callidus Investment MAPS CLO company Fund I LLC | Class E notes (\$17,000 par due 12/2017) | 5.80% (Libor + 5.53%/Q) | 4/1/2010 | 11,679 | 11,244 | \$ 0.66(16) | |
| | Subordinated Notes (\$47,900 par due 12/2017) | 9.18% | 4/1/2010 | 13,419 | 17,946 | \$ 0.37(16) | |

| | | | | | 25,098 | 29,190 | |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------|--|----------------------------|-----------|--------|--------|----------------|
| Callidus MAPS CLO Fund II, Ltd. | Investment company | Class D notes (\$7,700 par due 7/2022) | 4.54% (Libor + 4.25%/Q) | 4/1/2010 | 3,324 | 4,049 | \$ 0.53(16) |
| runa II, Lia. | | Subordinated notes (\$17,900 par due 7/2022) | 19.30% | 4/1/2010 | 8,977 | 12,906 | \$ 0.72(16) |
| | | | | | 12,301 | 16,955 | |
| Catterton Partners VI, L.P. | Investment partnership | Limited partnership interest (0.50% interest) | | 4/1/2010 | 1,721 | 2,226 | |
| CIC Flex, LP(9) | Investment partnership | Limited partnership units (0.94 unit) | | 9/7/2007 | 53 | | \$ (16) |
| Cortec Group Fund IV, L.P. | Investment partnership | Limited partnership interest (2.53% interest) | | 4/1/2010 | 4,628 | 4,355 | (16) |
| Covestia Capital Partners, LP(9 | Investment partnership | Limited partnership interest (47.00% interest) | | 6/17/2008 | 1,059 | 982 | (16) |
| Dryden XVIII Leveraged | Investment company | Class B notes (\$9,000 par due 10/2019) | 4.79% (Libor + 4.50%/Q) | 4/1/2010 | 3,753 | 3,562 | \$ 0.40(16) |
| Loan 2007 Limited(8) | | Subordinated notes (\$21,164 par due 10/2019) | 22.03% | 4/1/2010 | 12,715 | 16,486 | \$ 0.78(16) |
| | | | | | 16,468 | 20,048 | |
| | | | S-57 | | | | |

| Company(1) Dynamic India Fund IV | Industry Investment company | Investment Member interest (5.44% interest) | Interest(5)(10) | Acquisition Date 4/1/2010 | Amortized Cost 4,822 | Fair Value 4,822 | Fair Value Fair Value Per Unit | | Percentage of Net Assets |
|---|-----------------------------------|--|----------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------|--------------------------------|
| Fidus Mezzanine Capital, L.P. | Investment partnership | Limited partnership interest (29.12% interest) | | 4/1/2010 | 9,206 | 9,588 | | | |
| Firstlight Financial Corporation(| Investment company | Senior subordinated loan (\$73,625 par due 12/2016) | 1.00% PIK | 12/31/2006 | 73,433 | 47,857 | \$ | 0.65(4)(16) | |
| Corporation | (0)(2) | Common stock (10,000 shares) | | 12/31/2006 | 10,000 | | \$ | (16) | |
| | | Common stock (30,000 shares) | | 12/31/2006 | 30,000 | | \$ | (16) | |
| | | | | | 113,433 | 47,857 | | | |
| HCI Private Equity Managers, L | Investment company P(7)(8) | Member interest (100% interest) | | 4/1/2010 | 808 | 973 | \$ | 0.81(16) | |
| Ivy Hill Middle Market Credit | Investment company | Class B deferrable interest notes (\$40,000 par due 11/2018) | 6.48% (Libor + 6.00%/Q) | 11/20/2007 | 15,351 | 14,737 | \$ | 0.96(16) | |
| Fund, Ltd.(7 |)(8)(9) | Subordinated notes (\$15,351 par due 11/2018) | 15.50% | 11/20/2007 | 40,000 | 37,200 | \$ | 0.93(16) | |
| | | | | | 55,351 | 51,937 | | | |
| Knightsbridg CLO 2007-1 Ltd.(| company | Class E notes (\$20,350 par due 1/2022) | 9.29% (Libor + 9.00%/Q) | 3/24/2010 | 14,852 | 11,296 | \$ | 0.56(16) | |
| Knightsbridg CLO 2008-1 Ltd.(| company | Class C notes (\$14,400 par due 6/2018) | 7.79% (Libor + 7.50%/Q) | 3/24/2010 | 14,400 | 14,400 | \$ | 1.00(16) | |
| 2008-1 Ltd.(| 7)(6) | Class D notes (\$9,000 par due 6/2018) | 8.79% (Libor + 8.50%/Q) | 3/24/2010 | 9,000 | 9,000 | \$ | 1.00(16) | |
| | | Class E notes (\$14,850 par due 6/2018) | 5.29% (Libor + 5.00%/Q) | 3/24/2010 | 13,596 | 9,914 | \$ | 0.67(16) | |
| | | | | | 36,996 | 33,314 | | | |
| Kodiak Fund LP | Investment partnership | Limited partnership interest (1.52% interest) | | 4/1/2010 | 932 | 784 | | | |
| Novak Biddle Venture Partners III, L.P. | Investment partnership | Limited partnership interest (2.47% interest) | | 4/1/2010 | 697 | 673 | | (16) | |
| Pangaea CLO 2007-1 Ltd.(| Investment company 8) | Class D notes (\$15,000 par due 1/2021) | 5.04% (Libor + 4.75%/Q) | 4/1/2010 | 8,950 | 7,710 | \$ | 0.51(16) | |
| Partnership Capital Growth | Investment partnership | Limited partnership interest (25% interest) | | 6/16/2006 | 2,380 | 2,394 | | (16) | |

Fund I, LP(9)

| Senior Secured Loan Fund LLC(7 | Investment partnership (15) | Subordinated certificates (\$411,173 par due 12/2015) | (Libor + 8.00%/Q) | 10/30/2009 | 400,451 | 425,500 | \$ 1.03(16) | |
|---|---|--|-------------------|------------|---------|---------|----------------|--------|
| SPP Mezzan II, L.P. | in ler Fest dieng t partnership | Limited partnership interest (42.73% interest) | | 4/1/2010 | 5,605 | 6,226 | (16) | |
| Trivergance Capital Partners, LP | Investment partnership (9) | Limited partnership interest (100% interest) | | 6/5/2008 | 2,925 | | (16) | |
| Webster Capital II, L.P. | Investment partnership | Limited partnership interest (2.44% interest) | | 4/1/2010 | 1,220 | 1,227 | (16) | |
| | | | | | 783,451 | 761,330 | | 27.40% |
| Business Ser Avborne, Ind | rvices c.(Maintenance, repair and overhaul service provider | Common stock (27,500 shares) | | 4/1/2010 | 39 | 39 | \$ 1.42(16) | |
| Aviation Properties Corporation(| Aviation services (7) | Common stock (100 shares) | | 4/1/2010 | | | \$ (16) | |
| BenefitMall | | Senior subordinated loan | 18.00% | 4/1/2010 | 40,326 | 40,326 | \$ 1.00 | |
| Holdings, III | c.benefits broker services company | (\$40,326 par due 6/2014) Common stock (39,274,290 shares) | | 4/1/2010 | 53,510 | 49,679 | \$ 1.26 | |
| | company | Warrants | | 4/1/2010 | | | \$ | |
| | | | | | 93,836 | 90,005 | | |
| | | | S-58 | | | | | |

| Company(1) Booz Allen Hamilton, Inc. | Industry Strategy and | Investment Senior subordinated loan (\$211 par due 7/2016) | Interest(5)(10) 13.00% | Acquisition Date 7/31/2008 | Amortized Cost 185 | Fair Value 186 | Value of Net Unit Assets 0.88(16) |
|--------------------------------------|--|--|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Hammon, Inc. | consulting services | Senior subordinated loan (\$10,484 par due 7/2016) | 13.00% | 7/31/2008 | 10,423 | 10,509 | \$ 1.00(2) |
| | SCIVICES | Senior secured loan (\$735 par due 7/2015) | 7.50% (Libor + 4.50%/Q) | 7/31/2008 | 723 | 735 | \$ 1.00(3)(14) |
| | | | | | 11,331 | 11,430 | |
| CitiPostal Inc.(| 7Document storage and management | Senior secured revolving loan (\$691 par due 12/2013) | 6.50% (Libor + 4.50%/M) | 4/1/2010 | 691 | 691 | \$ 1.00(14)(16) |
| | services | Senior secured revolving loan (\$1,250 par due 12/2013) | 6.75% (Base Rate + 3.50%/Q) | 4/1/2010 | 1,250 | 1,250 | \$ 1.00(16) |
| | | Senior secured loan (\$484 par due 12/2013) | 11.00% Cash, 2.00% PIK | 4/1/2010 | 484 | 484 | \$ 1.00(4)(16) |
| | | Senior secured loan (\$49,585 par due 12/2013) | 11.00% Cash, 2.00% PIK | 4/1/2010 | 49,585 | 49,585 | \$ 1.00(2)(4) |
| | | Senior subordinated loan (\$12,034 par due 12/2015) | 16.00% PIK | 4/1/2010 | 12,034 | 12,034 | \$ 1.00(4)(16) |
| | | Common stock (37,024 shares) | | 4/1/2010 | | | \$ |
| | | | | | 64,044 | 64,044 | |
| Cook Inlet Alte Risk, LLC | er Ratil ve management | Senior secured loan (\$40,000 par due 4/2013) | | 4/1/2010 | 25,124 | 25,114 | \$ 0.63(13)(16) |
| rusk, EEC | services | Senior secured loan (\$47,600 par due 4/2013) | | 4/1/2010 | 29,876 | 29,886 | \$ 0.63(13)(16) |
| | | Member interest (3.17% interest) | | 4/1/2010 | | | |
| | | | | | 55,000 | 55,000 | |
| Coverall North America, Inc.(| Commercial janitorial service | Senior secured loan (\$15,763 par due 7/2011) | 12.00% | 4/1/2010 | 15,763 | 15,763 | \$ 1.00(2) |
| rimerica, me.(| provider | Senior secured loan (\$15,864 par due 7/2011) | 12.00% | 4/1/2010 | 15,864 | 15,864 | \$ 1.00(2) |
| | | Senior subordinated loan (\$5,578 par due 7/2011) | 15.00% Cash, 1.00% PIK | 4/1/2010 | 5,574 | 1,290 | \$ 0.23(4)(16) |
| | | Common stock (763,333 shares) | | 4/1/2010 | 2,999 | | \$ |
| | | | | | 40,200 | 32,917 | |
| Digital VideoStream, l | Media content Lkapply chain | Senior secured loan (\$259 par due 2/2012) | 10.00% Cash, 1.00% PIK | 4/1/2010 | 259 | 259 | \$ 1.00(4)(16) |
| | services company | Senior secured loan (\$9 par due 2/2012) | 10.00% Cash, 1.00% PIK | 4/1/2010 | 7 | 9 | \$ 1.04(2)(4) |
| | | Senior secured loan (\$10,626 par due 2/2012) | 10.00% Cash, 1.00% PIK | 4/1/2010 | 10,567 | 10,626 | \$ 1.00(2)(4) |
| | | Convertible subordinated loan (\$5,403 par due 2/2016) | 10.00% PIK | 4/1/2010 | 5,838 | 5,713 | \$ 1.06(4)(16) |

| | | | | | 16,671 | 16,607 | |
|---|----------------------|--|--|-----------|--------|--------|-------------------|
| Diversified Collection Services, Inc. | Collections services | Senior secured loan (\$7,000 par due 3/2012) | 7.50% (Libor + 5.50%/Q) | 4/1/2010 | 7,000 | 7,000 | \$ 1.00(3)(14) |
| • | | Senior secured loan | 13.75% | 4/1/2010 | 34,000 | 34,000 | \$ 1.00(2)(14) |
| | | (\$34,000 par due 9/2012) Senior secured loan (\$2,000 par due 9/2012) | (Libor + 11.75%/Q) 13.75% (Libor + 11.75%/Q) | 4/1/2010 | 2,000 | 2,000 | \$ 1.00(3)(14) |
| | | Preferred stock (14,927 shares) | | 5/18/2006 | 169 | 284 | \$ 19.03(16) |
| | | Common stock (114,004 shares) | | 2/5/2005 | 295 | 520 | \$ 4.56(16) |
| | | Common stock (478,816 shares) | | 4/1/2010 | 1,478 | 1,721 | \$ 3.59 |
| | | | | | 44,942 | 45,525 | |
| | | | S-59 | | | | |

| Company(1) Diversified Mercury Communicatio | Industry Business media consulting nsetMes | Investment Senior secured loan (\$1,957 par due 3/2013) | Interest(5)(10) 8.00% (Base Rate + 4.50%/Q) | Acquisition Date 4/1/2010 | Amortized Cost 1,780 | Fair Value | Fair Value of Net Per Unit Assets \$ 0.80(14)(16) |
|--|--|---|---|---------------------------------|----------------------------|------------|---|
| Impact Innovations Group, LLC(7) | IT consulting and outsourcing services | Member interest (50% interest) | | 4/1/2010 | | | |
| Investor Group Services, LLC(| Business consulting for Orivate equity and corporate clients | Limited liability company membership interest (10.00% interest) | | 6/22/2006 | | 538 | |
| Market Track Holdings, LLC | Business media consulting services company | Senior subordinated loan (\$23,345 par due 6/2014) | 11.50% Cash, 4.40% PIK | 4/1/2010 | 23,345 | 23,345 | \$ 1.00(2)(4) |
| Multi-Ad Services, Inc.(6 | Marketing | Senior secured loan (\$1,870 par due 11/2011) | 11.25% | 4/1/2010 | 1,870 | 1,870 | \$ 1.00(16) |
| bervices, me.(c | software provider | Preferred units (1,725,280 units) | | 4/1/2010 | 788 | 1,269 | \$ 0.73(16) |
| | provider | Common units (1,725,280 units) | | 4/1/2010 | | | (16) |
| | | | | | 2,658 | 3,139 | |
| MVL Group, Inc.(7) | Marketing | Senior secured loan (\$25,260 par due 7/2012) | 12.00% | 4/1/2010 | 25,260 | 25,260 | \$ 1.00(16) |
| Group, Inc.(7) | provider | Junior subordinated loan (\$37,127 par due 7/2012) | 12.00% Cash, 2.50% PIK | 4/1/2010 | 35,902 | 37,127 | \$ 1.00(4)(16) |
| | | Junior subordinated loan (\$144 par due 7/2012) | 10.00% | 4/1/2010 | | 24 | \$ 0.17(16) |
| | | Common stock (554,091 shares) | | 4/1/2010 | | | \$ (16) |
| | | Common stock (6,625 shares) | | 4/1/2010 | | | \$ (16) |
| | | | | | 61,162 | 62,411 | |
| PC Helps Support, LLC | Technology | Senior secured loan (\$7,272 par due 12/2013) | 3.55% (Libor + 3.25%/M) | 4/1/2010 | 7,272 | 7,199 | \$ 0.99(3) |
| support, EEC | provider | Senior subordinated loan (\$23,764 par due 12/2013) | 12.76% | 4/1/2010 | 23,764 | 23,764 | \$ 1.00(16) |
| | | | | | 31,036 | 30,963 | |
| Pillar Holdings LLC and PHL Holding Co.(6) | | Senior secured loan (\$1,875 par due 5/2014) | 14.50% | 7/31/2008 | 1,875 | 1,875 | \$ 1.00(16) |
| 220.00 | | Senior secured loan (\$5,500 par due 5/2014) | 14.50% | 7/31/2008 | 5,500 | 5,500 | \$ 1.00(2) |
| | | Senior secured loan (\$14,937 par due 11/2013) | 5.79% (Libor + 5.50%/B) | 11/20/2007 | 14,937 | 14,937 | \$ 1.00(2) |
| | | Senior secured loan (\$9,323 par due 11/2013) | 5.79% (Libor + 5.50%/B) | 11/20/2007 | 9,323 | 9,323 | \$ 1.00(3) |
| | | Common stock (84.78 shares) | (| 11/20/2007 | 3,768 | 7,080 | \$83,510.26(16) |

| | | | | | 35,403 | 38,715 | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|--|------|-----------|--------|--------|----|--------------|
| Primis Marketing Group, Inc. | Database marketing | Senior subordinated loan (\$10,222 par due 2/2013) | | 8/24/2006 | 10,222 | 102 | \$ | 0.01(13)(16) |
| and Primis | services | Preferred units (4,000 | | 8/24/2006 | 3,600 | | \$ | (16) |
| Holdings, LLC | C(6) | units) | | 0/04/0006 | 400 | | ф | 40 |
| | | Common units (4,000,000 units) | | 8/24/2006 | 400 | | \$ | (16) |
| | | | | | 14,222 | 102 | | |
| | | | S-60 | | | | | |

| Company(1) Industry Prommis Bankruptcy and Solutions, LLGreclosure | Investment Senior subordinated loan (\$16,788 par due 2/2014) | Interest(5)(10) 11.50% Cash, 2.00% PIK | Acquisition Date 2/8/2007 | Amortized Cost 16,788 | Fair Value 16,788 | | Value | Percentage of Net Assets |
|---|--|--|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|----------|------------------------|--------------------------------|
| E-Default processing Services, LLCservices Statewide | Senior subordinated loan (\$27,032 par due 2/2014) Preferred units (30,000 | 11.50% Cash, 2.00% PIK | 2/8/2007 4/11/2006 | 27,032 3,000 | 27,032 5,759 | \$ \$ | 1.00(2)(4) 4.80(16) | |
| Tax and Title Services, LLC & Statewide Publishing Services, LLC (formerly known as MR Processing | units) | | | | | | | |
| Holding Corp.) | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | 46,820 | 49,579 | | | |
| Promo Marketing Works, LLC services | Senior secured loan (\$8,655 par due 12/2013) | 11.00% | 4/1/2010 | 5,105 | 7,394 | \$ | 0.85(16) | |
| R2 Marketing Acquisition services Corp. | Common stock (250,000 shares) | | 5/29/2007 | 250 | 176 | \$ | 0.70(16) | |
| Summit Business media Business consulting Media, LLC services | Junior secured loan (\$11,930 par due 7/2014) | | 8/3/2007 | 10,276 | 239 | \$ | 0.02(3)(13) | |
| Summit Energy Energy management Services, Inc. | Common stock (38,778 shares) | | 4/1/2010 | 222 | 275 | \$ | 7.09 | |
| consulting services | Common stock (385,608 shares) | | 4/1/2010 | 2,336 | 2,732 | \$ | 7.09 | |
| | | | | 2,558 | 3,007 | | | |
| Tradesmen Construction International, International | Senior subordinated loan (\$20,000 par due 5/2014) | 10.00% | 4/1/2010 | 14,048 | 18,000 | \$ | 0.90(16) | |
| | Warrants to purchase up to 771,036 shares | | 4/1/2010 | | | \$ | | |
| | | | | 14,048 | 18,000 | | | |
| VSS-TranzactManagement Holdings, LLC(n):ulting services | Common membership interest (8.51% interest) | | 10/26/2007 | 10,204 | 6,215 | | | |
| Trover Healthcare Solutions, Inccollections | Senior subordinated loan (\$2,829 par due 11/2012) | 10.50% Cash, 1.50% PIK | 4/1/2010 | 2,829 | 2,829 | \$ | 1.00(4) | |
| services | Senior subordinated loan (\$50,000 par due 11/2012) | 10.50% Cash, 1.50% PIK | 4/1/2010 | 50,000 | 50,000 | \$ | 1.00(2)(4) | |
| | | | | 52,829 | 52,829 | | | |
| Venturehouse Klihnrint Investors, LL Gettlement services for intercarrier wireless roaming | Equity interest | | 4/1/2010 | | | \$ | (16) | |

| | | | | | 637,759 | 613,780 | | | 22.09% |
|---|--|---|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|------------------------|--------|
| Healthcare- Air Medical Group Holdings LL | Medical escort services | Senior secured revolving loan (\$2,250 par due 3/2011) | 4.00% (Base Rate + 0.75%/Q) | 4/1/2010 | 2,202 | 2,250 | \$ | 1.00(16) | |
| Troidings EE | 20(0) | Preferred equity interests Preferred equity interests Common equity interests | | 4/1/2010 4/1/2010 4/1/2010 | 15,107 3,098 | 27,439 5,626 | \$ \$ \$ | 11.05(16) 11.05(16) | |
| | | | | | 20,407 | 35,315 | | | |
| Axium Healthcare Pharmacy, In | Specialty pharmacy nprovider | Senior subordinated loan (\$3,160 par due 3/2015) | 8.00% PIK | 4/1/2010 | 2,903 | 3,002 | \$ | 0.95(4) | |
| CCS Group Holdings, LI | Correctional facility Legealthcare operator | Class A units (1,000,000 units) | | 8/19/2010 | 1,000 | 1,000 | \$ | 1.00(16) | |
| | | | S-61 | | | | | | |

| Company(1) Industry CT Healthcare Technologies analysis serv Intermediate | Preferred stock (7,427 | Interest(5)(10) | Acquisition Date 6/15/2007 | Amortized Cost 8,763 | Fair Value 8,325 | Fair Value Per Unit \$ 1,120.92(16) | Percentage of Net Assets |
|--|--|---|----------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|---|--------------------------------|
| Holdings, Inc. and CT Technologies | Common stock (9,679 shares) | | 6/15/2007 | 4,000 | 9,595 | \$ 991.32(16) | |
| Holdings, LLC(6) | Common stock (1,546 shares) | | 6/15/2007 | | 1,533 | \$ 991.58(16) | |
| | | | | 12,763 | 19,453 | | |
| DSI Dialysis Renal Inc.(6) provider | Senior secured loan (\$9,410 par due 3/2013) | 9.00% (Libor + 7.00%/M) | 4/4/2006 | 9,121 | 9,410 | \$ 1.00(14) | (16) |
| renar me.(o) provider | Senior subordinated loan (\$67,290 par due 4/2014) | 6.00% Cash, 11.00% PIK | 4/4/2006 | 66,804 | 67,290 | \$ 1.00(4)(1 | .6) |
| | Common units (19,726 units) | mmon units (19,726 | | 19,684 | 27,343 | \$ 1,386.14(16) | |
| | | | | 95,609 | 104,043 | | |
| GG Merger Drug testing Sub I, Inc. services | Senior secured loan (\$11,330 par due 12/2014) | 4.30% (Libor + 4.00%/Q) | 12/14/2007 | 11,026 | 10,868 | \$ 0.96(2) | |
| Sub I, IIIc. Scrvices | (\$11,330 par due 12/2014) Senior secured loan (\$12,000 par due 12/2014) | 4.30% (Libor + 4.00%/Q) | 12/14/2007 | 11,460 | 11,296 | \$ 0.94(3) | |
| | | | | 22,486 | 22,164 | | |
| HCP Healthcare Acquisition compliance Holdings, LLC((7)) isory serv | Class A units (10,044,176 units) | | 6/26/2008 | 10,044 | 5,154 | \$ 0.51(16) | |
| Heartland Dental service Dental Care, Inc. | Senior subordinated loan (\$27,717 par due 7/2014) | 14.25% | 7/31/2008 | 27,717 | 27,717 | \$ 1.00(16) | |
| INC Consulting | Senior subordinated loan | 13.50% | 9/27/2010 | 10,000 | 10,000 | \$ 1.00(16) | |
| Research, Inc. service provi to pharmaceutic and biotechnolog companies | Common stock (1,000,000 sal shares) | | 9/27/2010 | 1,000 | 1,000 | \$ 1.00(16) | |
| | | | | 11,000 | 11,000 | | |
| Magnacare Healthcare | Senior secured revolving | 9.75% | 9/13/2010 | 350 | 350 | \$ 1.00(14) | (16) |
| Holdings, Inc.,professional Magnacare provider Administrative Services, LLC, and Magnacare, LLC | loan (\$350 par due 9/2016) Senior secured loan (\$127,500 par due 9/2016) | (Libor + 8.75%/Q) 9.75% (Libor + 8.75%/Q) | 9/13/2010 | 127,500 | 127,500 | \$ 1.00(14) | (16) |
| | | | | 127,850 | 127,850 | | |
| MWD Dental service Acquisition Sub, Inc. | Junior secured loan (\$5,000 par due 5/2013) | 6.51% (Libor + 6.25%/M) | 5/3/2007 | 5,000 | 4,750 | \$ 0.95(3) | |
| MPBP Healthcare Holdings, Inc., equipment Cohr Holdings, Inc. | Junior secured loan (\$19,195 par due 1/2014) | | 1/31/2007 | 19,195 | 960 | \$ 0.05(13) | (16) |

| and MPBP Acquisition C | services Co., Inc. | Junior secured loan (\$11,517 par due 1/2014) | | 1/31/2007 | 11,517 | 576 | \$ 0.05(3)(13) |
|---------------------------------------|--|--|--------|-----------|--------|--------|-------------------|
| | | Common stock (50,000 shares) | | 1/31/2007 | 5,000 | | \$ (16) |
| | | | | | 35,712 | 1,536 | |
| NS Merger Sub. Inc. and NS Hold | Healthcare technology ings, Inc. | Senior subordinated loan (\$579 par due 6/2017) | 13.50% | 6/21/2010 | 579 | 579 | \$ 1.00(16) |
| | provider | Senior subordinated loan (\$50,000 par due 6/2017) | 13.50% | 6/21/2010 | 50,000 | 50,000 | \$ 1.00(2) |
| | | Common stock (2,500,000 shares) | | 6/21/2010 | 2,500 | 2,500 | \$ 1.00(16) |
| | | | | | 53,079 | 53,079 | |
| OnCURE Medical | Radiation oncology care | Common stock (857,143 shares) | | 8/18/2006 | 3,000 | 2,156 | \$ 2.52(16) |
| Corp. | provider | | S-62 | | | | |

| Company(1) Passport Health Communicat | Healthcare technology | Investment Senior secured loan (\$11,387 par due 5/2014) | Interest(5)(10) 10.50% (Libor + 7.50%/B) | Acquisition Date 5/9/2008 | Amortized Cost 11,387 | Fair Value 11,387 | r Value r Unit 1.00(2)(14) | Percentage of Net Assets |
|---------------------------------------|---|--|--|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Passport Holding Corp. and | provider | Senior secured loan (\$10,511 par due 5/2014) | 10.50% (Libor + 7.50%/B) | 5/9/2008 | 10,511 | 10,511 | \$ 1.00(3)(14) | |
| Prism Holding Corp. | | Series A preferred stock (1,594,457 shares) | 10% PIK | 7/30/2008 | 10,848 | 10,848 | \$ 6.80(4)(16) | |
| J | | Common stock (16,106 shares) | | 7/30/2008 | 100 | | \$ (16) | |
| | | | | | 32,846 | 32,746 | | |
| PG Mergersub, I | Provider of nepatient surveys, | Senior subordinated loan (\$4,000 par due 3/2016) | 12.50% | 3/12/2008 | 3,946 | 4,000 | \$ 1.00(16) | |
| | management reports and | Common stock (16,667 shares) | | 3/12/2008 | 167 | 553 | \$ 33.18(16) | |
| | national databases for the integrated healthcare delivery system | Preferred stock (333 shares) | | 3/12/2008 | 333 | 11 | \$ 33.00(16) | |
| | | | | | 4,446 | 4,564 | | |
| Reed Group, Ltd. | Medical disability management | Senior secured revolving loan (\$1,250 par due 12/2013) | | 4/1/2010 | 1,097 | 1,063 | \$ 0.85(13)(16 |) |
| | services provider | Senior secured loan (\$10,755 par due 12/2013) | | 4/1/2010 | 9,129 | 9,142 | \$ 0.85(13)(16 |) |
| | provider | Senior subordinated loan (\$19,625 par due 12/2013) | | 4/1/2010 | 15,918 | 10,842 | \$ 0.55(13)(16 |) |
| | | Equity interests | | 4/1/2010 | 203 | | \$ (16) | |
| | | | | | 26,347 | 21,047 | | |
| Regency Healthcare Group, LLC(| Hospice provider (6) | Preferred member interest (1,293,960 units) | | 4/1/2010 | 2,007 | 1,778 | (16) | |
| Soteria Imaging Services, LL | Outpatient medical | Junior secured loan (\$1,750 par due 11/2010) | 14.50% | 4/1/2010 | 1,707 | 1,575 | \$ 0.90(16) | |
| Services, EE | provider | Junior secured loan (\$2,500 par due 11/2010) | 12.50% | 4/1/2010 | 2,439 | 2,250 | \$ 0.90(16) | |
| | | Preferred member interest (1,823,139 units) | | 4/1/2010 | | | | |
| | | | | | 4,146 | 3,825 | | |
| U.S. Renal Care, Inc. | Dialysis provider | Senior subordinated loan (\$20,132 par due 5/2017) | 11.25% Cash, 2.00% PIK | 5/24/2010 | 20,132 | 20,132 | \$ 1.00(4)(16) | |
| Univita Health, Inc. | Outsourced services provider | Senior subordinated loan (\$20,935 par due 12/2014) | 12.00% Cash, 3.00% PIK | 12/22/2009 | 20,935 | 20,935 | \$ 1.00(4)(16) | |
| | | | | 6/30/2008 | 7,542 | 7,542 | \$ 1.00(4)(16) | |

| VOTC Acquisition Corp. | Radiation oncology care provider | Senior secured loan (\$7,542 par due 7/2012) Preferred stock (3,888,222 shares) | 11.00% Cash, 2.00% PIK | 7/14/2008 | 8,748 | 7,511 | \$ 1.93(16) | |
|--|---|--|--|------------|---------|---------|--------------------|--------|
| | | shares) | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 16,290 | 15,053 | | |
| | | | | | 555,719 | 538,299 | | 19.37% |
| Restaurants ADF Capital, Inc. ADF Restaurant | and Food Serv Restaurant &owner and operator | Senior secured revolving loan (\$2,010 par due 11/2012) | 6.50% (Libor + 3.50%/Q) | 11/27/2006 | 2,010 | 2,010 | \$ 1.00(14)(16) | |
| Group, LLC | | Senior secured revolving loan (\$108 par due 11/2012) | 6.50% (Base Rate + 2.50%/Q) | 11/27/2006 | 108 | 108 | \$ 1.00(14)(16) | |
| | | Senior secured loan | 12.50% | 11/27/2006 | 23,155 | 23,149 | \$ 1.00(2)(14) | |
| | | (\$23,149 par due 11/2013) Senior secured loan (\$10,850 par due 11/2013) | (Libor + 6.50%/Q) 12.50% (Libor + 6.50%/Q) S-63 | 11/27/2006 | 10,850 | 10,850 | \$ 1.00(3)(14) | |

| Company(1) | Industry | Investment Promissory note (\$13,105 par due 11/2016) | Interest(5)(10) 12.00% PIK | Acquisition Date 6/1/2006 | Amortized Cost 14,886 | | | | Percentage of Net Assets |
|----------------------------|--|---|---|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------|--|--------------|--------------------------------|
| | | Warrants to purchase up to 0.61 shares | | 6/1/2006 | | | \$ | (16) | |
| | | | | | 51,009 | 49,331 | | | |
| Encanto Restaurants, In | Restaurant | Junior secured loan (\$20,997 par due 8/2013) | 11.00% | 8/16/2006 | 20,997 | 19,317 | \$ | 0.92(2) | |
| , | operator | Junior secured loan (\$3,999 par due 8/2013) | 11.00% | 8/16/2006 | 3,999 | 3,679 | \$ | 0.92(3) | |
| | | | | | 24,996 | 22,996 | | | |
| Fulton Holdings Corp | Airport restaurant | Senior secured loan (\$40,000 par due 5/2016) | 12.50% | 5/28/2010 | 40,000 | 40,000 | \$ | 1.00(2)(11) | |
| r | operator | Common stock (19,672 shares) | | 5/28/2010 | 1,967 | 2,292 | \$ | 116.51(16) | |
| | | | | | 41,967 | 42,292 | | | |
| Hot Stuff Foods, LLC(7) | Convenience food service | Senior secured loan (\$36,467 par due 9/2014) | 10.00% (Libor + 8.50%/M) | 4/1/2010 | 36,467 | 36,467 | \$ | 1.00(14)(16) | |
| | retailer | Junior secured loan (\$31,320 par due 9/2014) | 14.00% | 4/1/2010 | 24,581 | 31,421 | Fair Value New New | | |
| | | Senior subordinated loan (\$20,841 par due 2/2013) | | 4/1/2010 | | \$ (13)(16) | | | |
| | | Junior subordinated loan (\$31,532 par due 2/2013) | | 4/1/2010 | | | \$ | (13)(10 | 5) |
| | | Class A common units (25,001 units) | | 4/1/2010 | | | \$ | (16) | |
| | | Class B common units (1,122,452 units) | | 4/1/2010 | | | \$ | (16) | |
| | | | | | 61,048 | 67,888 | | | |
| Huddle House, Inc.(7) | Restaurant owner and | Senior subordinated loan (\$20,145 par due 12/2015) | 12.00% Cash, 3.00% PIK | 4/1/2010 | 19,893 | 16,469 | \$ | 0.82(4)(16) | |
| | operator | Common stock (358,428 shares) | | 4/1/2010 | | | \$ | | |
| | | | | | 19,893 | 16,469 | | | |
| OTG Managen | ne hit:plort. restaurant operator | Junior secured loan (\$7,546 par due 6/2013) | 16.00% (Libor + 11.00% Cash, 2.00% PIK/M) | 6/19/2008 | 7,546 | 7,546 | \$ | 1.00(4)(14)(| 16) |
| | | Junior secured loan (\$41,603 par due 6/2013) | 18.00% (Libor + 11.00% Cash, 4.00% PIK/M) | 6/19/2008 | 41,695 | 41,603 | \$ | | 16) |
| | | Warrants to purchase up to 100,857 shares of common stock | | 6/19/2008 | 100 | 4,424 | | . , | |
| | | Warrants to purchase up to 9 shares of common stock | | 6/19/2008 | | | \$ | (16) | |
| | | | | | 49,341 | 53,573 | | | |
| PMI Holdings, Inc. | Restaurant owner and | Senior secured revolving loan (\$575 par due 5/2015) | 10.00% (Libor + 8.00%/B) | 5/5/2010 | 575 | 575 | \$ | 1.00(14)(16) | |

| operator | Senior secured loan (\$9,946 | 10.00% | 5/5/2010 | 9,946 | 9,946 | \$ 1.00(2)(14) |
|----------|--|--|----------|--------|--------|-------------------|
| | par due 5/2015) Senior secured loan (\$9,946 par due 5/2015) | (Libor + 8.00%/B) 10.00% (Libor + 8.00%/B) | 5/5/2010 | 9,946 | 9,946 | \$ 1.00(3)(14) |
| | Senior secured loan (\$4 par due 5/2015) | 10.25% (Base Rate + 7.00%/M) | 5/5/2010 | 4 | 4 | \$ 0.92(2) |
| | Senior secured loan (\$4 par due 5/2015) | 10.25% (Base Rate + 7.00%/M) | 5/5/2010 | 4 | 4 | \$ 0.92(3) |
| | | | | 20,475 | 20,475 | |
| | | S-64 | | | | |

| Company(1) S.B. Restaurant | Industry Restaurant owner and | Investment Senior secured loan (\$38,327 par due 4/2011) | Interest(5)(10) 11.75% | Acquisition Date 4/1/2010 | Amortized Cost 28,546 | Fair Value 35,598 | | ir Value | Percentage of Net Assets |
|---|--|--|----------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|----------|--------------|--------------------------------|
| Company | operator | Preferred stock (46,690 | | 4/1/2010 | | | \$ | (16) | |
| | | shares) Warrants to purchase up to 534,049 shares of common stock | | 4/1/2010 | | | \$ | (16) | |
| | | | | | 28,546 | 35,598 | | | |
| Vistar Corpo Wellspring | of Fation service | Senior subordinated loan (\$31,625 par due 5/2015) | 13.50% | 5/23/2008 | 31,625 | 31,625 | \$ | 1.00(16) | |
| Distribution Corp. | | Senior subordinated loan (\$30,000 par due 5/2015) | 13.50% | 5/23/2008 | 30,000 | 30,000 | \$ | 1.00(2) | |
| corp. | | Class A non-voting common stock (1,366,120 shares) | | 5/3/2008 | 7,500 | 5,391 | \$ | 3.95(16) | |
| | | | | | 69,125 | 67,016 | | | |
| | | | | | 366,400 | 375,638 | | | 13.52% |
| _ | ervices Asset Licanagement services | Equity interests | | 4/1/2010 | 11,370 | 11,325 | \$ | 0.28(16) | |
| Callidus Capital Corporation | Asset management | Senior subordinated loan (\$4,594 par due 8/2013) | | 4/1/2010 | 4,120 | 4,594 | \$ | 1.00(13)(16) | |
| Corporation | services | Common stock (100 shares) | | 4/1/2010 | | 2,106 | \$ | 21,060(16) | |
| | | | | | 4,120 | 6,700 | | | |
| Carador PLO | CI6y(8)(9) nt company | Ordinary shares (7,110,525 shares) | | 12/15/2006 | 9,033 | 4,586 | \$ | 0.64(16) | |
| Ciena Capital LLC | Real estate and (M) all business loan servicer | Senior secured revolving loan (\$319,031 par due 3/2009) | | 4/1/2010 | 78,971 | 77,690 | \$ | 0.24(13) | |
| | | Senior secured loan (\$4,969 par due 3/2011) | | 4/1/2010 | 5,041 | 1,210 | \$ | 0.24(13) | |
| | | Class B equity interests Class C equity interests | | 4/1/2010 4/1/2010 | | | \$ \$ | | |
| | | | | | 84,012 | 78,900 | | | |
| Commercial Credit Group, Inc. | Commercial equipment | Senior subordinated loan (\$6,000 par due 6/2015) | 15.00% | 4/1/2010 | 6,000 | 6,000 | \$ | 1.00 | |
| Group, me. | finance and leasing company | Senior subordinated loan (\$4,000 par due 6/2015) | 15.00% | 4/1/2010 | 4,000 | 4,000 | \$ | 1.00 | |
| | reasing company | Senior subordinated loan (\$9,500 par due 6/2015) | 15.00% | 4/1/2010 | 9,500 | 9,500 | \$ | 1.00 | |
| | | | | | 19,500 | 19,500 | | | |
| Compass Group Diversified Holdings, Li | | Senior secured revolving loan (\$5,147 par due 12/2012) | 2.76% (Libor + 2.50%/Q) | 4/1/2010 | 5,147 | 5,147 | \$ | 1.00(16) | |

| | Senior secured revolving loan (\$882 par due 12/2012) | 2.80% (Libor + 2.50%/Q) | 4/1/2010 | 882 | 882 5 | 1.00(16) |
|---|---|--------------------------------|----------|--------|--------|----------|
| | Senior secured revolving loan (\$735 par due 12/2012) | 2.80% (Libor + 2.50%/Q) | 4/1/2010 | 735 | 735 | 1.00(16) |
| | Senior secured revolving loan (\$684 par due 12/2012) | 4.75% (Base Rate + 1.50%/M) | 4/1/2010 | 684 | 684 \$ | 1.00(16) |
| | | | | 7,448 | 7,448 | |
| Financial Commercial Pacific finance leasing Company(7) | Senior subordinated loan (\$20,902 par due 2/2012) | 7.99% | 4/1/2010 | 11,264 | 11,760 | 0.56(16) |
| 1 7() | Senior subordinated loan (\$20,902 par due 2/2012) | 27.99% | 4/1/2010 | 11,263 | 11,760 | 0.56(16) |
| | Senior subordinated loan (\$19,334 par due 2/2012) | 7.99% | 4/1/2010 | 10,373 | 10,878 | 0.56(16) |
| | | S-65 | | | | |

| Company(1) Industry | Investment Junior subordinated loan | Interest(5)(10) | Acquisition Date 4/1/2010 | Amortized Cost | Fair Value | Fair Value Per Unit | Percentage of Net Assets |
|--|---|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|
| | (\$10,399 par due 8/2012) Preferred stock (8,583 | | 4/1/2010 | | | \$ | (16) |
| | shares) Preferred stock (424 shares) | | 4/1/2010 | | | \$ | (16) |
| | Preferred stock (450 shares) | | 4/1/2010 | | | \$ | (16) |
| | Common stock (12,711 shares) | | 4/1/2010 | | | \$ | (16) |
| | | | | 32,900 | 34,398 | | |
| Imperial Investment Capital company Group, LLC | Common units (2,526 shares) | | 5/10/2007 | 3 | 4,637 | \$ 1,835.31 | (16) |
| and Imperial Capital | Common units (315 shares) | | 5/10/2007 | | 578 | \$ 1,834.92 | (16) |
| Private Opportunities, LP(6)(9) | Common units (7,710 shares) | | 5/10/2007 | 14,997 | 14,152 | \$ 1,835.54 | (16) |
| opportunitios, 21 (0)(2) | Limited partnership interest (80% interest) | | 5/10/2007 | 6,794 | 5,316 | | (16) |
| | | | | 21,794 | 24,683 | | |
| Ivy Hill Asset Asset management ManagementsdrvPc(E) | Member interest | | 6/15/2009 | 96,328 | 119,976 | \$ 1.25 | (16) |
| VSC Investment Investors LLC((A))pany | Membership interest (4.63% interest) | | 1/24/2008 | 819 | 642 | | (16) |
| | | | | 287,324 | 308,158 | | 11.09% |
| Consumer Products Non-d | | 0.500 | 0/2/2010 | 15.561 | 15.561 | ф. 1.00 | v(0) (1.4) |
| Augusta Manufacturer of Sportswear, hthletic apparel | Senior secured loan (\$15,561 par due 7/2015) | 8.50% (Libor + 7.50%/Q) | 9/3/2010 | 15,561 | 15,561 | | (2)(14) |
| | Senior secured loan (\$9,377 par due 7/2015) | 8.50% (Libor + 7.50%/Q) | 9/3/2010 | 9,377 | 9,377 | \$ 1.00 | (3)(14) |
| | | | | 24,938 | 24,938 | | |
| Blacksmith Consumer Brands products and Holdings, Inpersonal care and manufacturer Blacksmith Brands, Inc. | Senior secured loan (\$22,060 par due 12/2014) | 12.50% (Base Rate + 8.50%/Q) | 10/23/2009 | 22,060 | 22,060 | \$ 1.00 | (14)(16) |
| Gilchrist & Personal care Soames, Inc.manufacturer | Senior subordinated loan (\$23,519 par due 10/2013) | 13.44% | 4/1/2010 | 22,686 | 23,519 | \$ 1.00 | (16) |
| Insight OTC drug Pharmaceuti rals ducts Corporation(6) | Senior subordinated loan (\$5,271 par due 9/2012) | 13.00% Cash, 2.00% PIK | 4/1/2010 | 5,271 | 5,271 | \$ 1.00 | (14)(16) |
| manufacturer | Senior subordinated loan (\$50,000 par due 9/2012) | 13.00% Cash, 2.00% PIK | 4/1/2010 | 50,000 | 50,000 | \$ 1.00 | (14)(16) |
| | Common stock (155,000 shares) | | 4/1/2010 | 12,070 | 12,627 | \$ 81.46 | (16) |
| | | | | 67,341 | 67,898 | | |

| Making Memories Wholesale, | Scrapbooking branded | Senior secured revolving loan (\$250 par due 8/2014) | 10.00% (Libor + 6.50%/Q) | 8/21/2009 | 250 | 250 | \$ 1.00(14)(16) |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|-----------|--------|--------|--------------------|
| wholesale, | products manufacturer | Senior secured revolving loan (\$250 par due 8/2014) | 10.00% (Libor + 6.50%/Q) | 8/21/2009 | 250 | 250 | \$ 1.00(14)(16) |
| | manaractarer | Senior secured revolving loan (\$500 par due 8/2014) | 10.00% (Libor + 6.50%/Q) | 8/21/2009 | 500 | 500 | \$ 1.00(14)(16) |
| | | Senior secured loan (\$9,625 par due 8/2014) | 10.00% (Base Rate + 5.50%/Q) | 8/21/2009 | 7,670 | 7,475 | \$ 0.78(14)(16) |
| | | Senior secured loan (\$5,436 par due 8/2014) | | 8/21/2009 | 4,059 | | \$ (13)(16) |
| | | Common stock (100 shares) | | 8/21/2009 | | | \$ (16) |
| | | | | | 12,729 | 8,475 | |
| The Step2 Company, I | Toy L h @nufacturer | Senior secured loan (\$94,358 par due 4/2012) | 12.00% Cash, 1.00% PIK | 4/1/2010 | 89,300 | 86,479 | \$ 0.92(4)(16) |
| 1 7 | | Common equity interest | | 4/1/2010 | | | \$ (16) |
| | | Preferred equity interest | | 4/1/2010 | 24 | | \$ (16) |
| | | | | | 89,324 | 86,479 | |
| | | | S-66 | | | | |

| Company(1) Industry The Cosmetic | Investment Preferred units (6,283 | Interest(5)(10) 8.00% PIK | Acquisition Date 6/21/2007 | Amortized Cost 6,920 | Fair Value 6,424 | Pe | ir Value er Unit 1,022.51(4) | Percentage of Net Assets |
|--|---|------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|----|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Thymes, LLC670 ducts manufacturer | units) Common units (5,400 units) | | 6/21/2007 | | | \$ | (16) | |
| | | | | 6,920 | 6,424 | | | |
| Woodstream Pet products | Senior subordinated loan | 12.00% | 1/22/2010 | 4,534 | 4,506 | \$ | 0.95(16) | |
| Corporation manufacturer | (\$4,743 par due 2/2015) Senior subordinated loan (\$50,257 par due 2/2015) | 12.00% | 1/22/2010 | 43,264 | 47,745 | \$ | 0.95(16) | |
| | (\$30,237 par due 2/2013) Common stock (4,254 shares) | | 1/22/2010 | 1,222 | 2,153 | \$ | 506.12(16) | |
| | , | | | 49,020 | 54,404 | | | |
| | | | | 295,018 | 294,197 | | | 10.59% |
| Education | | | | 273,010 | 274,177 | | | 10.57 // |
| Campus Education Management software Corp. and developer Campus Management Acquisition | Preferred stock (493,147 shares) | | 2/8/2008 | 9,949 | 13,811 | \$ | 28.01(16) | |
| Corp.(6) Community Offender Education re-entry and Centers, Inc. in-prison treatment services | Senior subordinated loan (\$38,096 par due 11/2013) | | 4/1/2010 | 35,203 | 37,334 | \$ | 0.98(13)(16 |) |
| provider eInstruction (Drpvælætjen, manufacturer | Junior secured loan (\$17,000 par due 7/2014) | 7.79% (Libor + 7.50%/M) | 4/1/2010 | 14,761 | 15,300 | \$ | 0.90(16) | |
| and retailer of educational products | | | | | | | | |
| products | Senior subordinated loan (\$22,356 par due 1/2015) | 16.00% PIK | 4/1/2010 | 20,355 | 21,238 | \$ | 0.95(4)(16) | |
| | Common stock (2,406 shares) | | 4/1/2010 | 926 | 1,710 | \$ | 710.72(16) | |
| | | | | 36,042 | 38,248 | | | |
| ELC Developer, Acquisition manufacturer | Senior secured loan (\$160 par due 11/2012) | 3.51% (Libor + 3.25%/M) | 11/30/2006 | 160 | 160 | \$ | 1.00(3) | |
| Corporation and retailer of educational products | , | 7.26% (Libor + 7.00%/M) | 11/30/2006 | 8,333 | 8,333 | \$ | 1.00(3) | |
| products | | | | 9 402 | 9 402 | | | |
| Instituto de Private school | Series B preferred stock | | 8/5/2010 | 8,493 4,004 | 8,493 4,004 | \$ | 2.86(16) | |
| Banca y operator Comercio, Inc. & | (1,401,385 shares) | | | | | | | |
| Leeds IV Advisors, Inc.(8) | Series B preferred stock (348,615 shares) | | 8/5/2010 | 996 | | \$ | 2.86(16) | |
| | Series C preferred stock (1,994,644 shares) | | 6/7/2010 6/7/2010 | 547 | 2,586 | | 1.30(16) | |
| | | | 0///2010 | 142 | 672 | Ф | 1.30(16) | |

| | | Series C preferred stock (517,942 shares) Common stock (16 shares) Common stock (4 shares) | | 6/7/2010 6/7/2010 | | | \$ \$ | (16) (16) |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------|---|-----------------------------|----------------------|--------|--------|----------|--------------|
| | | | | | 5,689 | 8,258 | | |
| JTC Education Holdings, Ir | Postsecondary school | Senior secured loan (\$20,123 par due 12/2014) | 12.50% (Libor + 9.50%/M) | 12/31/2009 | 20,123 | 20,123 | \$ | 1.00(14)(16) |
| | | Senior secured loan (\$10,931 par due 12/2014) | 12.50% (Libor + 9.50%/M) | 12/31/2009 | 10,931 | 10,931 | \$ | 1.00(3)(14) |
| | | | | | 31,054 | 31,054 | | |
| | | | S-67 | | | | | |

| Company(1) Industry R3 Medical school Education, Imperator (formerly | Investment Senior secured loan (\$6,775 par due 4/2013) | Interest(5)(10) 9.00% (Libor + 6.00%/M) | Acquisition Date 4/3/2007 | Amortized Cost 6,775 | Fair Value 10,181 | P | ir Value er Unit 1.50(3)(14) | Percentage of Net Assets |
|--|---|--|---------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|----|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| known as Equinox EIC Partners, LLC and | Senior secured loan (\$10,113 par due 4/2013) | 9.00% (Libor + 6.00%/Q) | 9/21/2007 | 10,113 | 15,197 | \$ | 1.50(14)(16) | |
| MUA Management Company) and EIC | Senior secured loan (\$4,000 par due 4/2013) | 9.00% (Libor + 6.00%/Q) | 9/21/2007 | 4,000 | 6,011 | \$ | 1.50(3)(14) | |
| Acquisitions Corp.(8) | Senior secured loan (\$5,547 par due 4/2013) | 13.00% PIK | 12/8/2009 | 2,026 | 8,336 | \$ | 1.50(4)(16) | |
| | Preferred stock (8,000 shares) | | 7/30/2008 | 2,000 | 1,000 | \$ | 125.00(16) | |
| | Preferred stock (800 shares) | | 7/30/2008 | 200 | 100 | \$ | 125.00(16) | |
| | Warrants to purchase up to 27,890 shares | | 12/8/2009 | | | \$ | (16) | |
| | Common membership interest (26.27% interest) | | 9/21/2007 | 15,800 | 20,708 | | (16) | |
| | | | | 40,914 | 61,533 | | | |
| | | | | 167,344 | 198,731 | | | 7.15% |
| Manufacturing Component Commercial Hardware equipment | Senior secured loan (\$3,000 par due 12/2014) | 6.00% Cash, 4.00% PIK | 8/4/2010 | 3,000 | 3,000 | \$ | 1.00(4)(16) | |
| Group, Inc. | Senior subordinated loan | 6.00% Cash, 7.00% | 4/1/2010 | 5,566 | 10,000 | \$ | 1.00(4) | |
| | (\$10,000 par due 12/2014) Warrants to purchase up to 1,462,500 shares of common stock | PIK | 8/4/2010 | | 1,055 | \$ | 0.72(16) | |
| | | | | 8,566 | 14,055 | | | |
| Emerald Polymers and Performanceperformance Materials, LLC | Senior secured loan (\$5,867 par due 5/2011) | 8.25% (Libor + 4.25%/M) | 5/16/2006 | 5,867 | 5,867 | \$ | 1.00(14)(16) | |
| materials manufacturer | Senior secured loan (\$375 par due 5/2011) | 8.25% (Libor + 4.25%/M) | 5/16/2006 | 375 | 375 | \$ | 1.00(14)(16) | |
| manuracturer | Senior secured loan (\$8,392 par due 5/2011) | 8.25% (Libor + 4.25%/M) | 5/16/2006 | 8,392 | 8,392 | \$ | 1.00(3)(14) | |
| | Senior secured loan (\$536 par due 5/2011) | 8.25% (Libor + 4.25%/M) | 5/16/2006 | 536 | 536 | \$ | 1.00(3)(14) | |
| | Senior secured loan (\$9 par due 5/2011) | 8.50% (Base | 5/16/2006 | 9 | 9 | \$ | 1.00(3)(14)(16 | 5) |
| | Senior secured loan (\$13 | Rate + 1.75%/M) 8.50% (Base | 5/16/2006 | 13 | 13 | \$ | 1.01(3)(14) | |
| | par due 5/2011) Senior secured loan (\$3,806 | Rate + 1.75%/M) 10.00% | 5/16/2006 | 3,806 | 3,806 | \$ | 1.00(14)(16) | |
| | par due 5/2011) Senior secured loan (\$1,579 | (Libor + 6.00%/M) 10.00% (Libor + 6.00%/M) | 5/16/2006 | 1,579 | 1,579 | \$ | 1.00(3)(14) | |
| | par due 5/2011) Senior secured loan (\$3,532 | (Libor + 6.00%/M) 13.00% Cash, 3.00% | 5/16/2006 | 3,532 | 3,532 | \$ | 1.00(4)(16) | |
| | par due 5/2011) Senior secured loan (\$5,051 par due 5/2011) | PIK 13.00% Cash, 3.00% PIK | 5/16/2006 | 5,051 | 5,051 | \$ | 1.00(2)(4) | |
| | | | | 29,160 | 29,160 | | | |

| Industrial Ai frithustria P and products Affiliates d/b/a | Senior subordinated loan (\$6,000 par due 6/2014) | 9.00% | 4/1/2010 | 6,000 | 14,312 | \$ 2.39 |
|--|--|----------------------------|----------|--------|--------|----------------|
| Industrial Air Tool(7) | Member interest (375 units) | | 4/1/2010 | 7,419 | 145 | (16) |
| | | | | 13,419 | 14,457 | |
| Jakel, Inc.(7)Electric motor manufacturer | Senior subordinated loan (\$748 par due 3/2011) | | 4/1/2010 | | | \$ (13) |
| NetShape Metal precision Technologies:ngineered components manufacturer | Senior secured revolving loan (\$972 par due 2/2013) | 4.06% (Libor + 3.75%/B) | 4/1/2010 | 521 | 526 | \$ 0.54(16) |
| | | S-68 | | | | |

| | Industry Depochation (and manufacturer of high-visibility reflective products | Investment Senior subordinated loan (\$6,269 par due 11/2014) Senior subordinated loan (\$11,462 par due 11/2014) Common stock (1,821,860 shares) | Interest(5)(10) 20.00% (Base Rate + 9.25% Cash, 7.50% PIK/Q) 20.00% (Base Rate + 9.25% Cash, 7.50% PIK/Q) | Acquisition Date 2/26/2008 2/26/2008 3/28/2006 | Amortized Cost 6,269 11,462 27,435 45,166 | Fair Value 6,583 12,035 28,233 46,851 | Per \$ | · Value · Unit | Percentage of Net Assets |
|--|--|---|---|--|--|---|---------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|
| | Precision components | Common units (1,000 units) | | 2/2/2007 | 1,000 | 40,631 | \$ | (16) | |
| Operating, | Hydraulic hystems equipment and supplies provider | Senior subordinated loan (\$30,386 par due 1/2013) | 11.00% | 4/1/2010 | 29,361 | 29,778 | \$ | 0.98(2) | |
| | Petroleum | Junior secured loan (\$2,124 | 14.50% | 2/13/2009 | 2,124 | 2,018 | \$ | 0.95(16) | |
| Holding Co | manufacturer | par due 12/2012) Junior secured loan (\$846 | 14.50% | 2/13/2009 | 846 | 804 | \$ | 0.95(3) | |
| | | par due 12/2012) Junior secured loan (\$2,114 par due 12/2012) | 9.82% (Libor + 9.38%/Q) | 2/13/2009 | 2,114 | 2,008 | \$ | 0.95(16) | |
| | | Junior secured loan (\$842 par due 12/2012) | 9.82% (Libor + 9.38%/Q) | 2/13/2009 | 842 | 799 | \$ | Fair Value | |
| | | Junior secured loan (\$10,836 par due 12/2012) | 9.82% (Libor + 9.38%/Q) | 2/13/2009 | 10,836 | 10,294 | \$ | 0.95(3) | |
| | | Junior secured loan (\$2,970 par due 12/2012) | 14.50% | 2/13/2009 | 2,970 | 2,822 | \$ | 0.95(2) | |
| | | Junior secured loan (\$990 par due 12/2012) | 14.50% | 2/13/2009 | 990 | 941 | \$ | 0.95(3) | |
| | | Senior secured loan (\$5,000 par due 12/2012) | 15.00% | 8/13/2010 | 5,000 | 5,000 | \$ | 1.00(16) | |
| | | Common units (50,000 units) | | 4/25/2008 | 500 | 97 | \$ | 1.94(16) | |
| | | Common units (207,843 units) | | 4/25/2008 | | 403 | \$ | 1.94(16) | |
| | | | | | 26,222 | 25,186 | | | |
| Trailer | Livestock and specialty trailer (6)nufacturer | Common stock (74,920 shares) | | 10/8/2004 | 7,930 | | \$ | (16) | |
| | | | | | 161,345 | 160,013 | | | 5.76% |
| Broadband | Broadband communication | Senior secured loan (\$36,100 par due 9/2013) | 7.50% (Libor + 5.50%/Q) | 9/1/2010 | 34,545 | 36,100 | \$ | 1.00(14)(16) | |
| Communication and serican American Broadband | services | Senior secured loan (\$9,400 par due 9/2013) | 7.50% (Libor + 5.50%/Q) | 9/1/2010 | 9,400 | 9,400 | \$ | 1.00(3)(14) | |
| Holding Company | | Senior subordinated loan (\$32,702 par due 11/2014) | 12.00% Cash, 4.00% PIK | 2/8/2008 | 32,702 | 32,702 | \$ | 1.00(2)(4) | |
| | | Senior subordinated loan (\$10,327 par due 11/2014) | 12.00% Cash, 4.00% PIK | 11/7/2007 | 10,327 | 10,327 | \$ | 1.00(4)(16) | |
| | | (φ10,521 pai due 11/2014) | TIK | 9/1/2010 | 30,143 | 30,143 | \$ | 1.00(4)(16) | |

12.00% Cash, 4.00% Senior subordinated loan (\$30,143 par due 11/2014) PIK 9/1/2010 \$ Warrants to purchase up to (16) 200 shares Warrants to purchase up to 11/7/2007 3,379 \$16,245.19(16) 208 shares 117,117 122,051 Startec Communication Member interest 4/1/2010 \$ (16) Equity, LLG67vices 117,117 122,051 4.39% S-69

| Company(1) | Industry | Investment | Interest(5)(10) | Acquisition Date | Amortized Cost | Fair Value | | r Value r Unit | Percentage of Net Assets |
|---|--|--|------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|------------|------|-------------------|--------------------------------|
| | roducts Durable Sports optics manufacturer | Senior subordinated loan (\$41,325 par due 2/2014) | 7.03% (Libor + 6.50%/Q) | 4/1/2010 | 30,087 | 30,994 | \$ | 0.75(16) | |
| Carlisle Wide Plank | Hardwood floor | Senior secured loan (\$1,609 par due 6/2011) | 12.00% Cash | 4/1/2010 | 1,509 | 1,448 | \$ | 0.90(16) | |
| Floors, Inc. | manufacturer | Common stock (345,056 shares) | | 4/1/2010 | | | \$ | | |
| | | | | | 1,509 | 1,448 | | | |
| Direct Buy Holdings, Inc | Membership based buying | Senior secured loan (\$2,100 par due 11/2012) | 7.75% (Libor + 6.00%/M) | 12/14/2007 | 2,049 | 1,995 | \$ | 0.95(2)(14) | |
| Direct Buy Investors, LP | club (6f)ranchisor and operator | Senior subordinated loan (\$80,816 par due 5/2013) | 12.00% Cash, 4.00% PIK | 4/1/2010 | 76,787 | 76,776 | \$ | 0.95(4)(16) | |
| | F | Partnership interest (80,000 shares) | | 4/1/2010 | 3,112 | 3,330 | \$ | 0.42(16) | |
| | | Partnership interest (100,000 shares) | | 11/30/2007 | 10,000 | 4,145 | \$ | 0.42(16) | |
| | | | | | 91,948 | 86,246 | | | |
| | | | | | 123,544 | 118,688 | | | 4.27% |
| Apple & Eve, LLC and | od and Tobacco Juice manufacturer | Senior secured loan (\$14,202 par due 10/2013) | 12.00% (Libor + 9.00%/M) | 10/5/2007 | 14,202 | 14,202 | \$ | 1.00(14)(16) | |
| US Juice Partners, LLC | 2(6) | Senior secured loan (\$14,943 par due 10/2013) | 12.00% (Libor + 9.00%/M) | 10/5/2007 | 14,943 | 14,943 | \$ | 1.00(3)(14) | |
| | | Senior units (50,000 units) | (LIDOI + 9.00%/M) | 10/5/2007 | 5,000 | 5,628 | \$ | 112.56 | |
| | | | | | 34,145 | 34,773 | | | |
| Border Foods, Inc.(7) | Green chile and jalapeno | Senior secured loan (\$28,526 par due 3/2012) | 13.50% | 4/1/2010 | 28,526 | 28,526 | \$ | 1.00(16) | |
| | products manufacturer | Preferred stock (100,000 shares) | | 4/1/2010 | 21,346 | 22,287 | \$ | 222.87(16) | |
| | manaracturer | Common stock (148,838 shares) | | 4/1/2010 | 13,472 | 10,095 | \$ | 67.83(16) | |
| | | Common stock (87,707 shares) | | 4/1/2010 | | | \$ | (16) | |
| | | Common stock (23,922 shares) | | 4/1/2010 | | | \$ | (16) | |
| | | | | | 63,344 | 60,908 | | | |
| Bumble Bee Foods, LLC and BB Co-Invest LPC | Canned seafood manufacturer (8) | Common units (4,000 units) | | 11/18/2008 | 4,000 | 11,193 | \$ 2 | ,798.25(16) | |
| Charter Baking | Baked goods manufacturer | Senior subordinated loan (\$6,673 par due 2/2013) | 13.00% PIK | 2/6/2008 | 6,673 | 6,673 | \$ | 1.00(4)(16) | |
| Company, Inc | | Preferred stock (6,258 shares) | | 9/1/2006 | 2,500 | 1,585 | \$ | 253.27(16) | |

| | | | | | 9,173 | 8,258 | | |
|--|---------------------------|--|---|-----------|---------|---------|-----------------------|-------|
| Distant Lands Trading Co. | Coffee manufacturer | Common stock (1,294 shares) | | 4/1/2010 | 980 | 893 | \$ 690.11(16) | |
| | | Common stock (2,157 shares) | | 4/1/2010 | | | \$ (16) | |
| | | | | | 980 | 893 | | |
| Ideal Snacks Corporation | Snacks manufacturer | Senior secured revolving loan (\$1,078 par due 6/2011) | 8.50% (Base Rate + 4.00%/M) | 4/1/2010 | 1,078 | 970 | \$ 0.90(14)(16) | |
| | | | | | 112,720 | 116,995 | | 4.21% |
| Services Otl | ner | | | | | | | |
| Growing Family, Inc. and GFH Holdings, LL | Photography services C(6) | Senior secured revolving loan (\$157 par due 8/2011) | 9.00% (Base Rate + 1.75% Cash, 4.00% PIK/M) | 3/16/2007 | 156 | 69 | \$ 0.44(4)(14)(16) | |
| <i>Q</i> | | Senior secured revolving loan (\$2,252 par due 8/2011) | 9.00% (Base Rate + 1.75% Cash, 4.00% PIK/M) S-70 | 3/16/2007 | 2,218 | 992 | \$ 0.44(4)(14)(16) | |

| Company(1) | Industry | Investment Senior secured loan (\$453 par due 3/2013) | Interest(5)(10) 9.00% (Base Rate + 1.75% Cash, 4.00% PIK/M) | Acquisition Date 3/16/2007 | Amortized Cost 424 | Fair Value 200 | | P Value r Unit 0.44(4)(14)(16) | ercentage of Net Assets |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|--|----------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|-------|---|-------------------------------|
| | | Senior secured loan (\$6,498 par due 3/2013) | 9.00% (Base Rate + 1.75% Cash, 4.00% PIK/M) | 3/16/2007 | 6,437 | 2,862 | \$ | 0.44(4)(14)(16) | |
| | | Preferred stock (8,750 shares) | 4.00 % 1110141) | 3/16/2007 | | | \$ | (16) | |
| | | Common stock (552,430 shares) | | 3/16/2007 | 872 | | \$ | (16) | |
| | | Warrants to purchase up to 11,313,678 Class B units | | 3/16/2007 | | | \$ | (16) | |
| | | | | | 10,107 | 4,123 | | | |
| NPA Acquisition, I | Powersport Livehicle auction | Senior secured loan (\$6,000 par due 2/2013) | 7.01% (Libor + 6.75%/M) | 8/23/2006 | 6,000 | 6,000 | \$ | 1.00(3) | |
| | operator | Common units (1,709 units) | | 8/23/2006 | 1,000 | 3,000 | \$ 1, | ,755.41 | |
| | | | | | 7,000 | 9,000 | | | |
| PODS Funding Corp. | Storage and warehousing | Senior subordinated loan (\$6,500 par due 12/2015) | 16.64% PIK | 12/23/2009 | 5,189 | 6,500 | \$ | 1.00(4)(16) | |
| • | | Senior subordinated loan (\$25,125 par due 6/2015) | 15.00% | 12/23/2009 | 25,125 | 25,125 | \$ | 1.00(16) | |
| | | | | | 30,314 | 31,625 | | | |
| United Road Towing, Inc. | Towing company | Junior secured loan (\$18,792 par due 1/2014) | 14.75% (Libor + 11.25% Cash, 1.00% PIK/Q) | 4/1/2010 | 18,542 | 18,792 | \$ | 1.00(4)(14)(16) | |
| | | Warrants to purchase up to 607 shares | | 4/1/2010 | | 19 | \$ | 30.84 | |
| | | | | | 18,542 | 18,811 | | | |
| Web Services Company, LL | Laundry service Cand | Senior secured loan (\$4,900 par due 8/2014) | 7.00% (Base Rate + 3.75%/Q) | 6/15/2009 | 4,689 | 4,900 | \$ | 1.00(3) | |
| | equipment provider | Senior subordinated loan (\$13,478 par due 8/2016) | 11.50% Cash, 2.50% PIK | 8/29/2008 | 13,478 | 13,478 | \$ | 1.00(4)(16) | |
| | | Senior subordinated loan (\$26,296 par due 8/2016) | 11.50% Cash, 2.50% PIK | 8/29/2008 | 26,296 | 26,296 | \$ | 1.00(2)(4) | |
| | | | | | 44,463 | 44,674 | | | |
| | | | | | 110,426 | 108,233 | | | 3.90% |
| Retail Apogee Retail, LLC | For-profit thrift retailer | Senior secured loan (\$11,408 par due 9/2012) | 12.00% Cash, 4.00% PIK | 5/28/2008 | 11,408 | 11,408 | \$ | 1.00(4)(16) | |
| | | Senior secured loan (\$2,947 par due 3/2012) | 5.51% (Libor + 5.25%/M) | 3/27/2007 | 2,947 | 2,829 | \$ | 0.96(2) | |
| | | Senior secured revolving loan (\$780 par due 3/2012) | 7.25% (Base Rate + 4.00%/Q) | 3/27/2007 | 780 | 749 | \$ | 0.96(16) | |

| | | Senior secured loan (\$3,386 par due 9/2012) | 12.00% Cash, 4.00% PIK | 5/28/2008 | 3,386 | 3,386 | \$ 1.00(4)(16) |
|---|----------------------------------|--|---|-----------|--------|--------|-----------------------|
| | | Senior secured loan (\$25,909 par due 3/2012) | 5.51% (Libor + 5.25%/M) | 3/27/2007 | 25,909 | 24,873 | \$ 0.96(2) |
| | | Senior secured loan (\$11,337 par due 3/2012) | 5.51% (Libor + 5.25%/M) | 3/27/2007 | 11,337 | 10,884 | \$ 0.96(3) |
| | | | | | 55,767 | 54,129 | |
| Savers, Inc. and SAI Acquisition Corporation | For-profit thrift retailer | Common stock (1,170,182 shares) | | 8/8/2006 | 4,500 | 6,335 | \$ 5.41(16) |
| Things Remembered, and TRM Holdings | Personalized Igifts retailer | Senior secured loan (\$63 par due 9/2012) | 6.50% (Base Rate + 1.25% Cash, 1.00% PIK/M) | 9/28/2006 | 63 | 61 | \$ 0.97(3)(4)(14) |
| Corporation | | Senior secured loan (\$2,666 par due 9/2012) | 6.50% (Base Rate + 1.25% Cash, 1.00% PIK/M) | 9/28/2006 | 2,663 | 2,586 | \$ 0.97(3)(4)(14) |
| | | Senior secured loan (\$760 par due 9/2012) | 6.50% (Base Rate + 1.25% Cash, 1.00% PIK/M) S-71 | 9/28/2006 | 759 | 737 | \$ 0.97(4)(14)(16) |

| Company(1) | Industry | Investment Senior secured loan (\$195 par due 9/2012) | Interest(5)(10) 6.50% (Base Rate + 1.25% Cash, | Acquisition Date 9/28/2006 | Amortized Cost 195 | Fair Value 189 | Fair Value Per Unit \$ 0.97(3)(4)(14) | Percentage of Net Assets |
|--|---|--|--|--|--------------------------|-------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| | | Senior secured loan (\$27,130 par due 9/2012) | 1.00% PIK/M) 6.50% (Base Rate + 1.25% Cash, 1.00% PIK/M) | 9/28/2006 | 27,098 | 26,314 | \$ 0.97(4)(14)(16 |) |
| | | Senior secured loan (\$6,981 par due 9/2012) | 6.50% (Base Rate + 1.25% Cash, 1.00% PIK/M) | 9/28/2006 | 6,975 | 6,773 | \$ 0.97(3)(4)(14) | |
| | | Preferred stock (73 shares) Preferred stock (80 shares) Common stock (800 shares) Warrants to purchase up to 859 shares of preferred stock | 1.00% FIKINI) | 3/19/2009 9/28/2006 9/28/2006 3/19/2009 | 1,800 200 | 1,608 1,759 | \$21,985.23(16) \$21,987.50(16) \$ (16) \$ (16) | |
| | | | | | 39,753 | 40,027 | | |
| | | | | | 100,020 | 100,491 | | 3.62% |
| Commercial 1 10th Street, LI | Real Estate Find LC(6) lestate holding | Senior subordinated loan (\$23,013 par due 11/2014) | 8.93% Cash, 4.07% PIK | 4/1/2010 | 23,013 | 23,013 | \$ 1.00(4) | |
| | company | Member interest (10.00% interest) | TIK | 4/1/2010 | 594 | 592 | | |
| | | Option (25,000 units) | | 4/1/2010 | 25 | 25 | \$ 1.00 | |
| | | | | | 23,632 | 23,630 | | |
| Allied Capital REIT, Inc.(7) | Real estate investment trust | Real estate equity interests | | 4/1/2010 | 165 | 574 | | |
| American Con Coatings | nı Rea di e ktate property | Commercial mortgage loan (\$2,000 par due 12/2025) | | 4/1/2010 | 1,976 | 1,875 | \$ 0.94(13) | |
| Aquila Binks Forest Development, | Real estate developer | Commercial mortgage loan (\$12,676 par due 6/2011) | 2.50% | 4/1/2010 | 11,099 | 5,894 | \$ 0.46(16) | |
| Development, | LLC | Real estate equity interests | | 4/1/2010 | | | | |
| | | | | | 11,099 | 5,894 | | |
| Cleveland East Equity LLC | Hotel operator | Real estate equity interests | | 4/1/2010 | 1,026 | 1,885 | | |
| Crescent Hotels & Resorts, LLC | Hotel operator | Senior subordinated loan (\$433 par due 6/2010) | | 4/1/2010 | 433 | 455 | \$ 1.05(13)(16) | |
| and affiliates(7) | | Senior subordinated loan | | 4/1/2010 | 1,475 | | \$ (13) | |
| | | (\$4,124 par due 1/2012) Senior subordinated loan (\$4,348 par due 6/2017) | | 4/1/2010 | 1,482 | | \$ (13)(16) | |
| | | (\$4,348 par due 6/2017) Senior subordinated loan (\$2,722 par due 6/2017) | | 4/1/2010 | 928 | | \$ (13)(16) | |
| | | (#2,122 pm ddc 0/2011) | | 4/1/2010 | 2,051 | | \$ (13) | |

| | | Senior subordinated loan | | | | | |
|----------|-------------|------------------------------|------|----------|-------|-------|----------------|
| | | (\$5,974 par due 9/2012) | | | | | |
| | | Senior subordinated loan | | 4/1/2010 | 263 | | \$ (13)(16) |
| | | (\$263 par due 3/2013) | | | | | |
| | | Senior subordinated loan | | 4/1/2010 | | | \$ (13) |
| | | (\$3,078 par due 1/2012) | | | | | |
| | | Senior subordinated loan | | 4/1/2010 | | | \$ (13) |
| | | (\$2,926 par due 6/2017) | | | | | |
| | | Senior subordinated loan | | 4/1/2010 | | | \$ (13) |
| | | (\$2,112 par due 9/2011) | | | | | |
| | | Senior subordinated loan | | 4/1/2010 | | | \$ (13) |
| | | (\$2,050 par due 6/2017) | | | | | |
| | | Senior subordinated loan | | 4/1/2010 | | | \$ (13) |
| | | (\$4,826 par due 9/2012) | | | | | |
| | | Preferred equity interest | | 4/1/2010 | | 1,875 | |
| | | Preferred equity interest | | 4/1/2010 | | 1,700 | |
| | | Member interests | | 4/1/2010 | | | |
| | | Common equity interest | | 4/1/2010 | 17 | | |
| | | | | | 6,649 | 4,030 | |
| | | | | | -, | ., | |
| Commons | Real estate | Real estate equity interests | | 4/1/2010 | | | |
| R-3, LLC | developer | | | | | | |
| | | | S-72 | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |

| Company(1) DI Safford, LLC | Industry Hotel operator | Investment Commercial mortgage loan (\$5,311 par due 5/2032) | Interest(5)(10) | Acquisition Date 4/1/2010 | Amortized Cost 2,757 | Fair Value 2,750 | Fair Value Per Unit \$ 0.52(13)(16) | Percentage of Net Assets |
|--|--|--|------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Galley Equities, LLC | Food distribution facility | Commercial mortgage loan (\$220 par due 1/2015) | | 4/1/2010 | | | \$ (13)(1 | 6) |
| Holiday Inn West Chester | Hotel property | Real estate owned | | 4/1/2010 | 3,513 | 3,570 | | |
| Hot Light | Real estate | Senior secured loan | | 4/1/2010 | 5,399 | 5,329 | \$ 0.19(13)(16) |) |
| Brands, Inc.(7 | company | (\$27,918 par due 2/2011) Common stock (93,500 shares) | | 4/1/2010 | | | \$ (16) | |
| | | | | | 5,399 | 5,329 | | |
| MGP Park Place Equity, LLC | Office building operator | Commercial mortgage loan (\$6,500 par due 5/2011) | | 4/1/2010 | 650 | 325 | \$ 0.05(13) | |
| NPH, Inc | Hotel property | Real estate equity interest | | 4/1/2010 | 5,291 | 7,606 | | |
| Van Ness Hotel, Inc. | Hotel | Commercial mortgage loan (\$3,750 par due 8/2013) | | 4/1/2010 | 1,027 | 371 | \$ 0.10(13)(16) |) |
| Hotel, Ilic. | operator | Commercial mortgage loan (\$13,702 par due 12/2011) | 5.50% | 4/1/2010 | 13,702 | 13,702 | \$ 1.00(16) | |
| | | Real estate equity interests | | 4/1/2010 | | | (16) | |
| | | | | | 14,729 | 14,073 | | |
| | | | | | 76,886 | 71,541 | | 2.57% |
| Wholesale Distribution BECO Holding Company, Inc | Wholesale distributor of first response fire protection equipment and related parts | Common stock (25,000 shares) | | 7/30/2010 | 2,500 | 2,500 | \$ 100.00(16) | |
| Stag-Parkway. | • | Senior secured loan | 12.50% | 9/30/2010 | 34,500 | 34,500 | \$ 1.00(14)(16) |) |
| | aftermarket components | (\$34,500 par due 12/2014) Preferred stock (4,200 | (Libor + 11.00%/B) 16.50% | 9/30/2010 | 2,310 | 4,200 | \$ 1,000.00 | |
| | supplier | shares) Common stock (10,200 shares) | | 4/1/2010 | | 12,200 | \$ 1,196.08(16) | |
| | | | | | 36,810 | 50,900 | | |
| | | | | | 39,310 | 53,400 | | 1.92% |
| Computers an Network Hardware Resale, Inc. | nd Electronics Networking equipment | Senior subordinated loan (\$12,662 par due 12/2011) | 12.00% | 4/1/2010 | 12,662 | 12,662 | \$ 1.00(2) | |

| | resale provider | Convertible junior subordinated loan (\$17,518 par due 12/2013) | 9.75% | 4/1/2010 | 17,561 | 20,949 | \$ 1.20(16) | |
|------------------------|---|---|--|------------|--------|--------|----------------------|-------|
| | | | | | 30,223 | 33,611 | | |
| TZ Merger Sub, Inc. | Healthcare enterprise software developer | Senior secured loan (\$4,678 par due 8/2015) | 7.50% (Libor + 4.50%/Q) | 6/15/2009 | 4,593 | 4,678 | \$ 1.00(3)(14) | |
| | | | | | 34,816 | 38,289 | | 1.38% |
| Printing, Pub | lishing and Me | dia | | | | | | |
| Canon Communication | Print | Senior secured loan (\$12,155 par due 11/2011) | 13.75% (Libor + 6.75% Cash, 2.00% PIK/Q) | 5/25/2005 | 12,144 | 12,155 | \$ 1.00(2)(4)(14) | |
| | services | Senior secured loan (\$12,387 par due 11/2011) | 13.75% (Libor + 6.75% Cash, 2.00% PIK/Q) | 5/25/2005 | 12,376 | 12,387 | \$ 1.00(3)(4)(14) | |
| | | | | | 24,520 | 24,542 | | |
| EarthColor, In | centing management services | Common stock (89,435 shares) | | 4/1/2010 | | | \$ | |
| LVCG Holdings LLC | Commercial (printer | Membership interests (56.53% interest) | | 10/12/2007 | 6,600 | 132 | | |
| | | | S-73 | | | | | |

| Company(1) National Print | Industry Printing management | Investment Senior secured revolving loan (\$1,141 par due | Interest(5)(10) 9.00% (Libor + 6.00%/S) | Acquisition Date 3/2/2006 | Amortized Cost 1,141 | Fair Value 966 | ir Value er Unit 0.85(14)(16) | Percentage of Net Assets |
|--|--------------------------------|--|--|---------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Group, Inc. | services | 10/2012) Senior secured revolving | 9.00% (Base | 3/2/2006 | 558 | 472 | \$ 0.85(14)(16) | |
| | | loan (\$558 par due 10/2012) Senior secured loan (\$7,587 par due 10/2012) | Rate + 5.00%/M) 14.00% (Libor + 6.00% Cash, 5.00% PIK/Q) | 3/2/2006 | 7,275 | 6,419 | \$ 0.85(3)(4)(14) |) |
| | | Senior secured loan (\$342 par due 10/2012) | 14.00% (Base Rate + 5.00% Cash, 5.00% PIK/Q) | 3/2/2006 | 329 | 289 | \$ 0.84(3)(4)(14) |) |
| | | Preferred stock (9,344 shares) | | 3/2/2006 | 2,000 | | \$ (16) | |
| | | | | | 11,303 | 8,146 | | |
| The Teaching Company, LLO | | Preferred stock (29,969 | | 9/29/2006 | 2,997 | 3,540 | \$ 118.12(16) | |
| The Teaching Company Holdings, Inc. | provider | shares) Common stock (15,393 shares) | | 9/29/2006 | 3 | 4 | \$ 0.26 | |
| | | | | | 3,000 | 3,544 | | |
| | | | | | 45,423 | 36,364 | | 1.31% |
| Environmenta | | | | | | | | |
| AWTP, LLC | Water treatment services | Junior secured loan (\$4,755 par due 12/2012) | | 12/23/2005 | 4,755 | 1,664 | \$ 0.35(13)(16) | |
| | | Junior secured loan (\$2,086 par due 12/2012) | | 12/23/2005 | 2,086 | 730 | \$ 0.35(3)(13) | |
| | | Junior secured loan (\$4,755 par due 12/2012) | | 12/23/2005 | 4,755 | 1,664 | \$ 0.35(13)(16) | |
| | | Junior secured loan (\$2,086 par due 12/2012) | | 12/23/2005 | 2,086 | 730 | \$ 0.35(3)(13) | |
| | | | | | 13,682 | 4,788 | | |
| Mactec, Inc. | Engineering and | Class B-4 stock (16 shares) | | 11/3/2004 | | 1 | \$ 62.27(16) | |
| | | Class C stock (5,556 shares) | | 11/3/2004 | | 234 | \$ 42.12(16) | |
| | | | | | | 235 | | |
| Sigma International Group, Inc.(8) | Water treatment parts | Junior secured loan (\$1,833 par due 10/2013) | 16.00% (Libor + 8.00%/Q) | 10/11/2007 | 1,833 | 1,283 | \$ 0.70(14)(16) | |
| Group, Inc.(6) | manufacturer | Junior secured loan (\$917 | 16.00% (Libor + 8.00%/Q) | 10/11/2007 | 917 | 642 | \$ 0.70(14)(16) | |
| | | par due 10/2013) Junior secured loan (\$2,778 par due 10/2013) | 16.00% (Libor + 8.00%/Q) | 10/11/2007 | 2,778 | 1,944 | \$ 0.70(14)(16) | |
| | | Junior secured loan (\$4,000 par due 10/2013) | 16.00% (Libor + 8.00%/Q) | 10/11/2007 | 4,000 | 2,800 | \$ 0.70(3)(14) | |
| | | Junior secured loan (\$2,000 par due 10/2013) | 16.00% (Libor + 8.00%/Q) | 10/11/2007 | 2,000 | 1,400 | \$ 0.70(3)(14) | |
| | | Junior secured loan (\$6,060 par due 10/2013) | 16.00% (Libor + 8.00%/Q) | 10/11/2007 | 6,060 | 4,242 | \$ 0.70(3)(14) | |

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Universal Hydrocarbon Environmental recycling and Services, LLC(6)elated waste

Waste Pro

USA, Inc.

Preferred member interest (15.00% interest)

management services and products

Preferred Class A common Waste stock (611,615 shares) management

11/9/2006 15,942 \$ 26.07(16) 12,263

services

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| Company(1) Wastequip, Inc | | Investment Senior subordinated loan (\$13,121 par due 2/2015) | Interest(5)(10) | Acquisition Date 2/5/2007 | Amortized Cost 13,030 | Fair Value 984 | r Value er Unit 0.07(13)(16) | Percentage of Net Assets |
|--|---|---|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| | management equipment manufacturer | Common stock (13,889 shares) | | 2/2/2007 | 1,389 | | \$ (16) | |
| | | | | | 14,419 | 984 | | |
| | | | | | 57,952 | 34,260 | | 1.23% |
| Aerospace and AP Global Holdings, Inc. | Safety and | Senior secured loan (\$6,274 par due 10/2013) | 4.77% (Libor + 4.50%/M) | 11/18/2007 | 6,227 | 6,274 | \$ 1.00(3) | |
| ILC Industries, Inc. | Supplier of defense electronics and engineered materials | Junior secured loan (\$12,000 par due 6/2014) | 11.50% | 6/27/2006 | 12,000 | 12,000 | \$ 1.00(3) | |
| Thermal Solution and TSI | offsh EdmG al management | Senior secured loan (\$88 par due 3/2011) | 7.00% (Base Rate + 3.75%/M) | 3/28/2005 | 88 | 88 | \$ 1.00(3) | |
| Group, Inc. | and electronics packaging | Senior secured loan (\$2,708 par due 3/2012) | 7.50% (Base Rate + 4.25%/M) | 3/28/2005 | 2,708 | 2,708 | \$ 1.00(3) | |
| | manufacturer | Senior subordinated loan (\$2,809 par due 3/2013) | 11.50% Cash, 4.00% PIK | 3/21/2006 | 2,806 | 2,809 | \$ 1.00(4)(16) | |
| | | Senior subordinated loan (\$3,502 par due 3/2013) | 11.50% Cash, 4.25% PIK | 3/28/2005 | 3,497 | 3,502 | \$ 1.00(4)(16) | |
| | | Senior subordinated loan (\$2,218 par due 3/2013) | 11.50% Cash, 4.25% PIK | 3/28/2005 | 2,215 | 2,218 | \$ 1.00(4)(16) | |
| | | Preferred stock (71,552 shares) | TIK | 3/28/2005 | 716 | 1,114 | \$ 15.57(16) | |
| | | Common stock (1,460,246 shares) | | 3/28/2005 | 15 | 95 | \$ 0.07(16) | |
| | | | | | 12,045 | 12,534 | | |
| Wyle Laborator | ri Ps o Ind er of specialized | Senior preferred stock (775 shares) | | 1/17/2008 | 96 | 96 | \$ 123.89(16) | |
| Holdings, Inc. | | Common stock (1,885,195 shares) | | 1/17/2008 | 2,272 | 1,879 | \$ 1.00(16) | |
| | | | | | 2,368 | 1,975 | | |
| | | | | | 32,640 | 32,783 | | 1.18% |
| Automotive Se Driven Brands, Inc.(6) | Automotive | Senior secured loan (\$3,200 par due 10/2014) | 6.50% (Libor + 5.00%/M) | 4/1/2010 | 3,113 | 3,200 | \$ 1.00(3)(14) | |
| | car care franchisor | Senior secured loan (\$520 par due 10/2014) | 6.50% (Libor + 5.00%/M) | 4/1/2010 | 504 | 520 | \$ 1.00(3)(14) | |

| | | Senior secured loan (\$237 par due 10/2014) Common stock (3,772,098 shares) | 7.00% (Base Rate + 3.75%/M) | 4/1/2010 4/1/2010 | 230 4,939 | 237 5,810 | \$ \$ | 1.00(3) 1.54 | |
|---|-------------------------------|--|------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------|--------------|----------|-----------------|-------|
| | | | | | 8,786 | 9,767 | | | |
| Penn Detroit Diesel Allison, LLC(7 | Diesel engine manufacturer | Member interest (70,249 shares) | | 4/1/2010 | 20,069 | 18,619 | | (16) | |
| | | | | | 28,855 | 28,386 | | | 1.02% |
| Containers-Pa | ckaging | | | | | | | | |
| Industrial Container Services, LLC(| Industrial container 6) | Senior secured loan (\$20 par due 9/2011) | 4.29% (Libor + 4.00%/M) | 6/21/2006 | 20 | 20 | \$ | 0.99(2) | |
| , , | manufacturer, reconditioner | Senior secured loan (\$161 par due 9/2011) | 4.26% (Libor + 4.00%/M) | 6/21/2006 | 161 | 161 | \$ | 1.00(2) | |
| | and servicer | Senior secured loan (\$308 par due 9/2011) | 4.29% (Libor + 4.00%/M) | 6/21/2006 | 308 | 308 | \$ | 1.00(3) | |
| | | Senior secured loan (\$2,463 par due 9/2011) | 4.26% (Libor + 4.00%/M) | 6/21/2006 | 2,463 | 2,463 | \$ | 1.00(3) | |
| | | Senior secured loan (\$134 par due 9/2011) | 4.29% (Libor + 4.00%/Q) S-75 | 6/21/2006 | 134 | 134 | \$ | 1.00(2) | |

| Company(1) | Industry | Investment Senior secured loan (\$2,052 | Interest(5)(10) 4.29% (Libor + 4.00%/Q) | Acquisition Date 6/21/2006 | Amortized Cost 2,052 | Fair Value 2,052 | Pe | r Value | Percentage of Net Assets |
|---|--------------------------------------|---|---|----------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|----|-------------|--------------------------------|
| | | par due 9/2011) Senior secured loan (\$67 | 5.75% (Base | 6/21/2006 | 67 | 67 | \$ | 1.00(2) | |
| | | par due 9/2011) Senior secured loan (\$1,026 par due 9/2011) | Rate + 2.50%/Q) 5.75% (Base Rate + 2.50%/Q) | 6/21/2006 | 1,026 | 1,026 | \$ | 1.00(3) | |
| | | Common units (1,800,000 units) | | 9/29/2005 | 1,800 | 13,086 | \$ | 7.27(16) | |
| | | | | | 8,031 | 19,317 | | | |
| | | | | | 8,031 | 19,317 | | | 0.70% |
| Health Clubs Athletic Club Holdings, Inc. | Premier health | Senior secured loan (\$7,250 par due 10/2013) | 4.76% (Libor + 4.50%/M) | 10/11/2007 | 7,250 | 6,380 | \$ | 0.88(2)(12) | |
| | club operator | Senior secured loan (\$11,500 par due 10/2013) | 4.76% (Libor + 4.50%/M) | 10/11/2007 | 11,500 | 10,120 | \$ | 0.88(3)(12) | |
| | | | | | 18,750 | 16,500 | | | |
| | | | | | 18,750 | 16,500 | | | 0.59% |
| Oil and Gas Geotrace Technologies, Inc. | Reservoir processing, | Warrants to purchase up to 80,063 shares of preferred | | 4/1/2010 | 1,738 | 824 | \$ | 10.29(16) | |
| | development | stock Warrants to purchase up to 130,390 shares of preferred | | 4/1/2010 | 1,067 | 1,343 | \$ | 10.30(16) | |
| | | stock Warrants to purchase up to 43,356 shares of common | | 4/1/2010 | 54 | | \$ | (16) | |
| | | stock Warrants to purchase up to 26,622 shares of common stock | | 4/1/2010 | 33 | | \$ | (16) | |
| | | | | | 2,892 | 2,167 | | | |
| | | | | | 2,892 | 2,167 | | | 0.08% |
| Housing Building HB&G Building Products | Materials Synthetic and wood product | Senior subordinated loan (\$8,956 par due 3/2013) | | 10/8/2004 | 8,991 | 179 | \$ | 0.02(13)(16 | 5) |
| | manufacturer | Warrants to purchase up to 4,464 shares of common stock | | 10/8/2004 | 653 | | \$ | (16) | |
| | | Common stock (2,743 shares) | | 10/8/2004 | 753 | | \$ | (16) | |
| | | | | | 10,397 | 179 | | | |
| | | | | | 10,397 | 179 | | | 0.01% |
| | | | | | \$4,174,139 | \$4,149,790 | | | |

- Other than our investments in AGILE Fund I, LLC, Allied Capital REIT, Inc., AllBridge Financial, LLC, Avborne, Inc., Aviation Properties Corporation, Border Foods, Inc., Callidus Capital Corporation, Ciena Capital LLC, Citipostal, Inc., Coverall North America, Inc., Crescent Equity Corp., EarthColor, Inc., Financial Pacific Company, HCI Equity, LLC, HCP Acquisition Holdings, LLC, Hot Light Brands, Inc., Hot Stuff Foods, LLC, Huddle House Inc., IAT Equity, LLC, Impact Innovations Group LLC, Ivy Hill Asset Management, L.P., Ivy Hill Middle Market Credit Fund, Ltd., Jakel, Inc., Knightsbridge CLO 2007-1 Ltd., Knightsbridge CLO 2008-1 Ltd., LVCG Holdings, LLC, Making Memories Wholesale, Inc., MVL Group, Inc, PENN Detroit Diesel Allison LLC, Reflexite Corporation, Senior Secured Loan Fund LLC, Stag-Parkway, Inc, Startec Equity, LLC and The Thymes, LLC, we do not "Control" any of our portfolio companies, as defined in the Investment Company Act. In general, under the Investment Company Act, we would "Control" a portfolio company if we owned more than 25% of its outstanding voting securities and/or had the power to exercise control over the management or policies of such portfolio company. All of our portfolio company investments are subject to legal restrictions on sales which as of September 30, 2010 represented 149% of the Company's net assets.
- (2)
 These assets are owned by the Company's wholly owned subsidiary Ares Capital CP, are pledged as collateral for the CP Funding Facility and, as a result, are not directly available to the creditors of the Company to satisfy any obligations of the Company other than Ares Capital CP's obligations under the CP Funding Facility (see Note 7 to the consolidated financial statements).
- (3) Pledged as collateral for the ARCC CLO.
- (4) Has a payment-in-kind interest feature (see Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements).
- (5) Investments without an interest rate are non-income producing at September 30, 2010.

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As defined in the Investment Company Act, we are an "Affiliated Person" of this portfolio company because we own 5% or more of the portfolio company's outstanding voting securities or we have the power to exercise control over the management or policies of such portfolio company (including through a management agreement). Transactions during the nine months ended September 30, 2010 in which the issuer was an Affiliated company (but not a portfolio company that we "Control") are as follows (in thousands):

| | | | | | G 1 | | st | Capital ructuri | ng | | • | | re | | | Net realized |
|---|----|---------|----------|--------------------|----------|----|-------|--------------------|----------|---------------|----------|-----|----|---------|----------|-----------------|
| Commony | ъ. | rchases | | emptions (cost) | | | | service fees | | idend come | | | • | gains | • | gains |
| Company 10th Street LLC | | 23,171 | | (cost) | (cost) | | come | \$ | | come | | ome | | osses) | | osses) |
| Air Medical Group | \$ | 29,405 | \$ \$ | 9,045 | \$ | \$ | 1,480 | \$ | \$ \$ | | \$ \$ | 12 | \$ | | \$ \$ | (2) 15,011 |
| Apple & Eve, LLC and US Juice Partners, LLC | \$ | 2,300 | \$ | 4.939 | | - | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | 34 | | | \$ | 628 |
| BB&T Capital | \$ | 13,943 | \$ | 1,066 | , , | \$ | 2,634 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | 34 | \$ | | \$ | 2,312 |
| Carador, PLC | \$ | 13,943 | \$ | 1,000 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | \$ | 318 | - | | \$ | | \$ | 2,098 |
| Campus Management Corp. and Campus | Φ | | Ф | | φ | Ф | | Ф | Ф | 310 | φ | | Ф | | Φ | 2,098 |
| Management Acquisition Corp. | \$ | | \$ | 43,462 | • | ¢ | 4,829 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | (4) | ¢ | | \$ | (221) |
| CT Technologies Intermediate Holdings, Inc. and | Ψ | | Ψ | 73,702 | Ψ | Ψ | 7,027 | Ψ | Ψ | | Ψ | (Ŧ) | Ψ | | Ψ | (221) |
| CT Technologies Holdings, LLC | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | \$ | 297 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | 2,999 |
| Direct Buy Holdings, Inc. and Direct Buy | Ψ | | Ψ | | Ψ | Ψ | 271 | Ψ | Ψ | | Ψ | | Ψ | | Ψ | 2,777 |
| Investors LP | \$ | 78,350 | \$ | 21 | \$ | \$ | 7.102 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | 1 | \$ | 1.494 |
| Driven Brands, Inc. | _ | 103,157 | \$ | | \$96,643 | _ | . , . | \$ | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | 843 | - | 990 |
| DSI Renal, Inc. | \$ | 1,505 | \$ | | \$ 7,991 | | 6,573 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | 26 | \$ | 3,090 | - | 6,488 |
| Firstlight Financial Corporation | \$ | -, | \$ | -, | \$ | \$ | - | \$ | \$ | | \$ | 250 | | -, | \$ | (7,353) |
| Growing Family, Inc. and GFH Holdings, LLC | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | \$ | 933 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | (1) | \$ | (7,659) | \$ | 9,113 |
| Imperial Capital Group, LLC | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | () | \$ | (,,,,,, | \$ | (300) |
| Industrial Container Services, LLC | \$ | 413 | \$ | 8,615 | \$ | \$ | 333 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | 120 | \$ | | \$ | 5,374 |
| InSight Pharmaceuticals Corporation | \$ | 66,791 | \$ | | \$ | \$ | 4,177 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | 557 |
| Investor Group Services, LLC | \$ | 100 | \$ | 100 | \$ | \$ | 172 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | 15 | \$ | | \$ | 38 |
| Multi-Ad Services, Inc. | \$ | 2,666 | \$ | 16 | \$ | \$ | 112 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | 13 | \$ | | \$ | 482 |
| Pillar Holdings LLC and PHL Holding Co. | \$ | | \$ | 4,261 | \$ | \$ | 1,796 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | 27 | \$ | | \$ | (738) |
| Primis Marketing Group, Inc. and Primis | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Holdings, LLC | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | (409) |
| Regency Equity Corp. | \$ | 2,007 | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | (229) |
| Service Champ, Inc. | \$ | 28,463 | \$ | 26,585 | \$28,463 | \$ | 208 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | 75 | \$ | | \$ | |
| Soteria Imaging Services, LLC | \$ | 4,080 | \$ | | \$ | \$ | 348 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | (255) |
| VSS-Tranzact Holdings, LLC | \$ | 204 | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | (1,941) |
| Universal Corporation | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | |
| Universal Trailer Corporation | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | |
| Wastequip, Inc. | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | 281 | \$ | | \$ | (984) |
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As defined in the Investment Company Act, we are an "Affiliated Person" of this portfolio company because we own 5% or more of the portfolio company's outstanding voting securities or we have the power to exercise control over the management or policies of such portfolio company (including through a management agreement). In addition, as defined in the Investment Company Act, we "Control" this portfolio company because we own more than 25% of the portfolio company's outstanding voting securities or we have the power to exercise control over the management or policies of such portfolio company (including through a management agreement). Transactions during the period for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 in which the issuer was both an Affiliated company and a portfolio company that we Control are as follows (in thousands):

| | | | | | | | | Capital | | | | | | | | |
|--|----|----------|-----|---------|--------|----|-----------|-------------|------|--------|----|--------|-------|---------|-------|------------|
| | | F | led | emption | sSales | Ir | iterest : | structuring | gDi | vidend | 0 | ther N | let r | ealize | Bet u | nrealized |
| Company | Pυ | ırchases | | (cost) | (cost) | ii | ncome | service fee | s Ir | come | in | come | ains | (losseg | ain | s (losses) |
| AGILE Fund I, LLC | \$ | 264 | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | \$ | 78 | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | (46) |
| Allied Capital REIT, Inc. | \$ | 765 | \$ | 600 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | 409 |
| AllBridge Financial, LLC | \$ | 11,370 | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | 29 | \$ | | \$ | (44) |
| Avborne, Inc. | \$ | 39 | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | |
| Aviation Properties Corporation | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | |
| Border Foods, Inc. | \$ | 68,944 | \$ | 5,600 | \$ | \$ | 2,111 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | (2,436) |
| Callidus Capital Corporation | \$ | 20,120 | \$ | 16,000 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | 2,580 |
| Ciena Capital LLC | \$ | 84,012 | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | (6,604) |
| Citipostal, Inc. | \$ | 63,261 | \$ | 510 | \$ | \$ | 4,322 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | 178 | \$ | | \$ | 10 |
| Coverall North America, Inc. | \$ | 40,189 | \$ | | \$ | \$ | 2,365 | | \$ | | \$ | 150 | \$ | | \$ | (7,282) |
| Crescent Equity Corp. | \$ | 6,653 | \$ | | \$ | \$ | 363 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | 216 | \$ | (2,620) |
| Direct Capital Corporation | \$ | 10,109 | \$ | 10,109 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | (31) | \$ | |
| EarthColor, Inc. | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | |
| Financial Pacific Company | \$ | 32,800 | \$ | | \$ | \$ | 3,638 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | 417 | \$ | | \$ | 1,500 |
| HCI Equity, LLC | \$ | 808 | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | 166 |
| HCP Acquisition | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Holdings, LLC | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | 898 |
| Hot Light Brands, Inc. | \$ | 6,746 | \$ | 1,372 | \$ | \$ | 2 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | 266 | \$ | 291 |
| Hot Stuff Foods, LLC | \$ | 69,168 | \$ | 8,120 | \$ | \$ | 787 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | 50 | \$ | | \$ | 6,840 |
| Huddle House Inc. | \$ | 19,607 | \$ | | \$ | \$ | 1,504 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | 375 | \$ | | \$ | (3,424) |
| IAT Equity, LLC | \$ | 13,419 | \$ | | \$ | \$ | 273 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | 63 | \$ | | \$ | 1,038 |
| Impact Innovations Group LLC | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | |
| Ivy Hill Asset | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Management, L.P. | \$ | 59,248 | \$ | 96 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | \$ | 4,296 | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | 12,503 |
| Ivy Hill Middle Market Credit | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fund, Ltd. | \$ | | \$ | | \$ 330 | \$ | 5,208 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | 884 |
| Jakel, Inc. | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | |
| Knightsbridge CLO | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2007-1 Ltd. | \$ | 14,852 | \$ | | \$ | \$ | 1,014 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | (9,056) |
| Knightsbridge CLO | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2008-1 Ltd. | \$ | 36,996 | \$ | | \$ | \$ | 1,499 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | (4,938) |
| LVCG Holdings, LLC | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | (198) |
| Making Memories | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Wholesale, Inc. | \$ | 1,250 | \$ | 427 | \$ | \$ | 1,012 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | 186 | \$ | 50 | \$ | (2,804) |
| MVL Group, Inc. | \$ | 60,707 | \$ | | \$ | \$ | 4,242 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | 1,257 |
| PENN Detroit Diesel | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Allison LLC | \$ | 20,069 | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | 250 | \$ | | \$ | (1,450) |
| Reflexite Corporation | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | \$ | 2,572 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | 75 | \$ | | \$ | 4,525 |
| Senior Secured Loan | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fund LLC* | \$ | 254,583 | \$ | 15,410 | \$ | \$ | 30,242 | \$ 15,146 | \$ | | \$ | 3,790 | \$ | 795 | \$ | 25,049 |
| Stag-Parkway, Inc. | \$ | 36,810 | \$ | | \$ | \$ | 970 | | \$ | | \$ | 167 | \$ | | \$ | 14,090 |
| Startec Equity, LLC | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | |
| The Thymes, LLC | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | \$ | 421 | \$ | \$ | (163) | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | 183 |
| • | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Together with GE Commercial Finance Investment Advisory Services LLC ("GE"), we serve as co-managers of the Senior Secured Loan Fund LLC. Investments made by the program (and most decisions made in respect of program borrowers and the program itself) must be approved by both the Company and GE; therefore, although the Company owns more than 25% of the voting securities of the LLC, the Company does not believe that it has control over the Senior Secured Loan Fund (for purposes of the Investment Company Act of 1940 or otherwise).

Non-U.S. company or principal place of business outside the U.S. and as a result is not a qualifying asset under Section 55(a) of the Investment Company Act. Under the Investment Company Act, we may not acquire any non-qualifying asset unless, at the time such acquisition is made, qualifying assets represent at least 70% of our total assets.

Non-registered investment company.

- A majority of the variable rate loans to our portfolio companies bear interest at a rate that may be determined by reference to either Libor or an alternate Base Rate (commonly based on the Federal Funds Rate or the Prime Rate), at the borrower's option, which reset annually (A), semi-annually (S), quarterly (Q), bi-monthly (B), monthly (M) or daily (D). For each such loan, we have provided the interest rate in effect at September 30, 2010.
- (11)

 In addition to the interest earned based on the stated interest rate of this security, we are entitled to receive an additional interest amount of 5% on \$40 million aggregate principal amount of the portfolio company's senior term debt previously syndicated by us.
- In addition to the interest earned based on the stated interest rate of this security, we are entitled to receive an additional interest amount of 2.50% on \$25.0 million aggregate principal amount of the portfolio company's senior term debt previously syndicated by us.
- (13) Loan was on non-accrual status as of September 30, 2010.
- (14) Loan includes interest rate floor feature.
- In addition to the interest earned based on the stated interest rate of this security, the notes entitle us to receive a portion of the excess cash flow from the Senior Secured Loan Fund's loan portfolio, which may result in a return greater than the contractual rate.
- (16) Pledge as collateral for the Revolving Credit Facility.
- (17) Public company.

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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ARES CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS As of December 31, 2009

(dollar amounts in thousands, except per unit data)

| Company(1) | Industry | Investment | Interest(5)(10) | Acquisition Date | Amortized Cost | Fair Value | Fair Value Per Unit | Percentage of Net Assets |
|--|------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Healthcare Se American Renal | Dialysis provider | Senior secured loan (\$902 par due 12/2010) | 8.50% (Libor + 5.00%/D) | 12/14/2005 | \$ 902 | \$ 902 | \$ 1.00(3 |)(15) |
| Associates, Inc. | | Senior secured loan (\$10,389 par due 12/2011) | 8.50% (Libor + 5.00%/Q) | 12/14/2005 | 10,389 | 10,389 | \$ 1.00(3 |)(15) |
| | | | | | 11,291 | 11,291 | | |
| Capella Healthcare, Inc. | Acute care | Junior secured loan (\$12,500 par due 2/2016) | 13.00% | 2/29/2008 | 12,500 | 12,500 | \$ 1.00 | |
| ricamicare, inc. | operator | Junior secured loan (\$30,000 par due 2/2016) | 13.00% | 2/29/2008 | 30,000 | 30,000 | \$ 1.00(2 |) |
| | | | | | 42,500 | 42,500 | | |
| CT Technologies Intermediate | Healthcare analysis services | Preferred stock (7,427 shares) | 14.00% PIK | 6/15/2007 | 8,467 | 8,043 | \$ 950.00(4 |) |
| Holdings, Inc. and CT Technologies | services | Common stock (9,679 shares) | | 6/15/2007 | 4,000 | 8,114 | \$ 840.00 | |
| Holdings, LLC(| (6) | Common stock (1,546 shares) | | 6/15/2007 | 12,467 | 16,157 | | |
| DSI Renal, Inc. | Dialysis provider | Senior secured revolving loan (\$2 par due 3/2011) | 7.25% (Base Rate + 4.00%/M) | 4/4/2006 | 2 | 2 | \$ 0.95 | |
| , | France | Senior secured revolving loan (\$132 par due 3/2011) | 7.25% (Base Rate + 4.00%/M) | 4/4/2006 | 132 | 126 | \$ 0.95 | |
| | | Senior secured revolving loan (\$20 par due 3/2011) | 7.25% (Base Rate + 4.00%/M) | 4/4/2006 | 20 | 19 | \$ 0.95 | |
| | | Senior secured revolving loan (\$7,392 par due 3/2011) | 7.25% (Base Rate + 4.00%/M) | 4/4/2006 | 7,392 | 7,022 | \$ 0.95 | |
| | | Senior secured revolving loan (\$122 par due 3/2011) | 7.25% (Base Rate + 4.00%/M) | 4/4/2006 | 122 | 116 | \$ 0.95 | |
| | | Senior secured loan (\$339 par due 3/2013) | 7.25% (Base Rate + 4.00%/Q) | 4/4/2006 | 237 | 322 | \$ 0.95 | |
| | | Senior secured loan (\$44 par due 3/2013) | 7.25% (Base Rate + 4.00%/Q) | 4/4/2006 | 31 | 42 | \$ 0.95 | |
| | | Senior secured loan (\$16,960 par due 3/2013) | 7.25% (Base Rate + 4.00%/Q) | 4/4/2006 | 12,323 | 16,112 | | |
| | | Senior subordinated loan (\$66,552 par due 4/2014) | 16.00% PIK | 4/4/2006 | 66,215 | 63,220 | | • |
| | | Senior subordinated loan (\$14,285 par due 4/2014) | 16.00% PIK | 4/4/2006 | 14,211 | 13,571 | \$ 0.95(3 |)(4) |
| | | | | | 100,685 | 100,552 | | |
| GG Merger Sub I, Inc. | Drug testing services | Senior secured loan (\$11,330 par due 12/2014) | 4.26% (Libor + 4.00%/Q) | 12/14/2007 | 10,919 | 10,197 | \$ 0.90(2 |) |
| | | Senior secured loan (\$12,000 par due 12/2014) | 4.26% (Libor + 4.00%/Q) | 12/14/2007 | 11,460 | 10,800 | \$ 0.90(3 |) |

| | | | | | 22,379 | 20,997 | |
|--|---|--|--------------------------------------|-----------|--------|--------|---------------|
| HCP Acquisition Holdings, LLC(| Healthcare compliance 7advisory services | Class A units (10,044,176 units) | | 6/26/2008 | 10,044 | 4,256 | \$ 0.72 |
| Heartland Dental Care, Inc. | Dental services | Senior subordinated loan (\$32,717 par due 8/2013) | 11.00% Cash, 3.25% PIK | 7/31/2008 | 32,717 | 32,717 | \$ 1.00(4) |
| Magnacare Holdings, Inc., Magnacare Administrative Services, LLC, and Magnacare, LLC | Health plan management company | Senior subordinated loan (\$4,670 par due 1/2013) | 12.75% Cash, 2.00% PIK S-79 | 2/9/2009 | 3,363 | 4,670 | \$ 1.00(4) |
| | | | 3-79 | | | | |

| Company(1) MPBP Holdings, Inc | Healthcare c.,equipment | Investment Senior secured loan (\$997 par due 1/2013) | Interest(5)(10) | Acquisition Date 1/31/2007 | Amortized Cost 489 | Fair Value 628 | Fair Value Per Unit \$ 0.63 | Percentage of Net Assets |
|-------------------------------------|---|---|------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Holdings, Inc and MPBP | services | Junior secured loan | 6.48% | 1/31/2007 | 20,049 | 5,000 | \$ 0.25 | |
| Acquisition (| Co., Inc. | (\$20,000 par due 1/2014) Junior secured loan | (Libor + 6.25%/B) 6.48% | 1/31/2007 | 12,000 | 3,000 | \$ 0.25(3) | |
| | | (\$12,000 par due 1/2014) Common stock (50,000 shares) | (Libor + 6.25%/B) | 1/31/2007 | 5,000 | | | |
| | | | | | 37,538 | 8,628 | | |
| MWD Acquisition Sub, Inc. | Dental services | Junior secured loan (\$5,000 par due 5/2012) | 6.48% (Libor + 6.25%/M) | 5/3/2007 | 5,000 | 4,350 | \$ 0.87(3) | |
| OnCURE Medical | Radiation oncology care | Senior secured loan (\$3,068 par due 6/2012) | 3.75% (Libor + 3.50%/M) | 8/18/2006 | 3,068 | 2,761 | \$ 0.90(3) | |
| Corp. | provider | Senior subordinated loan (\$32,642 par due 8/2013) | 11.00% Cash, 1.50% PIK | 8/18/2006 | 32,664 | 29,378 | \$ 0.90(4) | |
| | | Common stock (857,143 shares) | 7.11 | 8/18/2006 | 3,000 | 3,000 | \$ 3.50 | |
| | | | | | 38,732 | 35,139 | | |
| Passport Health Communicat | Healthcare technology | Senior secured loan (\$12,660 par due 5/2014) | 10.50% (Libor + 7.50%/M) | 5/9/2008 | 12,660 | 12,660 | \$ 1.00(2)(1 | 5) |
| Inc., Passport Holding Corp. and | provider | Senior secured loan (\$11,686 par due 5/2014) | 10.50% (Libor + 7.50%/M) | 5/9/2008 | 11,686 | 11,686 | \$ 1.00(3)(1 | 5) |
| Prism Holding Corp. | | Series A preferred stock (1,594,457 shares) | | 7/30/2008 | 9,900 | 9,900 | \$ 6.21 | |
| corp. | | Common stock (16,106 shares) | | 7/30/2008 | 100 | 100 | \$ 6.21 | |
| | | | | | 34,346 | 34,346 | | |
| PG Mergersub, I | Provider of nopatient surveys, | Senior subordinated loan (\$4,000 par due 3/2016) | 12.50% | 3/12/2008 | 3,938 | 4,000 | \$ 1.00 | |
| | management reports and national databases for the integrated healthcare delivery system | Preferred stock (333 shares) Common stock (16,667 shares) | | 3/12/2008 3/12/2008 | 333 167 | 333 167 | \$ 1,000.00 \$ 10.00 | |
| | | | | | 4,438 | 4,500 | | |
| The Schumacher Group of | | Junior secured loan (\$5,229 par due 7/2013) | 11.13% Cash, 1.00% PIK | 7/18/2008 | 5,229 | 5,229 | \$ 1.00(4) | |
| Delaware, In | c. service provider | Junior secured loan (\$30,909 par due 7/2013) | 11.13% Cash, 1.00% PIK | 7/18/2008 | 30,943 | 30,909 | \$ 1.00(2)(4 | () |

| | | | | | 36,172 | 36,138 | | |
|------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|------------------------------|------------|---------|---------|-------------|--------|
| Univita Health, Inc. | Outsourced services provider | Senior subordinated loan (\$20,500 par due 12/2014) | 15.00% | 12/22/2009 | 20,500 | 20,500 | \$ 1.00 | |
| VOTC Acquisition Corp. | Radiation oncology care | Senior secured loan (\$17,417 par due 7/2012) | 11.00% Cash, 2.00% PIK | 6/30/2008 | 17,417 | 17,417 | \$ 1.00(4) | |
| corp. | provider | Preferred stock (3,888,222 shares) | TIK | 7/14/2008 | 8,748 | 3,800 | \$ 0.98 | |
| | | | | | 26,165 | 21,217 | | |
| | | | | | 438,337 | 397,958 | | 31.64% |
| Investment | | | | | | | | |
| Funds CIC Flex, LP(9) | Investment partnership | Limited partnership units (0.69 unit) | | 9/7/2007 | 41 | 41 | \$40,505.00 | |
| Covestia Capital | Investment partnership | Limited partnership interest (47% interest) | | 6/17/2008 | 1,059 | 1,059 | | |
| Partners, LP(| 9) | | S-80 | | | | | |

| Company(1) Firstlight Financial Corporation(6) | Industry Investment company | Investment Senior subordinated loan (\$73,077 par due 12/2016) | Interest(5)(10) 1.00% PIK | Acquisition Date 12/31/2006 | Amortized Cost 73,032 | Fair Value 54,808 | V | Fair Value Per Unit 0.75(4) | Percentage of Net Assets |
|---|--|--|------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|----|---|--------------------------------|
| Corporation(o | 1(9) | Common stock | | 12/31/2006 | 10,000 | | | | |
| | | (10,000 shares) Common stock (30,000 shares) | | 12/31/2006 | 30,000 | | | | |
| | | | | | 113,032 | 54,808 | | | |
| Ivy Hill Middle Marke Credit Fund, Ltd. | Investment t company | Class B deferrable interest notes (\$40,000 par due 11/2018) | 6.28% (Libor + 6.00%/Q) | 11/20/2007 | 40,000 | 36,800 | \$ | 0.92 | |
| (7)(8)(9) | | Subordinated notes (\$15,681 par due 11/2018) | 18.70% | 11/20/2007 | 15,681 | 14,583 | \$ | 0.93 | |
| | | | | | 55,681 | 51,383 | | | |
| Partnership Capital Growth Fund I, LP(9) | Investment partnership | Limited partnership interest (25% interest) | | 6/16/2006 | 3,045 | 3,045 | | | |
| Senior Secured Loan Fund LLC(7)(| Investment partnership 17) | Subordinated certificates (\$172,796 par due 12/2015) | (Libor + 8.00%/Q) | 10/30/2009 | 165,000 | 165,000 | \$ | 0.95 | |
| Trivergance Co Partners, LP(9 | | Limited partnership interest (100% interest) | | 6/5/2008 | 2,016 | 2,016 | | | |
| | | | | | 339,874 | 277,352 | | | 22.05% |
| Education Campus Mana Corp. and Cam | • | Senior secured loan (\$3,256 par due 8/2013) | 10.00% Cash, 3.00% PIK | 2/8/2008 | 3,256 | 3,256 | \$ | 1.00(4)(16) | |
| Management Acquisition Co | developer orp.(6) | Senior secured loan (\$30,269 par due 8/2013) | 10.00% Cash, 3.00% PIK | 2/8/2008 | 30,269 | 30,269 | \$ | 1.00(2)(4)(16 |) |
| | | Senior secured loan (\$8,961 par due 8/2013) | 10.00% Cash, 3.00% PIK | 2/8/2008 | 8,961 | 8,961 | \$ | 1.00(16)(4) | |
| | | Preferred stock (493,147 shares) | 8.00% PIK | 2/8/2008 | 9,668 | 13,750 | \$ | 27.88(4) | |
| | | | | | 52,154 | 56,236 | | | |
| ELC Acquisition Corporation | Developer, manufacturer | Senior secured loan (\$162 par due 11/2012) | 3.48% (Libor + 3.25%/M) | 11/30/2006 | 162 | 157 | \$ | 0.97(3) | |
| • | and retailer of educational products | Junior secured loan (\$8,333 par due 11/2013) | 7.23% (Libor + 7.00%/M) | 11/30/2006 | 8,333 | 8,167 | \$ | 0.98(3) | |
| | | | | | 8,495 | 8,324 | | | |
| Instituto de Ba Comercio, Inc. | n P ariwate school operator | Senior secured loan (\$11,700 par due 3/2014) | 8.50% (Libor + 6.00%/Q) | 3/15/2007 | 11,700 | 11,700 | \$ | 1.00(3)(15) | |

| Leeds IV Advisors, Inc.(| (8) | Senior subordinated loan (\$30,877 par due 6/2014) | 13.00% Cash, 3.00% PIK | 6/4/2008 | 30,877 | 30,877 | \$ | 1.00 |
|--|-------------------------------------|--|------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------|-----------------|
| | | Preferred stock (165,811 shares) | 1111 | 6/4/2008 | 788 | 2,124 | \$ | 12.81 |
| | | Preferred stock | | 3/31/2009 | 668 | 1,801 | \$ | 12.81 |
| | | (140,577 shares) Common stock | | 6/4/2008 | 54 | 2,745 | \$ | 12.81 |
| | | (214,286 shares) Common stock (140,577 shares) | | 3/31/2009 | 35 | 1,801 | \$ | 12.81 |
| | | | | | 44,122 | 51,048 | | |
| JTC Education Holdings, Inc. | Postsecondary school operator | Senior secured loan (\$31,250 par due 12/2014) | 12.50% (Libor + 9.50%/M) | 12/31/2009 | 31,250 | 31,250 | \$ | 1.00(15) |
| Lakeland Finar | nderik⁄ati€ school operator | Junior secured loan Junior secured loan (\$24,231 par due 12/2012) | 11.50% 11.50% | 12/13/2005 12/13/2005 | 2,423 24,231 | 2,423 24,231 | \$ \$ | 1.00 1.00(2) |
| | | | | | 26,654 | 26,654 | | |
| R3 Education, Inc (formerly know | | Senior secured loan (\$791 par due 6/2010) | 9.00% (Libor + 6.00%/M) | 4/24/2009 | 791 | 1,101 | \$ | 1.39(15) |
| Equinox EIC Partners, LLC | • | Senior secured loan (\$7,275 par due 4/2013) | 9.00% (Libor + 6.00%/M) S-81 | 4/3/2007 | 7,275 | 10,127 | \$ | 1.39(3)(15) |

| Company(1) Industry MUA Management | Investment Senior secured loan (\$5,041 par due 4/2013) | Interest(5)(10) 13.00% PIK | Acquisition Date 12/8/2009 | Amortized Cost 1,244 | Fair Value 3,186 | Fair Value Per Unit 0.63 | Percentage of Net Assets |
|---|---|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Company)(7)(8) | Senior secured loan | 9.00% | 9/21/2007 | 14,113 | 19,646 | \$ 1.39(15) | |
| | (\$14,113 par due 4/2013) Preferred stock (8,800 shares) Warrants to purchase 27,890 shares | (Libor + 6.00%/M) | | 2,200 | 1,100 | \$ 125.00 | |
| | Common membership interest (26.27% interest) | | 9/21/2007 | 15,800 | 11,515 | | |
| | | | | 41,423 | 46,675 | | |
| | | | | 204,098 | 220,187 | | 17.50% |
| Services Other American Plumbing, Residential heating and Services, LLC air-conditioning services | Junior secured loan (\$20,608 par due 4/2015) | 10.00% Cash, 2.00% PIK | 4/17/2007 | 20,608 | 20,195 | \$ 0.98(2)(4) | |
| Diversified Col Collect ions Services, Inc. services | Senior secured loan (\$10,529 par due 2/2011) | 9.50% (Libor + 6.75%/M) | 2/2/2005 | 9,280 | 10,529 | \$ 1.00(2)(15 | 5) |
| Services, Inc. services | Senior secured loan (\$3,747 par due 2/2011) | 9.50% (Libor + 6.75%/M) | 2/2/2005 | 3,747 | 3,747 | \$ 1.00(3)(15 | 5) |
| | Senior secured loan (\$1,931 par due 8/2011) | 13.75% (Libor + 11.00%/M) | 2/2/2005 | 1,931 | 1,931 | \$ 1.00(2)(15 | 5) |
| | Senior secured loan (\$7,492 par due 8/2011) | 13.75% (Libor + 11.00%/M) | 2/2/2005 | 7,492 | 7,492 | \$ 1.00(3)(15 | 5) |
| | Preferred stock (14,927 shares) | (21001 : 11100 /0/111) | 5/18/2006 | 169 | 269 | \$ 18.02 | |
| | Common stock (114,004 shares) | | 2/2/2005 | 295 | 402 | \$ 3.53 | |
| | | | | 22,914 | 24,370 | | |
| GCA Custodial Services services Group, Inc. | Senior secured loan \$(13,255 par due 12/2011) | 12.00% | 12/15/2006 | 13,171 | 13,255 | \$ 1.00 | |
| | Senior secured loan \$(14,768 par due 12/2011) | 12.00% | 12/15/2006 | 14,765 | 14,768 | \$ 1.00(2) | |
| | Senior secured loan \$(9,866 par due 12/2011) | 12.00% | 12/15/2006 | 9,866 | 9,866 | \$ 1.00(3) | |
| | | | | 37,802 | 37,889 | | |
| Growing Photography Family, Inc. andervices GFH Holdings, LLC | Senior secured loan \$(11,188 par due 8/2011) | | 3/16/2007 | 11,188 | 2,238 | \$ 0.20(4)(14 | !) |
| 5111101amgs, 220 | Senior secured loan \$(372 par due 8/2011) | | 3/16/2007 | 372 | 74 | \$ 0.20(4)(14 | 1) |
| | Senior secured revolving loan \$(2,500 par due 8/2011) | | 3/16/2007 | 1,513 | 303 | \$ 0.20(4)(14 | 4) |
| | Senior secured loan \$(3,575 par due 8/2011) | | 3/16/2007 | 3,575 | 715 | \$ 0.20(4)(14 | 4) |
| | Senior secured loan \$(147 par due 8/2011) Common stock | | 3/16/2007 3/16/2007 | 147 872 | 29 | \$ 0.20(4)(14 | 1) |
| | (552,430 shares) | | | | | | |

| | | | | | 17,667 | 3,359 | | |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|-------------------|------------|--------|--------|------|---------|
| NPA Acquisit | | Junior secured loan | 6.98% | 8/23/2006 | 12,000 | 12,000 | \$ | 1.00(3) |
| | vehicle auction operator | \$(12,000 par due 2/2013) Common units (1,709 units) | (Libor + 6.75%/M) | 8/23/2006 | 1,000 | 2,570 | \$1, | 503.80 |
| | | | | | 13,000 | 14,570 | | |
| PODS Funding Corp. | Storage and warehousing | Senior subordinated loan \$(25,125 par due 6/2015) | 15.00% | 12/23/2009 | 25,125 | 25,125 | \$ | 1.00 |
| согр. | provider | Subordinated loan \$(6,500 par due 12/2015) | 16.64% | 12/23/2009 | 5,079 | 5,070 | \$ | 0.78 |
| | | | S-82 | | 30,204 | 30,195 | | |

| | | | | Acquisition | | Fair | V | Fair Talue Per | Percentage of Net |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|---|-----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|----|----------------------|-------------------|
| Services Company, LLC | Industry Laundry service and equipment | Investment Senior secured loan \$(4,938 par due 8/2014) | Interest(5)(10) 7.00% (Base Rate + 3.75%/Q) | Date 6/15/2009 | Cost 4,607 | Value 4,938 | \$ | Unit 1.00(3) | Assets |
| | provider | Senior subordinated loan \$(18,219 par due 8/2016) | 11.50% Cash, 2.50% PIK | 8/29/2008 | 18,219 | 17,308 | \$ | 0.95(4) | |
| | | Senior subordinated loan \$(25,804 par due 8/2016) | 11.50% Cash, 2.50% PIK | 8/29/2008 | 25,804 | 24,513 | \$ | 0.95(2)(4) | |
| | | | | | 48,630 | 46,759 | | | |
| | | | | | 190,825 | 177,337 | | | 14.10% |
| Restaurants and Food Services | | | | | | | | | |
| ADF Capital, Inc. & ADF Restaurant | Restaurant owner and operator | Senior secured revolving loan \$(3,592 par due 11/2012) | 6.50% (Libor + 3.00% Cash, 0.50% PIK/S) | 11/27/2006 | 2,010 | 2,010 | \$ | 0.56(4)(15) | |
| Group, LLC | | Senior secured revolving loan \$(1,408 par due 11/2012) | 6.50% (Base Rate + 2.50%/Q) | 11/27/2006 | 1,408 | 1,408 | \$ | 1.00(4)(15) | |
| | | Senior secured loan \$(23,574 par due 11/2013) | 12.50% (Libor + 6.50% Cash, | 11/27/2006 | 23,580 | 23,574 | \$ | 1.00(2)(4)(15 | 5) |
| | | Senior secured loan \$(11,049 par due 11/2013) | 3.00% PIK/Q) 12.50% (Libor + 6.50% Cash, | 11/27/2006 | 11,049 | 11,049 | \$ | 1.00(3)(4)(15 | 5) |
| | | Promissory note \$(13,105 par due 11/2016) | 3.00% PIK/Q) 12.00% PIK | 6/1/2006 | 13,093 | 13,105 | \$ | 1.00(4) | |
| | | Warrants to purchase 0.61 shares | | 6/1/2006 | | 2,719 | | | |
| | | | | | 51,140 | 53,865 | | | |
| Encanto Restaurants, Ind | Restaurant o(8))er and | Junior secured loan \$(20,997 par due 8/2013) | 7.50% Cash, 3.50% PIK | 8/16/2006 | 20,997 | 19,947 | \$ | 0.95(2)(4) | |
| • | operator | Junior secured loan \$(3,999 par due 8/2013) | 7.50% Cash + 3.50% PIK | 8/16/2006 | 3,999 | 3,799 | \$ | 0.95(3)(4) | |
| | | | | | 24,996 | 23,746 | | | |
| Management, In | Airport restaurant operator | Senior secured loan \$(16,149 par due 6/2013) | 20.500% (Libor + 11.00% Cash, 6.50% PIK/M) | 6/19/2008 | 16,149 | 16,149 | \$ | 1.00(4)(15) | |
| | | Warrants to purchase up to 88,991 shares of common stock Warrants to purchase up to 9 shares of common stock | 0.50 // FIMINI) | | | 1,102 | | | |
| | | | | | 16,149 | 17,251 | | | |

| Vistar Corporation and | Food service distributor | Senior subordinated loan \$(43,625 par due 5/2015) | 13.50% | 5/23/2008 | 43,625 | 41,444 | \$ 0.95 | |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|------------------------------|-----------|---------|---------|-------------------|--------|
| Wellspring Distribution Corp. | | Senior subordinated loan \$(30,000 par due 5/2015) | 13.50% | 5/23/2008 | 30,000 | 28,500 | \$ 0.95(2) | |
| 1 | | Class A non-voting common stock (1,366,120 shares) | | 5/23/2008 | 7,500 | 4,050 | \$ 2.96 | |
| | | | | | 81,125 | 73,994 | | |
| | | | | | 173,410 | 168,856 | | 13.42% |
| Beverage, Food and Tobacco | | | | | | | | |
| 3091779 Nov | a Baked goods manufacturer | Senior secured revolving loan \$(5,485 par due 1/2010) | 8.00% | 11/2/2007 | 1,385 | 1,494 | \$ 0.27(4)(12) | |
| Seedla IIIe.(6) | | Senior secured revolving loan \$(1,016 par due 1/2010) | 8.00% | 11/2/2007 | 1,016 | 969 | \$ 0.95 | |
| | | Junior secured loan \$(14,386 par due 1/2010) | 10.00% Cash, 4.00% PIK | 11/2/2007 | 15,147 | 10,292 | \$ 0.72(4)(12) | |
| | | Warrants to purchase 57,545 shares | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 17,548 | 12,755 | | |
| | | | S-83 | | | | | |

| Company(1) Apple & Eve, LLC and US Juice Partners, LLC | Industry Juice manufacturer | Investment Senior secured revolving loan \$(10,000 par due 10/2013) | Interest(5)(10) 12.00% (Libor + 9.00%/M) | Acquisition Date 10/5/2007 | Amortized Cost 3,000 | Fair Value 3,000 | V | Fair Value Per Unit 0.30(15) | Percentage of Net Assets |
|--|---|--|---|----------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|-------|--|--------------------------------|
| (6) | | Senior secured loan \$(17,963 par due 10/2013) | 12.00% (Libor + 9.00%/M) | 10/5/2007 | 17,963 | 17,963 | \$ | 1.00(15) | |
| | | Senior secured loan \$(15,937 par due 10/2013) | 12.00% (Libor + 9.00%/M) | 10/5/2007 | 15,937 | 15,937 | \$ | 1.00(3)(15 |) |
| | | Senior units (50,000 units) | (=====, | | 5,000 | 5,000 | \$ | 100.00 | |
| | | | | | 41,900 | 41,900 | | | |
| Best Brands Cor | p Brakieth goods manufacturer | Senior secured loan \$(324 par due 12/2012) | 7.48% (Libor + 7.25%/M) | 2/15/2008 | 324 | 324 | \$ | 1.00(4) | |
| | | Senior secured loan \$(13,034 par due 12/2012) | 7.48% (Libor + 7.25%/M) | 2/15/2008 | 11,035 | 13,034 | \$ | 1.00(2)(4) | |
| | | Junior secured loan \$(28,692 par due 6/2013) | 12.00% Cash, 4.00% PIK | 12/14/2006 | 28,112 | 28,692 | \$ | 1.00(4) | |
| | | Junior secured loan \$(11,733 par due 6/2013) | 12.00% Cash, 4.00% | 12/14/2006 | 11,733 | 11,733 | \$ | 1.00(2)(4) | |
| | | Junior secured loan \$(8,611 par due 6/2013) | PIK 12.00% Cash, 4.00% PIK | 12/14/2006 | 8,531 | 8,611 | \$ | 1.00(3)(4) | |
| | | | | | 59,735 | 62,394 | | | |
| Bumble Bee Foo and BB Co-Inve | · · | Common stock (4,000 shares) | | 11/18/2008 | 4,000 | 6,760 | \$ 1. | ,690.00 | |
| Charter Baking | Baked goods | Senior subordinated loan | 13.00% PIK | 2/6/2008 | 5,883 | 5,883 | \$ | 1.00(4) | |
| Company, Inc. | manufacturer | \$(5,883 par due 2/2013) Preferred stock (6,258 shares) | | 9/1/2006 | 2,500 | 1,725 | \$ | 275.64 | |
| | | | | | 12,383 | 14,368 | | | |
| | | | | | 131,566 | 131,417 | | | 10.45% |
| Retail Apogee Retail, L | thrift | Senior secured loan \$(1,859 par due 3/2012) | 5.23% (Libor + 5.00%/M) | 3/27/2007 | 1,859 | 1,747 | \$ | 0.94 | |
| | retailer | Senior secured loan | 5.23% | 3/27/2007 | 2,969 | 2,791 | \$ | 0.94(2) | |
| | | \$(2,969 par due 3/2012) Senior secured loan \$(26,670 par due 3/2012) | (Libor + 5.00%/M) 5.23% (Libor + 5.00%/M) | 3/27/2007 | 26,670 | 25,070 | \$ | 0.94(2) | |
| | | Senior secured loan \$(11,670 par due 3/2012) | 5.23% (Libor + 5.00%/M) | 3/27/2007 | 11,670 | 10,970 | \$ | 0.94(3) | |
| | | Senior secured loan \$(11,069 par due 9/2012) | 12.00% Cash, 4.00% PIK | 5/28/2008 | 11,069 | 11,069 | \$ | 1.00(4) | |
| | | Senior secured loan \$(11,411 par due 9/2012) | 12.00% Cash, 4.00% PIK | 5/28/2008 | 11,411 | 11,411 | \$ | 1.00(4) | |
| | | | | | 65,648 | 63,058 | | | |

| Dufry AG(8) | Retail newsstand operator | Common stock (39,056 shares) | | 3/28/2008 | 3,000 | 2,638 | \$ 0.44 |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|---|-----------|--------|--------|------------------|
| Savers, Inc. and Acquisition | SA or-profit thrift retailer | Senior subordinated loan \$(5,524 par due 8/2014) | 10.00% Cash, 2.00% PIK | 8/8/2006 | 5,524 | 5,524 | \$ 1.00(4) |
| Corporation | | Senior subordinated loan \$(20,323 par due 8/2014) | 10.00% Cash, 2.00% PIK | 8/8/2006 | 20,323 | 20,323 | \$ 1.00(2)(4) |
| | | Common stock (1,170,182 shares) | | 8/8/2006 | 4,500 | 5,840 | \$ 4.95 |
| | | | | | 30,347 | 31,687 | |
| Things Rememb | | Senior secured loan \$(11 par due 9/2012) | 5.50% Cash, 1.00% PIK Option | 9/28/2006 | 11 | 9 | \$ 0.84(3)(4) |
| Corporation | | Senior secured loan \$(3,626 par due 9/2012) | 5.50% Cash, 1.00% PIK Option | 9/28/2006 | 3,624 | 2,901 | \$ 0.80(3)(4) |
| | | Senior secured loan \$(68 par due 9/2012) | 5.50% Cash, 1.00% PIK Option | 9/28/2006 | 68 | 55 | \$ 0.80(4) |
| | | Senior secured Ioan \$(18 par due 9/2012) | 5.50% Cash, 1.00% PIK Option S-84 | 9/28/2006 | 18 | 14 | \$ 0.80(3) |

| Company(1) | Industry | Investment Senior secured loan | Interest(5)(10) 5.50% Cash, 1.00% | Acquisition Date 9/28/2006 | Amortized Cost 28,388 | Fair Value 22,722 | P | Value er nit 0.80 | Percentage of Net Assets |
|---|------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|--------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| | | \$(28,402 par due 9/2012) Senior secured loan | PIK Option 5.50% Cash, 1.00% | 9/28/2006 | 7,300 | 5,843 | \$ | 0.80(3) | |
| | | \$(7,303 par due 9/2012) Preferred stock (73 shares) Preferred stock (80 shares) Warrants to purchase 859 shares of | PIK Option | 3/19/2009 9/28/2006 3/19/2009 | 1,800 | | | | |
| | | preferred shares Common stock (800 shares) | | 9/28/2006 | 200 | | | | |
| | | | | | 41,409 | 31,544 | | | |
| | | | | | 140,404 | 128,927 | | | 10.25% |
| Business Services | | | | | | | | | |
| Booz Allen Hamilton, Inc. | 0, | Senior secured loan \$(741 par due 7/2015) | 7.50% (Libor + 4.50%/S) | 7/31/2008 | 727 | 741 | | 1.00(3)(15) | |
| | consulting services | Senior subordinated loan \$(250 par due 7/2016) | 11.00% Cash, 2.00% | 7/31/2008 | 245 | 250 | \$ | 1.00(4) | |
| | | Senior subordinated loan \$(12,400 par due 7/2016) | PIK 11.00% Cash, 2.00% PIK | 7/31/2008 | 12,296 | 12,400 | \$ | 1.00(2)(4) | |
| | | | | | 13,268 | 13,391 | | | |
| Investor Group Services, LLC(| Financial services 6) | Limited liability company membership interest (10.00% interest) | | 6/22/2006 | | 500 | | | |
| Pillar Holdings LLC | Mortgage services | Senior secured revolving loan | 5.78% (Libor + 5.50%/B) | 11/20/2007 | 1,313 | 1,313 | \$ | 0.35 | |
| and PHL Holding Co.(6) | | \$(3,750 par due 11/2013) Senior secured loan | 5.78% | 11/20/2007 | 16.750 | 16,752 | ¢ | 1.00(2) | |
| | | \$(16,752 par due 11/2013) Senior secured loan | 5.78% (Libor + 5.50%/B) 5.78% | 11/20/2007 11/20/2007 | 16,752 10,456 | 10,732 | | 1.00(2) 1.00(3) | |
| | | \$(10,456 par due 11/2013) Senior secured loan | (Libor + 5.50%/B) 14.50% | 7/31/2008 | 1,875 | 1,875 | | 1.00(3) | |
| | | \$(1,875 par due 5/2014) Senior secured loan | 14.50% | 7/31/2008 | 5,500 | 5,500 | | 1.00(2) | |
| | | \$(5,500 par due 5/2014) Common stock (84.78 shares) | | 11/20/2007 | 3,768 | 7,818 | \$92,2 | 208.00 | |
| | | | | | 39,664 | 43,714 | | | |
| Primis Marketing | Database marketing | Senior subordinated loan \$(10,222 par due 2/2013) | | 8/24/2006 | 10,222 | 511 | \$ | 0.05(4)(14) | |
| Group, Inc. and Holdings, LLC | | Preferred units (4,000 units) Common units (4,000,000 units) | | 8/24/2006 8/24/2006 | 3,600 400 | | | | |
| | | | | | 14,222 | 511 | | | |
| Prommis Soluti E-Default Services, LLC, | and | Senior subordinated loan \$(26,526 par due 2/2014) | 11.50% Cash, 2.00% PIK | 2/8/2007 | 26,526 | 26,526 | \$ | 1.00(4) | |

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| | services | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|------------------------------|-----------|--------|--------|----------------------|
| Statewide Tax and Title Services, LLC & Statewide Publishing | | Senior subordinated loan \$(26,630 par due 2/2014) | 11.50% Cash, 2.00% PIK | 2/8/2007 | 26,630 | 26,630 | \$ 1.00(2)(4) |
| Services, LLC (formerly known as MR Processing Holding Corp.) | | Preferred stock (30,000 shares) | | 4/11/2006 | 3,000 | 6,221 | \$ 207.37 |
| | | | | | 56,156 | 59,377 | |
| R2 Acquisition Corp. | Marketing services | Common stock (250,000 shares) | | 5/29/2007 | 250 | 250 | \$ 1.00 |
| Summit Business Media, LLC | Business media consulting services | Junior secured loan \$(11,078 par due 7/2014) | | 8/3/2007 | 10,018 | 554 | \$ 0.05(3)(4)(14) |
| | 331 11003 | | S-85 | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |

| Company(1) VSS-Tranzact Holdings, LLC(| Industry Management 6)consulting services | Investment Common membership interest (8.51% interest) | Interest(5)(10) | Acquisition Date 10/26/2007 | Amortized Cost 10,000 | Fair Value 7,850 | 1 | Fair Value Per Unit | Percentage of Net Assets |
|--|--|---|---|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|----|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| | | | | | 143,578 | 126,147 | | | 10.03% |
| Manufacturing Arrow Group Industries, Inc. | Residential and outdoor shed manufacturer | Senior secured loan \$(5,616 par due 4/2010) | 5.25% (Libor + 5.00%/Q) | 3/28/2005 | 5,653 | 4,437 | \$ | 0.79(3) | |
| Emerald Performance | Polymers and performance | Senior secured loan \$(536 par due 5/2011) | 8.25% (Libor + 4.25%/M) | 5/16/2006 | 536 | 531 | \$ | 0.99(3)(15 |) |
| Materials, LLC | materials | Senior secured loan | 8.25% | 5/16/2006 | 8,392 | 8,308 | \$ | 0.99(3)(15) |) |
| | manufacturer | \$(8,392 par due 5/2011) Senior secured loan | (Libor + 4.25%/M) 8.50% (Base | 5/16/2006 | 626 | 620 | \$ | 0.99(3) | |
| | | \$(626 par due 5/2011) Senior secured loan | Rate + 5.25%/M) 10.00% | 5/16/2006 | 1,604 | 1,556 | \$ | 0.97(3)(15 |) |
| | | \$(1,604 par due 5/2011) Senior secured loan \$(4,937 par due 5/2011) | (Libor + 6.00%/M) 13.00% Cash, 3.00% PIK | 5/16/2006 | 4,937 | 4,838 | \$ | 0.98(2)(4) | |
| | | | | | 16,095 | 15,853 | | | |
| Reflexite Corpo | and manufacturer of | Senior subordinated loan \$(16,785 par due 11/2014) | 12.50% Cash, 5.50% PIK | 2/26/2008 | 16,785 | 16,785 | \$ | 1.00(4) | |
| | high- visibility reflective products | Common stock (1,821,860 shares) | | 3/28/2006 | 27,435 | 24,595 | \$ | 13.50 | |
| | | | | | 44,220 | 41,380 | | | |
| Saw Mill PCG Partners LLC | Precision components manufacturer | Common units (1,000 units) | | 2/2/2007 | 1,000 | | | | |
| UL | Petroleum | Senior secured loan \$(2,978 par due 12/2012) | 14.00% | 2/13/2009 | 2,978 | 2,829 | \$ | 0.95(2) | |
| Holding Co., LL | manufacturer | \$(2,978 par due 12/2012) Senior secured loan \$(993 par due 12/2012) | 14.00% | 2/13/2009 | 993 | 943 | \$ | 0.95(3) | |
| | | Senior secured loan \$(848 par due 12/2012) | 14.00% | 2/13/2009 | 848 | 805 | \$ | 0.95(3) | |
| | | Senior secured loan \$(2,130 par due 12/2012) | 9.15% (Libor + 8.88%/Q) | 2/13/2009 | 2,130 | 2,023 | \$ | 0.95 | |
| | | Senior secured loan \$(2,130 par due 12/2012) | 14.00% | 2/13/2009 | 2,130 | 2,023 | \$ | 0.95 | |
| | | Senior secured loan \$(848 par due 12/2012) | 9.15% (Libor + 8.88%/Q) | 2/13/2009 | 848 | 805 | \$ | 0.95(3) | |
| | | Senior secured loan \$(10,918 par due 12/2012) | 9.15% (Libor + 8.88%/Q) | 2/13/2009 | 10,918 | 10,372 | \$ | 0.95(3) | |
| | | Common units (50,000 units) Common units (50,000 units) | (LIUUI T 0.0070/Q) | 4/25/2008 4/25/2008 | 500 | 500 | \$ | 10.00 | |
| | | | | | 21,345 | 20,300 | | | |

| Universal Trailer Corporation(6) | Livestock and specialty trailer manufacturer | Common stock (74,920 shares) | | 10/8/2004 | 7,930 | | | | |
|--|---|---|------|------------|--------|--------|-------|--------|-------|
| Financial | | | | | 96,243 | 81,970 | | | 6.52% |
| Services Carador PLC(6) | (8)(9)stment company | Ordinary shares (7,110,525 shares) | | 12/15/2006 | 9,033 | 2,489 | \$ | 0.35 | |
| Imperial | Investment | Common units (2,526 units) | | 5/10/2007 | 3 | 3 | \$ | 1.00 | |
| Capital Group, LLC | banking | Common units (315 units) | | 5/10/2007 | | | | | |
| and Imperial | services | Common units (7,710 units) | | 5/10/2007 | 14,997 | 18,400 | \$ 2, | 386.51 | |
| Capital Private Opportunities, I | LP(6)(9) | Limited partnership interest (80% interest) | | 5/10/2007 | 6,094 | 5,663 | | | |
| | | | | | 21,094 | 24,066 | | | |
| | | | S-86 | | | | | | |

| Company(1) Ivy Hill Asset Management, L.1 | Industry Asset P.(M)magement services | Investment Member interest | Interest(5)(10) | Acquisition Date 6/15/2009 | Amortized Cost 37,176 | Fair Value 48,321 | V | Fair alue Per Jnit | Percentage of Net Assets |
|--|---|---|--|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| VSC Investors LLC(9) | Investment company | Membership interest (4.63% interest) | | 1/24/2008 | 648 | 648 | | | |
| Consumer Products Non-Durable | | | | | 67,951 | 75,524 | | | 6.00% |
| Blacksmith Brands Holdings, Inc. and Blacksmith Bran | Consumer products and personal care manufacturer ds, Inc. | Senior secured loan \$(32,500 par due 12/2014) | 12.50% (Base Rate + 8.50%/Q) | 10/23/2009 | 32,500 | 32,500 | \$ | 1.00(15) | |
| Innovative | Consumer | Senior secured loan \$(8,881 par due 9/2011) | 15.50% | 10/12/2006 | 8,881 | 8,881 | \$ | 1.00(2) | |
| Brands, LLC | products and personal care manufacturer | Senior secured loan \$(8,198 par due 9/2011) | 15.50% | 10/12/2006 | 8,198 | 8,198 | \$ | 1.00(3) | |
| | | | | | 17,079 | 17,079 | | | |
| Making Memories | Scrapbooking branded | Senior secured loan \$(9,750 par due 8/2014) | 10.00% (Base Rate + 5.50%/Q) | 8/21/2009 | 7,770 | 9,750 | \$ | 1.00(15) | |
| Wholesale, Inc.(6 | products manufacturer | Senior secured loan \$(5,138 par due 8/2014) | 15.00% (7.50% Cash, 7.50% PIK/Q) | 8/21/2009 | 4,062 | 514 | \$ | 0.10(4) | |
| | | Common stock (100 shares) | 7.50 % T INQ) | 8/21/2009 | | | | | |
| | | | | | 11,832 | 10,264 | | | |
| The Thymes, LLC(7) | Cosmetic products | Preferred stock (6,283 shares) | 8.00% PIK | 6/21/2007 | 6,785 | 6,107 | \$ 9 | 972.06(4) | |
| LLC(/) | manufacturer | Common stock (5,400 shares) | | 6/21/2007 | | | | | |
| | | | | | 6,785 | 6,107 | | | |
| | | | | | 68,196 | 65,950 | | | 5.24% |
| Aerospace & Defense | | | | | | | | | |
| AP Global Holdings, Inc. | Safety and security equipment manufacturer | Senior secured loan \$(7,414 par due 10/2013) | 4.74% (Libor + 4.50%/M) | 11/8/2007 | 7,295 | 6,969 | \$ | 0.94(3) | |
| ILC Industries, Inc. | Industrial products provider | Junior secured loan \$(12,000 par due 6/2014) | 11.50% | 6/27/2006 | 12,000 | 12,000 | \$ | 1.00(3) | |
| Thermal Solutions LLC and TSI Group Inc | Thermal management | Senior secured loan \$(462 par due 3/2011) | 4.00% (Libor + 3.75%/Q) | 3/28/2005 | 462 | 444 | \$ | 0.96(3) | |
| Group, Inc. | and electronics packaging | Senior secured loan \$(2,732 par due 3/2012) | 4.50% (Libor + 4.25%/Q) | 3/28/2005 | 2,732 | 2,486 | \$ | 0.91(3) | |

| | manufacturer | Senior subordinated loan \$(2,747 par due 3/2013) | 11.50% Cash, 2.50% PIK | 3/21/2006 | 2,747 | 2,554 | \$ 0.93(4) |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|------------------------------|-----------|--------|--------|-----------------|
| | | Senior subordinated loan \$(2,165 par due 3/2013) | 11.50% Cash, 2.75% PIK | 3/28/2005 | 2,165 | 2,013 | \$ 0.93(4) |
| | | Senior subordinated loan \$(3,418 par due 3/2013) | 11.50% Cash, 2.75% PIK | 3/28/2005 | 3,418 | 3,178 | \$ 0.93(4) |
| | | Preferred stock (71,552 shares) | | 3/28/2005 | 716 | 529 | \$ 7.39 |
| | | Common stock (1,460,246 shares) | | 3/28/2005 | 15 | 11 | \$ 0.01 |
| | | | | | 12,255 | 11,215 | |
| Wyle Laboratories, Inc. and Wyle Holdings, Inc. | Provider of specialized engineering, | Junior secured loan \$(16,000 par due 1/2015) | 15.00% | 1/17/2008 | 16,000 | 16,000 | \$ 1.00(2) |
| 8., | scientific and technical | Junior secured loan \$(12,000 par due 1/2015) | 15.00% | 1/17/2008 | 12,000 | 12,000 | \$ 1.00(3) |
| | services | Senior preferred stock (775 shares) | 8.00% PIK | 1/17/2008 | 96 | 80 | \$ 103.24(4) |
| | | , | S-87 | | | | |

| Company(1) | Industry | Investment | Interest(5)(10) | Acquisition Date | Cost | Fair Value | 1 | Per Unit | Percentage of Net Assets |
|----------------------------------|------------------------|--|--|---------------------|--------|---------------|----|----------------|--------------------------------|
| | | Common stock (1,616,976 shares) | | 1/17/2008 | 2,004 | 1,600 | \$ | 0.99 | |
| | | | | | 30,100 | 29,680 | | | |
| | | | | | 61,650 | 59,864 | | | 4.76% |
| Printing, | | | | | ,,,,,, | , | | | |
| Publishing and | | | | | | | | | |
| Media Canon | Print | Junior secured loan | 13.75% | 5/25/2005 | 11,957 | 9,574 | \$ | 0.80(2)(4)(15 |) |
| Communication | | \$(11,968 par due 11/2011) | (Libor + 8.75% Cash, | 3/23/2003 | 11,757 | 7,574 | Ψ | 0.00(2)(4)(13) | , |
| | | Junior secured loan | 2.00% PIK/Q) 13.75% | 5/25/2005 | 12,190 | 9,757 | \$ | 0.80(3)(4)(15 |) |
| | | \$(12,197 par due 11/2011) | (Libor + 8.75% Cash, | | | | | | |
| | | | 2.00% PIK/Q) | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 24,147 | 19,331 | | | |
| LVCG Holdings LLC | Commercial (7) rinter | Membership interests (56.53% interest) | | 10/12/2007 | 6,600 | 330 | | | |
| National Print Group, Inc. | Printing management | Senior secured revolving loan \$(3,926 par due 3/2012) | 9.00% (Libor + 6.00%/S) | 3/2/2006 | 1,428 | 771 | \$ | 0.20(15) | |
| Group, mc. | services | Senior secured revolving loan \$(183 par due 3/2012) | 9.00% (Libor + 5.00%/M) | 3/2/2006 | 183 | 99 | \$ | 0.54(15) | |
| | | Senior secured loan \$(7,119 par due 3/2012) | 16.00% (Libor + 9.00% | 3/2/2006 | 7,024 | 3,844 | \$ | 0.54(3)(15)(4 |) |
| | | C | Cash, 4.00% PIK/Q) | 2/2/2006 | 1.071 | 570 | ¢. | 0.54/2\/15\/4 | |
| | | Senior secured loan \$(1,071 par due 3/2012) | 16.00% (Base Rate + 8.00% Cash, 4.00% PIK/M) | 3/2/2006 | 1,071 | 578 | Э | 0.54(3)(15)(4 |) |
| | | Preferred stock (9,344 shares) | | 3/2/2006 | 2,000 | | | | |
| | | | | | 11,706 | 5,292 | | | |
| The Teaching Company, LL | Education publications | Senior secured loan \$(18,000 par due 9/2012) | 10.50% | 9/29/2006 | 18,000 | 18,000 | \$ | 1.00(2)(11) | |
| and The Teaching | provider | Senior secured loan \$(10,000 par due 9/2012) | 10.50% | 9/29/2006 | 10,000 | 10,000 | \$ | 1.00(3)(11) | |
| Company Holdings, Inc. | (11) | | | | | | _ | | |
| | | Preferred stock (29,969 shares) | 8.00% | 9/29/2006 | 2,997 | | | 129.20 | |
| | | Common stock (15,393 shares) | | 9/29/2006 | 3 | 4 | \$ | 0.26 | |
| | | | | | 31,000 | 31,876 | | | |
| | | | | | 73,453 | 56,829 | | | 4.52% |

| American Broadband Communication | Broadband communication onsertvLocs | Senior subordinated loan \$(31,902 par due 11/2014) | 18.00% (10.00% Cash, 8.00% PIK/Q) | 2/8/2008 | 31,902 | 31,902 | \$ 1.00(2)(4) | |
|---|---|---|---|------------|--------|--------|-------------------|-------|
| American Broadband Holding Company | | Senior subordinated loan \$(8,050 par due 11/2014) Warrants to purchase 166 shares | 18.00% (10.00% Cash, 8.00% PIK/Q) | 11/7/2007 | 8,050 | 8,050 | \$ 1.00(4) | |
| | | | | | 39,952 | 39,952 | | |
| | | | | | 39,952 | 39,952 | | 3.18% |
| Environment Services | al | | | | | | | |
| AWTP, LLC | Water treatment services | Junior secured loan \$(4,755 par due 12/2012) | | 12/23/2005 | 4,755 | 1,902 | \$ 0.40(14) | |
| | scrvices | Junior secured loan \$(2,086 par due 12/2012) | | 12/23/2005 | 2,086 | 834 | \$ 0.40(3)(14) | |
| | | Junior secured loan \$(4,755 par due 12/2012) | | 12/23/2005 | 4,755 | 1,902 | \$ 0.40(14) | |
| | | Junior secured loan \$(2,086 par due 12/2012) | | 12/23/2005 | 2,086 | 834 | \$ 0.40(3)(14) | |
| | | | | | 13,682 | 5,472 | | |
| | | | S-88 | | | | | |

| Company(1) Mactec, Inc. | Industry Engineering | Investment Class B-4 stock (16 shares) | Interest(5)(10) | Acquisition Date 11/3/2004 | Amortized Cost | Fair Value | • | Fair /alue Per Unit | Percentage of Net Assets |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|--|----------------------------|-------------------|---------------|----|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| | and environmental services | Class C stock (5,556 shares) | | 11/3/2004 | | 150 | \$ | 27.00 | |
| | | | | | 0 | 150 | | | |
| Sigma International Group, Inc. | Water treatment parts | Junior secured loan \$(917 par due 10/2013) | 16.00% (Libor + 8.00%/Q) | 11/6/2007 | 917 | 642 | \$ | 0.70(15) | |
| Group, me. | manufacturer | Junior secured loan \$(2,750 par due 10/2013) | 16.00% (Libor + 8.00%/Q) | 11/1/2007 | 2,750 | 1,925 | \$ | 0.70(15) | |
| | | Junior secured loan \$(1,833 par due 10/2013) | 16.00% (Libor + 8.00%/Q) | 10/11/2007 | 1,833 | 1,283 | \$ | 0.70(15) | |
| | | Junior secured loan (\$2,000 par due 10/2013) | 16.00% (Libor + 8.00%/Q) | 11/6/2007 | 2,000 | 1,400 | \$ | 0.70(3)(15 |) |
| | | Junior secured loan (\$6,000 par due 10/2013) | 16.00% (Libor + 8.00%/Q) | 11/1/2007 | 6,000 | 4,200 | \$ | 0.70(3)(15 |) |
| | | Junior secured loan (\$4,000 par due 10/2013) | 16.00% (Libor + 8.00%/Q) | 10/11/2007 | 4,000 | 2,800 | \$ | 0.70(3)(15 |) |
| | | | | | 17,500 | 12,250 | | | |
| Waste Pro USA, Inc. | Waste management services | Preferred Class A common stock (611,615 shares) | 14.00% PIK | 11/9/2006 | 12,263 | 13,263 | \$ | 21.69(4) | |
| Wastequip, In | management equipment | Senior subordinated loan (\$13,121 par due 2/2015) | 10.00% Cash, 2.50% PIK | 2/5/2007 | 13,030 | 1,968 | \$ | 0.15(4) | |
| | manufacturer | Common stock (13,889 shares) | | 2/2/2007 | 1,389 | | | | |
| | | | | | 14,419 | 1,968 | | | |
| | | | | | 57,864 | 33,103 | | | 2.63% |
| Computers and | | | | | | | | | |
| Electronics RedPrairie | Software | Junior secured loan | 6.78% | 7/13/2006 | 3,300 | 3,135 | \$ | 0.95(2) | |
| Corporation | manufacturer | (\$3,300 par due 1/2013) Junior secured loan (\$12,000 par due 1/2013) | (Libor + 6.50%/Q) 6.78% (Libor + 6.50%/Q) | 7/13/2006 | 12,000 | 11,400 | \$ | 0.95(3) | |
| | | | | | 15,300 | 14,535 | | | |
| TZ Merger Sub, Inc. | Computers and Electronics | Senior secured loan (\$4,818 par due 7/2015) | 7.50% (Libor + 4.50%/Q) | 6/15/2009 | 4,711 | 4,818 | \$ | 1.00(3)(15 |) |
| X-rite, | Artwork | Junior secured loan | 14.38% | 7/6/2006 | 3,074 | 3,074 | \$ | 1.00(15) | |
| Incorporated | software manufacturer | (\$3,074 par due 7/2013) Junior secured loan (\$7,685 par due 7/2013) | (Libor + 11.38%/Q) 14.38% (Libor + 11.38%/Q) | 7/6/2006 | 7,685 | 7,685 | \$ | 1.00(3)(15 |) |
| | | Junior secured loan (\$42 par due 7/2013) | 14.38% (Base Rate + 10.38%/Q) | 7/6/2006 | 42 | 42 | \$ | 1.00(15) | |
| | | Junior secured loan (\$105 par due 7/2013) | 14.38% (Base Rate + 10.38%/Q) | 7/6/2006 | 105 | 105 | \$ | 1.00(3)(15 |) |

| | | | | | 15,617 | 10,906 | | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------|---|----------------------------|------------|--------|--------|------------------|---|-------|
| | | | | | 30,917 | 30,259 | | : | 2.41% |
| Cargo Transport | | | | | | | | | |
| The Kenan Advantage Group, Inc. | Fuel transportation | Senior secured loan (\$2,400 par due 12/2011) | 2.98% (Libor + 2.75%/M) | 12/15/2005 | 2,400 | 2,304 | \$ 0.96(3)(4) | | |
| Group, me. | provider | Senior subordinated loan (\$26,125 par due 12/2013) | 9.50% Cash, 3.50% PIK | 12/15/2005 | 26,125 | 25,603 | \$ 0.98(2)(4) | | |
| | | Preferred stock (10,984 shares) | 8.00% PIK | 12/15/2005 | 1,454 | 1,932 | \$ 175.89(4) | | |
| | | Common stock (30,575 shares) | | 12/15/2005 | 31 | 41 | \$ 1.34 | | |
| | | | | | 30,010 | 29,880 | | | |
| | | | | | 30,010 | 29,880 | | | 2.38% |
| | | | S-89 | | | | | | |

| Company(1) Health Clubs | Industry | Investment | Interest(5)(10) | Acquisition Date | Amortized Cost | Fair Value | V | Fair Talue Per Unit | Percentage of Net Assets |
|---|---|--|---|---------------------|-------------------|---------------|----|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Athletic Club | Premier health club operator | Senior secured loan (\$1,750 par due 10/2013) | 4.73% | 10/11/2007 | 1,750 | 1,540 | \$ | 0.88(2)(13) |) |
| Holdings, Inc. | club operator | Senior secured loan | (Libor + 4.50%/M) 4.73% | 10/11/2007 | 1,000 | 880 | \$ | 0.88(2)(13) |) |
| | | (\$1,000 par due 10/2013) Senior secured loan | (Libor + 4.50%/M) 6.75% (Base | 10/11/2007 | 17 | 15 | \$ | 0.87(2)(13) |) |
| | | (\$17 par due 10/2013) Senior secured loan | Rate + 3.50%/Q) 6.75% (Base | 10/11/2007 | 16 | 14 | \$ | 0.88(3)(13) |) |
| | | (\$16 par due 10/2013) Senior secured loan | Rate + 3.50%/Q) 4.73% | 10/11/2007 | 11,484 | 10,106 | \$ | 0.88(3)(13) |) |
| | | (\$11,484 par due 10/2013) Senior secured loan (\$12,483 par due 10/2013) | (Libor + 4.50%/M) 6.75% (Base Rate + 3.50%/Q) | 10/11/2007 | 12,483 | 10,985 | \$ | 0.88(2)(13) |) |
| | | | | | 26,750 | 23,540 | | | |
| | | | | | 26,750 | 23,540 | | | 1.87% |
| Containers-Pack Industrial Container Services, | kaging Industrial container manufacturer, | Senior secured revolving loan (\$15,696 par due 9/2011) | 5.75% (Base Rate + 2.50%/M) | 6/21/2006 | 950 | 922 | \$ | 0.06 | |
| LLC(6) | reconditioner | Senior secured loan | 4.23% | 6/21/2006 | 322 | 312 | \$ | 0.97(2) | |
| | and servicer | (\$322 par due 9/2011) Senior secured loan | (Libor + 4.00%/M) 4.23% | 6/21/2006 | 134 | 130 | \$ | 0.97(2) | |
| | | (\$134 par due 9/2011) Senior secured loan | (Libor + 4.00%/M) 4.23% | 6/21/2006 | 4,926 | 4,778 | \$ | 0.97(3) | |
| | | (\$4,926 par due 9/2011) Senior secured loan | (Libor + 4.00%/M) 4.23% | 6/21/2006 | 2,052 | 1,991 | \$ | 0.97(3) | |
| | | (\$2,052 par due 9/2011) Senior secured loan | (Libor + 4.00%/M) 4.25% | 6/21/2006 | 268 | 260 | \$ | 0.97(2) | |
| | | (\$268 par due 9/2011) Senior secured loan | (Libor + 4.00%/M) 4.25% | 6/21/2006 | 4,105 | 3,982 | \$ | 0.97(3) | |
| | | (\$4,105 par due 9/2011) Senior secured loan | (Libor + 4.00%/M) 5.75% (Base | 6/21/2006 | 27 | 26 | \$ | 0.97(2) | |
| | | (\$27 par due 9/2011) Senior secured loan | Rate + 2.50%/M) 5.75% (Base | 6/21/2006 | 410 | 398 | \$ | 0.97(3) | |
| | | (\$410 par due 9/2011) Common stock (1,800,000 shares) | Rate + 2.50%/M) | 9/29/2005 | 1,800 | 8,550 | \$ | 4.75 | |
| | | | | | 14,994 | 21,349 | | | |
| | | | | | 14,994 | 21,349 | | | 1.70% |
| Grocery Planet Organic Health | Organic grocery | Junior secured loan (\$876 par due 7/2013) | 15.00% (Libor + 12.00%/Q) | 7/3/2007 | 874 | 832 | \$ | 0.95(15) | |
| Corp.(8) | store operator | Junior secured loan | 15.00% | 7/3/2007 | 10,414 | 9,914 | \$ | 0.95(3)(15) |) |
| | | (\$10,436 par due 7/2013) Senior subordinated loan (\$12,724 par due 7/2012) | (Libor + 12.00%/Q) 13.00% Cash, 4.00% PIK | 7/3/2007 | 12,572 | 9,416 | \$ | 0.74(4) | |
| | | | | | 23,860 | 20,162 | | | |
| | | | | | 23,863 | 20,162 | | | 1.60% |

Consumer **Products** Durable Direct Buy Holdin MeInbership-Senior secured loan 6.75% 12/14/2007 22 19 \$ 0.85(2)(15) and Direct Buy based buying (\$23 par due 11/2012) (Libor + 5.00%/M)Investors, LP(6) club Senior secured loan 6.75% 12/14/2007 2,030 1,784 \$ 0.85(2)(15) franchisor (\$2,099 par due 11/2012) (Libor + 5.00%/M)and operator Partnership interests 11/30/2007 10,000 3,000 (19.31% interest)

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12,052

12,052

4,803

4,803

0.38%

| Company(1) Housing Building Materials | Industry | Investment | Interest(5)(10) | Acquisition Date | Amortized Cost | Fair Value | Fair Value Per Unit | Percentage of Net Assets |
|---|--------------|---|-----------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| HB&G Building Products | • | Senior subordinated loan (\$8,956 par due 3/2011) | | 10/8/2004 | 8,991 | 448 | \$ 0.05(2)(4)(14 | !) |
| | manufacturer | Warrants to purchase 4,464 shares | | 10/8/2004 | 653 | | | |
| | | Common stock (2,743 shares) | | 10/8/2004 | 753 | | | |
| | | | | | 10,397 | 448 | | |
| | | | | | 10,397 | 448 | | 0.04% |
| | | | | | 2,376,384 | 2,171,814 | | |

- Other than our investments in HCP Acquisition Holdings, LLC, Ivy Hill Asset Management, L.P., Ivy Hill Middle Market Credit Fund, Ltd., LVCG Holdings, LLC, Making Memories Wholesale, Inc., Reflexite Corporation, Senior Secured Loan Fund LLC and The Thymes, LLC, we do not "Control" any of our portfolio companies, as defined in the Investment Company Act. In general, under the Investment Company Act, we would "Control" a portfolio company if we owned more than 25% of its outstanding voting securities and/or had the power to exercise control over the management or policies of such portfolio company. All of our portfolio company investments are subject to legal restrictions on sales which as of December 31, 2009 represented 173% of the Company's net assets.
- These assets are owned by the Company's wholly owned subsidiary Ares Capital CP, are pledged as collateral for the CP Funding Facility and, as a result, are not directly available to the creditors of the Company to satisfy any obligations of the Company other than Ares Capital CP's obligations under the CP Funding Facility (see Note 7 to the consolidated financial statements). Unless otherwise noted, as of December 31, 2009, all other investments were pledged as collateral for the Revolving Credit Facility (see Note 7 to the consolidated financial statements).
- (3)
 Pledged as collateral for the ARCC CLO. Unless otherwise noted, as of December 31, 2009, all other investments were pledged as collateral for the Revolving Credit Facility (see Note 7 to the consolidated financial statements).
- (4) Has a payment-in-kind interest feature (see Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements).
- (5) Investments without an interest rate are non-income producing at December 31, 2009.
- As defined in the Investment Company Act, we are an "Affiliated Person" of this portfolio company because we own 5% or more of the portfolio company's outstanding voting securities or we have the power to exercise control over the management or policies of such portfolio company (including through a management agreement). Transactions during the period for the year ended December 31, 2009 in which the issuer was an Affiliated company (but not a portfolio company that we "Control") are as follows (in thousands):

| | | | | | | | Capita | al | | | | N | let | | Net |
|---|-----|--------|-----|----------|----------|----------|--------|------|-------|-------|-----|------|---------|-----|----------|
| | | | | | | stı | uctur | ing | | | | real | lized ı | ını | realized |
| | | R | ede | emptions | Sales | Interest | servic | eDiv | idend | l Otl | ner | ga | ins | ٤ | gains |
| Company | Pur | chases | (| (cost) | (cost) | income | fees | Inc | come | inco | me | (los | sses) | (l | osses) |
| Apple & Eve, LLC and US Juice Partners, LLC | \$ | 7,500 | \$ | 15,019 | \$ 9,800 | \$ 5,335 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | 37 | \$ | : | \$ | 12,283 |
| Carador, PLC | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | 285 | \$ | | \$ | : | \$ | (1,778) |
| Campus Management Corp. and Campus | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Management Acquisition Corp. | \$ | | \$ | 2,953 | \$15,000 | \$ 6,518 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | 90 | \$ | (482) 3 | \$ | 442 |
| CT Technologies Intermediate Holdings, Inc. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| and CT Technologies Holdings, LLC | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | \$ 1,040 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | 9 | \$ | : | \$ | 2,052 |
| Direct Buy Holdings, Inc. and Direct Buy | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Investors LP | \$ | | \$ | 152 | \$ | \$ 147 | \$ | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | 6 3 | \$ | (3,218) |
| Firstlight Financial Corporation | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | \$ 2,936 | \$ | \$ | | \$ 1, | 442 | \$ | : | \$ | (11,055) |

| Imperial Capital Group, LLC | \$ 5,210 | \$ | \$ \$ | 5 | | \$ \$ | \$ | \$ \$ | 2,972 |
|---|--------------|--------------|----------|-----|------|----------|-----------|-------------------|---------|
| Industrial Container Services, LLC | \$ 7,517 | \$ 12,621 | \$ \$ | 6 | 709 | \$ \$ | \$ 153 | \$ \$ | (341) |
| Investor Group Services, LLC | \$ | \$ 750 | \$ \$ | 6 | | \$ \$ | \$ 26 | \$ \$ | |
| Making Memories Wholesale, Inc. | \$ | \$ | \$ \$ | 6 | | \$ \$ | \$ | \$ \$ | (240) |
| Pillar Holdings LLC and PHL Holding Co. | \$ | \$ 3,179 | \$ \$ | 3 2 | ,874 | \$ \$ | \$ 33 | \$ \$ | 2,551 |
| Primis Marketing Group, Inc. and Primis | | | | | | | | | |
| Holdings, LLC | \$ | \$ | \$ \$ | 6 | | \$ \$ | \$ | \$ \$ | (511) |
| R3 Education, Inc. | \$ 24,000 | \$ 31,600 | \$ \$ | 6 | 697 | \$ \$ | \$ 29 | \$ \$ | 87 |
| VSS-Tranzact Holdings, LLC | \$ | \$ | \$ \$ | 6 | | \$ \$ | \$ | \$ \$ | 1,850 |
| Wastequip, Inc. | \$ | \$ | \$ \$ | 5 1 | ,535 | \$ \$ | \$ | \$ \$ | (5,787) |
| Wear Me Apparel, LLC | \$ | \$ 34,110 | \$ \$ | 6 | 75 | \$ \$ | \$ | \$ (15,002) \$ | 22,055 |

(7)

As defined in the Investment Company Act, we are an "Affiliated Person" of this portfolio company because we own 5% or more of the portfolio company's outstanding voting securities or we have the power to exercise control over the management or policies of such portfolio company (including through a management agreement). In addition, as defined in the Investment Company Act, we "Control" this portfolio company because we own more than 25% of the portfolio company's outstanding voting securities or we have the power to exercise control over the management or policies of such portfolio company

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(including through a management agreement). Transactions during the period for the year ended December 31, 2009 in which the issuer was both an Affiliated company and a portfolio company that we Control are as follows (in thousands):

| Pu | | | | | | | terest | ruct serv | urin vice | Di | | | | | gains | | Net realized gains losses) |
|----|----------------------------------|---|----------------|---|---|---|--|--|---|--|--|---|---|---|--|--|--|
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| \$ | 1,495 | \$ | | \$ | 18 | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | (3,721) |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| \$ | 37,406 | \$ | | \$ | 236 | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | 2,391 | \$ | | \$ | 494 | \$ | 19,145 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| \$ | | \$ | | \$ | 131 | \$: | 5,742 | \$ | | \$ | | \$ 1 | ,265 | \$ | | \$ | 1,284 |
| \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | 66 | \$ | | \$ | (8,170) |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| \$ | | \$ | 199 | \$ | 14,224 | \$ | 518 | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | 5 | \$ | (14,173) | \$ | 12,822 |
| \$ | 15,613 | \$ | 6,050 | \$ | | \$ | 651 | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | 17 | \$ | | \$ | (3,696) |
| \$ | 7,800 | \$ | | \$ | 2,000 | \$: | 2,830 | \$ | 194 | \$ | | \$ | 71 | \$ | | \$ | (10,925) |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| \$ | 165,000 | \$ | | \$ | | \$ 4 | 4,831 | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | 640 | \$ | | \$ | |
| \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | 502 | \$ | | ¢ | | Φ. | | \$ | | \$ | 455 |
| | \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ | Purchases \$ 1,495 \$ 37,406 \$ 5 \$ 15,613 \$ 7,800 \$ 165,000 | Purchases (6 | Purchases (cost) \$ 1,495 \$ \$ 37,406 \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ 199 \$ 15,613 \$ 6,050 \$ 7,800 \$ | Purchases (cost) (\$ 1,495 \$ \$ \$ 37,406 \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ 199 \$ \$ \$ \$ 15,613 \$ 6,050 \$ \$ 7,800 \$ \$ \$ | Purchases (cost) (cost) \$ 1,495 \$ 18 \$ 37,406 \$ 236 \$ \$ \$ 131 \$ 131 \$ \$ 199 \$ 14,224 \$ 15,613 \$ 6,050 \$ 2,000 \$ 165,000 \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ | Purchases (cost) (cost) incomplex \$ 1,495 \$ 18 \$ \$ 37,406 \$ 236 \$ \$ \$ 131 \$ \$ 36 \$ \$ \$ 199 \$ 14,224 \$ \$ 36 \$ \$ 15,613 \$ 6,050 \$ \$ \$ 32,000 \$ \$ 165,000 \$ \$ \$ 3 \$ | Retemptions (cost) Sales income \$ 1,495 \$ 18 \$ \$ 37,406 \$ 236 \$ \$ 131 \$ 5,742 \$ \$ 15,613 \$ 6,050 \$ 14,224 \$ 18 \$ 15,613 \$ 6,050 \$ 2,000 \$ 2,830 \$ 165,000 \$ 4,831 | Redemptions (cost) Sales (cost) Interest servincome income servincome \$ 1,495 \$ 18 \$ \$ 37,406 \$ 236 \$ \$ \$ 131 \$ 5,742 \$ \$ \$ 199 \$ 14,224 \$ 518 \$ \$ 15,613 \$ 6,050 \$ 651 \$ \$ 7,800 \$ 2,000 \$ 2,830 \$ \$ 165,000 \$ 4,831 \$ | Redemptions Sales (cost) Interest fees service fees \$ 1,495 \$ 18 \$ \$ \$ 37,406 \$ 236 \$ \$ \$ 131 \$ 5,742 \$ \$ \$ 199 \$ 14,224 \$ 18 \$ 15,613 \$ 6,050 \$ \$ \$ 7,800 \$ 2,000 \$ 2,830 \$ 194 \$ 165,000 \$ \$ 4,831 \$ \$ | Redemptions Sales Interest Service Direction | Redemptions Sales Interest Service Dividend Income Sales Interest Service Income Sales Interest Service Income Sales Income Sales Income Sales Income Sales Sales | Redemptions Sales Interest Service Dividend Order | Redemptions Sales Interest Service Dividend Other | Redemptions Sales Interest Service Dividend Other Income Sales Interest Service Dividend Other Income Sales Sale | Redemptions Sales (cost) Interest income Interest service Dividend Dother fees Interest service Dividend Dother Income income realized gains (losses) \$ 1,495 \$ 18 \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ | Redemptions Sales Interest Service Dividend Other Gains (losses) (loss |

Together with GE Commercial Finance Investment Advisory Services LLC ("GE"), we serve as co-managers of the Senior Secured Loan Fund LLC. Investments made by the program (and most decisions made in respect of program borrowers and the program itself) must be approved by both the Company and GE; therefore, although the Company owns more than 25% of the voting securities of the LLC, the Company does not believe that it has control over the Senior Secured Loan Fund (for purposes of the Investment Company Act of 1940 or otherwise).

- Non-U.S. company or principal place of business outside the U.S. and as a result is not a qualifying asset under Section 55(a) of the Investment Company Act. Under the Investment Company Act, we may not acquire any non-qualifying asset unless, at the time such acquisition is made, qualifying assets represent at least 70% of our total assets.
- (9) Non-registered investment company.
- A majority of the variable rate loans to our portfolio companies bear interest at a rate that may be determined by reference to either Libor or an alternate Base Rate (commonly based on the Federal Funds Rate or the Prime Rate), at the borrower's option, which reset annually (A), semi-annually (S), quarterly (Q), bi-monthly (B), monthly (M) or daily (D). For each such loan, we have provided the interest rate in effect at December 31, 2009.
- In addition to the interest earned based on the stated interest rate of this security, we are entitled to receive an additional interest amount of 2.50% on \$18.4 million aggregate principal amount of the portfolio company's senior term debt previously syndicated by us.
- (12) Principal amount denominated in Canadian dollars has been translated into U.S. dollars (see Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements).
- In addition to the interest earned based on the stated interest rate of this security, we are entitled to receive an additional interest amount of 2.50% on \$25.0 million aggregate principal amount of the portfolio company's senior term debt previously syndicated by us.
- (14) Loan was on non-accrual status as of December 31, 2009.
- (15) Loan includes interest rate floor feature.
- In addition to the interest earned based on the stated interest rate of this security, we are entitled to receive an additional interest amount of 2.98% on \$15.0 million aggregate principal amount of the portfolio company's senior term debt previously syndicated by us.
- In addition to the interest earned based on the stated interest rate of this security, the notes entitle us to receive a portion of the excess cash flow from the Senior Secured Loan Fund's loan portfolio, which may result in a return greater than the contractual rate.

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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ARES CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2010 (unaudited) (dollar amounts in thousands, except per share data)

| | Common S | | k | Capital in Excess of Par Value | (Ov U | , | Accumulated Net Realized Gain (Loss) on Investments, Foreign Currency Transactions, Extinguishment of Debt and Acquisitions | Net Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments and Foreign Currency Transactions | Total Stockholder Equity | rs' |
|--|-------------|----|-----|--------------------------------------|----------|-----------|---|---|--------------------------------|-----|
| Balance at December 31, 2009 | 109,944,674 | | 110 | \$ 1,490,458 | \$ | | \$ (31,115) | | | 88 |
| Issuance of common stock in add-on offering (net of offering and underwriting costs) Issuance of common stock in the Acquisition of | 22,957,993 | · | 23 | 277,021 | | , , | , , , , , | , (, , , , , , , | 277,04 | |
| Allied Capital Corporation | 58,492,537 | | 58 | 872,669 | | | | | 872,72 | 2.7 |
| Gain on the acquisition of Allied Capital Corporation | 20,192,007 | | | 072,003 | | | 195,876 | | 195,87 | |
| Net increase in stockholders' equity resulting from operations (excluding gain on the acquisition of Allied Capital Corporation) | | | | | | 152,466 | 6,693 | 179,911 | 339,07 | 70 |
| Dividend declared (\$1.05 per share) | | | | | | (180,873) | 0,093 | 179,911 | (180,87 | |
| Shares issued in connection with dividend reinvestment plan | 1,171,230 | | 2 | 16,742 | | (160,673) | | | 16,74 | |
| Balance at September 30, 2010 | 192,566,434 | \$ | 193 | \$ 2,656,890 | \$ | (25,264) | \$ 171,454 | \$ (24,797) | \$ 2,778,47 | 76 |

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ARES CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (dollar amounts in thousands)

| | For the nine months ended | | | | | | |
|--|---------------------------|--------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| | September 30, 2010 | September 30, 2009 | | | | | |
| | (unaudited) | (unaudited) | | | | | |
| OPERATING ACTIVITIES: | , , | . , | | | | | |
| Net increase in stockholders' equity resulting from operations | \$ 534,946 | \$ 133,063 | | | | | |
| Adjustments to reconcile net increase in stockholders' equity | | | | | | | |
| resulting from operations: | | | | | | | |
| Gain on the acquisition of Allied Capital Corporation | (195,876) | | | | | | |
| Realized loss (gain) on extinguishment of debt | 1,961 | (26,543) | | | | | |
| Net realized losses (gains) from investments | (8,654) | 4,232 | | | | | |
| Net unrealized losses (gains) from investments and foreign | | | | | | | |
| currency transactions | (179,911) | (15,698) | | | | | |
| Net accretion of discount on securities | (8,031) | (1,640) | | | | | |
| Increase in accrued payment-in-kind dividends and interest | (34,117) | (33,021) | | | | | |
| Amortization of debt issuance costs | 6,802 | 3,251 | | | | | |
| Accretion of discount on Unsecured Notes | 5,644 | | | | | | |
| Depreciation | 662 | 505 | | | | | |
| Acquisition of Allied Capital Corporation, net of cash | | | | | | | |
| acquired | (774,190) | | | | | | |
| Proceeds from sale and redemption of investments | 1,211,800 | 267,381 | | | | | |
| Purchase of investments | (1,126,780) | (218,843) | | | | | |
| Changes in operating assets and liabilities: | | | | | | | |
| Interest receivable | (19,712) | 1,227 | | | | | |
| Other assets | 4,515 | (1,052) | | | | | |
| Management and incentive fees payable | (33,254) | 23,538 | | | | | |
| Accounts payable and accrued expenses | (48,676) | | | | | | |
| Interest and facility fees payable | (1) | (1,152) | | | | | |
| Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities | (662,872) | 140,093 | | | | | |
| FINANCING ACTIVITIES: | | | | | | | |
| Net proceeds from issuance of common stock | 1,149,773 | 109,086 | | | | | |
| Borrowings on debt | 1,192,264 | 246,700 | | | | | |
| Repayments on credit facility payable | (1,461,693) | | | | | | |
| Credit facility financing costs | (18,208) | | | | | | |
| Dividends paid in cash | (164,129) | | | | | | |
| 2111dends pard in each | (10.,12) | (100,100) | | | | | |
| Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities | 698,007 | (168,007) | | | | | |
| rect cash provided by (used in) maneing activities | 070,007 | (100,007) | | | | | |
| CHANCE IN CACH AND CACH FOUNTAL ENTE | 25 125 | (27.014) | | | | | |
| CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS | 35,135 | (27,914) | | | | | |
| CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF PERIOD | 99.227 | 90.292 | | | | | |
| PERIOD | 99,221 | 89,383 | | | | | |
| CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF PERIOD | \$ 134,362 | \$ 61,469 | | | | | |
| Supplemental Information: | | | | | | | |
| Interest paid during the period | \$ 39,418 | \$ 15,053 | | | | | |
| Taxes paid during the period | \$ 1,683 | \$ 660 | | | | | |
| Dividends declared during the period | \$ 180,873 | \$ 113,165 | | | | | |
| C | s to consolidated financi | | | | | | |

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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ARES CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

As of September 30, 2010 (unaudited)

(dollar amounts in thousands, except per share data and as otherwise indicated)

1. ORGANIZATION

Ares Capital Corporation (the "Company" or "ARCC" or "we") is a specialty finance company that is a closed-end, non-diversified management investment company incorporated in Maryland. We have elected to be regulated as a business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "Investment Company Act"). We were incorporated on April 16, 2004 and were initially funded on June 23, 2004. On October 8, 2004, we completed our initial public offering (the "IPO"). On the same date, we commenced substantial investment operations.

On April 1, 2010, we consummated our acquisition (the "Allied Acquisition") of Allied Capital Corporation ("Allied Capital"), in an all stock merger where each existing share of common stock of Allied Capital was exchanged for 0.325 shares of our common stock. The Allied Acquisition was valued at approximately \$908 million as of April 1, 2010. In connection therewith, we issued approximately 58.5 million shares of our common stock to Allied Capital's then-existing stockholders, thereby resulting in our then-existing stockholders owning approximately 69% of the combined company and then-existing Allied Capital stockholders owning approximately 31% of the combined company (see Note 15).

The Company has elected to be treated as a regulated investment company (a "RIC") under subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and operates in a manner so as to qualify for the tax treatment applicable to RICs. Our investment objective is to generate both current income and capital appreciation through debt and equity investments. We invest primarily in first and second lien senior loans and mezzanine debt, which in some cases includes an equity component. To a lesser extent, we also make equity investments. Also, as a result of the Allied Acquisition, Allied Capital's equity investments, including equity investments larger than those we have traditionally made and equity investments pursuant to which Allied Capital controlled a particular company, became part of our portfolio.

We are externally managed by Ares Capital Management LLC ("Ares Capital Management" or the "investment adviser"), an affiliate of Ares Management LLC ("Ares Management"), a global alternative asset manager and a Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") registered investment adviser. Ares Operations LLC ("Ares Operations" or the "administrator"), an affiliate of Ares Management, provides the administrative services necessary for us to operate.

Interim financial statements are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States ("GAAP") for interim financial information and pursuant to the requirements for reporting on Form 10-Q and Articles 6 or 10 of Regulation S-X. In the opinion of management, all adjustments, consisting solely of normal recurring accruals considered necessary for the fair presentation of financial statements for the interim period, have been included. The current period's results of operations will not necessarily be indicative of results that ultimately may be achieved for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2010.

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in conformity with GAAP, and include the accounts of the Company and its wholly owned subsidiaries. The consolidated financial statements reflect all adjustments and reclassifications

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which, in the opinion of management, are necessary for the fair presentation of the results of the operations and financial condition as of and for the periods presented. All significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include funds from time to time deposited with financial institutions and short-term, liquid investments in a money market fund. Cash and cash equivalents are carried at cost which approximates fair value.

Concentration of Credit Risk

The Company places its cash and cash equivalents with financial institutions and, at times, cash held in money market accounts may exceed the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation insured limit.

Investments

Investment transactions are recorded on the trade date. Realized gains or losses are computed using the specific identification method. Unrealized gains or losses reflect the change in investment values, including the reversal of previously recorded unrealized gains or losses when gains or losses are realized. Investments for which market quotations are readily available are typically valued at such market quotations. In order to validate market quotations, we look at a number of factors to determine if the quotations are representative of fair value, including the source and nature of the quotations. Debt and equity securities that are not publicly traded or whose market prices are not readily available (i.e., substantially all of our investments) are valued at fair value as determined in good faith by our board of directors, based on the input of our investment adviser, audit committee and independent third-party valuation firms that have been engaged at the direction of the board to assist in the valuation of each portfolio investment without a readily available market quotation at least once during a trailing 12 month period, and under a valuation policy and a consistently applied valuation process. The valuation process is conducted at the end of each fiscal quarter, and a minimum of 50% of our portfolio at fair value are subject to review by an independent valuation firm each quarter.

As part of the valuation process, we may take into account the following types of factors, if relevant, in determining the fair value of our investments: the enterprise value of a portfolio company (an estimate of the total fair value of the portfolio company's debt and equity), the nature and realizable value of any collateral, the portfolio company's ability to make payments and its earnings and discounted cash flow, the markets in which the portfolio company does business, comparison of the portfolio company's securities to any similar publicly traded securities, changes in the interest rate environment and the credit markets generally that may affect the price at which similar investments may be made in the future and other relevant factors. When an external event such as a purchase transaction, public offering or subsequent equity sale occurs, we consider the pricing indicated by the external event to corroborate our valuation.

Because there is not a readily available market value for most of the investments in our portfolio, we value substantially all of our portfolio investments at fair value as determined in good faith by our board of directors, as described herein. Due to the inherent uncertainty of determining the fair value of investments that do not have a readily available market value, the fair value of our investments may fluctuate from period to period. Additionally, the fair value of our investments may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had a ready market existed for such investments and may differ materially from the values that we may ultimately realize. Further, such investments are generally subject to legal and other restrictions on resale or otherwise are less liquid than publicly traded securities. If we were required to liquidate a portfolio investment in a forced or liquidation sale, we may realize significantly less than the value at which we have recorded it.

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In addition, changes in the market environment and other events that may occur over the life of the investments may cause the gains or losses ultimately realized on these investments to be different than the gains or losses that would be realized based on the valuations currently assigned.

Our board of directors undertakes a multi-step valuation process each quarter, as described below:

Our quarterly valuation process begins with each portfolio company or investment being initially valued by the investment professionals responsible for the portfolio investment in conjunction with our portfolio management team.

Preliminary valuations are reviewed and discussed with the investment adviser's management and investment professionals, and then valuation recommendations are presented to the board of directors.

The audit committee of our board of directors reviews these valuations, as well as the input of independent third-party valuation firms with respect to the valuations of a minimum of 50% of our portfolio at fair value.

The board of directors discusses valuations and determines the fair value of each investment in our portfolio without a readily available market quotation in good faith based on the input of our investment adviser, audit committee and, where applicable, independent third-party valuation firms.

Effective January 1, 2008, the Company adopted Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 820-10 (previously Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 157, *Fair Value Measurements* ("SFAS 157")), which expands the application of fair value accounting for investments (see Note 8). Investments acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition were accounted for in accordance with ASC 805-10 (previously SFAS No. 141(R)), *Business Combinations*, which requires that all assets be recorded at fair value. As a result, the initial amortized cost basis and fair value for the acquired investments were the same at April 1, 2010 (see Note 15).

Interest Income Recognition

Interest income, adjusted for amortization of premium and accretion of discount, is recorded on an accrual basis. Discounts and premiums from par value on securities purchased are accreted/amortized into interest income over the life of the respective security using the effective yield method. The amortized cost of investments represents the original cost adjusted for the accretion of discounts and amortization of premiums, if any.

Loans are generally placed on non-accrual status when principal or interest payments are past due 30 days or more or when there is reasonable doubt that principal or interest will be collected in full. 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 regarding collectability. 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. The Company may make exceptions to this if the loan has sufficient collateral value and is in the process of collection. As of September 30, 2010, 7.5% of total investments at amortized cost (or 5.2% of total investments at fair value) were on non-accrual status, including 5.3% of total investments at amortized cost (or 5.0% of total investments at fair value) of investments acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition. As of December 31, 2009, 2.5% of total investments at amortized cost (or 0.5% at fair value) were on non-accrual status.

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Payment-in-Kind Interest

The Company has loans in its portfolio that contain payment-in-kind ("PIK") provisions. The PIK interest, computed at the contractual rate specified in each loan agreement, is added to the principal balance of the loan and recorded as interest income. To maintain the Company's status as a RIC, this non-cash source of income must be paid out to stockholders in the form of dividends even though the Company has not yet collected the cash. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, \$13,345 and \$34,117, respectively, in PIK income was recorded. Of the PIK income recorded for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, \$3,255 and \$8,992, respectively, was PIK income from investments acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009, \$10,825 and \$33,021, respectively, in PIK income were recorded.

Capital Structuring Service Fees and Other Income

The Company's investment adviser seeks to provide assistance to our portfolio companies in connection with the Company's investments and in return the Company may receive fees for capital structuring services. These fees are generally only available to the Company as a result of the Company's underlying investments, are normally paid at the closing of the investments, are generally non-recurring and are recognized as revenue when earned upon closing of the investment. The services that the Company's investment adviser provides vary by investment, but generally consist of reviewing existing credit facilities, arranging bank financing, arranging equity financing, structuring financing from multiple lenders, structuring financing from multiple equity investors, restructuring existing loans, raising equity and debt capital, and providing general financial advice, which concludes upon closing of the investment. Any services of the above nature subsequent to the closing would generally generate a separate fee payable to the Company. In certain instances where the Company is invited to participate as a co-lender in a transaction and does not provide significant services in connection with the investment, a portion of loan fees paid to the Company in such situations will be deferred and amortized over the estimated life of the loan. The Company's investment adviser may also take a seat on the board of directors of a portfolio company, or observe the meetings of the board of directors without taking a formal seat.

Other income includes fees for asset management, management and consulting services, loan guarantees, commitments, amendments and other services rendered by the Company to portfolio companies. Such fees are recognized as income when earned or the services are rendered.

Foreign Currency Translation

The Company's books and records are maintained in U.S. dollars. Any foreign currency amounts are translated into U.S. dollars on the following basis:

- (1) Market value of investment securities, other assets and liabilities at the exchange rates prevailing at the end of the period.
- (2) Purchases and sales of investment securities, income and expenses at the exchange rates prevailing on the respective dates of such transactions, income or expenses.

Results of operations based on changes in foreign exchange rates are separately disclosed in the statement of operations. Foreign security and currency translations may involve certain considerations and risks not typically associated with investing in U.S. companies and U.S. government securities. These risks include, but are not limited to, currency fluctuation and revaluations and future adverse political, social and economic developments, which could cause investments in foreign markets to be less liquid and prices more volatile than those of comparable U.S. companies or U.S. government securities.

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Accounting for Derivative Instruments

The Company does not utilize hedge accounting and marks its derivatives to market through operations.

Offering Expenses

The Company's offering costs, excluding underwriters' fees, are charged against the proceeds from equity offerings when received. For the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, the Company incurred approximately \$1,035 and \$806, respectively, of offering costs.

Debt Issuance Costs

Debt issuance costs are being amortized over the life of the related credit facility using the straight line method, which closely approximates the effective yield method.

U.S. Federal Income Taxes

The Company has elected to be treated as a RIC under subchapter M of the Code and operates in a manner so as to qualify for the tax treatment applicable to RICs. In order to qualify as a RIC, among other things, the Company is required to timely distribute to its stockholders at least 90% of investment company taxable income, as defined by the Code, for each year. The Company, among other things, has made and intends to continue to make the requisite distributions to its stockholders, which will generally relieve the Company from U.S. federal income taxes.

Depending on the level of taxable income earned in a tax year, we may choose to carry forward taxable income in excess of current year dividend distributions into the next tax year and pay a 4% excise tax on such income, as required. To the extent that the Company determines that its estimated current year annual taxable income will be in excess of estimated current year dividend distributions, the Company accrues excise tax, if any, on estimated excess taxable income as taxable income is earned. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, no amounts were recorded for U.S. Federal excise tax. For the three months ended September 30, 2009, no amount was recorded for U.S. federal excise tax.

Certain of our wholly owned subsidiaries are subject to U.S. Federal and state income taxes. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, we recorded a tax (benefit)/expense of approximately \$(164) and \$360, respectively, for these subsidiaries. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009, we recorded a tax expense of approximately \$454 and \$593, respectively, for these subsidiaries.

Income taxes for certain of our subsidiaries are accounted for under the asset and liability method. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases as well as operating loss and tax credit carryforwards. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled.

Dividends to Common Stockholders

Dividends and distributions to common stockholders are recorded on the record date. The amount to be paid out as a dividend is determined by the board of directors each quarter and is generally based upon the earnings estimated by management. Net realized capital gains, if any, are generally distributed at least annually, although we may decide to retain such capital gains for investment.

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We have adopted a dividend reinvestment plan that provides for reinvestment of any distributions we declare in cash on behalf of our stockholders, unless a stockholder elects to receive cash. As a result, if 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 dividend. While we generally use primarily newly issued shares to implement the plan (especially if our shares are trading at a premium to net asset value), we may purchase shares in the open market in connection with our obligations under the plan. In particular, if our shares are trading at a significant enough discount to net asset value and we are otherwise permitted under applicable law to purchase such shares, we intend to purchase shares in the open market in connection with our obligations under our dividend reinvestment plan.

Use of Estimates in the Preparation of Financial Statements

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of actual and contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of income or loss and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Significant estimates include the valuation of investments.

New Accounting Pronouncements

In January 2010, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standard Update 2010-06, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures (Topic 820), Improving Disclosures About Fair Value Measurements ("ASU 2010-06"). ASU 2010-06 adds new requirements for disclosures about transfers into and out of Level 1 and 2 inputs and separate disclosures about fair value measurements (see Note 8), particularly with respect to purchases, sales, issuances and settlements relating to Level 3 inputs. It also clarifies existing fair value disclosures about the level of disaggregation, will require that entities provide fair value measurement disclosures for each class of assets and liabilities, and adds requirements relating to inputs and valuation techniques used to measure fair value. Generally, ASU 2010-06 is effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2009, however, the disclosures about purchases, sales, issuances and settlements in the roll forward of activity in Level 3 inputs will not be required until fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2010. The adoption of ASU 2010-06 did not have a significant impact on the Company's financial condition and results of operations.

3. AGREEMENTS

Investment Advisory and Management Agreement

The Company is party to an investment advisory and management agreement (the "investment advisory and management agreement") with Ares Capital Management. Subject to the overall supervision of our board of directors, Ares Capital Management provides investment advisory services to the Company. For providing these services, Ares Capital Management receives a fee from us, consisting of two components a base management fee and an incentive fee. Ares Capital Management has committed to defer up to \$15,000 in base management and incentive fees for each of the first two fiscal years following the Allied Acquisition if certain earnings targets are not met.

The base management fee is calculated at an annual rate of 1.5% based on the average value of our total assets (other than cash or cash equivalents but including assets purchased with borrowed funds) at the end of the two most recently completed calendar quarters. The base management fee is payable quarterly in arrears.

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The incentive fee has two parts. One part is calculated and payable quarterly in arrears based on our pre-incentive fee net investment income for the quarter. Pre-incentive fee net investment income means interest income, dividend income and any other income (including any other fees such as commitment, origination, structuring, diligence and consulting fees or other fees that we receive from portfolio companies but excluding fees for providing managerial assistance) accrued during the calendar quarter, minus operating expenses for the quarter (including the base management fee, any expenses payable under the administration agreement, and any interest expense and dividends paid on any 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 market discount, debt instruments with PIK interest, preferred stock with PIK dividends and zero coupon securities, accrued income that we have not yet received in cash. The investment adviser is not under any obligation to reimburse us for any part of the incentive fee it received that was based on accrued interest that we never actually receive.

Pre-incentive fee net investment income does not include any realized capital gains, realized capital losses or unrealized capital appreciation or depreciation. Because of the structure of the incentive fee, it is possible that we may pay an incentive fee in a quarter where we incur a loss. For example, if we receive pre-incentive fee net investment income in excess of the hurdle rate (as defined below) for a quarter, we will pay the applicable incentive fee even if we have incurred a loss in that quarter due to realized and unrealized capital losses.

Pre-incentive fee net investment income, expressed as a rate of return on the value of our net assets (defined as total assets less indebtedness and before taking into account any incentive fees payable during the period) at the end of the immediately preceding calendar quarter, is compared to a fixed "hurdle rate" of 2% per quarter. If market interest rates rise, we may be able to invest our funds in debt instruments that provide for a higher return, which would increase our pre-incentive fee net investment income and make it easier for our investment adviser to surpass the fixed hurdle rate and receive an incentive fee based on such net investment income. Our pre-incentive fee net investment income used to calculate this part of the incentive fee is also included in the amount of our total assets (other than cash and cash equivalents but including assets purchased with borrowed funds) used to calculate the 1.5% base management fee.

We pay the investment adviser an 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 the pre-incentive fee net investment income does not exceed the hurdle rate;

100% 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 2.5% in any calendar quarter. We refer to this portion of our pre-incentive fee net investment income (which exceeds the hurdle rate but is less than 2.5%) as the "catch-up" provision. The "catch-up" is meant to provide our investment adviser with 20% of the pre-incentive fee net investment income as if a hurdle rate did not apply if this net investment income exceeds 2.5% in any calendar quarter; and

20% of the amount of our pre-incentive fee net investment income, if any, that exceeds 2.5% in any calendar quarter.

These calculations are adjusted for any share issuances or repurchases during the quarter.

The second part of the incentive fee (the "Capital Gains Fee"), is determined and payable in arrears as of the end of each calendar year (or, upon termination of the investment advisory and management agreement, as of the termination date) and is calculated at the end of each applicable year by subtracting (a) the sum of our cumulative aggregate realized capital losses and aggregate

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unrealized capital depreciation from (b) our cumulative aggregate realized capital gains, in each case calculated from October 8, 2004. If such amount is positive at the end of such year, then the Capital Gains Fee for such year is equal to 20% of such amount, less the aggregate amount of Capital Gains Fees paid in all prior years. If such amount is negative, then there is no Capital Gains Fee for such year.

The cumulative aggregate realized capital gains are calculated as the sum of the differences, if positive, between (a) the net sales price of each investment in our portfolio when sold and (b) the accreted or amortized cost basis of such investment.

The cumulative aggregate realized capital losses are calculated as the sum of the amounts by which (a) the net sales price of each investment in our portfolio when sold is less than (b) the accreted or amortized cost basis of such investment.

The aggregate unrealized capital depreciation is calculated as the sum of the differences, if negative, between (a) the valuation of each investment in our portfolio as of the applicable Capital Gains Fee calculation date and (b) the accreted or amortized cost basis of such investment.

We defer cash payment of any incentive fee otherwise earned by the investment adviser if during the most recent four full calendar quarter period ending on or prior to the date such payment is to be made the sum of (a) the aggregate distributions to our stockholders and (b) the change in net assets (defined as total assets less indebtedness and before taking into account any incentive fees payable during the period) is less than 8.0% of our net assets at the beginning of such period.

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, we incurred \$15,436 and \$35,574, respectively, in base management fees and \$17,805 and \$40,922, respectively, in incentive management fees related to pre-incentive fee net investment income. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, we accrued no incentive management fees related to net realized capital gains. As of September 30, 2010, \$33,241 was unpaid and included in "management and incentive fees payable" in the accompanying consolidated balance sheet.

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009, we incurred \$7,508 and \$22,502, respectively, in base management fees and \$8,227 and \$23,764, respectively, in incentive management fees related to pre-incentive fee net investment income. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009, we accrued no incentive management fees related to realized capital gains.

Administration Agreement

We are party to a separate administration agreement, referred to herein as the "administration agreement," with our administrator, Ares Operations. Pursuant to the administration agreement, Ares Operations furnishes us with office equipment and clerical, bookkeeping and record keeping services. Under the administration agreement, Ares Operations 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, Ares Operations assists us in determining and publishing our net asset value, oversees 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. Payments under the administration agreement are equal to an amount based upon our allocable portion of Ares Operations' overhead in performing its obligations under the administration agreement, including our allocable portion of the cost of certain of our executive officers and their respective staffs. The administration agreement may be terminated by either party without penalty upon 60-days' written notice to the other party.

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For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, we incurred \$2,642 and \$6,251, respectively, in administrative fees. As of September 30, 2010, \$2,642 was unpaid and included in "accounts payable and accrued expenses" in the accompanying consolidated balance sheet.

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009, we incurred \$809 and \$2,905, respectively, in administrative fees.

4. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The following information sets forth the computations of basic and diluted net increase in stockholders' equity per share resulting from operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010:

| | Three months ended September 30, 2010 | | | ne months ended otember 30, 2010 |
|--|--|-------------|----|-------------------------------------|
| Numerator for basic and diluted net increase in stockholders' equity resulting from operations | • | , | • | · |
| per share: | \$ | 128,377 | \$ | 534,946 |
| Denominator for basic and diluted net increase in stockholders' equity resulting from | | | | |
| operations per share: | | 192,167,337 | | 169,499,905 |
| Basic and diluted net increase in stockholders' equity resulting from operations per share: | \$ | 0.67 | \$ | 3.16 |

The following information sets forth the computations of basic and diluted net increase in stockholders' equity per share resulting from the operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009:

| | Three months ended September 30, 2009 | | ne months ended ptember 30, 2009 |
|--|--|-------------|-------------------------------------|
| Numerator for basic and diluted net increase in stockholders' equity resulting from operations | | | |
| per share: | \$ | 63,276 | \$ 133,063 |
| Denominator for basic and diluted net increase in stockholders' equity resulting from | | | |
| operations per share: | | 102,831,909 | 99,066,652 |
| Basic and diluted net increase in stockholders' equity resulting from operations per share: | \$ | 0.62 | \$ 1.34 |
| | | | |

5. INVESTMENTS

Under the Investment Company Act, we are required to separately identify non-controlled investments where we own more than 5% of a portfolio company's outstanding voting securities as "affiliated companies." In addition, under the Investment

Company Act, we are required to separately identify investments where we own more than 25% of a portfolio company's outstanding voting securities as "control affiliated companies."

For the three months ended September 30, 2010, the Company funded investments totaling \$509 million including \$236 million aggregate principal amount of senior subordinated debt, \$210 million for investments in the Senior Secured Loan Fund LLC (the "Senior Secured Loan Program") (see Note 10), and \$23 million of investments in equity securities.

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In addition, for the three months ended September 30, 2010, \$231 million of investments were sold or redeemed including \$165 million aggregate principal amount of senior term debt, \$62 million of senior subordinated debt, \$3 million of investments in collateralized loan obligations and \$1 million of investments in equity securities. Within the total investments sold or redeemed for the three months ended September 30, 2010, approximately \$99 million were originally acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition with a net realized gain of approximately \$1.8 million recognized in these transactions.

As of September 30, 2010, investments and cash and cash equivalents consisted of the following:

| | Amortized Cost | | I | Fair Value |
|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|----|------------|
| Cash and cash | | | | |
| equivalents | \$ | 134,362 | \$ | 134,362 |
| Senior term debt | | 1,594,972 | | 1,550,673 |
| Senior subordinated | | | | |
| debt | | 1,252,715 | | 1,212,003 |
| Equity securities | | 664,425 | | 684,744 |
| Collateralized loan | | | | |
| obligations | | 220,369 | | 238,317 |
| Subordinated Notes of | | | | |
| Senior Secured Loan | | | | |
| Program | | 400,451 | | 425,500 |
| Commercial real estate | | 41,207 | | 38,553 |
| | | | | |
| Total | \$ | 4,308,501 | \$ | 4,284,152 |

As of December 31, 2009, investments and cash and cash equivalents consisted of the following:

| | Amortized Cost | | | Fair Value |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------|----|------------|
| Cash and cash | | | | |
| equivalents | \$ | 99,227 | \$ | 99,227 |
| Senior term debt | | 1,152,462 | | 1,072,149 |
| Senior subordinated | | | | |
| debt | | 658,787 | | 595,668 |
| Equity securities | | 344,454 | | 287,614 |
| Subordinated Notes of | | | | |
| Senior Secured Loan | | | | |
| Program | | 165,000 | | 165,000 |
| Collateralized loan | | | | |
| obligations | | 55,681 | | 51,383 |
| | | | | |
| Total | \$ | 2,475,611 | \$ | 2.271.041 |

The amortized cost represents the original cost adjusted for the accretion of discounts and amortization of premiums on debt using the effective interest method.

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The industrial and geographic compositions of our portfolio at fair value at September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009 were as follows:

| Industry | September 30, 2010 | December 31, 2009 |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Investment Funds | 18.3% | 12.8% |
| Business Services | 14.8 | 5.8 |
| Healthcare Services | 13.0 | 18.3 |
| Consumer Products | 9.9 | 3.2 |
| Restaurants and Food Services | 9.1 | 7.8 |
| Financial Services | 7.4 | 3.4 |
| Education | 4.8 | 10.1 |
| Manufacturing | 3.9 | 3.8 |
| Telecommunications | 2.9 | 1.8 |
| Beverage/Food/Tobacco | 2.8 | 6.1 |
| Other Services | 2.6 | 8.2 |
| Retail | 2.4 | 5.9 |
| Commercial Real Estate | 1.7 | 0.0 |
| Wholesale Distribution | 1.3 | 0.0 |
| Printing/Publishing/Media | 0.9 | 2.6 |
| Computers/Electronics | 0.9 | 1.4 |
| Aerospace and Defense | 0.8 | 2.8 |
| Environmental Services | 0.8 | 1.5 |
| Automotive Services | 0.7 | 0.0 |
| Containers/Packaging | 0.5 | 1.0 |
| Health Clubs | 0.4 | 1.1 |
| Oil and Gas | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| Homebuilding | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| Cargo Transport | 0.0 | 1.4 |
| Grocery | 0.0 | 0.9 |
| | | |
| Total | 100.0% | 100.0% |

| Geographic Region | September 30, 2010 | December 31, 2009 |
|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Mid-Atlantic | 29.0% | 22.2% |
| Midwest | 22.6 | 19.7 |
| West | 22.6 | 24.8 |
| Southeast | 18.6 | 19.7 |
| International | 4.3 | 10.4 |
| Northeast | 2.9 | 3.2 |
| | | |
| Total | 100.0% | 100.0% |

Senior Secured Loan Program. In October 2009, the Company completed its acquisition from Allied Capital of subordinated notes issued by the Senior Secured Loan Program (the "SSLP Notes"). The Senior Secured Loan Program was formed in December 2007 to invest in "unitranche" loans (loans that combine both senior and subordinated debt, generally in a first lien position) of middle-market companies. The cost and fair value of the SSLP Notes was \$400.5 million and \$425.5 million, respectively, at September 30, 2010, and \$165.0 million and \$165.0 million, respectively, at December 31, 2009. The SSLP Notes pay a coupon of LIBOR plus 8.0% and also entitle the Company to receive a portion of the excess cash flow from the loan portfolio, which may result in a return greater than the contractual coupon. The Company is also entitled to certain other sourcing and

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management fees related to this investment. The Company's yield on its investment in the Senior Secured Loan Program at fair value was 16.52% and 17.00% at September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, respectively. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, the Company earned interest income of \$12,987 and \$30,242, respectively, on the SSLP Notes.

As of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, the Senior Secured Loan Program had total assets of \$2.0 billion and \$0.9 billion, respectively, in aggregate principal amount. The senior debt obligations of the Senior Secured Loan Program were \$1.5 billion and \$0.7 billion in aggregate principal amount at September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, respectively. The SSLP Notes owned by the Company are junior to the senior debt obligations of the fund and the Company owns 87.5% of the outstanding class of such notes.

The Senior Secured Loan Program's portfolio consisted of 17 and 11 different issuers as of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, respectively. At September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, the portfolio was comprised of all first lien senior secured debt issued by U.S. middle-market companies and none of the loans were on non-accrual status. At September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, the single largest issuer in the Senior Secured Loan Program's portfolio in aggregate principal amount was \$254.4 million and \$179.9 million, respectively, and the top five issuers totaled \$1,053.9 million and \$535.3 million, respectively. The portfolio companies in the Senior Secured Loan Program are in similar industries as the companies in Ares Capital's portfolio.

6. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

As of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, the Company had the following commitments to fund various revolving and delayed draw senior secured and subordinated loans to its portfolio companies:

| | Septer | mber 30, 2010 | December 31, 2009 |
|--|--------|---------------|-------------------|
| Total revolving and delayed draw commitments | \$ | 633,400 | \$ 136,800 |
| Less: funded commitments | | (382,600) | (37,200) |
| Total unfunded commitments | | 250,800 | 99,600 |
| Less: commitments substantially at discretion of the Company | | (63,400) | (4,000) |
| Less: unavailable commitments due to borrowing base or other covenant restrictions | | (16,100) | (16,200) |
| | | | |
| Total net adjusted unfunded commitments | \$ | 171,300 | \$ 79,400 |

Of the total net adjusted unfunded commitments as of September 30, 2010, \$78,100 are from commitments for investments acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition. Also, of the total commitments as of September 30, 2010, \$176,600 extend beyond the maturity date for our Revolving Credit Facility (as defined in Note 7). Included within the total commitments as of September 30, 2010 are commitments to issue up to \$21,700 in standby letters of credit through a financial intermediary on behalf of certain portfolio companies. Under these arrangements, the Company would be required to make payments to third parties if the portfolio companies were to default on their related payment obligations. As of September 30, 2010, the Company had \$18,700 in standby letters of credit issued and outstanding on behalf of the portfolio companies, of which no amounts were recorded as a liability on the balance sheet as they are considered in the valuation of the investments in the portfolio company. Of these letters of credit, \$300 expire in December 2010, \$800 expire in January 2011, \$8,200 expire in February 2011, \$2,000 expire in March 2011, \$2,300 expire in September 2011, and \$5,100 expire in December 2012.

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As of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, the Company was subject to subscription agreements to fund equity investments in private equity and other investment partnerships as follows:

| | Septen | nber 30, 2010 | December 31, 2009 | | |
|---|--------|---------------|-------------------|---------|--|
| Total private equity commitments | \$ | 567,600 | \$ | 428,300 | |
| Total unfunded private equity commitments | \$ | 442,500 | \$ | 415,400 | |

Of the total unfunded private equity commitments as of September 30, 2010, \$400,500 are substantially at the discretion of the Company. Additionally, of the total unfunded private equity commitments as of September 30, 2010, \$28,100 are for investments acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition.

See Note 10 for more information on the Company's commitment to the Senior Secured Loan Program.

In the ordinary course of business, Allied Capital had issued guarantees on behalf of certain portfolio companies. Under these arrangements, payments would be required to be made to third parties if the portfolio companies were to default on their related payment. As part of the Allied Acquisition, the Company assumed such outstanding guarantees or similar obligations. As a result, as of September 30, 2010, the Company had outstanding guarantees or similar obligations totaling \$0.8 million and an outstanding servicer performance guaranty. The servicer performance guaranty relates to one portfolio company's servicing of loans held in a loan warehouse facility, and as of September 30, 2010, there were no known issues or claims with respect to such performance guaranty.

7. BORROWINGS

In accordance with the Investment Company Act, with certain limited exceptions, we are only allowed to borrow amounts such that our asset coverage, as defined in the Investment Company Act, is at least 200% after such borrowing. As of September 30, 2010, our asset coverage for borrowed amounts was 282%.

Our debt obligations consisted of the following as of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009:

| | September 30, 2010 | | | | | , 2009 | | |
|--|---------------------------|-------------|------|--------------|----|----------|----|--------------|
| | | Carrying | | Total | | Carrying | | Total |
| | | Value(1) | | Available(2) | | Value(1) | | Available(2) |
| CP Funding Facility | \$ | 283,374 | \$ | 400,000 | \$ | 221,569 | \$ | 221,569 |
| Revolving Credit Facility | | 431,000 | | 810,000 | | 474,144 | | 525,000 |
| CP Funding II Facility(3) | | | | | | | | 200,000 |
| Debt Securitization | | 177,163 | | 200,134 | | 273,752 | | 274,981 |
| 2011 Notes (principal amount outstanding | | | | | | | | |
| of \$300,584) | | 294,333(4 |) | 300,584 | | | | |
| 2012 Notes (principal amount outstanding | | | | | | | | |
| of \$161,210) | | 157,523(4 |) | 161,210 | | | | |
| 2047 Notes (principal amount outstanding | | | | | | | | |
| of \$230,000) | | 180,750(4 |) | 230,000 | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | \$ | 1,524,143(5 | \$ (| 2,101,928 | \$ | 969,465 | \$ | 1,221,550 |

(2) Subject to borrowing base and leverage restrictions.

⁽¹⁾ Except for the Unsecured Notes, all carrying values are the same as the principal amounts outstanding.

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7. BORROWINGS (Continued)

- (3)
 The CP Funding II Facility was combined with the CP Funding Facility on January 22, 2010. In connection therewith, the CP Funding II Facility was terminated.
- (4)

 Represents the aggregate principal amount of the applicable series of notes less the unaccreted discount initially recorded as a part of the Allied Acquisition.
- (5) Total principal amount of debt outstanding totals \$1,583,331.

The weighted average interest rate of all our debt obligations, at principal amount, as of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009 was 4.63% and 2.05%, respectively.

CP Funding Facility

In October 2004, we formed Ares Capital CP Funding LLC ("Ares Capital CP"), a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, through which we established a revolving facility (as amended, the "CP Funding Facility") that, as amended, allowed Ares Capital CP to issue up to \$350,000 of variable funding certificates. On May 7, 2009, the Company and Ares Capital CP entered into an amendment that, among other things, converted the CP Funding Facility from a revolving facility to an amortizing facility, extended the maturity from July 21, 2009 to May 7, 2012 and reduced the availability from \$350,000 to \$225,000.

On July 21, 2009, we entered into an agreement with Wachovia Bank N.A. ("Wachovia") to establish a new revolving facility (the "CP Funding II Facility") whereby Wachovia agreed to extend credit to us in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$200,000 at any one time outstanding. The CP Funding II Facility was scheduled to expire on July 21, 2012.

On January 22, 2010, we combined the CP Funding Facility with the CP Funding II Facility into a single \$400,000 revolving securitized facility (the "combined CP Funding Facility"). In connection with the combination, we terminated the CP Funding II Facility and entered into an Amended and Restated Purchase and Sale Agreement with Ares Capital CP Funding Holdings LLC, our wholly owned subsidiary ("CP Holdings"), pursuant to which we may sell to CP Holdings certain loans that we have originated or acquired, or will originate or acquire (the "Loans") from time to time, which CP Holdings will subsequently sell to Ares Capital CP, which is a wholly owned subsidiary of CP Holdings. The combined CP Funding Facility is secured by all of the assets held by, and the membership interest in, Ares Capital CP. The combined CP Funding Facility, among other things, extended the maturity date of the facility to January 22, 2013 (with two one-year extension options, subject to mutual consent). Prior to January 22, 2010, the interest rate charged on the CP Funding Facility was the commercial paper rate plus 3.50%. After January 22, 2010, subject to certain exceptions, the interest charged on the combined CP Funding Facility is based on LIBOR plus an applicable spread of between 2.25% and 3.75% or on a "base rate" (which is the higher of a prime rate, or the federal funds rate plus 0.50%) plus an applicable spread of between 1.25% to 2.75%, in each case, based on a pricing grid depending upon our credit rating. As of and for the three months ended September 30, 2010, the effective LIBOR spread under the combined CP Funding Facility was 2.75%.

As of September 30, 2010, there was \$283,374 outstanding under the combined CP Funding Facility and the Company continues to be in material compliance with all of the limitations and requirements of the combined CP Funding Facility. As of December 31, 2009, there was \$221,569 outstanding under the CP Funding Facility. The combined CP Funding Facility is secured by all of the assets held by and the membership interest in Ares Capital CP, which as of September 30, 2010 consisted of 34 investments. As of September 30, 2010, the base rate in effect was one month LIBOR, which was 0.26%. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, the average interest rates (i.e. rate in effect plus the spread) on the combined CP Funding Facility and the CP Funding Facility

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were 3.11% and 2.99%, respectively. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, the average outstanding balances on the combined CP Funding Facility and the CP Funding Facility were \$272,558 and \$227,838, respectively. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, the interest expense incurred on the combined CP Funding Facility and the CP Funding Facility was \$2,404 and \$6,185, respectively. Cash paid for interest expense on the combined CP Funding Facility during the nine months ended September 30, 2010 was \$5,106.

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009, the average interest rates (i.e., rate in effect plus the spread) for the CP Funding Facility were 3.77% and 3.62%, respectively. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009, the average outstanding balances on the CP Funding Facility were \$223,345 and \$165,172, respectively. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009, the interest expense incurred on the CP Funding Facility was \$2,151 and \$4,632, respectively. Cash paid for interest expense on the CP Funding Facility during the nine months ended September 30, 2009 was \$4,349.

We are required to pay a commitment fee of between 0.50% and 2.00% depending on the usage level on any unused portion of the combined CP Funding Facility. Prior to May 7, 2009, we were required to pay a commitment fee for any unused portion of the CP Funding Facility equal to 0.50% per annum for any unused portion of the CP Funding Facility. Prior to January 22, 2010, we were also required to pay a commitment fee on any unused portion of the CP Funding II Facility of between 0.50% and 2.00% depending on the usage level. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, we incurred commitment fees on the CP Funding Facility together with the CP Funding II Facility of \$285 and \$1,319, respectively. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009, we incurred commitment fees on the CP Funding Facility together with the CP Funding II Facility of \$260 and \$351, respectively.

Revolving Credit Facility

In December 2005, we entered into a senior secured revolving credit facility (as amended and restated, the "Revolving Credit Facility"), under which, as amended, the lenders agreed to extend credit to the Company. On January 22, 2010, we entered into an agreement to amend and restate the Revolving Credit Facility. The amendment and restatement of the Revolving Credit Facility, among other things, increased the size of the facility from \$525,000 to \$690,000 (comprised of \$615,000 in commitments on a stand-alone basis and an additional \$75,000 in commitments contingent upon the closing of the Allied Acquisition), extended the maturity date from December 28, 2010 to January 22, 2013 and modified pricing. The Revolving Credit Facility also includes an "accordion" feature that allows, under certain circumstances, to increase the size of the facility to a maximum of \$1,050,000. During the nine months ended September 30, 2010, we exercised this "accordion" feature and increased the size of the facility by \$120,000 to bring the total facility size to \$810,000. As of September 30, 2010, there was \$431,000 outstanding under the Revolving Credit Facility and the Company continues to be in material compliance with all of the limitations and requirements of the Revolving Credit Facility. As of December 31, 2009, there was \$474,144 outstanding under the Revolving Credit Facility.

Prior to January 22, 2010, subject to certain exceptions, pricing on the Revolving Credit Facility was based on LIBOR plus 1.00% or on an "alternate base rate" (which was the highest of a prime rate, the federal funds rate plus 0.50%, or one month LIBOR plus 1.00%). After January 22, 2010, subject to certain exceptions, pricing under the Revolving Credit Facility is based on LIBOR plus an applicable spread of between 2.50% and 4.00% or on the "alternate base rate" plus an applicable spread of between 1.50% and 3.00%, in each case, based on a pricing grid depending upon our credit

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rating. As of and for the three months ended September 30, 2010, the effective LIBOR spread under the Revolving Credit Facility was 3.00%. As of September 30, 2010, the one, two, three and six month LIBOR was 0.26%, 0.27%, 0.29% and 0.46%, respectively. As of December 31, 2009, the one, two, three and six month LIBOR was 0.23%, 0.24%, 0.25% and 0.43%, respectively. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, the average interest rate was 4.66% and 4.09%, respectively, the average outstanding balance was \$194,570 and \$271,637, respectively, and the interest expense incurred was \$2,972 and \$10,526, respectively. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009, the average interest rate was 1.95% and 2.13%, respectively, the average outstanding balance was \$328,600 and \$414,121, respectively, and the interest expense incurred was \$1,605 and \$6,617, respectively. Cash paid for interest expense in respect of the revolving credit facility during the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 was \$7,796 and \$7,944, respectively.

Additionally, we are required to pay a commitment fee of 0.50% on any unused portion of the Revolving Credit Facility. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, the commitment fees incurred were \$513 and \$1,408, respectively. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009, the commitment fees incurred was \$90 and \$133, respectively.

In connection with the expansion and extension of the Revolving Credit Facility, we paid arrangement fees totaling \$15.6 million. With certain exceptions, the Revolving Credit Facility is secured by substantially all of the assets in our portfolio (other than investments held by Ares Capital CP under the combined CP Funding Facility, those held as a part of the Debt Securitization, discussed below and retain other investments). As of September 30, 2010, the Revolving Credit Facility was secured by 300 investments.

The amount available for borrowing under the Revolving Credit Facility is reduced by any standby letters of credit issued through the Revolving Credit Facility. As of September 30, 2010, the Company had \$23,108 in standby letters of credit issued through the Revolving Credit Facility. As of December 31, 2009, the Company had \$24,000 in standby letters of credit issued through the Revolving Credit Facility.

Debt Securitization

In July 2006, through ARCC Commercial Loan Trust 2006, a vehicle serviced by our wholly owned subsidiary, ARCC CLO 2006 LLC ("ARCC CLO"), we completed a \$400,000 debt securitization (the "Debt Securitization") and issued approximately \$314,000 principal amount of asset-backed notes (including an aggregate amount of up to \$50,000 of revolving notes, \$27,029 of which was drawn down as of September 30, 2010) (the "CLO Notes") to third parties that are secured by a pool of middle market loans that were purchased or originated by the Company. The CLO Notes are included in our September 30, 2010 consolidated balance sheet. We retained approximately \$86,000 of aggregate principal amount of certain BBB and non-rated securities in the Debt Securitization at the time of issuance.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2010, we repaid \$32,613, \$21,742 and \$42,234 of the Class A-1-A, Class A-1A VFN and Class A-2A Notes, respectively. During the nine months ended September 30, 2009, we repurchased, in several open market transactions, \$34,790 of CLO Notes consisting of \$14,000 of Class B Notes and \$20,790 of Class C Notes for a total purchase price of \$8,247. As a result of these purchases, we recognized a \$26,543 gain on the extinguishment of debt for the nine months ended September 30, 2009. As of September 30, 2010, we held an aggregate principal amount of \$120,790 of CLO Notes (the "Retained Notes"), in total. The CLO Notes mature on December 20, 2019, and, as of September 30, 2010, there was \$177,163 outstanding under the Debt

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Securitization (excluding the Retained Notes). The blended pricing of the CLO Notes, excluding fees, is approximately 3-month LIBOR plus 35 basis points.

The classes, amounts, and interest rates (expressed as a spread to LIBOR) of the CLO Notes are as follows:

| Class | Amount | (basis points) |
|----------|------------|----------------|
| A-1A | \$ 40,544 | 25 |
| A-1A VFN | 27,029(1) | 28 |
| A-1B | 14,000 | 37 |
| A-2A | 30,380 | 22 |
| A-2B | 33,000 | 35 |
| В | 9,000 | 43 |
| С | 23,210 | 70 |
| | | |
| Total | \$ 177,163 | |

(1) Revolving Notes, in an aggregate amount of up to \$50,000.

As of September 30, 2010, there were 44 investments securing the notes. The interest charged under the Debt Securitization is based on 3-month LIBOR, which as of September 30, 2010 was 0.29% and as of December 31, 2009 was 0.25%. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, the effective average interest rates were 0.91% and 0.68%, respectively, the average outstanding balance was \$209,996 and \$246,364, respectively, and the interest expense incurred was \$476 and \$1,259, respectively. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009, the effective average interest rate was 1.04% and 1.44%, respectively, the average outstanding balance was \$278,617 and \$285,924, respectively, and the interest expense incurred was \$726 and \$3,082, respectively.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, the cash paid for interest was \$1,250 and \$3,210, respectively. The Company is also required to pay a commitment fee of 0.175% for any unused portion of the Class A-1A VFN Notes. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, we incurred \$7 and \$11, respectively, in commitment fees on these notes. There were no commitment fees incurred for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009 on these notes.

Publicly Issued Unsecured Notes Payable

As part of the Allied Acquisition, the Company assumed all outstanding debt obligations of Allied Capital, including Allied Capital's publicly issued unsecured notes which consisted of 6.625% Notes due on July 15, 2011 (the "2011 Notes"), 6.000% Notes due on April 1, 2012 (the "2012 Notes") and 6.875% Notes due on April 15, 2047 (the "2047 Notes" and, together with the 2011 Notes and the 2012 Notes, the "Unsecured Notes").

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As of September 30, 2010, the Company had the following outstanding publicly issued Unsecured Notes (see Note 17):

| | Outstanding Principal | | | Carrying Value(1) |
|------------|--------------------------|---------|----|----------------------|
| 2011 Notes | \$ | 300,584 | \$ | 294,333 |
| 2012 Notes | | 161,210 | | 157,523 |
| 2047 Notes | | 230,000 | | 180,750 |
| Total | \$ | 691,794 | \$ | 632,606 |

(1)

Represents the principal amount of the notes less the unaccreted discount initially recorded as a part of the Allied Acquisition

The 2011 Notes and 2012 Notes require payment of interest semi-annually, and all principal is due upon maturity. The Company has the option to redeem these notes in whole or in part, together with a redemption premium, as stipulated in the notes.

The 2047 Notes require payment of interest quarterly, and all principal is due upon maturity. These notes are redeemable in whole or in part at any time or from time to time on or after April 15, 2012, at par and upon the occurrence of certain tax events as stipulated in the notes.

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, we incurred \$11,838 and \$23,964 of interest expense in connection with the Unsecured Notes, respectively, and for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, the cash paid for interest on the Unsecured Notes was \$25,266.

The Company may purchase the Unsecured Notes in the market to the extent permitted by the Investment Company Act. During the three months ended September 30, 2010, the Company purchased \$14,350 principal amount of the 2011 Notes and \$29,400 principal amount of the 2012 Notes. As a result of these transactions, we recognized a realized loss of \$1,578 during the three months ended September 30, 2010. During the nine months ended September 30, 2010, the Company purchased \$19,350 principal amount of the 2011 Notes and \$34,400 principal amount of the 2012 Notes. As a result of these transactions, we recognized a realized loss of \$1,961 during the nine months ended September 30, 2010.

In accordance with ASC 805-10, the initial carrying value of the Unsecured Notes was equal to the fair value as of April 1, 2010 resulting in an initial unaccreted discount from the principal value of the Unsecured Notes of approximately \$65.8 million. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, we recorded \$2,968 and \$5,644 of accretion expense, respectively, related to this discount which was included in "interest and credit facility fees" in the accompanying statement of operations.

8. FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Effective January 1, 2008, the Company adopted ASC 825-10 (previously SFAS No. 159, the Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Liabilities), which provides companies the option to report selected financial assets and liabilities at fair value. ASC 825-10 also establishes presentation and disclosure requirements designed to facilitate comparisons between companies that choose different measurement attributes for similar types of assets and liabilities and to more easily understand the effect of the company's choice to use fair value on its earnings. ASC 825-10 also requires entities to display the fair value of the selected assets and liabilities on the face of the balance sheet. The Company has not elected the ASC 8 25-10 option to report selected financial assets and liabilities at

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8. FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

fair value. As a result, with the exception of the line items entitled "other assets" and "debt," which are reported at cost, all assets and liabilities approximate fair value on the balance sheet. The carrying value of the line items entitled "interest receivable," "receivable for open trades," "payable for open trades," "accounts payable and accrued expenses," "management and incentive fees payable" and "interest and facility fees payable" approximate fair value due to their short maturity.

Effective January 1, 2008, the Company adopted ASC 820-10 (previously SFAS No. 157, *Fair Value Measurements*), which expands the application of fair value accounting. ASC 820-10 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in accordance with GAAP and expands disclosure of fair value measurements. ASC 820-10 determines fair value to be the price that would be received for an investment in a current sale, which assumes an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. ASC 820-10 requires the Company to assume that the portfolio investment is sold in its principal market to market participants or, in the absence of a principal market, the most advantageous market, which may be a hypothetical market. Market participants are defined as buyers and sellers in the principal or most advantageous market that are independent, knowledgeable, and willing and able to transact. In accordance with ASC 820-10, the Company has considered its principal market as the market in which the Company exits its portfolio investments with the greatest volume and level of activity. ASC 820-10 specifies a hierarchy of valuation techniques based on whether the inputs to those valuation techniques are observable. In accordance with ASC 820-10, these inputs are summarized in the three broad levels listed below:

Level 1 Valuations based on quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Company has the ability to access.

Level 2 Valuations based on quoted prices in markets that are not active or for which all significant inputs are observable, either directly or indirectly.

Level 3 Valuations based on inputs that are unobservable and significant to the overall fair value measurement.

In addition to using the above inputs in investment valuations, we continue to employ the net asset valuation policy approved by our board of directors that is consistent with ASC 820-10 (see Note 2). Consistent with our valuation policy, we evaluate the source of inputs, including any markets in which our investments are trading (or any markets in which securities with similar attributes are trading), in determining fair value. Our valuation policy considers the fact that because there is not a readily available market value for most of the investments in our portfolio, the fair value of the investments must typically be determined using unobservable inputs.

Due to the inherent uncertainty of determining the fair value of investments that do not have a readily available market value, the fair value of our investments may fluctuate from period to period. Additionally, the fair value of our investments may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had a ready market existed for such investments and may differ materially from the values that we may ultimately realize. Further, such investments are generally subject to legal and other restrictions on resale or otherwise are less liquid than publicly traded securities. If we were required to liquidate a portfolio investment in a forced or liquidation sale, we may realize significantly less than the value at which we have recorded it.

In addition, changes in the market environment and other events that may occur over the life of the investments may cause the gains or losses ultimately realized on these investments to be different than the gains or losses that would be realized based on the valuations currently assigned.

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8. FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

The following table presents fair value measurements of cash and cash equivalents and investments as of September 30, 2010:

Fair Value Measurements Using

| | Total | Level 1 | L | evel 2 | Level 3 | |
|---------------------------|-----------------|---------------|----|--------|-----------------|--|
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 134,362 | \$ 134,362 | \$ | | \$ | |
| Investments | \$ 4.149.790 | \$ | \$ | 4.586 | \$ 4 145 204 | |

The following tables present changes in investments that use Level 3 inputs for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010:

| | For the three months ended September 30, 2010 | | | |
|--|---|-----------|--|--|
| Balance as of June 30, 2010 | \$ | 3,790,038 | | |
| Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) | | 58,131 | | |
| Net purchases, sales or redemptions | 297,035 | | | |
| Net transfers in and/or out of Level 3 | | | | |
| Balance as of September 30, 2010 | \$ | 4,145,204 | | |

| | For the nine months ended September 30, 2010 | | |
|--|--|-----------|--|
| Balance as of December 31, 2009 | \$ | 2,166,687 | |
| Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) | | 186,029 | |
| Net purchases, sales or redemptions (including investments acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition) | | 1,792,488 | |
| Net transfers in and/or out of Level 3 | | | |
| Balance as of September 30, 2010 | \$ | 4,145,204 | |

As of September 30, 2010, the net unrealized loss on the investments that use Level 3 inputs was \$19,900.

Following are the carrying and fair values of our debt instruments as of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009. For the CP Funding Facility, Revolving Credit Facility and the Debt Securitization, fair value is estimated by discounting remaining payments using applicable current

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8. FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

market rates which take into account changes in the Company's marketplace credit ratings. For the Unsecured Notes, fair value is determined by using market prices.

| | September 30, 2010 | | | | | December 31, 2009 | | | | | | | | |
|--|--------------------|-----------|-----------|---------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------|---------|----------|--|------------|--|--|-------|
| | Carrying | | | Fair Carrying | | Carrying | | Fair | | | | | | |
| | Value | | lue Value | | Value Value | | Value Value | | 'alue Va | | Value Valu | | | Value |
| CP Funding Facility | \$ | 283,374 | \$ | 283,374 | \$ | 221,569 | \$ | 226,000 | | | | | | |
| Revolving Credit Facility | | 431,000 | | 431,000 | | 474,144 | | 447,000 | | | | | | |
| Debt Securitization | | 177,163 | | 142,045 | | 273,752 | | 217,000 | | | | | | |
| 2011 Notes (principal amount outstanding of \$300,584) | | 294,333 | | 302,260 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2012 Notes (principal amount outstanding of \$161,210) | | 157,523 | | 161,046 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2047 Notes (principal amount outstanding of \$230,000) | | 180,750 | | 205,778 | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | \$ | 1,524,143 | \$ | 1,525,503 | \$ | 969,465 | \$ | 890,000 | | | | | | |

9. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

In accordance with the investment advisory and management agreement, we bear all costs and expenses of the operation of the Company and reimburse the investment adviser for certain of such costs and expenses incurred in the operation of the Company. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, the investment adviser incurred such expenses totaling \$721 and \$2,253, respectively. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009, the investment adviser incurred such expenses totaling \$456 and \$1,400, respectively. As of September 30, 2010, there were no unpaid expenses.

We rent office space directly from a third party pursuant to a lease that expires on February 27, 2011. In addition, we have entered into a sublease agreement with Ares Management whereby Ares Management subleases approximately 25% of our office space for a fixed rent equal to 25% of the basic annual rent payable by us under this lease, plus certain additional costs and expenses. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, such amounts payable to the Company totaled \$1,231 and \$1,917, respectively. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009, such amounts payable to the Company totaled \$67 and \$201, respectively. As of September 30, 2010, there were no unpaid amounts.

We recently entered into a new long-term office lease pursuant to which we will lease new office facilities from a third party, and start to pay rent on the new office space in the first quarter of 2011. We also entered into separate subleases with Ares Management and IHAM (as defined in Note 10), pursuant to which Ares Management and IHAM will sublease approximately 15% and 20%, respectively, of the new office space for a fixed rent equal to 15% and 20%, respectively, of the base annual rent payable by us under the new office lease, plus certain additional costs and expenses.

As of September 30, 2010, Ares Investments LLC, an affiliate of Ares Management (the sole member of our investment adviser) owned 2,859,882 shares of the Company's common stock, representing approximately 1.5% of the total shares outstanding as of September 30, 2010.

See Notes 3 and 10 for descriptions of other related party transactions.

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10. IVY HILL ASSET MANAGEMENT, L.P. AND OTHER MANAGED FUNDS

In November 2007, we established Ivy Hill Asset Management, L.P. ("IHAM") to serve as a manager for Ivy Hill Middle Market Credit Fund, Ltd. ("Ivy Hill I"), an unconsolidated investment vehicle focusing on investments in middle market loans. From inception until the second quarter of 2009, IHAM's financial results were consolidated with those of the Company. In June 2009, because of a shift in activity from being primarily a manager, with no dedicated employees, of funds in which the Company has invested debt and equity, to a manager with investment professionals dedicated to managing an increasing number of third party funds, we concluded that GAAP requires the financial results of IHAM to be reported as a portfolio company in our schedule of investments rather than as a consolidated subsidiary in the Company's financial results. The Company made an initial equity investment of \$3,816 into IHAM in June 2009. As of September 30, 2010, our total investment in IHAM at fair value was \$119,976, including an unrealized gain of \$23,647. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, the Company received \$2,500 and \$4,296, respectively, in distributions from IHAM consisting entirely of dividend income.

IHAM receives a 0.50% management fee on the average total assets of Ivy Hill I as compensation for managing Ivy Hill I. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009, the Company earned \$17 and \$900, respectively, in management fees from IHAM's management of Ivy Hill I prior to IHAM's conversion to a portfolio company in June 2009. Ivy Hill I primarily invests in first and second lien bank debt of middle market companies. Ivy Hill I was initially funded with \$404,000 of capital including a \$56,000 investment by the Company, consisting of \$40,000 of Class B notes and \$16,000 of subordinated notes. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, the Company earned \$1,723 and \$5,208, respectively, in interest income from its investments in Ivy Hill I. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009, the Company earned \$1,402 and \$4,424, respectively, in interest income from its investments in Ivy Hill I.

Ivy Hill I purchased investments from the Company of \$8,000 during the nine months ended September 30, 2010, and may from time to time purchase additional investments from the Company. Any such purchases require approval by third parties unaffiliated with the Company or IHAM. There was no gain or loss recognized by the Company on these transactions.

In November 2008, the Company established a second middle market credit fund, Ivy Hill Middle Market Credit Fund II, Ltd. ("Ivy Hill II" and, together with Ivy Hill I and Ivy Hill SDF (as defined below), the "Ivy Hill Funds"), which is also managed by IHAM. IHAM receives a 0.50% management fee on the average total assets of Ivy Hill II as compensation for managing this fund. Ivy Hill II primarily invests in second lien and subordinated bank debt of middle market companies. Ivy Hill II was established with an initial commitment of \$250,000 of subordinated notes, of which \$125,000 has been funded, and may grow over time with leverage. Ivy Hill II purchased \$86,500 of investments from the Company during the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and may from time to time purchase additional investments from the Company. Any such purchases require approval by third parties unaffiliated with the Company or IHAM. A loss of \$1,218 was recorded on these transactions. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009, the Company earned \$12 and \$365, respectively, in management fees from IHAM's management of Ivy Hill II prior to IHAM's conversion to a portfolio company in June 2009.

In December 2009, the Company made an incremental cash investment of approximately \$33 million in IHAM to facilitate IHAM's acquisition of Allied Capital's management rights in respect of, and interests in, the Allied Capital Senior Debt Fund, L.P. (now referred to as Ivy Hill Senior Debt Fund, L.P. or the "Ivy Hill SDF"). The Ivy Hill SDF currently has approximately \$193 million of committed capital invested primarily in first lien loans and, to a lesser extent, second lien loans of

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10. IVY HILL ASSET MANAGEMENT, L.P. AND OTHER MANAGED FUNDS (Continued)

middle-market companies. IHAM manages the Ivy Hill SDF and receives fee income and is entitled to potential equity distributions in respect of interests that it acquired in the Ivy Hill SDF.

In March 2010, the Company made an incremental cash investment of approximately \$48 million in IHAM to facilitate IHAM's acquisition of Allied Capital's management rights in respect of, and equity interests in, the Knightsbridge CLO 2007-1, Ltd. and Knightsbridge CLO 2008-1, Ltd. (the "Knightsbridge Funds"). The Knightsbridge Funds have approximately \$644 million of committed capital invested primarily in senior debt. IHAM manages the Knightsbridge Funds and receives fee income and is entitled to potential equity distributions in respect of equity interests that it acquired in the Knightsbridge Funds.

In addition to the Ivy Hill Funds and the Knightsbridge Funds, IHAM also serves as the sub-adviser/sub-manager to four other funds: Colts 2005-1 Ltd., Colts 2005-2 Ltd., Colts 2007-1 Ltd. and Firstlight Funding I, Ltd., which is affiliated with our portfolio company, Firstlight Financial Corporation.

Beginning in November 2008, IHAM was party to a separate services agreement, referred to herein as the "services agreement," with Ares Capital Management. Pursuant to the services agreement, Ares Capital Management provided IHAM with office facilities, equipment, clerical, bookkeeping and record keeping services, services of investment professionals and others to perform investment advisory, research and related services, services of, and oversight of, custodians, depositories, accountants, attorneys, underwriters and such other persons in any other capacity deemed to be necessary. Under the services agreement, IHAM reimbursed Ares Capital Management for all of the costs associated with such services, including Ares Capital Management's allocable portion of overhead and the cost of its officers and respective staff in performing its obligations under the services agreement. The services agreement was terminated effective June 30, 2010 and replaced with a different services agreement with similar terms between IHAM and our administrator. Prior to IHAM's conversion to a portfolio company in June 2009, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009, IHAM incurred such expenses payable to Ares Capital Management of \$0 and \$538, respectively.

In October 2009, we completed our acquisition of Allied Capital's subordinated notes in the Senior Secured Loan Program for \$165,000. At September 30, 2010, the Company's investment in the Senior Secured Loan Program was \$425,500 at fair value, including an unrealized gain of \$25,049. The Senior Secured Loan Program was formed in December 2007 to invest in "unitranche" loans (loans that combine both senior and subordinated debt, generally in a first lien position) of middle-market companies and currently has approximately \$3.6 billion of total committed capital, approximately \$2.0 billion in aggregate principal amount of which is currently funded. At September 30, 2010, the Company's unfunded commitment to the Senior Secured Loan Program was \$98 million. The Senior Secured Loan Program is capitalized as transactions are completed. Together with GE Commercial Finance Investment Advisory Services LLC ("GE"), we serve as co-managers of the Senior Secured Loan Program and investments made by the program must be approved by both the Company and GE. Our investment entitles us to a coupon of LIBOR plus 8.0% and also entitles us to receive a portion of the excess cash flow from the loan portfolio, which may result in a return greater than the contractual coupon. The Company is also entitled to certain other sourcing and management fees related to this investment. See Note 5 for additional information on the Company's investment in the Senior Secured Loan Program.

In addition, we manage an unconsolidated fund, AGILE Fund I, LLC, and our wholly owned subsidiary A.C. Corporation manages three unconsolidated loan funds: Emporia Preferred Funding I, Ltd., Emporia Preferred Funding II, Ltd. and Emporia Preferred Funding III, Ltd. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, the Company earned management fees of \$1,349

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10. IVY HILL ASSET MANAGEMENT, L.P. AND OTHER MANAGED FUNDS (Continued)

and \$3,014, respectively, from these funds. In August 2010, the Company made an incremental cash investment of approximately \$8 million in IHAM to facilitate IHAM's acquisition of an equity interest in Emporia Preferred Funding III, Ltd.

11. DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS

In October 2008, we entered into an interest rate swap agreement that ends on December 20, 2010 to mitigate our exposure to adverse fluctuations in interest rates for a total notional amount of \$75 million. Under the interest rate swap agreement, we will pay a fixed interest rate of 2.985% and receive a floating rate based on the prevailing three-month LIBOR. As of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, the 3-month LIBOR was 0.29% and 0.25%, respectively. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, we recognized \$401 and \$1,293, respectively, in unrealized appreciation related to this swap agreement. As of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, this swap agreement had a fair value of \$(448) and \$(1,741), respectively, which is included in "accounts payable and other liabilities" in the accompanying consolidated balance sheet.

12. STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

The following table summarizes the total shares issued and proceeds we received net of underwriter and offering costs for offerings closed during the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 (dollar amounts in millions, except per share data):

| | Shares issued | Offerin | - · | Proceeds net of e underwriting an offering costs | | | |
|--|---------------|---------|-------|--|-------|--|--|
| February 2010 public offering | 22,957,993 | \$ | 12.75 | \$ | 277.0 | | |
| 1 cordary 2010 public offering | 22,731,773 | Ψ | 12.75 | Ψ | 211.0 | | |
| Total for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 | 22,957,993 | | | \$ | 277.0 | | |
| August 2009 public offering | 12,439,908 | \$ | 9.25 | \$ | 109.1 | | |
| Total for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 | 12,439,908 | | | \$ | 109.1 | | |

In connection with the Allied Acquisition, on April 1, 2010, we issued 58,492,537 shares valued at approximately \$872.7 million.

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13. DIVIDENDS

The following table summarizes our dividends declared during the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 (in millions, except per share data):

| Date Declared | Record Date | Payment Date | Amount Per Share | | Fotal mount |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|----|----------------|
| August 5, 2010 | September 15, 2010 | September 30, 2010 | \$ 0.35 | \$ | 67.3 |
| May 10, 2010 | June 15, 2010 | June 30, 2010 | \$ 0.35 | \$ | 67.1 |
| February 25, 2010 | March 15, 2010 | March 31, 2010 | \$ 0.35 | \$ | 46.5 |
| Total declared for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 | | | \$ 1.05 | \$ | 180.9 |
| August 6, 2009 | September 15, 2009 | September 30, 2009 | \$ 0.35 | \$ | 38.4 |
| May 7, 2009 | June 15, 2009 | June 30, 2009 | \$ 0.35 | \$ | 34.1 |
| March 2, 2009 | March 16, 2009 | March 31, 2009 | \$ 0.42 | \$ | 40.8 |
| Total declared for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 | | | \$ 1.12 | \$ | 113.3 |

During the nine months ended September 30, 2009, as part of the Company's dividend reinvestment plan (the "DRIP") for our common stockholders, we purchased 1,500,841 shares of our common stock at an average price of \$6.86 per share in the open market in order to satisfy part of the reinvestment aspect of the DRIP. There were no purchases of shares of our common stock by the Company during the nine months ended September 30, 2010.

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14. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The following is a schedule of financial highlights for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009:

| | For the nine months ended | | | | |
|--|---------------------------|---------------|--------------------|--|--|
| Per Share Data: | - | mber 30, 2010 | September 30, 2009 | | |
| Net asset value, beginning of period(1) | \$ | 11.44 | \$ 11.27 | | |
| Issuance of common stock | | 1.15 | (0.28) | | |
| Effect of antidilution | | (0.27) | (0.04) | | |
| Net investment income for period(2) | | 0.90 | 0.96 | | |
| Gain on the acquisition of Allied Capital Corporation | | 1.16 | | | |
| Net realized and unrealized gains for period(2) | | 1.10 | 0.38 | | |
| Net increase in stockholders' equity resulting from operations | | 3.16 | 1.34 | | |
| Distributions from net investment income | | (1.05) | (1.00) | | |
| Distributions from net realized capital gains on securities | | | (0.13) | | |
| Total distributions to stockholders | | (1.05) | (1.13) | | |
| Net asset value at end of period(1) | \$ | 14.43 | \$ 11.16 | | |
| Per share market value at end of period | \$ | 15.65 | \$ 11.02 | | |
| Total return based on market value(3) | | 34.14% | 2 -12 17- | | |
| Total return based on net asset value(4) | | 24.10% | | | |
| Shares outstanding at end of period | | 192,566,434 | 109,592,728 | | |
| Ratio/Supplemental Data: | _ | | | | |
| Net assets at end of period | \$ | ,, | \$ 1,222,591 | | |
| Ratio of operating expenses to average net assets(5)(6) | | 10.51% | · · · · · · · | | |
| Ratio of net investment income to average net assets(5)(7) | | 9.24% | | | |
| Portfolio turnover rate(5) | | 48% | 15% | | |

- (1) The net assets used equals the total stockholders' equity on the consolidated balance sheets.
- (2) Weighted average basic per share data.
- For the nine months ended September 30, 2010, the total return based on market value equals the increase of the ending market value at September 30, 2010 of \$15.65 per share over the ending market value at December 31, 2009 of \$12.45 per share, plus the declared dividend of \$1.05 per share for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, divided by the market value at December 31, 2009. For the nine months ended September 30, 2009, the total return based on market value equals the decrease of the ending market value at September 30, 2009 of \$11.02 per share over the ending market value at December 31, 2008 of \$6.33 per share, plus the declared dividend of \$1.12 per share for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, divided by the market value at December 31, 2008. Total return based on market value is not annualized. The Company's shares fluctuate in value. The Company's performance changes over time and currently may be different than that shown. Past performance is no guarantee of future results.
- For the nine months ended September 30, 2010, the total return based on net asset value equals the change in net asset value during the period plus the declared dividends of \$1.05 per share for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, divided by the beginning net asset value at January 1, 2010. For the nine months ended September 30, 2009, the total return based on net asset value equals the change in net asset value during the period plus the declared dividend of \$1.12 per share for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, divided by the beginning net asset value at

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14. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (Continued)

January 1, 2009. These calculations are adjusted for shares issued in connection with the dividend reinvestment plan and the issuance of common stock in connection with any equity offerings. Total return based on net asset value is not annualized. The Company's performance changes over time and currently may be different than that shown. Past performance is no guarantee of future results.

- (5) The ratios reflect an annualized amount.
- For the nine months ended September 30, 2010, the ratio of operating expenses to average net assets consisted of 2.16% of base management fees, 2.48% of incentive management fees, 3.30% of the cost of borrowing and other operating expenses of 2.57%. For the nine months ended September 30, 2009, the ratio of operating expenses to average net assets consisted of 2.72% of base management fees, 2.87% of incentive management fees, 2.25% of the cost of borrowing and other operating expenses of 1.88%. These ratios reflect annualized amounts.
- (7)

 The ratio of net investment income to average net assets excludes income taxes related to realized gains.

15. ALLIED ACQUISITION

On October 26, 2009, we entered into a definitive agreement to acquire Allied Capital in an all stock transaction. On April 1, 2010, we completed the Allied Acquisition by acquiring the outstanding shares of Allied Capital in exchange for shares of our common stock in a transaction valued at approximately \$908 million as of the closing date. Concurrently with the completion of the Allied Acquisition, we assumed and then repaid in full the \$137 million of remaining amounts outstanding on Allied Capital's \$250 million senior secured term loan. We also assumed all of Allied Capital's other outstanding debt obligations, including approximately \$745 million in principal amount of Allied Capital's Unsecured Notes.

Under the terms of the transaction, each Allied Capital stockholder received 0.325 shares of our common stock for each share of Allied Capital common stock then owned by such stockholder. In connection with the Allied Acquisition, approximately 58.5 million shares of our common stock (including the effect of outstanding in-the money Allied Capital stock options) were issued to Allied Capital's then-existing stockholders, thereby resulting in our then-existing stockholders owning approximately 69% of the combined company and the then-existing Allied Capital stockholders owning approximately 31% of the combined company.

The Allied Acquisition was accounted for in accordance with the acquisition method of accounting as detailed in ASC 805-10 (previously SFAS No. 141(R)), *Business Combinations*. The acquisition method of accounting requires an acquirer to recognize the assets acquired, the liabilities assumed and any noncontrolling interest in the acquired entity based on their fair values as of the date of acquisition. As described in more detail in ASC 805-10, if the total acquisition date fair value of the identifiable net assets acquired exceeds the fair value of the consideration transferred, the excess will be recognized as a gain. Upon completion of our determination of the fair value of Allied Capital's identifiable net assets as of April 1, 2010, the fair value of such net assets exceeded the fair value of the consideration transferred, thereby, resulting in the recognition of a gain. The valuation of the investments acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition was done in accordance with Ares Capital's valuation policy (see Notes 2 and 8).

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15. ALLIED ACQUISITION (Continued)

Following is the allocation of the purchase price to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed as a result of the Allied Acquisition:

| Common stock issued | \$ 872,727 |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Payments to holders of "in-the-money" | |
| Allied Capital stock options | 35,011(1) |
| | |
| Total purchase price | \$ 907,738 |
| | |
| Assets acquired: | |
| Investments | \$ 1,833,766 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 133,548 |
| Other assets | 80,078 |
| | |
| Total assets acquired | 2,047,392 |
| Debt and other liabilities assumed | (943,778) |
| | |
| Net assets acquired | 1,103,614 |
| | |
| Gain on acquisition of Allied Capital | (195,876) |
| | |
| | \$ 907,738 |
| | , |

(1) Represents cash payment for holders of any "in-the-money" Allied Capital stock options that elected to receive cash.

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 Allied Acquisition actually been consummated at the beginning of each period presented. Certain one-time charges have been eliminated. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, we recognized \$1,438 and \$17,761, respectively, in professional fees and other costs related to the Allied Acquisition. The pro forma adjustments reflecting the allocation of the purchase price of Allied Capital and the gain of \$195,876 recognized on the Allied Acquisition have been eliminated from all periods presented. The pro forma condensed combined financial information does not reflect the potential impact of possible 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 April 1, 2010.

| | Three months ended September 30, | | | Nine months ended September 30, | | | |
|--|----------------------------------|---------|----|---------------------------------|---------------|----|-----------|
| | | 2010 | | 2009 | 2010 | | 2009 |
| Total investment income | \$ | 138,126 | \$ | 145,511 | \$ 380,318 | \$ | 355,820 |
| Net investment income | \$ | 72,670 | \$ | 50,359 | \$ 173,653 | \$ | 155,479 |
| Net increase in stockholders' equity resulting from operations | \$ | 129,827 | \$ | 33,433 | \$ 326,994 | \$ | (259,362) |
| Net increase in stockholders' equity resulting from operations per share | \$ | 0.68 | \$ | 0.21 | \$ 1.73 | \$ | (1.65) |

Prior to the completion of the Allied Acquisition, but subsequent to October 26, 2009, the date we entered into a definitive agreement to acquire Allied Capital, we purchased \$340 million of assets from Allied Capital in arm's length transactions. Additionally, during the same period of time, IHAM purchased \$69 million of assets from Allied Capital, also in arm's length transactions.

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16. LITIGATION

On July 29, 2010, the court in In re Allied Capital Corporation Shareholder Litigation, Case No. 322639V (Circuit Court for Montgomery County, Maryland) (the "Maryland action") issued an order approving the settlement and dismissing all claims against Allied Capital, the Company and the other defendants in the Maryland action. On August 3, 2010, the court in Ryan v. Walton, et al., Case No. 1:10-CV-000145-RMC (United States District Court for the District of Columbia) (the "D.C. Federal Court action") dismissed the D.C. Federal Court action. On August 10, 2010, Sandler v. Walton, et al., Case No. 2009 CA 008123 B (Superior Court for the District of Columbia), which was consolidated with Wienecki v. Allied Capital Corporation, et al., Case No. 2009 CA 008541 B (Superior Court for the District of Columbia), was dismissed. All of these actions had been filed by stockholders of Allied Capital challenging the Allied Acquisition and were dismissed in connection with settlements among the plaintiffs, Allied Capital and the Company. The settlements are not, and should not be construed as, an admission of wrongdoing or liability by any defendant. The parties considered it desirable that the actions be settled to avoid the expense, risk, inconvenience and distraction of continued litigation and to fully resolve the settled claims.

In addition, the Company is party to certain lawsuits in the normal course of business. Furthermore, third parties may try to seek to impose liability on Ares Capital in connection with the activities of its portfolio companies. While the outcome of any such open legal proceedings cannot at this time be predicted with certainty, the Company does not expect these matters will materially affect its financial condition or results of operations.

17. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Management has evaluated subsequent events through the date of issuance of the consolidated financial statements included herein. There have been no subsequent events that occurred during such period that would require disclosure in this Form 10-Q or would be required to be recognized in the Consolidated Financial Statements as of and for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, except as disclosed below.

On October 21, 2010, we issued \$200 million of senior unsecured notes that mature on October 15, 2040 (the "2040 Notes") and may be redeemed in whole or in part at our option at any time on or after October 15, 2015 at a par redemption price of \$25 per security plus accrued and unpaid interest. The principal amount of the 2040 Notes will be payable at maturity. Ares Capital used the net proceeds of this offering to repay outstanding indebtedness under the Revolving Credit Facility. The 2040 Notes bear interest at a rate of 7.75% per year payable quarterly commencing on January 15, 2011. Total proceeds from the issuance of the 2040 Notes, net of underwriters' discount and offering costs, were approximately \$193 million.

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PROSPECTUS

\$1,500,000,000

Common Stock
Preferred Stock
Debt Securities
Subscription Rights
Warrants

Ares Capital Corporation is a specialty finance company that is a closed-end, non-diversified management investment company incorporated in Maryland. We have elected to be regulated as a business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940. Our investment objective is to generate both current income and capital appreciation through debt and equity investments. We invest primarily in first and second lien senior loans and mezzanine debt, which in some cases includes an equity component. To a lesser extent, we also make equity investments.

We are externally managed by Ares Capital Management LLC, an affiliate of Ares Management LLC, a global alternative asset manager and a Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") registered investment adviser with approximately \$37 billion of total committed capital under management as of June 30, 2010. Ares Operations LLC, an affiliate of Ares Management LLC, provides the administrative services necessary for us to operate.

Our common stock is traded on The NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol "ARCC." On September 30, 2010, the last reported sales price of our common stock on The NASDAQ Global Select Market was \$15.65 per share. The net asset value per share of our common stock at June 30, 2010 (the last date prior to the date of this prospectus on which we determined net asset value) was \$14.11.

Investing in our securities involves risks that are described in the "Risk Factors" section beginning on page 25 of this prospectus, including the risk of leverage.

We may offer, from time to time, in one or more offerings or series, up to \$1,500,000,000 of our common stock, preferred stock, debt securities, subscription rights to purchase shares of our common stock, preferred stock or debt securities, separately or as units comprised of any combination of the foregoing, which we refer to, collectively, as the "securities." The preferred stock, debt securities, subscription rights and warrants offered hereby may be convertible or exchangeable into shares of our common stock. The securities may be offered at prices and on terms to be described in one or more supplements to this prospectus. In the event we offer common stock, the offering price per share of our common stock less any underwriting commissions or discounts will generally not be less than the net asset value per share of our common stock at the time we make the offering. However, we may issue shares of our common stock pursuant to this prospectus at a price per share that is less than our net asset value per share (a) in connection with a rights offering to our existing stockholders, (b) with the prior approval of the majority of our common stockholders or (c) under such circumstances as the SEC may permit. This prospectus and the accompanying prospectus supplement concisely provide important information about us that you should know before investing in our securities. Please read this prospectus and the accompanying prospectus supplement before you invest and keep it for future reference. We file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. This information is available free of charge by calling us collect at (310) 201-4200 or on our website at www.arescapitalcorp.com. The SEC also maintains a website at www.sec.gov that contains such information.

Neither the SEC nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

This prospectus may not be used to consummate sales of securities unless accompanied by a prospectus supplement.

The date of this prospectus is October 8, 2010.

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You should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus and the accompanying prospectus supplement. We have not authorized any other person to provide you with different information. If anyone provides you with different or inconsistent information, you should not rely on it. We are not making an offer to sell these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted. You should assume that the information appearing in this prospectus and the accompanying prospectus supplement is accurate only as of the date on the front cover of this prospectus and the accompanying prospectus supplement, as applicable. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may have changed since that date.

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ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS

This prospectus is part of a registration statement that we have filed with the SEC, using the "shelf" registration process. Under the shelf registration process, we may offer, from time to time, in one or more offerings or series, up to \$1,500,000,000 of our common stock, preferred stock, debt securities, subscription rights to purchase shares of our common stock or warrants representing rights to purchase shares of our common stock, preferred stock or debt securities, separately or as units comprised of any combination of the foregoing, on terms to be determined at the time of the offering. The securities may be offered at prices and on terms described in one or more supplements to this prospectus. This prospectus provides you with a general description of the securities that we may offer. Each time we use this prospectus to offer securities, we will provide a prospectus supplement that will contain specific information about the terms of that offering. The prospectus supplement may also add, update or change information contained in this prospectus. Please carefully read this prospectus and the prospectus supplement together with any exhibits and the additional information described under the headings "Available Information" and "Risk Factors" before you make an investment decision.

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PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

This summary highlights some of the information contained elsewhere in this prospectus. It is not complete and may not contain all of the information that you may want to consider. You should read carefully the more detailed information set forth under "Risk Factors" and the other information included in this prospectus. Except where the context suggests otherwise, the terms "we," "us," "our," "the Company" and "Ares Capital" refer to Ares Capital Corporation and its consolidated subsidiaries; "Ares Capital Management" or "the investment adviser" refers to Ares Capital Management LLC; "Ares Operations" refers to Ares Operations LLC; and "Ares" refers to Ares Partners Management Company LLC ("APMC") and its affiliated companies (other than portfolio companies of its affiliated funds), including Ares Management LLC, which we refer to separately as "Ares Management."

As described in more detail below, we consummated the acquisition (the "Allied Acquisition") of Allied Capital Corporation ("Allied Capital") on April 1, 2010. Other than as set forth in the pro forma financial information or otherwise specifically set forth herein, financial information presented herein for and as of periods ending on or prior to March 31, 2010 does not include any information in respect of Allied Capital. In addition, other than as set forth in the pro forma financial information or otherwise specifically set forth herein, financial information for the six months ended June 30, 2010, including, without limitation, with respect to the Company's consolidated statements of operations, stockholders' equity and cash flows, only includes results attributable to Allied Capital for the period beginning April 1, 2010.

THE COMPANY

Ares Capital, a Maryland corporation, is a specialty finance company that is a closed-end, non-diversified management investment company. We have elected to be regulated as a business development company, or a "BDC," under the Investment Company Act of 1940, or the "Investment Company Act." We were founded on April 16, 2004, were initially funded on June 23, 2004 and completed our initial public offering on October 8, 2004. We are one of the largest BDCs with approximately \$12 billion of total committed capital under management as of June 30, 2010, including available debt capacity (subject to leverage restrictions), funds co-managed by us and funds managed or sub-managed by our wholly owned portfolio company, Ivy Hill Asset Management, L.P. ("IHAM").

Ares Capital's investment objective is to generate both current income and capital appreciation through debt and equity investments. We invest primarily in U.S. middle market companies, where we believe the supply of primary capital is limited and the investment opportunities are most attractive. However, we may from time to time invest in larger companies. In this prospectus, we generally use the term "middle market" to refer to companies with annual EBITDA between \$10 million and \$250 million. As used herein, EBITDA represents net income before net interest expense, income tax expense, depreciation and amortization.

On April 1, 2010, we consummated the Allied Acquisition in an all stock merger whereby each existing share of common stock of Allied Capital was exchanged for 0.325 shares of our common stock. The Allied Acquisition was valued at approximately \$908 million as of April 1, 2010. In connection therewith, we issued approximately 58.5 million shares of our common stock to Allied Capital's then-existing stockholders, thereby resulting in our then-existing stockholders owning approximately 69% of the combined company and the then-existing Allied Capital stockholders owning approximately 31% of the combined company. See "Risk Factors Risks Relating to Our Business We may be unable to realize the benefits anticipated by the Allied Acquisition, including estimated cost savings and synergies, or it may take longer than anticipated to achieve such benefits" for a description of the risks that the Company may face as a result of the Allied Acquisition.

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

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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 is subordinated to senior loans and is generally unsecured. Our investments have ranged between \$20 million and \$200 million each, although the investment sizes may be more or less than the targeted range. Our investment sizes are expected to grow with our capital availability.

To a lesser extent, we also make equity investments, which have generally been non-control equity investments of less than \$20 million (usually in conjunction with a concurrent loan investment). However, we may increase the size or nature of these investments. Also, as a result of the Allied Acquisition, Allied Capital's equity investments, including equity investments larger than those we have historically made and controlled portfolio company equity investments, became part of our portfolio. We intend to actively seek opportunities over time to dispose of certain of these investments and rotate them into higher-yielding first and second lien senior loans and mezzanine debt investments. However, there can be no assurance that this strategy will be successful. For risks relating to these investments, see "Risk Factors Risks Relating to Our Investments in equity securities involve a substantial degree of risk."

The proportion of these investments will change over time given our views on, among other things, the economic and credit environment we are operating in. In connection with our investing activities, we may make commitments with respect to indebtedness or securities of a potential portfolio company substantially in excess of our final investment. In such situations, while we may initially agree to fund up to a certain dollar amount of an investment, we may syndicate a portion of such amount to third parties, such that we make a smaller investment than what was reflected in our original commitment.

The first and second lien senior loans generally have stated terms of three to 10 years and the mezzanine debt investments generally have stated terms of up to 10 years, but the expected average life of such first and second lien loans and mezzanine debt is generally between three and seven years. However, we may invest in securities with any maturity or duration. The debt that we invest in typically is not initially rated by any rating agency, but we believe that if such investments were rated, they would be below investment grade (rated lower than "Baa3" by Moody's Investors Service, lower than "BBB-" by Fitch Ratings or lower than "BBB-" by Standard & Poor's). We may invest without limit in debt of any rating, as well as debt that has not been rated by any nationally recognized statistical rating organization.

We believe that our investment adviser, Ares Capital Management, is able to leverage Ares' current investment platform, resources and existing relationships with financial sponsors, financial institutions, hedge funds and other investment firms to provide us with attractive investments. In addition to deal flow, the Ares investment platform assists our investment adviser in analyzing, structuring and monitoring investments. Ares has been in existence for more than 12 years and its senior principals have an average of over 20 years experience investing in senior loans, high yield bonds, mezzanine debt and private equity securities. The Company has access to the Ares staff of approximately 140 investment professionals and approximately 190 administrative professionals employed by Ares who provide assistance in accounting, legal, compliance, operations, technology and investor relations.

While our primary focus is to generate current income and capital appreciation through investments in first and second lien senior loans and mezzanine debt and, to a lesser extent, equity securities of eligible portfolio companies, we also may invest up to 30% of our portfolio in opportunistic investments of non-eligible portfolio companies. Specifically, as part of this 30% basket, we may invest in debt of middle market companies located outside of the United States, in investment funds that are operating pursuant to certain exceptions to the Investment Company Act, in advisers to similar investment funds and in debt and equity of public companies that do not meet the definition of

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eligible portfolio companies because their market capitalization of publicly traded equity securities exceeds the levels provided for in the Investment Company Act. We expect that these public companies generally will have debt that may be non-investment grade. From time to time we may also invest in high yield bonds, which, depending on the issuer, may or may not be included in this 30% basket.

We and GE Commercial Finance Investment Advisory Services LLC also co-manage an unconsolidated senior debt fund: the Senior Secured Loan Fund LLC (formerly known as the Unitranche Fund LLC), or the "Senior Secured Loan Fund."

We also manage an unconsolidated fund, AGILE Fund I, LLC (the "AGILE Fund"), and our wholly owned subsidiary A.C. Corporation manages three unconsolidated loan funds: Emporia Preferred Funding I, Ltd., Emporia Preferred Funding II, Ltd. and Emporia Preferred Funding III, Ltd. (collectively, the "Emporia Funds").

In addition, we have made investments in our portfolio company, IHAM, which manages five unconsolidated senior debt funds, Ivy Hill Middle Market Credit Fund, Ltd. ("Ivy Hill I"), Ivy Hill Middle Market Credit Fund II, Ltd. ("Ivy Hill II"), Ivy Hill Senior Debt Fund, L.P. and related vehicles ("Ivy Hill SDF" and, together with Ivy Hill I and Ivy Hill II, the "Ivy Hill Funds"), and Knightsbridge CLO 2007-1, Ltd. and Knightsbridge CLO 2008-1, Ltd. (the "Knightsbridge Funds"), and serves as the sub-adviser/sub-manager for four others: CoLTS 2005-1 Ltd., CoLTS 2005-2 Ltd. and CoLTS 2007-1 Ltd., or collectively, the "CoLTS Funds," and FirstLight Funding I, Ltd., or "FirstLight." As of June 30, 2010, IHAM had total committed capital under management of over \$2.9 billion, which includes approximately \$0.3 billion of capital committed by Ares Capital.

About Ares

Founded in 1997, Ares is a global alternative asset manager and SEC registered investment adviser with approximately \$37 billion of total committed capital under management and over 330 employees as of June 30, 2010.

Ares specializes in originating and managing assets in both the leveraged finance and private equity markets. Ares' leveraged finance activities include the origination, acquisition and management of senior loans, high yield bonds, mezzanine debt and special situation investments. Ares' private equity activities focus on providing flexible, junior capital to middle market companies. Ares has the ability to invest across a capital structure, from senior floating rate debt to common equity. This flexibility, combined with Ares' "buy and hold" philosophy, enables Ares to structure an investment to meet the specific needs of a company rather than the less flexible demands of the public markets.

Ares is comprised of the following groups:

Private Debt Group. The Ares Private Debt Group manages the assets of Ares Capital, Ares Credit Strategies Fund II, L.P. and Ares' private debt middle market financing business in Europe, Ares Capital Europe ("ACE"), which together had approximately \$13 billion of committed capital under management as of June 30, 2010. The Private Debt Group focuses primarily on non-syndicated first and second lien senior loans and mezzanine debt, which in some cases may include an equity component. The Private Debt Group also makes equity investments in private middle market companies, usually in conjunction with loans.

Capital Markets Group. The Ares Capital Markets Group manages approximately \$18 billion of committed capital as of June 30, 2010 through a variety of funds and investment vehicles, focusing primarily on syndicated senior secured loans, high yield bonds, distressed debt, other liquid fixed income investments and other publicly traded debt securities.

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Private Equity Group. The Ares Private Equity Group manages approximately \$6 billion of committed capital as of June 30, 2010, primarily through Ares Corporate Opportunities Fund L.P., Ares Corporate Opportunities Fund II, L.P. and Ares Corporate Opportunities Fund III, L.P. (collectively referred to as "ACOF"). ACOF generally makes private equity investments in amounts substantially larger than the private equity investments anticipated to be made by the Company. In particular, the Private Equity Group generally focuses on control-oriented equity investments in under-capitalized companies or companies with capital structure issues.

Ares' senior principals have been working together as a group for many years and have an average of over 20 years of experience in leveraged finance, private equity, distressed debt, investment banking and capital markets. They are backed by a large team of highly disciplined professionals. Ares' rigorous investment approach is based upon an intensive, independent financial analysis, with a focus on preservation of capital, diversification and active portfolio management. These fundamentals underlie Ares' investment strategy and have resulted in large pension funds, banks, insurance companies, endowments and high net worth individuals investing in Ares' funds.

Ares Capital Management

Ares Capital Management, our investment adviser, is served by a dedicated origination and transaction development team of approximately 65 investment professionals led by the senior partners of Ares Capital Management: Michael Arougheti, Eric Beckman, Kipp deVeer, Mitchell Goldstein and Michael Smith. Ares Capital Management leverages off of Ares' entire investment platform and benefits from the significant capital markets, trading and research expertise of Ares' investment professionals. Ares funds currently hold over 1,000 investments in over 30 different industries. Ares Capital Management's investment committee has nine members, including the senior partners of Ares Capital Management and certain Senior Partners of Ares' Capital Markets Group, Private Equity Group and the Managing Director of ACE

MARKET OPPORTUNITY

We believe there are opportunities for us to invest in middle market companies for the following reasons:

We believe that the dislocation in the credit markets in recent years has resulted in reduced competition, a widening of interest spreads, increased fees and generally more conservative capital structures and deal terms. Although secondary loan prices have rebounded from historic lows, attractive opportunities to purchase debt in the secondary market continue to exist in certain situations.

We believe that many senior lenders have, in recent years, de-emphasized their service and product offerings to middle market businesses in favor of lending to large corporate clients and managing capital markets transactions. In addition, commercial and investment banks are severely limited in their ability to underwrite new financings as they seek to replenish their capital bases and reduce leverage, resulting in opportunities for alternative funding sources.

We believe there is increased demand among private middle market companies for primary capital. Many middle market firms have faced increased difficulty raising debt in the capital markets, as commercial and investment banks are capital-constrained and largely unable to underwrite and syndicate bank loans and high yield securities, particularly for middle market issuers.

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We believe there is a large pool of uninvested private equity capital for middle market companies. We expect private equity firms will seek to leverage their investments by combining equity capital with senior secured loans and mezzanine debt from other sources.

We believe that as of the date of this prospectus, the recent economic downturn has resulted (and will continue to result) in defaults and covenant breaches by middle market companies, which will require new junior capital to shore up liquidity or provide new capital through restructuring.

A high volume of senior secured and high yield debt was originated in the calendar years 2004 through 2007 and will come due in the near term and, accordingly, we believe that new financing opportunities will increase as many leveraged companies seek to refinance in the near term.

COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGES

We believe that we have the following competitive advantages over other capital providers to middle market companies:

Existing Investment Platform

As of June 30, 2010, Ares managed approximately \$37 billion of total committed capital under management in the related asset classes of non-syndicated first and second lien senior loans, syndicated loans, high yield bonds, mezzanine debt and private equity. We believe Ares' current investment platform provides a competitive advantage in terms of access to origination and marketing activities and diligence for Ares Capital. Specifically, the Ares platform provides the Company an advantage through its deal flow generation and investment evaluation process. Ares' asset management platform also provides additional market information, company knowledge and industry insight that benefit the investment and due diligence process. Ares' professionals maintain extensive financial sponsor and intermediary relationships, which provide valuable insight and access to transactions and information.

Seasoned Management Team

Ares' senior professionals have an average of over 20 years of experience in leveraged finance, including substantial experience in investing in leveraged loans, high yield bonds, mezzanine debt, distressed debt and private equity securities. Ares Capital Management's investment professionals and members of its investment committee also have significant experience investing across market cycles. As a result of Ares' extensive investment experience and the history of its seasoned management team, Ares has developed a strong reputation across U.S. and European capital markets. We believe that Ares' long history in the leveraged loan market and the extensive experience of the principals investing across market cycles provides Ares Capital Management with a competitive advantage in identifying, investing in, and managing a portfolio of investments in middle market companies.

Experience and Focus on Middle Market Companies

Ares has historically focused on investments in middle market companies and we benefit from this experience. In sourcing and analyzing deals, our investment adviser uses Ares' extensive network of relationships with intermediaries focused on middle market companies, including management teams, members of the investment banking community, private equity groups and other investment firms with whom Ares has long relationships. We believe this network enables us to attract well-positioned prospective portfolio company investments. Our investment adviser works closely with the Ares investment professionals, who oversee a portfolio of investments in over 1,000 companies and provide access to an extensive network of relationships and insights into industry trends and the state of the capital markets.

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Disciplined Investment Philosophy

In making its investment decisions, our investment adviser has adopted Ares' long-standing, consistent credit-based investment approach that was developed over 19 years ago by its founders. Specifically, Ares Capital Management's investment philosophy, portfolio construction and portfolio management involve an assessment of the overall macroeconomic environment, financial markets and company-specific research and analysis. Its investment approach emphasizes capital preservation, low volatility and minimization of downside risk. In addition to engaging in extensive due diligence from the perspective of a long-term investor, Ares Capital Management's approach seeks to reduce risk in investments by focusing on:

businesses with strong franchises and sustainable competitive advantages;
industries with positive long-term dynamics;
cash flows that are dependable and predictable;
management teams with demonstrated track records and economic incentives;
rates of return commensurate with the perceived risks; and
securities or investments that are structured with protective terms and covenants.

Extensive Industry Focus

We concentrate our investing activities in industries with a history of predictable and dependable cash flows and in which the Ares investment professionals have had extensive investment experience. Since its inception in 1997, Ares investment professionals have invested in over 30 different industries. Ares investment professionals have developed long-term relationships with management teams and management consultants in these industries and have accumulated substantial information and identified potential trends within these industries. The experience of Ares' investment professionals investing across these industries throughout various stages of the economic cycle provides our investment adviser with access to market insights and investment opportunities.

Flexible Transaction Structuring

We are flexible in structuring investments, including the types of securities in which we invest and the terms associated with such investments. Our investment adviser and its affiliates have extensive experience investing in a wide variety of securities for leveraged companies with a diverse set of terms and conditions. We believe this approach and experience enables our investment adviser to identify attractive investment opportunities throughout economic cycles and across a company's capital structure so we can make investments consistent with our stated investment objective and preserve principal while seeking appropriate risk adjusted returns. In addition, we have the ability to provide "one stop" financing with the ability to invest capital across the balance sheet and hold and syndicate larger investments than many of our competitors. The ability to underwrite, syndicate and hold larger investments benefits our stockholders by (a) potentially increasing net income and earnings through syndication, (b) increasing originated deal flow flexibility, (c) broadening market relationships and deal flow, (d) allowing us to optimize our portfolio composition and (e) allowing us to provide capital to middle market companies, which we believe currently have limited access to capital from traditional lending sources. We believe that the ability to provide capital at every level provides a strong value proposition to middle market borrowers and our senior debt capabilities provide superior deal origination and relative value analysis capabilities compared to traditional "mezzanine only" lenders.

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Broad Origination Strategy

Our investment adviser focuses on self-originating most of our investments by identifying a broad array of investment opportunities across multiple channels. It also leverages off of the extensive relationships of the broader Ares platform, including relationships with the companies in the funds managed by IHAM, to identify investment opportunities. We believe that this allows for asset selectivity and that there is a significant relationship between proprietary deal origination and credit performance. We believe that our focus on generating proprietary deal flow and lead investing also gives us greater control over capital structure, deal terms, pricing and documentation and provides us with the ability to actively manage our investments. Moreover, by leading the investment process, our investment adviser is often able to secure controlling positions in credit tranches, thereby providing additional control in investment outcomes. Our investment adviser also has originated substantial proprietary deal flow from middle market intermediaries, which often allows us to act as the sole or principal source of institutional capital to the borrower.

OPERATING AND REGULATORY STRUCTURE

Our investment activities are managed by Ares Capital Management and supervised by our board of directors, a majority of whom are independent of Ares and its affiliates. Ares Capital Management is an investment adviser that is registered under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, or the "Advisers Act." Under our amended and restated investment advisory and management agreement, referred to herein as our "investment advisory and management agreement," we have agreed to pay Ares Capital Management an annual base management fee based on our total assets, as defined under the Investment Company Act (other than cash and cash equivalents but including assets purchased with borrowed funds), and an incentive fee based on our performance. See "Management Investment Advisory and Management Agreement."

As a BDC, we are required to comply with certain regulatory requirements. While we are permitted to finance investments using debt, our ability to use debt is limited in certain significant respects. See "Regulation." We have elected to be treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a regulated investment company, or a "RIC," under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or the "Code." See "Certain Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations."

MARKET CONDITIONS

Due to volatility in global markets, the availability of capital and access to capital markets has been limited over the last two years. We have responded to constraints on raising new capital by pursuing other avenues of liquidity and growth, such as adjusting the pace of our investments, becoming more selective in evaluating investment opportunities, pursuing asset sales, developing our third-party asset management capabilities and/or reinvesting the proceeds from sales of lower yielding investments into higher yielding investments. We also intend to continue pursuing opportunities to manage third-party funds. As the global liquidity situation and market conditions evolve, we will continue to monitor and adjust our approach to funding accordingly. However, given the unprecedented nature of the volatility in the global markets, there can be no assurances that these activities will be successful. While levels of market disruption and volatility have improved, there can be no assurance that they will not worsen. If they do, we could face materially higher financing costs. Consequently, our operating strategy could be materially and adversely affected.

Consistent with the volatile market conditions of the general economy, during 2008 and much of 2009, the stocks of BDCs as an industry traded at near historic lows as a result of concerns over liquidity, credit quality, leverage restrictions and distribution requirements. As a result of this market volatility, several of our peers are no longer active in the market and are winding down their investments, have defaulted on their indebtedness and/or have decreased their distributions to

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stockholders. While market conditions have improved, we cannot assure you that the market pressures we face will not have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

See "Risk Factors Risks Relating to Our Business 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, which has had, and may in the future have, a negative impact on our business and operations."

ACQUISITION OPPORTUNITIES

We believe that the dislocation in the credit markets has created compelling risk adjusted returns in both the primary and secondary markets. Further, the current dislocation and illiquidity in the credit markets has also increased the likelihood of further consolidation in our industry. To that end, over the past 12-18 months we and our portfolio company IHAM have evaluated (and expect to continue to evaluate in the future) a number of potential strategic acquisition opportunities, including acquisitions of:

asset portfolios;

contracts to manage collateralized loan obligation, or "CLO," vehicles and other investment vehicles;

other private and public finance companies or asset managers; and

selected secondary market assets.

For example, in June 2009 our portfolio company IHAM completed the acquisition of contracts to sub-manage approximately \$770 million of middle market loan assets in three CLO vehicles managed by affiliates of Wells Fargo & Company. IHAM also acquired certain equity interests in these three CLOs. On October 30, 2009, we completed our acquisition of Allied Capital's interests in the Senior Secured Loan Fund for \$165 million in cash and on December 29, 2009, we made an incremental investment in IHAM to facilitate its acquisition of Allied Capital's management rights in respect of, and interests in, Ivy Hill SDF for approximately \$33 million in cash. On March 24, 2010, we made an incremental investment in IHAM to facilitate its acquisition of Allied Capital's management rights in respect of, and a portion of its interests in, the Knightsbridge Funds. We also acquired interests in the Knightsbridge Funds. Finally, on April 1, 2010, we consummated the Allied Acquisition, becoming the largest business development company measured by market capitalization and total portfolio companies under management as of June 30, 2010. For further discussion on these transactions, see "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Allied Acquisition" and "Business Investments."

We and our portfolio company IHAM have been and from time to time engage in discussions with counterparties in respect of various potential strategic acquisition and investment transactions, including potential acquisitions of other finance companies. Some of these transactions could be material to our business and, if consummated, could be difficult to integrate, result in increased leverage or dilution and/or subject us to unexpected liabilities. However, none of these discussions has progressed to the point where the consummation of any such transaction could be deemed to be probable or reasonably certain as of the date of this prospectus. Consummation of any such transaction will be subject to completion of due diligence, finalization of key business and financial terms (including price) and negotiation of final definitive documentation as well as a number of other factors and conditions including, without limitation, the approval of our board of directors (after having determined that such transaction is in the best interest of our stockholders), any required third party consents and, in certain cases, the approval of our stockholders. We cannot predict how quickly the terms of any such transaction could be finalized, if at all. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that

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definitive documentation for any such transaction would be executed or even if executed, that any such transaction will be consummated. In connection with evaluating potential strategic acquisition and investment transactions, we have, and may in the future, incur significant expenses for the evaluation and due diligence investigation of these potential transactions.

LIQUIDITY

We are party to a senior secured revolving credit facility (as amended and restated, the "Revolving Credit Facility") that provides for up to \$810.0 million (and, to the extent we fully exercise the "accordion" feature of this facility, \$1.05 billion) of borrowings. The Revolving Credit Facility expires on January 22, 2013.

In addition, our wholly owned subsidiary Ares Capital CP Funding LLC ("Ares Capital CP") is party to a revolving facility (as amended, the "CP Funding Facility"), which, as amended, currently provides for up to \$400.0 million of borrowings. The CP Funding Facility expires on January 22, 2013 (with two one year extension options, subject to mutual consent).

We use the term "Facilities" to refer to the Revolving Credit Facility and the CP Funding Facility.

In July 2006, through ARCC Commercial Loan Trust 2006 ("ARCC CLO"), we completed a \$400.0 million debt securitization referred to herein as the "Debt Securitization" and issued approximately \$314.0 million principal amount of asset-backed notes (including \$50.0 million revolving notes, \$27.0 million of which were drawn down as of September 30, 2010), which we refer to as the "CLO Notes," to third parties that are secured by a pool of middle market loans that were purchased or originated by the Company. We serve as the servicer to ARCC CLO. The CLO Notes mature on December 20, 2019.

On April 1, 2010, as part of the Allied Acquisition, we assumed all of Allied Capital's outstanding debt obligations, including Allied Capital's publicly issued unsecured notes: the 6.625% Notes due on July 15, 2011 (the "2011 Notes"), the 6.000% Notes due on April 1, 2012 (the "2012 Notes") and the 6.875% Notes due on April 15, 2047 (the "2047 Notes" and, together with the 2011 Notes and the 2012 Notes, the "Unsecured Notes").

As of September 30, 2010, we had \$431.0 million outstanding under the Revolving Credit Facility and \$283.4 million outstanding under the CP Funding Facility. As of September 30, 2010, we also had outstanding \$177.2 million of CLO Notes that mature on December 20, 2019 and had outstanding \$632.6 million (principal amount of \$691.8 million) of Unsecured Notes as follows: \$294.3 million (principal amount of \$300.6 million) of 2011 Notes, \$157.5 million (principal amount of \$161.2 million) of 2012 Notes and \$180.7 million (principal amount of \$230.0 million) of 2047 Notes. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Financial Condition, Liquidity and Capital Resources."

RISK FACTORS

Investing in Ares Capital involves risks. The following is a summary of certain risks that you should carefully consider before investing in our securities. In addition, see "Risk Factors" beginning on page 25 for a more detailed discussion of the factors you should carefully consider before deciding to invest in our securities.

Risks Relating to Our Business

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

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United States, which has had, and may in the future have, a negative impact on our business and operations.

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

We are dependent upon Ares Capital Management's key personnel for our future success and upon their access to Ares' investment professionals.

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

We may be unable to realize the benefits anticipated by the Allied Acquisition, including estimated cost savings and synergies, or it may take longer than anticipated to achieve such benefits.

Our ability to grow depends on our ability to raise capital.

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

We borrow money, which magnifies the potential for gain or loss on amounts invested and may increase the risk of investing with us.

In addition to regulatory requirements that restrict our ability to raise capital, the Facilities, the CLO Notes and the Unsecured Notes contain various covenants which, if not complied with, could accelerate repayment under the Facilities, the CLO Notes and the Unsecured Notes, thereby materially and adversely affecting our liquidity, financial condition and results of operations.

Our credit ratings may change and as a result the cost and flexibility under our debt instruments may change.

We operate in a highly competitive market for investment opportunities.

We may be subject to certain corporate-level taxes regardless of whether we continue to qualify as a RIC.

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

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.

We are exposed to risks associated with changes in interest rates.

Many of our portfolio investments are not publicly traded and, as a result, there is uncertainty as to the value of our portfolio investments.

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

We may experience fluctuations in our quarterly results.

There are significant potential conflicts of interest that could impact our investment returns.

Changes in laws or regulations governing our operations or the operations of our portfolio companies, changes in the interpretation thereof or newly enacted legislation and regulations, such as the Dodd-Frank Act, and any failure by us or our portfolio companies

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to comply with these laws or regulations, could require changes to certain business practices of us or our portfolio companies, negatively impact the operations, cash flows or financial condition of us or our portfolio companies, impose additional costs on us or our portfolio companies or otherwise adversely affect our business or the business of our portfolio companies.

Our investment adviser's liability is limited under the investment advisory and management agreement, and we are required to indemnify our investment adviser against certain liabilities, which may lead our investment adviser to act in a riskier manner on our behalf than it would when acting for its own account.

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

We may not replicate Ares' historical success and our ability to enter into transactions with Ares and our other affiliates is restricted.

Risks Relating to Our Investments

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.

Economic recessions or downturns could impair our portfolio companies and harm our operating results.

Investments in privately held middle market companies involve significant risks.

Our debt investments may be risky, and we could lose all or part of our investment.

Investments in equity securities involve a substantial degree of risk.

There may be circumstances where our debt investments could be subordinated to claims of other creditors or we could be subject to lender liability claims.

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

When we are a debt or minority equity investor in a portfolio company, we may not be in a position to exert influence on the entity, and management of the company may make decisions that could decrease the value of our portfolio holdings.

Our portfolio companies may be highly leveraged.

Our investment adviser's incentive fee may induce Ares Capital Management to make certain investments, including speculative investments.

Our investments in foreign debt may involve significant risks in addition to the risks inherent in U.S. investments. We may expose ourselves to risks if we engage in hedging transactions.

We may initially invest a portion of the net proceeds of offerings pursuant to this prospectus primarily in high-quality short-term investments, which will generate lower rates of return than those expected from the interest generated on first and second lien loans and mezzanine debt.

The Allied Acquisition may have triggered certain "change of control" provisions and other restrictions in certain of our and Allied Capital's contracts and the failure to obtain any required consents or waivers could adversely impact us.

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Risks Relating to Offerings Pursuant to this Prospectus

Our shares of common stock have traded at a discount from net asset value and may do so again in the future, which could

limit our ability to raise additional equity capital.

There is a risk that investors in our equity securities may not receive dividends or that our dividends may not grow over time

and that investors in our debt securities may not receive all of the interest income to which they are entitled.

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.

Investing in our securities may involve an above average degree of risk.

The market price of our common stock may fluctuate significantly.

The net asset value per share of our common stock may be diluted if we sell shares of our common stock in one or more

offerings at prices below the then current net asset value per share of our common stock or securities to subscribe for or

convertible into shares of our common stock.

Your interest in us may be diluted if you do not fully exercise your subscription rights in any rights offering. In addition, if the subscription price is less than our net asset value per share, then you will experience an immediate dilution of the

aggregate net asset value of your shares.

Investors in offerings of our common stock will likely incur immediate dilution upon the closing of such offering.

Our stockholders will experience dilution in their ownership percentage if they do not participate in our dividend

reinvestment plan.

Our stockholders may receive shares of our common stock as dividends, which could result in adverse tax consequences to

stockholders.

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

our common stock.

The trading market or market value of our publicly issued debt securities may fluctuate.

Terms relating to redemption may materially adversely affect your return on any debt securities that we may issue.

Our credit ratings may not reflect all risks of an investment in our debt securities.

OUR CORPORATE INFORMATION

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Our administrative offices are located at 2000 Avenue of the Stars, 12th Floor, Los Angeles, California 90067, telephone number (310) 201-4200, and our executive offices are located at 280 Park Avenue, 22nd Floor, Building East, New York, New York 10017, telephone number (212) 750-7300.

OFFERINGS

We may offer, from time to time, in one or more offerings or series, up to \$1,500,000,000 of our common stock, preferred stock, debt securities, subscription rights to purchase shares of our common stock or warrants representing rights to purchase shares of our common stock, preferred stock or debt securities, or units comprised of any combination of the foregoing, on terms to be determined at the time of the offering. We will offer our securities at prices and on terms to be set forth in one or more supplements to this prospectus. The offering price per share of our common stock, less any underwriting commissions or discounts, generally will not be less than the net asset value per share of our common stock at the time of an offering. However, we may issue shares of our common stock pursuant to this prospectus at a price per share that is less than our net asset value per share (a) in connection with a rights offering to our existing stockholders, (b) with the prior approval of the majority of our common stockholders or (c) under such other circumstances as the SEC may permit. Any such issuance of shares of our common stock below net asset value may be dilutive to the net asset value of our common stock. See "Risk Factors Risks Relating to Offerings Pursuant to this Prospectus."

At our 2010 Annual Stockholders Meeting, subject to certain determinations required to be made by our board of directors, our stockholders approved our ability to sell or otherwise issue shares of our common stock, not exceeding 25% of our then outstanding common stock, at a price below the then current net asset value per share during a period beginning on June 7, 2010 and expiring on the earlier of the one-year anniversary of the date of the 2010 Annual Stockholders Meeting and the date of our 2011 Annual Stockholders Meeting, which is expected to be held in May 2011.

We may offer our securities directly to one or more purchasers, including existing stockholders in a rights offering, through agents that we designate from time to time or to or through underwriters or dealers. The prospectus supplement relating to each offering will identify any agents or underwriters involved in the sale of our securities, and will set forth any applicable purchase price, fee, commission or discount arrangement between us and our agents or underwriters or among our underwriters or the basis upon which such amount may be calculated. See "Plan of Distribution." We may not sell any of our securities through agents, underwriters or dealers without delivery of a prospectus supplement describing the method and terms of the offering of our securities.

Set forth below is additional information regarding offerings of our securities:

Use of proceeds

Unless otherwise specified in a prospectus supplement, we intend to use the net proceeds from the sale

of our securities for general corporate purposes, which includes, among other things, (a) investing in portfolio companies in accordance with our investment objective and strategies and market conditions and (b) repaying indebtedness. Each supplement to this prospectus relating to an offering will more

fully identify the use of the proceeds from such offering. See "Use of Proceeds."

Distributions We intend to distribute quarterly dividends to our stockholders out of assets legally available for

distribution. Our quarterly dividends, if any, will be determined by our board of directors. For more

information, see "Price Range of Common Stock and Distributions."

Taxation We have elected to be treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a RIC. As a RIC, we generally will not pay corporate-level U.S. federal income taxes on any income and gain that we distribute to our

stockholders as dividends on a timely basis. Among other things, in order to maintain our RIC status, we must meet specified income source and asset diversification requirements and distribute annually

generally an amount equal to at least 90% of our investment

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company taxable income, out of assets legally available for distribution. See "Risk Factors Risks Relating to Our Business We may be subject to certain corporate-level taxes regardless of whether we continue to qualify as a RIC" and "Price Range of Common Stock and Distributions."

We have a dividend reinvestment plan for our stockholders. This is an "opt out" dividend reinvestment plan. As a result, if we declare a cash dividend, then stockholders' dividends 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. Stockholders whose cash dividends are reinvested in additional shares of our common stock will be subject to the same U.S. federal, state and local tax consequences as stockholders who elect to receive their dividends in cash. See "Dividend Reinvestment Plan."

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Our board of directors is divided into three classes of directors serving staggered three-year terms. This structure is intended to provide us with a greater likelihood of continuity of management, which may be necessary for us to realize the full value of our investments. A staggered board of directors also may serve to deter hostile takeovers or proxy contests, as may certain other measures adopted by us. See "Description of Our Capital Stock."

We borrow funds to make additional investments. We use this practice, which is known as "leverage," to attempt to increase returns to our common stockholders, but it involves significant risks. See "Risk Factors," "Senior Securities" and "Regulation Indebtedness and Senior Securities." With certain limited exceptions, we are only allowed to borrow amounts such that our asset coverage, as defined in the Investment Company Act, equals at least 200% after such borrowing. The amount of leverage that we employ at any particular time will depend on our investment adviser's and our board of directors' assessments of market and other factors at the time of any proposed borrowing.

Ares Capital Management serves as our investment adviser. Ares Operations serves as our administrator. For a description of Ares Capital Management, Ares Operations, Ares and our contractual arrangements with these companies, see "Management Investment Advisory and Management Agreement," and " Administration Agreement."

We are required to file periodic reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. This information is available free of charge by calling us collect at (310) 201-4200 or on our website at www.arescapitalcorp.com. The SEC also maintains a website at www.sec.gov that contains this information.

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FEES AND EXPENSES

The following table is intended to assist you in understanding the costs and expenses that an investor in our common stock will bear directly or indirectly, based on the assumptions set forth below. We caution you that some of the percentages indicated in the table below are estimates and may vary. Except where the context suggests otherwise, whenever this prospectus contains a reference to fees or expenses paid or to be paid by "you," "us," "the Company" or "Ares Capital," or that "we" will pay fees or expenses, stockholders will indirectly bear such fees or expenses as investors in Ares Capital.

| Stockholder transaction expenses (as a percentage of offering price): | | |
|---|----------|-----|
| Sales load paid by us | | (1) |
| Offering expenses borne by us | | (2) |
| Dividend reinvestment plan expenses | None | (3) |
| Total stockholder transaction expenses paid by us | | (4) |
| Estimated annual annual consequence of a small dated not asset attails at a summan at als (5). | | |
| Estimated annual expenses (as a percentage of consolidated net assets attributable to common stock)(5): | | |
| Management fees | 3.09%(6 | 5) |
| Incentive fees payable under investment advisory and management agreement (20% of realized capital gains and 20% of | | |
| pre-incentive fee net investment income, subject to certain limitations) | 2.36%(7 | 7) |
| Interest payments on borrowed funds | 3.23%(8 | 3) |
| Other expenses | 2.36%(9 | €) |
| Acquired fund fees and expenses | 0.00%(1 | 10) |
| Total annual expenses (estimated) | 11.04%(1 | 11) |

- In the event that the securities to which this prospectus relates are sold to or through underwriters, a corresponding prospectus supplement will disclose the applicable sales load (underwriting discount or commission). Purchases of shares of our common stock on the secondary market are not subject to sales charges but may be subject to brokerage commissions or other charges. The table does not include any sales load that stockholders may have paid in connection with their purchase of shares of our common stock.
- (2) The related prospectus supplement will disclose the estimated amount of offering expenses, the offering price and the offering expenses borne by us as a percentage of the offering price.
- (3) The expenses of the dividend reinvestment plan are included in "other expenses."
- (4) The related prospectus supplement will disclose the offering price and the total stockholder transaction expenses as a percentage of the offering price.
- "Consolidated net assets attributable to common stock" equals our average net assets for the six months ending June 30, 2010. Because the Allied Acquisition was consummated on April 1, 2010 and because we calculate consolidated net assets attributable to common stock as a monthly average based on the period from January 1, 2010 to June 30, 2010, the consolidated net assets attributable to common stock used to calculate the amounts shown in this table are significantly lower than our net assets as of June 30, 2010.
- Our management fee is currently 1.5% of our total assets other than cash and cash equivalents (which includes assets purchased with borrowed amounts). For the purposes of this table, we have assumed that we maintain no cash or cash equivalents. The 3.09% reflected on the table is calculated on our average net assets (rather than our total assets). See "Management Investment Advisory and Management Agreement."

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This item represents our investment adviser's incentive fees based on annualizing actual amounts earned on our pre-incentive fee net income for the six months ended June 30, 2010 and assumes that the incentive fees earned at the end of the 2010 calendar year will be based on the actual realized capital gains as of June 30, 2010, computed net of realized capital losses and unrealized capital depreciation. It also assumes that this fee will remain constant although it is based on Ares Capital's performance and will not be paid unless Ares Capital achieves certain goals. We expect to invest or otherwise utilize all of the net proceeds from securities registered under the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part pursuant to a particular prospectus supplement within three months of the date of the offering pursuant to such prospectus supplement and may have capital gains and interest income that could result in the payment of an incentive fee to our investment adviser in the first year after completion of offerings pursuant to this prospectus. Since our inception, the average quarterly incentive fee payable to our investment adviser has been approximately 0.63% of our weighted net assets (2.51% on an annualized basis). For more detailed information about incentive fees previously incurred by us, please see Note 3 to our consolidated financial statements for the period ended June 30, 2010.

The incentive fee consists of two parts:

The first, payable quarterly in arrears, equals 20% of our pre-incentive fee net investment income (including interest that is accrued but not yet received in cash), subject to a 2.00% quarterly (8% annualized) hurdle rate and a "catch-up" provision measured as of the end of each calendar quarter. Under this provision, in any calendar quarter, our investment adviser receives no incentive fee until our net investment income equals the hurdle rate of 2.00% but then receives, as a "catch-up," 100% 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 2.50%. The effect of this provision is that, if pre-incentive fee net investment income exceeds 2.50% in any calendar quarter, our investment adviser will receive 20% of our pre-incentive fee net investment income as if a hurdle rate did not apply.

The second part, payable annually in arrears, equals 20% of our realized capital gains on a cumulative basis from inception through the end of the year, if any, computed net of all realized capital losses and unrealized capital depreciation on a cumulative basis, less the aggregate amount of any previously paid capital gain incentive fees.

We will defer cash payment of any incentive fee otherwise earned by our investment adviser if, during the most recent four full calendar quarter period ending on or prior to the date such payment is to be made, the sum of (a) our aggregate distributions to our stockholders and (b) our change in net assets (defined as total assets less indebtedness and before taking into account any incentive fees payable during the period) is less than 8.0% of our net assets at the beginning of such period. These calculations will be adjusted for any share issuances or repurchases.

See "Management Investment Advisory and Management Agreement."

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"Interest payments on borrowed funds" represents an estimate of our annualized interest expense based on actual interest and credit facility expenses incurred for the six months ended June 30, 2010. During the six months ended June 30, 2010, our average borrowings were \$1,512.5 million and cash paid for interest expense was \$20.3 million. We had outstanding borrowings of \$1,307.8 million (with a carrying value of \$1,244.9 million) at June 30, 2010. This item is based on our assumption that our borrowings and interest costs after an offering will remain similar to those prior to such offering. The prospectus supplement related to the offering of any debt securities pursuant to this prospectus will calculate this item based on the effects of our borrowings and interest costs after the issuance of such debt securities. The amount of leverage that we employ at any particular time will depend on, among other things, our board of directors' and our investment adviser's assessment of market and other factors at the time of any proposed

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borrowing. See "Risk Factors Risks Relating to Our Business We borrow money, which magnifies the potential for gain or loss on amounts invested and may increase the risk of investing with us."

- Includes our overhead expenses, including payments under our administration agreement with Ares Operations based on our allocable portion of overhead and other expenses incurred by Ares Operations in performing its obligations under the administration agreement. Such expenses are estimated based on annualized "Other expenses" for the six months ended June 30, 2010 (other than \$16.3 million of professional fees and other costs related to the Allied Acquisition, which are included in "Other expenses" but not annualized). See "Management Administration Agreement." The holders of shares of our common stock (and not the holders of our debt securities or preferred stock, if any) indirectly bear the cost associated with our annual expenses.
- The Company's stockholders indirectly bear the expenses of underlying investment companies in which the Company invests. This amount includes the fees and expenses of investment companies in which the Company is invested as of June 30, 2010. Certain of these investment companies are subject to management fees, which generally range from 1% to 2.5% of total net assets, or incentive fees, which generally range between 15% to 25% of net profits. When applicable, fees and expenses are based on historic fees and expenses for the investment companies. For those investment companies with little or no operating history, fees and expenses are based on expected fees and expenses stated in the investment companies' offering memorandum, private placement memorandum or other similar communication without giving effect to any performance. Future fees and expenses for these investment companies may be substantially higher or lower because certain fees and expenses are based on the performance of the investment companies, which may fluctuate over time. The amount of the Company's average net assets used in calculating this percentage was based on average monthly net assets of \$2.0 billion for the six months ended June 30, 2010.
- "Total annual expenses" as a percentage of consolidated net assets attributable to common stock are higher than the total annual expenses percentage would be for a company that is not leveraged. We borrow money to leverage and increase our total assets. The SEC requires that the "Total annual expenses" percentage be calculated as a percentage of net assets (defined as total assets less indebtedness and before taking into account any incentive fees payable during the period), rather than the total assets, including assets that have been funded with borrowed monies.

Example

The following example demonstrates the projected dollar amount of total cumulative expenses over various periods with respect to a hypothetical investment in our common stock. In calculating the following expense amounts, we have assumed that we would have no additional leverage, that none of our assets are cash or cash equivalents, and that our annual operating expenses would remain at the levels set forth in the table above. Transaction expenses are not included in the following example. In the event that shares to which this prospectus relates are sold to or through underwriters, a corresponding prospectus supplement will restate this example to reflect the applicable sales load.

| | 1 y | ear | 3 y | ears | 5 | years | 10 | years |
|--|-----|-----|-----|------|----|-------|----|-------|
| You would pay the following expenses on a \$1,000 investment, assuming a 5% annual | | | | | | | | |
| return(1) | \$ | 89 | \$ | 257 | \$ | 412 | \$ | 749 |

The above illustration assumes that we will not realize any capital gains computed net of all realized capital losses and unrealized capital depreciation. The expenses you would pay, based on a \$1,000 investment and assuming a 5% annual return resulting entirely from net realized capital gains (and therefore subject to the capital gain incentive fee), and otherwise making the same

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assumptions in the example above, would be: 1 year, \$99; 3 years, \$285; 5 years, \$454; and 10 years, \$816. However, cash payment of the capital incentive fee would be deferred if, during the most recent four full calendar quarter period ending on or prior to the date the payment set forth in the example is to be made, the sum of (a) our aggregate distributions to our stockholders and (b) our change in net assets (defined as total assets less indebtedness and before taking into account any incentive fees payable during the period) was less than 8.0% of our net assets at the beginning of such period (as adjusted for any share issuances or repurchases).

The foregoing table is to assist you in understanding the various costs and expenses that an investor in our common stock will bear directly or indirectly. While the example assumes, as required by the SEC, a 5% annual return, our performance will vary and may result in a return greater or less than 5%. The incentive fee under the investment advisory and management agreement, which, assuming a 5% annual return, would either not be payable or have an insignificant impact on the expense amounts shown above, is not included in the example. If we achieve sufficient returns on our investments, including through the realization of capital gains, to trigger an incentive fee of a material amount, our expenses, and returns to our investors, would be higher. In addition, while the example assumes reinvestment of all dividends and distributions at net asset value, if our board of directors authorizes and we declare a cash dividend, participants in our dividend reinvestment plan who have not otherwise elected to receive cash will receive a number of shares of our common stock, determined by dividing the total dollar amount of the dividend payable to a participant by the market price per share of our common stock at the close of trading on the valuation date for the dividend. See "Dividend Reinvestment Plan" for additional information regarding our dividend reinvestment plan.

This example and the expenses in the table above should not be considered a representation of our future expenses as actual expenses (including the cost of debt, if any, and other expenses) may be greater or less than those shown.

SELECTED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL DATA OF ARES CAPITAL

The following selected financial and other data for the years ended December 31, 2009, 2008, 2007, 2006 and 2005 are derived from our consolidated financial statements, which have been audited by KPMG LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm whose report thereon is included elsewhere in this prospectus. The selected financial and other data for the six months ended June 30, 2010 and other quarterly financial information are derived from our unaudited financial statements, but in the opinion of management, reflect all adjustments (consisting only of normal recurring adjustments) that are necessary to present fairly the results of such interim periods. Interim results as of and for the six months ended June 30, 2010 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending December 31, 2010. The data should be read in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements and notes thereto and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and "Senior Securities," which are included elsewhere in this prospectus.

ARES CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

As of and For the Six Months Ended June 30, 2010 and As of and For the Years Ended December 31, 2009, 2008, 2007, 2006 and 2005 (dollar amounts in thousands, except per share data and as otherwise indicated)

| | As of and For the Six Months Ended June 30, 2010 | | As of and For the Year Ended exember 31, 2009 | | As of and For the Year Ended ecember 31, 2008 | 1 | As of and For the Year Ended cember 31, 2007 | 1 | As of and For the Year Ended December 31, 2006 | | s of and For he Year Ended ember 31, 2005 |
|---|--|-----|--|----|--|----|---|----|---|----|---|
| Total Investment Income | \$ 188,100 | \$ | 245,272 | \$ | 240,461 | \$ | 188,873 | \$ | 120,021 | \$ | 41,850 |
| Total Expenses | 106,330 | | 111,290 | | 113,221 | | 94,750 | | 58,458 | | 14,569 |
| Net Investment Income Before Income Taxes | 81,770 | | 133,982 | | 127,240 | | 94,123 | | 61,563 | | 27,281 |
| Income Tax Expense (Benefit), Including Excise Tax | 524 | | 576 | | 248 | | (826) | | 4,931 | | 158 |
| Net Investment Income | 81,246 | | 133,406 | | 126,992 | | 94,949 | | 56,632 | | 27,123 |
| Gain on the acquisition of Allied Capital Corporation | \$ 195,876 | | 133,400 | | 120,772 | | 74,747 | | 30,032 | | 27,123 |
| Net Realized and Unrealized Gains (Losses) on Investments, Foreign Currencies and Extinguishment | 120.115 | | 60.005 | | (244,145) | | (1.115) | | 12.044 | | 44.505 |
| of Debt | 129,447 | | 69,287 | | (266,447) | | (4,117) | | 13,064 | | 14,727 |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Stockholders' Equity Resulting from Operations | \$ 406,569 | \$ | 202,693 | \$ | (139,455) | \$ | 90,832 | \$ | 69,696 | \$ | 41,850 |
| Per Share Data: | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Stockholder's Equity Resulting from Operations: | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Basic(1) | \$ 2.57 | \$ | 1.99 | \$ | (1.56) | \$ | 1.34 | \$ | 1.58 | \$ | 1.75 |
| Diluted(1) | \$ 2.57 | \$ | 1.99 | \$ | (1.56) | \$ | 1.34 | \$ | 1.58 | \$ | 1.75 |
| Cash Dividend Declared | \$ 0.70 | \$ | 1.47 | \$ | 1.68 | \$ | 1.66 | \$ | 1.64 | \$ | 1.30 |
| Net Asset Value | \$ 14.11 | \$ | 11.44 | \$ | 11.27 | \$ | 15.47 | \$ | 15.17 | \$ | 15.03 |
| Total Assets | \$ 4,073,702 | \$ | 2,313,515 | \$ | 2,091,333 | \$ | 1,829,405 | \$ | 1,347,991 | \$ | 613,645 |
| Total Debt | \$ 1,244,938 | \$ | 969,465 | \$ | 908,786 | \$ | 681,528 | \$ | 482,000 | \$ | 18,000 |
| Total Stockholders' Equity | \$ 2,711,273 | \$ | 1,257,888 | \$ | 1,094,879 | \$ | 1,124,550 | \$ | 789,433 | \$ | 569,612 |
| Other Data: | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Number of Portfolio Companies at Period End(2) | 188 | | 95 | | 91 | | 78 | | 60 | | 38 |
| Principal Amount of Investments Purchased | \$ 580,200 | \$ | 575,046 | \$ | 925,945 | \$ | 1,251,300 | \$ | 1,087,507 | \$ | 504,299 |
| Principal Amount of Investments Acquired as part | | | | | | | | | | | |
| of the Allied Acquisition | \$ 1,833,766 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Principal Amount of Investments Sold and | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Repayments | \$ 932,900 | \$ | 515,240 | \$ | 485,270 | \$ | 718,695 | \$ | 430,021 | \$ | 108,415 |
| Total Return Based on Market Value(3) | 6.27% | | 119.919 | | (45.25)9 | | (14.76)9 | | 29.129 | | (10.60)% |
| Total Return Based on Net Asset Value(4) | 21.00% | o . | 17.849 | 6 | (11.17)9 | 6 | 8.98% | | 10.739 | 6 | 12.04% |
| Weighted Average Yield of Debt and Income Producing Equity Securities at Fair Value(5): | 13.39% | 6 | 12.67% | 6 | 12.79% | , | 11.68% | | 11.959 | 6 | 11.25% |
| Weighted Average Yield of Debt and Income Producing Equity Securities at Amortized Cost(5): | 13.40% | 6 | 12.08% | 6 | 11.73% | , | 11.64% | | 11.639 | 6 | 11.40% |

In accordance with Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 260-10 (previously Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 128, Earnings Per Share), the weighted average shares of common stock outstanding used in computing basic and diluted earnings per common share have been adjusted retroactively by a factor of 1.02% to recognize the bonus element associated with rights to acquire shares of common stock that we issued to stockholders of record as of March 24, 2008 in connection with a rights offering.

⁽²⁾ Includes commitments to portfolio companies for which funding has yet to occur.

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- Total return based on market value for the six months ended June 30, 2010 equals the increase of the ending market value at June 30, 2010 of \$12.53 per share over the ending market value at December 31, 2009 of \$12.45 per share, plus the declared dividends of \$0.70 per share for the six months ended June 30, 2010, divided by the market value at December 31, 2009. Total return based on market value for the year ended December 31, 2009 equals the increase of the ending market value at December 31, 2009 of \$12.45 per share over the ending market value at December 31, 2008 of \$6.33 per share plus the declared dividends of \$1.47 per share for the year ended December 31, 2009. Total return based on market value for the year ended December 31, 2008 equals the decrease of the ending market value at December 31, 2008 of \$6.33 per share over the ending market value at December 31, 2007 of \$14.63 per share plus the declared dividends of \$1.68 per share for the year ended December 31, 2008. Total return based on market value for the year ended December 31, 2007 equals the decrease of the ending market value at December 31, 2007 of \$14.63 per share over the ending market value at December 31, 2006 of \$19.11 per share plus the declared dividends of \$1.66 per share for the year ended December 31, 2007. Total return based on market value for the year ended December 31, 2006 of \$19.11 per share over the ending market value at December 31, 2006 of \$19.11 per share over the ending market value at December 31, 2006 of \$19.11 per share over the ending market value at December 31, 2006 of \$10.07 per share plus the declared dividends of \$1.64 per share for the year ended December 31, 2006 of \$10.07 per share plus the declared dividends of \$1.64 per share for the year ended December 31, 2006 of \$10.07 per share plus the declared dividends of \$1.64 per share for the year ended December 31, 2006 of \$10.07 per share plus the declared dividends of \$1.60 per share plus the declared dividends of \$1.60 per share plus the declared dividends o
- Total return based on net asset value for the six months ended June 30, 2010 equals the change in net asset value during the period plus the declared dividends of \$0.70 per share for the six months ended June 30, 2010, divided by the beginning net asset value at January 1, 2010. Total return based on net asset value for the year ended December 31, 2009 equals the change in net asset value during the period (adjusted for share issuances) plus the declared dividends of \$1.47 per share for the year ended December 31, 2009, divided by the beginning net asset value. Total return based on net asset value for the year ended December 31, 2008 equals the change in net asset value during the period (adjusted for share issuances) plus the declared dividends of \$1.68 per share for the year ended December 31, 2008, divided by the beginning net asset value. Total return based on net asset value for the year ended December 31, 2007 equals the change in net asset value during the period (adjusted for share issuances) plus the declared dividends of \$1.66 per share for the year ended December 31, 2007, divided by the beginning net asset value. Total return based on net asset value for the year ended December 31, 2006 equals the change in net asset value during the period (adjusted for share issuances) plus the declared dividends of \$1.64 per share for the year ended December 31, 2006, divided by the beginning net asset value. Total return based on net asset value for the year ended December 31, 2005, divided by the beginning net asset value. Total return based on net asset value for the year ended December 31, 2005, divided by the beginning net asset value. Total return based on net asset value for the year ended December 31, 2005, divided by the beginning net asset value. Total return based on net asset value is not annualized.
- Weighted average yield on debt and income producing equity securities at fair value is computed as (a) the annual stated interest rate or yield earned plus the net annual amortization of original issue discount and market discount on accruing debt divided by (b) total income producing equity securities and debt at fair value. Weighted average yield on debt and income producing equity securities at amortized cost is computed as (a) the annual stated interest rate or yield earned plus the net annual amortization of original issue discount and market discount on accruing debt divided by (b) total income producing equity securities and debt at amortized cost.

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SELECTED QUARTERLY DATA (Unaudited) (dollar amounts in thousands, except per share data)

| | 201 | 0 | |
|---|---------------|----|--------|
| | Q2 | | Q1 |
| Total Investment Income | \$ 121,590 | \$ | 66,510 |
| Net investment income before net realized and unrealized gain (losses) and incentive compensation | \$ 64,514 | \$ | 39,849 |
| Incentive compensation | \$ 14,973 | \$ | 8,144 |
| Net investment income before net realized and unrealized gain (losses) | \$ 49,541 | \$ | 31,705 |
| Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) | \$ 84,737 | \$ | 44,710 |
| Gain on the acquisition of Allied Capital Corporation | \$ 195,876 | \$ | |
| Net increase (decrease) in stockholders' equity resulting from operations | \$ 330,154 | \$ | 76,415 |
| Basic and diluted earnings per common share | \$ 1.73 | \$ | 0.61 |
| Net asset value per share as of the end of the quarter | \$ 14.11 | \$ | 11.78 |

| | 2009 | | | | | | | |
|--|------|--------|----|--------|----|--------|----|--------|
| | | Q4 | | Q3 | | Q2 | | Q1 |
| Total Investment Income | \$ | 69,264 | \$ | 60,881 | \$ | 59,111 | \$ | 56,016 |
| Net investment income before net realized and unrealized gain (losses) and incentive | | | | | | | | |
| compensation | \$ | 47,920 | \$ | 41,133 | \$ | 39,935 | \$ | 37,750 |
| Incentive compensation | \$ | 9,568 | \$ | 8,227 | \$ | 7,987 | \$ | 7,550 |
| Net investment income before net realized and unrealized gain (losses) | \$ | 38,352 | \$ | 32,906 | \$ | 31,948 | \$ | 30,200 |
| Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) | \$ | 31,278 | \$ | 30,370 | \$ | 2,805 | \$ | 4,834 |
| Net increase (decrease) in stockholders' equity resulting from operations | \$ | 69,630 | \$ | 63,276 | \$ | 34,753 | \$ | 35,034 |
| Basic and diluted earnings per common share | \$ | 0.64 | \$ | 0.62 | \$ | 0.36 | \$ | 0.36 |
| Net asset value per share as of the end of the quarter | \$ | 11.44 | \$ | 11.16 | \$ | 11.21 | \$ | 11.20 |

| | | 200 | 8 | | |
|--|-----------------|----------------|----|----------|----------------|
| | Q4 | Q3 | | Q2 | Q1 |
| Total Investment Income | \$ 62,723 | \$ 62,067 | \$ | 63,464 | \$ 52,207 |
| Net investment income before net realized and unrealized gain (losses) and | | | | | |
| incentive compensation | \$ 40,173 | \$ 41,025 | \$ | 45,076 | \$ 32,466 |
| Incentive compensation | \$ 8,035 | \$ 8,205 | \$ | 9,015 | \$ 6,493 |
| Net investment income before net realized and unrealized gain (losses) | \$ 32,138 | \$ 32,820 | \$ | 36,061 | \$ 25,973 |
| Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) | \$ (142,638) | \$ (74,213) | \$ | (32,789) | \$ (16,807) |
| Net increase (decrease) in stockholders' equity resulting from operations | \$ (110,500) | \$ (41,393) | \$ | 3,272 | \$ 9,166 |
| Basic and diluted earnings per common share | \$ (1.14) | \$ (0.43) | \$ | 0.04 | \$ 0.12 |
| Net asset value per share as of the end of the quarter | \$ 11.27 | \$ 12.83 | \$ | 13.67 | \$ 15.17 |
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| | | | | | |

UNAUDITED SELECTED PRO FORMA CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

The following tables set forth unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated statements of operations for Ares Capital and Allied Capital as a consolidated entity. The unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated operating data for the six months ended June 30, 2010 and for the year ended December 31, 2009 are presented as if the Allied Acquisition had been completed on January 1, 2010 and January 1, 2009, respectively. In the opinion of management, all adjustments necessary to reflect the effect of these transactions have been made. The Allied Acquisition was accounted for under the acquisition method of accounting as provided by ASC 805-10 (previously SFAS No. 141(R)), *Business Combinations*.

The unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated statements of operations should be read together with the respective historical audited and unaudited consolidated financial statements and financial statement notes of Allied Capital and Ares Capital in this prospectus. The unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated statements of operations are presented for comparative purposes only and do not necessarily indicate what the future operating results of Ares Capital will be following completion of the Allied Acquisition. The unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated statements of operations do not include adjustments to reflect any cost savings or other operational efficiencies that may be realized as a result of the Allied Acquisition or any future merger related restructuring or integration expenses.

See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Allied Acquisition" for a description of the terms of the Allied Acquisition and "Risk Factors Risks Relating to Our Business We may be unable to realize the benefits anticipated by the Allied Acquisition, including estimated cost savings and synergies, or it may take longer than anticipated to achieve such benefits" for a description of certain risks associated with the Allied Acquisition.

(dollar amounts in thousands, except per share data and as otherwise indicated)

| | Si | For the ix Months Ended June 30, 2010 | Y | For the ear Ended cember 31, 2009 |
|--|----|---------------------------------------|----|-----------------------------------|
| Total Investment Income | \$ | 242,192 | \$ | 563,958 |
| Total Expenses | | 139,471 | | 373,165 |
| Net Investment Income Before Income Taxes | | 102,721 | | 190,793 |
| Income Tax Expense | | 1,726 | | 6,152 |
| Net Investment Income | | 100,995 | | 184,641 |
| Net Realized and Unrealized Gains (Losses) on Investments, Foreign Currencies and Extinguishment of Debt | | 96,184 | | (507,774) |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Stockholders' Equity Resulting from Operations | \$ | 197,179 | \$ | (323,133) |
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UNAUDITED PRO FORMA PER SHARE DATA

The following selected unaudited combined pro forma per share information for the six months ended June 30, 2010 and for the year ended December 31, 2009 reflects the Allied Acquisition and related transactions as if they had occurred on January 1, 2010 and January 1, 2009, respectively.

Such unaudited pro forma combined per share information is based on the historical financial statements of Ares Capital and Allied Capital and on publicly available information and certain assumptions and adjustments as discussed in the section entitled "Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations." This unaudited pro forma combined per share information is provided for illustrative purposes only and is not necessarily indicative of what the operating results of Ares Capital or Allied Capital would have been had the Allied Acquisition and related transactions been completed at the beginning of the periods indicated, nor are they necessarily indicative of any future operating results.

The following should be read in connection with the section entitled "Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations" and other information included in this prospectus.

See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Allied Acquisition" for a description of the terms of the Allied Acquisition and "Risk Factors Risks Relating to Our Business We may be unable to realize the benefits anticipated by the Allied Acquisition, including estimated cost savings and synergies, or it may take longer than anticipated to achieve such benefits" for a description of certain risks associated with the Allied Acquisition.

| | For the Six Months Ended June 30, 2010 | | | | | | | | | For the Decem | | | | | |
|--|---|--------------------------------|----|--------|-------------|------|----------------|------------------|----------|--------------------------------|----------------|---|--------|----|--------|
| | | Ares Allied Capital Capital | | | - · · · · · | | ares apital | Allied apital | Com A | forma bined res pital | Equ A Ca | Per ivalent Ilied apital are(2) | | | |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Stockholders' Equity Resulting from Operations: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Basic | \$ 2 | 2.57 | \$ | (0.20) | \$ | 1.05 | \$ | 0.34 | \$ | 1.99 | \$ (2.91) | \$ | (2.02) | \$ | (0.66) |
| Diluted | \$ 2 | 2.57 | \$ | (0.20) | \$ | 1.05 | \$ | 0.34 | \$ | 1.99 | \$ (2.91) | \$ | (2.02) | \$ | (0.66) |
| Cash Dividends Declared(1) | \$ (|).70 | \$ | 0.20 | \$ | 0.70 | \$ | 0.23 | \$ | 1.47 | \$ | \$ | 1.47 | \$ | 0.48 |

⁽¹⁾The cash dividends declared per share represent the actual dividends declared per share for the period presented. The pro forma combined dividends declared is the dividends per share as declared by Ares Capital.

⁽²⁾The Allied Capital equivalent pro forma per share amount is calculated by multiplying the pro forma combined share amounts by the common stock exchange ratio of 0.325.

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RISK FACTORS

Before you invest in our securities, you should be aware of various risks, including those described below. You should carefully consider these risk factors, together with all of the other information included in this prospectus including our consolidated financial statements and the related notes thereto, before you decide whether to make an investment in our securities. The risks set out below are not the only risks we face. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us or that we currently deem to be immaterial also may materially adversely affect our business, financial condition and/or operating results. If any of the following events occur, our business, financial condition and results of operations could be materially adversely affected. In such case, the net asset value of our common stock and the trading price of our securities could decline, and you may lose all or part of your investment.

RISKS RELATING TO OUR BUSINESS

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, which has had, and may in the future have, a negative impact on our business and operations.

Beginning in 2007, the U.S. capital markets entered into 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 major financial institutions. Despite actions of the U.S. federal government, 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 have improved, there can be no assurance that they will not worsen in the future. If these adverse market conditions return, 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 BDC, 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 2010 Annual Stockholders Meeting, subject to certain determinations required to be made by our board of directors, our stockholders approved our ability to sell or otherwise issue shares of our common stock, not exceeding 25% of our then outstanding common stock, at a price below the then current net asset value per share during a period beginning on June 7, 2010 and expiring on the earlier of the one-year anniversary of the date of the 2010 Annual Stockholders Meeting and the date of our 2011 Annual Stockholders Meeting, which is expected to be held in May 2011. In addition, our ability to incur indebtedness (including by issuing preferred stock) is limited by applicable regulations such that our asset coverage, as defined in the Investment Company Act, must equal at least 200% immediately after each time we incur indebtedness. 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.

Moreover, recent market conditions have made, and may in the future make, it difficult to extend the maturity of or refinance our existing indebtedness 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.

Capital markets volatility also affects our investment valuations. While most of our investments are not publicly traded, applicable accounting standards require us to assume as part of our valuation process that our investments are sold in a principal market to market participants (even if we plan on holding an investment through its maturity). As a result, volatility in the capital markets can adversely affect our valuations.

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Given the recent extreme volatility and dislocation in the capital markets, many BDCs have faced, and may in the future face, a challenging environment in which to raise capital. As a result of the recent significant changes in the capital markets affecting our ability to raise capital, the pace of our investment activity has slowed. 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.

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

If we fail to maintain our status as a BDC, we might be regulated as a closed-end investment company under the Investment Company Act, which would subject us to additional regulatory restrictions and significantly decrease our operating flexibility. In addition, any such failure could cause an event of default under our outstanding indebtedness, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations.

We are dependent upon Ares Capital Management's key personnel for our future success and upon their access to Ares' investment professionals.

We depend on the diligence, skill and network of business contacts of Ares Capital Management's key personnel, including its investment committee. We also depend, to a significant extent, on Ares Capital Management's access to the investment professionals of Ares and the information and deal flow generated by Ares' investment professionals in the course of their investment and portfolio management activities. Our future success depends on the continued service of Ares Capital Management's key personnel, including its investment committee. The departure of any of Ares Capital Management's key personnel, including members of its investment committee, or of a significant number of the investment professionals or partners of Ares, could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations. In addition, we cannot assure you that Ares Capital Management will remain our investment adviser or that we will continue to have access to Ares' investment professionals or its information and deal flow.

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

Our ability to achieve our investment objective depends on our ability to acquire suitable investments and monitor and administer those investments, which depends, in turn, on Ares Capital Management's ability to identify, invest in and monitor companies that meet our investment criteria.

Accomplishing this result on a cost-effective basis is largely a function of Ares Capital Management's structuring of the investment process and its ability to provide competent, attentive and efficient services to us. Our executive officers and the members of Ares Capital Management's investment committee have substantial responsibilities in connection with their roles at Ares and with the other Ares funds, as well as responsibilities under the investment advisory and management agreement. They may also be called upon to provide significant managerial assistance to certain of our portfolio companies. These demands on their time, which will increase as the number of investments grow, may distract them or slow the rate of investment. In order to grow, Ares Capital Management will need to hire, train, supervise and manage new employees. However, we cannot assure you that any such employees will be retained. Any failure to manage our future growth effectively could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

In addition, as we grow, we may open up new offices in new geographic regions that may increase our direct operating expenses without corresponding revenue growth.

We may be unable to realize the benefits anticipated by the Allied Acquisition, including estimated cost savings and synergies, or it may take longer than anticipated to achieve such benefits.

On April 1, 2010, we consummated the Allied Acquisition. The realization of certain benefits anticipated as a result of the Allied Acquisition will depend in part on the integration of Allied Capital's investment portfolio and business with our investment portfolio and business. There can be no assurance that Allied Capital's investment portfolio or business can be operated profitably or integrated successfully into our operations in a timely fashion, or at all. The dedication of management resources to such integration may detract attention from our day-to-day business, including new origination activity, and there can be no assurance that there will not be substantial costs associated with the transition process or other material adverse consequences to our business as a result of these integration efforts. Such effects, including, but not limited to, incurring unexpected costs or delays in connection with such integration and failure of Allied Capital's investment portfolio to perform as expected, could have a material adverse effect on our financial results.

We anticipate achieving certain cost savings and synergies from the Allied Acquisition when the two companies have fully integrated their portfolios. It is possible, however, that our estimates of these potential cost savings and synergies could be incorrect. Allied Capital had significantly higher average borrowings and cash paid for interest expense for the three months ended March 31, 2010 and the year ended December 31, 2009, as compared to Ares Capital's borrowings and interest expense. Assuming such debt remained outstanding, the combined company's annual expenses as a percentage of consolidated net assets attributable to common stock is estimated to increase for Ares Capital stockholders on a pro forma combined basis. In addition, the cost savings and synergies estimates also assume our ability to pay down or refinance certain portions of Allied Capital's debt and to combine our investment portfolio and business with Allied Capital's investment portfolio and business in a manner that permits those cost savings and synergies to be fully realized. If the estimates turn out to be incorrect or we are not able to successfully refinance or pay down certain portions of Allied Capital's debt and combine the investment portfolios and businesses of the two companies, the anticipated cost savings and synergies may not be fully realized, or realized at all, or may take longer to realize than expected.

Our ability to grow depends on our ability to raise capital.

We will need to periodically access the capital markets to raise cash to fund new investments. Ares has elected to be treated as a RIC and operates in a manner so as to qualify for the U.S. federal income tax treatment applicable to RICs. Among other things, in order to maintain our RIC status, we must distribute to our stockholders on a timely basis generally an amount equal to at least 90% of our investment company taxable income, and, as a result, such distributions will not be available to fund investment originations. We must continue to borrow from financial institutions and issue additional securities to fund our growth. Unfavorable economic or capital market conditions may increase our funding costs, limit our access to the capital markets or could result in a decision by lenders not to extend credit to us. An inability to successfully access the capital markets could limit our ability to grow our business and fully execute our business strategy and could decrease our earnings, if any.

In addition, with certain limited exceptions, we are only allowed to borrow amounts or issue debt securities or preferred stock, which we refer to collectively as "senior securities," such that our asset coverage, as defined in the Investment Company Act, equals at least 200% immediately after such borrowing, which, in certain circumstances, may restrict our ability to borrow or issue debt securities or preferred stock. The amount of leverage that we employ will depend on our investment adviser's and our board of directors' assessments of market and other factors at the time of any proposed borrowing or issuance of debt securities or preferred stock. We cannot assure you that we will be able to maintain our current Facilities or obtain other lines of credit at all or on terms acceptable to us.

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

We may issue senior securities or borrow money from banks or other financial institutions, up to the maximum amount permitted by the Investment Company Act. Under the provisions of the Investment Company 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 Investment Company Act, equals at least 200% after each such incurrence or issuance. If the value of our assets declines, we may be unable to satisfy this test, which may prohibit us from paying dividends and could prevent us from maintaining our status as a RIC or may prohibit us from repurchasing shares of our common stock. In addition, our inability to satisfy this test could cause an event of default under our existing indebtedness. If we cannot satisfy this test, we may be required to sell a portion of our investments at a time when such sales may be disadvantageous and, depending on the nature of our leverage, repay a portion of our indebtedness. Accordingly, any failure to satisfy this test could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations. As of June 30, 2010, our asset coverage for senior securities was 318%.

We are not generally able to issue and sell our common stock at a price below net asset value per share. 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 per share of our common stock if our board of directors determines that such sale is in our best interests and the best interests of our stockholders, and our stockholders approve such sale. Any such sale would be dilutive to the net asset value per share of our common stock. In any such case, the price at which our securities are to be issued and sold may not be less than a price which, in the determination of our board of directors, closely approximates the market value of such securities (less any commission or discount). If our common stock trades at a discount to net asset value, this restriction could adversely affect our ability to raise capital.

At our 2010 Annual Stockholders Meeting, subject to certain determinations required to be made by our board of directors, our stockholders approved our ability to sell or otherwise issue shares of our common stock, not exceeding 25% of our then outstanding common stock, at a price below the then current net asset value per share during a period beginning on June 7, 2010 and expiring on the earlier of the one-year anniversary of the date of the 2010 Annual Stockholders Meeting and the date of our 2011 Annual Stockholders Meeting, which is expected to be held in May 2011.

To generate cash for funding new investments, we have also securitized, and may in the future seek to securitize, our loans. To securitize loans, we may create a separate, wholly owned subsidiary and contribute or sell a pool of loans to such subsidiary (or one of its subsidiaries). Such subsidiary may then sell equity, issue debt or sell interests in the pool of loans, on a limited-recourse basis, the payments on which are generally limited to the pool of loans and the proceeds therefrom. We may also retain a portion of the equity interests in the securitized pool of loans. Any retained equity would be exposed to losses on the related pool of loans before any of the related debt securities. An inability to successfully securitize our loan portfolio could limit our ability to grow our business and fully execute our business strategy. The securitization market is subject to changing market conditions (including the recent, unprecedented dislocation of the securitization and finance markets generally) and we may not be able to access this market when we would otherwise deem appropriate. Moreover, the successful securitization of our loan portfolio might expose us to losses as the residual loans in which we do not sell interests may be those that are riskier and more apt to generate losses. The Investment Company Act may also impose restrictions on the structure of any securitization.

We borrow money, which magnifies the potential for gain or loss on amounts invested and may increase the risk of investing with us.

Borrowings, 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. We currently borrow under our Facilities, and in the future, may borrow from or issue debt securities to banks, insurance companies, funds, institutional investors and other lenders and investors. Holders of such debt securities have fixed dollar claims on our consolidated assets that are superior to the claims of our common stockholders or any preferred stockholders. If the value of our consolidated assets increases, then leveraging would cause the net asset value per share of our common stock to increase more sharply than it would have had we not incurred leverage.

Conversely, if the value of our consolidated assets decreases, leveraging would cause net asset value to decline more sharply than it otherwise would have had we not incurred leverage. Similarly, any increase in our consolidated 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 consolidated 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. There can be no assurance that a leveraging strategy will be successful.

As of June 30, 2010, we had \$357.9 million of outstanding borrowings under our Facilities, \$214.4 million in aggregate principal amount of CLO Notes and \$735.5 million in aggregate principal amount of Unsecured Notes. In order for us to cover our annual interest payments on indebtedness, we must achieve annual returns on our June 30, 2010 total assets of at least 1.56%. The weighted average interest rate charged on our borrowings as of June 30, 2010 was 4.74%. We intend to continue borrowing under the Facilities in the future and we may increase the size of the Facilities or issue debt securities or other evidences of indebtedness (although there can be no assurance that we will be successful in doing so). Our ability to service our debt depends largely on our financial performance and is subject to prevailing economic conditions and competitive pressures. The amount of leverage that we employ at any particular time will depend on our investment adviser's and our board of directors' assessments of market and other factors at the time of any proposed borrowing.

Our Facilities, the CLO Notes and the Unsecured Notes impose financial and operating covenants that restrict our business activities, including 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. A failure to renew our Facilities or to add new or replacement debt facilities could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations.

The following table illustrates the effect on return to a holder of our common stock of the leverage created by our use of borrowing at the weighted average interest rate of 4.74% as of June 30, 2010, together with (i) our total value of net assets as of June 30, 2010; (ii) \$1.24 billion debt outstanding as of June 30, 2010 and (iii) hypothetical annual returns on our portfolio of minus 15 to plus 15 percent.

| Assumed Return on Portfolio (Net of | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|------|------|------|-----|----|-----|-----|
| Expenses)(1) | -15% | -10% | -5% | 0% | 5% | 10% | 15% |
| Corresponding Return to Common | | | | | | | |
| Stockholders(2) | -25% | -17% | -10% | -2% | 5% | 13% | 20% |

(1)

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.

(2)
In order to compute the "Corresponding Return to Common Stockholders," the "Assumed Return on Portfolio" is multiplied by the total value of our assets at June 30, 2010 to obtain an assumed

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return to us. From this amount, the interest expense (calculated by multiplying the weighted average interest rate of 4.74% by the \$1.24 billion in aggregate principal amount of indebtedness) is subtracted to determine the return available to stockholders. The return available to stockholders is then divided by the total value of our net assets as of June 30, 2010 to determine the "Corresponding Return to Common Stockholders."

In addition to regulatory requirements that restrict our ability to raise capital, the Facilities, the CLO Notes and the Unsecured Notes contain various covenants which, if not complied with, could accelerate repayment under the Facilities, the CLO Notes and the Unsecured Notes, thereby materially and adversely affecting our liquidity, financial condition and results of operations.

The agreements governing the Facilities, the CLO Notes and the Unsecured Notes require 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 the date of this prospectus, we are in compliance with the covenants of the Facilities, the CLO Notes and the Unsecured Notes. However, our continued compliance with these covenants depends on many factors, some of which are beyond our control. For example, depending on the condition of the public debt and equity markets and pricing levels, net unrealized depreciation in our portfolio may increase in the future. Any such increase could result in our inability to comply with our obligation to restrict the level of indebtedness that we are able to incur in relation to the value of our assets or to maintain a minimum level of stockholders' equity.

Accordingly, although we believe we will continue to be in compliance, there are no assurances that we will continue to comply with the covenants in the Facilities, the CLO Notes and the Unsecured Notes. Failure to comply with these covenants would result in a default under the Revolving Credit Facility, the CP Funding Facility, the CLO Notes or the Unsecured Notes, which, if we were unable to obtain a waiver from the lenders under the Revolving Credit Facility, the purchasers under the CP Funding Facility, the trustee or holders of the CLO Notes or the trustees or holders of the Unsecured Notes, respectively, could accelerate repayment under the Revolving Credit Facility, the CP Funding Facility, the CLO Notes or the Unsecured Notes, respectively, and thereby have a material adverse impact on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Our credit ratings may change and as a result the cost and flexibility under our debt instruments may change.

As of June 30, 2010, we had a long-term counterparty credit rating from Standard & Poor's Ratings Service of BBB, a long-term issuer default rating from Fitch Ratings of BBB and a long-term issuer rating from Moody's Investor Service of Ba1. Interest expense on our Revolving Credit Facility and the CP Funding Facility is based on a pricing grid that fluctuates depending on our credit ratings. There can be no assurance that our ratings will be maintained. If our ratings are downgraded, our cost of borrowing will increase.

In addition, if the ratings of our CLO Notes are downgraded, our ability to engage in certain transactions in respect of the investments held in the Debt Securitization, among other things, may under certain circumstances be restricted and certain principal proceeds may under certain circumstances be required to be used to further reduce the outstanding principal balance of the CLO Notes. There can be no assurance that the CLO Notes ratings will be maintained.

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In addition, ratings agencies are required to make substantial changes to their ratings policies and practices as a result of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the "Dodd-Frank Act"), which President Obama signed into law on July 21, 2010. There can be no assurance that such changes will not affect our ratings.

We operate in a highly competitive market for investment opportunities.

A number of entities compete with us to make the types of investments that we make in middle market companies. We compete with other BDCs, public and private funds, commercial and investment banks, commercial financing companies, insurance companies, high yield investors, hedge funds, and, to the extent they provide an alternative form of financing, private equity funds. Many of our competitors are substantially larger and have considerably greater financial, technical and marketing resources than we do. 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 relationships than us. Furthermore, many of our competitors are not subject to the regulatory restrictions that the Investment Company Act imposes on us as a BDC and that the Code imposes on us as a RIC. We cannot assure you that the competitive pressures we face will not have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. Also, as a result of this competition, we may not be able to pursue attractive investment opportunities from time to time.

We do not seek to compete primarily based on the interest rates we offer and we believe that some of our competitors may make loans with interest rates that are comparable to or lower than the rates we offer. Rather, we compete with our competitors based on our existing investment platform, seasoned management team, experience and focus on middle market companies, disciplined investment philosophy, extensive industry focus and flexible transaction structuring. For a more detailed discussion of these competitive advantages, see "Business Competitive Advantages."

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. As a result of operating in such a competitive environment, we may make investments that are on better terms to our portfolio companies than what we may have originally anticipated, which may impact our return on these investments.

We may be subject to certain corporate-level taxes regardless of whether we continue to qualify as a RIC.

We have elected to be treated as a RIC under Subchapter M of the Code and operate in a manner so as to qualify for the U.S. federal income tax treatment applicable to RICs. As a RIC, we generally will not pay corporate-level U.S. federal income taxes on our income and gain that we distribute to our stockholders as dividends on a timely basis. To qualify as a RIC, we must meet certain income source, asset diversification and annual distribution requirements. We may also be subject to certain U.S. federal excise taxes, as well as state, local and foreign taxes.

The annual distribution requirement for a RIC is satisfied if we distribute to our stockholders on a timely basis generally an amount equal to at least 90% of our investment company taxable income for each year. Because we use debt financing, we are subject to certain asset coverage ratio requirements under the Investment Company Act and financial covenants under our indebtedness that could, under certain circumstances, restrict us from making distributions necessary to qualify as a RIC. If we are unable to obtain cash from other sources, we may fail to qualify as a RIC and, thus, may be subject to corporate-level income tax. In that event, the resulting corporate-level taxes could substantially reduce our net assets, the amount of income available for distribution and the amount of our distributions. Because we must make distributions to our stockholders as described above, such

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amounts, to the extent a stockholder is not participating in our dividend reinvestment plan, will not be available to fund investment originations. We will be subject to corporate-level U.S. federal income tax on any undistributed income and/or gain.

To qualify as a RIC, we must also meet certain annual income source requirements at the end of each taxable year and asset diversification requirements at the end of each calendar quarter. Failure to meet these tests may result in our having to (a) dispose of certain investments quickly or (b) raise additional capital to prevent the loss of RIC status. Because most of our investments are in private companies and are generally illiquid, any such dispositions may be at disadvantageous prices and may result in losses. Also, the rules applicable to our qualification as a RIC are complex with many areas of uncertainty. Accordingly, no assurance can be given that we have qualified or will qualify as a RIC. If we fail to qualify as a RIC for any reason and become subject to regular "C" corporation income tax, the resulting corporate taxes could substantially reduce our net assets, the amount of income available for distribution and the amount of our distributions. Such a failure would have a material adverse effect on us and our stockholders. See "Certain Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations Taxation as a RIC."

We may have difficulty paying our required distributions under applicable tax rules 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, which may arise if we receive warrants in connection with the making of a loan or possibly in other circumstances, or payment-in-kind interest, which represents contractual interest added to the loan balance and due at the end of the loan term. Such original issue discount or increases in loan balances are included in income before we receive any corresponding cash payments. We also may be required to include in income certain other amounts that we will not receive in cash, including, for example, non-cash income from payment-in-kind securities, deferred payment securities and hedging and foreign currency transactions.

Since, in certain cases, we may recognize income before or without receiving cash representing such income, we may have difficulty meeting the U.S. federal income tax requirement to distribute generally an amount equal to at least 90% of our investment company taxable income to maintain our status as a RIC. 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 as a RIC and thus be subject to additional corporate-level taxes. See "Certain Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations Taxation as a RIC."

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 incentive fee will become uncollectible. The investment adviser is not under any obligation to reimburse us for any part of the incentive fee it received that was based on accrued income that we never receive as a result of a default by an entity on the obligation that resulted in the accrual of such income.

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.

Because preferred stock is another form of leverage and the dividends on any preferred stock we issue must be cumulative, preferred stock has the same risks to our common stockholders as borrowings. 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.

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We are exposed to risks associated with changes in interest rates.

General interest rate fluctuations may have a substantial negative impact on our investments and investment opportunities and, accordingly, may have a material adverse effect on our investment objective and rate of return on invested capital. Because we borrow money and may issue debt securities or preferred stock to make investments, our net investment income is dependent upon the difference between the rate at which we borrow funds or pay interest or dividends on such debt securities or preferred stock and the rate at which we invest these funds. As a result, there can be no assurance that a significant change in market interest rates will not have a material adverse effect on our net investment income. Trading prices for debt that pays a fixed rate of return tend to fall as interest rates rise. Trading prices tend to fluctuate more for fixed-rate securities that have longer maturities. We have entered into certain hedging transactions, such as interest rate swap agreements, to mitigate our exposure to adverse fluctuations in interest rates, and we may continue to do so in the future. However, we cannot assure you that such transactions will be successful in mitigating our exposure to credit risk. Hedging transactions may also limit our ability to participate in the benefits of lower interest rates with respect to our portfolio investments. Although we have no policy governing the maturities of our investments, under current market conditions we expect that we will invest in a portfolio of debt generally having maturities of up to 10 years. This means that we are subject to greater risk (other things being equal) than a fund invested solely in shorter-term securities. A decline in the prices of the debt we own could adversely affect the trading price of our shares. Also, an increase in interest rates available to investors could make investment in our common stock less attractive if we are not able to increase our dividend rate, which could reduce the value of our common stock.

Many of our portfolio investments are not publicly traded and, as a result, there is uncertainty as to the value of our portfolio investments.

A large percentage of our portfolio investments are not publicly traded. The fair value of investments that are not publicly traded may not be readily determinable. We value these investments quarterly at fair value as determined in good faith by our board of directors based on the input of our management and audit committee and independent valuation firms that have been engaged at the direction of the board to assist in the valuation of each portfolio investment without a readily available market quotation at least once during a trailing 12-month period. The valuation process is conducted at the end of each fiscal quarter, with approximately 50% (based on value) of our valuations of portfolio companies without readily available market quotations subject to review by an independent valuation firm each quarter. However, we may use additional independent valuation firms to review our valuation of investments more frequently, including in connection with the occurrence of significant events or changes in value affecting a particular investment. The types of factors that may be considered in valuing our investments include the enterprise value of the portfolio company, 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 and other relevant factors. Because such valuations, and particularly valuations of private investments and private companies, are inherently uncertain, may fluctuate over short periods of time and may be based on estimates, our determinations of fair value may differ materially from the values that would have been used if a ready market for these investments existed and may differ materially from the values that we may ultimately realize. Our net asset value per share could be adversely affected if our determinations regarding the fair value of these investments are materially higher than the values that we realize

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

As we generally make investments in private companies, substantially all of these investments are subject to legal and other restrictions on resale or are otherwise 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 recorded our investments. In addition, we may face other restrictions on our ability to liquidate an investment in a portfolio company to the extent that we or an affiliated manager of Ares has material non-public information regarding such portfolio company.

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 rates payable on the debt investments we make, the default rates on such investments, the level of our expenses, variations in and the timing of the recognition of realized and unrealized gains or losses and the degree to which we encounter competition in our markets 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.

There are significant potential conflicts of interest that could impact our investment returns.

Certain of our executive officers and directors, and members of the investment committee of our investment adviser, serve or may serve as officers, directors or principals of other entities and affiliates of our investment adviser and 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 or our stockholders' best interests or that may require them to devote time to services for other entities, which could interfere with the time available to provide services to us. For example, Messrs. Ressler, Rosenthal, Kissick and Sachs each have significant responsibilities for other Ares funds. Messrs. Ressler and Rosenthal are required to devote a substantial majority of their business time, and Mr. Kissick is required to devote a majority of his business time, to the affairs of ACOF. However, Ares believes that the efforts of Messrs. Ressler, Rosenthal and Kissick relative to Ares Capital and ACOF are synergistic with and beneficial to the affairs of each of Ares Capital and ACOF.

In addition, certain Ares funds may have investment objectives that compete or overlap with, and may from time to time invest in asset classes similar to those targeted by, Ares Capital. We may compete with these Ares funds or other investment vehicles managed by our investment adviser and its affiliates for capital and investment opportunities. Ares Capital Management endeavors to allocate investment opportunities in a fair and equitable manner, and in any event consistent with any fiduciary duties owed to Ares Capital. Nevertheless, it is possible that we may not be given the opportunity to participate in certain investments made by investment funds managed by investment managers affiliated with Ares Capital Management. In addition, there may be conflicts in the allocation of investment opportunities among us and the funds managed by us or one or more of our controlled affiliates, including IHAM, or among the funds they manage. We may or may not participate in investments made by funds managed by us or one or more of our controlled affiliates.

We have from time to time sold assets to certain funds managed by IHAM and, as part of our investment strategy, we may offer to sell additional assets to funds managed by us and/or one or more of our controlled affiliates or we may purchase assets from funds managed by us, IHAM and/or one or more of our controlled affiliates. In addition, funds managed by us, IHAM or one or more of our controlled affiliates may offer assets to or may purchase assets from one another. While assets may be sold or purchased at prices that are consistent with those that could be obtained from third parties in the marketplace, and although these types of transactions generally require approval of one or more

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independent parties, there is an inherent conflict of interest in such transactions between us, IHAM and funds managed by us or one of our controlled affiliates.

We pay management and incentive fees to Ares Capital Management, and reimburse Ares Capital Management for certain expenses it incurs. In addition, investors in our common stock will invest on a gross basis and receive distributions on a net basis after expenses, resulting in, among other things, a lower rate of return than one might achieve through direct investments.

Ares Capital Management's management fee is based on a percentage of our total assets (other than cash or cash equivalents but including assets purchased with borrowed funds) and Ares Capital Management may have conflicts of interest in connection with decisions that could affect our total assets, such as decisions as to whether to incur indebtedness or to make future acquisitions.

The part of the incentive fee payable by us that relates to our pre-incentive fee net investment income is computed and paid on income that may include interest that is 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 incentive fee will become uncollectible.

Our investment advisory and management agreement renews for successive annual periods if approved 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" of the Company as defined in Section 2(a)(19) of the Investment Company Act. However, both we and Ares Capital Management have the right to terminate the agreement without penalty upon 60 days' written notice to the other party. Moreover, conflicts of interest may arise if our investment adviser seeks to change the terms of our investment advisory and management agreement, including, for example, the terms for compensation. While any material change to the investment advisory and management agreement must be submitted to stockholders for approval under the Investment Company Act, we may from time to time decide it is appropriate to seek stockholder approval to change the terms of the agreement.

Pursuant to a separate amended and restated administration agreement, referred to herein as our "administration agreement," Ares Operations, an affiliate of Ares Capital Management, furnishes us with administrative services and we pay Ares Operations at cost our allocable portion of overhead and other expenses incurred by Ares Operations in performing its obligations under the administration agreement, including our allocable portion of the cost of our officers and their respective staffs.

Our portfolio company, IHAM, is party to a separate administration agreement, referred to herein as the "IHAM administration agreement," with Ares Operations, pursuant to which Ares Operations provides IHAM with the facilities and administrative services necessary for the operations of IHAM. Under the IHAM administration agreement, IHAM reimburses Ares Operations for the costs associated with such services, including Ares Operations' allocable portion of overhead and the cost of its officers and respective staff in performing its obligations under the IHAM administration agreement. Prior to entering into the IHAM administration agreement, IHAM was party to a services agreement with Ares Capital Management, pursuant to which Ares Capital Management provided similar services.

We rent office space directly from a third party pursuant to a lease that expires on February 27, 2011. In addition, we have entered into a sublease with Ares Management whereby Ares Management subleases approximately 25% of the office space for a fixed rent equal to 25% of the basic annual rent payable by us under this lease, plus certain additional costs and expenses. Further, IHAM reimburses us for a portion of our total rent, plus certain additional costs and expenses, which corresponds to the amount of office space used by IHAM. We recently entered into a new office lease pursuant to which we will lease new office facilities from a third party and start to pay rent on the new

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office space in the first quarter of 2011. We also entered into separate subleases with Ares Management and IHAM, pursuant to which Ares Management and IHAM will sublease approximately 15% and 20%, respectively, of the new office space, for a fixed rent equal to 15% and 20%, respectively, of the basic annual rent payable by us under the new office lease, plus certain additional costs and expenses.

As a result of the arrangements described above, there may be times when the management teams of Ares Capital Management and Ares Management have interests that differ from those of our stockholders, giving rise to a conflict.

Our stockholders may have conflicting investment, tax and other objectives with respect to their investments in us. The conflicting interests of individual stockholders may relate to or arise from, among other things, the nature of our investments, the structure or the acquisition of our investments, and the timing of disposition of our investments. As a consequence, conflicts of interest may arise in connection with decisions made by our investment adviser, including with respect to the nature or structuring of our investments, that may be more beneficial for one stockholder than for another stockholder, especially with respect to stockholders' individual tax situations. In selecting and structuring investments appropriate for us, our investment adviser will consider the investment and tax objectives of the Company and our stockholders, as a whole, not the investment, tax or other objectives of any stockholder individually.

Changes in laws or regulations governing our operations or the operations of our portfolio companies, changes in the interpretation thereof or newly enacted legislation and regulations, such as the Dodd-Frank Act, and any failure by us or our portfolio companies to comply with these laws or regulations, could require changes to certain business practices of us or our portfolio companies, negatively impact the operations, cash flows or financial condition of us or our portfolio companies, impose additional costs on us or our portfolio companies or otherwise adversely affect our business or the business of our portfolio companies.

We and our portfolio companies are subject to regulation by laws at the local, state and federal levels. These laws and regulations, as well as their interpretation, may be changed from time to time, and new laws and regulations may be enacted. Accordingly, any change in these laws or regulations, changes in their interpretation, or newly enacted legislation or regulation, and any failure by us or our portfolio companies to comply with these laws or regulations, could require changes to certain business practices of us or our portfolio companies, negatively impact the operations, cash flows or financial condition of us or our portfolio companies, impose additional costs on us or our portfolio companies or otherwise adversely affect our business or the business of our portfolio companies.

On July 21, 2010, President Obama signed into law the Dodd-Frank Act. Many of the provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act have extended implementation periods and delayed effective dates and will require extensive rulemaking by regulatory authorities. In particular, Title IV of the Dodd-Frank Act, the Private Fund Investment Advisers Registration Act of 2010 (the "Advisers Registration Act"), becomes effective one year after the date of enactment and eliminates the "private adviser exemption" from SEC registration currently contained in Section 203(b)(3) of the Advisers Act. This provision exempted from registration investment advisers who do not hold themselves out to the public as investment advisers and have fewer than 15 clients. As a result, many investment advisers to private funds (with some exceptions) will be required to register with the SEC and will become subject to substantial regulatory reporting and recordkeeping requirements regarding the private funds they advise.

While the impact of the Dodd-Frank Act on us and our portfolio companies may not be known for an extended period of time, the Dodd-Frank Act, including future rules implementing its provisions and the interpretation of those rules, along with other legislative and regulatory proposals directed at

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the financial services industry or affecting taxation that are proposed or pending in the U.S. Congress, may negatively impact the operations, cash flows or financial condition of us or our portfolio companies, impose additional costs on us or our portfolio companies, intensify the regulatory supervision of us or our portfolio companies or otherwise adversely affect our business or the business of our portfolio companies. In particular, the Advisers Registration Act will likely require our wholly owned portfolio company, IHAM, to register as an investment adviser under the Advisers Act. This would require IHAM to comply with the regulatory restrictions and obligations imposed on registered investment advisers generally. In addition, as a BDC, we are currently restricted in our ability to invest in a registered investment adviser.

We currently intend to seek relief from the SEC to enable us to continue to invest in IHAM; however, there can be no assurance that such relief will be granted. If we are not able to obtain relief, we may not be able to make future investments in IHAM, which could harm IHAM's business and the performance of our investments in IHAM.

Our investment adviser's liability is limited under the investment advisory and management agreement, and we are required to indemnify our investment adviser against certain liabilities, which may lead our investment adviser to act in a riskier manner on our behalf than it would when acting for its own account.

Our investment adviser has not assumed any responsibility to us other than to render the services described in the investment advisory and management agreement, and it will not be responsible for any action of our board of directors in declining to follow our investment adviser's advice or recommendations. Pursuant to the investment advisory and management agreement, our investment adviser and its managing members, officers and employees will not be liable to us for their acts under the investment advisory and management agreement, absent willful misfeasance, bad faith, gross negligence or reckless disregard in the performance of their duties. We have agreed to indemnify, defend and protect our investment adviser and its managing members, officers and employees with respect to all damages, liabilities, costs and expenses resulting from acts of our investment adviser not arising out of willful misfeasance, bad faith, gross negligence or reckless disregard in the performance of their duties under the investment advisory and management agreement. These protections may lead our investment adviser to act in a riskier manner when acting on our behalf than it would when acting for its own account. See "Risk Factors Risks Relating to Our Investments Our investment adviser's incentive fee may induce Ares Capital Management to make certain investments, including speculative investments."

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 in an amount equal to a percentage of the excess of our pre-incentive fee net investment income for that quarter (before deducting incentive compensation, net operating losses and certain other items) above a threshold return for that quarter. 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 our manager 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.

Under the investment advisory and management agreement, we will defer cash payment of any incentive fee otherwise earned by our investment adviser if, during the most recent four full calendar quarter periods ending on or prior to the date such payment is to be made, the sum of (a) our aggregate distributions to our stockholders and (b) our change in net assets (defined as total assets less indebtedness and before taking into account any incentive fees payable during the period) is less than

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8.0% of our net assets at the beginning of such period. These calculations will be adjusted for any share issuances or repurchases. Any deferred incentive fees will be carried over for payment in subsequent calculation periods to the extent such payment can then be made under the investment advisory and management agreement.

We may not replicate Ares' historical success and our ability to enter into transactions with Ares and our other affiliates is restricted.

Investors in Ares Capital are not acquiring an interest in other Ares managed funds. Accordingly, we cannot assure you that Ares Capital will replicate Ares' historical success, and we caution you that our investment returns could be substantially lower than the returns achieved by those funds.

Further, we and certain of our controlled affiliates are prohibited under the Investment Company Act from knowingly participating in certain transactions with our upstream affiliates, our investment adviser and its affiliates without the prior approval of our independent directors and, in some cases, the SEC. Any person that owns, directly or indirectly, 5% or more of our outstanding voting securities is our upstream affiliate for purposes of the Investment Company Act and we are generally prohibited from buying or selling any security (other than our securities) from or to such affiliate, absent the prior approval of our independent directors. The Investment Company Act also prohibits "joint" transactions with an upstream affiliate, or our investment adviser or its affiliates, which could include investments in the same portfolio company (whether at the same or different times), without prior approval of our independent directors. In addition, we and certain of our controlled affiliates are prohibited from buying or selling any security from or to, or entering into joint transactions with, our investment adviser and its affiliates, or any person who owns more than 25% of our voting securities or is otherwise deemed to control, be controlled by, or be under common control with us, absent the prior approval of the SEC through an exemptive order (other than in certain limited situations pursuant to current regulatory guidance). The analysis of whether a particular transaction constitutes a joint transaction requires a review of the relevant facts and circumstances then existing.

We have applied for an exemptive order from the SEC that would permit us and certain of our controlled affiliates to co-invest with funds managed by Ares. Any such order will be subject to certain terms and conditions and there can be no assurance that such order will be granted by the SEC. Accordingly, we cannot assure you that we or our controlled affiliates will be permitted to co-invest with funds managed by Ares, other than in the limited circumstances currently permitted by regulatory guidance or in the absence of a joint transaction.

RISKS RELATING TO OUR INVESTMENTS

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. We may take into account the following types of factors, if relevant, in determining the fair value of our investments: the enterprise value of a portfolio company (an estimate of the total fair value of the portfolio company's debt and equity), the nature and realizable value of any collateral, the portfolio company's ability to make payments and its earnings and discounted cash flow, the markets in which the portfolio company does business, a comparison of the portfolio company's securities to publicly traded securities, changes in the interest rate environment and the credit markets generally that may affect the price at which similar investments may be made in the future and other relevant factors. When an external event such as a purchase transaction, public offering or subsequent equity

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sale occurs, we use the pricing indicated by the external event to corroborate our valuation. 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 recent 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.

Economic recessions or downturns could impair our portfolio companies and harm our operating results.

As of the date of this prospectus, the economy recently has been in the midst of a recession and in the difficult part of a credit cycle with industry defaults increasing. Many of our portfolio companies may be materially and adversely affected by the credit cycle and, in turn, may be unable to satisfy their financial obligations (including their loans to us) over the coming months.

Many of our portfolio companies may be susceptible to economic slowdowns or recessions and may be unable to repay our loans during these periods. Therefore, our non-performing assets may increase and the value of our portfolio may decrease during these periods if we are required to write down the values of our investments. Adverse economic conditions also may decrease the value of collateral securing some of our loans and the value of our equity investments. Economic slowdowns or recessions could lead to financial losses in our portfolio and a decrease in revenues, net income and assets. Unfavorable economic conditions also could increase our funding costs, limit our access to the capital markets or result in a decision by lenders not to extend credit to us. These events could prevent us from increasing investments and harm our operating results.

A portfolio company's failure to satisfy financial or operating covenants imposed by us or other lenders could lead to defaults and, potentially, acceleration of the time when the loans are due and foreclosure on its secured assets, which could trigger cross defaults under other agreements and jeopardize our portfolio company's ability to meet its obligations under the debt that we hold and the value of any equity securities we own. We may incur expenses to the extent necessary to seek recovery upon default or to negotiate new terms with a defaulting portfolio company.

Investments in privately held middle market companies involve significant risks.

We primarily invest in privately held U.S. middle market companies. Investments in privately held middle market companies involve a number of significant risks, including the following:

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

they typically 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;

they typically 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 material adverse impact on our portfolio company and, in turn, on us;

there is generally little public information about 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, and we may be unable to uncover all material

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information about these companies, which may prevent us from making a fully informed investment decision and cause us to lose money on our investments;

they generally have less predictable operating results, and may require substantial additional capital to support their operations, finance expansion or maintain their competitive position. In addition, our executive officers, directors and our investment adviser may, in the ordinary course of business, be named as defendants in litigation arising from our investments in the portfolio companies; and

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

Our debt investments may be risky, and we could lose all or part of our investment.

The debt that we invest in is typically not initially rated by any rating agency, but we believe that if such investments were rated, they would be below investment grade (rated lower than "Baa3" by Moody's Investors Service, lower than "BBB-" by Fitch Ratings or lower than "BBB-" by Standard & Poor's). Indebtedness of below investment grade quality is regarded as having predominantly speculative characteristics with respect to the issuer's capacity to pay interest and repay principal. Our mezzanine investments may result in an above average amount of risk and volatility or loss of principal. We also invest in assets other than mezzanine investments, including first and second lien loans, high-yield securities, U.S. government securities, credit derivatives and other structured securities and certain direct equity investments. These investments will entail additional risks that could adversely affect our investment returns. In addition, to the extent interest payments associated with such debt are deferred, such debt will be subject to greater fluctuations in value based on changes in interest rates. Also, such debt could subject us to phantom income, and since we generally do not receive any cash prior to maturity of the debt, the investment is of greater risk.

Investments in equity securities involve a substantial degree of risk.

We may purchase common and other equity securities. Although common stocks have historically generated higher average total returns than fixed income securities over the long term, common stocks also have experienced significantly more volatility in those returns and in recent years have significantly under performed relative to fixed income securities. The equity securities we acquire may fail to appreciate and may decline in value or become worthless and our ability to recover our investment will depend on our portfolio company's success. Investments in equity securities involve a number of significant risks, including:

any equity investment we make in a portfolio company could be subject to further dilution as a result of the issuance of additional equity interests and to serious risks as a junior security that will be subordinate to all indebtedness or senior securities in the event that the issuer is unable to meet its obligations or becomes subject to a bankruptcy process;

to the extent that the portfolio company requires additional capital and is unable to obtain it, we may not recover our investment in equity securities; and

in some cases, equity securities in which we invest will not pay current dividends, and our ability to realize a return on our investment, as well as to recover our investment, will be dependent on the success of our portfolio companies. Even if the portfolio companies are successful, our ability to realize the value of our investment may be dependent on the occurrence of a liquidity event, such as a public offering or the sale of the portfolio company. It is likely to take a significant amount of time before a liquidity event occurs or we can sell our equity investments. In addition, the equity securities we receive or invest in may be subject to restrictions on resale during periods in which it could be advantageous to sell.

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There are special risks associated with investing in preferred securities, including:

preferred securities may include provisions that permit the issuer, at its discretion, to defer distributions for a stated period without any adverse consequences to the issuer. If we own a preferred security that is deferring its distributions, we may be required to report income for U.S. federal income tax purposes before we receive such distributions;

preferred securities are subordinated to debt in terms of priority to corporate income and liquidation payments, and therefore will be subject to greater credit risk than debt;

preferred securities may be substantially less liquid than many other securities, such as common stocks or U.S. government securities; and

generally, preferred security holders have no voting rights with respect to the issuing company, subject to limited exceptions.

Additionally, when we invest in first and second lien senior loans or mezzanine debt, we may acquire warrants or other equity securities as well. Our goal is ultimately to dispose of such equity interests and realize gains upon our disposition of such interests. However, the equity interests we receive may not appreciate in value and, in fact, may decline in value. Accordingly, we may not be able to realize gains from our equity interests, and any gains that we do realize on the disposition of any equity interests may not be sufficient to offset any other losses we experience.

We may invest, to the extent permitted by law, in the equity securities of investment funds that are operating pursuant to certain exceptions to the Investment Company Act and in advisers to similar investment funds, and, to the extent we so invest, will bear our ratable share of any such company's expenses, including management and performance fees. We will also remain obligated to pay management and incentive fees to Ares Capital Management with respect to the assets invested in the securities and instruments of such companies. With respect to each of these investments, each of our common stockholders will bear his or her share of the management and incentive fee of Ares Capital Management as well as indirectly bearing the management and performance fees and other expenses of any such investment funds or advisers.

Also, as a result of the Allied Acquisition, Allied Capital's equity investments, including equity investments larger than those we have traditionally made and equity investments pursuant to which Allied Capital controlled a particular portfolio company, became part of our portfolio. We intend to actively seek opportunities over time to dispose of certain of these investments and rotate them into higher-yielding first and second lien senior loans and mezzanine debt investments. However, there can be no assurance that this strategy will be successful.

There may be circumstances where our debt investments could be subordinated to claims of other creditors or we could be subject to lender liability claims.

If one of our portfolio companies were to go bankrupt, even though we may have structured our interest as senior debt, depending on the facts and circumstances, a bankruptcy court might recharacterize our debt holding as an equity investment and subordinate all or a portion of our claim to that of other creditors. In addition, lenders can be subject to lender liability claims for actions taken by them where they become too involved in the borrower's business or exercise control over the borrower. For example, we could become subject to a lender's liability claim, if, among other things, we actually render significant managerial assistance.

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

Our portfolio companies may have, or may be permitted to incur, other debt, or issue other equity securities, that rank equally with, or senior to, our investments. 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 our investments. These debt instruments usually prohibit the portfolio companies from paying interest on or repaying our investments in the event and during the continuance of a default under such debt. 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 typically are entitled to receive payment in full before we receive any distribution in respect of our investment. After repaying such holders, the portfolio company may not have any remaining assets to use for repaying its obligation to us. In the case of securities ranking equally with our investments, 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.

The rights we may have with respect to the collateral securing any junior priority loans we make to our portfolio companies may also be limited pursuant to the terms of one or more intercreditor agreements that we enter into with the holders of senior debt. Under such an intercreditor agreement, at any time that senior obligations are outstanding, we may forfeit certain rights with respect to the collateral to the holders of the senior obligations. These rights may include the right to commence enforcement proceedings against the collateral, the right to control the conduct of such enforcement proceedings, the right to approve amendments to collateral documents, the right to release liens on the collateral and the right to waive past defaults under collateral documents. We may not have the ability to control or direct such actions, even if as a result our rights as junior lenders are adversely affected.

When we are a debt or minority equity investor in a portfolio company, we may not be in a position to exert influence on the entity, and management of the company may make decisions that could decrease the value of our portfolio holdings.

We make both debt and minority equity investments; therefore, we are subject to the risk that a portfolio company may make business decisions with which we disagree, and the stockholders and management of such company 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 investment.

Our portfolio companies may be highly leveraged.

Some of our portfolio companies may be highly leveraged, which may have adverse consequences to these companies and to us as an investor. These companies may be subject to restrictive financial and operating covenants and the leverage may impair these companies' ability to finance their future operations and capital needs. As a result, these companies' flexibility to respond to changing business and economic conditions and to take advantage of business opportunities may be limited. Further, a leveraged company's income and net assets will tend to increase or decrease at a greater rate than if borrowed money were not used.

Our investment adviser's incentive fee may induce Ares Capital Management to make certain investments, including speculative investments.

The incentive fee payable by us to Ares Capital Management may create an incentive for Ares Capital Management to make investments on our behalf that are risky or more speculative than would be the case in the absence of such compensation arrangement. The way in which the incentive fee

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payable to our investment adviser is determined, which is calculated as a percentage of the return on invested capital, may encourage our investment adviser to use leverage to increase the return on our investments. Under certain circumstances, the use of leverage may increase the likelihood of default, which would disfavor the holders of our common stock, including investors in offerings of common stock, securities convertible into our common stock or warrants representing rights to purchase our common stock or securities convertible into our common stock pursuant to this prospectus. In addition, the investment adviser will receive the incentive fee based, in part, upon net capital gains realized on our investments. Unlike the portion of the incentive fee based on income, there is no hurdle rate applicable to the portion of the incentive fee based on net capital gains. As a result, the investment adviser may have a tendency to invest more in investments that are likely to result in 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 part of the incentive fee payable by us that relates to our pre-incentive fee net investment income will be computed and paid on income that may include interest that is 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 incentive fee will become uncollectible. The investment adviser is not under any obligation to reimburse us for any part of the incentive fee it received that was based on such accrued interest that we never actually receive.

Because of the structure of the incentive fee, it is possible that we may have to pay an incentive fee in a quarter where we incur a loss. For example, if we receive pre-incentive fee net investment income in excess of the hurdle rate for a quarter, we will pay the applicable incentive fee even if we have incurred a loss in that quarter due to realized capital losses. In addition, if market interest rates rise, we may be able to invest our funds in debt instruments that provide for a higher return, which would increase our pre-incentive fee net investment income and make it easier for our investment adviser to surpass the fixed hurdle rate and receive an incentive fee based on such net investment income.

Our investments in foreign debt may involve significant risks in addition to the risks inherent in U.S. investments. We may expose ourselves to risks if we engage in hedging transactions.

Our investment strategy contemplates potential investments in debt of foreign companies. 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 (potentially at confiscatory levels), less liquid markets, 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.

Although most of our investments will be U.S. dollar denominated, our 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 employ hedging techniques to minimize these risks, but we cannot assure you that such strategies will be effective.

We have and may in the future enter into hedging transactions, which may expose us to risks associated with such 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

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rates. Use of these hedging instruments may include counter party credit risk. 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 underlying 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.

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. In addition, 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 because the value of those securities is likely to fluctuate as a result of factors not related to currency fluctuations. See also "Risk Factors Risk Relating to our Business We are exposed to risks associated with changes in interest rates."

We may initially invest a portion of the net proceeds of offerings pursuant to this prospectus primarily in high-quality short-term investments, which will generate lower rates of return than those expected from the interest generated on first and second lien loans and mezzanine debt.

We may initially invest a portion of the net proceeds of offerings primarily in cash, cash equivalents, U.S. government securities and other high-quality short-term investments. These securities may earn yields substantially lower than the income that we anticipate receiving once we are fully invested in accordance with our investment objective. As a result, we may not be able to achieve our investment objective and/or pay any dividends during this period or, if we are able to do so, such dividends may be substantially lower than the dividends that we expect to pay when our portfolio is fully invested. If we do not realize yields in excess of our expenses, we may incur operating losses and the market price of our shares may decline.

The Allied Acquisition may have triggered certain "change of control" provisions and other restrictions in certain of our and Allied Capital's contracts and the failure to obtain any required consents or waivers could adversely impact us.

Certain agreements of Allied Capital and Ares Capital or their controlled affiliates, including with respect to certain managed funds of Allied Capital and its affiliates, may have required the consent of one or more counterparties in connection with the Allied Acquisition. The failure to obtain any such consent may permit such counter-parties to terminate, or otherwise increase their rights or our or Allied Capital's obligations under, any such agreement because the Allied Acquisition may have violated an anti-assignment, change of control or similar provision. If this happens, we may have to seek to replace that agreement with a new agreement or seek a waiver or amendment to such agreement. We cannot assure you that we will be able to replace, amend or obtain a waiver under any such agreement on comparable terms or at all.

If any such agreement is material, the failure to obtain consents, amendments or waivers under, or to replace on similar terms or at all, any of these agreements could adversely affect the

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financial performance or results of operations of the Company, including preventing us from operating a material part of Allied Capital's business.

In addition, the Allied Acquisition may have violated, conflicted with, resulted in a breach of any provision of or the loss of any benefit under, constituted a default (or an event that, with or without notice or lapse of time or both, would constitute a default) under, or resulted in the termination, cancellation, acceleration or other change of any right or obligation (including any payment obligation) under our or Allied Capital's agreements. Any such violation, conflict, breach, loss, default or other effect could, if material, either individually or in the aggregate, adversely affect our business.

RISKS RELATING TO OFFERINGS PURSUANT TO THIS PROSPECTUS

Our shares of common stock have traded at a discount from net asset value and may do so again in the future, which could limit our ability to raise additional equity capital.

Shares of closed-end investment companies frequently trade at a market price that is less than the net asset value that is attributable to those shares. This characteristic of closed-end investment companies is separate and distinct from the risk that our net asset value per share may decline. It is not possible to predict whether any shares of common stock offered hereby will trade at, above, or below net asset value. During much of 2009, the stocks of BDCs as an industry, including at times shares of our common stock, traded below net asset value and at near historic lows as a result of concerns over liquidity, leverage restrictions and distribution requirements. When our common stock is trading below its net asset value per share, we will generally not be able to issue additional shares of our common stock at its market price without first obtaining approval for such issuance from our stockholders and our independent directors.

There is a risk that investors in our equity securities may not receive dividends or that our dividends may not grow over time and that investors in our debt securities may not receive all of the interest income to which they are entitled.

We intend 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 that will allow us to make a specified level of cash distributions or year-to-year increases in cash distributions. If we declare a dividend and if more stockholders opt to receive cash distributions rather than participate in our dividend reinvestment plan, we may be forced to sell some of our investments in order to make cash dividend payments.

In addition, due to the asset coverage test applicable to us as a BDC, we may be limited in our ability to make distributions. Further, if we invest a greater amount of assets in equity securities that do not pay current dividends, it could reduce the amount available for distribution. See "Price Range of Common Stock and Distributions."

The above referenced restrictions on distributions may also inhibit our ability to make required interest payments to holders of our debt securities, which may cause a default under the terms of our debt securities. Such a default could materially increase our cost of raising capital, as well as cause us to incur penalties under the terms of our debt securities.

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.

The Maryland General Corporation Law, our charter and our bylaws contain provisions that may discourage, delay or make more difficult a change in control of Ares Capital or the removal of our directors. We are subject to the Maryland Business Combination Act, subject to any applicable

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requirements of the Investment Company Act. Our board of directors has adopted a resolution exempting from the Business Combination Act any business combination between us and any other person, subject to prior approval of such business combination by our board, including approval by a majority of our disinterested directors. If the resolution exempting business combinations is repealed or our board does not approve a business combination, the Business Combination Act may discourage third parties from trying to acquire control of us and increase the difficulty of consummating such an offer. Our bylaws exempt from the Maryland Control Share Acquisition Act acquisition Act also may make it more difficult for a third party to obtain control of us and increase the difficulty of consummating such an offer.

We have also adopted measures that may make it difficult for a third party to obtain control of us, including provisions of our charter classifying our board of directors in three classes serving staggered three-year terms, and provisions of our charter authorizing our board of directors to classify or reclassify shares of our stock in one or more classes or series, to cause the issuance of additional shares of our stock, and to amend our charter, without stockholder approval, to increase or decrease the number of shares of stock that we have authority to issue. These provisions, as well as other provisions of our charter and bylaws, may delay, defer or prevent a transaction or a change in control that might otherwise be in the best interests of our stockholders.

Investing in our securities may involve an above average degree of risk.

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 highly speculative and aggressive, and therefore, an investment in our securities may not be suitable for someone with lower risk tolerance.

The market price of our common stock may fluctuate significantly.

The capital and credit markets have experienced a period of extreme volatility and disruption that began in 2007. The market price and liquidity of the market for shares of our common stock 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 publicly traded RICs, business development companies or other companies in our sector, which are not necessarily related to the operating performance of these companies; |
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| price and volume fluctuations in the overall stock market from time to time; |
| changes in regulatory policies or tax guidelines, particularly with respect to RICs or business development companies; |
| loss of RIC status; |
| changes in our earnings or variations in our 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 Ares Capital Management's key personnel; |

operating performance of companies comparable to us;

short-selling pressure with respect to shares of our common stock or BDCs generally;

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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 often 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.

The net asset value per share of our common stock may be diluted if we sell shares of our common stock in one or more offerings at prices below the then current net asset value per share of our common stock or securities to subscribe for or convertible into shares of our common stock.

At our 2010 Annual Stockholders Meeting, subject to certain determinations required to be made by our board of directors, our stockholders approved our ability to sell or otherwise issue shares of our common stock, not exceeding 25% of our then outstanding common stock, at a price below the then current net asset value per share during a period beginning on June 7, 2010 and expiring on the earlier of the one-year anniversary of the date of the 2010 Annual Stockholders Meeting and the date of our 2011 Annual Stockholders Meeting, which is expected to be held in May 2011.

In addition, at our 2009 Annual Stockholders Meeting, our stockholders approved a proposal authorizing us to sell or otherwise issue warrants or securities to subscribe for or convertible into shares of our common stock subject to certain limitations (including, without limitation, that the number of shares issuable does not exceed 25% of our then outstanding common stock and that the exercise or conversion price thereof is not, at the date of issuance, less than the greater of the market value per share and the net asset value per share of our common stock). The authorization granted to sell or authorize issue warrants or securities to subscribe for or convertible into shares of our common stock has no expiration.

Any decision to sell shares of our common stock below its then current net asset value per share or securities to subscribe for or convertible into shares of our common stock would be subject to the determination by our board of directors that such issuance is in our and our stockholders' best interests.

If we were to sell shares of our common stock below its then current net asset value per share, such sales would result in an immediate dilution to the net asset value per share of our common stock. This dilution would occur as a result of the sale of shares at a price below the then current net asset value per share of our common stock and a proportionately greater decrease in the stockholders' interest in our earnings and assets and their voting interest in us than the increase in our assets resulting from such issuance. Because the number of shares of common stock that could be so issued and the timing of any issuance is not currently known, the actual dilutive effect cannot be predicted.

In addition, if we issue warrants or securities to subscribe for or convertible into shares of our common stock, subject to certain limitations, the exercise or conversion price per share could be less than net asset value per share at the time of exercise or conversion (including through the operation of anti-dilution protections). Because we would incur expenses in connection with any issuance of such securities, such issuance could result in a dilution of the net asset value per share at the time of exercise or conversion. This dilution would include reduction in net asset value per share as a result of the proportionately greater decrease in the stockholders' interest in our earnings and assets and their voting interest than the increase in our assets resulting from such issuance.

Further, if current stockholders of the Company do not purchase any shares to maintain their percentage interest, regardless of whether such offering is above or below the then current net asset value per share, their voting power will be diluted. For additional information and hypothetical

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examples of these risks, see "Sales of Common Stock Below Net Asset Value" and the prospectus supplement pursuant to which such sale is made.

Your interest in us may be diluted if you do not fully exercise your subscription rights in any rights offering. In addition, if the subscription price is less than our net asset value per share, then you will experience an immediate dilution of the aggregate net asset value of your shares.

In the event we issue subscription rights, stockholders who do not fully exercise their subscription rights should expect that they will, at the completion of a rights offering pursuant to this prospectus, own a smaller proportional interest in us than would otherwise be the case if they fully exercised their rights. We cannot state precisely the amount of any such dilution in share ownership because we do not know at this time what proportion of the shares will be purchased as a result of such rights offering.

In addition, if the subscription price is less than the net asset value per share of our common stock, then our stockholders would experience an immediate dilution of the aggregate net asset value of their shares as a result of the offering. The amount of any decrease in net asset value is not predictable because it is not known at this time what the subscription price and net asset value per share will be on the expiration date of a rights offering or what proportion of the shares will be purchased as a result of such rights offering. Such dilution could be substantial. See "Risk Factors Risks Relating to Offerings Pursuant to this Prospectus The net asset value per share of our common stock and our stockholders' voting interests in us may be diluted if we sell shares of our common stock in one or more offerings at prices below the then current net asset value per share of our common stock or securities to subscribe for or convertible into shares of our common stock" and "Sales of Common Stock Below Net Asset Value."

Investors in offerings of our common stock will likely incur immediate dilution upon the closing of such offering.

We generally expect the public offering price of any offering of shares of our common stock to be higher than the book value per share of our outstanding common stock (unless we offer shares pursuant to a rights offering or after obtaining prior approval for such issuance from our stockholders and our independent directors). Accordingly, investors purchasing shares of common stock in offerings pursuant to this prospectus may pay a price per share that exceeds the tangible book value per share after such offering.

Our stockholders will experience dilution in their ownership percentage if they do not participate in our dividend reinvestment plan.

All dividends declared in cash payable to stockholders that are participants in our dividend reinvestment plan are automatically reinvested in shares of our common stock. As a result, our stockholders that do not participate in our dividend reinvestment plan will experience dilution in their ownership percentage of our common stock over time.

Our stockholders may receive shares of our common stock as dividends, which could result in adverse tax consequences to stockholders.

In order to satisfy the annual distribution requirement applicable to RICs, we have the ability to declare a large portion of a dividend in shares of our common stock instead of in cash. As long as a portion of such dividend is paid in cash (which portion can be as low as 10% for our taxable years ending on or before December 31, 2011) and certain requirements are met, the entire distribution would be treated as a dividend for U.S. federal income tax purposes. As a result, a stockholder would

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be taxed on 100% of the dividend in the same manner as a cash dividend, even though most of the dividend was paid in shares of our common stock.

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

Sales of substantial amounts of our common stock, or the availability of such common stock for sale, could adversely affect the prevailing market prices for our common stock. 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.

The trading market or market value of our publicly issued debt securities may fluctuate.

Our publicly issued debt securities may or may not have an established trading market. We cannot assure you that a trading market for our publicly issued debt securities will ever develop or be maintained if developed. In addition to our creditworthiness, many factors may materially adversely affect the trading market for, and market value of, our publicly issued debt securities. These factors include, but are not limited to, the following:

the time remaining to the maturity of these debt securities;
the outstanding principal amount of debt securities with terms identical to these debt securities;
the ratings assigned by national statistical ratings agencies;
the general economic environment;
the supply of debt securities trading in the secondary market, if any;
the redemption or repayment features, if any, of these debt securities;
the level, direction and volatility of market interest rates generally; and

You should also be aware that there may be a limited number of buyers when you decide to sell your debt securities. This too may materially adversely affect the market value of the debt securities or the trading market for the debt securities.

Terms relating to redemption may materially adversely affect your return on any debt securities that we may issue.

market rates of interest higher or lower than rates borne by the debt securities.

If your debt securities are redeemable at our option, we may choose to redeem your debt securities at times when prevailing interest rates are lower than the interest rate paid on your debt securities. In addition, if your debt securities are subject to mandatory redemption, we may be required to redeem your debt securities also at times when prevailing interest rates are lower than the interest rate paid on your debt securities. In this circumstance, you may not be able to reinvest the redemption proceeds in a comparable security at an effective interest rate as high as your debt securities being redeemed.

Our credit ratings may not reflect all risks of an investment in our debt securities.

Our credit ratings are an assessment by third parties of our ability to pay our obligations. Consequently, real or anticipated changes in our credit ratings will generally affect the market value of our debt securities. Our credit ratings, however, may not reflect the potential impact of risks related to market conditions generally or other factors discussed above on the market value of or trading market for the publicly issued debt securities.

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FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Some of the statements in this prospectus constitute forward-looking statements, which relate to future events or our future performance or financial condition. The forward-looking statements contained in this prospectus involve a number of risks and uncertainties, including statements concerning:

| our, or our portfolio companies', future business, operations, operating results or prospects; |
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| the return or impact of current and future investments; |
| the impact of a protracted decline in the liquidity of credit markets on our business; |
| the impact of fluctuations in interest rates on our business; |
| the valuation of our investments in portfolio companies, particularly those having no liquid trading market; |
| our ability to successfully integrate our business and Allied Capital's business; |
| our ability to recover unrealized losses; |
| market conditions and our ability to access alternative debt markets and additional debt and equity capital; |
| our contractual arrangements and relationships with third parties; |
| the general economy and its impact on the industries in which we invest; |
| the financial condition of and ability of our current and prospective portfolio companies to achieve their objectives; |
| our expected financings and investments; |
| our ability to successfully integrate any acquisitions; |
| the adequacy of our cash resources and working capital; |
| the timing, form and amount of any dividend distributions; |

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

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

We use words such as "anticipates," "believes," "expects," "intends," "will," "should," "may" and similar expressions to identify forward-looking statements, although not all forward-looking statements include these words. Our actual results and condition could differ materially from those implied or expressed in the forward-looking statements for any reason, including the factors set forth in "Risk Factors" and elsewhere in this prospectus.

The forward-looking statements included in this prospectus have been based on information available to us on the date of this prospectus, and we assume no obligation to update any such forward-looking statements. Although we undertake no obligation to revise or update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, you are advised to consult any additional disclosures that we may make directly to you or through reports that we have filed or in the future may file with the SEC, including annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q and current reports on Form 8-K.

The forward-looking statements in this prospectus are excluded from the safe harbor protection provided by Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 (the "Securities Act") and Section 21E of the Exchange Act.

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UNAUDITED PRO FORMA CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

Ares Capital Corporation and Subsidiaries Pro Forma Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations For the Six Months Ended June 30, 2010 Unaudited

(in thousands, except share and per share data)

| | Actual Ares Capital | | Actual Allied Capital | | | Pro Forma Adjustments | Ares Capital Pro Forma Combined | | |
|------------------------------|------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|--------------------|----|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------|--|
| Performance Data: | | • | | - | | · | | | |
| Interest and dividend | | | | | | | | | |
| income | \$ | 169,531 | \$ | 49,461 | \$ | (A |)\$ | 218,992 | |
| Fees and other income | | 18,569 | | 4,631 | | | | 23,200 | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Total investment income | | 188,100 | | 54,092 | | | | 242,192 | |
| Interest and credit facility | | | | , | | | | , | |
| fees | | 31,698 | | 23,605 | | (B |) | 55,303 | |
| Base management fees | | 20,125 | | | | 7,875 (C) | , | 28,000 | |
| Incentive management | | | | | | ., (0) | | | |
| fees | | 23,119 | | | | (D |) | 23,119 | |
| Other expenses | | 31,388 | | 31,357 | | (29,696)(E) | , | 33,049 | |
| | | 2 - , 2 - 3 | | , | | (=>,=>=)(=) | | , | |
| Total expenses | | 106,330 | | 54,962 | | (21,821) | | 139,471 | |
| Total expenses | | 100,550 | | 34,902 | | (21,021) | | 139,471 | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Net investment income | | 04 ==0 | | (0=0) | | •4.0•4 | | 100 -01 | |
| before taxes | | 81,770 | | (870) | | 21,821 | | 102,721 | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Income taxes | | 524 | | 1,202 | | | | 1,726 | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Net investment income | | 81,246 | | (2,072) | | 21,821 | | 100,995 | |
| | | , | | . , , | | , | | , | |
| Net realized gains (losses) | | 7,426 | | (71,532) | | | | (64,106) | |
| Net unrealized gains | | 7,120 | | (71,332) | | | | (01,100) | |
| (losses) | | 122,404 | | 40,277 | | | | 162,681 | |
| (103303) | | 122,404 | | 1 0,277 | | | | 102,001 | |
| NI (I' I I | | | | | | | | | |
| Net realized and | | 120.920 | | (21.255) | | | | 00 575 | |
| unrealized gains (losses) | | 129,830 | | (31,255) | | | | 98,575 | |
| Gain on the Allied | | 105 976 | | | | (105.976) | | | |
| Acquisition | | 195,876 | | | | (195,876) | | | |
| Gain on extinguishment | | | | 4.064 | | | | 4.064 | |
| of debt | | | | 4,964 | | | | 4,964 | |
| Loss on extinguishment of | | (292) | | (6.072) | | | | (7.255) | |
| debt | | (383) | | (6,972) | | | | (7,355) | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Net increase (decrease) in | | | | | | | | | |
| stockholders' equity | \$ | 406,569 | \$ | (35,335) | \$ | (174,055) | \$ | 197,179 | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Weighted average shares | | | | | | | | | |
| outstanding | | 157,978,337 | | 179,938,219 | | 29,407,851 (F) | | 187,386,188 | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Earnings (loss) per share | \$ | 2.57 | \$ | (0.20) | \$ | (5.92) | \$ | 1.05 | |
| Lamings (1035) per snare | Ψ | 2.37 | Ψ | (0.20) | Ψ | (3.72) | Ψ | 1.03 | |

Please see Note 2 of the accompanying notes to pro forma condensed consolidated financial statements on page 54.

See accompanying notes to pro forma consolidated financial statements.

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Ares Capital Corporation and Subsidiaries Pro Forma Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations For the Year Ended December 31, 2009 Unaudited

(in thousands, except share and per share data)

| | Actual Ares Capital | A | actual Allied Capital | Pro Forma Adjustments | | | Ares Capital Pro Forma Combined | | |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|-----|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| Performance Data: | | | | | , | | | | |
| Interest and dividend | | | | | | | | | |
| income | \$ 229,169 | \$ | 290,986 | \$ | (A |)\$ | 520,155 | | |
| Fees and other income | 16,103 | | 27,700 | | | | 43,803 | | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Total investment income | 245,272 | | 318,686 | | | | 563,958 | | |
| Interest and credit facility | | | | | | | | | |
| fees | 24,262 | | 171,068 | | (B |) | 195,330 | | |
| Base management fees | 30,409 | | | | 43,039 (C) | | 73,448 | | |
| Incentive management | | | | | | | | | |
| fees | 33,332 | | | | (D |) | 33,332 | | |
| Other expenses | 23,287 | | 86,479 | | (38,711)(E) | | 71,055 | | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Total expenses | 111,290 | | 257,547 | | 4,328 | | 373,165 | | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Net investment income | | | | | | | | | |
| before taxes | 133,982 | | 61,139 | | (4,328) | | 190,793 | | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Income taxes | 576 | | 5,576 | | | | 6,152 | | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Net investment income | 133,406 | | 55,563 | | (4,328) | | 184,641 | | |
| 1,00 111,0001110 | 155,.00 | | 22,232 | | (1,520) | | 10.,0.1 | | |
| Net realized gains (losses) | (45,963) | | (361,128) | | | | (407,091) | | |
| Net unrealized gains (losses) | (43,903) | | (301,120) | | | | (407,091) | | |
| (losses) | 88,707 | 88,707 (176,689) | | | (87,982) | | | | |
| (103303) | 00,707 | (170,089) | | | (07,702) | | | | |
| Net realized and | | | | | | | | | |
| unrealized gains (losses) | 42,744 | | (537,817) | | | | (495,073) | | |
| Gain on extinguishment | 42,744 | | (337,617) | | | | (493,073) | | |
| of debt | 26,543 | | 83,532 | | | | 110,075 | | |
| Loss on extinguishment of | 20,545 | | 05,552 | | | | 110,075 | | |
| debt | | | (122,776) | | | | (122,776) | | |
| dest | | | (122,770) | | | | (122,770) | | |
| Net increase (decrease) in | | | | | | | | | |
| stockholders' equity | \$ 202,693 | \$ | (521,498) | Ф | (4,328) | \$ | (323,133) | | |
| stockholders equity | \$ 202,093 | Ψ | (321,490) | Ψ | (4,326) | Ψ | (323,133) | | |
| Waighted avanl | | | | | | | | | |
| Weighted average shares | 101 710 900 | | 179 004 229 | | 59 402 527 (E) | | 160 212 227 | | |
| outstanding | 101,719,800 | | 178,994,228 | | 58,492,537 (F) | | 160,212,337 | | |
| F : (1) 1 | Φ 1.00 | Ф | (2.01) | Ф | (0.07) | Ф | (2.02) | | |
| Earnings (loss) per share | \$ 1.99 | \$ | (2.91) | \$ | (0.07) | \$ | (2.02) | | |

Please see Note 2 of the accompanying notes to pro forma condensed consolidated financial statements on page 54.

See accompanying notes to pro forma consolidated financial statements.

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Ares Capital Corporation and Subsidiaries

Notes to Pro Forma Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations

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(In thousands, except share and per share data unless otherwise stated)

1. BASIS OF PRO FORMA PRESENTATION

The unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated statements of operations related to the merger are included for the six months ended June 30, 2010 and for the year ended December 31, 2009. On October 26, 2009, we entered into a definitive agreement to acquire Allied Capital in an all stock transaction (the "Allied Acquisition"). On April 1, 2010, we completed the Allied Acquisition by acquiring the outstanding shares of Allied Capital in exchange for shares of our common stock in a transaction valued at approximately \$908 million as of the closing date. Concurrently with the completion of the Allied Acquisition, we assumed and then repaid in full the \$137 million of remaining amounts outstanding on Allied Capital's \$250 million senior secured term loan. We also assumed all of Allied Capital's other outstanding debt obligations, including approximately \$745 million in principal amount of Allied Capital's Unsecured Notes.

Under the terms of the transaction, each Allied Capital stockholder received 0.325 shares of our common stock for each share of Allied Capital common stock then owned by such stockholder. In connection with the Allied Acquisition, approximately 58.5 million shares of our common stock (including the effect of outstanding in-the money Allied Capital stock options) were issued to Allied Capital's then-existing stockholders, thereby resulting in our then-existing stockholders owning approximately 69% of the combined company and the then-existing Allied Capital stockholders owning approximately 31% of the combined company.

The Allied Acquisition was accounted for in accordance with the acquisition method of accounting as detailed in ASC 805-10 (previously SFAS No. 141(R)), *Business Combinations*. The acquisition method of accounting requires an acquirer to recognize the assets acquired, the liabilities assumed and any noncontrolling interest in the acquired entity based on their fair values as of the date of acquisition. As described in more detail in ASC 805-10, if the total acquisition date fair value of the identifiable net assets acquired exceeds the fair value of the consideration transferred, the excess will be recognized as a gain. Upon completion of our determination of the fair value of Allied Capital's identifiable net assets as of April 1, 2010, the fair value of such net assets exceeded the fair value of the consideration transferred, thereby, resulting in the recognition of a gain. The valuation of the investments acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition was done in accordance with Ares Capital's valuation policy (see Notes 2 and 8 to the consolidated financial statements as of and for the period ended June 30, 2010).

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Following is the allocation of the purchase price to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed as a result of the Allied Acquisition:

| Common stock issued | \$ | 872,727 |
|---------------------------------------|----|-----------|
| Payments to holders of "in-the-money" | | |
| Allied Capital stock options | | 35,011(1) |
| | | |
| Total purchase price | \$ | 907,738 |
| | | |
| Assets acquired: | | |
| Investments | \$ | 1,833,766 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | | 133,548 |
| Other assets | | 80,078 |
| | | |
| Total assets acquired | | 2,047,392 |
| Debt and other liabilities assumed | | (943,778) |
| | | |
| Net assets acquired | | 1,103,614 |
| • | | |
| Gain on acquisition of Allied Capital | | (195,876) |
| | | , , , |
| | \$ | 907,738 |
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(1)

Represents cash payment for holders of any "in-the-money" Allied Capital stock options that elected to receive cash

Ares Capital has elected to be treated as a RIC under subchapter M of the Code and operates in a manner so as to qualify for the tax treatment applicable to RICs. In order to qualify as a RIC, among other things, Ares Capital is required to timely distribute to its stockholders generally at least 90% of its investment company taxable income, as defined by the Code, for each year. The unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated financial information reflects that Ares Capital has made and intends to continue to make the requisite distributions to its stockholders, which will generally relieve Ares Capital from U.S. federal income taxes.

The unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated statements of operations presented in this document is for illustrative purposes only and does not necessarily indicate the results of operations that would have resulted had the merger and subsequent combination been completed at the beginning of the applicable period presented, nor the impact of expense efficiencies, asset dispositions, share repurchases and other factors. The unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated statements of operations are not indicative of the results of operations in future periods of the combined company.

2. PRO FORMA ADJUSTMENTS

The pro forma purchase accounting allocation included in the unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated statements of operations is as follows:

- A.

 The purchase price of certain investments in debt securities being acquired from Allied Capital was determined by Ares Capital to be less than the expected recovery value of such investments. In accordance with GAAP, subsequent to April 1, 2010, Ares Capital will record the accretion to the expected recovery value in interest income over the remaining term of the investment. Other than what was included in the actual results for Ares Capital for the six months ended June 30, 2010, interest income has not been adjusted to reflect the accretion to the expected recovery value for the periods presented. The accretion for the first 12 months subsequent to April 1, 2010 is estimated to be approximately \$12 million. However, there can be no assurance that such accretion will be more or less than such estimate.
- B.

 The fair value of the outstanding debt assumed from Allied Capital was determined by Ares Capital to be below the face amount of such debt. In accordance with GAAP, subsequent to

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April 1, 2010, Ares Capital will record accretion to the face amount in interest expense over the remaining term of the debt. Other than what was included in the actual results for Ares Capital for the six months ended June 30, 2010, interest expense has not been adjusted to reflect the accretion to the face value for the periods presented. The accretion for the first 12 months subsequent to April 1, 2010 is estimated to be approximately \$11 million. However, there can be no assurance that such accretion will be more or less than such estimate.

- C.

 Base management fees were computed based on 1.5% of average total assets other than cash and cash equivalents but including assets purchased with borrowed funds per Ares Capital's investment advisory and management agreement with Ares Capital Management.
- D.

 Incentive management fees were recomputed based on the formula in Ares Capital's investment advisory and management agreement with Ares Capital Management.
- E. Adjustments to other expenses were made to reflect compensation costs for Allied Capital's employees that would have been covered by the base management fees paid to Ares Capital Management and therefore not incurred by Ares Capital. Additionally, all stock option costs were excluded as such costs would not exist at Ares Capital as there is no stock option plan maintained by Ares Capital. Payments of stock option costs to employees would have been similarly incurred by Ares Capital in the form of incentive management fees paid to Ares Capital Management. Lastly, any actual costs incurred related to the merger and subsequent combination, primarily various transaction costs, were also excluded.
- F. Weighted average shares for the six months ended June 30, 2010 and for the year ended December 31, 2009 have been adjusted to reflect the following:

| | For the Six Months Ended June 30, 2010 | For the Year Ended December 31, 2009 |
|--|--|--|
| Ares Capital weighted average shares outstanding | 157,978,337 | 101,719,800 |
| Estimated additional weighted average shares outstanding as a result of the Allied Acquisition | 29,407,851 | 58,492,537 |
| Ares Capital adjusted weighted average shares outstanding | 187,386,188 | 160,212,337 |
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USE OF PROCEEDS

Unless otherwise specified in a prospectus supplement, we intend to use the net proceeds from the sale of our securities for general corporate purposes, which includes investing in portfolio companies in accordance with our investment objective and strategies and market conditions. We also expect to use the net proceeds of an offering to repay or repurchase outstanding indebtedness, including indebtedness under (a) the Revolving Credit Facility (\$431.0 million outstanding as of September 30, 2010), (b) the CP Funding Facility (\$283.4 million outstanding as of September 30, 2010), (c) the CLO Notes under the Debt Securitization (\$177.2 million of CLO Notes outstanding as of September 30, 2010) and (d) the Unsecured Notes (\$632.6 million of Unsecured Notes outstanding as of September 30, 2010). The interest charged on the indebtedness incurred under the Revolving Credit Facility is based on LIBOR (one, two, three or six month) plus an applicable spread of between 2.50% and 4.00%. As of September 30, 2010, the one, two, three and six month LIBOR were 0.26%, 0.27%, 0.29% and 0.46%, respectively, and the effective LIBOR spread was 3.00%. The Revolving Credit Facility expires on January 22, 2013, Subject to certain exceptions, the interest charged on the CP Funding Facility is based on LIBOR plus an applicable spread of between 2.25% and 3.75% or on a "base rate" (which is the higher of a prime rate, or the federal funds rate plus 0.50%) plus an applicable spread of between 1.25% to 2.75%, in each case based on a pricing grid depending upon the credit rating of the Company. The effective LIBOR spread under the CP Funding Facility on September 30, 2010 is 2.75%. The CP Funding Facility is scheduled to expire on January 22, 2013 (subject to two one-year extension options exercisable upon mutual consent). As of September 30, 2010, the blended pricing of the CLO Notes, excluding fees, was approximately three-month LIBOR plus 0.35%. The CLO Notes mature on December 20, 2019. The interest charged on the Unsecured Notes is as follows: (a) 6.625%, in the case of the 2011 Notes, (b) 6.000%, in the case of the 2012 Notes, and (c) 6.875%, in the case of the 2047 Notes. The 2011 Notes, 2012 Notes and 2047 Notes mature on July 15, 2011, April 1, 2012 and April 15, 2047, respectively. The supplement to this prospectus relating to an offering may more fully identify the use of the proceeds from such offering.

We anticipate that substantially all of the net proceeds of an offering of securities pursuant to this prospectus and its related prospectus supplement will be used for the above purposes within three months of any such offering, depending on the availability of appropriate investment opportunities consistent with our investment objective and strategies and market conditions, but no longer than within six months of any such offerings.

Our primary focus is to generate current income and capital appreciation through investments in first and second lien senior loans and mezzanine debt, and, to a lesser extent, equity securities of eligible portfolio companies. In addition to such investments, we may invest up to 30% of our portfolio in opportunistic investments of non-eligible portfolio companies. As part of this 30%, we may invest in debt of middle market companies located outside of the United States. Pending such investments, we will invest a portion of the net proceeds primarily in cash, cash equivalents, U.S. government securities and other high-quality short-term investments. These securities may earn yields substantially lower than the income that we anticipate receiving once we are fully invested in accordance with our investment objective. As a result, we may not be able to achieve our investment objective and/or pay any dividends during this period or, if we are able to do so, such dividends may be substantially lower than the dividends that we expect to pay when our portfolio is fully invested. If we do not realize yields in excess of our expenses, we may incur operating losses and the market price of our shares may decline. See "Regulation Temporary Investments" for additional information about temporary investments we may make while waiting to make longer-term investments in pursuit of our investment objective.

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PRICE RANGE OF COMMON STOCK AND DISTRIBUTIONS

Our common stock trades on The NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol "ARCC." Our common stock has historically traded at prices both above and below its net asset value. It is not possible to predict whether the common stock offered hereby will trade at, above, or below net asset value. See "Risk Factors" Risks Relating to Offerings Pursuant to this Prospectus. Our shares of common stock have traded at a discount from net asset value and may do so again in the future, which could limit our ability to raise additional equity capital."

The following table sets forth, for each fiscal quarter during the last two fiscal years and the current fiscal year, the net asset value per share of our common stock, the range of high and low closing sales prices of our common stock, the closing sales price as a percentage of net asset value and the dividends or distributions declared by us. On September 30, 2010, the last reported closing sales price of our common stock on The NASDAQ Global Select Market was \$15.65 per share, which represented a premium of approximately 10.91% to the net asset value per share reported by us as of June 30, 2010.

| | | | | | | | | Low | | |
|----------------|----|---------|-------------|-------|-----|-------|-----------------------------|-----------------|----|--------------|
| | | | Price Range | | | | High | Sales Price | _ | ash |
| | No | t Asset | | THE | ··· | gc | Sales Price to Net Asset | to Net Asset | | idend Per |
| | | alue(1) | | High | | Low | Value(2) | Value(2) | _ | re(3) |
| Year ended | | | | Ü | | | | | | |
| December 31, | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | | | | | | | | | | |
| First Quarter | \$ | 15.17 | \$ | 13.81 | \$ | 11.65 | 94.9% | 80.0% | \$ | 0.42 |
| Second Quarter | \$ | 13.67 | \$ | 12.98 | \$ | 10.08 | 95.0% | 73.7% | \$ | 0.42 |
| Third Quarter | \$ | 12.83 | \$ | 12.60 | \$ | 9.30 | 98.2% | 72.5% | \$ | 0.42 |
| Fourth Quarter | \$ | 11.27 | \$ | 10.15 | \$ | 3.77 | 90.1% | 33.5% | \$ | 0.42 |
| Year ending | | | | | | | | | | |
| December 31, | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2009 | | | | | | | | | | |
| First Quarter | \$ | 11.20 | \$ | 7.39 | \$ | 3.21 | 66.0% | 28.7% | \$ | 0.42 |
| Second Quarter | \$ | 11.21 | \$ | 8.31 | \$ | 4.53 | 74.1% | 40.4% | \$ | 0.35 |
| Third Quarter | \$ | 11.16 | \$ | 11.02 | \$ | 7.04 | 98.7% | 63.1% | \$ | 0.35 |
| Fourth Quarter | \$ | 11.44 | \$ | 12.71 | \$ | 10.21 | 111.1% | 89.2% | \$ | 0.35 |
| Year ending | | | | | | | | | | |
| December 31, | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2010 | | | | | | | | | | |
| First Quarter | | 11.78 | \$ | 14.82 | \$ | 11.75 | 125.8% | 99.7% | \$ | 0.35 |
| Second Quarter | | 14.11 | \$ | 16.40 | \$ | 12.53 | 116.2% | 88.8% | \$ | 0.35 |
| Third Quarter | | * | \$ | 15.89 | \$ | 12.44 | * | * | \$ | 0.35 |

⁽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 and low closing sales prices. The net asset values shown are based on outstanding shares at the end of the relevant quarter.

We currently intend to distribute quarterly dividends or distributions to our stockholders. Our quarterly dividends or distributions, if any, will be determined by our board of directors.

⁽²⁾ Calculated as the respective high or low closing sales price divided by net asset value.

⁽³⁾ Represents the dividend or distribution declared in the relevant quarter.

Net asset value has not yet been calculated for this period.

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The following table summarizes our dividends declared to date:

| Date Declared | Record Date | Payment Date | An | nount |
|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----|-------|
| December 16, 2004 | December 27, 2004 | January 26, 2005 | \$ | 0.30 |
| Total declared for 2004 | | | \$ | 0.30 |
| February 23, 2005 | March 7, 2005 | April 15, 2005 | \$ | 0.30 |
| June 20, 2005 | June 30, 2005 | July 15, 2005 | \$ | 0.32 |
| September 6, 2005 | September 16, 2005 | September 30, 2005 | \$ | 0.34 |
| December 12, 2005 | December 22, 2005 | January 16, 2006 | \$ | 0.34 |
| Total declared for 2005 | | | \$ | 1.30 |
| February 28, 2006 | March 24, 2006 | April 14, 2006 | \$ | 0.36 |
| May 8, 2006 | June 15, 2006 | June 30, 2006 | \$ | 0.38 |
| August 9, 2006 | September 15, 2006 | September 29, 2006 | \$ | 0.40 |
| November 8, 2006 | December 15, 2006 | December 29, 2006 | \$ | 0.40 |
| November 8, 2006 | December 15, 2006 | December 29, 2006 | \$ | 0.10 |
| 11070111501 0, 2000 | December 13, 2000 | December 23, 2000 | Ψ | 0.10 |
| Total declared for 2006 | | | \$ | 1.64 |
| M 1 0 2007 | M 1 10 2007 | M 1 20 2007 | Ф | 0.41 |
| March 8, 2007 | March 19, 2007 | March 30, 2007 | \$ | 0.41 |
| May 10, 2007 | June 15, 2007 | June 29, 2007 | \$ | 0.41 |
| August 9, 2007 | September 14, 2007 | September 28, 2007 | \$ | 0.42 |
| November 8, 2007 | December 14, 2007 | December 31, 2007 | \$ | 0.42 |
| Total declared for 2007 | | | \$ | 1.66 |
| February 28, 2008 | March 17, 2008 | March 31, 2008 | \$ | 0.42 |
| May 8, 2008 | June 16, 2008 | June 30, 2008 | \$ | 0.42 |
| August 7, 2008 | September 15, 2008 | September 30, 2008 | \$ | 0.42 |
| November 6, 2008 | December 15, 2008 | January 2, 2009 | \$ | 0.42 |
| 1101011001 0, 2000 | December 13, 2000 | Junuary 2, 2009 | Ψ | 0.12 |
| Total declared for 2008 | | | \$ | 1.68 |
| | | | | |
| March 2, 2009 | March 16, 2009 | March 31, 2009 | \$ | 0.42 |
| May 7, 2009 | June 15, 2009 | June 30, 2009 | \$ | 0.35 |
| August 6, 2009 | September 15, 2009 | September 30, 2009 | \$ | 0.35 |
| November 5, 2009 | December 15, 2009 | December 31, 2009 | \$ | 0.35 |
| Total declared for 2009 | | | \$ | 1.47 |
| February 25, 2010 | March 15, 2010 | March 31, 2010 | \$ | 0.35 |
| May 10, 2010 | June 15, 2010 | June 30, 2010 | \$ | 0.35 |
| August 5, 2010 | September 15, 2010 | September 30, 2010 | \$ | 0.35 |
| Total declared for 2010 | | | \$ | 1.05 |

To maintain our RIC status, we must timely distribute generally an amount equal to at least 90% of our investment company taxable income out of the assets legally available for distribution for each year. To avoid certain excise taxes imposed on RICs, we are generally required to distribute during each calendar year an amount at least equal to the sum of (a) 98% of our ordinary income for the calendar year, plus (b) 98% of our capital gains in excess of capital losses for the one-year period ending on October 31 of the calendar year, plus (c) any ordinary income and capital gains for preceding years that were not distributed during such years. If this requirement is not met, we will be required to pay a nondeductible excise tax equal to 4% of the amount by which 98% of the current year's taxable income exceeds the distribution for the year. The taxable income on which an excise tax is paid is generally carried forward and distributed to stockholders in the next tax year. Depending on the level of taxable income earned in a tax year, we may choose to carry forward taxable income in

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excess of current year distributions into the next tax year and pay a 4% excise tax on such income, as required. Our excise tax benefit for the six months ended June 30, 2010 was approximately \$0.1 million and \$0.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2009. We cannot assure you that we will achieve results that will permit the payment of any cash distributions.

We maintain an "opt out" dividend reinvestment plan for our common stockholders. As a result, if we declare a cash dividend, then stockholders' cash dividends 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 dividends. See "Dividend Reinvestment Plan."

RATIOS OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES

For the six months ended June 30, 2010 and the years ended December 31, 2009, 2008, 2007, 2006 and 2005, the ratios of earnings to fixed charges of the Company, computed as set forth below, were as follows:

| | | For the | For the | For the | For the | For the |
|-------------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| | For the Six | Year | Year | Year | Year | Year |
| | Months Ended | Ended | Ended | Ended | Ended | Ended |
| | June 30, D | ecember 31J | December 31J | December 31J | December 31, | December 31, |
| | 2010 | 2009 | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 |
| Earnings to Fixed | | | | | | |
| Charges(1) | 13.8 | 9.4 | (2.8) | 3.4 | 5.0 | 28.5 |

For purposes of computing the ratios of earnings to fixed charges, earnings represent net increase in stockholders' equity resulting from operations plus (or minus) income tax expense including excise tax expense plus fixed charges. Fixed charges include interest and credit facility fees expense and amortization of debt issuance costs.

Earnings include the net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation. Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation can vary substantially from year to year. Excluding the net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation, the earnings to fixed charges ratio would be 10.0 for the six months ended June 30, 2010, 5.7 for the year ended December 31, 2009, 4.5 for the year ended December 31, 2008, 3.7 for the year ended December 31, 2006 and 25.6 for the year ended December 31, 2005.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The information contained in this section should be read in conjunction with the "Selected Condensed Consolidated Financial Data of Ares Capital," the "Unaudited Selected Pro Forma Condensed Consolidated Financial Data," the "Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements" and our and Allied Capital's financial statements and notes thereto appearing elsewhere in this prospectus or the accompanying prospectus supplement.

OVERVIEW

We are a specialty finance company that is a closed-end, non-diversified management investment company incorporated in Maryland. We have elected to be regulated as a BDC under the Investment Company Act. We were founded on April 16, 2004 and were initially funded on June 23, 2004 and on October 8, 2004 completed our initial public offering (the "IPO").

Our investment objective is to generate both current income and capital appreciation through debt and equity investments. We invest primarily in first and second lien senior loans and mezzanine debt, which in some cases includes an equity component like warrants. To a lesser extent, we also make equity investments, which have generally been non-control equity investments of less than \$20 million (usually in conjunction with a concurrent loan investment). However, we may increase the size or nature of these investments. Also, as a result of the Allied Acquisition, Allied Capital's equity investments, including equity investments larger than those we have historically made and controlled portfolio company equity investments, became part of our portfolio. We intend to actively seek opportunities over time to dispose of certain of these investments and rotate them into higher-yielding first and second lien senior loans and mezzanine debt investments. However, there can be no assurance that this strategy will be successful. For risks relating to these investments, see "Risk Factors Risks Relating to Our Investments in equity securities involve a substantial degree of risk."

We are externally managed by Ares Capital Management, an affiliate of Ares Management, a global alternative asset manager and an SEC registered investment adviser, pursuant to the investment advisory and management agreement. Ares Operations, an affiliate of Ares Management, provides the administrative services necessary for us to operate.

As a BDC, we are required to comply with certain regulatory requirements. For instance, we generally have to invest at least 70% of our total assets in "qualifying assets," including securities and indebtedness of private U.S. companies and certain public U.S. companies, cash, cash equivalents, U.S. government securities and high-quality debt investments that mature in one year or less.

The Company has elected to be treated as a RIC under Subchapter M of the Code and operates in a manner so as to qualify for the tax treatment applicable to RICs. To qualify as a RIC, we must, among other things, meet certain source-of-income and asset diversification requirements and timely distribute to our stockholders generally at least 90% of our investment company taxable income, as defined by the Code, for each year. Pursuant to this election, we generally will not have to pay corporate level taxes on any income that we distribute to our stockholders provided that we satisfy those requirements.

Allied Acquisition

On April 1, 2010, we consummated the Allied Acquisition in an all stock merger where each existing share of common stock of Allied Capital was exchanged for 0.325 shares of our common stock. The Allied Acquisition was valued at approximately \$908 million as of April 1, 2010. In connection therewith, we issued approximately 58.5 million shares of our common stock to Allied Capital's then-existing stockholders, thereby resulting in our then-existing stockholders owning approximately

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69% of the combined company and the then-existing Allied Capital stockholders owning approximately 31% of the combined company. See "Risk Factors Risks Relating to Our Business We may be unable to realize the benefits anticipated by the Allied Acquisition, including estimated cost savings and synergies, or it may take longer than anticipated to achieve such benefits" for a description of the risks that the Company may face as a result of the Allied Acquisition.

Accordingly, other than as set forth in the pro forma financial information or otherwise specifically set forth herein, financial information presented herein for and as of periods ending on or prior to March 31, 2010 does not include any information in respect of Allied Capital. In addition, other than as set forth in the pro forma financial information or otherwise specifically set forth herein, financial information for the six months ended June 30, 2010, including, without limitation, with respect to the Company's consolidated statements of operations, stockholders' equity and cash flows, only includes results attributable to Allied Capital for the period beginning April 1, 2010.

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States, and include the accounts of the Company and its wholly owned subsidiaries. The consolidated financial statements reflect all adjustments and reclassifications which, in the opinion of management, are necessary for the fair presentation of the results of the operations and financial condition as of and for the periods presented. All significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include short-term, liquid investments in a money market fund. Cash and cash equivalents are carried at cost which approximates fair value.

Concentration of Credit Risk

The Company places its cash and cash equivalents with financial institutions and, at times, cash held in money market accounts may exceed the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation insured limit.

Investments

Investments for which market quotations are readily available are typically valued at such market quotations. In order to validate market quotations, we look at a number of factors to determine if the quotations are representative of fair value, including the source and nature of the quotations. Debt and equity securities that are not publicly traded or whose market prices are not readily available (i.e., substantially all of our investments) are valued at fair value as determined in good faith by our board of directors, based on the input of our management and audit committee and independent valuation firms that have been engaged at the direction of the board to assist in the valuation of each portfolio investment without a readily available market quotation at least once during a trailing 12-month period and under a valuation policy and a consistently applied valuation process. The valuation process is conducted at the end of each fiscal quarter, with approximately 50% (based on value) of our valuations of portfolio companies without readily available market quotations subject to review by an independent valuation firm each quarter.

As part of the valuation process, we may take into account the following types of factors, if relevant, in determining the fair value of our investments: the enterprise value of a portfolio company (an estimate of the total fair value of the portfolio company's debt and equity), the nature and

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realizable value of any collateral, the portfolio company's ability to make payments and its earnings and discounted cash flow, the markets in which the portfolio company does business, a comparison of the portfolio company's securities to publicly traded securities, changes in the interest rate environment and the credit markets generally that may affect the price at which similar investments may be made in the future and other relevant factors. When an external event such as a purchase transaction, public offering or subsequent equity sale occurs, we use the pricing indicated by the external event to corroborate our valuation.

Because there is not a readily available market value for most of the investments in our portfolio, we value substantially all of our portfolio investments at fair value as determined in good faith by our board of directors, based on the input of our management and audit committee and independent valuation firms under a valuation policy and a consistently applied valuation process. Due to the inherent uncertainty of determining the fair value of investments that do not have a readily available market value, the fair value of our investments may fluctuate from period to period. Additionally, the fair value of our investments may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had a ready market existed for such investments and may differ materially from the values that we may ultimately realize. Further, such investments are generally subject to legal and other restrictions on resale or otherwise are less liquid than publicly traded securities. If we were required to liquidate a portfolio investment in a forced or liquidation sale, we may realize significantly less than the value at which we have recorded it.

In addition, changes in the market environment and other events that may occur over the life of the investments may cause the gains or losses ultimately realized on these investments to be different than the gains or losses that would be realized based on the valuations currently assigned. See "Risk Factors Risks Relating to our Investments 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."

With respect to investments for which market quotations are not readily available, our board of directors undertakes a multi-step valuation process each quarter, as described below:

Our quarterly valuation process begins with each portfolio company or investment being initially valued by the investment professionals responsible for the portfolio investment in conjunction with our portfolio management team.

Preliminary valuations are reviewed and discussed with the entire investment professional and management team, and then valuation recommendations are presented to the board of directors.

The audit committee of our board of directors reviews these preliminary valuations, as well as the input of independent valuation firms with respect to the valuations of approximately 50% (based on value) of our portfolio companies without readily available market quotations.

The board of directors discusses valuations and determines the fair value of each investment in our portfolio without a readily available market quotation in good faith based on the input of our management and audit committee and independent valuation firms.

Effective January 1, 2008, the Company adopted ASC 820-10 (previously Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 157, Fair Value Measurements ("SFAS 157")), which expands the application of fair value accounting for investments (see Note 8 to the consolidated financial statements for the period ended June 30, 2010). Investments acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition were accounted for in accordance with ASC 805-10 (previously SFAS No. 141(R)), *Business Combinations*, which requires that all assets be recorded at fair value. As a result, the initial amortized cost basis and

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fair value for the acquired investments were the same value at April 1, 2010 (see Note 15 to the consolidated financial statements for the period ended June 30, 2010).

Interest Income Recognition

Interest income, adjusted for amortization of premium and accretion of discount, is recorded on an accrual basis. Discounts and premiums from par value on securities purchased are accreted/amortized into interest income over the life of the respective security using the effective yield method. The amortized cost of investments represents the original cost adjusted for the accretion of discounts and amortization of premiums, if any.

Loans are generally placed on non-accrual status when principal or interest payments are past due 30 days or more or when there is reasonable doubt that principal or interest will be collected. 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 regarding collectability. 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. The Company may make exceptions to this if the loan has sufficient collateral value and is in the process of collection.

Payment-in-Kind Interest

The Company has loans in its portfolio that contain a payment-in-kind ("PIK") provision. The PIK interest, computed at the contractual rate specified in each loan agreement, is added to the principal balance of the loan and recorded as interest income. To maintain the Company's status as a RIC, this non-cash source of income must be paid out to stockholders in the form of dividends even though the Company has not yet collected the cash.

Capital Structuring Service Fees and Other Income

The Company's investment adviser seeks to provide assistance to our portfolio companies in connection with the Company's investments and in return the Company may receive fees for capital structuring services. These fees are generally only available to the Company as a result of the Company's underlying investments, are normally paid at the closing of the investments, are generally non-recurring and are recognized as revenue when earned upon closing of the investment. The services that the Company's investment adviser provides vary by investment, but generally consist of reviewing existing credit facilities, arranging bank financing, arranging equity financing, structuring financing from multiple lenders, structuring financing from multiple equity investors, restructuring existing loans, raising equity and debt capital, and providing general financial advice, which concludes upon closing of the investment. Any services of the above nature subsequent to the closing would generally generate a separate fee payable to the Company. In certain instances where the Company is invited to participate as a co-lender in a transaction and does not provide significant services in connection with the investment, a portion of loan fees paid to the Company in such situations will be deferred and amortized over the estimated life of the loan. The Company's investment adviser may also take a seat on the board of directors of a portfolio company, or observe the meetings of the board of directors without taking a formal seat.

Other income includes fees for asset management, management and consulting services, loan guarantees, commitments, amendments and other services rendered by the Company to portfolio companies. Such fees are recognized as income when earned or the services are rendered.

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Foreign Currency Translation

The Company's books and records are maintained in U.S. dollars. Any foreign currency amounts are translated into U.S. dollars on the following basis:

- (1) Market value of investment securities, other assets and liabilities at the exchange rates prevailing at the end of the period.
- (2) Purchases and sales of investment securities, income and expenses at the rates of exchange prevailing on the respective dates of such transactions, income or expenses.

Results of operations based on changes in foreign exchange rates are separately disclosed in the statement of operations. Foreign security and currency translations may involve certain considerations and risks not typically associated with investing in U.S. companies and U.S. government securities. These risks include, but are not limited to, currency fluctuation and revaluations and future adverse political, social and economic developments, which could cause investments in foreign markets to be less liquid and prices more volatile than those of comparable U.S. companies or U.S. government securities.

Accounting for Derivative Instruments

We do not utilize hedge accounting and marks its derivatives to market through operations.

Offering Expenses

Our offering costs are charged against the proceeds from equity offerings when received.

Debt Issuance Costs

Debt issuance costs are being amortized over the life of the related credit facility using the straight line method, which closely approximates the effective yield method.

U.S. Federal Income Taxes

We have elected to be treated as a RIC under Subchapter M of the Code and operate in a manner so as to qualify for the tax treatment applicable to RICs. In order to qualify as a RIC, among other things, we are required to timely distribute to our stockholders generally at least 90% of investment company taxable income, as defined by the Code, for each year. We have made and intend to continue to make the requisite distributions to our stockholders, which will generally relieve us from U.S. federal income taxes.

Depending on the level of taxable income earned in a tax year, we may choose to carry forward taxable income in excess of current year dividend distributions into the next tax year and pay a 4% excise tax on such income, as required. To the extent that we determine that our estimated current year annual taxable income will be in excess of estimated current year dividend distributions, we accrue this excise tax, if any, on estimated excess taxable income as taxable income is earned.

Certain of our wholly owned subsidiaries are subject to U.S. Federal and state income taxes. Income taxes for certain of our subsidiaries are accounted for under the asset and liability method. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases as well as operating loss and tax credit carryforwards. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled.

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Dividends to Common Stockholders

Dividends and distributions to common stockholders are recorded on the record date. The amount to be paid out as a dividend is determined by the board of directors each quarter and is generally based upon the current and expected future earnings estimated by management. Net realized capital gains, if any, are generally distributed at least annually, although we may decide to retain such capital gains for investment.

We have adopted a dividend reinvestment plan that provides for reinvestment of any distributions we declare in cash on behalf of our stockholders, unless a stockholder elects to receive cash. As a result, if 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 dividend. While we generally use primarily newly issued shares to implement the dividend reinvestment plan (especially if our shares are trading at a premium to net asset value), we may purchase shares in the open market in connection with our obligations under the dividend reinvestment plan. In particular, if our shares are trading at a significant enough discount to net asset value and we are otherwise permitted under applicable law to purchase such shares, we intend to purchase shares in the open market in connection with our obligations under our dividend reinvestment plan.

Use of Estimates in the Preparation of Financial Statements

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of actual and contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of income or loss and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Significant estimates include the valuation of investments.

New Accounting Pronouncements

In June 2009, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued ASC 860 (previously SFAS No. 166, *Accounting for Transfer of Financial Assets*, which amends the guidance in SFAS No. 140, *Accounting for Transfers and Servicing of Financial Assets and Extinguishments of Liabilities*). It eliminates the concept of qualifying special-purpose entities ("QSPEs"), creates more stringent conditions for reporting a transfer of a portion of a financial asset as a sale, clarifies derecognition criteria of the previous guidance, revises how retained interests are initially measured, and removes the guaranteed mortgage securitization recharacterization provisions. ASC 860 requires additional year-end and interim disclosures for public and nonpublic companies that are similar to the disclosures required by FSP FAS 140-4 and FIN 46(R)-8, *Disclosures by Public Entities (Enterprises) about Transfers of Financial Assets and Interests in Variable Interest Entities*. ASC 860 is effective as of the beginning of a company's first fiscal year that begins after November 15, 2009 (January 1, 2010 for calendar year-end companies), and for subsequent interim and annual reporting periods. ASC 860's disclosure requirements must be applied to transfers that occurred before and after its effective date. Early adoption of ASC 860 is prohibited. We are currently evaluating the effect that the provisions of ASC 860 may have on our financial condition and results of operations.

In June 2009, FASB issued ASC 810 (previously SFAS No. 167, *Amendments to FASB Interpretation No. 46(R)*, which amends the guidance in FASB Interpretation No. ("FIN") 46(R), *Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities*). It requires reporting entities to evaluate former QSPEs for consolidation, changes the approach to determining the primary beneficiary of a variable interest entity (a "VIE") from a quantitative assessment to a qualitative assessment designed to identify a controlling financial interest, and increases the frequency of required reassessments to determine whether a company is the primary beneficiary of a VIE. It also clarifies, but does not significantly change, the

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characteristics that identify a VIE. ASC 810 requires additional year-end and interim disclosures for public and non-public companies that are similar to the disclosures required by FSP FAS 140-4 and FIN 46(R)-8. ASC 810 is effective as of the beginning of a company's first fiscal year that begins after November 15, 2009 (January 1, 2010 for calendar year-end companies), and for subsequent interim and annual reporting periods. All QSPE's and entities currently subject to FIN 46(R) will need to be reevaluated under the amended consolidation requirements as of the beginning of the first annual reporting period that begins after November 15, 2009. Early adoption of ASC 810 is prohibited. The FASB agreed at its January 27, 2010 meeting to issue an Accounting Standards Update to finalize its proposal to indefinitely defer ASC 810 for reporting enterprises' interests in entities that either have all of the characteristics of investments companies or for which it is industry practice to apply measurement principles for financial reporting purposes consistent with those that apply to investment companies. The provisions of ASC 810 will not have any impact on our financial condition or results of operations.

In June 2009, FASB issued ASC 2005, (previously SFAS NO. 168, *The FASB Accounting Standards Codification and the Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP") a replacement of FASB Statement No. 162* ("Codification")). This Codification will become the source of authoritative U.S. GAAP recognized by FASB to be applied by nongovernmental entities. Once the Codification is in effect, all of its content will carry the same level of authority, effectively superseding SFAS No. 162, *The Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles*. In other words, the GAAP hierarchy will be modified to include only two levels of GAAP: authoritative and nonauthoritative. The Codification is not intended to change GAAP, but it will change the way GAAP is organized and presented. The Codification is effective for financial statements issued for interim and annual periods ending after September 15, 2009. In order to ease the transition to the Codification, the Company has provided the Codification cross-reference alongside the references to the standards issued and adopted prior to the adoption of the Codification.

In January 2010, the FASB issued ASU 2010-06, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures (Topic 820), Improving Disclosures About Fair Value Measurements. ASU 2010-06 adds new requirements for disclosures about transfers into and out of Level 1 and 2 inputs and separate disclosures about purchases, sales, issuances and settlements relating to Level 3 inputs. It also clarifies existing fair value disclosures about the level of disaggregation and about inputs and valuation techniques used to measure fair value, and entities will be required to provide fair value measurement disclosures for each class of assets and liabilities. ASU 2010-06 is effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2009, except for the disclosures about purchases, 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. Adoption of ASU 2010-06 is not expected to have a significant impact on the Company's financial condition and results of operations.

PORTFOLIO AND INVESTMENT ACTIVITY

(in millions, except number of new investment commitments, terms and percentages)

| New investments(1)(4): | Six months ended June 30, 2010 June 30, 2009 (in millions, except number of new investment commitments, terms and percentages) | | | (i | Year Ended December 31, 2009 2008 2007 (in millions, except number of new investment commitments, terms and percentages) | | | | 2007 imber it | |
|---|--|---------|----|------------|---|---------|----|--------------|---------------------|---------|
| New portfolio companies | \$ | 419.5 | \$ | 11.7 | \$ | 317.6 | \$ | 600.5 | \$ | 1,091.6 |
| Existing portfolio companies | | 289.2 | _ | 69.2 | | 162.2 | | 305.0 | | 256.0 |
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total new investments | | 708.7 | | 80.9 | | 479.8 | | 905.5 | | 1 247 6 |
| Less: | | 706.7 | | 60.9 | | 4/9.0 | | 903.3 | | 1,347.6 |
| Investments exited(4) | | 838.9 | | 185.3 | | 604.4 | | 430.3 | | 654.1 |
| investments exited(4) | | 030.9 | | 163.3 | | 004.4 | | 430.3 | | 034.1 |
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| New investments(4) | \$ | (130.2) | \$ | (104.4) | \$ | (124.6) | \$ | 475.2 | \$ | 693.5 |
| Principal amount of investments | | | | | | | | | | |
| purchased(4): | Φ. | 1061 | Φ. | | Φ. | 200.7 | ф | 720.2 | | 006. |
| Senior term debt | \$ | 186.1 | \$ | 115.4 | \$ | 289.5 | \$ | 529.2 | \$ | 886.7 |
| Senior subordinated debt | | 241.3 | | 31.6 | | 59.4 | | 336.3 | | 187.1 |
| Senior Secured Loan Fund | | 44.7 | | 7.2 | | 165.0 | | 60.4 | | 177 (|
| Equity and other | | 108.1 | | 7.3 | | 61.1 | | 60.4 | | 177.6 |
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total | \$ | 580.2 | \$ | 154.3 | \$ | 575.0 | \$ | 925.9 | \$ | 1,251.4 |
| Principal amount of investments | | | | | | | | | | |
| sold or repaid(4): | | | | | | | | | | |
| Senior term debt | \$ | 594.0 | \$ | 127.2 | \$ | 283.4 | \$ | 448.8 | \$ | 608.3 |
| Senior subordinated debt | | 154.4 | | 38.5 | | 202.4 | | 29.0 | | 89.8 |
| Senior Secured Loan Fund | | 15.4 | | 0.0 | | 20.4 | | | | 20.6 |
| Equity and other | | 7.4 | | 0.2 | | 29.4 | | 7.4 | | 20.6 |
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total | \$ | 771.2 | \$ | 165.9 | \$ | 515.2 | \$ | 485.2 | \$ | 718.7 |
| Principal amount of investments acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Senior term debt | \$ | 661.1 | | | | | | | | |
| Senior subordinated debt | | 746.6 | | | | | | | | |
| Collateralized loan obligations | | 114.3 | | | | | | | | |
| Commercial real estate | | 41.0 | | | | | | | | |
| Equity and other | | 270.8 | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total | \$ | 1,833.8 | | | | | | | | |
| Principal amount of investments | | | | | | | | | | |
| acquired as part of the Allied | | | | | | | | | | |
| Acquisition sold or repaid: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Senior term debt | \$ | 57.7 | | | | | | | | |
| Senior subordinated debt | | 71.1 | | | | | | | | |
| Collateralized loan obligations | | 1.8 | | | | | | | | |
| Equity and other | | 31.1 | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total | \$ | 161.7 | | | | | | | | |
| Number of new investments(2)(4) | | 29 | | 15 | | 33 | | 39 | | 47 |
| Average new investment amount(4) | \$ | 25.1 | \$ | 5.55 | \$ | 14.5 | \$ | 23.2 | \$ | 28.7 |
| Weighted average term for new | | | | | | | | | | |
| investments (in months)(4) | | 49 | | 54 | | 74 | | 66 | | 69 |
| Weighted average yield of debt and | | | | | | | | | | |
| income producing securities at fair | | | | | | | | | | |
| value funded during the period(3)(4) | | 13.91% | | 9.81% | | 13.42% | | 12.57% | | 11.51% |
| | | 13.96% |) | 10.07% |) | 13.67% |) | 12.58% | 9 | 11.53% |
| | | | | | | | | | | |

| Weighted average yield of debt and | | | | | |
|---|---------|-----------------|---------|--------------|---------|
| income producing securities at amortized cost funded during the | | | | | |
| period(3)(4) | | | | | |
| Weighted average yield of debt and | | | | | |
| income producing securities at fair | | | | | |
| value sold or repaid during the | | | | | |
| period(3)(4) | 12.94% | 9.95% | 13.42% | 9.49% | 11.67% |
| Weighted average yield of debt and | 121,717 | <i>y.ye n</i> e | 10.1270 | J. 1. J. 7.0 | 1110770 |
| income producing securities at | | | | | |
| amortized cost sold or repaid during | | | | | |
| the period(3)(4) | 12.97% | 9.79% | 12.22% | 9.79% | 11.72% |
| Weighted average yield of debt and | | | | | |
| income producing securities | | | | | |
| acquired as part of the Allied | | | | | |
| Acquisition at fair value and | | | | | |
| amortized cost(3) | 13.96% | % | % | % | % |
| Weighted average yield of debt and | | | | | |
| income producing securities | | | | | |
| acquired as part of the Allied | | | | | |
| Acquisition at fair value sold or | | | | | |
| repaid during the period(3) | 11.73% | % | % | % | % |
| Weighted average yield of debt and | | | | | |
| income producing securities | | | | | |
| acquired as part of the Allied | | | | | |
| Acquisition at amortized cost sold or | 11.700 | ~ | Cf | 61 | C1 |
| repaid during the period(3) | 11.70% | % | % | % | % |
| | | | | | |

(1) New investment commitments include new agreements to fund revolving credit facilities or delayed draw loans.

(2) Number of new investments represents each commitment to a particular portfolio company.

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- When we refer to the "weighted average yield at fair value" in this report, we compute it with respect to particular securities by taking the (a) annual stated interest rate or yield earned plus the net annual amortization of original issue discount and market discount earned on accruing debt included in such securities, and dividing it by (b) total debt and income producing securities at fair value included in such securities. When we refer to the "weighted average yield at amortized cost" in this report, we compute it with respect to particular securities by taking the (a) annual stated interest rate or yield earned plus the net annual amortization of original issue discount and market discount earned on accruing debt included in such securities, and dividing it by (b) total debt and income producing securities at amortized cost included in such securities.
- (4) Excludes investments acquired as a part of the Allied Acquisition on April 1, 2010.

Our investment adviser employs an investment rating system to categorize our investments. In addition to various risk management and monitoring tools, our investment adviser grades the risk of all investments on a scale of 1 to 4 no less frequently than quarterly. This system is intended primarily to reflect the underlying risk of a portfolio investment relative to our initial cost basis in respect of such portfolio investment (i.e. at the time of acquisition), although it may also take into account under certain circumstances the performance of the portfolio company's business, the collateral coverage of the investment and other relevant factors. Under this system, investments with a grade of 4 involve the least amount of risk to our initial cost basis. The trends and risk factors for this investment since origination or acquisition are generally favorable. which may include the performance of the portfolio company or a potential exit. Investments graded 3 involve a level of risk to our initial cost basis that is similar to the risk to our initial cost basis at the time of origination or acquisition. This portfolio company is generally performing as expected and the risk factors to our ability to ultimately recoup the cost of our investment are neutral to favorable. All investments or acquired investments in new portfolio companies are initially assessed a grade of 3. Investments graded 2 indicate that the risk to our ability to recoup the cost of such investment has increased materially since origination or acquisition, including as a result of factors such as declining performance and non- compliance with debt covenants; however, payments are generally not more than 120 days past due. An investment grade of 1 indicates that the risk to our ability to recoup the cost of such investment has substantially increased since origination or acquisition, and the portfolio company likely has materially declining performance. For debt investments with an investment grade of 1, most or all of the debt covenants are out of compliance and payments are substantially delinquent. For investments graded 1, it is not anticipated that we will be repaid in an amount equal to our full initial cost basis. For investments graded 1 or 2, our investment adviser enhances its level of scrutiny over the monitoring of such portfolio company.

Ares Capital assigned a fair value as of April 1, 2010 to each of the portfolio investments acquired in connection with the Allied Acquisition. Grades on each investment were initially assessed a grade of 3 (i.e., generally the grade we assign a portfolio company at acquisition), reflecting the relative risk to our initial cost basis of such investments. The initial cost basis of each investment acquired in connection with the Allied Acquisition was equal to the fair value of such investment as of April 1, 2010. Many of these portfolio investments were assigned a fair value reflecting a significant discount to Allied Capital's cost basis at the time of Allied Capital's origination or acquisition of the investment. It is important to note that our grading system does not take into account factors or events in respect of the period from when Allied Capital originated or acquired such portfolio investments or the current status of these portfolio investments in terms of compliance with debt facilities, financial performance and similar factors. Rather, it is only intended to measure the risk to Ares Capital's cost basis from the time that Ares Capital acquired the portfolio investment in connection with the Allied Acquisition. Accordingly, it is possible that the grade of certain of these portfolio investments may be reduced or increased in the future.

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Set forth below is the distribution of our portfolio companies as of June 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009 (dollar amounts in thousands).

| | June 30, 2 | 2010 | | December : | 31, 2009 |
|---------|-----------------|-----------|------|------------|-----------|
| | Fair | Number of | Fair | | Number of |
| | Value | Companies | | Value | Companies |
| Grade 1 | \$ 18,387 | 9 | \$ | 7,170 | 8 |
| Grade 2 | 75,818 | 5 | | 154,509 | 9 |
| Grade 3 | 3,554,333(1) | 168 | | 1,796,641 | 70 |
| Grade 4 | 145,482 | 6 | | 213,494 | 8 |
| | \$ 3,794,020 | 188 | \$ | 2,171,814 | 95 |

(1) Includes investments acquired in the Allied Acquisition, which were all included in Grade 3 (as discussed above) of \$1.7 billion, including 99 companies.

As of June 30, 2010, the weighted average grade of the investments in our portfolio (excluding investments acquired in connection with the Allied Acquisition), the investments in our portfolio acquired in connection with the Allied Acquisition and the investments in our portfolio as a whole was each 3.0. The weighted average grade of the investments in our portfolio as of December 31, 2009 was 3.0.

As of June 30, 2010:

- 2.3% of our investments (excluding investments acquired in connection with the Allied Acquisition) at amortized cost (0.2% at fair value) were on non-accrual status;
- 7.1% of our investments acquired in connection with the Allied Acquisition at amortized cost (7.4% at fair value) were on non-accrual status; and
- 9.4% at amortized cost (or 7.6% at fair value) of the investments in our portfolio as a whole were on non-accrual status.

As of December 31, 2009, 2.5% of our investments at amortized cost (or 0.5% at fair value) were on non-accrual status.

The weighted average yields of the following portions of our portfolio as of June 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009 were as follows:

| | June 30, 2010 | | December | 31, 2009 |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------------|-----------|
| | Fair Value | Amortized | Fair Value | Amortized |
| D.17 12 12 12 12 | | Cost | | Cost |
| Debt and income producing securities | 13.39% | 13.40% | 12.67% | 12.08% |
| Debt and income producing securities for investments acquired as part of the Allied | | | | |
| Acquisition | 13.90% | 14.29% | % | % |
| Total portfolio | 10.12% | 9.91% | 11.19% | 10.23% |
| Senior term debt | 9.87% | 9.50% | 11.42% | 10.62% |
| Senior subordinated debt | 13.08% | 12.64% | 13.74% | 12.47% |
| Senior Secured Loan Fund | 19.94% | 21.22% | 17.00% | 17.00% |
| Income producing equity securities | 17.68% | 22.16% | 9.61% | 10.52% |
| First lien senior term debt | 9.33% | 9.36% | 10.67% | 10.38% |
| Second lien senior term debt | 12.47% | 10.05% | 12.92% | 11.06% |
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RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

For the three and six months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009

Operating results for the three and six months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 are as follows (in thousands):

| | For the three months ended | | | For the six months ended | | | onths | |
|--|----------------------------|------------------|----|--------------------------|----|------------------|-------|------------------|
| | J | June 30, 2010 | | June 30, 2009 | | June 30, 2010 | | June 30, 2009 |
| Total investment income | \$ | 121,590 | \$ | 59,111 | \$ | 188,100 | \$ | 115,127 |
| Total expenses | | 71,363 | | 27,085 | | 106,330 | | 52,870 |
| Net investment income before income taxes | | 50,227 | | 32,026 | | 81,770 | | 62,257 |
| Income tax expense (benefit), including excise tax | | 686 | | 78 | | 524 | | 109 |
| Net investment income | | 49,541 | | 31,948 | | 81,246 | | 62,148 |
| Net realized gains (losses) from investments | | 11,924 | | (741) | | 7,043 | | 23,967 |
| Net unrealized gains (losses) from investments | | 72,813 | | 3,546 | | 122,404 | | (16,328) |
| Gain from acquisition of Allied Capital | | 195,876 | | | | 195,876 | | |
| Net increase in stockholders' equity resulting from operations | \$ | 330,154 | \$ | 34,753 | \$ | 406,569 | \$ | 69,787 |

Net income can vary substantially from period to period as a result of various factors, including the recognition of realized gains and losses and unrealized appreciation and depreciation. As a result, quarterly comparisons of net income may not be meaningful.

Investment Income

For the three months ended June 30, 2010, total investment income increased \$62.5 million, or 106%, to \$121.6 million from \$59.1 million for the comparable period in 2009. For the three months ended June 30, 2010, total investment income primarily consisted of \$104.1 million in interest income from investments, \$7.7 million in capital structuring service fees, \$4.1 million in management fees and \$3.4 million in dividend income. Interest income from investments increased \$50.1 million, or 93%, to \$104.1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2010 from \$54.0 million for the comparable period in 2009. The increase in interest income from investments was primarily due to the increase in investments and largely due to the investments acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition, as the average investments at fair value increased from \$2.0 billion for the three months ended June 30, 2010 interest income from investments acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition was approximately \$43.6 million for the three months ended June 30, 2010. Capital structuring service fees increased \$7.1 million, or 1,176%, to \$7.7 million for the three months ended June 30, 2010 from \$0.6 million for the comparable period in 2009. The increase in capital structuring service fees was primarily due to the increase in new investment commitments for the three months ended June 30, 2010 as compared to the three months ended June 30, 2009. Management fees increased \$2.2 million, or 119%, to \$4.1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2010 from \$1.9 million for the comparable period in 2009. The increase in management fees was primarily related to \$2.9 million in management fees related to the investments and management contracts acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition as well as management fees earned related to the Senior Secured Loan Fund.

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For the six months ended June 30, 2010, total investment income increased \$73.0 million, or 63%, to \$188.1 million from \$115.1 million for the comparable period in 2009. For the six months ended June 30, 2010, total investment income primarily consisted of \$165.6 million in interest income from investments, \$9.8 million in capital structuring service fees, \$5.6 million in management fees and \$3.9 million in dividend income. Interest income from investments increased \$59.3 million, or 56%, to \$165.6 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010 from \$106.3 million for the comparable period in 2009. The increase in interest income from investments was primarily due to the increase in investments and largely due to the investments acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition, as the average investments at fair value increased from \$2.2 billion for the six months ended June 30, 2009 to \$2.6 billion for the six months ended June 30, 2010. Interest income from investments acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition were approximately \$43.6 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010. Capital structuring service fees increased \$7.9 million, or 430%, to \$9.8 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010 from \$1.8 million for the comparable period in 2009. The increase in capital structuring service fees was primarily due to the increase in new investment commitments for the six months ended June 30, 2010 as compared to the six months ended June 30, 2009. Management fees increased \$3.0 million, or 116%, to \$5.6 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010 from \$2.6 million for the comparable period in 2009. The increase in management fees was primarily related to \$2.9 million in management fees related to the investments and management contracts acquired as part of in the Allied Acquisition as well as management fees earned related to the Senior Secured Loan Fund.

Operating Expenses

For the three months ended June 30, 2010, total expenses increased \$44.3 million, or 163%, to \$71.4 million from \$27.1 million for the comparable period in 2009. Interest expense and credit facility fees increased \$16.8 million, or 267%, to \$23.1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2010 from \$6.3 million for the comparable period in 2009, primarily due to the additional interest expense incurred for the three months ended June 30, 2010 on the Unsecured Notes assumed in the Allied Acquisition of \$15.0 million. Base and incentive management fees increased \$11.2 million, or 74%, to \$26.7 million from \$15.4 million in total for the comparable period in 2009, primarily due to the increase in investments and the related interest income on those investments as a result of the Allied Acquisition, partially offset by an increase in interest expense related to the assumption of the Unsecured Notes in the Allied Acquisition. For the three months ended June 30, 2010, the Company also incurred \$12.5 million in professional fees and other costs related to the Allied Acquisition that were not incurred in the comparable period in 2009.

For the six months ended June 30, 2010, total expenses increased \$53.4 million, or 101%, to \$106.3 million from \$52.9 million for the comparable period in 2009. Interest expense and credit facility fees increased \$18.8 million, or 146%, to \$31.7 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010 from \$12.9 million for the comparable period in 2009, primarily due to the additional interest expense incurred for the six months ended June 30, 2010 on the Unsecured Notes assumed in the Allied Acquisition of \$15.0 million. For the six months ended June 30, 2010, the Company also incurred \$16.3 million in professional fees and other costs related to the Allied Acquisition that were not incurred in the comparable period in 2009. Base and incentive management fees increased \$12.7 million, or 42%, to \$43.3 million from \$30.5 million in total for the comparable period in 2009, primarily due to the increase in investments and the related interest income on those investments as a result of the Allied Acquisition.

Income Tax Expense, Including Excise Tax

The Company has elected to be treated as a RIC under Subchapter M of the Code and operates in a manner so as to qualify for the tax treatment applicable to RICs. In order to qualify as a

RIC, among other things, the Company is required to timely distribute to its stockholders at least 90% of investment company taxable income, as defined by the Code, for each year. Among other things, the Company has, in order to maintain its RIC status, made and intends to continue to make the requisite distributions to its stockholders which will generally relieve the Company from U.S. Federal income taxes.

Depending on the level of taxable income earned in a tax year, we may choose to carry forward taxable income in excess of current year dividend distributions into the next tax year and pay a 4% excise tax on such income, as required. To the extent that the Company determines that its estimated current year annual taxable income will be in excess of estimated current year dividend distributions, the Company accrues excise tax, if any, on estimated excess taxable income as taxable income is earned. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2010, the Company recorded no amounts for U.S. Federal excise tax. For the three months ended June 30, 2009, the Company recorded no amounts for U.S. Federal excise tax. For the six months ended June 30, 2009, the Company recognized \$0.1 million of benefits for U.S. Federal excise tax.

Certain of our subsidiaries are subject to U.S. Federal and state income taxes. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2010, we recorded a tax expense of \$0.7 million and \$0.5 million, respectively, for these subsidiaries, and for the three and six months ended June 30, 2009, we recorded a tax expense of approximately \$0.1 million and \$0.1 million, respectively, for these subsidiaries.

Net Unrealized Gains/Losses

For the three months ended June 30, 2010, the Company had net unrealized gains of \$72.8 million, which were primarily comprised of \$125.5 million in unrealized appreciation, \$43.3 million in unrealized depreciation and \$9.4 million related to the reversal of prior period net unrealized appreciation. Of the total net unrealized gains for the three months ended June 30, 2010, \$46.3 million were related to investments acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition, which were primarily comprised of \$73.1 million in unrealized appreciation and \$26.8 million in unrealized depreciation. The most significant changes in net unrealized appreciation and depreciation for the total portfolio (excluding the reversal of prior period net unrealized appreciation) during the three months ended June 30, 2010 were as follows (in millions):

For the three months

| Portfolio Company | en | r the three months ded June 30, 2010 Net Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation) |
|--------------------------------|----|---|
| Senior Secured Loan Fund(1) | \$ | 8.7 |
| IHAM(1) | - | 5.9 |
| Component Hardware Group, Inc. | | 5.6 |
| S.B. Restaurant Company | | 5.2 |
| Air Medical Group Holdings LLC | | 4.8 |
| Callidus Debt Partners CLO | | |
| Fund VI, Ltd. | | 4.7 |
| Callidus MAPS CLO Fund I, LLC | | 4.5 |
| Stag-Parkway, Inc. | | 4.5 |
| Callidus MAPS CLO Fund II, LLC | | 4.4 |
| BenefitMall Holdings, Inc. | | 4.1 |
| Callidus Debt Partners CLO | | |
| Fund VII, Ltd. | | 4.0 |
| DSI Renal, Inc. | | 3.9 |
| Promo Works, LLC | | 3.8 |
| Woodstream Corporation | | 3.6 |
| Tradesmen International, Inc. | | 3.4 |
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For the three months ended June 30, 2010 Net Unrealized Appreciation

| D. 46 P. C. | | reciation |
|-------------------------------------|------|------------|
| Portfolio Company | (Бер | reciation) |
| Callidus Debt Partners CLO | | 2.2 |
| Fund III, Ltd. | | 3.2 |
| Instituto de Banca y Comercio, Inc. | | 2.6 |
| Canon Communications LLC | | 2.4 |
| Callidus Debt Partners CLO | | 2.2 |
| Fund IV, Ltd. | | 2.3 |
| Things Remembered, Inc. | | 2.3 |
| Dryden XVIII Leveraged Loan 2007 | | |
| Limited | | 2.2 |
| Industrial Container Services, LLC | | 2.2 |
| Network Hardware Resale LLC | | 1.9 |
| Callidus Debt Partners CLO | | |
| Fund V, Ltd. | | 1.7 |
| Allied Capital Venture Fund | | 1.4 |
| Coverall North America, Inc. | | 1.4 |
| NPH, Inc | | 1.3 |
| Fidus Mezzanine Capital, L.P. | | 1.3 |
| OTG Management, Inc. | | 1.3 |
| eInstruction Corporation | | 1.2 |
| Apogee Retail LLC | | 1.2 |
| Financial Pacific Company | | 1.2 |
| Web Services Company, LLC | | 1.1 |
| Bumble Bee Foods, LLC | | 1.1 |
| Carador PLC | | 1.1 |
| MPBP Holdings, Inc. | | (1.1) |
| Pangaea CLO 2007-1 Ltd. | | (1.2) |
| Huddle House Inc. | | (1.7) |
| Tranzact Holdings LLC | | (1.7) |
| Distant Lands Trading Co. | | (1.8) |
| InSight Pharmaceuticals Corporation | | (1.8) |
| Ciena Capital LLC | | (1.9) |
| Crescent Hotels & Resorts, LLC | | (2.4) |
| Border Foods, Inc. | | (2.6) |
| Aquila Binks Forest | | |
| Development, LLC | | (2.8) |
| PENN Detroit Diesel Allison LLC | | (2.9) |
| FirstLight Financial Corporation | | (3.1) |
| The Step2 Company, LLC | | (3.5) |
| Knightsbridge CLO 2007-1 Ltd.(1) | | (3.5) |
| Knightsbridge CLO 2008-1 Ltd.(1) | | (3.6) |
| Other | | 12.3 |
| | | 12.3 |
| Total | \$ | 82.2 |
| | | |

(1) See Note 10 to the consolidated financial statements for the period ended June 30, 2010.

For the three months ended June 30, 2009, the Company had net unrealized gains of \$3.5 million, which was primarily comprised of \$37.4 million in unrealized depreciation, \$40.9 million in

unrealized appreciation. The most significant changes in net unrealized appreciation and depreciation during the three months ended June 30, 2009 were as follows (in millions):

| Portfolio Company | For the thi ended Jun Unrea Appred (Depred | ne 30, 2009 alized ciation |
|----------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| IHAM(1) | \$ | 8.0 |
| Waste Pro USA, Inc. | Ψ | 3.1 |
| DSI Renal, Inc. | | 2.9 |
| Apple & Eve, LLC | | 2.7 |
| Capella Healthcare, Inc. | | 2.6 |
| Best Brands Corp. | | 2.5 |
| ADF Restaurant Group, LLC | | 2.1 |
| Booz Allen & Hamilton, Inc. | | 1.8 |
| Savers, Inc. | | 1.7 |
| Wyle Laboratories, Inc. | | 1.4 |
| Encanto Restaurants, Inc. | | 1.2 |
| Wear Me Apparel, LLC | | 1.2 |
| Carador PLC | | (1.1) |
| MPBP Holdings, Inc. | | (1.3) |
| Wastequip, Inc. | | (1.3) |
| Vistar Corporation | | (1.5) |
| DirectBuy Investors, LP | | (1.5) |
| Courtside Acquisition Corp. | | (1.7) |
| Vantage Oncology, Inc | | (1.8) |
| Sigma International Group, Inc. | | (1.8) |
| Reflexite Corporation | | (2.5) |
| National Print Group, Inc. | | (2.8) |
| Summit Business Media, LLC | | (3.0) |
| LVCG Holdings LLC | | (3.7) |
| Firstlight Financial Corporation | | (10.9) |
| Other | | 7.2 |
| | | |
| Total | \$ | 3.5 |

(1) See Note 10 to the consolidated financial statements for the period ended June 30, 2010.

For the six months ended June 30, 2010, the Company had net unrealized gains of \$122.4 million, which was primarily comprised of \$183.1 million in unrealized appreciation, \$59.9 million in unrealized depreciation and \$0.8 million related to the reversal of prior period net unrealized appreciation. Of the total net unrealized gains for the six months ended June 30, 2010, \$46.3 million was related to investments acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition, which was primarily comprised of \$73.1 million in unrealized appreciation and \$26.8 million in unrealized depreciation. The most significant changes in net unrealized appreciation and depreciation for the total (excluding the

reversal of prior period net unrealized depreciation) during the six months ended June 30, 2010 were as follows (in millions):

| Portfolio Company | For the six months ended June 30, 2010 Net Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation) |
|---|---|
| R3 Education, Inc. | \$ 15.0 |
| Senior Secured Loan Fund(1) | 12.3 |
| IHAM(1) | 8.5 |
| Things Remembered, Inc. | 7.0 |
| DSI Renal, Inc. | 6.3 |
| Component Hardware Group, Inc. | 5.6 |
| S.B. Restaurant Company | 5.2 |
| Air Medical Group Holdings LLC | 4.8 |
| Callidus Debt Partners CLO | |
| Fund VI, Ltd. | 4.7 |
| Woodstream Corporation | 4.7 |
| Callidus MAPS CLO Fund I, LLC | 4.5 |
| Stag-Parkway, Inc. | 4.5 |
| Callidus MAPS CLO Fund II, LLC | 4.4 |
| BenefitMall Holdings, Inc. | 4.1 |
| Callidus Debt Partners CLO | |
| Fund VII, Ltd. | 4.0 |
| Campus Management Corp. | 4.0 |
| Promo Works, LLC | 3.8 |
| VOTC Acquisition Corp. | 3.7 |
| Instituto de Banca y Comercio, Inc. | 3.7 |
| Industrial Container Services, LLC | 3.4 |
| Tradesmen International, Inc. | 3.4 |
| OTG Management, Inc. | 3.2 |
| Callidus Debt Partners CLO | |
| Fund III, Ltd. | 3.2 |
| Canon Communications LLC | 2.4 |
| Callidus Debt Partners CLO | |
| Fund IV, Ltd. | 2.3 |
| Dryden XVIII Leveraged Loan 2007 | 2.2 |
| Limited | 2.2 |
| Web Services Company, LLC | 2.2 |
| Planet Organic Health Corp. | 1.9 |
| Network Hardware Resale LLC | 1.9 |
| Vistar Corporation | 1.8 |
| Waste Pro USA, Inc. | 1.8 |
| Apogee Retail LLC | 1.7 |
| Bumble Bee Foods, LLC | 1.7 1.7 |
| Growing Family, Inc. Callidus Debt Partners CLO | 1.7 |
| Fund V, Ltd. | 1.7 |
| Carador PLC | 1.7 1.5 |
| Allied Capital Venture Fund | 1.3 |
| The Kenan Advantage Group, Inc. | 1.4 |
| Coverall North America, Inc. | 1.4 |
| Pillar Holdings LLC | 1.4 |
| NPH, Inc | 1.3 |
| Fidus Mezzanine Capital, L.P. | 1.3 |
| Ivy Hill Middle Market Credit | 1.5 |
| Fund, Ltd. | 1.3 |
| eInstruction Corporation | 1.2 |
| | 1.2 |

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| | For the six m ended June 30 Net Unreal Appreciat | 0, 2010 ized ion |
|----------------------------------|---|------------------------|
| Portfolio Company | (Depreciat | |
| Financial Pacific Company | | 1.2 |
| GG Merger Sub I, Inc. | | 1.2 |
| Pangaea CLO 2007-1 Ltd. | | (1.2) |
| Tranzact Holdings LLC | | (1.6) |
| Huddle House Inc. | | (1.7) |
| Distant Lands Trading Co. | | (1.8) |
| InSight Pharmaceuticals | | |
| Corporation | | (1.8) |
| Ciena Capital LLC | | (1.9) |
| ADF Restaurant Group, LLC | | (2.1) |
| Crescent Hotels & Resorts, LLC | | (2.4) |
| Border Foods, Inc. | | (2.6) |
| Trivergance Capital Partners, LP | | (2.6) |
| Aquila Binks Forest | | |
| Development, LLC | | (2.8) |
| PENN Detroit Diesel Allison LLC | | (2.9) |
| The Step2 Company, LLC | | (3.5) |
| Knightsbridge CLO 2007-1 Ltd.(1) | | (3.5) |
| Knightsbridge CLO 2008-1 Ltd.(1) | | (3.6) |
| MPBP Holdings, Inc. | | (5.6) |
| FirstLight Financial Corporation | | (6.8) |
| Other | | 9.7 |
| | | |
| Total | \$ | 123.2 |

(1) See Note 10 to the consolidated financial statements for the period ended June 30, 2010.

For the six months ended June 30, 2009, the Company had net unrealized losses of \$16.3 million, which was primarily comprised of \$71.3 million in unrealized depreciation and \$53.6 million in unrealized appreciation and \$1.4 million relating to the reversal of prior period net

unrealized depreciation. The most significant changes in net unrealized appreciation and depreciation during the six months ended June 30, 2009 were as follows (in millions):

| Portfolio Company | ended Ui Ap | ne six months June 30, 2009 nrealized preciation preciation) |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|--|
| Apple & Eve, LLC | \$ | 8.2 |
| IHAM(1) | | 8.0 |
| Best Brands Corp. | | 6.3 |
| Capella Healthcare, Inc. | | 4.3 |
| Waste Pro USA, Inc. | | 3.2 |
| Booz Allen Hamilton, Inc. | | 3.0 |
| DSI Renal, Inc. | | 2.2 |
| Prommis Solutions, LLC | | 2.1 |
| ADF Restaurant Group | | 2.1 |
| Magnacare Holdings, Inc. | | 1.4 |
| Wyle Laboratories, Inc. | | 1.4 |
| Diversified Collections | | |
| Services, Inc. | | 1.3 |
| Encanto Restaurants, Inc. | | 1.2 |
| Wear Me Apparel, LLC | | 1.2 |
| OTG Management, Inc. | | (1.1) |
| MPBP Holdings, Inc. | | (1.3) |
| Vistar Corporation | | (1.5) |
| Sigma International Group, Inc. | | (1.8) |
| Things Remembered, Inc. | | (1.8) |
| HB&G Building Products | | (1.8) |
| Carador PLC | | (2.6) |
| Wastequip, Inc. | | (2.7) |
| AWTP, LLC | | (2.7) |
| VOTC Acquisition Corp. | | (2.8) |
| Growing Family, Inc. | | (3.4) |
| Courtside Acquisition Corp. | | (3.4) |
| Summit Business Media, LLC | | (4.0) |
| Direct Buy Holdings, Inc. | | (4.1) |
| National Print Group, Inc. | | (4.3) |
| LVCG Holdings LLC | | (4.5) |
| Reflexite Corporation | | (10.6) |
| Firstlight Financial Corporation | | (11.0) |
| Other | | 1.8 |
| Total | \$ | (17.7) |

(1)

See Note 10 to the consolidated financial statements for the period ended June 30, 2010.

Net Realized Gains/Losses

During the three months ended June 30, 2010, the Company recognized a gain on the acquisition of Allied Capital of \$196 million (see Note 15 to the consolidated financial statements for the period ended June 30, 2010). Additionally, during the three months ended June 30, 2010, the Company had \$632 million of sales and repayments resulting in \$12.3 million of net realized gains. Net

realized gains on investments were comprised of \$14.1 million of gross realized gains and \$1.8 million of gross realized losses. Of the \$12.3 million of net realized gains, approximately \$0.5 million were from investments acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition. The most significant realized gains and losses on investments for the three months ended June 30, 2010 (excluding the gain on the acquisition of Allied Capital) were as follows (in millions):

| Portfolio Company | For the three months ended June 30, 2010 Realized Gain (Loss) | | |
|---------------------------------|--|-------|--|
| Instituto de Banca y | | | |
| Comercio, Inc. | \$ | 3.6 | |
| DSI Renal, Inc. | | 3.0 | |
| The Kenan Advantage Group, Inc. | | 1.8 | |
| Capella Healthcare, Inc. | | 1.6 | |
| Planet Organic Health Corp. | | (1.8) | |
| Other | | 4.1 | |
| | | | |
| Total | \$ | 12.3 | |

During the three months ended June 30, 2009, the Company had \$85.8 million of sales and repayments resulting in \$0.9 million of net realized losses. These sales and repayments included \$4.0 million of loans sold to the Ivy Hill Funds, the two middle market credit funds managed by our affiliate, IHAM (see Note 10 to the consolidated financial statements for the period ended June 30, 2010 for more detail on IHAM and its managed funds). Net realized losses on investments were comprised of \$0.1 million of gross realized gains and \$1.0 of gross realized losses. The most significant realized gains and losses on investments for the three months ended June 30, 2009 were as follows (in millions):

| Portfolio Company | alized n (Loss) |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Diversified Collection | |
| Services, Inc. | \$ 0.1 |
| Instituto de Banca y Comercio, Inc. | (0.9) |
| Other | (0.1) |
| | |
| Total | \$ (0.9) |

During the six months ended June 30, 2010, the Company recognized a gain on the acquisition of Allied Capital of \$196 million. Additionally, during the six months ended June 30, 2010, the Company had \$945 million of sales and repayments resulting in \$7.4 million of net realized gains. These sales and repayments included \$94.5 million of loans sold to Ivy Hill I and Ivy Hill II, two middle market credit funds managed by our portfolio company, IHAM (see Note 10 to the consolidated financial statements for the period ended June 30, 2010 for more detail on IHAM and its managed funds). Net realized gains on investments were comprised of \$21.6 million of gross realized

gains and \$14.2 million of gross realized losses. The most significant realized gains and losses on investments for the six months ended June 30, 2010 were as follows (in millions):

| Postfolio Commons | For the six months ended June 30, 2010 Realized | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|---|------------|--|--|--|--|
| Portfolio Company | | ain (Loss) | | | | |
| DSI Renal, Inc. | \$ | 3.8 | | | | |
| Instituto de Banca y | | | | | | |
| Comercio, Inc. | | 3.6 | | | | |
| Best Brands Corp. | | 2.4 | | | | |
| The Kenan Advantage Group, Inc. | | 1.8 | | | | |
| Capella Healthcare, Inc. | | 1.6 | | | | |
| Daily Candy, Inc. | | 1.3 | | | | |
| Magnacare Holdings, Inc. | | 1.2 | | | | |
| Wyle Laboratories, Inc. | | 1.1 | | | | |
| Savers, Inc. | | 1.0 | | | | |
| Arrow Group Industries | | (1.2) | | | | |
| Planet Organic Health Corp. | | (1.8) | | | | |
| 3091779 Nova Scotia Inc. | | (3.5) | | | | |
| Growing Family, Inc. | | (7.6) | | | | |
| Other | | 3.7 | | | | |
| Total | \$ | 7.4 | | | | |
| | | | | | | |

During the six months ended June 30, 2009, the Company repurchased \$34.8 million of the CLO Notes (as defined below) resulting in a \$26.5 million realized gain on the extinguishment of debt. The Company also had \$163.2 million of sales and repayments resulting in \$2.7 million of net realized losses. These sales and repayments included \$40.5 million of loans sold to the Ivy Hill Funds. Net realized losses on investments were comprised of \$0.2 million of gross realized gains and \$2.9 of gross realized losses. The most significant realized gains and losses on investments for the six months ended June 30, 2009 were as follows (in millions):

| Portfolio Company | Realized Gain (Loss) | | |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------|--|
| Diversified Collection | | | |
| Services, Inc. | \$ | 0.2 | |
| Heartland Dental Care, Inc. | | (0.2) | |
| Bumble Bee Foods, LLC | | (0.2) | |
| Campus Management Corp. | | (0.5) | |
| Instituto de Banca y Comercio, Inc. | | (0.9) | |
| Capella Healthcare, Inc. | | (1.0) | |
| Other | | (0.1) | |
| | | | |
| Total | \$ | (2.7) | |

For the years ended December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007

Operating results for the years ended December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007 are as follows (in thousands):

| | For the Year Ended December 31, | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------|----|-----------|----|----------|--|
| | | 2009 | | 2008 | | 2007 | |
| Total Investment Income | \$ | 245,272 | \$ | 240,461 | \$ | 188,873 | |
| Total Expenses | | 111,290 | | 113,221 | | 94,750 | |
| Net Investment Income Before | | | | | | | |
| Income Taxes | | 133,982 | | 127,240 | | 94,123 | |
| Income Tax Expense (Benefit), | | | | | | | |
| Including Excise Tax | | 576 | | 248 | | (826) | |
| | | | | | | | |
| Net Investment Income | | 133,406 | | 126,992 | | 94,949 | |
| Net Realized Gains (Losses) | | (19,420) | | 6,371 | | 6,544 | |
| Net Unrealized Gains (Losses) | | 88,707 | | (272,818) | | (10,661) | |
| | | | | | | | |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in | | | | | | | |
| Stockholders' Equity Resulting | | | | | | | |
| From Operations | \$ | 202,693 | \$ | (139,455) | \$ | 90,832 | |

Investment Income

For the year ended December 31, 2009, total investment income increased \$4.8 million, or 2% over the year ended December 31, 2008. Interest income from investments increased \$16.6 million, or 8%, to \$225.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2009 from \$208.5 million for the comparable period in 2008. The increase in interest income from investments was primarily due to the increase in the size of the portfolio as well as increases in the weighted average yield on the portfolio. The average investments, at amortized cost, for the year increased to \$2.3 billion for the year ended December 31, 2009 from \$2.2 billion for the comparable period in 2008. Capital structuring service fees decreased \$15.6 million, or 74%, to \$5.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2009 from \$21.2 million for the comparable period in 2008. The decrease in capital structuring service fees was primarily due to the decrease in new investments originated which declined from \$906 million for the year ended December 31, 2008 to \$480 million for the comparable period in 2009.

For the year ended December 31, 2008, total investment income increased \$51.6 million, or 27% over the year ended December 31, 2007. Interest income from investments increased \$46.0 million, or 28%, to \$208.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2008 from \$162.4 million for the comparable period in 2007. The increase in interest income from investments was primarily due to the increase in the size of the portfolio as well as increases in the weighted average yield on the portfolio. The average investments, at fair value, for the year increased to \$2.0 billion for the year ended December 31, 2008 from \$1.5 billion for the comparable period in 2007. Capital structuring service fees increased \$3.2 million, or 18%, to \$21.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2008 from \$18.0 million for the comparable period in 2007. The increase in capital structuring service fees was primarily due to the increase in fee percentages as a result of more favorable terms available in the current market.

Operating Expenses

For the year ended December 31, 2009, total expenses decreased \$1.9 million, or 2%, from the year ended December 31, 2008. Interest expense and credit facility fees decreased \$12.2 million, or 34%, to \$24.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2009 from \$36.5 million for the comparable period in 2008, despite increases in the outstanding borrowings for the period. The average outstanding borrowings during the year ended December 31, 2009 was \$870.0 million compared to average outstanding borrowings of \$819.0 million for the comparable period in 2008. The increase in

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outstanding borrowings was more than offset by the decline in the average cost of borrowing which went from 4.06% for the year ended December 31, 2008 to 2.16% for the year ended December 31, 2009. The decrease in interest expense and credit facility fees was partially offset by an increase in professional fees. For the year ended December 31, 2009, professional fees increased \$6.8 million, or 113%, to \$12.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2009 from \$5.9 million for the comparable period in 2008. Of the \$6.8 million increase in professional fees, \$4.9 million were related to the Allied Acquisition. Incentive fees related to pre-incentive fee net investment income increased \$1.6 million, or 5%, to \$33.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2009 from \$31.7 million for the comparable period in 2008, primarily due to the increase in the size of the portfolio and the related increase in net investment income.

For the year ended December 31, 2008, total expenses increased \$18.5 million, or 19%, from the year ended December 31, 2007. Base management fees increased \$6.9 million, or 29%, to \$30.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2008 from \$23.5 million for the comparable period in 2007, primarily due to the increase in the size of the portfolio. Incentive fees related to pre-incentive fee net investment income increased \$8.2 million, or 35%, to \$31.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2008 from \$23.5 million for the comparable period in 2007, primarily due to the increase in the size of the portfolio and the related increase in net investment income. The increase in total expenses was partially offset by the decline in interest expense and credit facility fees. Interest expense and credit facility fees decreased \$0.4 million, or 1%, to \$36.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2008 from \$36.9 million for the comparable period in 2007, despite significant increases in the outstanding borrowings for the period. The average outstanding borrowings during the year ended December 31, 2008 was \$819.0 million compared to average outstanding borrowings of \$567.9 million for the comparable period in 2007. The increase in outstanding borrowings was more than offset by the decline in the average cost of borrowing which went from 6.08% for the year ended December 31, 2007 to 4.06% for the year ended December 31, 2008.

Income Tax Expense, Including Excise Tax

The Company has elected to be treated as a RIC under Subchapter M of the Code and operates in a manner so as to qualify for the tax treatment applicable to RICs. Among other things, the Company has, in order to maintain its RIC status, made and intends to continue to make the requisite distributions to its stockholders which will generally relieve the Company from U.S. federal income taxes.

Depending on the level of taxable income earned in a tax year, we may choose to carry forward taxable income in excess of current year dividend distributions into the next tax year and pay a 4% excise tax on such income, as required. To the extent that the Company determines that its estimated current year annual taxable income will be in excess of estimated current year dividend distributions, the Company accrues excise tax, if any, on estimated excess taxable income as taxable income is earned. For the year ended December 31, 2009, a net benefit of \$0.1 million was recorded for federal excise tax. For the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007 provisions of approximately \$0.1 million were recorded for federal excise tax for both years.

Certain of our wholly owned subsidiaries are subject to U.S. federal and state income taxes. For the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, we recorded a tax provision of approximately \$0.6 million and \$0.1 million, respectively, for these subsidiaries. For the year ended December 31, 2007, we recorded a tax benefit of \$0.9 million, for these subsidiaries, respectively.

Net Realized Gains/Losses

During the year ended December 31, 2009, the Company had \$461.8 million of sales, repayments or exits resulting in \$46.0 million of net realized losses. These sales, repayments or exits

included \$44.1 million of loans sold to the Ivy Hill Funds. Net realized losses were comprised of \$20.3 million of gross realized gains and \$66.3 million of gross realized losses. The most significant realized gains and losses during the year ended December 31, 2009 were as follows (in millions):

| | Realized | | | |
|--------------------------------|----------|----------|--|--|
| Portfolio Company | Gai | n (Loss) | | |
| Waste Pro USA, Inc. | \$ | 12.3 | | |
| Bumble Bee Foods, LLC. | | 3.6 | | |
| PODS Holdings, Inc | | 1.8 | | |
| Best Brands Corporation. | | 1.2 | | |
| Capella Healthcare, Inc | | (1.0) | | |
| Making Memories Wholesale, Inc | | (14.2) | | |
| Wear Me Apparel, LLC | | (15.0) | | |
| Courtside Acquisition Corp. | | (34.3) | | |
| Other | | (0.4) | | |
| | | | | |
| Total | \$ | (46.0) | | |

During the year ended December 31, 2008, the Company had \$495.6 million of sales and repayments resulting in \$6.6 million of net realized gains. These sales and repayments included the \$75.5 million of loans sold to the Ivy Hill Funds. Net realized gains were comprised of \$6.8 million of gross realized gains and \$0.2 million of gross realized losses. The most significant realized gains and losses during the year ended December 31, 2008 were as follows (in millions):

| | Realized | | |
|---------------------|----------|--------|--|
| Portfolio Company | Gain | (Loss) | |
| Dufry AG | \$ | 2.8 | |
| Waste Pro USA, Inc. | | 2.0 | |
| Daily Candy, Inc. | | 1.3 | |
| Other | | 0.5 | |
| | | | |
| Total | \$ | 6.6 | |

During the year ended December 31, 2007, the Company had \$725.2 million of sales and repayments resulting in \$6.6 million of net realized gains. These sales and repayments included the \$133.0 million of loans sold to Ivy Hill I. Net realized gains were comprised of \$16.2 million of gross realized gains and \$9.7 million of gross realized losses. The most significant realized gains and losses during the year ended December 31, 2007 were as follows (in millions):

| | Rea | ealized | | |
|----------------------------------|-------------|---------|--|--|
| Portfolio Company | Gain (Loss) | | | |
| The GSI Group, Inc. | \$ | 6.2 | | |
| Varel Holdings, Inc. | | 4.0 | | |
| Equinox SMU Partners LLC | | 3.5 | | |
| Berkline/Benchcraft Holdings LLC | | (8.8) | | |
| Other | | 1.7 | | |
| | | | | |
| Total | \$ | 6.6 | | |

Net Unrealized Gains/Losses

For the year ended December 31, 2009, the Company had net unrealized gains of \$88.7 million, which was comprised of \$125.0 million in unrealized appreciation, \$92.4 million in unrealized depreciation and \$56.1 million related to the reversal of prior period net unrealized

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depreciation recorded upon exit of an investment. The most significant changes in net unrealized appreciation and depreciation during the year ended December 31, 2009 were as follows (in millions):

| Portfolio Company | Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation) | | |
|-------------------------------------|--|--------|--|
| DSI Renal, Inc. | \$ | 19.0 | |
| Apple & Eve, LLC | | 12.4 | |
| IHAM | | 11.6 | |
| Best Brands Corporation | | 7.9 | |
| Capella Healthcare, Inc. | | 7.2 | |
| Wear Me Apparel, LLC | | 6.0 | |
| Prommis Solutions, LLC | | 4.8 | |
| Waste Pro USA, Inc. | | 4.2 | |
| Instituto de Banco Y Comercio, Inc. | | 3.6 | |
| Booz Allen Hamilton, Inc. | | 3.5 | |
| MPBP Holdings, Inc. | | (3.1) | |
| National Print Group, Inc. | | (3.2) | |
| Courtside Acquisition Corp. | | (3.4) | |
| Direct Buy Holdings, Inc. | | (3.4) | |
| HCP Acquisitions Holdings, LLC. | | (3.7) | |
| Canon Communications LLC. | | (3.9) | |
| Growing Family, Inc. | | (5.0) | |
| AWTP, LLC. | | (5.5) | |
| Summit Business Media, LLC | | (5.7) | |
| Wastequip, Inc. | | (5.9) | |
| LVCG Holdings LLC | | (8.2) | |
| Reflexite Corporation | | (10.9) | |
| Firstlight Financial Corporation | | (11.1) | |
| Other | | 25.4 | |
| Total | ¢ | 22.6 | |
| Total | \$ | 32.6 | |

For the year ended December 31, 2008, the Company had net unrealized losses of \$272.8 million, which was comprised of \$54.9 million in unrealized appreciation, \$323.9 million in unrealized depreciation and \$3.8 million relating to the reversal of prior period net unrealized

appreciation. The most significant changes in net unrealized appreciation and depreciation during the year ended December 31, 2008 were as follows (in millions):

| Portfolio Company | Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation) | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--|---------|--|--|
| R3 Education, Inc. | \$ | 5.0 | | |
| Instituto de Banco Y Comercio, Inc. | Ψ | 4.5 | | |
| Industrial Container Services LLC | | 4.1 | | |
| Diversified Collection Services, Inc. | | 3.4 | | |
| Campus Management Corp. | | 3.0 | | |
| Prommis Solutions, LLC | | (3.1) | | |
| 309179 Nova Scotia, Inc. | | (3.1) | | |
| National Print Group, Inc. | | (3.1) | | |
| Athletic Club Holdings, Inc. | | (3.2) | | |
| Booz Allen Hamilton, Inc. | | (3.2) | | |
| Wastequip, Inc. | | (3.3) | | |
| Direct Buy Holdings, Inc. | | (3.6) | | |
| OnCURE Medical Corp. | | (3.6) | | |
| VSS-Tranzact Holdings, LLC | | (4.0) | | |
| Summit Business Media, LLC | | (4.0) | | |
| Best Brands Corporation | | (4.3) | | |
| GG Merger Sub I, Inc. | | (4.7) | | |
| Apogee Retail, LLC | | (4.8) | | |
| Ivy Hill Middle Market Credit | | | | |
| Fund, Ltd. | | (5.6) | | |
| Making Memories Wholesale, Inc. | | (6.7) | | |
| Vistar Corporation | | (6.9) | | |
| HB&G Building Products | | (7.4) | | |
| Growing Family, Inc. | | (7.5) | | |
| Primis Marketing Group, Inc. | | (7.6) | | |
| Capella Healthcare, Inc. | | (9.5) | | |
| Wear Me Apparel, LLC | | (12.1) | | |
| Things Remembered, Inc. | | (12.3) | | |
| Apple & Eve, LLC | | (12.4) | | |
| MPBP Holdings, Inc. | | (15.3) | | |
| DSI Renal, Inc. | | (18.1) | | |
| Reflexite Corporation | | (19.2) | | |
| Courtside Acquisition Corp. | | (30.9) | | |
| Firstlight Financial Corporation | | (37.0) | | |
| Other | | (32.5) | | |
| Total | \$ | (269.0) | | |

For the year ended December 31, 2007, the Company had net unrealized losses of \$10.7 million, which was comprised of \$52.5 million in unrealized appreciation, \$60.4 million in unrealized depreciation and \$2.8 million relating to the reversal of prior period net unrealized

appreciation. The most significant changes in unrealized appreciation and depreciation during the year ended December 31, 2007 were as follows (in millions):

| Portfolio Company | Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation) | | |
|-------------------------------------|--|--------|--|
| Reflexite Corporation | \$ | 27.2 | |
| The GSI Group, Inc. | | 5.6 | |
| Waste Pro, Inc. | | 4.0 | |
| Daily Candy, Inc. | | 3.6 | |
| Industrial Container Services, Inc. | | 3.2 | |
| Varel Holdings, Inc. | | 3.0 | |
| Wastequip, Inc. | | (3.2) | |
| Making Memories Wholesale, Inc. | | (5.0) | |
| Primis Marketing Group, Inc. | | (5.6) | |
| Universal Trailer Corporation | | (7.2) | |
| Wear Me Apparel, LLC | | (8.0) | |
| Firstlight Financial Corporation | | (10.0) | |
| MPBP Holdings, Inc. | | (10.5) | |
| Other | | (5.0) | |
| | | | |
| Total | \$ | (7.9) | |

FINANCIAL CONDITION, LIQUIDITY, AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Since the Company's inception, the Company's liquidity and capital resources have been generated primarily from the net proceeds of public offerings of common stock, the Debt Securitization and advances from the Facilities, as well as cash flows from operations. In addition, as part of the Allied Acquisition, the Company assumed all outstanding debt obligations of Allied Capital, including the Unsecured Notes, which include the 2011 Notes, the 2012 Notes and the 2047 Notes.

As of June 30, 2010, the Company had \$139 million in cash and cash equivalents and \$1.2 billion in total indebtedness outstanding at carrying value (\$1.3 billion at aggregate principal amount). Subject to leverage and borrowing base restrictions, the Company had approximately \$807 million available for additional borrowings under the Facilities and Debt Securitization as of June 30, 2010. As of December 31, 2009, the Company had \$99.2 million in cash and cash equivalents and \$969.5 million in total indebtedness outstanding. Subject to leverage and borrowing base restrictions, the Company had approximately \$252.1 million available for additional borrowings under the Facilities and the Debt Securitization as of December 31, 2009.

Equity Offerings

In February 2010, we completed a public add-on equity offering (the "February Add-on Offering") of 22,957,993 shares of common stock (including 1,957,993 shares pursuant to the partial exercise by the underwriters of their overallotment option) at a price of \$12.75 per share, less an underwriting discount of \$0.6375 per share. Total proceeds from the February Add-on Offering, net of underwriters' discount and offering costs, were approximately \$277 million.

In August 2009, we completed a public add-on equity offering (the "August Add-on Offering") of 12,439,908 shares of common stock (including 1,439,908 shares purchased pursuant to the underwriters' over-allotment option) at a price of \$9.25 per share, less an underwriting discount totaling approximately \$0.42 per share. The shares were offered at a discount from the then most recently determined net asset value per share of \$11.21 pursuant to authority granted by our common stockholders at the annual meeting of stockholders held on May 4, 2009. Total proceeds received from the August Add-on Offering, net of underwriters' discount and offering costs, were approximately \$109.1 million.

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The following table summarizes the total shares issued and proceeds we received in underwritten public offerings of our common stock net of underwriter, dealer manager and offering costs for the six months ended June 30, 2010 and the years ended December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007 (in millions, except per share data):

| | Shares issued | Offering price per share | | underv | eds net of writing and ring costs |
|---|------------------|--------------------------------|-------|--------|---|
| 2010 | | | | | |
| February 2010 public offering | 23.0 | \$ | 12.75 | \$ | 277.0 |
| Total for the six months ended June 30, 2010 | 23.0 | | | \$ | 277.0 |
| 2009 | | | | | |
| August 2009 public offering | 12.4 | \$ | 9.25 | \$ | 109.1 |
| | | | | | |
| Total for the year ended December 31, 2009 | 12.4 | | | \$ | 109.1 |
| 2008 | | | | _ | |
| April 2008 public offering | 24.2 | \$ | 11.00 | \$ | 259.8 |
| | | | | | |
| Total for the year ended December 31, 2008 | 24.2 | | | \$ | 259.8 |
| 2007 | | | | | |
| August 2007 public offering | 2.6 | \$ | 16.30 | \$ | 42.3 |
| April 2007 public offering | 15.5 | \$ | 17.97 | | 267.2 |
| February 2007 public offering | 1.4 | \$ | 19.95 | | 27.2 |
| Underwriters over-allotment option related to | | | | | |
| December 2006 public offering | 0.4 | \$ | 18.50 | | 7.5 |
| | | | | | |
| Total for the year ended December 31, 2007 | 19.9 | | | \$ | 344.2 |
| | | | | | |

In addition, in connection with the closing of the Allied Acquisition, on April 1, 2010 we issued 58,492,537 shares of common stock valued at approximately \$872.7 million.

Part of the proceeds from our underwritten public offerings were used to repay outstanding indebtedness. The remaining unused portions of the proceeds from our underwritten public offerings were used to fund investments in portfolio companies in accordance with our investment objective and strategies and market conditions.

As of June 30, 2010, total market capitalization for the Company was \$2.4 billion compared to \$1.4 billion as of December 31, 2009.

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Debt Capital Activities

Our debt obligations as of June 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009 consisted of the following (in millions):

| | June 30, 2010 | | | December 31, 2009 | | | , 2009 | |
|--|---------------|---------|--------------|-------------------|-------|-------|--------|------------|
| | Carrying | | Total | | | | | Total |
| | Value(4) | | Available(1) | | Value | | Av | ailable(1) |
| CP Funding Facility | \$ | 204.9 | \$ | 400.0 | \$ | 221.6 | \$ | 221.6 |
| Revolving Credit Facility | | 153.0 | | 750.0 | | 474.1 | | 525.0 |
| CP Funding II Facility(2) | | | | | | | | 200.0 |
| Debt Securitization | | 214.4 | | 229.0 | | 273.8 | | 275.0 |
| 2011 Notes (principal amount outstanding of \$314.9) | | 306.4(3 |) | 314.9 | | | | |
| 2012 Notes (principal amount outstanding of \$190.6) | | 185.6(3 |) | 190.6 | | | | |
| 2047 Notes (principal amount outstanding of \$230.0) | | 180.7(3 |) | 230.0 | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | \$ | 1,245.0 | \$ | 2,114.5 | \$ | 969.5 | \$ | 1,221.6 |

- (1) Subject to borrowing base and leverage restrictions.
- (2)
 The CP Funding II Facility was combined with the CP Funding Facility on January 22, 2010. In connection therewith the CP Funding II Facility was terminated.
- (3)

 Represents the aggregate principal amount of the applicable series of notes less the unaccreted discount initially recorded as a part of the Allied Acquisition.
- (4) Except for the Unsecured Notes, all carrying values are the same as the principal amounts outstanding.

The weighted average interest rate and weighted average maturity both on principal value, of all our outstanding borrowings as of June 30, 2010 were 4.74% and 9 years, respectively. The weighted average interest rate and weighted average maturity of all our outstanding borrowings as of December 31, 2009 were 2.05% and 3.8 years, respectively.

The ratio of total principal debt outstanding to stockholders' equity as of June 30, 2010 was 0.48:1.00 compared to 0.77:1.00 as of December 31, 2009. The ratio of total carrying value of debt to stockholders' equity as of June 30, 2010 was 0.46:1.00.

As required by the Investment Company Act, with certain limited exceptions, we are only allowed to borrow amounts such that our asset coverage, as defined in the Investment Company Act, is at least 200% after such borrowing. As of June 30, 2010, our asset coverage for borrowed amounts was 318%.

CP Funding Facilities

In October 2004, we formed Ares Capital CP, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, through which we established the CP Funding Facility that allowed Ares Capital CP to issue up to \$350 million of variable funding certificates ("VFC"). On May 7, 2009, the Company and Ares Capital CP entered into an amendment that, among other things, converted the CP Funding Facility from a revolving facility to an amortizing facility, extended the maturity from July 21, 2009 to May 7, 2012 and reduced the availability from \$350 million to \$225 million.

On July 21, 2009, we entered into an agreement with Wachovia Bank N.A. ("Wachovia") to establish a new revolving facility (the "CP Funding II Facility") whereby Wachovia agreed to extend credit to us in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$200 million at any one time outstanding.

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Prior to its combination with the CP Funding Facility, the CP Funding II Facility was scheduled to expire on July 21, 2012.

On January 22, 2010, we combined the CP Funding Facility with the CP Funding II Facility into a single \$400 million revolving securitized facility. In connection with the combination, we terminated the CP Funding II Facility and entered into an Amended and Restated Purchase and Sale Agreement with Ares Capital CP Funding Holdings LLC, our wholly owned subsidiary ("CP Holdings"), pursuant to which we may sell to CP Holdings certain loans that we have originated or acquired, or will originate or acquire (the "Loans") from time to time, which CP Holdings will subsequently sell to Ares Capital CP, which is a wholly owned subsidiary of CP Holdings. The CP Funding Facility is secured by all of the assets held by, and the membership interest in, Ares Capital CP. The CP Funding Facility, among other things, extends the maturity date of the facility to January 22, 2013 (with two one-year extension options, subject to mutual consent). Prior to January 22, 2010, the interest rate charged on the CP Funding Facility was the commercial paper rate plus 3.50%. After January 22, 2010, subject to certain exceptions, the interest charged on the CP Funding Facility is based on LIBOR plus an applicable spread of between 2.25% and 3.75% or on a "base rate" (which is the higher of a prime rate, or the federal funds rate plus 0.50%) plus an applicable spread of between 1.25% to 2.75%, in each case, based on a pricing grid depending upon our credit rating. Additionally, we are required to pay a commitment fee of between 0.50% and 2.00% depending on the usage level on any unused portion of the CP Funding Facility.

As of June 30, 2010, the principal amount outstanding under the CP Funding Facility was \$205 million and the Company continues to be in material compliance with all of the limitations and requirements of the CP Funding Facility. See Note 7 to our consolidated financial statements for the period ended June 30, 2010 for more detail on the CP Funding Facility.

Revolving Credit Facility

In December 2005, we entered into the Revolving Credit Facility under which, as amended, the lenders agreed to extend credit to the Company. On January 22, 2010, we entered into an agreement to amend and restate the Revolving Credit Facility. The amendment and restatement of the Revolving Credit Facility, among other things, increased the size of the facility from \$525 million to \$690 million (comprised of \$615 million in commitments on a stand-alone basis and an additional \$75 million in commitments that became effective upon the closing of the Allied Acquisition), extended the maturity date from December 28, 2010 to January 22, 2013 and modified pricing. The Revolving Credit Facility also includes an "accordion" feature that allows us, under certain circumstances, to increase the size of the facility to a maximum of \$1.05 billion. During the six months ended June 30, 2010, we exercised this "accordion" feature and increased the size of the facility by \$60 million to bring the total facility size to \$750 million. As of June 30, 2010, there was \$153 million outstanding under the Revolving Credit Facility and the Company continues to be in material compliance with all of the limitations and requirements of the Revolving Credit Facility.

Prior to January 22, 2010, subject to certain exceptions, pricing on the Revolving Credit Facility was based on LIBOR plus 1.00% or on an "alternate base rate" (which was the highest of a prime rate, the federal funds rate plus 0.50%, or one month LIBOR plus 1.00%). After January 22, 2010, subject to certain exceptions, pricing under the Revolving Credit Facility is based on LIBOR plus an applicable spread of between 2.50% and 4.00% or on the "alternate base rate" plus an applicable spread of between 1.50% and 3.00%, in each case, based on a pricing grid depending upon our credit rating. See Note 7 to our consolidated financial statements for the period ended June 30, 2010 for more detail on the Revolving Credit Facility.

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Debt Securitization

In July 2006, through ARCC CLO, we completed the \$400 million Debt Securitization and issued approximately \$314 million principal amount of CLO Notes (including revolving notes in an aggregate amount of up to \$50 million, \$35.4 million of which were drawn down as of June 30, 2010) to third parties that were secured by a pool of middle market loans that have been purchased or originated by the Company. We serve as the servicer to ARCC CLO. The CLO Notes are included in the June 30, 2010 consolidated balance sheet. We retained approximately \$86 million of aggregate principal amount of certain BBB and non-rated securities in the Debt Securitization. During the first quarter of 2009, we repurchased \$34.8 million of various tranches of the CLO Notes, bringing our total holdings of CLO Notes to \$120.8 million (the "Retained Notes"). During the six months ended June 30, 2010, we repaid \$59.4 million of the CLO Notes.

The CLO Notes mature on December 20, 2019 and have a blended pricing of LIBOR plus 0.33%. As of June 30, 2010, there was \$214.4 million outstanding under the Debt Securitization (excluding the Retained Notes). See Note 7 to our consolidated financial statements for the period ended June 30, 2010 for more detail on the Debt Securitization.

Publicly Issued Unsecured Notes Payable

As part of the Allied Acquisition, the Company assumed all outstanding debt obligations of Allied Capital, including the Unsecured Notes, which include the 2011 Notes, the 2012 Notes and the 2047 Notes.

| | Carrying Value(1) | | |
|--|-------------------|-------|--|
| 2011 Notes (principal amount of \$314.9) | \$ | 306.4 | |
| 2012 Notes (principal amount | Ф | 300.4 | |
| of \$190.6) | | 185.6 | |
| 2047 Notes (principal amount of \$230.0) | | 180.7 | |
| Total | \$ | 672.7 | |

(1)

Represents the principal amount of the notes less the unaccreted discount initially recorded as a part of the Allied Acquisition.

The 2011 Notes and the 2012 Notes require payment of interest semi-annually, and all principal is due upon maturity. The Company has the option to redeem these notes in whole or in part, together with a redemption premium, as stipulated in the notes.

The 2047 Notes require payment of interest quarterly, and all principal is due upon maturity. These notes are redeemable in whole or in part at any time or from time to time on or after April 15, 2012, at par and upon the occurrence of certain tax events as stipulated in the notes.

In addition, the Company may purchase the Unsecured Notes in the market to the extent permitted by the Investment Company Act. During the three months ended June 30, 2010, the Company purchased \$5 million of the 2011 Notes and \$5 million of the 2012 Notes. As a result of these transactions a realized loss of \$0.4 million was recognized during the period.

Corporate Credit Rating

As of June 30, 2010, we had a long-term counterparty credit rating from Standard & Poor's Ratings Service of BBB, a long-term issuer default rating from Fitch Ratings of BBB and a long-term issuer rating of Ba1 from Moody's Investor Service.

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PORTFOLIO VALUATION

Investments for which market quotations are readily available are typically valued at such market quotations. In order to validate market quotations, we look at a number of factors to determine if the quotations are representative of fair value, including the source and nature of the quotations. Debt and equity securities that are not publicly traded or whose market prices are not readily available (i.e., substantially all of our investments) are valued at fair value as determined in good faith by our board of directors, based on the input of our management and audit committee and independent valuation firms that have been engaged at the direction of the board to assist in the valuation of each portfolio investment without a readily available market quotation at least once during a trailing 12-month period and under a valuation policy and a consistently applied valuation process. The valuation process is conducted at the end of each fiscal quarter, with approximately 50% (based on value) of our valuations of portfolio companies without readily available market quotations subject to review by an independent valuation firm each quarter.

As part of the valuation process, we may take into account the following types of factors, if relevant, in determining the fair value of our investments: the enterprise value of a portfolio company (an estimate of the total fair value of the portfolio company's debt and equity), the nature and realizable value of any collateral, the portfolio company's ability to make payments and its earnings and discounted cash flow, the markets in which the portfolio company does business, a comparison of the portfolio company's securities to publicly traded securities, changes in the interest rate environment and the credit markets generally that may affect the price at which similar investments may be made in the future and other relevant factors. When an external event such as a purchase transaction, public offering or subsequent equity sale occurs, we use the pricing indicated by the external event to corroborate our valuation.

Because there is not a readily available market value for most of the investments in our portfolio, we value substantially all of our portfolio investments at fair value as determined in good faith by our board of directors, based on the input of our management and audit committee and independent valuation firms under a valuation policy and a consistently applied valuation process. Due to the inherent uncertainty of determining the fair value of investments that do not have a readily available market value, the fair value of our investments may fluctuate from period to period. Additionally, the fair value of our investments may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had a ready market existed for such investments and may differ materially from the values that we may ultimately realize. Further, such investments are generally subject to legal and other restrictions on resale or otherwise are less liquid than publicly traded securities. If we were required to liquidate a portfolio investment in a forced or liquidation sale, we may realize significantly less than the value at which we have recorded it.

In addition, changes in the market environment, such as inflation, and other events that may occur over the life of the investments may cause the gains or losses ultimately realized on these investments to be different than the gains or losses that would be realized based on the valuations currently assigned. See "Risk Factors Risks Relating to our Investments 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."

With respect to investments for which market quotations are not readily available, our board of directors undertakes a multi-step valuation process each quarter, as described below:

Our quarterly valuation process begins with each portfolio company or investment being initially valued by the investment professionals responsible for the portfolio investment in conjunction with our portfolio management team.

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Preliminary valuations are reviewed and discussed with the entire investment professional and management team, and then valuation recommendations are presented to the board of directors.

The audit committee of our board of directors reviews these preliminary valuations, as well as the input of independent valuation firms with respect to the valuations of approximately 50% (based on value) of our portfolio companies without readily available market quotations.

The board of directors discusses valuations and determines the fair value of each investment in our portfolio without a readily available market quotation in good faith based on the input of our management and audit committee and independent valuation firms.

Effective January 1, 2008, the Company adopted ASC 820-10 (previously Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 157, Fair Value Measurements ("SFAS 157")), which expands the application of fair value accounting for investments (see Note 8 to the Company's consolidated financial statements for the period ended June 30, 2010). Investments acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition were accounted for in accordance with ASC 805-10 (previously SFAS No. 141(R)), *Business Combinations*, which requires that all assets be recorded at fair value. As a result, the initial amortized cost basis and fair value for the acquired investments were the same value at April 1, 2010 (see Note 15 to the Company's consolidated financial statements for the period ended June 30, 2010).

OFF BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS

As of June 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, the Company had the following commitments to fund various revolving and delayed draw senior secured and subordinated loans to its portfolio companies (in millions):

| | - | une 30, 2010 | nber 31, 009 |
|--|----|-----------------|-----------------|
| Total revolving and delayed draw commitments | \$ | 661.7 | \$ 136.8 |
| Less: funded commitments | | (387.0) | (37.2) |
| Total unfunded commitments | | 274.7 | 99.6 |
| Less: commitments substantially at discretion of the Company | | (65.0) | (4.0) |
| Less: unavailable commitments due to borrowing base or other covenant restrictions | | (29.7) | (16.2) |
| Total net adjusted unfunded commitments | \$ | 180.0 | \$ 79.4 |

Of the total net adjusted unfunded commitments as of June 30, 2010, \$86.4 million are from commitments for investments acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition. Also, of the total commitments as of June 30, 2010, \$176.9 million extend beyond the maturity date for our Revolving Credit Facility. Included within the total commitments as of June 30, 2010 are commitments to issue up to \$19.9 million in standby letters of credit through a financial intermediary on behalf of certain portfolio companies. Under these arrangements, the Company would be required to make payments to third parties if the portfolio companies were to default on their related payment obligations. As of June 30, 2010, the Company had \$11.9 million in standby letters of credit issued and outstanding on behalf of the portfolio companies, of which no amounts were recorded as a liability on the balance sheet as they are considered in the valuation of the investments in the portfolio company. Of these letters of credit, \$0.3 million expire in August 2010, \$2.3 million expire in September 2010, \$0.3 million expire in December 2010, \$0.8 million expire in January 2011, and \$8.2 million expire in February 2011.

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As of June 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, the Company was a party to subscription agreements to fund equity investments in private equity investment partnerships. The Company's obligation to fund these commitments are as follows (in millions):

| | • | ine 30, 2010 | December 31, 2009 | | |
|---|----|-----------------|----------------------|-------|--|
| Total private equity commitments | \$ | 548.0 | \$ | 428.3 | |
| Total unfunded private equity commitments | \$ | 446.0 | \$ | 415.4 | |

Of the total unfunded private equity commitments as of June 30, 2010, \$400.7 million are substantially at the discretion of the Company. Additionally, of the total unfunded private equity commitments as of June 30, 2010, \$21.3 million are for investments acquired as part of the Allied Acquisition.

As of June 30, 2010, one of the Company's portfolio companies, Ciena Capital LLC ("Ciena"), had one non-recourse securitization Small Business Administration ("SBA") loan warehouse facility, which has reached its maturity date but remains outstanding. Ciena is working with the providers of the SBA loan warehouse facility with regard to the repayment of that facility. Allied Capital had previously issued a performance guaranty (which Ares Capital succeeded to as a result of the Allied Acquisition) whereby Ares Capital must indemnify the warehouse providers for any damages, losses, liabilities and related costs and expenses that they may incur as a result of Ciena's failure to perform any of its obligations as loan originator, loan seller or loan servicer under the warehouse facility. As of June 30, 2010, there are no known issues or claims with respect to this performance guaranty.

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

On August 5, 2010 and September 10, 2010, we exercised the "accordion" feature of the Revolving Credit Facility and increased the size of the facility by \$25 million and \$35 million, respectively, bringing the total amount available for borrowing under the Revolving Credit Facility to \$810 million.

QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

We are subject to financial market risks, including changes in interest rates and the valuations of our investment portfolio.

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate sensitivity refers to the change in earnings that may result from changes in the level of interest rates. Because we fund a portion of our investments with borrowings, our net investment income is affected by the difference between the rate at which we invest and the rate at which we borrow. As a result, there can be no assurance that a significant change in market interest rates will not have a material adverse effect on our net investment income.

As of June 30, 2010, approximately 52% of the investments at fair value in our portfolio were at fixed rates while approximately 24% were at variable rates and 24% were non-interest earning. Additionally, as of June 30, 2010, 14% of the investments at fair value or 57% of the investments at fair value with variable rates contain interest rate floors. The Debt Securitization, the CP Funding Facility and the Revolving Credit Facility all bear interest at variable rates while the Unsecured Notes bear interest at fixed rates.

We regularly measure our exposure to interest rate risk. We assess interest rate risk and manage our interest rate exposure on an ongoing basis by comparing our interest rate sensitive assets to our interest rate sensitive liabilities. Based on that review, we determine whether or not any hedging transactions are necessary to mitigate exposure to changes in interest rates.

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In October 2008, we entered into a two-year interest rate swap agreement for a total notional amount of \$75 million. Under the interest rate swap agreement, we will pay a fixed interest rate of 2.985% and receive a floating rate based on the prevailing three-month LIBOR.

While hedging activities may mitigate our exposure to adverse fluctuations in interest rates, certain hedging transactions that we may enter into in the future, such as interest rate swap agreements, may also limit our ability to participate in the benefits of lower interest rates with respect to our portfolio investments.

Based on our June 30, 2010 balance sheet, the following table shows the annual impact on net income of base rate changes in interest rates (considering interest rate floors for variable rate instruments) assuming no changes in our investment and borrowing structure and reflecting the effect of our interest rate swap agreement described above and in Note 11 to the consolidated financial statements for the period ended June 30, 2010 (in millions):

| Basis Point Change | Intere | Interest Income | | Interest Expense | | Net Income | |
|-----------------------|--------|-----------------|----|------------------|----|------------|--|
| Up 300 basis points | \$ | 18.4 | \$ | 14.9 | \$ | 3.5 | |
| Up 200 basis points | \$ | 10.6 | \$ | 9.9 | \$ | 0.7 | |
| Up 100 basis points | \$ | 4.6 | \$ | 5.0 | \$ | (0.4) | |
| Down 100 basis points | \$ | (1.9) | \$ | (2.2) | \$ | 0.3 | |
| Down 200 basis points | \$ | (2.2) | \$ | (2.2) | \$ | 0.0 | |
| Down 300 basis points | \$ | (2.4) | \$ | (2.2) | \$ | (0.2) | |

Based on our December 31, 2009 balance sheet, the following table shows the annual impact on net income of base rate changes in interest rates (considering interest rate floors for variable rate instruments) assuming no changes in our investment and borrowing structure and reflecting the effect of our interest rate swap agreement described above and in Note 11 to the consolidated financial statements for the period ended June 30, 2010 (in millions):

| Basis Point Change | Interest | erest Income Interest Expense | | Net Income | | |
|-----------------------|----------|-------------------------------|----|------------|----|-------|
| Up 300 basis points | \$ | 17.6 | \$ | 26.8 | \$ | (9.2) |
| Up 200 basis points | \$ | 11.2 | \$ | 17.9 | \$ | (6.7) |
| Up 100 basis points | \$ | 5.6 | \$ | 8.9 | \$ | (3.3) |
| Down 100 basis points | \$ | (2.1) | \$ | (2.9) | \$ | 0.8 |
| Down 200 basis points | \$ | (3.1) | \$ | (2.9) | \$ | (0.2) |
| Down 300 basis points | \$ | (4.1) | \$ | (2.9) | \$ | (1.2) |
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SENIOR SECURITIES (dollar amounts in thousands, except per share data)

Information about our senior securities (including preferred stock, debt securities and other indebtedness) is shown in the following tables as of each fiscal year ended December 31 since we commenced operations and as of June 30, 2010. The report of our independent registered public accounting firm, KPMG LLP, on the senior securities table as of December 31, 2009, is attached as an exhibit to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part. The " "indicates information that the SEC expressly does not require to be disclosed for certain types of senior securities.

| | Ou Ex | al Amount atstanding aclusive of Areasury | Asset Coverage | | Involuntary Liquidating Preference | Average Market Value | | |
|--|----------|--|-------------------|-----------|--|-------------------------|-------------|--|
| Class and Year | Sec | curities(1) | Per Unit(2) | | Per Unit(3) | Per | Per Unit(4) | |
| Revolving Credit Facility | | | | | | | | |
| Fiscal 2010 (as of June 30, 2010, unaudited) | \$ | 153,000 | \$ | 390.55 | \$ | | N/A | |
| Fiscal 2009 | \$ | 474,144 | \$ | 1,123.66 | \$ | | N/A | |
| Fiscal 2008 | \$ | 480,486 | \$ | 1,165.69 | \$ | | N/A | |
| Fiscal 2007 | \$ | 282,528 | \$ | 1,098.58 | \$ | | N/A | |
| Fiscal 2006 | \$ | 193,000 | \$ | 1,056.23 | \$ | | N/A | |
| Fiscal 2005 | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | N/A | |
| CP Funding Facility | | | | | | | | |
| Fiscal 2010 (as of June 30, 2010, unaudited) | \$ | 204,853 | \$ | 522.91 | \$ | | N/A | |
| Fiscal 2009 | \$ | 221,569 | \$ | 525.09 | \$ | | N/A | |
| Fiscal 2008 | \$ | 114,300 | \$ | 277.30 | \$ | | N/A | |
| Fiscal 2007 | \$ | 85,000 | \$ | 330.07 | \$ | | N/A | |
| Fiscal 2006 | \$ | 15,000 | \$ | 82.09 | \$ | | N/A | |
| Fiscal 2005 | \$ | 18,000 | \$ | 32,645.12 | \$ | | N/A | |
| CP Funding II Facility | | | | | | | | |
| Fiscal 2009 | \$ | 0 | | N/A | \$ | | N/A | |
| Debt Securitization | | | | | | | | |
| Fiscal 2010 (as of June 30, 2010, unaudited) | \$ | 214,400 | \$ | 547.28 | \$ | | N/A | |
| Fiscal 2009 | \$ | 273,752 | \$ | 648.76 | \$ | | N/A | |
| Fiscal 2008 | \$ | 314,000 | \$ | 761.78 | \$ | | N/A | |
| Fiscal 2007 | \$ | 314,000 | \$ | 1,220.95 | \$ N | | N/A | |
| Fiscal 2006 | \$ | 274,000 | \$ | 1,499.51 | \$ | | N/A | |
| 2011 Notes | | | | | | | | |
| Fiscal 2010 (as of June 30, 2010, unaudited) | \$ | 306,408 | \$ | 782.14 | \$ | \$ | 1,013 | |
| 2012 Notes | | | | | | | | |
| Fiscal 2010 (as of June 30, 2010, unaudited) | \$ | 185,572 | \$ | 473.69 | \$ | \$ | 1,012 | |
| 2047 Notes | | | | | | | | |
| Fiscal 2010 (as of June 30, 2010, unaudited) | \$ | 180,705 | \$ | 461.27 | \$ | \$ | 776 | |

⁽¹⁾ Total amount of each class of senior securities outstanding at the end of the period presented.

The asset coverage ratio for a class of senior securities representing indebtedness is calculated as our consolidated total assets, less all liabilities and indebtedness not represented by senior securities, divided by senior securities representing indebtedness. This asset coverage ratio is multiplied by \$1,000 to determine the Asset Coverage Per Unit. In order to determine the specific Asset Coverage Per Unit for each of the Revolving Credit Facility, the CP Funding Facility and the Debt Securitization, the total Asset Coverage Per Unit was divided based on the amount outstanding at the end of the period for each.

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 The amount to which such class of senior security would be entitled upon our involuntary liquidation in preference to any security junior to it.
- (4) Not applicable, except for with respect to the 2011 Notes, the 2012 Notes and the 2047 Notes, as none of our other current senior securities are registered for public trading. The average market value per unit for each of the 2011 Notes, the 2012 Notes and the 2047 Notes is based on the quoted prices of such notes.

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GENERAL

Ares Capital, a Maryland corporation, is a specialty finance company that is a closed-end, non-diversified management investment company. We have elected to be regulated as a BDC under the Investment Company Act. We were founded on April 16, 2004, were initially funded on June 23, 2004 and completed our initial public offering on October 8, 2004. We are one of the largest BDCs with approximately \$12 billion of total committed capital under management as of June 30, 2010, including available debt capacity (subject to leverage restrictions), funds co-managed by us and funds managed or sub-managed by our wholly owned portfolio company, IHAM.

Ares Capital's investment objective is to generate both current income and capital appreciation through debt and equity investments. We invest primarily in U.S. middle market companies, where we believe the supply of primary capital is limited and the investment opportunities are most attractive. However, we may from time to time invest in larger companies. In this prospectus, we generally use the term "middle market" to refer to companies with annual EBITDA between \$10 million and \$250 million. As used herein, EBITDA represents net income before net interest expense, income tax expense, depreciation and amortization.

On April 1, 2010, we consummated the Allied Acquisition in an all stock merger where each existing share of common stock of Allied Capital was exchanged for 0.325 shares of our common stock. The Allied Acquisition was valued at approximately \$908 million as of April 1, 2010. In connection therewith, we issued approximately 58.5 million shares of our common stock to Allied Capital's then-existing stockholders, thereby resulting in our then-existing stockholders owning approximately 69% of the combined company and then-existing Allied Capital stockholders owning approximately 31% of the combined company. See "Risk Factors Risks Relating to Our Business We may be unable to realize the benefits anticipated by the Allied Acquisition, including estimated cost savings and synergies, or it may take longer than anticipated to achieve such benefits" for a description of the risks that the Company may face as a result of the Allied Acquisition.

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 is subordinated to senior loans and is generally unsecured. Our investments have ranged between \$20 million and \$200 million each, although the investment sizes may be more or less than the targeted range. Our investment sizes are expected to grow with our capital availability and following our April 2010 consummation of the Allied Acquisition.

To a lesser extent, we also make equity investments, which have generally been non-control equity investments of less than \$20 million (usually in conjunction with a concurrent loan investment). However, we may increase the size or nature of these investments. Also, as a result of the Allied Acquisition, Allied Capital's equity investments, including equity investments larger than those we have historically made and controlled portfolio company equity investments, became part of our portfolio. We intend to actively seek opportunities over time to dispose of certain of these investments and rotate them into higher-yielding first and second lien senior loans and mezzanine debt investments. However, there can be no assurance that this strategy will be successful. For risks relating to these investments, see "Risk Factors" Risks Relating to Our Investments in equity securities involve a substantial degree of risk."

The proportion of these investments will change over time given our views on, among other things, the economic and credit environment we are operating in. In connection with our investing activities, we may make commitments with respect to indebtedness or securities of a potential portfolio

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company substantially in excess of our final investment. In such situations, while we may initially agree to fund up to a certain dollar amount of an investment, we may syndicate a portion of such amount to third parties, such that we make a smaller investment than what was reflected in our original commitment.

The first and second lien senior loans generally have stated terms of three to 10 years and the mezzanine debt investments generally have stated terms of up to 10 years, but the expected average life of such first and second lien loans and mezzanine debt is generally between three and seven years. However, we may invest in securities with any maturity or duration. The debt that we invest in typically is not initially rated by any rating agency, but we believe that if such investments were rated, they would be below investment grade (rated lower than "Baa3" by Moody's Investors Service, lower than "BBB-" by Fitch Ratings or lower than "BBB-" by Standard & Poor's). We may invest without limit in debt of any rating, as well as debt that has not been rated by any nationally recognized statistical rating organization.

We believe that our investment adviser, Ares Capital Management, is able to leverage Ares' current investment platform, resources and existing relationships with financial sponsors, financial institutions, hedge funds and other investment firms to provide us with attractive investments. In addition to deal flow, the Ares investment platform assists our investment adviser in analyzing, structuring and monitoring investments. Ares has been in existence for more than 12 years and its senior principals have an average of over 20 years experience investing in senior loans, high yield bonds, mezzanine debt and private equity securities. The Company has access to the Ares staff of approximately 140 investment professionals and approximately 190 administrative professionals employed by Ares who provide assistance in accounting, legal, compliance, operations, technology and investor relations.

While our primary focus is to generate current income and capital appreciation through investments in first and second lien senior loans and mezzanine debt and, to a lesser extent, equity securities of eligible portfolio companies, we also may invest up to 30% of our portfolio in opportunistic investments of non-eligible portfolio companies. Specifically, as part of this 30% basket, we may invest in debt of middle market companies located outside of the United States, in investment funds that are operating pursuant to certain exceptions to the Investment Company Act, in advisers to similar investment funds and in debt and equity of public companies that do not meet the definition of eligible portfolio companies because their market capitalization of publicly traded equity securities exceeds the levels provided for in the Investment Company Act. We expect that these public companies generally will have debt that may be non-investment grade. From time to time we may also invest in high yield bonds, which, depending on the issuer, may or may not be included in this 30% basket.

We and GE Commercial Finance Investment Advisory Services LLC also co-manage the Senior Secured Loan Fund.

We also manage the AGILE Fund, and our wholly owned subsidiary A.C. Corporation manages the Emporia Funds.

In addition, we have made investments in our portfolio company, IHAM, which manages five unconsolidated senior debt funds, the Ivy Hill Funds and the Knightsbridge Funds, and serves as the sub-adviser/sub-manager to four others: the CoLTS Funds and FirstLight. As of June 30, 2010, IHAM had total committed capital under management of over \$2.9 billion, which includes approximately \$0.3 billion of capital committed by Ares Capital.

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About Ares

Founded in 1997, Ares is a global alternative asset manager and SEC registered investment adviser with approximately \$37 billion of total committed capital under management and over 330 employees as of June 30, 2010.

Ares specializes in originating and managing assets in both the leveraged finance and private equity markets. Ares' leveraged finance activities include the origination, acquisition and management of senior loans, high yield bonds, mezzanine debt and special situation investments. Ares' private equity activities focus on providing flexible, junior capital to middle market companies. Ares has the ability to invest across a capital structure, from senior floating rate debt to common equity. This flexibility, combined with Ares' "buy and hold" philosophy, enables Ares to structure an investment to meet the specific needs of a company rather than the less flexible demands of the public markets.

Ares is comprised of the following groups:

Private Debt Group. The Ares Private Debt Group manages the assets of Ares Capital, Ares Credit Strategies Fund II, L.P. and ACE, which together had approximately \$13 billion of committed capital under management as of June 30, 2010. The Private Debt Group focuses primarily on non-syndicated first and second lien senior loans and mezzanine debt, which in some cases may include an equity component. The Private Debt Group also makes equity investments in private middle market companies, usually in conjunction with loans.

Capital Markets Group. The Ares Capital Markets Group manages approximately \$18 billion of committed capital as of June 30, 2010 through a variety of funds and investment vehicles, focusing primarily on syndicated senior secured loans, high yield bonds, distressed debt, other liquid fixed income investments and other publicly traded debt securities.

Private Equity Group. The Ares Private Equity Group manages approximately \$6 billion of committed capital as of June 30, 2010, primarily through ACOF. ACOF generally makes private equity investments in amounts substantially larger than the private equity investments anticipated to be made by us. In particular, the Private Equity Group generally focuses on control-oriented equity investments in under-capitalized companies or companies with capital structure issues.

Ares' senior principals have been working together as a group for many years and have an average of over 20 years of experience in leveraged finance, private equity, distressed debt, investment banking and capital markets. They are backed by a large team of highly disciplined professionals. Ares' rigorous investment approach is based upon an intensive, independent financial analysis, with a focus on preservation of capital, diversification and active portfolio management. These fundamentals underlie Ares' investment strategy and have resulted in large pension funds, banks, insurance companies, endowments and high net worth individuals investing in Ares' funds.

Ares Capital Management

Ares Capital Management, our investment adviser, is served by a dedicated origination and transaction development team of approximately 65 investment professionals led by the senior partners of Ares Capital Management: Michael Arougheti, Eric Beckman, Kipp deVeer, Mitchell Goldstein and Michael Smith. Ares Capital Management leverages off of Ares' entire investment platform and benefits from the significant capital markets, trading and research expertise of all of Ares' investment professionals. Ares funds currently hold over 1,000 investments in over 30 different industries. Ares Capital Management's investment committee has nine members, including the senior partners of Ares Capital Management and certain Senior Partners of Ares' Capital Markets Group, Private Equity Group and the Managing Director of ACE.

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MARKET OPPORTUNITY

We believe there are opportunities for us to invest in middle market companies for the following reasons:

We believe that as of the date of this prospectus, the recent dislocation in the credit markets has resulted in reduced competition, a widening of interest spreads, increased fees and generally more conservative capital structures and deal terms. Although secondary loan prices have rebounded from historic lows, attractive opportunities to purchase debt in the secondary market continue to exist in certain situations.

We believe that many senior lenders have, in recent years, de-emphasized their service and product offerings to middle market businesses in favor of lending to large corporate clients and managing capital markets transactions. In addition, commercial and investment banks are severely limited in their ability to underwrite new financings as they seek to replenish their capital bases and reduce leverage, resulting in opportunities for alternative funding sources.

We believe there is increased demand among private middle market companies for primary capital. Many middle market firms have faced increased difficulty raising debt in the capital markets, as commercial and investment banks are capital-constrained and largely unable to underwrite and syndicate bank loans and high yield securities, particularly for middle market issuers.

We believe there is a large pool of uninvested private equity capital for middle market companies. We expect private equity firms will seek to leverage their investments by combining equity capital with senior secured loans and mezzanine debt from other sources.

We believe that as of the date of this prospectus, the recent economic downturn has resulted (and will continue to result) in defaults and covenant breaches by middle market companies, which will require new junior capital to shore up liquidity or provide new capital through restructuring.

A high volume of senior secured and high yield debt was originated in the calendar years 2004 through 2007 and will come due in the near term and, accordingly, we believe that new financing opportunities will increase as many leveraged companies seek to refinance in the near term.

COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGES

We believe that we have the following competitive advantages over other capital providers to middle market companies:

Existing Investment Platform

As of June 30, 2010, Ares managed approximately \$37 billion of total committed capital under management in the related asset classes of non-syndicated first and second lien senior loans, syndicated loans, high yield bonds, mezzanine debt and private equity. We believe Ares' current investment platform provides a competitive advantage in terms of access to origination and marketing activities and diligence for Ares Capital. Specifically, the Ares platform provides the Company an advantage through its deal flow generation and investment evaluation process. Ares' asset management platform also provides additional market information, company knowledge and industry insight that benefit the investment and due diligence process. Ares' professionals maintain extensive financial sponsor and intermediary relationships, which provide valuable insight and access to transactions and information.

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Seasoned Management Team

Ares' senior professionals have an average of over 20 years of experience in leveraged finance, including substantial experience in investing in leveraged loans, high yield bonds, mezzanine debt, distressed debt and private equity securities. Ares Capital Management's investment professionals and members of its investment committee also have significant experience investing across market cycles. As a result of Ares' extensive investment experience and the history of its seasoned management team, Ares has developed a strong reputation across U.S. and European capital markets. We believe that Ares' long history in the leveraged loan market and the extensive experience of the principals investing across market cycles provides Ares Capital Management with a competitive advantage in identifying, investing in, and managing a portfolio of investments in middle market companies.

Experience and Focus on Middle Market Companies

Ares has historically focused on investments in middle market companies and we benefit from this experience. In sourcing and analyzing deals, our investment adviser uses Ares' extensive network of relationships with intermediaries focused on middle market companies, including management teams, members of the investment banking community, private equity groups and other investment firms with whom Ares has long term relationships. We believe this network enables us to attract well-positioned prospective portfolio company investments. Our investment adviser works closely with the Ares investment professionals, who oversee a portfolio of investments in over 1,000 companies and provide access to an extensive network of relationships and insights into industry trends and the state of the capital markets.

Disciplined Investment Philosophy

In making its investment decisions, our investment adviser has adopted Ares' long-standing, consistent credit-based investment approach that was developed over 20 years ago by its founders. Specifically, Ares Capital Management's investment philosophy, portfolio construction and portfolio management involve an assessment of the overall macroeconomic environment, financial markets and company-specific research and analysis. Its investment approach emphasizes capital preservation, low volatility and minimization of downside risk. In addition to engaging in extensive due diligence from the perspective of a long-term investor, Ares Capital Management's approach seeks to reduce risk in investments by focusing on:

| businesses with strong franchises and sustainable competitive advantages; |
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| industries with positive long-term dynamics; |
| cash flows that are dependable and predictable; |
| management teams with demonstrated track records and economic incentives; |
| rates of return commensurate with the perceived risks; and |
| securities or investments that are structured with protective terms and covenants. |

Extensive Industry Focus

We concentrate our investing activities in industries with a history of predictable and dependable cash flows and in which the Ares investment professionals have had extensive investment experience. Since its inception in 1997, Ares investment professionals have invested in over 30 different industries. Ares investment professionals have developed long-term relationships with management teams and management consultants in these industries and have accumulated substantial information and identified potential trends within these industries. The experience of Ares' investment professionals investing across these industries throughout various stages of the economic cycle provides our investment adviser with access to market insights and investment opportunities.

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Flexible Transaction Structuring

We are flexible in structuring investments, including the types of securities in which we invest and the terms associated with such investments. Our investment adviser and its affiliates have extensive experience investing in a wide variety of securities for leveraged companies with a diverse set of terms and conditions. We believe this approach and experience enables our investment adviser to identify attractive investment opportunities throughout economic cycles and across a company's capital structure so we can make investments consistent with our stated investment objective and preserve principal while seeking appropriate risk adjusted returns. In addition, we have the ability to provide "one stop" financing with the ability to invest capital across the balance sheet and hold and syndicate larger investments than many of our competitors. The ability to underwrite, syndicate and hold larger investments benefits our stockholders by (a) potentially increasing net income and earnings through syndication, (b) increasing originated deal flow flexibility, (c) broadening market relationships and deal flow, (d) allowing us to optimize our portfolio composition and (e) allowing us to provide capital to middle market companies, which we believe currently have limited access to capital from traditional lending sources. We believe that the ability to provide capital at every level provides a strong value proposition to middle market borrowers and our senior debt capabilities provide superior deal origination and relative value analysis capabilities compared to traditional "mezzanine only" lenders.

Broad Origination Strategy

Our investment adviser focuses on self-originating most of our investments by identifying a broad array of investment opportunities across multiple channels. It also leverages off of the extensive relationships of the broader Ares platform, including relationships with the companies in the funds managed by IHAM, to identify investment opportunities. We believe that this allows for asset selectivity and that there is a significant relationship between proprietary deal origination and credit performance. We believe that our focus on generating proprietary deal flow and lead investing also gives us greater control over capital structure, deal terms, pricing and documentation and provides us with the ability to actively manage our investments. Moreover, by leading the investment process, our investment adviser is often able to secure controlling positions in credit tranches, thereby providing additional control in investment outcomes. Our investment adviser also has originated substantial proprietary deal flow from middle market intermediaries, which often allows us to act as the sole or principal source of institutional capital to the borrower.

OPERATING AND REGULATORY STRUCTURE

Our investment activities are managed by Ares Capital Management and supervised by our board of directors, a majority of whom are independent of Ares and its affiliates. Ares Capital Management is an investment adviser that is registered under the Advisers Act. Under our investment advisory and management agreement, we have agreed to pay Ares Capital Management an annual base management fee based on our total assets, as defined under the Investment Company Act (other than cash and cash equivalents, but including assets purchased with borrowed funds), and an incentive fee based on our performance. See "Management Investment Advisory and Management Agreement."

As a BDC, we are required to comply with certain regulatory requirements. For example, we are not generally permitted to invest in any portfolio company in which Ares or any of its affiliates currently has an investment (although we may co-invest on a concurrent basis with funds managed by Ares, subject to compliance with existing regulatory guidance, applicable regulations and our allocation procedures). Some of these co-investments would only be permitted pursuant to an exemptive order from the SEC. We have applied for an exemptive order from the SEC that would permit us to co-invest with funds managed by Ares. Any such order will be subject to certain terms and conditions. There is no assurance that the application for exemptive relief will be granted by the SEC. Accordingly, we cannot assure you that we will be permitted to co-invest with funds managed by Ares. See "Risk

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Factors Risks Relating to Our Business We may not replicate Ares' historical success and our ability to enter into transactions with Ares and our other affiliates is restricted."

Also, while we may borrow funds to make investments, our ability to use debt is limited in certain significant respects. As a BDC and a RIC, we are dependent on our ability to raise capital through the issuance of our common stock. RICs generally must distribute substantially all of their earnings to stockholders as dividends in order to preserve their status as RICs and avoid corporate-level U.S. income tax, which prevents us from using those earnings to support operations, which may include new investments (including investments into existing portfolio companies). Further, BDCs must meet a debt to equity ratio of less than 1:1 in order to incur debt or issue senior securities, which requires us to finance our investments with at least as much equity as debt and senior securities in the aggregate. Our credit facilities also require that we maintain a debt to equity ratio of less than 1:1.

INVESTMENTS

Ares Capital Corporation Portfolio

We have built an investment portfolio of primarily first and second lien loans, mezzanine debt and to a lesser extent equity investments in private middle market companies. Our portfolio is well diversified by industry sector and its concentration to any single issuer is limited. Our debt investments generally range between \$20 million to \$200 million on average, although the investment size may be more or less than this range depending on capital availability. Our equity investments have generally been non-control equity investments of less than \$20 million (usually in conjunction with a concurrent loan investment). However, we may increase the size or nature of these investments. Also, as a result of the Allied Acquisition, Allied Capital's equity investments, including equity investments larger than those we have historically made and controlled portfolio company equity investments, became part of our portfolio. We intend to actively seek opportunities over time to dispose of certain of these investments and rotate them into higher-yielding first and second lien senior loans and mezzanine debt investments. However, there can be no assurance that this strategy will be successful.

In addition, the proportion of these investments will change over time given our views on, among other things, the economic and credit environment we are operating in. In connection with our investing activities, we may make commitments with respect to indebtedness or securities of a potential portfolio company substantially in excess of our final investment. In such situations, while we may initially agree to fund up to a certain dollar amount of an investment, we may syndicate a portion of such amount to third parties prior to closing such investment, such that we make a smaller investment than what was reflected in our original commitment. In addition to originating investments, we may also acquire investments in the secondary market.

Structurally, mezzanine debt usually ranks subordinate in priority of payment to senior loans and is often unsecured. However, mezzanine debt ranks senior to common and preferred equity in a borrowers' capital structure. Typically, mezzanine debt has elements of both debt and equity instruments, offering the fixed returns in the form of interest payments associated with senior loans, while providing lenders an opportunity to participate in the capital appreciation of a borrower, if any, through an equity interest. This equity interest typically takes the form of warrants. Due to its higher risk profile and often less restrictive covenants as compared to senior loans, mezzanine debt generally earns a higher return than senior secured debt. The warrants associated with mezzanine debt are typically detachable, which allows lenders to receive repayment of their principal on an agreed amortization schedule while retaining their equity interest in the borrower. Equity issued in connection with mezzanine debt also may include a "put" feature, which permits the holder to sell its equity interest back to the borrower at a price determined through an agreed formula.

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In making an equity investment, in addition to considering the factors discussed below under " Investment Selection," we also consider the anticipated timing of a liquidity event, such as a public offering, sale of the company or redemption of our equity securities.

Our principal focus is investing in first and second lien senior loans and mezzanine debt and, to a lesser extent, equity capital, of middle market companies in a variety of industries. We generally target companies that generate positive cash flows. Ares has a staff of approximately 140 investment professionals who specialize in specific industries. We generally seek to invest in companies from the industries in which Ares' investment professionals have direct expertise. The following is a representative list of the industries in which Ares has invested:

| Aerospace and Defense |
|-------------------------|
| Airlines |
| Broadcasting/Cable |
| Cargo Transport |
| Chemicals |
| Consumer Products |
| Containers/Packaging |
| Education |
| Energy |
| Environmental Services |
| Farming and Agriculture |
| Financial |
| Food and Beverage |
| Gaming |
| Health Care |
| Homebuilding |

| Lodging and Leisure |
|--|
| Manufacturing |
| Metals/Mining |
| Paper and Forest Products |
| Printing/Publishing/Media |
| Retail |
| Restaurants |
| Supermarket and Drug |
| Technology |
| Utilities |
| Wireless and Wireline Telecom |
| we may invest in other industries if we are presented with attractive opportunities. |

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The industrial and geographic compositions of our portfolio at fair value as of June 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009 were as follows:

| Industry | June 30, 2010 | December 31, 2009 |
|-------------------------------|---------------|-------------------|
| Financial | 22.0% | 16.2% |
| Business Services | 17.8 | 5.8 |
| Healthcare | 11.7 | 18.3 |
| Consumer Products | 11.2 | 3.2 |
| Restaurants and Food Services | 7.1 | 7.8 |
| Education | 6.2 | 10.1 |
| Beverage/Food/Tobacco | 6.1 | 6.1 |
| Other Services | 4.2 | 8.2 |
| Retail | 2.6 | 5.9 |
| Manufacturing | 2.3 | 3.8 |
| Computers/Electronics | 1.3 | 1.4 |
| Telecommunications | 1.2 | 1.8 |
| Industrial Products | 1.2 | 0.0 |
| Commercial Real Estate | 1.1 | 0.0 |
| Environmental Services | 0.9 | 1.5 |
| Printing/Publishing/Media | 0.8 | 2.6 |
| Aerospace and Defense | 0.8 | 2.8 |
| Containers/Packaging | 0.6 | 1.0 |
| Health Clubs | 0.4 | 1.1 |
| Oil and Gas | 0.4 | 0.0 |
| Automobile | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| Homebuilding | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| Cargo Transport | 0.0 | 1.4 |
| Grocery | 0.0 | 0.9 |
| | | |
| Total | 100.0% | 100.0% |

| Geographic Region | June 30, 2010 | December 31, 2009 |
|-------------------|---------------|-------------------|
| Mid-Atlantic | 29.5% | 22.2% |
| Midwest | 24.2 | 19.7 |
| West | 20.3 | 24.8 |
| Southeast | 18.4 | 19.7 |
| International | 4.5 | 10.4 |
| Northeast | 3.1 | 3.2 |
| | | |
| Total | 100.0% | 100.0% |

In addition to such investments, we may invest up to 30% of the portfolio in opportunistic investments of non-eligible portfolio companies. Specifically, as part of this 30% basket, we may invest in debt of middle market companies located outside of the United States, in investment funds that are operating pursuant to certain exceptions to the Investment Company Act, in advisers to similar investment funds and in debt and equity of public companies that do not meet the definition of eligible portfolio companies because their market capitalization of publicly traded equity securities exceeds the levels provided for in the Investment Company Act. We expect that these public companies generally will have debt that is non-investment grade. From time to time we may also invest in high yield bonds, which, depending on the issuer, may or may not be included in the 30% basket.

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Managed Funds Portfolio

We and GE Commercial Finance Investment Advisory Services LLC co-manage an unconsolidated senior debt fund: the Senior Secured Loan Fund. We acquired our interests in the Senior Secured Loan Fund from Allied Capital on October 30, 2009. The Senior Secured Loan Fund primarily invests in "unitranche" loans (loans that combine both senior and subordinated debt, generally in a first lien position) of middle market companies. The Senior Secured Loan Fund was initially formed in December 2007 and has approximately \$3.6 billion of committed capital, approximately \$915 million in aggregate principal amount of which is funded as of June 30, 2010. Of the \$2.7 billion of unfunded committed capital as of June 30, 2010, approximately \$340 million would be funded by Ares Capital.

In addition, we manage the AGILE Fund, and our wholly owned subsidiary A.C. Corporation manages the Emporia Funds. We acquired our interests in the Emporia Funds as part of the Allied Acquisition on April 1, 2010.

Our portfolio company, IHAM, manages an unconsolidated middle market credit fund, Ivy Hill I, in exchange for a combined 0.50% management fee on the average total assets of Ivy Hill I. Ivy Hill I primarily invests in first and second lien bank debt of middle market companies. Ivy Hill I was initially funded in November 2007 with \$404.0 million of capital including a \$56.0 million investment by us consisting of \$40.0 million of Class B Notes and \$16.0 million of subordinated notes. Ivy Hill I purchased \$8.0 million and \$18.0 million of investments from us for the six months ended June 30, 2010 and the year ended December 31, 2009, respectively.

On November 5, 2008, we established Ivy Hill II, which is also managed by IHAM in exchange for a combined 0.50% management fee on the average total assets of Ivy Hill II. Ivy Hill II primarily invests in second lien and subordinated bank debt of middle market companies. Ivy Hill II was initially funded with \$250.0 million of subordinated notes, and may grow over time with leverage. Ivy Hill II purchased \$86.5 million and \$28.0 million of investments from us for the six months ended June 30, 2010 and the year ended December 31, 2009, respectively.

On December 29, 2009, we made an incremental investment in IHAM to facilitate its acquisition of Allied Capital's management rights in respect of, and interests in, the Allied Capital Senior Debt Fund, L.P. (now referred to as Ivy Hill SDF), for approximately \$33 million in cash. As of June 30, 2010, Ivy Hill SDF had approximately \$252 million of committed capital, which includes approximately \$30 million committed by Ares Capital and IHAM, invested primarily in first lien loans and to a lesser extent, second lien loans of middle market companies. IHAM manages Ivy Hill SDF and receives fee income and is entitled to potential equity distributions in respect of interests that it acquired in Ivy Hill SDF.

On March 24, 2010, we made an incremental investment in IHAM to facilitate its acquisition of Allied Capital's management rights in respect of, and a portion of its interests in, the Knightsbridge Funds. We also acquired interests in the Knightsbridge Funds.

The Ivy Hill Funds and the Knightsbridge Funds may, from time to time, buy additional loans from us.

IHAM also serves as the sub-adviser/sub-manager to four other funds: the CoLTS Funds and FirstLight. As of June 30, 2010, IHAM had total committed capital under management of over \$2.9 billion, which includes approximately \$0.3 billion of capital committed by Ares Capital.

Our portfolio company, IHAM, is party to the IHAM administration agreement with Ares Operations, pursuant to which Ares Operations provides IHAM with the facilities and administrative services necessary for the operations of IHAM. Under the IHAM administration agreement, IHAM reimburses Ares Operations for the costs associated with such services, including Ares Operations' allocable portion of overhead and the cost of its officers and respective staff in performing its

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obligations under the IHAM administration agreement. Prior to entering into the IHAM administration agreement, IHAM was party to a services agreement with Ares Capital Management, pursuant to which Ares Capital Management provided similar services.

INVESTMENT SELECTION

Ares' investment philosophy was developed over the past 20 years and has remained consistent and relevant throughout a number of economic cycles. In managing us, Ares Capital Management employs the same investment philosophy and portfolio management methodologies used by the investment professionals of Ares in Ares' private investment funds.

Ares Capital Management's investment philosophy and portfolio management involve:

an assessment of the overall macroeconomic environment and financial markets and how such assessment may impact industry and asset selection;

company-specific research and analysis; and

with respect to each individual company, an emphasis on capital preservation, low volatility and minimization of downside risk.

The foundation of Ares' investment philosophy is intensive credit investment analysis, a portfolio management discipline based on both market technicals and fundamental value-oriented research, and diversification strategy. Ares Capital Management has adopted this philosophy and follows a rigorous process based on:

a comprehensive analysis of issuer creditworthiness, including a quantitative and qualitative assessment of the issuer's business:

an evaluation of management and its economic incentives;

an analysis of business strategy and industry trends; and

an in-depth examination of capital structure, financial results and projections.

Ares Capital Management seeks to identify those companies exhibiting superior fundamental risk-reward profiles and strong defensible business franchises while focusing on the relative value of the investment across the industry as well as for the specific company.

Intensive Due Diligence

The process through which Ares Capital Management makes an investment decision involves extensive research into the target company, its industry, its growth prospects and its ability to withstand adverse conditions. If the senior investment professional responsible for the transaction determines that an investment opportunity should be pursued, Ares Capital Management will engage in an intensive due diligence process. Approximately 30-40% of the investments initially reviewed proceed to this phase. Though each transaction will involve a somewhat different approach, the regular due diligence steps generally undertaken include:

meeting with the target company's management to get an insider's view of the business, and to probe for potential weaknesses in business prospects;

checking management's backgrounds and references;

performing a detailed review of historical financial performance and the quality of earnings;

visiting headquarters and company operations and meeting with top and middle level executives;

contacting customers and vendors to assess both business prospects and standard practices;

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conducting a competitive analysis, and comparing the issuer to its main competitors on an operating, financial, market share and valuation basis:

researching the industry for historic growth trends and future prospects as well as to identify future exit alternatives (including Wall Street research, industry association literature and general news);

assessing asset value and the ability of physical infrastructure and information systems to handle anticipated growth; and

investigating legal risks and financial and accounting systems.

Selective Investment Process

Ares Capital Management employs Ares' long-standing, consistent investment approach, which is focused on selectively narrowing investment opportunities through a process designed to identify the most attractive opportunities.

After an investment has been identified and diligence has been completed, a credit research and analysis report is prepared. This report will be reviewed by the senior investment professional in charge of the potential investment. If such senior and other investment professionals are in favor of the potential investment, then it is first presented to an underwriting committee, which is comprised of the senior partners of Ares Capital Management. If the underwriting committee approves of the potential investment it is then presented to the investment committee. However, the portfolio managers of Ares Capital Management are responsible for the day-to-day management of our portfolio.

After the investment is approved by the underwriting committee, a more extensive due diligence process is employed by the transaction team. Additional due diligence with respect to any investment may be conducted on our behalf by attorneys, independent accountants, and other third party consultants and research firms prior to the closing of the investment, as appropriate on a case by case basis. Approximately 7-10% of all investments initially reviewed by the underwriting committee will be presented to the investment committee. Approval of an investment for funding requires the approval of the majority of the investment committee of Ares Capital Management, although unanimous consent is sought.

Issuance of Formal Commitment

Once we have determined that a prospective portfolio company is suitable for investment, we work with the management of that company and its other capital providers, including senior, junior, and equity capital providers, to finalize the structure of the investment. Approximately 5% of the investments initially reviewed eventually result in the issuance of formal commitments.

Debt Investments

We invest in portfolio companies primarily in the form of first and second lien senior loans and mezzanine debt. The first and second lien senior loans generally have terms of three to 10 years. We generally obtain security interests in the assets of our portfolio companies that will serve as collateral in support of the repayment of the first and second lien senior loans. This collateral may take the form of first or second priority liens on the assets of a portfolio company.

We structure our mezzanine investments primarily as unsecured, subordinated loans that provide for relatively high, fixed interest rates that provide us with significant current interest income. The mezzanine debt investments generally have terms of up to 10 years. These loans typically have interest-only payments in the early years, with amortization of principal deferred to the later years of the mezzanine debt. In some cases, we may enter into loans that, by their terms, convert into equity or additional debt or defer payments of interest (or at least cash interest) for the first few years after our

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investment. Also, in some cases our mezzanine debt will be collateralized by a subordinated lien on some or all of the assets of the borrower.

In some cases, our debt investments may provide for a portion of the interest payable to be payment-in-kind interest. To the extent interest is payment-in-kind, it will be payable through the increase of the principal amount of the loan by the amount of interest due on the then-outstanding aggregate principal amount of such loan.

In the case of our first and second lien senior loans and mezzanine debt, we tailor the terms of the investment to the facts and circumstances of the transaction and the prospective portfolio company, negotiating a structure that aims to protect our rights and manage our risk while creating incentives for the portfolio company to achieve its business plan and improve its profitability. For example, in addition to seeking a senior position in the capital structure of our portfolio companies, we will seek, where appropriate, to limit the downside potential of our investments by:

targeting a total return on our investments (including both interest and potential equity appreciation) that compensates us for credit risk;

incorporating "put" rights, call protection and LIBOR floors into the investment structure; and

negotiating covenants in connection with our investments that afford our portfolio companies as much flexibility in managing their businesses as possible, consistent with preservation of our capital. Such restrictions may include affirmative and negative covenants, default penalties, lien protection, change of control provisions and board rights, including either observation or participation rights.

We generally require financial covenants and terms that require an issuer to reduce leverage, thereby enhancing credit quality. These methods include: (a) maintenance leverage covenants requiring a decreasing ratio of indebtedness to cash flow, (b) maintenance cash flow covenants requiring an increasing ratio of cash flow to the sum of interest expense and capital expenditures and (c) indebtedness incurrence prohibitions, limiting a company's ability to take on additional indebtedness. In addition, by including limitations on asset sales and capital expenditures we may be able to prevent a company from changing the nature of its business or capitalization without our consent.

Our debt investments may include equity features, such as warrants or options to buy a minority interest in the portfolio company. Warrants we receive with our debt investments 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 may structure the warrants to provide provisions protecting our rights as a minority-interest holder, as well as puts, or rights to sell such securities back to the portfolio company, upon the occurrence of specified events. In many cases, we also obtain registration rights in connection with these equity interests, which may include demand and "piggyback" registration rights.

Equity Investments

Our equity investments may consist of preferred equity that is expected to pay dividends on a current basis or preferred equity that does not pay current dividends. Preferred equity generally has a preference over common equity as to dividends and distributions upon liquidation. In some cases, we may acquire common equity. Our equity investments have generally been non-control equity investments of less than \$20 million (usually in conjunction with a concurrent loan investment). However, we may increase the size or nature of these investments. Also, as a result of the Allied Acquisition, Allied Capital's equity investments, including equity investments larger than those we have historically made and controlled portfolio company equity investments, became part of our portfolio. We intend to actively seek opportunities over time to dispose of certain of these investments and rotate

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them into higher-yielding first and second lien senior loans and mezzanine debt investments. However, there can be no assurance that this strategy will be successful. For risks relating to these investments, see "Risk Factors" Risks Relating to Our Investments Investments in equity securities involve a substantial degree of risk."

ON-GOING RELATIONSHIPS WITH AND MONITORING OF PORTFOLIO COMPANIES

Ares Capital Management closely monitors each investment we make, maintains a regular dialogue with both the management team and other stakeholders and seeks specifically tailored financial reporting. In addition, senior investment professionals of Ares may take board seats or obtain board observation rights for our portfolio companies. As of June 30, 2010, of our 188 portfolio companies, we were entitled to board seats or board observation rights on 52% of these companies.

We seek to exert significant influence post-investment, in addition to covenants and other contractual rights and through board participation, when appropriate, by actively working with management on strategic initiatives. We often introduce managers of companies in which we have invested to other portfolio companies to capitalize on complementary business activities and best practices.

In addition to various risk management and monitoring tools, our investment adviser grades the risk of all investments on a scale of 1 to 4 no less frequently than quarterly. This system is intended primarily to reflect the underlying risk of a portfolio investment relative to our initial cost basis in respect of such portfolio investment (i.e. at the time of acquisition), although it may also take into account under certain circumstances the performance of the portfolio company's business, the collateral coverage of the investment and other relevant factors. Under this system, investments with a grade of 4 involve the least amount of risk to our initial cost basis. The trends and risk factors for this investment since origination or acquisition are generally favorable, which may include the performance of the portfolio company or a potential exit. Investments graded 3 involve a level of risk to our initial cost basis that is similar to the risk to our initial cost basis at the time of origination or acquisition. This portfolio company is generally performing as expected and the risk factors to our ability to ultimately recoup the cost of our investment are neutral to favorable. All investments or acquired investments in new portfolio companies are initially assessed a grade of 3. Investments graded 2 indicate that the risk to our ability to recoup the cost of such investment has increased materially since origination or acquisition, including as a result of factors such as declining performance and non-compliance with debt covenants; however, payments are generally not more than 120 days past due. An investment grade of 1 indicates that the risk to our ability to recoup the cost of such investment has substantially increased since origination or acquisition, and the portfolio company likely has materially declining performance. For debt investments with an investment grade of 1, most or all of the debt covenants are out of compliance and payments are substantially delinquent. For investments graded 1, it is not anticipated that we will be repaid in an amount equal to our full initial cost basis. For investments graded 1 or 2, our investment adviser enhances its level of scrutiny over the monitoring of such portfolio company.

Ares Capital assigned a fair value as of April 1, 2010 to each of the portfolio investments acquired in connection with the Allied Acquisition. Grades on each investment were initially assessed a grade of 3 (i.e., generally the grade we assign a portfolio company at acquisition), reflecting the relative risk to our initial cost basis of such investments. The initial cost basis of each investment acquired in connection with the Allied Acquisition was equal to the fair value of such investment as of April 1, 2010. Many of these portfolio investments were assigned a fair value reflecting a significant discount to Allied Capital's cost basis at the time of Allied Capital's origination or acquisition of the investment. It is important to note that our grading system does not take into account factors or events in respect of the period from when Allied Capital originated or acquired such portfolio investments or the current status of these portfolio investments in terms of compliance with debt facilities, financial performance

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and similar factors. Rather, it is only intended to measure the risk to Ares Capital's cost basis from the time that Ares Capital acquired the portfolio investment in connection with the Allied Acquisition. Accordingly, it is possible that the grade of certain of these portfolio investments may be reduced or increased in the future.

MANAGERIAL ASSISTANCE

As a BDC, we offer, and must provide upon request, significant 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. We may receive fees for these services.

COMPETITION

Our primary competition to provide financing to middle market companies include public and private funds, commercial and investment banks, commercial financing companies and private equity funds. Many of our competitors are substantially larger and have considerably greater financial and marketing resources than we do. For example, some competitors may have 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 relationships than us. Furthermore, many of our competitors are not subject to the regulatory restrictions that the Investment Company Act imposes on us as a BDC.

We use the industry information of Ares' investment professionals to which we have access to assess investment risks and determine appropriate pricing for our investments in portfolio companies. In addition, we believe that the relationships of the members of Ares Capital Management's investment committees and of the senior principals of Ares, enable us to learn about, and compete effectively for, financing opportunities with attractive middle market companies in the industries in which we seek to invest. The Ares' professionals' deep and long-standing direct sponsor relationships and the resulting proprietary transaction opportunities that these relationships often present, provide valuable insight and access to transactions and information. For additional information concerning the competitive risks we face, see "Risk Factors Risks Relating to Our Business We operate in a highly competitive market for investment opportunities."

MARKET CONDITIONS

Due to volatility in global markets, the availability of capital and access to capital markets has been limited over the last two years. We have responded to constraints on raising new capital by pursuing other avenues of liquidity and growth, such as adjusting the pace of our investments, becoming more selective in evaluating investment opportunities, pursuing asset sales, developing our third-party asset management capabilities and/or reinvesting the proceeds from sales of lower yielding investments into higher yielding investments. We also intend to continue pursuing opportunities to manage third-party funds. As the global liquidity situation and market conditions evolve, we will continue to monitor and adjust our approach to funding accordingly. However, given the unprecedented nature of the volatility in the global markets, there can be no assurances that these activities will be successful. While levels of market disruption and volatility have improved, there can be no assurance that they will not worsen. If they do, we could face materially higher financing costs. Consequently, our operating strategy could be materially and adversely affected.

Consistent with the depressed market conditions of the general economy, during 2008 and much of 2009, the stocks of BDCs as an industry traded at near historic lows as a result of concerns over liquidity, credit quality, leverage restrictions and distribution requirements. As a result of this market volatility, several of our peers are no longer active in the market and are winding down their

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investments, have defaulted on their indebtedness and/or have decreased their distributions to stockholders. While market conditions have improved, we cannot assure you that the market pressures we face will not have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

See "Risk Factors Risks Relating to Our Business 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, which has had, and may in the future have, a negative impact on our business and operations."

STAFFING

We do not currently have any employees and do not expect to have any employees. Services necessary for our business are provided by individuals who are employees of Ares Capital Management and Ares Operations, pursuant to the terms of the investment advisory and management agreement and the administration agreement, respectively, each as described below. Each of our executive officers described under "Management Executive Officers Who Are Not Directors" is an employee of Ares Operations or Ares Capital Management. Our day-to-day investment activities are managed by our investment adviser. Most of the services necessary for the origination and administration of our investment portfolio are provided by investment professionals employed by Ares Capital Management. Ares Capital Management has approximately 65 investment professionals who focus on origination and transaction development and the ongoing monitoring of our investments. See "Management Investment Advisory and Management Agreement." In addition, we reimburse Ares Operations for our allocable portion of expenses incurred by it in performing its obligations under the administration agreement, including our allocable portion of the cost of our officers (including our chief compliance officer, chief financial officer, secretary and treasurer) and their respective staffs. See "Management Administration Agreement."

PROPERTIES

We do not own any real estate or other physical properties materially important to our operation. Our headquarters are currently located at 280 Park Avenue, 22nd Floor, Building East, New York, New York 10017. We rent the office space directly from a third party pursuant to a lease that expires on February 27, 2011. In addition, we have entered into a sublease with Ares Management whereby Ares Management subleases approximately 25% of certain office space for a fixed rent equal to 25% of the basic annual rent payable by us under this lease, plus certain additional costs and expenses. Further, IHAM reimburses us for a portion of our total rent, plus certain additional costs and expenses, which corresponds to the amount of office space used by IHAM. We recently entered into a new office lease pursuant to which we will lease new office facilities from a third party and start to pay rent on the new office space in the first quarter of 2011. We also entered into separate subleases with Ares Management and IHAM, pursuant to which Ares Management and IHAM will sublease approximately 15% and 20%, respectively, of the new office space, for a fixed rent equal to 15% and 20%, respectively, of the basic annual rent payable by us under the new office lease, plus certain additional costs and expenses.

LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

The Company is party to certain lawsuits in the normal course of business. Allied Capital was also involved in various other legal proceedings. To our knowledge, our portfolio company, Ciena, is the subject of ongoing governmental investigations, audits and reviews being conducted by the Small Business Administration, the United States Secret Service, the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the U.S. Department of Justice. Furthermore, third parties may try to seek to impose liability on Ares Capital in connection with the activities of its portfolio companies. While the outcome of any such open legal proceedings cannot at this time be predicted with certainty, the Company does not expect these matters will materially affect its financial condition or results of operations.

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PORTFOLIO COMPANIES

Our investment adviser employs an investment rating system to categorize our investments. See "Business On-Going Relationships With and Monitoring of Portfolio Companies." As of June 30, 2010, the weighted average grade of the investments in our portfolio (excluding investments acquired in connection with the Allied Acquisition), the investments in our portfolio acquired in connection with the Allied Acquisition and the investments in our portfolio as a whole were each 3.0. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Portfolio and Investment Activity." As of June 30, 2010, (i) 2.3% of our investments (excluding investments acquired in connection with the Allied Acquisition) at amortized cost (0.2% at fair value) were on non-accrual status; (ii) 7.1% of our investments acquired in connection with the Allied Acquisition at amortized cost (7.4% at fair value) were on non-accrual status; and (iii) 9.4% at amortized cost (or 7.6% at fair value) of the investments in our portfolio as a whole were on non-accrual status. As of June 30, 2010, the weighted average yield of debt and income producing securities at fair value in our portfolio was approximately 13.39% (13.40% at amortized cost) (fair value is computed as (1) the annual stated interest rate or yield earned plus the net annual amortization of original issue discount and market discount on accruing debt divided by (2) total debt and income producing securities at fair value and amortized cost is computed as (a) annual stated interest rate or yield earned plus the net annual amortization of original issue discount earned on accruing debt included in such securities, divided by (b) total debt and income producing securities at amortized cost included in such securities).

The following table describes each of the businesses included in our portfolio and reflects data as of June 30, 2010. Percentages shown for class of investment securities held by us represent percentage of the class owned and do not necessarily represent voting ownership. Percentages shown for equity securities, other than warrants or options, represent the actual percentage of the class of security held before dilution. Percentages shown for warrants and options held represent the percentage of class of security we may own assuming we exercise our warrants or options before dilution.

We have indicated by footnote portfolio companies (a) where we directly or indirectly own more than 25% of the outstanding voting securities of such portfolio company and, therefore, are presumed to be "controlled" by us under the Investment Company Act and (b) where we directly or indirectly own 5% to 25% of the outstanding voting securities of such portfolio company or where we hold one or more seats on the portfolio company's board of directors and, therefore, are deemed to be an "affiliated person" under the Investment Company Act. We directly or indirectly own less than 5% of the outstanding voting securities of all other portfolio companies (or have no other affiliations with such portfolio companies) listed on the table. We offer to make significant managerial assistance to certain of our portfolio companies. We may also receive rights to observe the meetings of our portfolio companies' boards of directors.

ARES CAPITAL AND SUBSIDIARIES PORTFOLIO COMPANIES As of June 30, 2010 (dollar amounts in thousands)

| | | | | | % of Class | |
|---|----------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------|------------------|----------------|
| Company | Industry | Investment | Interest(1) | Maturity | Held at 06-30-10 | Fair Value |
| 10th Street, LLC(2) | Document storage | Senior subordinated loan | 8.93% Cash, 4.07% PIK | 11/2/2014 | | \$ 22,781 |
| 5 North 11th Street | and management | Member interest | | | 10.00% | \$ 596 |
| Brooklyn, NY 11211 | services | Option | | | 50.10% | \$ 35(3) |
| | | | | | | |
| ADF Capital, Inc. & ADF Restaurant Group, LLC | Restaurant owner and | Senior secured revolving loan | 6.50% (Libor + 3.50%/Q) | 11/27/2012 | | \$ 2,010(4) |
| 165 Passaic Avenue | operator | Senior secured revolving loan | 6.50% (Base Rate + 2.50%/Q) | 11/27/2012 | | \$ 233(4) |
| Fairfield, NJ 07004 | | Senior secured loan | 12.50% (Libor + 6.50%/Q) | 11/27/2013 | | \$ 23,399 |
| | | Senior secured loan | 12.50% (Libor + 6.50%/Q) | 11/27/2013 | | \$ 10,967 |
| | | Promissory note | 12.00% PIK | 11/27/2016 | | \$ 13,093 |
| | | Warrants | | | 83.33% | \$ 665(3) |

| C | To do store | Towards and | Internat(I) | Matanita | % of Class Held at | | Fair |
|---|------------------------|---|--|------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Company AGILE Fund I, LLC(5) | Industry Investment | Investment Member interest | Interest(1) | Maturity | 06-30-10 0.50% | \$ | Value 264 |
| rolle rund i, elec(5) | company | morest | | | 0.50 /0 | ψ | 204 |
| 2000 Avenue of the Stars, 12th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90067 | | | | | | | |
| Air Medical Group Holdings LLC(2) | Medical escort | Senior secured revolving loan | 2.48% (Libor + 2.00%/Q) | 3/31/2011 | | \$ | 2,940(6) |
| 306 Davis Drive | services | Senior secured | 4.25% (Base | 3/31/2011 | | \$ | 1,749(6) |
| P.O. Box 768 West Plains, MO 65775 | | revolving loan Preferred stock Preferred stock Common stock | Rate + 1.00%/Q) | | 5.60% 5.40% 0.00% | \$ \$ \$ | 19,076 3,912 |
| AllBridge Financial, LLC(5) | Investment company | Equity interest | | | 95.24% | \$ | 12,088 |
| 13760 Noel Road, Suite 1100 Dallas, TX 75240 | company | | | | | | |
| Allied Capital REIT, Inc.(5) | | Real estate equity interests | | | 100.00% | \$ | 364 |
| 2000 Avenue of the Stars, 12th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90067 | | mercoto | | | | | |
| American Broadband Communications, LLC and | Broadband | Senior subordinated loan | 16.00% (12.00% Cash, 4.00% | 11/7/2014 | | \$ | 32,538 |
| American Broadband Holding Company | communication | | PIK/Q) | 11/7/2014 | | \$ | 10,248 |
| 401 N. Tryon Street, 10th Floor | services | Senior subordinated loan | 16.00% (12.00% Cash, 4.00% | | | | |
| Charlotte, NC 28202 | | Common stock warrants | PIK/Q) | | 17.00% | \$ | 910(3) |
| | | Common stock warrants | | | 17.00% | Ф | 910(3) |
| American Commercial Coatings | | Commercial mortgage loan | | 12/1/2025 | | \$ | 2,000 |
| 2008 Cypress Street Paris, KY 40362 | | | | | | | |
| AP Global Holdings, Inc. | Safety and security | Senior secured loan | 4.85% (Libor + 4.50%/M) | 10/26/2013 | | \$ | 6,212 |
| 1043 North 47th Avenue | equipment | | | | | | |
| Phoenix, AZ 85043 | manufacturer | | | | | | |
| Apogee Retail, LLC | For-profit thrift | Senior secured revolving loan | | 3/27/2012 | | \$ | (7) |
| 1387 Cope Ave E | retailer | Senior secured loan | 5.60% (Libor + 5.25%/M) | 3/27/2012 | | \$ | 25,458 |
| Maplewood, MN 55109 | | Senior secured loan Senior secured loan | 5.60% (Libor + 5.25%/M) 5.60% (Libor + 5.25%/M) | 3/27/2012 3/27/2012 | | \$ \$ | 11,140 2,895 |
| | | Senior secured loan | 12.00% Cash, 4.00% PIK | 9/27/2012 | | \$ | 3,352 |
| | | Senior secured loan | 12.00% Cash, 4.00% PIK | 9/27/2012 | | \$ | 11,293 |
| Apple & Eve, LLC and US Juice | Juice manufacturer | Senior secured revolving loan | | 10/1/2013 | | \$ | (8) |
| Partners, LLC(2) | | Senior secured loan | 12.00% (Libor + 9.00%/M) | 10/1/2013 | | \$ | 14,242 |
| 2 Seaview Blvd Port Washington, NY 11050 | | Senior secured loan Senior units | 12.00% (Libor + 9.00%/M) | 10/1/2013 | 8.74% | \$ \$ | 14,985 5,500 |
| | | | 2.50% | (11/2011 | 0.1470 | | |
| Aquila Binks Forest Development,LLC | | Commercial mortgage loan | 2.50% | 6/1/2011 | | \$ | 7,933 |
| 15430 Endeavour Drive | | Real estate equity | | | 85.00% | \$ | |
| Jupiter, FL 33478 | | interests | | | | | |
| Athletic Club Holdings, Inc. | | Senior secured loan | 4.85% (Libor + 4.50%/M) | 10/11/2013 | | \$ | 6,380 |
| | | | | | | | |

| 5201 East Tudor Road Anchorage, AL 99507 | Premier health club operator | Senior secured loan | 4.85% (Libor + 4.50%/M) | 10/11/2013 | | \$ | 10,120 |
|---|---|--|-------------------------|--|-------------------|----------------|------------------------------|
| Avborne, Inc.(5) PO Box 52-2602 Miami, FL 33152 | Maintenance, repair and overhaul service provider | Common stock | | | 27.20% | \$ | 39 |
| Aviation Properties Corporation(5) 2000 Avenue of the Stars, 12th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90067 | Aviation services | Common stock | | | 100.00% | \$ | |
| AWTP, LLC 2080 Lunt Avenue Elk Grove Village, IL 60007 | Water treatment services | Junior secured loan Junior secured loan Junior secured loan Junior secured loan | | 12/23/2012 12/23/2012 12/23/2012 12/23/2012 | | \$ \$ \$ | 1,664 730 1,664 730 |
| Axium Healthcare Pharmacy, Inc. 550 Technology Park Lake Mary, FL 32746 | Specialty pharmacy provider | Senior subordinated loan | 8.00% PIK | 3/31/2015 | | \$ | 3,063 |
| BB&T Capital Partners/Windsor Mezzanine Fund, LLC(2) 101 N. Cherry Street, Suite 700 Winston-Salem, NC 27101 | Investment company | Member interest | | | 9.90% | \$ | 14,785 |
| BenefitMall Holdings, Inc. 4851 LBJ Freeway, Suite 1100 Dallas, TX 75244 | Employee benefits broker services company | Senior subordinated loan Common stock Warrants | 18.00% | 6/30/2014 | 68.10% 100.00% | \$ \$ \$ | 40,326 57,647 |
| | | 113 | | | | | |

| Company Blacksmith Brands Holdings, Inc. and Blacksmith Brands, Inc. 200 White Plains Road, Suite #275 Tarrytown, NY 10591 | Industry Consumer products and personal care manufacturer | Investment Senior secured loan | Interest(1) 12.50% (Base Rate + 8.50%/Q) | Maturity 12/31/2014 | % of Class Held at 06-30-10 | , | Fair Value 22,229 |
|--|---|--|--|-------------------------------------|--|----------------------------|--|
| Booz Allen Hamilton, Inc. 8283 Greensboro Drive McLean, VA 22102 | Strategy and technology consulting services | Senior secured loan Senior subordinated loan Senior subordinated loan | 7.50% (Libor + 4.50%/Q) 13.00% 13.00% | 7/31/2015 7/31/2016 7/31/2016 | | \$ \$ \$ | 737 12,400 250 |
| Border Foods, Inc.(5) 4065 J Street SE Deming, NM 88030 | Mexican Ingredient and Food Product Manufacturer | Senior secured loan Senior secured loan Preferred stock Common stock Common stock Common stock | 9.00% (Base Rate + 4.00%/M) 13.50% | 3/19/2012 3/19/2012 | 100.00% 100.00% 100.00% 100.00% | \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ | 4,250 29,876 21,808 5,942 3,502 955 |
| Bumble Bee Foods, LLC and BB Co-Invest LP 9655 Granite Ridge Dr. Suite 100 San Diego, CA 92123 | Canned seafood manufacturer | Common stock | | | 5.84% | \$ | 8,480 |
| Bushnell, Inc. 9200 Cody Overland Park, KS 66214 | Sports optics manufacturer | Senior subordinated loan | 6.79% (Libor + 6.50%/Q) | 2/24/2014 | | \$ | 28,928 |
| Callidus Capital Corporation(5) 2000 Avenue of the Stars, 12th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90067 | Investment company | Senior subordinated loan Common stock | | 8/31/2013 | 100.00% | \$ | 5,088 |
| Callidus Debt Partners CDO Fund I, Ltd. GSO Capital Partners LP 280 Park Avenue, 11th Floor New York, NY 10017 | Investment company | Class C notes Class D notes | 2.13% | 12/20/2013 12/20/2013 | | \$ | 1,777 |
| Callidus Debt Partners CLO Fund III, Ltd. GSO Capital Partners LP 280 Park Avenue, 11th Floor New York, NY 10017 | Investment company | Preferred stock | 13.72% | | 68.41% | \$ | 8,151 |
| Callidus Debt Partners CLO Fund IV, Ltd. GSO Capital Partners LP 280 Park Avenue, 11th Floor New York, NY 10017 | Investment company | Class D notes Subordinated notes | 5.08% (Libor + 4.55%/Q) 1.80% | 4/17/2020 4/17/2020 | 38.50% | \$ | 1,739 9,935 |
| Callidus Debt Partners CLO Fund V, Ltd. GSO Capital Partners LP 280 Park Avenue, 11th Floor New York, NY 10017 | Investment company | Subordinated notes | 11.10% | 11/20/2020 | 43.14% | \$ | 10,091 |
| Callidus Debt Partners CLO Fund VI, Ltd. GSO Capital Partners LP 280 Park Avenue, 11th Floor | Investment company | Class D notes Subordinated notes | 6.53% (Libor + 6.00%/Q) 4.30% | 10/23/2021 10/23/2021 | 100.00% | \$ \$ | 4,243 14,227 |

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| Callidus Debt Partners CLO Fund VII, Ltd. GSO Capital Partners LP 280 Park Avenue, 11th Floor New York, NY 10017 | Investment company | Subordinated notes | 18.16% | 1/21/2021 | 50.90% | \$ | 14,516 |
|--|--------------------|--|---|--------------------------|--------|----------|------------------|
| Callidus MAPS CLO Fund I LLC GSO Capital Partners LP 280 Park Avenue. 11th Floor | Investment company | Class E notes Subordinated notes | 5.80% (Libor + 5.53%/Q) 14.84% | 12/21/2017 12/21/2017 | 86.50% | \$ \$ | 11,274 19,031 |
| New York, NY 10017 Callidus MAPS CLO Fund II, Ltd. | Investment | Class D notes | 4.78% (Libor + 4.25%/Q) | 7/20/2022 | | \$ | 4,035 |
| GSO Capital Partners LP 280 Park Avenue, 11th Floor New York, NY 10017 | company | Subordinated notes | 8.40% | 7/20/2022 | 47.10% | \$ | 12,298 |
| Campus Management Corp.(2) | Education software | Senior secured loan | 10.00% Cash, 3.00% PIK | 8/8/2013 | | \$ | 3,306 |
| and Campus Management Acquisition Corp. | developer | Senior secured loan | 10.00% Cash, 3.00% PIK | 8/8/2013 | | \$ | 30,731 |
| c/o Leeds Equity Partners, LLC 350 Park Avenue, 23rd Floor New York, NY 10022 | | Senior secured loan Preferred stock | 10.00% Cash, 3.00% PIK 8.00% PIK | 8/8/2013 | 5.51% | \$ | 9,098 18,005 |
| Canon Communications LLC | Print publications | Junior secured loan | 13.75% (Libor + 8.75% Cash, | 11/30/2011 | | \$ | 10,884 |
| 11444 W. Olympic Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90064 | services | Junior secured loan | 2.00% PIK/Q) 13.75% (Libor + 8.75% Cash, 2.00% PIK/Q) | 11/30/2011 | | \$ | 11,092 |
| | | 114 | | | | | |

| Company Carador PLC(2) Georges Quay House 43 Townend Street | Industry Investment company | Investment Ordinary shares | Interest(1) | Maturity | % of Class Held at 06-30-10 5.08% | | Fair Value 3,982 |
|---|--|---|---|--|---|----------------------------|---|
| Dublin 2, Ireland Carlisle Wide Plank Floors, Inc. 1676 Route 9 Stoddard, NH 03464 | Hardwood floor manufacturer | Senior secured loan Member interest Common stock | 12.00% Cash, 2.00% PIK | 6/16/2011 | 3.80% 3.31% | \$ \$ \$ | 1,508 |
| Catterton Partners VI, L.P. 599 West Putnam Avenue, 2nd Floor Greenwich, CT 06830 | Investment partnership | Limited partnership interest | | | 0.50% | \$ | 1,716 |
| Charter Baking Company, Inc. 3300 Walnut Street, Unit C Boulder, CO 80301 | Baked goods manufacturer | Senior subordinated loan Preferred stock | 13.00% PIK | 2/6/2013 | 3.05% | \$ | 6,272 1,725 |
| CIC Flex, LP 60 South Sixth Street, Suite 3720 Minneapolis, MN 55402 | Investment partnership | Limited partnership units | | | 14.28% | \$ | |
| Ciena Capital LLC(5) 1633 Broadway, 39th Floor New York, NY 10019 | Investment banking services | Senior secured revolving loan Senior secured loan Class A equity interest Class B equity interest Class C equity interest | | 3/17/2011 3/17/2011 | 20.00% 100.00% 94.90% | \$ \$ \$ \$ | 77,183(8) 4,969 |
| CitiPostal Inc.(5) 5 North 11th Street Brooklyn, NY 11211 | Document storage and management services | Senior secured revolving loan Senior secured revolving loan Senior secured loan Senior secured loan Senior subordinated loan Common stock | 6.50% (Libor + 4.50%/M) 6.75% (Base Rate + 3.50%/Q) 11.00% Cash, 2.00% PIK 11.00% Cash, 2.00% PIK 16.00% PIK | 12/21/2013 12/21/2013 12/21/2013 12/21/2015 | 63.10% | \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ | 691(9) 1,250(9) 487 49,838 11,566 |
| Cleveland East Equity 26300 Harvard Road Warrensville Heights, OH 44122 | | Real estate equity interests | | | 50.00% | \$ | 710 |
| Commercial Credit Group, Inc. 121 West Trade Street, Suite 2100 Charlotte, NC 28202 | Commercial equipment finance and leasing company | Senior subordinated loan Senior subordinated loan Senior subordinated loan | 15.00% 15.00% 15.00% | 6/30/2015 6/30/2015 6/30/2015 | | \$ \$ \$ | 6,000 4,000 9,500 |
| Commons R-3, LLC 5555 Glenridge Connector, Suite 700 Atlanta, GA 30342 | | Real estate equity interests | | | | \$ | |
| Community Education Centers, Inc. 35 Fairfield Place | Offender re-entry and in-prison treatment | Senior subordinated loan | | 11/18/2013 | | \$ | 35,810 |

| West Caldwell, NJ 07006 | services provider | | | | | | |
|---|---------------------------|---|--------------------------------|----------------------|--------|----------|---------|
| Compass Group Diversified Holdings, LLC | Middle market | Senior secured revolving loan | 3.04% (Libor + 2.50%/Q) | 12/7/2012 | | \$ | 882(10) |
| 61 Wilton Road, 2nd Floor | business manager | Senior secured revolving loan | 3.04% (Libor + 2.50%/Q) | 12/7/2012 | | \$ | 37(10) |
| Westport, CT 06880 | | Senior secured revolving loan | 4.75% (Base Rate + 1.50%/M) | 12/7/2012 | | \$ | 51(10) |
| Component Hardware Group, Inc. | Commercial | Senior subordinated | | 1/14/2013 | | \$ | 13,874 |
| 1890 Swarthmore Avenue Lakewood, NJ 08701 | equipment manufacturer | ioan | | | | | |
| Cook Inlet Alternative Risk, LLC | Risk management | Senior secured revolving loan | | 4/3/2013 | | \$ | (11) |
| 10 British American Blvd. | services | Senior secured loan Senior secured loan | | 4/3/2013 4/3/2013 | | \$ | 25,114 |
| Latham, NY 12110 | | Member interest | | 4/3/2013 | 3.17% | \$ \$ | 29,886 |
| Cortec Group Fund IV, L.P. | Investment | Limited partnership interest | | | 2.53% | \$ | 3,363 |
| 200 Park Avenue, 20th Floor New York, NY 10166 | partnership | | | | | | |
| Coverall North America, Inc.(5) | Commercial janitorial | Senior secured loan | 12.00% | 7/28/2011 | | \$ | 15,763 |
| 5201 Congress Avenue, Suite 275 | service provider | Senior secured loan | 12.00% | 7/28/2011 | | \$ | 15,864 |
| Boca Raton, FL 33487 | | Senior subordinated loan | 15.00% Cash, 1.00% PIK | 7/28/2011 | | \$ | 5,563 |
| | | Common stock (763,333 shares) | | | 83.47% | \$ | 4,380 |
| Covestia Capital Partners, LP | Investment | Limited partnership | | | 47.00% | \$ | 1,021 |
| 11111 Santa Monica Blvd , Suite 1620 | partnership | interest | | | | | |
| Los Angeles, CA 90025 | | | | | | | |
| | | 115 | | | | | |

| Company | Industry | Investment | Interest(1) | Maturity | % of Class Held at 06-30-10 | | Fair Value |
|--|----------------------------|--|-------------------------|------------|--------------------------------------|----------|----------------|
| Crescent Equity Corporation(5) | Hospitality | Senior subordinated | interest(1) | 6/30/2010 | 00-30-10 | \$ | 433 |
| 2000 Avenue of the Stars, 12th Floor | management services | loan Senior subordinated loan | | 1/11/2012 | | \$ | 896 |
| Los Angeles, CA 90067 | 561,1865 | Senior subordinated loan | | 6/1/2017 | | \$ | 944 |
| | | Senior subordinated loan | | 6/1/2017 | | \$ | 591 |
| | | Senior subordinated loan | | 9/19/2012 | | \$ | 1,297 |
| | | Senior subordinated | | 3/25/2013 | | \$ | 57 |
| | | Senior subordinated loan | | 9/8/2011 | | \$ | |
| | | Senior subordinated loan | | 1/11/2012 | | \$ | |
| | | Senior subordinated loan | | 6/1/2017 | | \$ | |
| | | Senior subordinated | | 6/1/2017 | | \$ | |
| | | Senior subordinated loan | | 9/19/2012 | | \$ | |
| | | Preferred equity interest | | | 51.00% | \$ | |
| | | Preferred equity interest Member interest | | | 12.83% 93.35% | \$ \$ | |
| | | Member interest Member interest | | | 85.40% 90.00% | \$ \$ | |
| | | Member interest | | | 72.64% | \$ | |
| | | Member interest Common equity interest | | | 84.60% 100.00% | \$ \$ | |
| | | Common stock | | | 100.00% | \$ | |
| | | Common stock | | | | \$ | |
| | | Common stock Common stock | | | | \$ \$ | |
| CT Technologies Intermediate Holdings, Inc. | Healthcare analysis | Preferred stock | 14.00% PIK | | 20.00% | \$ | 7,887 |
| and CT Technologies Holdings, LLC(2) | services | Common stock Common stock | | | 13.07% 20.00% | \$ \$ | 7,997 1,227 |
| 8901 Farrow Rd Columbia, SC 29203 | | Common stock | | | 20.00% | Ψ | 1,227 |
| DI Safford, LLC | | Commercial mortgage | | 5/12/2032 | | \$ | 2,750 |
| | | loan | | | | | , |
| d/b/a Comfort Inn & Suites 420 East Hwy 70 Safford, AZ 85546 | | | | | | | |
| Digital VideoStream, LLC | Media content | Senior secured | 10.00% Cash, 1.00% PIK | 2/9/2012 | | \$ | 262(12) |
| 2600 West Olive Avenue, Suite 100 | supply chain services | revolving loan Senior secured | 10.00% Cash, 1.00% PIK | 2/9/2012 | | \$ | 7(12) |
| Burbank, CA 91505 | company | revolving loan Senior secured loan | 11.00% Cash, 1.00% PIK | 2/9/2012 | | \$ | 10,817 |
| | | Convertible subordinated loan | 10.00% PIK | 2/9/2016 | | \$ | 5,271 |
| Direct Buy Holdings, Inc. and Direct Buy | Membership-based | Senior secured loan | 7.75% (Libor + 6.00%/M) | 11/30/2012 | | \$ | 2,015 |
| Investors, LP(2) | buying club | Senior subordinated | 12.00% Cash, 4.00% PIK | 5/30/2013 | | \$ | 75,999 |
| 8450 Broadway | franchisor and operator | loan Limited partnership interest | | | 4.58% | \$ | 3,054 |
| Merrillville, IN 46410 | | Partnership interests | | | 19.31% | \$ | 4,000 |

| Direct Capital Corporation(5) 155 Commerce Way | Commercial equipment finance | Senior secured loan Senior subordinated loan | | 1/30/2014 3/1/2013 | | \$ \$ | 9,097 1,017 |
|--|---|--|---|------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|--|
| Portsmouth, NH 03801 | and leasing company | Subordinated loan Common stock | | 3/1/2013 | 58.60% | \$ | |
| Distant Lands Trading Co. 801 Houser Way North Renton, WA 98055 | Coffee manufacturer | Senior secured revolving loan Senior secured loan Common stock Common stock | 8.25% (Base Rate + 5.00%/Q) 13.00% | 11/10/2011 11/10/2011 | 3.32% 8.27% | \$ \$ \$ \$ | 9,500(13) 41,402 353 588 |
| Diversified Collection Services, Inc. 333 North Canyons Pkwy. Livermore, CA 94551 | Collections services | Senior secured loan Senior secured loan Preferred stock Common stock Common stock | 7.50% (Libor + 5.50%/Q) 13.75% (Libor + 11.75%/Q) | 3/31/2012 9/30/2012 | 0.68% 0.56% 2.23% | \$ \$ \$ \$ | 7,000 36,000 279 552 1,645 |
| Diversified Mercury Communications, LLC 520 Broadway, Suite 400 Santa Monica, CA 90401 | Business media consulting services | Senior secured loan | 8.00% (Base Rate + 4.50%/Q) | 3/28/2013 | | \$ | 1,707 |
| Driven Brands, Inc.(2) 128 S. Tryon St., Ste 900 Charlotte, NC 28202 | Automotive aftermarket car care franchisor | Senior secured loan Common stock | 7.00% (Base Rate + 3.75%/M) | 10/20/2014 | 6.70% | \$ | 3,982 5,250 |
| Dryden XVIII Leveraged Loan 2007 Limited Prudential Investment Management Four Gateway Center Newark, NJ 07102 | Investment company | Class B notes Subordinated notes | 5.03% (Libor + 4.50%/Q) 10.20% | 10/25/2019 10/25/2019 | 80.00% | \$ | 3,579 14,623 |
| DSI Renal, Inc.(2) 511 Union Street Suite 1800 Nashville, TN 37219 | Dialysis provider | Senior secured revolving loan Senior secured loan Senior subordinated loan Common units | 9.00% (Libor + 7.00%/M) 6.00% Cash, 11.00% PIK | 3/31/2013 3/31/2013 4/7/2014 | 37.54% | \$ \$ \$ | 9,462 64,769 22,554 |
| | | 110 | | | | | |

| | | | | | % of Class Held at | | Fair |
|--|--|--|--|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Company Dynamic India Fund IV | Industry Investment | Investment Equity Interest | Interest(1) | Maturity | 06-30-10 5.40% | \$ | Value 4,822 |
| International Financial Services Limited IFS Court, Twenty Eight Cybercity, Ebene, Mauritius | company | Equity interest | | | 3.40% | Ψ | 4,022 |
| EarthColor, Inc.(5) | Printing management | Common stock | | | 86.30% | \$ | |
| 249 Pomeroy Road Parsippany, NJ 07054 | services | | | | | | |
| eCentury Capital Partners, L.P. | Investment | Limited partnership interest | | | 25.00% | \$ | |
| 8180 Greensboro Drive, Suite 1150 McLean, VA 22102 | partnership | | | | | | |
| eInstruction Corporation 308 N. Carroll Blvd. | Developer, manufacturer and | Junior secured loan Senior subordinated loan | 7.85% (Libor + 7.50%/M) 16.00% PIK | 7/2/2014 1/2/2015 | | \$ \$ | 14,960 19,983 |
| Denton, TX 76201 | retailer of educational products | Common stock | | | 2.40% | \$ | 1,256 |
| ELC Acquisition Corporation 2 Lower Ragsdale Drive Monterey, CA 93940 | Developer, manufacturer and retailer of educational products | Senior secured loan Junior secured loan | 3.60% (Libor + 3.25%/M) 7.35% (Libor + 7.00%/M) | 11/29/2012 11/29/2013 | | \$ \$ | 161 8,333 |
| Emerald Performance Materials, LLC 2020 Front Street, Suite 100 Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44221 | Polymers and performance materials | Senior secured loan Senior secured loan Senior secured loan | 8.25% (Libor + 4.25%/M) 8.25% (Libor + 4.25%/M) 8.50% (Base Rate + 3.50%/M) | 5/22/2011 5/22/2011 5/22/2011 | | \$ \$ \$ | 536 8,392 313 |
| | manufacturer | Senior secured loan Senior secured loan | 10.00% (Libor + 6.00%/M) 13.00% Cash, 3.00% PIK | 5/22/2011 5/22/2011 | | \$ \$ | 1,604 5,012 |
| Encanto Restaurants, Inc. | Restaurant owner and | Junior secured loan | 11.00% | 8/2/2013 | | \$ | 19,947 |
| c/o Harvest Partners, Inc. 280 Park Avenue, 33rd Floor New York, NY 10017 | operator | Junior secured loan | 11.00% | 8/2/2013 | | \$ | 3,799 |
| Fidus Mezzanine Capital, L.P. | Investment | Limited partnership interest | | | 30.50% | \$ | 10,518 |
| 101 North Tryon Street Charlotte, NC 28246 | partnership | | | | | | |
| Financial Pacific Company(5) | Commercial property | Senior subordinated loan | 15.00% Cash, 2.00% PIK | 2/2/2012 | | \$ | 11,681 |
| 3455 South 344th Way, Suite 300 | and casualty | Senior subordinated loan | 15.00% Cash, 2.00% PIK | 2/2/2012 | | \$ | 11,679 |
| Federal Way, WA 98001 | insurance provider | Senior subordinated loan | 15.00% Cash, 2.00% PIK | 2/2/2012 | | \$ | 10,750 |
| | | Subordinated loan Preferred stock Preferred stock Preferred stock Common stock | 18.00% Cash, 2.00% PIK | 8/2/2012 | 86.30% 86.30% 86.30% 85.80% | \$ \$ \$ \$ | |
| Firstlight Financial Corporation(2) | Investment | Senior subordinated | 1.00% PIK | 12/31/2016 | 2.2070 | \$ | 48,295 |
| 1700 E. Putnum Ave. | company | loan Common stock | | | 20.00% | \$ | |

| Old Greenwich, CT 06870 | | Common stock | | | 100.00% | \$ | |
|--|-----------------------------|---|-------------------------|------------|--------------------------|----------------|---------------------------|
| Fulton Holdings Corp 5950 Fulton Industrial Blvd Atlanta, GA 30336 | Airport restaurant operator | Senior secured loan Common stock | 12.50% | 5/28/2016 | 2.16% | \$ \$ | 40,000 1,967 |
| Galley Equities, LLC 140 Turnpike Drive Middlebury, CT 06762 | | Commercial mortgage loan | | 1/1/2015 | | \$ | |
| Geotrace Technologies, Inc. | Reservoir processing, | Common stock warrants | | | 7.824% | \$ | (3) |
| 1011 Highway 6 South, Suite 220 Houston, TX 77077 | development | Common stock warrants Preferred stock warrants Preferred stock warrants | | | 7.824% 7.03% 7.03% | \$ \$ \$ | (3) 1,432(3) 879(3) |
| GG Merger Sub I, Inc. | Drug testing services | Senior secured loan | 4.54% (Libor + 4.00%/Q) | 12/13/2014 | | \$ | 10,764 |
| 4130 Parklake Avenue, Suite 400 Raleigh, NC 27612 | scrvices | Senior secured loan | 4.54% (Libor + 4.00%/Q) | 12/13/2014 | | \$ | 11,400 |
| Gilchrist & Soames, Inc. | Personal care | Senior secured revolving loan | | 10/5/2013 | | \$ | (15) |
| 1535 E. Naomi Street PO Box 33806 | manufacturer | Senior subordinated loan | 13.44% | 10/5/2013 | | \$ | 22,814 |
| Indianapolis, IN 46203 | | | | | | | |
| Gordian Acquisition Corporation 2000 Avenue of the Stars, 12th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90067 | | Member interest | | | 100.00% | \$ | |
| | | 117 | | | | | |

| | | | | | % of Class Held at | | Fair |
|---|---|---|--|----------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| Company Growing Family, Inc. and GFH | Industry Photography | Investment Senior secured | Interest(1) 9.00% (Libor + 6.00%/Q) | Maturity 8/23/2011 | 06-30-10 | \$ | Value 59(16) |
| Holdings, LLC(2) 3613 Mueller Road | services | revolving loan Senior secured revolving loan | 9.00% (Libor + 6.00%/Q) | 8/23/2011 | | \$ | 1,007(16) |
| Saint Charles, MO 63301 | | Senior secured loan Senior secured loan Preferred stock Common stock Warrants | 9.00% (Libor + 6.00%/Q) 9.00% (Libor + 6.00%/Q) | 3/31/2013 3/31/2013 | 38.89% 1.77% 50.00% | \$ \$ \$ \$ | 2,901 161 |
| Havco Wood Products LLC 3200 East Outer Road Scott City, MO 63780 | Laminated oak and fiber-reinforced composite flooring manufacturer for trailers | Member interest | | | 3.90% | \$ | 173 |
| HB&G Building Products | Synthetic and wood | Senior subordinated loan | | 3/7/2011 | | \$ | 179 |
| P.O. Box 589 | product manufacturer | Common stock | | | 5.76% | \$ | |
| Troy, AL 36081 | | Warrants | | | 3.89% | \$ | (3) |
| HCI Equity, LLC(38) | Investment company | Member interest | | | 1.00% | \$ | 913 |
| 2000 Avenue of the Stars, 12th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90067 | | | | | | | |
| HCP Acquisition Holdings, LLC(5) c/o Halyard Capital Fund II, LP 600 Fifth Avenue, 17th Floor | Healthcare compliance advisory services | Class A units | | | 26.19% | \$ | 4,894 |
| New York, NY 10020 | | | | | | | |
| Heartland Dental Care, Inc. 1200 Network Centre Drive, Suite 2 | Dental services | Senior subordinated loan | 14.25% | 7/30/2014 | | \$ | 27,717 |
| Effingham, IL 62401 | | | | | | | |
| Holiday Inn West Chester 943 South High Street West Chester, PA 19382 | | Real estate owned | | | | \$ | 4,000 |
| Hot Light Brands, Inc.(5) | Restaurant owner | Senior secured | | 2/1/2011 | | \$ | (17) |
| 11780 Manchester Road, Suite 207 St. Louis, MO 63131 | and operator | revolving loan Senior secured loan Common stock | | 2/1/2011 | 100.00% | \$ \$ | 6,119 |
| Hot Stuff Foods, LLC(5) | Convenience food | Senior secured revolving loan | | 2/2/2012 | | \$ | (18) |
| 2930 W. Maple Street Sioux Falls, SD 57118 | service retailer | Senior secured loan Junior secured loan Senior subordinated loan | 3.85% (Libor + 3.50%/M) | 2/2/2012 8/2/2012 2/1/2013 | | \$ \$ \$ | 38,377 25,423 |
| | | Subordinated loan Common stock Common stock | | 2/1/2013 | 68.03% 95.61% | \$ \$ \$ | |
| Huddle House, Inc.(5) | Restaurant owner and | Senior subordinated loan | 12.00% Cash, 3.00% PIK | 12/21/2015 | | \$ | 18,069 |
| 5901-B Peachtree-Dunwoody Road, Suite 450 | operator | Common stock | | | 84.04% | \$ | |

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| IAT Equity, LLC and Affiliates d/b/a Industrial Air Tool(5) 2000 Avenue of the Stars, 12th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90067 | Industrial products distributor | Senior subordinated loan Member interest | 9.00% | 6/25/2014 | 100.00% | \$ | 6,000 7,504 |
|--|--|---|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|
| Ideal Snacks Corporation 89 Mill Street Liberty, NY 12754 | Snacks manufacturer | Senior secured revolving loan | 8.50% (Base Rate + 4.00%/M) | 6/30/2011 | | \$ | 1,000(19) |
| ILC Industries, Inc. 105 Wilbur Place Bohemia, NY 11716 | Industrial products provider | Junior secured loan | 11.50% | 6/27/2014 | | \$ | 12,000 |
| Impact Innovations Group, LLC 2500 Northwinds Parkway, Suite 200 Alpharetta, GA 30004 | IT consulting and outsourcing services | Member interest | | | 50.00% | \$ | |
| Imperial Capital Group, LLC and Imperial Capital Private Opportunities, LP(2) 2000 Avenue of the Stars, 9th Floor S Los Angeles, CA 90067 | Investment banking services | Common units Common units Common units Limited partnership interest | | | 5.00% 4.99% 5.00% 80.00% | \$ \$ \$ \$ | 4,561 569 13,921 6,216 |

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| Company Industrial Container Services, LLC(2) 1540 Greenwood Avenue Montebello, CA 90640 | Industry Industrial container manufacturer, reconditioner and servicer | Investment Senior secured revolving loan Senior secured loan Common stock | Interest(1) 4.35% (Libor + 4.00%/M) 4.35% (Libor + 4.00%/M) 4.31% (Libor + 4.00%/Q) 4.31% (Libor + 4.00%/Q) 4.54% (Libor + 4.00%/Q) 5.75% (Base Rate + 2.50%/Q) 5.75% (Base Rate + 2.50%/Q) | Maturity 9/30/2011 9/30/2011 9/30/2011 9/30/2011 9/30/2011 9/30/2011 9/30/2011 | % of Class Held at 06-30-10 | \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ | 3,284 214 3,694 241 821 54 63 965 | (20) |
|--|--|---|--|---|--------------------------------------|--|--|------|
| Insight Pharmaceuticals Corporation(2) 1170 Wheeler Way, Suite 150 Langhorne, PA 19047 | OTC drug products manufactuer | Senior subordinated loan Common stock | 13.00% Cash, 2.00% PIK | 9/30/2012 | 25.46% | \$ \$ | 54,994 10,244 | |
| Instituto de Banca y Comercio, Inc. & Leeds IV Advisors, Inc. Calle Santa Ana 1660 Santurce, PR 00909-2309 | Private school operator | Series C preferred stock Series C preferred stock Common stock Common stock | | | 3.38% 3.53% 0.00% 0.00% | \$ \$ \$ \$ | 2,586 672 | |
| Investor Group Services, LLC(2) 2020 Front Street, Suite 100 Boston, MA 02116 | Financial services | Senior secured revolving loan Limited liability company membership interest | | 6/22/2011 | 10.00% | \$ | 500 | (21) |
| Ivy Hill Asset Management, LP(5) 2000 Avenue of the Stars, 12th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90067 | Investment manager | Member interest | | | 100.00% | \$ | 105,044 | |
| Ivy Hill Middle Market Credit Fund, Ltd.(5) 2000 Avenue of the Stars, 12th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90067 | Investment company | Subordinated notes Class B deferrable interest notes | 15.50% 6.25% (Libor + 6.00%/Q) | 11/20/2018 11/20/2018 | | \$ | 14,737 37,600 | |
| Jakel, Inc.(5) Regal Beloit Corporation 200 State Street Beloit, WI 53511 | Electric motor manufacturer | Senior subordinated loan | | 3/31/2011 | | \$ | | |
| JTC Education Holdings, Inc. 100 Fillmore Place, Suite 300 Denver, CO 80206 | Postsecondary school operator | Senior secured revolving loan Senior secured loan Senior secured loan | 12.50% (Libor + 9.50%/M) 12.50% (Libor + 9.50%/M) | 12/23/2014 12/23/2014 12/23/2014 | | \$ \$ \$ | 20,250 11,000 | (22) |
| Knightsbridge CLO 2007-1 Ltd.(5) 315 Holmwood Drive Newport Beach, CA 92663 | Investment company | Class E interest notes | 9.53% (Libor + 9.00%/Q) | 1/11/2022 | | \$ | 11,347 | |
| Knightsbridge CLO 2008-1 Ltd.(5) 315 Holmwood Drive | Investment company | Class C interest notes Class D interest notes | 8.03% (Libor + 7.50%/Q) 9.03% (Libor + 8.50%/Q) | 6/18/2018 6/18/2018 | | \$ \$ | 14,400 9,000 | |
| Newport Beach, CA 92663 | | Class E interest notes | 5.53% (Libor + 5.00%/Q) | 6/18/2018 | | \$ | 9,954 | |

| Kodiak Fund LP | Investment | Limited partnership interest | | | 1.50% | \$ | 962 |
|---|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|------------------------|--------------------|----------|----------------|
| 2107 Wilson Blvd, Suite 400 Arlington, VA 22201 | partnership | interest | | | | | |
| LVCG Holdings LLC(5) | Commercial printer | Membership interests | | | 56.53% | \$ | 132 |
| c/o The Decatur Group LLC 600 Seventeenth Street, Suite 2800 Denver, CO 80202 | | | | | | | |
| Mactec, Inc. 1105 Sanctuary Parkway, Suite 300 | Engineering and environmental | Class B-4 stock Class C stock | | | 1.00% 38.46% | \$ \$ | 150 |
| Alpharetta, GA 30004 | services | Class C stock | | | 38.40% | Ф | 130 |
| Magnacare Holdings, Inc., Magnacare | Healthcare | Senior secured loan | 7.50% (Libor + 5.50%/M) | 1/30/2012 | | \$ | 4,335 |
| Administrative Services, LLC, and Magnacare, LLC | professional provider | Senior subordinated loan | 15.00% (Libor + 10.00% Cash, 3.00%PIK/Q) | 3/26/2015 | | \$ | 54,000 |
| 825 East Gate Blvd. Garden City, NY 11530 | | | | | | | |
| Making Memories Wholesale, Inc.(5) | Scrapbooking | Senior secured loan | 10.00% (Base | 8/21/2014 | | \$ | 9,625 |
| 1168 West 500 North Centerville, UT 84014 | branded products manufacturer | Senior secured loan Senior secured | Rate + 5.50%/Q) 7.50% Cash, 7.50% PIK 10.00% (Libor + 6.50%/Q) | 8/21/2014 8/21/2014 | | \$ \$ | 267 500(23) |
| Centervine, or ovorv | manuracturer | revolving loan Common stock | 10.00% (Elboi 1 0.50%) | 0/21/2014 | 92.00% | \$ | 300(23) |
| Market Track Holdings, LLC | Business media | Senior secured | | 6/12/2014 |) 2. 00 / 0 | \$ | (24) |
| | | revolving loan | | | | · | |
| 101 North Wacker Drive, Suite 1500 | consulting services | Senior subordinated loan | 11.50% Cash, 4.40% PIK | 6/12/2014 | | \$ | 24,337 |
| Chicago, IL 60606 | company | | | | | | |
| MGP Park Place Equity, LLC | | Commercial mortgage loan | | 5/30/2011 | | \$ | 488 |
| 6901 Rockledge Drive, Suite 230 Bethesda, MD 20817 | | | | | | | |
| | | 119 | | | | | |

| | | • | T. (4) | N | % of Class Held at | | Fair |
|--|------------------------------------|--|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------|--------------------|
| Company MJ Ocala Hotel Associates, Ltd | Industry | Investment Commercial mortgage | Interest(1) 7.60% | Maturity 5/30/2011 | 06-30-10 | \$ | Value 569 |
| 3600 Southwest 36th Avenue Ocala, FL 34474 | | loan | | | | T | |
| MPBP Holdings, Inc., Cohr Holdings, Inc. and | Healthcare | Junior secured loan | | 1/31/2014 | | \$ | 971 |
| MPBP Acquisition Co., Inc. | equipment | Junior secured loan | | 1/31/2014 | | \$ | 583 |
| 21540 Plummer Street Chatsworth, CA 91311 | services | Common stock | | | 2.50% | \$ | |
| Multi-Ad Services, Inc.(2) | Marketing services | Senior secured revolving loan | | 11/7/2011 | | \$ | (25) |
| 1720 W. Detweiller Drive | and software | Senior secured loan | 11.25% | 11/7/2011 | | \$ | 1,878 |
| Peoria, IL 61615 | provider | Member interest Preferred equity | | | 8.85% 14.40% | \$ \$ | 1,286 |
| MVL Group, Inc.(5) | Marketing research | Senior secured loan | 12.00% | 7/8/2012 | | \$ | 25,260 |
| 1061 E. Indiantown Road, Suite 300 | provider | Senior subordinated loan | 12.00% Cash, 2.50% PIK | 7/8/2012 | | \$ | 36,073 |
| Jupiter, FL 33477 | | Senior subordinated loan | 10.00% | 7/8/2012 | | \$ | |
| | | Common stock Common stock | | | 56.10% 56.10% | \$ \$ | |
| MWD Acquisition Sub, Inc. 680 Hehli Way PO Box 69 Mondovi, WI 54755 | Dental services | Junior secured loan | 6.60% (Libor + 6.25%/M) | 5/3/2013 | | \$ | 4,700 |
| | | | | | | | |
| National Print Group, Inc. 2464 Amicola Highway | Printing management services | Senior secured revolving loan Senior secured | 9.00% (Libor + 6.00%/S) 9.00% (Base | 10/31/2012 10/31/2012 | | \$ \$ | 628(26) 530(26) |
| | scrvices | revolving loan | Rate + 5.00%/M) | | | | , , |
| Chattanooga, TN 37406 | | Senior secured loan | 16.00% (Libor + 13.00%/Q), 9.00% Cash, 7.00% PIK | 10/31/2012 | | \$ | 4,100 |
| | | Senior secured loan | 16.00% (Libor + 12.00%/Q), | 10/31/2012 | | \$ | 271 |
| | | Preferred stock | 9.00% Cash, 7.00% PIK | | 5.17% | \$ | |
| NetShape Technologies, Inc. | Metal precision | Senior secured | 4.19% (Libor + 3.75%/B) | 2/2/2013 | | \$ | 454(27) |
| 8751 Old State Road 60 | engineered | revolving loan Senior secured revolving loan | 4.13% (Libor + 3.75%/M) | 2/2/2013 | | \$ | 70(27) |
| Sellersburg, IN 47172 | components manufacturer | | | | | | |
| Netsmart Technologies | Healthcare | Senior subordinated loan | 13.50% | 6/21/2017 | | \$ | 50,579 |
| 3500 Sunrise Highway, Suite D122 | technology provider | Common stock | | | | \$ | 2,500 |
| Great River, NY 11739 | | | | | | | |
| Network Hardware Resale, Inc. | Networking | Senior subordinated loan | 12.00% | 12/9/2011 | | \$ | 12,980 |
| 26 Castilian Drive, Suite A | equipment resale | Convertible subordinated | 9.75% | 12/9/2015 | | \$ | 19,441 |
| Santa Barbara, CA 93117 | provider | loan | | | | | |

| Novak Biddle Venture Partners III, L.P. 7501 Wisconsin Avenue East Tower, Suite 1380 Bethesda, MD 20814 | Investment | Limited partnership interest | | | 2.46% | \$ 685 |
|---|--------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------|-------|-------------|
| NPA Acquisition, LLC | Powersport vehicle | Junior secured loan | 7.10% (Libor + 6.75%/M) | 2/24/2013 | | \$ 7,286 |
| c/o Transportation Resources | auction operator | Common units | | | 1.94% | \$ 3,000 |
| Partners, L.P. | | | | | | |
| 13175 Gregg Street | | | | | | |
| Poway, CA 92064 | | | | | | |