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(City)

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Lillibridge Todd W.			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VENTAS INC [VTR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Cheek all applicable)			
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
353 N. CLARK STREET, SUITE 3300		SUITE	07/01/2012	X Officer (give title Other (speci below) below) EVP, Medical Prop. Operations			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
CHICAGO,, II	L 60654		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	Tabl	le I - Non-I	Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned							
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securi	ties A	cquired	5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature of		
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	on(A) or D	ispose	d of (D)	Securities	Ownership	Indirect		
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3,	4 and	5)	Beneficially	Form: Direct	Beneficial		
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	(D) or	Ownership		
							Following	Indirect (I)	(Instr. 4)		
					(4)		Reported	(Instr. 4)			
					(A)		Transaction(s)				
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
Common Stock	07/01/2012		F	6,908 (1)	D	\$ 63.12	112,685.226 (2) (3)	D			

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

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

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		ate	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr	
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title N	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Lillibridge Todd W. 353 N. CLARK STREET, SUITE 3300 CHICAGO,, IL 60654

EVP, Medical Prop. Operations

Signatures

Todd W. Lillibridge, By: T. Richard Riney, Attorney-In-Fact

07/03/2012

**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).
- (1) Represents shares withheld to pay the taxes on the vesting of restricted stock granted on July 1, 2010 under the Ventas, Inc. 2006 Incentive Plan.
- (2) Includes 166.064 shares acquired between January 18, 2012 and July 2, 2012 under the Ventas Employee and Director Stock Purchase Plan.
- (3) As of July 1, 2012, Reporting Person also owns options to purchase 32,901 shares of Issuer's common stock.

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