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Prospectus Supplement (To Prospectus dated November 28, 2008)

#### VENTAS, INC.

#### DISTRIBUTION REINVESTMENT AND STOCK PURCHASE PLAN

This prospectus supplement supplements the prospectus of Ventas, Inc. dated November 28, 2008, as previously supplemented on December 7, 2009 (which we refer to herein as the prospectus), relating to Ventas, Inc. s Distribution Reinvestment and Stock Purchase Plan. You should read this prospectus supplement in conjunction with the prospectus. This prospectus supplement is qualified in its entirety by reference to the prospectus, except to the extent the information in this prospectus supplement supersedes the information contained in the prospectus. Capitalized terms used in this prospectus supplement and not otherwise defined herein have the meanings specified in the prospectus.

This prospectus supplement contains a revised Schedule A to the prospectus. The revised Schedule A to the prospectus restates in its entirety the Schedule A previously included as part of the prospectus. The revised Schedule A sets forth the expected dates relating to common share distribution reinvestments and optional cash payments under the Plan for 2011, as such dates are described in the prospectus.

The date of this Prospectus Supplement is December 6, 2010.

# SCHEDULE A 2011 COMMON SHARE DISTRIBUTION REINVESTMENTS<sup>1</sup>

<b>Discount Set Date</b>	Record Date	Investment Date <sup>2</sup>	
March 8	March 11	March 31	
June 7	June 10	June 30	
September 6	September 9	September 30	
December 13	December 16	December 30	

#### **OPTIONAL CASH PAYMENTS**

	Record Date and		
Threshold Price and	<b>Optional Cash</b>	<b>Pricing Period</b>	<b>Pricing Period</b>
<b>Discount Set Date</b>	Payment Due Date	<b>Commencement Date</b>	<b>Conclusion Date 3</b>
January 3	January 6	January 7	January 25
February 1	February 4	February 7	February 23
March 1	March 4	March 7	March 22
April 1	April 6	April 7	April 25
May 2	May 5	May 6	May 23
June 1	June 6	June 7	June 22
July 1	July 7	July 8	July 25
August 1	August 4	August 5	August 22
September 1	September 7	September 8	September 23
October 3	October 6	October 7	October 24
November 1	November 4	November 7	November 22
December 1	December 6	December 7	December 22

The dates indicated are those expected to be applicable under the Plan with respect to future distributions, if and when declared by the Board of Directors. The actual record and distribution payment dates will be determined by the Board of Directors.

The investment date (and

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pricing date) with respect to shares of common stock purchased directly from us will be the distribution payment date declared by the Board of Directors. The investment date with respect to shares of common stock purchased on the open market will typically be the distribution payment date, but will be no later than ten business days following the distributionpayment date. See Question 11.

The pricing period conclusion date is also the investment date with respect to optional cash payments of \$5,000 or less.

## NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE HOLIDAYS

2011 New Year s Day Martin Luther King, Jr. Day January 17 Washington s Birthday/Presidents Day February 21 Good Friday April 22 Memorial Day May 30 Independence Day July 4 Labor Day September 5 Thanksgiving Day November 24 Christmas December 26 (observed)

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