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1(b).

Common

Stock

11/06/2007

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad CROCKER	Symbol	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VENTAS INC [VTR]		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last)	(First) (M	(iddle) 3. Date of	Earliest Tra	ansaction	(6).	-,		
71 SOUTH V SUITE 3400	_ `	(Month/Day/Year) 11/06/2007			ve titleOth			
	4. If Amer	4. If Amendment, Date Original			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
CHICAGO,	Filed(Mon	Filed(Month/Day/Year)			Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities onAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

Code V

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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

56,008.15 (2)

(3)

D

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

(A)

or

Price

Amount (D)

24.39

(1)

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Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transact Code (Instr. 8)	orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	:		Amou Under Securi (Instr.	lying	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
CROCKER DOUGLAS II 71 SOUTH WACKER DRIVE, SUITE 3400 CHICAGO, IL 60606	X					

Signatures

Douglas Crocker, II, By: T. Richard Riney, Attorney-In-Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- Common Stock in the form of Units granted under the Non-Employee Director Deferred Stock Compensation Plan (the "Plan") in lieu of
- (1) Director fees pursuant to the Director's deferral election. Such Units are payable solely in Common Stock and subject to the terms and conditions of the Director's deferral election and the Plan.
- (2) Includes 221.701 shares acquired on November 2, 2007 under the Ventas Employee and Director Stock Purchase Plan.
- (3) As of November 6, 2007, Reporting Person also owns options to purchase 55,000 shares of Issuer's common stock.

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