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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No. 4)*

Computer Task Group, Incorporated

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock

(Title of Class of Securities)

205477102

(CUSIP Number)

12/31/2003

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

Rule 13d-1(b)

Rule 13d-1(c)

Rule 13d-1(d)

* The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, SEE the NOTES).

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1. NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS

I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)

The TCW Group, Inc., on behalf of the TCW Business Unit

2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*

(a) / /
(b) /X/

3. SEC USE ONLY

4. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Nevada corporation

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	5. SOLE VOTING POWER	-0-
	6. SHARED VOTING POWER	1,055,712
	7. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER	-0-
	8. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER	1,155,212

9. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

1,155,212

10. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*

/ /

11. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

5.5% (see response to Item 4)

12. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*(see instructions)

HC/CO

*SEE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE FILLING OUT

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Item 1(a). Name of Issuer:

Computer Task Group, Incorporated

Item 1(b). Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:

800 Delaware Avenue
Buffalo, NY 14209

Item 2(a). Name of Persons Filing:

Item 2(b). Address of Principal Business Office, or if None, Residence:

Item 2(c). Citizenship:

The TCW Group, Inc., on behalf of the TCW Business Unit
865 South Figueroa Street

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Los Angeles, CA 90017
(Nevada Corporation)

Item 2(d). Title of Class of Securities:

Common Stock

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Item 3. If This Statement Is Filed Pursuant to Sections 240.13d-1(b), or 240.13d-2(b) or (c), Check Whether the Person Filing is a:

- (a) / / Broker or dealer registered under Section 15 of the Exchange Act (15 U.S.C. 78o).
- (b) / / Bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).
- (c) / / Insurance company as defined in Section 3(a)(19) of the Exchange Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).
- (d) / / Investment company registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8).
- (e) / / An investment adviser in accordance with Section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E).
- (f) / / An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with Section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F).
- (g) /X/ A parent holding company or control person in accordance with Section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G).

(SEE Item 7)

The TCW Group, Inc., on behalf of the TCW Business Unit

- (h) / / A savings association as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813);
- (i) / / A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under Section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-3);
- (j) / / Group, in accordance with Section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J).

If this statement is filed pursuant to Rule 13d-1(c), check this box. / /

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Item 4. Ownership **

The TCW Group, Inc., on behalf of the Business Unit ***

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- (a) Amount beneficially owned: 1,155,212
 - (b) Percent of class: 5.5%
 - (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
 - (i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote: none
 - (ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 1,055,712
 - (iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: none
 - (iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the

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disposition of: 1,155,212

** The filing of this Schedule 13G shall not be construed as an admission that the reporting person or any of its affiliates is, for the purposes of Section 13(d) or 13(g) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the beneficial owner of any securities covered by this Schedule 13G. In addition, the filing of this Schedule 13G shall not be construed as an admission that the reporting person or any of its affiliates is the beneficial owner of any securities covered by this Schedule 13G for any other purposes than Section 13(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

*** See Exhibit A

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Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class.

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following / /.

Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person.

Various persons other than as described in Item 4 have the right to receive or the power to direct the receipt of dividends from, or the proceeds from the sale of, the Common Stock of Computer Task Group, Incorporated.

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company.

SEE Exhibit A.

Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group.

Not applicable. SEE Exhibit A.

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group.

Not applicable.

Item 10. Certification.

Because this statement is filed pursuant to Rule 13d-1(b), the following certification is included:

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated this 4th day of February, 2004.

The TCW Group, Inc., on behalf of the
TCW Business Unit

By: /s/ Linda D. Barker

Linda D. Barker
Authorized Signatory

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Table of Contents***Dollar Range of Securities Beneficially Owned by Directors, Officers and Senior Investment Professionals***

The following table sets forth the dollar range of our common stock beneficially owned by each of our directors, officers and senior investment professionals as of December 2, 2011. Information as to the beneficial ownerships is based on information furnished to us by such persons. We are not part of a family of investment companies, as that term is defined in the 1940 Act.

Directors	Dollar Range of the Common Stock of the Companies ⁽¹⁾					
	PennantPark Investment Corporation		PennantPark Floating Rate Capital Ltd.		Total	
Independent directors						
Adam K. Bernstein ⁽²⁾	\$500,001	\$1,000,000	\$ 50,001	\$100,000	\$500,001	\$1,000,000
Marshall Brozost	\$100,001	\$ 500,000		None	\$100,001	\$ 500,000
Jeffrey Flug	Over \$1,000,000			None	Over \$1,000,000	
Samuel L. Katz	Over \$1,000,000		\$100,001	\$500,000	Over \$1,000,000	
Interested director						
Arthur H. Penn ⁽³⁾	Over \$1,000,000		\$ 1	\$ 10,000	Over \$1,000,000	
Senior Investment Professionals						
Jose A. Briones	\$100,001	\$ 500,000		None	\$100,001	\$ 500,000
Salvatore Giannetti III	\$100,001	\$ 500,000	\$ 10,001	\$ 50,000	\$100,001	\$ 500,000
P. Whitridge Williams, Jr.	\$500,001	\$1,000,000	\$ 10,001	\$ 50,000	\$500,001	\$1,000,000

(1) Dollar ranges are as follows: None; \$1 \$10,000; \$10,001 \$50,000; \$50,001 \$100,000; \$100,001 \$500,000; \$500,001 \$1,000,000; or over \$1,000,000.

(2) Also reflects holdings of JAM Investments, LLC.

(3) Also reflects holdings of PennantPark Investment Advisers, LLC.

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CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND TRANSACTIONS

Investment Management Agreement

PennantPark Investment has entered into the Investment Management Agreement with the Investment Adviser under which the Investment Adviser, subject to the overall supervision of PennantPark Investment's board of directors, manages the day-to-day operations of and provides investment advisory services to, PennantPark Investment. Mr. Penn, our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, is the managing member and a senior investment professional of, and has a financial and controlling interests in PennantPark Investment Advisers. PennantPark Investment, through the Investment Adviser, manages day-to-day operations of and provides investment advisory services to SBIC LP under its investment management agreement. The SBIC LP investment management agreement does not affect the management or incentive fees that we pay to the Investment Adviser on a consolidated basis. Under the terms of our Investment Management Agreement, PennantPark Investment Advisers:

determines the composition of our portfolio, the nature and timing of the changes to our portfolio and the manner of implementing such changes;

identifies, evaluates and negotiates the structure of the investments we make (including performing due diligence on our prospective portfolio companies); and

closes and monitors the investments we make.

PennantPark Investment Advisers' services under our Investment Management Agreement are not exclusive, and it is free to furnish similar services, without the prior approval of our stockholders or our board of directors, to other entities so long as its services to us are not impaired. Our board of directors would monitor any potential conflicts that may arise upon such a development. For providing these services, the Investment Adviser receives a fee from PennantPark Investment, consisting of two components—a base management fee and an incentive fee (collectively, Management Fees).

Investment Advisory Fees

The base management fee is calculated at an annual rate of 2.00% of our gross assets (net of U.S. Treasury Bills and/or temporary draws on the Credit Facility or average adjusted gross assets, if any). Our base management fee is payable quarterly in arrears. The base management fee is calculated based on the average value of our average adjusted gross assets at the end of the two most recently completed calendar quarters, and appropriately adjusted for any share issuances or repurchases during the current calendar quarter. Base investment advisory fees for any partial month or quarter are appropriately prorated. For the fiscal years ended September 30, 2011, 2010 and 2009, the Investment Adviser earned base management fees, after fee waivers, if any, of \$14.9 million, \$11.6 million and \$7.7 million, respectively, from us.

The incentive fee has two parts, as follows:

One part is calculated and payable quarterly in arrears based on our Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income for the immediately preceding calendar quarter. For this purpose, Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income means interest income, distribution income and any other income (including any other fees (other than fees for providing managerial assistance), such as commitment, origination, structuring, diligence and consulting fees or other fees that we receive from portfolio companies) accrued during the calendar quarter, minus our operating expenses for the quarter (including the base management fee, expenses payable under our Administration Agreement, and any interest expense and distributions paid on any issued and outstanding preferred stock, but excluding the incentive fee). Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income includes, in the case of investments with a deferred interest feature (such as original issue discount, debt instruments with pay in kind interest and zero coupon securities), accrued income that we have not yet received in cash. Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income does not include any realized capital gains, realized capital losses or unrealized capital appreciation or depreciation. Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income, expressed as a rate of return on the value

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of our net assets at the end of the immediately preceding calendar quarter, will be compared to a hurdle of 1.75% per quarter (7.00% annualized). We have agreed to pay PennantPark Investment Advisers an incentive fee with respect to our Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income in each calendar quarter as follows: (1) no incentive fee in any calendar quarter in which PennantPark Investment's Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income does not exceed the hurdle rate of 1.75%, (2) 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 but is less than 2.1875% in any calendar quarter (8.75% annualized). We refer to this portion of our Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income (which exceeds the hurdle but is less than 2.1875%) as the catch-up. The catch-up is meant to provide our Investment Adviser with 20% of our Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income as if a hurdle did not apply if this net investment income exceeds 2.1875% in any calendar quarter, and (3) 20% of the amount of our Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income, if any, that exceeds 2.1875% in any calendar quarter (8.75% annualized) is payable to our Investment Adviser (once the hurdle is reached and the catch-up is achieved, 20% of all Pre-Incentive Fee Investment Income thereafter is allocated to our Investment Adviser). These calculations are appropriately prorated and adjusted for any share issuances or repurchases during the current quarter.

The following is a graphical representation of calculation of quarterly incentive fee based on Net Investment Income

Pre-incentive fee net investment income

(expressed as a percentage of the value of net assets)

Percentage of pre-incentive fee net investment income

allocated to income-related portion of incentive fee

The second part of the incentive 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), commencing on December 31, 2007 and equals 20.0% of our realized capital gains, if any, on a cumulative basis from inception through the end of each calendar year, 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. For the fiscal years ended September 30, 2011, 2010 and 2009, the Investment Adviser earned incentive fees of \$13.2 million, \$8.0 million and \$5.7 million, respectively. For the fiscal years ended September 30, 2011, 2010 and 2009 our unrealized capital gains did not exceed our cumulative realized and unrealized capital losses.

Examples of Quarterly Incentive Fee Calculation**Example 1: Income Related Portion of Incentive Fee (*):****Alternative 1***Assumptions*

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

Hurdle(1) = 1.75%

Base management fee(2) = 0.50%

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

Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income

(investment income (base management fee + other expenses)) = 0.55%

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

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Alternative 2

Assumptions

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

Hurdle(1) = 1.75%

Base management fee(2) = 0.50%

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

Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income

(investment income (base management fee + other expenses)) = 2.00%

Incentive fee = 20% X Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income, subject to catch-up
 = 2.00% - 1.75%
 = 0.25%
 = 100% X 0.25%
 = 0.25%

Alternative 3

Assumptions

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

Hurdle(1) = 1.75%

Base management fee(2) = 0.50%

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

Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income

(investment income (base management fee + other expenses)) = 2.30%

Incentive fee = 20% X Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income, subject to catch-up
 Incentive fee = 100% x catch-up + (20% x (Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income - 2.1875%))
 Catch-up = 2.1875% - 1.75%
 = 0.4375%
 = (100% x 0.4375%) + (20% x (2.30% - 2.1875%))
 = 0.4375% + (20% x 0.1125%)
 = 0.4375% + 0.0225%
 = 0.46%

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Example 2: Capital Gains Portion of Incentive Fee:

Assumptions

Year 1 = no net realized capital gains or losses

Year 2 = 6% net realized capital gains and 1% realized capital losses and unrealized capital depreciation capital gain incentive fee = 20% x (realized capital gains for year computed net of all realized capital losses and unrealized capital depreciation at year end)

Year 1 incentive fee	= 20% x (0)
	= 0
	= no incentive fee
Year 2 incentive fee	= 20% x (6% -1%)
	= 20% x 5%
	= 1%

- (*) The hypothetical amount of Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income shown is based on a percentage of total net assets.
- (1) Represents 7.0% annualized hurdle.
- (2) Represents 2.0% annualized base management fee. Although the management fee is 2.00% of our average adjusted gross assets, the Investment Adviser agreed to waive a portion of the base management fee such that the base management fee equaled 1.50% from the consummation of the initial public offering through September 30, 2007, 1.75% from October 1, 2007 through March 31, 2008, and 2.00% thereafter.
- (3) Excludes organizational and offering expenses.

Organization of the Investment Adviser

PennantPark Investment Advisers is a registered investment adviser under the Advisers Act of 1940. The principal executive office of PennantPark Investment Advisers is located at 590 Madison Avenue, 15th Floor, New York, NY 10022.

Administration Agreement

Pursuant to the Administration Agreement, the Administrator furnishes us with office facilities, equipment and clerical, bookkeeping and record keeping services at such facilities. Under our Administration Agreement, the Administrator performs, or oversees the performance of, our required administrative services, which include, among other things, being responsible for the financial records which we are required to maintain and preparing reports to our stockholders and reports filed with the SEC. In addition, the Administrator 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. PennantPark Investment, through the Administrator, provides similar services to SBIC LP under its administration agreement. Payments under our Administration Agreement are equal to an amount based upon our allocable portion of the Administrator's overhead in performing its obligations under our Administration Agreement, including rent and our allocable portion of the cost of compensation and related expenses of our Chief Compliance Officer and Chief Financial Officer and their respective staffs. Under our Administration Agreement, the Administrator offers, on our behalf, managerial assistance to those portfolio companies to which we are required to offer such assistance. To the extent that our Administrator outsources any of its functions, we will pay the fees associated with such functions on a direct basis without profit to the Administrator. For the fiscal years ended September 30, 2011, 2010 and 2009, the Investment Adviser and Administrator were reimbursed \$2.6 million, \$2.1 million and \$1.7 million, respectively.

PennantPark Investment entered into an administration agreement with its controlled affiliate, SuttonPark Holdings, Inc. and its subsidiaries (SPH). Under the administration agreement with SPH, or the SPH

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Administration Agreement, PennantPark Investment through the Administrator furnishes SPH with office facilities, equipment and clerical, bookkeeping and record keeping services at such facilities. Additionally, the Administrator performs, or oversees the performance of, SPH's required administrative services, which include, among other things, maintaining financial records, preparing financial reports and filing tax returns. Payments under the SPH Administration Agreement are equal to an amount based upon SPH's allocable portion of the Administrator's overhead in performing its obligations under the SPH Administration Agreement, including rent and allocable portion of the cost of compensation and related expenses of our Chief Financial Officer and respective staff. For the fiscal years ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, PennantPark Investment was reimbursed \$0.5 million and \$0.1 million, respectively, from SPH expenses it incurred on behalf of the Administrator for the services described above.

Duration and Termination

The Investment Management Agreement was re-approved by our board of directors, including a majority of our directors who are not interested persons of PennantPark Investment, in February 2011. Unless terminated earlier as described below, our Investment Management Agreement will continue in effect for a period of one year through February 2012. It will remain in effect if approved annually by our board of directors, or by the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of our outstanding voting securities, including, in either case, approval by a majority of our directors who are not interested persons. In considering whether to re-approve the Investment Management Agreement, the board requests information from the Investment Adviser that enables it to evaluate a number of factors relevant to its determination. These factors include the nature, quality and extent of services performed by the Investment Adviser, our ability to effectively manage conflicts of interest, our short and long-term performance, our costs and profitability and any economies of scale.

The Investment Management Agreement will automatically terminate in the event of its assignment. The Investment Management Agreement may be terminated by either party without penalty upon not more than 60 days written notice to the other. See **Risk Factors** **Risks Relating to our Business and Structure** We are dependent upon PennantPark Investment Advisers' key personnel for our future success, and if we are unable to hire and retain qualified personnel or if we lose any member of our management team, our ability to achieve our investment objectives could be significantly harmed for more information.

Indemnification

Our Investment Management Agreement and Administration Agreement provide that, absent willful misfeasance, bad faith or gross negligence in the performance of their duties or by reason of the reckless disregard of their duties and obligations, PennantPark Investment Advisers and PennantPark Investment Administration and their officers, manager, partners, agents, employees, controlling persons, members and any other person or entity affiliated with them are entitled to indemnification from PennantPark Investment for any damages, liabilities, costs and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees and amounts reasonably paid in settlement) arising from the rendering of PennantPark Investment Advisers and PennantPark Investment Administration's services under our Investment Management Agreement or Administration Agreement or otherwise as Investment Adviser or Administrator for PennantPark Investment.

License Agreement

We have entered into the License Agreement with PennantPark Investment Advisers pursuant to which PennantPark Investment Advisers has granted us a royalty-free, non-exclusive license to use the name PennantPark. Under this agreement, we have a right to use the PennantPark name, for so long as PennantPark Investment Advisers or one of its affiliates remains our Investment Adviser. Other than with respect to this limited license, we have no legal right to the PennantPark name.

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DETERMINATION OF NET ASSET VALUE

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

As a business development company, we generally invest in illiquid securities including debt and equity investments of middle-market companies. Our board of directors generally uses market quotations to assess the value of our investments for which market quotations are readily available. We obtain these market values from independent pricing services or at the bid prices obtained from at least two broker/dealers if available, otherwise by a principal market maker or a primary market dealer. If the board of directors has a bona fide reason to believe any such market quote does not reflect the fair value of an investment, it may independently value such investments by using the valuation procedure that it uses with respect to assets for which market quotations are not readily available. First lien secured debt, subordinated debt and other debt investments with maturities greater than 60 days generally are valued by an independent pricing service or at the bid prices from at least two broker/dealers (if available, otherwise by a principal market maker or a primary market dealer). Investments, of sufficient credit quality, purchased within 60 days of maturity are valued at cost plus accreted discount, or minus amortized premium, which approximates value.

We expect that there will not be readily available market values for most, if not all, of the investments which are or will be in our portfolio, and we value such investments at fair value as determined in good faith by or under the direction of our board of directors using a documented valuation policy, described herein, and a consistently applied valuation process. With respect to investments for which there is no readily available market value, the factors that the board of directors may take into account in pricing our investments at fair value include, as relevant, 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 to publicly traded securities 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 or revise our valuation. 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 differ significantly from the values that would have been used had a readily available market value existed for such investments, and the differences could be material. See Note 5 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

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

- (1) Our quarterly valuation process begins with each portfolio company or investment being initially valued by the investment professionals of the Investment Adviser responsible for the portfolio investment;
- (2) Preliminary valuation conclusions are then documented and discussed with the management of our Investment Adviser;
- (3) Our board of directors also engages independent valuation firms to conduct independent appraisals of our investments for which market quotations are not readily available or are readily available but deemed not reflective of the fair value of an investment. The independent valuation firm reviews management's preliminary valuations in light of its own independent assessment and also in light of any market quotations obtained from an independent pricing service, broker, dealer or market maker;
- (4) The audit committee of our board of directors reviews the preliminary valuations of the Investment Adviser and that of the independent valuation firms and responds and supplements the valuation recommendations of the independent valuation firms to reflect any comments; and
- (5) The board of directors discusses the valuations and determines the fair value of each investment in our portfolio in good faith, based on the input of our Investment Adviser, the independent valuation firms and the audit committee.

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Fair Value, as defined under ASC 820, is the price that we would receive upon selling an investment or pay to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction to a market participant in the principal or most advantageous market for the investment or liability. ASC 820 emphasizes that valuation techniques maximize the use of observable market inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. Inputs refer broadly to the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability, including assumptions about risk. Inputs may be observable or unobservable. Observable inputs reflect the assumptions market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability based on market data obtained from sources independent of PennantPark Investment. Unobservable inputs reflect the assumptions market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability based on the best information available to us at the reporting period date.

Determinations In Connection With Offerings

In connection with each offering of shares of our common stock, our board of directors or a committee thereof will be required to make the determination that we are not selling shares of our common stock at a price below net asset value of our common stock at the time at which the sale is made unless we receive the consent of the majority of our common stockholders to do so, and the board of directors decides that such an offering is in the best interests of our common stockholders. Our board of directors will consider the following factors, among others, in making such determination:

the net asset value of our common stock disclosed in the most recent periodic report that we filed with the SEC;

our management's assessment of whether any change in the net asset value of our common stock has occurred (including through the realization of gains on the sale of our portfolio securities) during the period beginning on the date of the most recent public filing with the SEC that discloses the net asset value of our common stock and ending two days prior to the date of the sale of our common stock; and

the magnitude of the difference between the offering price of the shares of our common stock in the proposed offering and management's assessment of any change in the net asset value of our common stock during the period discussed above.

Importantly, this determination will not necessarily require that we calculate the net asset value of our common stock in connection with each offering of shares of our common stock, but instead it will involve the determination by our board of directors or a committee thereof that we are not selling shares of our common stock at a price below the then current net asset value of our common stock at the time at which the sale is made or otherwise in violation of the 1940 Act. However, if we receive the consent of a majority of our common stockholders to issue shares of our common stock at a price below our then current NAV, and our board of directors decides that such an offering is in the best interest of our common stockholders and we may undertake such an offering. See [Sales Of Common Stock Below Net Asset Value](#) for more information.

To the extent that the above procedures result in even a remote possibility that we may (i) in the absence of stockholder approval issue shares of our common stock at a price below the then current net asset value of our common stock at the time at which the sale is made or (ii) trigger our undertaking to suspend the offering of shares of our common stock pursuant to this prospectus if the net asset value fluctuates by certain amounts in certain circumstances until the prospectus is amended, the board of directors or a committee thereof will elect, in the case of clause (i) above, either to postpone the offering until such time that there is no longer the possibility of the occurrence of such event or to undertake to determine net asset value within two days prior to any such sale to ensure that such sale will not be below our then current net asset value, and, in the case of clause (ii) above, to comply with such undertaking or to undertake to determine net asset value to ensure that such undertaking has not been triggered.

We may, however, subject to the requirements of the 1940 Act, issue rights to acquire our common stock at a price below the current net asset value of the common stock if our board of directors determines that such sale is in our best interests and the best interests of our common stockholders. In any such case, the price at which our

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securities are to be issued and sold may not be less than a price, that in the determination of our board of directors, closely approximates the market value of such securities. We will not offer transferable subscription rights to our stockholders at a price equivalent to less than the then current net asset value per share of common stock, excluding underwriting commissions, unless we first file a post-effective amendment that is declared effective by the SEC with respect to such issuance and the common stock to be purchased in connection with the rights represents no more than one-third of our outstanding common stock at the time such rights are issued. In addition, we note that for us to file a post-effective amendment to this registration statement on Form N-2, we must then be qualified to register our securities on Form N-2. If we raise additional funds by issuing more common stock or warrants or senior securities convertible into, or exchangeable for, our common stock, the percentage ownership of our common stockholders at that time would decrease, and our common stockholders may experience dilution.

These processes and procedures are part of our compliance policies and procedures. Records will be made contemporaneously with all determinations of the board of directors described in this section, and we will maintain these records with other records that we are required to maintain under the 1940 Act.

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DIVIDEND REINVESTMENT PLAN

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

No action is required on the part of registered stockholders to have their cash dividend or other distribution reinvested in shares of our common stock. A registered stockholder may elect to receive an entire distribution in cash by notifying American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, the plan administrator and our transfer agent and registrar, in writing so that such notice is received by the plan administrator no later than the record date for distributions to stockholders. The plan administrator will set up an account for shares acquired through the plan for each stockholder who has not elected to receive dividends or other distributions in cash and hold such shares in non-certificated form. Upon request by a stockholder participating in the plan, received in writing not less than 10 days prior to the record date, the plan administrator will, instead of crediting shares to the participant's account, issue a certificate registered in the participant's name for the number of whole shares of our common stock and a check for any fractional share.

Those stockholders whose shares are held by a broker or other financial intermediary may receive dividends and other distributions in cash by notifying their broker or other financial intermediary of their election.

Generally, we intend to issue shares to implement the plan, when our shares are trading at a premium to our net asset value per share. However, we reserve the right to purchase shares in the open market in connection with our implementation of the plan. The number of shares to be issued to a stockholder is determined by dividing the total dollar amount of the distribution payable to such stockholder by the market price per share of our common stock at the close of regular trading on the NASDAQ Global Select Market on the valuation date for such distribution. Market price per share on that date will be the closing price for such shares on the NASDAQ Global Select Market or, if no sale is reported for such day, at the average of their reported bid and asked prices. The number of shares of our common stock to be outstanding after giving effect to payment of the dividend or other distribution cannot be established until the value per share at which additional shares will be issued has been determined and elections of our stockholders have been tabulated.

Except as described below, the plan administrator's fees will be paid by us. If a participant elects by written notice to the plan administrator to have the plan administrator sell part or all of the shares held by the plan administrator in the participant's account and remit the proceeds to the participant, the plan administrator is authorized to deduct a \$15.00 transaction fee plus a \$0.10 per share brokerage commissions from the proceeds. Additionally, there are brokerage commissions, currently \$0.03 per share, incurred in connection with open market purchases.

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

Participants may terminate their accounts under the plan by notifying the plan administrator via its website at www.amstock.com or by filling out the transaction request form located at bottom of their statement and sending it to the plan administrator.

The plan may be terminated by us upon notice in writing mailed to each participant at least 30 days prior to any record date for the payment of any dividend by us. All correspondence concerning the plan should be directed to the plan administrator by mail at American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, P.O. Box 922, Wall Street Station, New York, New York 10269, or by the plan administrator's Interactive Voice Response System at 1-888-777-0324.

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The following description is based on relevant portions of the Maryland General Corporation Law and on our charter and bylaws. This summary is not necessarily complete, and we refer you to the Maryland General Corporation Law and our charter and bylaws for a more detailed description of the provisions summarized below.

Capital Stock

As of September 30, 2011, our authorized capital stock consisted of 100,000,000 shares of stock, par value \$0.001 per share, all of which is classified as common stock. Our common stock is quoted on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the ticker symbol PNNT. There are no outstanding options or warrants to purchase our stock. No stock has been authorized for issuance under any equity compensation plans. Under Maryland law, our stockholders generally are not personally liable for our debts or obligations.

The last reported closing market price of our common stock on December 16, 2011 was \$10.16 per share. As of September 30, 2011, we had 13 stockholders of record.

The following are our outstanding classes of securities as of September 30, 2011:

Title of Class	Amount Authorized	Amount Held by	
		Us or for Our Account	Amount Outstanding
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	100,000,000		45,689,781

Under our charter, our board of directors is authorized to classify and reclassify any unissued shares of stock into other classes or series of stock and authorize the issuance of shares of stock without obtaining stockholder approval. As permitted by the Maryland General Corporation Law, our charter provides that the board of directors, without any action by our stockholders, may amend the charter from time to time to increase or decrease the aggregate number of shares of stock or the number of shares of stock of any class or series that we have authority to issue.

Common stock

All shares of our common stock have equal rights as to earnings, assets, distributions and voting and, when they are issued, will be duly authorized, validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable. Distributions may be paid to the holders of our common stock if, as and when authorized by our board of directors and declared by us out of funds legally available. Shares of our common stock have no preemptive, exchange, conversion or redemption rights and are freely transferable, except where their transfer is restricted by federal and state securities laws or by contract. In the event of a liquidation, dissolution or winding up of PennantPark Investment, each share of our common stock would be entitled to share ratably in all of our assets that are legally available for distribution after we pay all debts and other liabilities and subject to any preferential rights of holders of our preferred stock, if any preferred stock is outstanding at such time. Each share of our common stock is entitled to one vote on all matters submitted to a vote of stockholders, including the election of directors. Except as provided with respect to any other class or series of stock, the holders of our common stock will possess exclusive voting power. There is no cumulative voting in the election of directors, which means that holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of common stock can elect all of our directors, and holders of less than a majority of such shares will be unable to elect any director.

Limitation on Liability of Directors and Officers; Indemnification and Advance of Expenses

Maryland law permits a Maryland corporation to include in its charter a provision limiting the liability of its directors and officers to the corporation and its stockholders for money damages except for liability resulting from (a) actual receipt of an improper benefit or profit in money, property or services or (b) active and deliberate

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dishonesty established by a final judgment as being material to the cause of action. Our charter contains such a provision which eliminates directors and officers liability to the maximum extent permitted by Maryland law, subject to the requirements of the 1940 Act.

Our charter authorizes us, to the maximum extent permitted by Maryland law and subject to the requirements of the 1940 Act, to obligate us to indemnify any present or former director or officer or any individual who, while a director or officer and at our request, serves or has served another corporation, real estate investment trust, partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan, limited liability company or other enterprise as a director, officer, partner or trustee, from and against any claim or liability to which that person may become subject or which that person may incur by reason of his or her service in any such capacity and to pay or reimburse their reasonable expenses in advance of final disposition of a proceeding.

Our bylaws obligate us, to the maximum extent permitted by Maryland law and subject to the requirements of the 1940 Act, to indemnify any present or former director or officer or any individual who, while a director or officer and at our request, serves or has served another corporation, real estate investment trust, partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan, limited liability company or other enterprise as a director, officer, partner or trustee and who is made, or threatened to be made, a party to a proceeding by reason of his or her service in any such capacity from and against any claim or liability to which that person may become subject or which that person may incur by reason of his or her service in any such capacity and to pay or reimburse their reasonable expenses in advance of final disposition of a proceeding. The charter and bylaws also permit us to indemnify and advance expenses to any person who served a predecessor of us in any of the capacities described above and any of our employees or agents or any employees or agents of our predecessor. In accordance with the 1940 Act, we will not indemnify any person for any liability to which such person would be subject by reason of such person's willful misfeasance, bad faith, gross negligence or reckless disregard of the duties involved in the conduct of his or her office.

Maryland law requires a corporation (unless its charter provides otherwise, which our charter does not) to indemnify a director or officer who has been successful, on the merits or otherwise, in the defense of any proceeding to which he or she is made, or threatened to be made, a party by reason of his or her service in that capacity. Maryland law permits a corporation to indemnify its present and former directors and officers, among others, against judgments, penalties, fines, settlements and reasonable expenses actually incurred by them in connection with any proceeding to which they may be made, or threatened to be made, a party by reason of their service in those or other capacities unless it is established that (a) the act or omission of the director or officer was material to the matter giving rise to the proceeding and (1) was committed in bad faith or (2) was the result of active and deliberate dishonesty, (b) the director or officer actually received an improper personal benefit in money, property or services or (c) in the case of any criminal proceeding, the director or officer had reasonable cause to believe that the act or omission was unlawful. However, under Maryland law, a Maryland corporation may not indemnify for an adverse judgment in a suit by or in the right of the corporation or for a judgment of liability on the basis that a personal benefit was improperly received unless, in either case, a court orders indemnification, and then only for expenses. In addition, Maryland law permits a corporation to advance reasonable expenses to a director or officer upon the corporation's receipt of (a) a written affirmation by the director or officer of his or her good faith belief that he or she has met the standard of conduct necessary for indemnification by the corporation and (b) a written undertaking by him or her or on his or her behalf to repay the amount paid or reimbursed by the corporation if it is ultimately determined that the standard of conduct was not met.

Provisions of the Maryland General Corporation Law and our Charter and Bylaws

The Maryland General Corporation Law and our charter and bylaws contain provisions that could make it more difficult for a potential acquirer to acquire us by means of a tender offer, proxy contest or otherwise. These provisions are expected to discourage certain coercive takeover practices and inadequate takeover bids and to encourage persons seeking to acquire control of us to negotiate first with our board of directors. We believe that

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the benefits of these provisions outweigh the potential disadvantages of discouraging any such acquisition proposals because, among other things, the negotiation of such proposals may improve their terms.

Classified board of directors

Our board of directors is divided into three classes of directors serving staggered three-year terms. The terms of the first, second and third classes will expire in 2014, 2012, and 2013, respectively, and in each case, those directors will serve until their successors are duly elected and qualify. Beginning in 2008, upon expiration of their current terms, directors of each class have been or are elected to serve for three-year terms and until their successors are duly elected and qualify and each year one class of directors will be elected by the stockholders. A classified board may render a change in control of us or removal of our incumbent management more difficult. We believe, however, that the longer time required to elect a majority of a classified board of directors will help to ensure the continuity and stability of our management and policies.

Election of directors

Our charter and bylaws provide that the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of stock entitled to vote in the election of directors will be required to elect a director. Pursuant to the charter, our board of directors may amend the bylaws to alter the vote required to elect directors.

Number of directors; vacancies; removal

Our charter provides that the number of directors will be set only by the board of directors in accordance with our bylaws. Our bylaws provide that a majority of our entire board of directors may at any time increase or decrease the number of directors. However, unless our bylaws are amended, the number of directors may never be less than four nor more than eight. We have elected to be subject to the provision of Subtitle 8 of Title 3 of the Maryland General Corporation Law regarding the filling of vacancies on the board of directors. Accordingly, except as may be provided by the board of directors in setting the terms of any class or series of preferred stock, any and all vacancies on the board of directors may be filled only by the affirmative vote of a majority of the remaining directors in office, even if the remaining directors do not constitute a quorum, and any director elected to fill a vacancy will serve for the remainder of the full term of the directorship in which the vacancy occurred and until a successor is elected and qualifies, subject to any applicable requirements of the 1940 Act.

Our charter provides that a director may be removed only for cause, as defined in our charter, and then only by the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the votes entitled to be cast in the election of directors.

Action by stockholders

Under the Maryland General Corporation Law, stockholder action can be taken only at an annual or special meeting of stockholders or by unanimous written consent in lieu of a meeting (unless the charter provides for stockholder action by less than unanimous consent, which our charter does not). These provisions, combined with the requirements of our bylaws regarding the calling of a stockholder-requested special meeting of stockholders discussed below, may have the effect of delaying consideration of a stockholder proposal until the next annual meeting.

Advance notice provisions for stockholder nominations and stockholder proposals

Our bylaws provide that with respect to an annual meeting of stockholders, nominations of persons for election to the board of directors and the proposal of business to be considered by stockholders may be made only (1) pursuant to our notice of the meeting, (2) by the board of directors or (3) by a stockholder who is entitled to vote at the meeting and who has complied with the advance notice procedures of the bylaws. With respect to special meetings of stockholders, only the business specified in our notice of the meeting may be brought before

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the meeting. Nominations of persons for election to the board of directors at a special meeting may be made only (1) pursuant to our notice of the meeting, (2) by the board of directors or (3) provided that the board of directors has determined that directors will be elected at the meeting, by a stockholder who is entitled to vote at the meeting and who has complied with the advance notice provisions of the bylaws.

The purpose of requiring stockholders to give us advance notice of nominations and other business is to afford our board of directors a meaningful opportunity to consider the qualifications of the proposed nominees and the advisability of any other proposed business and, to the extent deemed necessary or desirable by our board of directors, to inform stockholders and make recommendations about such qualifications or business, as well as to provide a more orderly procedure for conducting meetings of stockholders. Although our bylaws do not give our board of directors any power to disapprove stockholder nominations for the election of directors or proposals recommending certain action, they may have the effect of precluding a contest for the election of directors or the consideration of stockholder proposals if proper procedures are not followed and of discouraging or deterring a third party from conducting a solicitation of proxies to elect its own slate of directors or to approve its own proposal without regard to whether consideration of such nominees or proposals might be harmful or beneficial to us and our stockholders.

Calling of special meetings of stockholders

Our bylaws provide that special meetings of stockholders may be called by our board of directors and certain of our officers. Additionally, our bylaws provide that, subject to the satisfaction of certain procedural and informational requirements by the stockholders requesting the meeting, a special meeting of stockholders will be called by the secretary of the corporation upon the written request of stockholders entitled to cast not less than a majority of all the votes entitled to be cast at such meeting.

Approval of extraordinary corporate action; amendment of charter and bylaws

Under Maryland law, a Maryland corporation generally cannot dissolve, amend its charter, merge, sell all or substantially all of its assets, engage in a share exchange or engage in similar transactions outside the ordinary course of business, unless approved by the affirmative vote of stockholders entitled to cast at least two-thirds of the votes entitled to be cast on the matter. However, a Maryland corporation may provide in its charter for approval of these matters by a lesser percentage, but not less than a majority of all of the votes entitled to be cast on the matter. Our charter generally provides for approval of charter amendments and extraordinary transactions by the stockholders entitled to cast at least a majority of the votes entitled to be cast on the matter. Our charter also provides that certain charter amendments and any proposal for our conversion, whether by merger or otherwise, from a closed-end company to an open-end company or any proposal for our liquidation or dissolution requires the approval of the stockholders entitled to cast at least 80 percent of the votes entitled to be cast on such matter. However, if such amendment or proposal is approved by at least two-thirds of our continuing directors (in addition to approval by our board of directors), such amendment or proposal may be approved by a majority of the votes entitled to be cast on such a matter. The continuing directors are defined in our charter as our current directors as well as those directors whose nomination for election by the stockholders or whose election by the directors to fill vacancies is approved by a majority of the continuing directors then on the board of directors.

Our charter and bylaws provide that the board of directors will have the exclusive power to adopt, alter or repeal any provision of our bylaws and to make new bylaws.

No appraisal rights

Except with respect to appraisal rights arising in connection with the Maryland Control Share Acquisition Act discussed below, as permitted by the Maryland General Corporation Law, our charter provides that stockholders will not be entitled to exercise appraisal rights.

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Control share acquisitions

The Control Share Acquisition Act provides that control shares of a Maryland corporation acquired in a control share acquisition have no voting rights except to the extent approved by a vote of two-thirds of the votes entitled to be cast on the matter. Shares owned by the acquirer, by officers or by directors who are employees of the corporation are excluded from shares entitled to vote on the matter. Control shares are voting shares of stock which, if aggregated with all other shares of stock owned by the acquirer or in respect of which the acquirer is able to exercise or direct the exercise of voting power (except solely by virtue of a revocable proxy), would entitle the acquirer to exercise voting power in electing directors within one of the following ranges of voting power:

one-tenth or more but less than one-third;

one-third or more but less than a majority; or

a majority or more of all voting power.

The requisite stockholder approval must be obtained each time an acquirer crosses one of the thresholds of voting power set forth above. Control shares do not include shares the acquiring person is then entitled to vote as a result of having previously obtained stockholder approval. A control share acquisition means the acquisition of control shares, subject to certain exceptions.

A person who has made or proposes to make a control share acquisition may compel the board of directors of the corporation to call a special meeting of stockholders to be held within 50 days of demand to consider the voting rights of the shares. The right to compel the calling of a special meeting is subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions, including an undertaking to pay the expenses of the meeting. If no request for a meeting is made, the corporation may itself present the question at any stockholders meeting.

If voting rights are not approved at the meeting or if the acquiring person does not deliver an acquiring person statement as required by the statute, then the corporation may repurchase for fair value any or all of the control shares, except those for which voting rights have previously been approved. The right of the corporation to repurchase control shares is subject to certain conditions and limitations, including, as provided in our bylaws, compliance with the 1940 Act. Fair value is determined, without regard to the absence of voting rights for the control shares, as of the date of the last control share acquisition by the acquirer or of any meeting of stockholders at which the voting rights of the shares are considered and not approved. If voting rights for control shares are approved at a stockholders meeting and the acquirer becomes entitled to vote a majority of the shares entitled to vote, all other stockholders may exercise appraisal rights. The fair value of the shares as determined for purposes of appraisal rights may not be less than the highest price per share paid by the acquirer in the control share acquisition.

The Control Share Acquisition Act does not apply (a) to shares acquired in a merger, consolidation or share exchange if the corporation is a party to the transaction or (b) to acquisitions approved or exempted by the charter or bylaws of the corporation.

Our bylaws contain a provision exempting from the Control Share Acquisition Act any and all acquisitions by any person of our shares of stock. There can be no assurance that such provision will not be amended or eliminated at any time in the future to the extent permitted by the 1940 Act.

Business combinations

Under Maryland law, business combinations between a Maryland corporation and an interested stockholder or an affiliate of an interested stockholder are prohibited for five years after the most recent date on which the interested stockholder becomes an interested stockholder. These business combinations include a merger, consolidation, share exchange or, in circumstances specified in the statute, an asset transfer or issuance or reclassification of equity securities. An interested stockholder is defined as:

any person who beneficially owns 10% or more of the voting power of the corporation's shares; or

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an affiliate or associate of the corporation who, at any time within the two-year period prior to the date in question, was the beneficial owner of 10% or more of the voting power of the then outstanding voting stock of the corporation.

A person is not an interested stockholder under this statute if the board of directors approved in advance the transaction by which he otherwise would have become an interested stockholder. However, in approving a transaction, the board of directors may provide that its approval is subject to compliance, at or after the time of approval, with any terms and conditions determined by the board.

After the five-year prohibition, any business combination between the corporation and an interested stockholder generally must be recommended by the board of directors of the corporation and approved by the affirmative vote of at least:

80% of the votes entitled to be cast by holders of outstanding shares of voting stock of the corporation; and

two-thirds of the votes entitled to be cast by holders of voting stock of the corporation other than shares held by the interested stockholder with whom or with whose affiliate the business combination is to be effected or held by an affiliate or associate of the interested stockholder.

These super-majority vote requirements do not apply if the corporation's common stockholders receive a minimum price, as defined under Maryland law, for their shares in the form of cash or other consideration in the same form as previously paid by the interested stockholder for its shares.

The statute permits various exemptions from its provisions, including business combinations that are exempted by the board of directors before the time that the interested stockholder becomes an interested stockholder. Our board of directors has adopted a resolution that any business combination between us and any other person is exempted from the provisions of the Business Combination Act, provided that the business combination is first approved by the board of directors, including a majority of the directors who are not interested persons as defined in the 1940 Act. This resolution, however, may be altered or repealed in whole or in part at any time. If this resolution is repealed, or the board of directors does not otherwise approve a business combination, the statute may discourage others from trying to acquire control of us and increase the difficulty of consummating any offer.

Conflict with 1940 Act

Our bylaws provide that, if and to the extent that any provision of the Maryland General Corporation Law, including the Control Share Acquisition Act (if we amend our bylaws to be subject to such Act) and the Business Combination Act, or any provision of our charter or bylaws conflicts with any provision of the 1940 Act, the applicable provision of the 1940 Act will control.

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DESCRIPTION OF OUR PREFERRED STOCK

Our charter authorizes our board of directors to classify and reclassify any unissued shares of stock into other classes or series of stock, including preferred stock. Prior to issuance of shares of each class or series, the board of directors is required by Maryland law and by our charter to set the terms, preferences, conversion or other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends or other distributions, qualifications and terms or conditions of redemption for each class or series. Thus, the board of directors could authorize the issuance of shares of preferred stock with terms and conditions which could have the effect of delaying, deferring or preventing a transaction or a change in control that might involve a premium price for holders of our common stock or otherwise be in their best interest. You should note, however, that any issuance of preferred stock must comply with the requirements of the 1940 Act.

The 1940 Act generally requires that (1) immediately after issuance and before any distribution is made with respect to our common stock and before any purchase of common stock is made, such preferred stock together with all other senior securities must not exceed an amount equal to 50% of our total assets less liabilities not represented by indebtedness, and (2) the holders of shares of preferred stock, if any are issued, must be entitled as a class to elect two directors at all times and to elect a majority of the directors if distributions on such preferred stock are in arrears by two years or more. Certain matters under the 1940 Act require the separate vote of the holders of any issued and outstanding preferred stock. For example, holders of preferred stock would vote separately from the holders of common stock on a proposal to cease operations as a BDC. We believe that the availability for issuance of preferred stock will provide us with increased flexibility in structuring future financings and acquisitions.

For any series of preferred stock that we may issue, our board of directors will determine and the prospectus supplement relating to such series will describe:

the designation and number of shares of such series;

the rate and time at which, and the preferences and conditions under which, any dividends will be paid on shares of such series, as well as whether such dividends are cumulative or non-cumulative and participating or non-participating;

any provisions relating to convertibility or exchangeability of the shares of such series;

the rights and preferences, if any, of holders of shares of such series upon our liquidation, dissolution or winding up of our affairs;

the voting powers, if any, of the holders of shares of such series;

any provisions relating to the redemption of the shares of such series;

any limitations on our ability to pay dividends or make distributions on, or acquire or redeem, other securities while shares of such series are outstanding;

any conditions or restrictions on our ability to issue additional shares of such series or other securities;

if applicable, a discussion of certain U.S. federal income tax considerations; and

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any other relative power, preferences and participating, optional or special rights of shares of such series, and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof.

All shares of preferred stock that we may issue will be identical and of equal rank except as to the particular terms thereof that may be fixed by our board of directors, and all shares of each series of preferred stock will be identical and of equal rank except as to the dates from which cumulative dividends, if any, thereon will be cumulative. If we issue shares of preferred stock, holders of such preferred stock will be entitled to receive cash dividends at an annual rate that will be fixed or will vary for the successive dividend periods for each series. In general, the dividend periods for fixed rate preferred stock can range from quarterly to weekly and are subject to extension. We expect the dividend rate to be variable and determined for each dividend period.

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DESCRIPTION OF OUR WARRANTS

The following is a general description of the terms of the warrants we may issue from time to time. Particular terms of any warrants we offer will be described in the prospectus supplement relating to such warrants.

We may issue warrants to purchase shares of our common stock, preferred stock or debt securities. Such warrants may be issued independently or together with shares of common or preferred stock or a specified principal amount of debt securities and may be attached or separate from such securities. We will issue each series of warrants under a separate warrant agreement to be entered into between us and a warrant agent. The warrant agent will act solely as our agent and will not assume any obligation or relationship of agency for or with holders or beneficial owners of warrants.

A prospectus supplement will describe the particular terms of any series of warrants we may issue, including the following:

the title of such warrants;

the aggregate number of such warrants;

the price or prices at which such warrants will be issued;

the currency or currencies, including composite currencies, in which the price of such warrants may be payable;

if applicable, the designation and terms of the securities with which the warrants are issued and the number of warrants issued with each such security or each principal amount of such security;

in the case of warrants to purchase debt securities, the principal amount of debt securities purchasable upon exercise of one warrant and the price at which and the currency or currencies, including composite currencies, in which this principal amount of debt securities may be purchased upon such exercise;

in the case of warrants to purchase common stock or preferred stock, the number of shares of common stock or preferred stock, as the case may be, purchasable upon exercise of one warrant and the price at which and the currency or currencies, including composite currencies, in which these shares may be purchased upon such exercise;

the date on which the right to exercise such warrants shall commence and the date on which such right will expire;

whether such warrants will be issued in registered form or bearer form;

if applicable, the minimum or maximum amount of such warrants which may be exercised at any one time;

if applicable, the date on and after which such warrants and the related securities will be separately transferable;

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information with respect to book-entry procedures, if any;

the terms of the securities issuable upon exercise of the warrants;

if applicable, a discussion of certain U.S. federal income tax considerations; and

any other terms of such warrants, including terms, procedures and limitations relating to the exchange and exercise of such warrants.

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We and the warrant agent may amend or supplement the warrant agreement for a series of warrants without the consent of the holders of the warrants issued thereunder to effect changes that are not inconsistent with the provisions of the warrants and that do not materially and adversely affect the interests of the holders of the warrants.

Prior to exercising their warrants, holders of warrants will not have any of the rights of holders of the securities purchasable upon such exercise, including, in the case of warrants to purchase debt securities, the right to receive principal, premium, if any, or interest payments, on the debt securities purchasable upon exercise or to enforce covenants in the applicable indenture or, in the case of warrants to purchase common stock or preferred stock, the right to receive dividends, if any, or payments upon our liquidation, dissolution or winding up or to exercise any voting rights.

Under the 1940 Act, we may generally only offer warrants provided that (1) the warrants expire by their terms within ten years, (2) the exercise price is not less than the market value of our common stock at the date of issuance, (3) the exercise price is not less than the then current net asset value per share of our common stock (unless the requirements of Section 63 of the 1940 Act are met), (4) our stockholders authorize the proposal to issue such warrants, and our board of directors approves such issuance on the basis that the issuance is in the best interests of us and our stockholders and (5) if the warrants are accompanied by other securities, the warrants are not separately transferable unless no class of such warrants and the securities accompanying them has been publicly distributed. The 1940 Act also provides that the amount of our voting securities that would result from the exercise of all outstanding warrants at the time of issuance may not exceed 25% of our outstanding voting securities.

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DESCRIPTION OF OUR SUBSCRIPTION RIGHTS

We may issue subscription rights to purchase common stock. Subscription rights may be issued independently or together with any other offered security and may or may not be transferable by the person purchasing or receiving the subscription rights. In connection with any subscription rights offering to our stockholders, we may enter into a standby underwriting or other arrangement with one or more underwriters or other persons pursuant to which such underwriters or other persons would purchase any offered securities remaining unsubscribed for after such subscription rights offering. We will not offer transferable subscription rights to our stockholders at a price equivalent to less than the then current net asset value per share of common stock, excluding underwriting commissions, unless we first file a post-effective amendment that is declared effective by the SEC with respect to such issuance and the common stock to be purchased in connection with the rights represents no more than one-third of our outstanding common stock at the time such rights are issued. In connection with a subscription rights offering to our stockholders, we would distribute certificates evidencing the subscription rights and a prospectus supplement to our stockholders on the record date that we set for receiving subscription rights in such subscription rights offering.

The applicable prospectus supplement would describe the following terms of subscription rights in respect of which this prospectus is being delivered:

the title of such subscription rights;

the exercise price or a formula for the determination of the exercise price for such subscription rights;

the number or a formula for the determination of the number of such subscription rights issued to each stockholder;

the extent to which such subscription rights are transferable;

if applicable, a discussion of the material U.S. federal income tax considerations applicable to the issuance or exercise of such subscription rights;

the date on which the right to exercise such subscription rights would commence, and the date on which such rights shall expire (subject to any extension);

the extent to which such subscription rights include an over-subscription privilege with respect to unsubscribed securities;

if applicable, the material terms of any standby underwriting or other purchase arrangement that we may enter into in connection with the subscription rights offering; and

any other terms of such subscription rights, including terms, procedures and limitations relating to the exchange and exercise of such subscription rights.

Exercise of Subscription Rights

Each subscription right would entitle the holder of the subscription right to purchase for cash such amount of shares of common stock or other securities at such exercise price as shall in each case be set forth in, or be determinable as set forth in, the prospectus supplement relating to the subscription rights offered thereby or another report filed with the SEC. Subscription rights may be exercised at any time up to the close of business on the expiration date for such subscription rights set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement. After the close of business on the expiration date, all unexercised subscription rights would become void.

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Subscription rights may be exercised as set forth in the prospectus supplement relating to the subscription rights offered thereby. Upon receipt of payment and the subscription rights certificate properly completed and duly executed at the corporate trust office of the subscription rights agent or any other office indicated in the prospectus supplement, we will forward, as soon as practicable, the shares of common stock or other securities purchasable upon such exercise. We may determine to offer any unsubscribed offered securities directly to stockholders, persons other than stockholders, to or through agents, underwriters or dealers or through a combination of such methods, including pursuant to standby underwriting or other arrangements, as set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement.

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DESCRIPTION OF OUR DEBT SECURITIES

We may issue debt securities in one or more series. The specific terms of each series of debt securities will be described in the particular prospectus supplement relating to that series. The prospectus supplement may or may not modify the general terms found in this prospectus and will be filed with the SEC. For a complete description of the terms of a particular series of debt securities, you should read both this prospectus and the prospectus supplement relating to that particular series.

As required by federal law for all bonds and notes of companies that are publicly offered, the debt securities are governed by a document called an indenture. An indenture is a contract between us and a financial institution acting as trustee on your behalf, and is subject to and governed by the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended. The trustee has two main roles. First, the trustee can enforce your rights against us if we default. There are some limitations on the extent to which the trustee acts on your behalf, see [Description of our Debt Securities Events of Default](#) for more information. Second, the trustee performs certain administrative duties for us, such as sending interest and principal payments to holders.

Because this section is a summary, it does not describe every aspect of the debt securities and the indenture. We urge you to read the indenture because it, and not this description, defines your rights as a holder of debt securities. For example, in this section, we use capitalized words to signify terms that are specifically defined in the indenture. Some of the definitions are repeated in this prospectus, but for the rest, you will need to read the indenture. We have filed the form of the indenture with the SEC.

The prospectus supplement, which will accompany this prospectus, will describe the particular series of debt securities being offered by including:

the designation or title of the series of debt securities;

the total principal amount of the series of debt securities and whether or not the offering may be reopened for additional securities of that series and on what terms;

the percentage of the principal amount at which the series of debt securities will be offered;

the date or dates on which principal will be payable;

the rate or rates (which may be either fixed or variable) and/or the method of determining such rate or rates of interest, if any;

the date or dates from which any interest will accrue, or the method of determining such date or dates, and the date or dates on which any interest will be payable;

the terms for redemption, extension or early repayment, if any;

the currencies in which the series of debt securities are issued and payable;

whether the amount of payments of principal, premium or interest, if any, on a series of debt securities will be determined with reference to an index, formula or other method (which could be based on one or more currencies, commodities, equity indices or other indices) and how these amounts will be determined;

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the place or places, if any, other than or in addition to The City of New York, of payment, transfer, conversion and/or exchange of the debt securities;

the denominations in which the offered debt securities will be issued;

the provision for any sinking fund;

any restrictive covenants;

any Events of Default;

whether the series of debt securities are issuable in certificated form;

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any provisions for defeasance or covenant defeasance;

any special federal income tax implications, including, if applicable, federal income tax considerations relating to original issue discount;

whether and under what circumstances we will pay additional amounts in respect of any tax, assessment or governmental charge and, if so, whether we will have the option to redeem the debt securities rather than pay the additional amounts (and the terms of this option);

any provisions for convertibility or exchangeability of the debt securities into or for any other securities;

whether the debt securities are subject to subordination and the terms of such subordination;

the listing, if any, on a securities exchange; and

any other terms.

The debt securities may be secured or unsecured obligations. Under the provisions of the 1940 Act, we are permitted, as a BDC, to issue debt only in amounts such that our asset coverage, as defined in the 1940 Act, equals at least 200% after each issuance of debt, excluding the SBA debentures due to SEC exemptive relief granted June 1, 2011. Unless the prospectus supplement states otherwise, principal (and premium, if any) and interest, if any, will be paid by us in immediately available funds.

General

The indenture provides that any debt securities proposed to be sold under this prospectus and the attached prospectus supplement (offered debt securities) and any debt securities issuable upon the exercise of warrants or upon conversion or exchange of other offered securities (underlying debt securities) may be issued under the indenture in one or more series.

For purposes of this prospectus, any reference to the payment of principal of, or premium or interest, if any, on, debt securities will include additional amounts if required by the terms of the debt securities.

The indenture limits the amount of debt securities that may be issued thereunder from time to time. Debt securities issued under the indenture, when a single trustee is acting for all debt securities issued under the indenture, are called the indenture securities. The indenture also provides that there may be more than one trustee thereunder, each with respect to one or more different series of indenture securities. See Description of our Debt Securities-Resignation of Trustee below. At a time when two or more trustees are acting under the indenture, each with respect to only certain series, the term indenture securities means the one or more series of debt securities with respect to which each respective trustee is acting. In the event that there is more than one trustee under the indenture, the powers and trust obligations of each trustee described in this prospectus will extend only to the one or more series of indenture securities for which it is trustee. If two or more trustees are acting under the indenture, then the indenture securities for which each trustee is acting would be treated as if issued under separate indentures.

The indenture does not contain any provisions that give you protection in the event we issue a large amount of debt or we are acquired by another entity.

We refer you to the prospectus supplement for information with respect to any deletions from, modifications of or additions to the Events of Default or our covenants that are described below, including any addition of a covenant or other provision providing event risk or similar protection.

We have the ability to issue indenture securities with terms different from those of indenture securities previously issued and, without the consent of the holders thereof, to reopen a previous issue of a series of indenture securities and issue additional indenture securities of that series

unless the reopening was restricted when that series was created.

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If any debt securities are convertible into shares of our common stock, the exercise price for such conversion will not be less than the net asset value per share at the time of issuance of such debt securities (unless the majority of our board of directors determines that a lower exercise price is in the best interests of us and our stockholders, a majority of our stockholders (including stockholders who are not affiliated persons of us) have approved an issuance of common stock below the then current net asset value per share in the 12 months preceding the issuance and the exercise price closely approximates the market value of our common stock at the time the debt securities are issued).

Conversion and Exchange

If any debt securities are convertible into or exchangeable for other securities, the prospectus supplement will explain the terms and conditions of the conversion or exchange, including the conversion price or exchange ratio (or the calculation method), the conversion or exchange period (or how the period will be determined), if conversion or exchange will be mandatory or at the option of the holder or us, provisions for adjusting the conversion price or the exchange ratio and provisions affecting conversion or exchange in the event of the redemption of the underlying debt securities. These terms may also include provisions under which the number or amount of other securities to be received by the holders of the debt securities upon conversion or exchange would be calculated according to the market price of the other securities as of a time stated in the prospectus supplement.

Issuance of Securities in Registered Form

We may issue the debt securities in registered form, in which case we may issue them either in book-entry form only or in certificated form. Debt securities issued in book-entry form will be represented by global securities. We expect that we will issue debt securities in book-entry only form represented by global securities.

We also will have the option of issuing debt securities in non-registered form as bearer securities if we issue the securities outside the United States to non-U.S. persons. In that case, the prospectus supplement will set forth the mechanics for holding the bearer securities, including the procedures for receiving payments, for exchanging the bearer securities, including the procedures for receiving payments, for exchanging the bearer securities for registered securities of the same series, and for receiving notices. The prospectus supplement will also describe the requirements with respect to our maintenance of offices or agencies outside the United States and the applicable U.S. federal tax law requirements.

Book-Entry Holders

We will issue registered debt securities in book-entry form only, unless we specify otherwise in the applicable prospectus supplement. This means debt securities will be represented by one or more global securities registered in the name of a depository that will hold them on behalf of financial institutions that participate in the depository's book-entry system. These participating institutions, in turn, hold beneficial interests in the debt securities held by the depository or its nominee. These institutions may hold these interests on behalf of themselves or customers.

Under the indenture, only the person in whose name a debt security is registered is recognized as the holder of that debt security. Consequently, for debt securities issued in book-entry form, we will recognize only the depository as the holder of the debt securities and we will make all payments on the debt securities to the depository. The depository will then pass along the payments it receives to its participants, which in turn will pass the payments along to their customers who are the beneficial owners. The depository and its participants do so under agreements they have made with one another or with their customers; they are not obligated to do so under the terms of the debt securities.

As a result, investors will not own debt securities directly. Instead, they will own beneficial interests in a global security, through a bank, broker or other financial institution that participates in the depository's book-entry system or holds an interest through a participant. As long as the debt securities are represented by one or more global securities, investors will be indirect holders, and not holders, of the debt securities.

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Street Name Holders

In the future, we may issue debt securities in certificated form or terminate a global security. In these cases, investors may choose to hold their debt securities in their own names or in street name. Debt securities held in street name are registered in the name of a bank, broker or other financial institution chosen by the investor, and the investor holds a beneficial interest in those debt securities through the account he or she maintains at that institution.

For debt securities held in street name, we will recognize only the intermediary banks, brokers and other financial institutions in whose names the debt securities are registered as the holders of those debt securities, and we will make all payments on those debt securities to them. These institutions will pass along the payments they receive to their customers who are the beneficial owners, but only because they agree to do so in their customer agreements or because they are legally required to do so. Investors who hold debt securities in street name will be indirect holders, and not holders, of the debt securities.

Legal Holders

Our obligations, as well as the obligations of the applicable trustee and those of any third parties employed by us or the applicable trustee, run only to the legal holders of the debt securities. We do not have obligations to investors who hold beneficial interests in global securities, in street name or by any other indirect means. This will be the case whether an investor chooses to be an indirect holder of a debt security or has no choice because we are issuing the debt securities only in book-entry form.

For example, once we make a payment or give a notice to the holder, we have no further responsibility for the payment or notice even if that holder is required, under agreements with depository participants or customers or by law, to pass it along to the indirect holders but does not do so. Similarly, if we want to obtain the approval of the holders for any purpose (for example, to amend an indenture or to relieve us of the consequences of a default or of our obligation to comply with a particular provision of an indenture), we would seek the approval only from the holders, and not the indirect holders, of the debt securities. Whether and how the holders contact the indirect holders is up to the holders.

When we refer to you, we mean those who invest in the debt securities being offered by this prospectus, whether they are the holders or only indirect holders of those debt securities. When we refer to your debt securities, we mean the debt securities in which you hold a direct or indirect interest.

Special Considerations for Indirect Holders

If you hold debt securities through a bank, broker or other financial institution, either in book-entry form or in street name, we urge you to check with that institution to find out:

how it handles securities payments and notices;

whether it imposes fees or charges;

how it would handle a request for the holders' consent, if ever required;

whether and how you can instruct it to send you debt securities registered in your own name so you can be a holder, if that is permitted in the future for a particular series of debt securities;

how it would exercise rights under the debt securities if there were a default or other event triggering the need for holders to act to protect their interests; and

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if the debt securities are in book-entry form, how the depositary's rules and procedures will affect these matters.

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Global Securities

As noted above, we expect that we will issue debt securities as registered securities in book-entry form only. A global security represents one or any other number of individual debt securities. Generally, all debt securities represented by the same global securities will have the same terms.

Each debt security issued in book-entry form will be represented by a global security that we deposit with and register in the name of a financial institution or its nominee that we select. The financial institution that we select for this purpose is called the depository. Unless we specify otherwise in the applicable prospectus supplement, The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York, known as DTC, will be the depository for all debt securities issued in book-entry form.

A global security may not be transferred to or registered in the name of anyone other than the depository or its nominee, unless special termination situations arise. We describe those situations below under [Description of our Debt Securities Global Securities Special Situations when a Global Security Will Be Terminated](#). As a result of these arrangements, the depository, or its nominee, will be the sole registered owner and holder of all debt securities represented by a global security, and investors will be permitted to own only beneficial interests in a global security. Beneficial interests must be held by means of an account with a broker, bank or other financial institution that in turn has an account with the depository or with another institution that has an account with the depository. Thus, an investor whose security is represented by a global security will not be a holder of the debt security, but only an indirect holder of a beneficial interest in the global security.

Special Considerations for Global Securities

As an indirect holder, an investor's rights relating to a global security will be governed by the account rules of the investor's financial institution and of the depository, as well as general laws relating to securities transfers. The depository that holds the global security will be considered the holder of the debt securities represented by the global security.

If debt securities are issued only in the form of a global security, an investor should be aware of the following:

an investor cannot cause the debt securities to be registered in his or her name and cannot obtain certificates for his or her interest in the debt securities, except in the special situations we describe below;

an investor will be an indirect holder and must look to his or her own bank or broker for payments on the debt securities and protection of his or her legal rights relating to the debt securities, as we describe under [Description of our Debt Securities Issuance of Securities in Registered Form](#) above;

an investor may not be able to sell interests in the debt securities to some insurance companies and other institutions that are required by law to own their securities in non-book-entry form;

an investor may not be able to pledge his or her interest in a global security in circumstances where certificates representing the debt securities must be delivered to the lender or other beneficiary of the pledge in order for the pledge to be effective;

the depository's policies, which may change from time to time, will govern payments, transfers, exchanges and other matters relating to an investor's interest in a global security. We and the trustee have no responsibility for any aspect of the depository's actions or for its records of ownership interests in a global security. We and the trustee also do not supervise the depository in any way;

if we redeem less than all the debt securities of a particular series being redeemed, DTC's practice is to determine by lot the amount to be redeemed from each of its participants holding that series;

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an investor is required to give notice of exercise of any option to elect repayment of its debt securities, through its participant, to the applicable trustee and to deliver the related debt securities by causing its participant to transfer its interest in those debt securities, on DTC's records, to the applicable trustee;

DTC requires that those who purchase and sell interests in a global security deposited in its book-entry system use immediately available funds. Your broker or bank may also require you to use immediately available funds when purchasing or selling interests in a global security; and

financial institutions that participate in the depository's book-entry system, and through which an investor holds its interest in a global security, may also have their own policies affecting payments, notices and other matters relating to the debt securities. There may be more than one financial intermediary in the chain of ownership for an investor. We do not monitor and are not responsible for the actions of any of those intermediaries.

Special Situations when a Global Security Will Be Terminated

In a few special situations described below, a global security will be terminated and interests in it will be exchanged for certificates in non-book-entry form (certificated securities). After that exchange, the choice of whether to hold the certificated debt securities directly or in street name will be up to the investor. Investors must consult their own banks or brokers to find out how to have their interests in a global security transferred on termination to their own names, so that they will be holders. We have described the rights of holders and street name investors under "Description of our Debt Securities—Issuance of Securities in Registered Form" above.

The special situations for termination of a global security are as follows:

if the depository notifies us that it is unwilling, unable or no longer qualified to continue as depository for that global security, and we are unable to appoint another institution to act as depository;

if we notify the trustee that we wish to terminate that global security; or

if an event of default has occurred with regard to the debt securities represented by that global security and has not been cured or waived; we discuss defaults later under "Description of our Debt Securities—Events of Default."

The prospectus supplement may list situations for terminating a global security that would apply only to the particular series of debt securities covered by the prospectus supplement. If a global security is terminated, only the depository, and not we or the applicable trustee, is responsible for deciding the names of the institutions in whose names the debt securities represented by the global security will be registered and, therefore, who will be the holders of those debt securities.

Payment and Paying Agents

We will pay interest to the person listed in the applicable trustee's records as the owner of the debt security at the close of business on a particular day in advance of each due date for interest, even if that person no longer owns the debt security on the interest due date. That day, often about two weeks in advance of the interest due date, is called the record date. Because we will pay all the interest for an interest period to the holders on the record date, holders buying and selling debt securities must work out between themselves the appropriate purchase price. The most common manner is to adjust the sales price of the debt securities to prorate interest fairly between buyer and seller based on their respective ownership periods within the particular interest period. This prorated interest amount is called accrued interest.

Payments on Global Securities

We will make payments on a global security in accordance with the applicable policies of the depository as in effect from time to time. Under those policies, we will make payments directly to the depository, or its

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nominee, and not to any indirect holders who own beneficial interests in the global security. An indirect holder's right to those payments will be governed by the rules and practices of the depository and its participants, as described under "Description of our Debt Securities—Global Securities."

Payments on Certificated Securities

We will make payments on a certificated debt security as follows. We will pay interest that is due on an interest payment date by check mailed on the interest payment date to the holder at his or her address shown on the trustee's records as of the close of business on the regular record date. We will make all payments of principal and premium, if any, by check at the office of the applicable trustee in New York, New York and/or at other offices that may be specified in the prospectus supplement or in a notice to holders against surrender of the debt security.

Alternatively, if the holder asks us to do so, we will pay any amount that becomes due on the debt security by wire transfer of immediately available funds to an account at a bank in the City of New York, on the due date. To request payment by wire, the holder must give the applicable trustee or other paying agent appropriate transfer instructions at least 15 business days before the requested wire payment is due. In the case of any interest payment due on an interest payment date, the instructions must be given by the person who is the holder on the relevant regular record date. Any wire instructions, once properly given, will remain in effect unless and until new instructions are given in the manner described above.

Payment When Offices Are Closed

If any payment is due on a debt security on a day that is not a business day, we will make the payment on the next day that is a business day. Payments made on the next business day in this situation will be treated under the indenture as if they were made on the original due date, except as otherwise indicated in the attached prospectus supplement. Such payment will not result in a default under any debt security or the indenture, and no interest will accrue on the payment amount from the original due date to the next day that is a business day.

Book-entry and other indirect holders should consult their banks or brokers for information on how they will receive payments on their debt securities.

Events of Default

You will have rights if an Event of Default occurs in respect of the debt securities of your series and is not cured, as described later in this subsection.

The term "Event of Default" in respect of the debt securities of your series means any of the following:

we do not pay the principal of, or any premium on, a debt security of the series within five days of its due date;

we do not pay interest on a debt security of the series within 30 days of its due date;

we do not deposit any sinking fund payment in respect of debt securities of the series on its due date and we do not cure this default within five days;

we remain in breach of a covenant in respect of debt securities of the series for 60 days after we receive a written notice of default stating we are in breach. The notice must be sent by either the trustee or holders of at least 25% of the principal amount of debt securities of the series;

we file for bankruptcy or certain other events of bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization occur; and

any other Event of Default in respect of debt securities of the series described in the prospectus supplement occurs.

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An Event of Default for a particular series of debt securities does not necessarily constitute an Event of Default for any other series of debt securities issued under the same or any other indenture. The trustee may withhold notice to the holders of debt securities of any default, except in the payment of principal, premium or interest, if it considers the withholding of notice to be in the best interests of the holders.

Remedies if an Event of Default Occurs

If an Event of Default has occurred and has not been cured or waived, the trustee or the holders of not less than 66.66% in principal amount of the debt securities of the affected series may declare the entire principal amount of all the debt securities of that series to be due and immediately payable. This is called a declaration of acceleration of maturity. A declaration of acceleration of maturity may be canceled by the holders of a majority in principal amount of the debt securities of the affected series if the default is cured or waived and certain other conditions are satisfied.

Except in cases of default, where the trustee has some special duties, the trustee is not required to take any action under the indenture at the request of any holders unless the holders offer the trustee reasonable protection from expenses and liability (called an indemnity). If reasonable indemnity is provided, the holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of the relevant series may direct the time, method and place of conducting any lawsuit or other formal legal action seeking any remedy available to the trustee. The trustee may refuse to follow those directions in certain circumstances. No delay or omission in exercising any right or remedy will be treated as a waiver of that right, remedy or Event of Default.

Before you are allowed to bypass your trustee and bring your own lawsuit or other formal legal action or take other steps to enforce your rights or protect your interests relating to the debt securities, the following must occur:

you must give the trustee written notice that an Event of Default has occurred and remains uncured;

the holders of at least 25% in principal amount of all outstanding debt securities of the relevant series must make a written request that the trustee take action because of the default and must offer reasonable indemnity to the trustee against the cost and other liabilities of taking that action;

the trustee must not have taken action for 60 days after receipt of the above notice and offer of indemnity; and

the holders of a majority in principal amount of the debt securities must not have given the trustee a direction inconsistent with the above notice during that 60-day period.

However, you are entitled at any time to bring a lawsuit for the payment of money due on your debt securities on or after the due date.

Book-entry and other indirect holders should consult their banks or brokers for information on how to give notice or direction to or make a request of the trustee and how to declare or cancel an acceleration of maturity.

Each year, we will furnish to each trustee a written statement of certain of our officers certifying that to their knowledge we are in compliance with the indenture and the debt securities, or else specifying any default.

Waiver of Default

The holders of a majority in principal amount of the relevant series of debt securities may waive a default for all the relevant series of debt securities. If this happens, the default will be treated as if it had not occurred. No one can waive a payment default on a holder's debt security, however, without the holder's approval.

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Merger or Consolidation

Under the terms of the indenture, we are generally permitted to consolidate or merge with another entity. We are also permitted to sell all or substantially all of our assets to another entity. However, we may not take any of these actions unless all the following conditions are met:

if we do not survive such transaction or we convey, transfer or lease our properties and assets substantially as an entirety, the acquiring company must be a corporation, limited liability company, partnership or trust, or other corporate form, organized under the laws of any state of the United States or the District of Columbia, any country comprising the European Union, the United Kingdom or Japan and such company must agree to be legally responsible for our debt securities, and, if not already subject to the jurisdiction of any state of the United States or the District of Columbia, the new company must submit to such jurisdiction for all purposes with respect to the debt securities and appoint an agent for service of process;

alternatively, we must be the surviving company;

immediately after the transaction no event of default will exist;

we must deliver certain certificates and documents to the trustee; and

we must satisfy any other requirements specified in the prospectus supplement relating to a particular series of debt securities.

Modification or Waiver

There are three types of changes we can make to the indenture and the debt securities issued thereunder.

Changes Requiring Your Approval

First, there are changes that we cannot make to your debt securities without your specific approval. The following is a list of those types of changes:

change the stated maturity of the principal of or interest on a debt security;

reduce any amounts due on a debt security;

reduce the amount of principal payable upon acceleration of the maturity of a security following a default;

at any time after a change of control has occurred, reduce the premium payable upon a change of control;

change the place or currency of payment on a debt security (except as otherwise described in the prospectus or prospectus supplement);

impair your right to sue for payment;

adversely affect any right to convert or exchange a debt security in accordance with its terms;

reduce the percentage of holders of debt securities whose consent is needed to modify or amend the indenture;

reduce the percentage of holders of debt securities whose consent is needed to waive compliance with certain provisions of the indenture or to waive certain defaults;

modify any other aspect of the provisions of the indenture dealing with supplemental indentures, modification and waiver of past defaults, changes to the quorum or voting requirements or the waiver of certain covenants; and

change any obligation we have to pay additional amounts.

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Changes Not Requiring Approval

The second type of change does not require any vote by the holders of the debt securities. This type is limited to clarifications and certain other changes that would not adversely affect holders of the outstanding debt securities in any material respect. We also do not need any approval to make any change that affects only debt securities to be issued under the indenture after the change takes effect.

Changes Requiring Majority Approval

Any other change to the indenture and the debt securities would require the following approval:

if the change affects only one series of debt securities, it must be approved by the holders of a majority in principal amount of that series; and

if the change affects more than one series of debt securities issued under the same indenture, it must be approved by the holders of a majority in principal amount of all of the series affected by the change, with all affected series voting together as one class for this purpose.

In each case, the required approval must be given by written consent.

The holders of a majority in principal amount of all of the series of debt securities issued under an indenture, voting together as one class for this purpose, may waive our compliance with some of our covenants in that indenture. However, we cannot obtain a waiver of a payment default or of any of the matters covered by the bullet points included above under Description of our Debt Securities Modification or Waiver Changes Requiring Your Approval.

Further Details Concerning Voting

When taking a vote, we will use the following rules to decide how much principal to attribute to a debt security:

for original issue discount securities, we will use the principal amount that would be due and payable on the voting date if the maturity of these debt securities were accelerated to that date because of a default;

for debt securities whose principal amount is not known (for example, because it is based on an index), we will use a special rule for that debt security described in the prospectus supplement; and

for debt securities denominated in one or more foreign currencies, we will use the U.S. dollar equivalent.

Debt securities will not be considered outstanding, and therefore not eligible to vote, if we have deposited or set aside in trust money for their payment or redemption. Debt securities will also not be eligible to vote if they have been fully defeased as described later under Description of our Debt Securities Defeasance Full Defeasance. We will generally be entitled to set any day as a record date for the purpose of determining the holders of outstanding indenture securities that are entitled to vote or take other action under the indenture. If we set a record date for a vote or other action to be taken by holders of one or more series, that vote or action may be taken only by persons who are holders of outstanding indenture securities of those series on the record date and must be taken within eleven months following the record date.

Book-entry and other indirect holders should consult their banks or brokers for information on how approval may be granted or denied if we seek to change the indenture or the debt securities or request a waiver.

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Defeasance

The following provisions will be applicable to each series of debt securities unless we state in the applicable prospectus supplement that the provisions of covenant defeasance and full defeasance will not be applicable to that series.

Covenant Defeasance

Under current U.S. federal tax law, we can make the deposit described below and be released from some of the restrictive covenants in the indenture under which the particular series was issued. This is called covenant defeasance. In that event, you would lose the protection of those restrictive covenants but would gain the protection of having money and government securities set aside in trust to repay your debt securities. If applicable, you also would be released from the subordination provisions described under Description of our Debt Securities Indenture Provisions Subordination below. In order to achieve covenant defeasance, we must do the following:

if the debt securities of the particular series are denominated in U.S. dollars, we must deposit in trust for the benefit of all holders of such debt securities a combination of money and U.S. government or U.S. government agency notes or bonds that will generate enough cash to make interest, principal and any other payments on the debt securities on their various due dates; and

we may be required to deliver to the trustee a legal opinion of our counsel confirming that, under current U.S. federal income tax law, we may make the above deposit without causing you to be taxed on the debt securities any differently than if we did not make the deposit and just repaid the debt securities ourselves at maturity.

We must deliver to the trustee a legal opinion of our counsel stating that the above deposit does not require registration by us under the 1940 Act, as amended, and a legal opinion and officers certificate stating that all conditions precedent to covenant defeasance have been complied with.

If we accomplish covenant defeasance, you can still look to us for repayment of the debt securities if there were a shortfall in the trust deposit or the trustee is prevented from making payment. In fact, if one of the remaining Events of Default occurred (such as our bankruptcy) and the debt securities became immediately due and payable, there might be a shortfall. Depending on the event causing the default, you may not be able to obtain payment of the shortfall.

Full Defeasance

If there is a change in U.S. federal tax law, as described below, we can legally release ourselves from all payment and other obligations on the debt securities of a particular series (called full defeasance) if we put in place the following other arrangements for you to be repaid:

if the debt securities of the particular series are denominated in U.S. dollars, we must deposit in trust for the benefit of all holders of such debt securities a combination of money and U.S. government or U.S. government agency notes or bonds that will generate enough cash to make interest, principal and any other payments on the debt securities on their various due dates;

we may be required to deliver to the trustee a legal opinion confirming that there has been a change in current U.S. federal tax law or an Internal Revenue Service ruling that allows us to make the above deposit without causing you to be taxed on the debt securities any differently than if we did not make the deposit and just repaid the debt securities ourselves at maturity. Under current U.S. federal tax law, the deposit and our legal release from the debt securities would be treated as though we paid you your share of the cash and notes or bonds at the time the cash and notes or bonds were deposited in trust in exchange for your debt securities and you would recognize gain or loss on the debt securities at the time of the deposit; and

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we must deliver to the trustee a legal opinion of our counsel stating that the above deposit does not require registration by us under the 1940 Act and a legal opinion and officers' certificate certifying compliance with all conditions precedent to defeasance. If we ever did accomplish full defeasance, as described above, you would have to rely solely on the trust deposit for repayment of the debt securities. You could not look to us for repayment in the unlikely event of any shortfall. Conversely, the trust deposit would most likely be protected from claims of our lenders and other creditors if we ever became bankrupt or insolvent. If applicable, you would also be released from the subordination provisions described later under Description of our Debt Securities Indenture Provisions Subordination.

Form, Exchange and Transfer of Certificated Registered Securities

If registered debt securities cease to be issued in book-entry form, they will be issued:

only in fully registered certificated form;

without interest coupons; and

unless we indicate otherwise in the prospectus supplement, in denominations of \$1,000 and amounts that are multiples of \$1,000. Holders may exchange their certificated securities for debt securities of smaller denominations or combined into fewer debt securities of larger denominations, as long as the total principal amount is not changed.

Holders may exchange or transfer their certificated securities at the office of their trustee. We have appointed the trustee to act as our agent for registering debt securities in the names of holders transferring debt securities. We may appoint another entity to perform these functions or perform them ourselves.

Holders will not be required to pay a service charge to transfer or exchange their certificated securities, but they may be required to pay any tax or other governmental charge associated with the transfer or exchange. The transfer or exchange will be made only if our transfer agent is satisfied with the holder's proof of legal ownership.

If we have designated additional transfer agents for your debt security, they will be named in the prospectus supplement. We may appoint additional transfer agents or cancel the appointment of any particular transfer agent. We may also approve a change in the office through which any transfer agent acts.

If any certificated securities of a particular series are redeemable and we redeem less than all the debt securities of that series, we may block the transfer or exchange of those debt securities during the period beginning 15 days before the day we mail the notice of redemption and ending on the day of that mailing, in order to freeze the list of holders to prepare the mailing. We may also refuse to register transfers or exchanges of any certificated securities selected for redemption, except that we will continue to permit transfers and exchanges of the unredeemed portion of any debt security that will be partially redeemed.

If a registered debt security is issued in book-entry form, only the depository will be entitled to transfer and exchange the debt security as described in this subsection, since it will be the sole holder of the debt security.

Resignation of Trustee

Each trustee may resign or be removed with respect to one or more series of indenture securities provided that a successor trustee is appointed to act with respect to these series. In the event that two or more persons are acting as trustee with respect to different series of indenture securities under the indenture, each of the trustees will be a trustee of a trust separate and apart from the trust administered by any other trustee.

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Indenture Provisions Subordination

Upon any distribution of our assets upon our dissolution, winding up, liquidation or reorganization, the payment of the principal of (and premium, if any) and interest, if any, on any indenture securities denominated as subordinated debt securities is to be subordinated to the extent provided in the indenture in right of payment to the prior payment in full of all Senior Indebtedness, but our obligation to you to make payment of the principal of (and premium, if any) and interest, if any, on such subordinated debt securities will not otherwise be affected. In addition, no payment on account of principal (or premium, if any), sinking fund or interest, if any, may be made on such subordinated debt securities at any time unless full payment of all amounts due in respect of the principal (and premium, if any), sinking fund and interest on Senior Indebtedness has been made or duly provided for in money or money's worth.

In the event that, notwithstanding the foregoing, any payment by us is received by the trustee in respect of subordinated debt securities or by the holders of any of such subordinated debt securities before all Senior Indebtedness is paid in full, the payment or distribution must be paid over to the holders of the Senior Indebtedness or on their behalf for application to the payment of all the Senior Indebtedness remaining unpaid until all the Senior Indebtedness has been paid in full, after giving effect to any concurrent payment or distribution to the holders of the Senior Indebtedness. Subject to the payment in full of all Senior Indebtedness upon this distribution by us, the holders of such subordinated debt securities will be subrogated to the rights of the holders of the Senior Indebtedness to the extent of payments made to the holders of the Senior Indebtedness out of the distributive share of such subordinated debt securities.

By reason of this subordination, in the event of a distribution of our assets upon our insolvency, certain of our senior creditors may recover more, ratably, than holders of any subordinated debt securities. The indenture provides that these subordination provisions will not apply to money and securities held in trust under the defeasance provisions of the indenture.

Senior Indebtedness is defined in the indenture as the principal of (and premium, if any) and unpaid interest on:

our indebtedness (including indebtedness of others guaranteed by us), whenever created, incurred, assumed or guaranteed, for money borrowed (other than indenture securities issued under the indenture and denominated as subordinated debt securities), unless in the instrument creating or evidencing the same or under which the same is outstanding it is provided that this indebtedness is not senior or prior in right of payment to the subordinated debt securities; and

renewals, extensions, modifications and refinancings of any of this indebtedness.

If this prospectus is being delivered in connection with the offering of a series of indenture securities denominated as subordinated debt securities, the accompanying prospectus supplement will set forth the approximate amount of our Senior Indebtedness outstanding as of a recent date.

The Trustee under the Indenture

We intend to use American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC to serve as the trustee under the indenture.

Certain Considerations Relating to Foreign Currencies

Debt securities denominated or payable in foreign currencies may entail significant risks. These risks include the possibility of significant fluctuations in the foreign currency markets, the imposition or modification of foreign exchange controls and potential illiquidity in the secondary market. These risks will vary depending upon the currency or currencies involved and will be more fully described in the applicable prospectus supplement.

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DESCRIPTION OF OUR UNITS

As specified in the applicable prospectus supplement, we may issue units comprised of one or more of the other securities described in this prospectus in any combination. Each unit may also include securities issued by the U.S. Treasury. Each unit will be issued so that the holder of the unit is also the holder of each security included in the unit. Thus, the holder of a unit will have the rights and obligations of a holder of each included security. The prospectus supplement will describe:

the designation and terms of the units and of the securities comprising the units, including whether and under what circumstances the securities comprising the units may be held or transferred separately;

a description of the terms of any unit agreement governing the units;

a description of the provisions for the payment, settlement, transfer or exchange of the units; and

whether the units will be issued in fully registered or global form.

If a unit includes a share of common stock, the public offering price for the unit will reflect a price per share of common stock that equals or exceeds our then current net asset value per share, unless the requirements of Section 63 of the 1940 Act have been satisfied. Section 63 permits us to sell shares of common stock below our then current net asset value per share if: (1) the majority of our board of directors approves the offering as being in the best interests of us and our stockholders, (2) a majority of our stockholders (including a majority of our stockholders who are not affiliated persons of us) have approved the issuance of common stock below the then current net asset value per share in the 12 months preceding the offering and (3) the offering price closely approximates the market value of the common stock. If the Section 63 requirements are met, the price per share of common stock included in a unit may be below the Company's then current net asset value per share. See "Sales of Common Stock Below Net Asset Value" for more information.

Units may also include warrants to purchase shares of our common stock in the future. We may generally only offer such warrants if (1) the warrants expire by their terms within ten years, (2) the exercise price is not less than the market value of our common stock at the date of issuance, (3) the exercise price is not less than the then current net asset value per share of our common stock (unless the Section 63 requirements are met), (4) our stockholders authorize the proposal to issue such warrants, and our board of directors approves such issuance on the basis that the issuance is in the best interests of us and our stockholders and (5) if the warrants are accompanied by other securities, the warrants are not separately transferable unless no class of such warrants and the securities accompanying them has been publicly distributed. The 1940 Act also provides that the amount of our voting securities that would result from the exercise of all outstanding warrants at the time of issuance may not exceed 25% of our outstanding voting securities.

Units may also include subscription rights to purchase shares of our common stock. We will not offer transferable subscription rights in a unit providing for subscription at a price below the then current net asset value per share of common stock, excluding underwriting commissions, unless we first file a post-effective amendment that is declared effective by the SEC with respect to such issuance and the common stock to be purchased in connection with the rights represents no more than one-third of our outstanding common stock at the time such rights are issued.

Units may also include debt securities. If such debt securities are convertible into shares of our common stock, the exercise price for such conversion will not be less than the net asset value per share of our common stock at the time of issuance of the unit (unless the Section 63 requirements are met).

The descriptions of the units and any applicable underlying security or pledge or depositary arrangements in this prospectus and in any prospectus supplement are summaries of the material provisions of the applicable agreements and are subject to, and qualified in their entirety by reference to, the terms and provisions of the applicable agreements, forms of which have been or will be filed as exhibits to the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part.

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REGULATION

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

We may invest up to 100% of our assets in securities acquired directly from issuers in privately negotiated transactions. With respect to such securities, we may, for the purpose of public resale, be deemed an underwriter as that term is defined in the Securities Act. We may purchase or otherwise receive warrants to purchase the common stock of our portfolio companies in connection with acquisition financing or other investments. Similarly, in connection with an acquisition, we may acquire rights to require the issuers of acquired securities or their affiliates to repurchase them under certain circumstances. We do not intend to acquire securities issued by any investment company that exceed the limits imposed by the 1940 Act. Under these limits, we generally cannot acquire more than 3% of the voting stock of any investment company, invest more than 5% of the value of our total assets in the securities of one investment company or invest more than 10% of the value of our total assets in the securities of more than one investment company. With regard to that portion of our portfolio invested in securities issued by investment companies, it should be noted that such investments might subject our stockholders to additional expenses. We may enter into hedging transactions to manage the risks associated with interest rate fluctuations. None of these policies are fundamental and may be changed without stockholder approval.

Qualifying Assets

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

- (1) Securities purchased in transactions not involving any public offering from the issuer of such securities, which issuer (subject to certain limited exceptions) is an eligible portfolio company, or from any person who is, or has been during the preceding 13 months, an affiliated person of an eligible portfolio company, or from any other person, subject to such rules as may be prescribed by the SEC. An eligible portfolio company is defined under the 1940 Act to include any issuer which:
 - (a) is organized under the laws of, and has its principal place of business in, the United States;
 - (b) is not an investment company (other than a small business investment company wholly-owned by the BDC) or a company that would be an investment company but is excluded from the definition of an investment company by Section 3(c) of the 1940 Act; and
 - (c) does not have any class of securities listed on a national securities exchange; has any class of securities listed on a national securities exchange subject to a market capitalization maximum of \$250.0 million; or is controlled by us which has an affiliated person who is a director of such portfolio company.
- (2) Securities of any eligible portfolio company which we control.
- (3) Securities purchased in a private transaction from a U.S. operating company or from an affiliated person of the issuer, or in transactions incidental thereto, if such issuer is in bankruptcy and subject to reorganization or if the issuer, immediately prior to the purchase of its securities was unable to meet its obligations as they came due without material assistance other than conventional lending or financing arrangements.

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- (4) Securities of an eligible portfolio company purchased from any person in a private transaction if there is no ready market for such securities and we already own 60% of the outstanding equity of the eligible portfolio company.
- (5) Securities received in exchange for or distributed on or with respect to securities described in (1) through (4) above, or pursuant to the exercise of warrants or rights relating to such securities.
- (6) Cash, cash equivalents, U.S. Government securities or high-quality debt securities maturing in one year or less from the time of investment.

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

Managerial Assistance to Portfolio Companies

As a BDC, we are required to make available managerial assistance to our portfolio companies that constitute a qualifying asset within the meaning of Section 55 of the 1940 Act. However, if a BDC purchases securities in conjunction with one or more other persons acting together, one of the other persons in the group may make available such managerial assistance. Making available managerial assistance means any arrangement whereby the BDC, through its directors, officers or employees, offers to provide, and, if accepted, does provide, significant guidance and counsel concerning the management, operations or business objectives and policies of a portfolio company. Our Administrator may provide such assistance on our behalf to portfolio companies that request such assistance. Officers of our Investment Adviser and Administrator provide assistance to our controlled affiliate.

Temporary Investments

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

Senior Securities

We are permitted, under specified conditions, to issue multiple classes of indebtedness and one class of stock senior to our common stock if our asset coverage, as defined in the 1940 Act, is at least equal to 200% immediately after each such issuance. In addition, while any senior securities remain outstanding, we must make provisions to prohibit any distribution to our stockholders or the repurchase of such securities or shares unless we meet the applicable asset coverage ratios at the time of the distribution or repurchase. We may also borrow amounts up to 5% of the value of our total assets for temporary or emergency purposes without regard to asset coverage. We received exemptive relief from the SEC allowing us to modify the asset coverage requirement to exclude the SBA debentures from the calculation. For a discussion of the risks associated with leverage, see

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Risk Factors Risks Relating to our Business and Structure Regulations governing our operation as a business development company will affect our ability to, and the way in which we, raise additional capital.

Joint Code of Ethics and Code of Conduct

We and PennantPark Investment Advisers have adopted a joint code of ethics pursuant to Rule 17j-1 under the 1940 Act and a code of conduct that establish procedures for personal investments and restricts certain personal securities transactions. Personnel subject to each code may invest in securities for their personal investment accounts, including securities that may be purchased or held by us, so long as such investments are made in accordance with the codes' requirements. Our joint code of ethics and code of conduct are available, free of charge, on our website at www.pennantpark.com. You may read and copy the code of ethics at the SEC's Public Reference Room in Washington, D.C. You may obtain information on the operation of the Public Reference Room by calling the SEC at (202) 551-8090. In addition, the joint code of ethics is attached as an exhibit to our annual report on Form 10-K and is available on the EDGAR Database on the SEC's Internet site at www.sec.gov. You may also obtain a copy of our joint code of ethics, after paying a duplicating fee, by electronic request at the following email address: publicinfo@sec.gov, or by writing the SEC's Public Reference Section, 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549.

Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures

We have delegated our proxy voting responsibility to our Investment Adviser. The Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures of our Investment Adviser are set forth below. The guidelines are reviewed periodically by our Investment Adviser and our non-interested directors, and, accordingly, are subject to change. For purposes of these Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures described below, we, our and us refers to our Investment Adviser.

Introduction

As an Investment Adviser registered under the Advisers Act, we have a fiduciary duty to act solely in the best interests of our clients. As part of this duty, we recognize that we must vote client securities in a timely manner free of conflicts of interest and in the best interests of our clients.

These policies and procedures for voting proxies for our investment advisory clients are intended to comply with Section 206 of, and Rule 206(4)-6 under, the Advisers Act.

Proxy Policies

We vote proxies relating to our portfolio securities in what we perceive to be the best interest of our clients' stockholders. We review on a case-by-case basis each proposal submitted to a shareholder vote to determine its impact on the portfolio securities held by our clients. Although we will generally vote against proposals that may have a negative impact on our clients' portfolio securities, we may vote for such a proposal if there exists compelling long-term reasons to do so.

Our proxy voting decisions are made by the senior officers who are responsible for monitoring each of clients' investments. To ensure that our vote is not the product of a conflict of interest, we require that: (1) anyone involved in the decision making process disclose to our Chief Compliance Officer any potential conflict that he or she is aware of and any contact that he or she has had with any interested party regarding a proxy vote; and (2) employees involved in the decision making process or vote administration are prohibited from revealing how we intend to vote on a proposal in order to reduce any attempted influence from interested parties.

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Proxy Voting Records

You may obtain information about how we voted proxies by calling us collect at (212) 905-1000 or by making a written request for proxy voting information to: Aviv Efrat, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, 590 Madison Avenue, 15th Floor, New York, New York 10022.

Privacy Protection Principles

We are committed to maintaining the privacy of our stockholders and to safeguarding their non-public personal information. The following information is provided to help you understand what personal information we collect, how we protect that information and why, in certain cases, we may share information with select other parties.

Generally, we do not receive any non-public personal information relating to our stockholders, although certain non-public personal information of our stockholders may become available to us. We do not disclose any non-public personal information about our stockholders or former stockholders to anyone, except as permitted by law or as is necessary in order to service stockholder accounts (for example, to a transfer agent or third party administrator).

We restrict access to non-public personal information about our stockholders to employees of our Investment Adviser and its affiliates with a legitimate business need for the information. We maintain physical, electronic and procedural safeguards designed to protect the non-public personal information of our stockholders.

Our privacy protection policies are available, free of charge, on our website at www.pennantpark.com. In addition, the privacy policy is available on the EDGAR Database on the SEC's Internet site at www.sec.gov, filed as an exhibit to our annual report on Form 10-K (File No. 814-00736), filed on November 16, 2011. You may also obtain copies of our privacy policy, after paying a duplicating fee, by electronic request at the following email address: publicinfo@sec.gov, or by writing the SEC's Public Reference Section, 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549.

Other

We may also be prohibited under the 1940 Act from knowingly participating in certain transactions with our affiliates without the prior approval of our board of independent directors and, in some cases, prior approval by the SEC.

We will be periodically examined by the SEC and SBA for compliance with the 1940 Act and 1958 Act, respectively.

We are required by law to provide and maintain a bond issued by a reputable fidelity insurance company to protect us against larceny and embezzlement. Furthermore, as a BDC, we are prohibited from protecting any director or officer against any liability to PennantPark Investment or our stockholders arising from willful misfeasance, bad faith, gross negligence or reckless disregard of the duties involved in the conduct of such person's office.

We and PennantPark Investment Advisers have each adopted and implemented written policies and procedures reasonably designed to prevent violation of the federal securities laws. We review these policies and procedures annually for their adequacy and the effectiveness of their implementation and we designate a chief compliance officer to be responsible for administering the policies and procedures.

Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

The Sarbanes-Oxley Act imposes several regulatory requirements on publicly held companies and their insiders. Many of these requirements affect us.

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For example:

pursuant to Rule 13a-14 of the Exchange Act, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer must certify the accuracy of the financial statements contained in our periodic reports;

pursuant to Item 307 of Regulation S-K, our periodic reports must disclose our conclusions about the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures;

pursuant to Rule 13a-15 of the Exchange Act, our management must prepare an annual report regarding its assessment of our internal controls over financial reporting, which must be audited by our independent registered public accounting firm; and

pursuant to Item 308 of Regulation S-K and Rule 13a-15 of the Exchange Act, our periodic reports must disclose whether there were significant changes in our internal controls over financial reporting or in other factors that could significantly affect these controls subsequent to the date of their evaluation, including any corrective actions with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses.

The Sarbanes-Oxley Act requires us to review our current policies and procedures to determine whether we comply with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and the regulations promulgated there-under. We continue to monitor our compliance with all regulations that are adopted under the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and continue to take actions necessary to ensure that we are in compliance with that act.

Small Business Administration Regulations

SBIC LP is licensed under the SBA as a SBIC under Section 301(c) of the 1958 Act. SBIC LP received its license in July 2010.

Small Business Investment Companies are designed to stimulate the flow of capital to businesses that meet specified eligibility requirements discussed below. Under SBA regulations, SBIC LP is subject to regulatory requirements including making investments in SBA eligible businesses, investing at least 25% of regulatory capital in eligible smaller businesses, placing certain limitations on the financing terms of investments, prohibiting investing in certain industries, required capitalization thresholds, and is subject to periodic audits and examinations among other regulations. If SBIC LP subsidiary fails to comply with applicable SBA regulations, the SBA could, depending on the severity of the violation, limit or prohibit its use of debentures, declare outstanding debentures immediately due and payable, and/or limit SBIC LP from making new investments. In addition, the SBA can revoke or suspend a license for willful or repeated violation of, or willful or repeated failure to observe, any provision of the 1958 Act or any rule or regulation promulgated thereunder. These actions by the SBA would, in turn, negatively affect us because SBIC LP subsidiary is our wholly owned subsidiary.

Eligible Small and Smaller Businesses

Under present SBA regulations, eligible small business include businesses that (together with their affiliates) have tangible net worth not exceeding \$18.0 million and have average annual net income of \$6.0 million for the two most recent fiscal years. In addition, SBIC LP must invest at least 25% of investments in smaller concerns. A smaller concern is a business that has tangible net worth not exceeding \$6.0 million and has average annual net income not exceeding \$2.0 million for the two most recent fiscal years or, as an alternative to the aforementioned requirement, meet the size requirements based on either the number of employees or gross revenue, which is based on the industry in which the smaller concern operates. Once an SBIC LP has invested in a company, it may continue to make follow-on investments in the company, regardless of the size of the business, up and until the time a business offers its securities in a public market.

Financing Limitations, Terms and Changes in Control

The SBA prohibits an SBIC from financing small businesses in certain industries such as relending, gambling, oil and gas exploration and other passive businesses. Additional SBA prohibitions include investing

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outside the United States, investing more than 20% of regulatory capital in one company and lending money to any officer, director or employee or to invest in any affiliate thereof. The SBA places certain limits on the financing terms of investments by SBIC LP in portfolio companies such as limiting the interest rate on debt securities and loans provided to portfolio companies. The SBA also limits fees, prepayment terms and other economic arrangements that are typically charged in lending arrangements.

The SBA also prohibits, without prior written approval, a change in control of an SBIC LP or transfers that would result in any person or group owning 10% or more of a class of capital stock (or its equivalent in the case of a partnership) of a licensed Small Business Investment Company. A change of control is any event which would result in the transfer of power, direct or indirect, to direct management and policies of a Small Business Investment Company, whether through ownership, contractual arrangements or otherwise.

Idle Funds Limitation

The SBA limits an SBIC from investing idle funds to the following types of securities:

direct obligations of, or obligations guaranteed as to principal and interest by, the United States government, which mature within 15 months from the date of the investment;

repurchase agreements with federally insured institutions with a maturity of seven days or less (and the securities underlying the repurchase obligations must be direct obligations of or guaranteed by the federal government);

certificates of deposit with a maturity of one year or less, issued by a federally insured institution; or

a deposit account in a federally insured institution that is subject to withdrawal restriction of one year or less.

SBA Leverage or Debentures

SBA-guaranteed debentures are non-recourse to us, have a 10-year maturity, and may be prepaid at any time without penalty. The interest rate of SBA-guaranteed debentures is fixed at the time of issuance at a market-driven spread over 10-year U.S. Treasury Notes. Leverage through SBA-guaranteed debentures is subject to required capitalization thresholds. SBA current regulations limit the amount that SBIC LP may borrow to a maximum of \$150 million, which is up to twice its regulatory capital.

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BROKERAGE ALLOCATIONS AND OTHER PRACTICES

Since we generally acquire and dispose of our investments in privately negotiated transactions, we infrequently use brokers in the normal course of our business. Subject to policies established by our board of directors, the Investment Adviser is primarily responsible for the execution of the publicly traded securities portion of our portfolio transactions and the allocation of brokerage commissions. The Investment Adviser does not expect to execute transactions through any particular broker or dealer, but seeks to obtain the best net results for PennantPark Investment, taking into account such factors as price (including the applicable brokerage commission or dealer spread), size of order, difficulty of execution, and operational facilities of the brokerage firm and the firm's risk and skill in positioning blocks of securities. While the Investment Adviser generally seeks reasonably competitive trade execution costs, PennantPark Investment will not necessarily pay the lowest spread or commission available. Subject to applicable legal requirements, the Investment Adviser may select a broker based partly upon brokerage or research services provided to the Investment Adviser and PennantPark Investment and any other clients. In return for such services, we may pay a higher commission than other brokers would charge if the Investment Adviser determines in good faith that such commission is reasonable in relation to the services provided.

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MATERIAL U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS

The following discussion is a general summary of the material U.S. federal income tax considerations applicable to us and to an investment in our common stock. This summary does not purport to be a complete description of the income tax considerations applicable to an investment in any of our securities. For example, we have not described tax consequences that we assume to be generally known by investors or certain considerations that may be relevant to certain types of holders subject to special treatment under U.S. federal income tax laws, including stockholders subject to the alternative minimum tax, tax-exempt organizations, insurance companies, dealers in securities, pension plans and trusts, and financial institutions. This summary assumes that investors hold our common stock as capital assets (within the meaning of the Code). The discussion is based upon the Code, Treasury regulations, and administrative and judicial interpretations, each as of the date of this prospectus and all of which are subject to change, possibly retroactively, which could affect the continuing validity of this discussion. We have not sought and will not seek any ruling from the Internal Revenue Service regarding this offering. This summary does not discuss any aspects of U.S. estate or gift tax or foreign, state or local tax. It does not discuss the special treatment under U.S. federal income tax laws that could result if we invested in tax-exempt securities or certain other investment assets.

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

a citizen or individual resident of the United States;

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

a trust or an estate, the income of which is subject to U.S. federal income taxation regardless of its source.

A Non-U.S. stockholder is a beneficial owner of shares of our common stock that is neither a U.S. stockholder nor a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

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

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

Taxation in Connection with Holding Securities other than our Common Stock

We intend to describe in any prospectus supplement related to the offering of preferred stock, debt securities, warrants or rights offerings to purchase our common stock, the U.S. federal income tax considerations applicable to such securities as will be sold by us pursuant to that supplement, including the taxation of any debt securities that will be sold at an original issue discount or acquired with market discount or amortizable bond premium and the tax treatment of sales, exchanges or retirements of our debt securities. In addition, we may describe in the applicable prospectus supplement the U.S. federal income tax considerations applicable to holders of our debt securities who are not U.S. persons.

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Election to be Taxed as a RIC

We have elected to be taxed, and intend to qualify annually to maintain our election to be taxed, as a RIC under Subchapter M of the Code. To maintain RIC tax benefits, we must, among other requirements, meet certain source-of-income and quarterly asset diversification requirements (as described below). We also must annually distribute dividends of at least 90% of the sum of our ordinary income and realized net short-term capital gains, if any, out of the assets legally available for distribution (the Annual Distribution Requirement). Although not required for us to maintain our RIC tax status, in order to preclude the imposition of a 4% nondeductible federal excise tax imposed on RICs, we may distribute during each calendar year an amount at least equal to the sum of (1) 98% of our ordinary income for the calendar year, (2) 98.2% of our realized net capital gains for the one-year period ending on October 31 of the calendar year and (3) any ordinary income and net capital gains for preceding years that were not distributed during such years (the Excise Tax Avoidance Requirement). In addition, although we may distribute realized net capital gains (i.e., net long-term capital gains in excess of short-term capital losses), if any, at least annually, out of the assets legally available for such distributions, we have retained and may continue to retain such net capital gains or ordinary income to provide us with additional liquidity.

In order to qualify as a RIC for federal income tax purposes, we must:

maintain an election to be treated as a BDC under the 1940 Act at all times during each taxable year;

derive in each taxable year at least 90% of our gross income from distributions, interest, payments with respect to certain securities loans, gains from the sale of stock or other securities, net income from certain qualified publicly traded partnerships or other income derived with respect to our business of investing in such stock or securities (the 90% Income Test); and

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

- 1) at least 50% of the value of our assets consists of cash, cash equivalents, U.S. Government securities, securities of other RICs, and other securities if such other securities of any one issuer neither represents more than 5% of the value of our assets nor more than 10% of the outstanding voting securities of the issuer; and
- 2) no more than 25% of the value of our assets is invested in the securities, other than U.S. Government securities or securities of other RICs, of one issuer or of two or more issuers that are controlled, as determined under applicable tax rules, by us and that are engaged in the same or similar or related trades or businesses or in certain qualified publicly traded partnerships (the Diversification Tests).

Taxation as a RIC

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

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

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Gain or loss realized by us from warrants acquired by us as well as any loss attributable to the lapse of such warrants generally will be treated as capital gain or loss. Such gain or loss generally will be long-term or short-term, depending on how long we held a particular warrant.

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

In January 2010, the Internal Revenue Service extended a revenue procedure that temporarily allows a RIC to distribute its own stock as a dividend for the purpose of fulfilling its distribution requirements. Pursuant to this revenue procedure, a RIC may treat a distribution of its own stock as a dividend if (1) the stock is publicly traded on an established securities market, (2) the distribution is declared with respect to a taxable year ending on or before December 31, 2011 and (3) each shareholder may elect to receive his or her entire distribution in either cash or stock of the RIC subject to a limitation on the aggregate amount of cash to be distributed to all shareholders, which must be at least 10% of the aggregate declared distribution. If too many shareholders elect to receive cash, each shareholder electing to receive cash will receive a pro rata amount of cash (with the balance of the distribution paid in stock). In no event will any shareholder electing to receive cash receive less than 10% of his or her entire distribution in cash. We have not elected to distribute stock as a dividend but reserve the right to do so.

Failure to Qualify as a RIC

If we fail to satisfy the Annual Distribution Requirement or fail to qualify as a RIC in any taxable year, unless certain cure provisions apply, we will be subject to tax in that year on all of our taxable income, regardless of whether we make any distributions to our stockholders. In that case, all of our income will be subject to corporate-level federal income tax, reducing the amount available to be distributed to our stockholders. In contrast, assuming we qualify as a RIC, our corporate-level federal income tax should be substantially reduced or eliminated. See [Election to be Taxed as a RIC](#) above for more information.

If we are unable to maintain our status as a RIC, we would be subject to tax on all of our taxable income at regular corporate rates. We would not be able to deduct distributions to stockholders, nor would they be required to be made. Distributions would generally be taxable to our stockholders as ordinary distribution income eligible for the 15% maximum rate to the extent of our current and accumulated earnings and profits. Subject to certain limitations under the Code, dividends paid by us to corporate distributees would be eligible for the dividends received deduction. Distributions in excess of our current and accumulated earnings and profits would be treated first as a return of capital to the extent of the stockholder's tax basis in our common stock, and any remaining distributions would be treated as a capital gain.

The remainder of this discussion assumes that we qualify as a RIC and have satisfied the Annual Distribution Requirement.

Taxation of U.S. Stockholders

Distributions by us generally are taxable to U.S. stockholders as ordinary income or capital gains including distributions pursuant to a dividend reinvestment plan or where stockholders can elect to receive cash or stock. Distributions of our investment company taxable income (which is, generally, our ordinary income plus realized net short-term capital gains in excess of realized net long-term capital losses) will be taxable as ordinary

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income to U.S. stockholders to the extent of our current or accumulated earnings and profits, whether paid in cash or reinvested in additional common stock. To the extent such distributions paid by us to non-corporate stockholders (including individuals) are attributable to dividends from U.S. corporations and certain qualified foreign corporations, such distributions generally will be eligible for a reduced tax rate for taxable years beginning before 2013 (but not for taxable years beginning thereafter unless the relevant provisions are extended by legislation), if certain holding period requirements are satisfied. In this regard, it is anticipated that distributions paid by us will generally not be attributable to dividends and, therefore, generally will not qualify for the reduced maximum rate. Distributions of our net capital gains (which is generally our realized net long-term capital gains in excess of realized net short-term capital losses) properly designated by us as capital gain distributions will be taxable to a U.S. stockholder as long-term capital gains at a reduced rate in the case of individuals, trusts or estates, regardless of the U.S. stockholder's holding period for his, her or its common stock and regardless of whether paid in cash or reinvested in additional common stock. Distributions in excess of our earnings and profits first will reduce a U.S. stockholder's adjusted tax basis in such stockholder's common stock and, after the adjusted basis is reduced to zero, will constitute capital gains to such U.S. stockholder.

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

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

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

A stockholder generally will recognize taxable gain or loss if the stockholder sells or otherwise disposes of his, her or its shares of our common stock. Any gain arising from such sale or disposition generally will be treated as capital gain or loss if the stockholder has held his, her or its shares for more than one year. Otherwise, it would be classified as short-term capital gain or loss. However, any capital loss arising from the sale or disposition of shares of our common stock held for six months or less will be treated as long-term capital loss to the extent of the amount of capital gain distributions received or undistributed capital gain deemed received, with

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respect to such shares. In addition, all or a portion of any loss recognized upon a disposition of shares of our common stock may be disallowed if other shares of our common stock are purchased (whether through reinvestment of dividends or other distributions or otherwise) within 30 days before or after the disposition.

In general, individual U.S. stockholders currently are subject to a maximum federal income tax rate of 15% on their net capital gain (through 2012), i.e., the excess of realized net long-term capital gain over realized net short-term capital loss for a taxable year, including a long-term capital gain derived from an investment in our shares. Such rate is lower than the maximum rate on ordinary income currently payable by individuals. Corporate U.S. stockholders currently are subject to federal income tax on net capital gain at the maximum 35% rate also applied to ordinary income. Non-corporate stockholders with net capital losses for a year (i.e., capital losses in excess of capital gains) generally may deduct up to \$3,000 of such losses against their ordinary income each year; any net capital losses of a non-corporate stockholder in excess of \$3,000 generally may be carried forward and used in subsequent years as provided in the Code. Corporate stockholders generally may not deduct any net capital losses for a year, but may carryback such losses for three years or carry forward such losses for five years.

We will send to each of our U.S. stockholders, as promptly as possible after the end of each calendar year, a notice detailing, on a per share and per distribution basis, the amounts includible in such U.S. stockholder's taxable income for such year as ordinary income and as long-term capital gain. In addition, the federal tax status of each year's distributions generally will be reported to the Internal Revenue Service (including the amount of distributions, if any, eligible for the 15% maximum rate). Distributions may also be subject to additional state, local and foreign taxes depending on a U.S. stockholder's particular situation. Distributions distributed by us generally will not be eligible for the distributions-received deduction or the preferential rate applicable to qualifying distributions.

U.S. stockholders may be subject to federal income tax withholding (backup withholding) currently at a rate of 28% (until 2013 when a higher rate may apply) from all taxable distributions to any non-corporate U.S. stockholder (1) who fails to furnish a correct taxpayer identification number or a certificate that such stockholder is exempt from backup withholding, or (2) with respect to whom the IRS notifies a withholding agent that such stockholder has failed to properly report certain interest and distribution income to the IRS and to respond to notices to that effect. An individual's taxpayer identification number is his or her social security number. Any amount withheld under backup withholding is allowed as a credit against the U.S. stockholder's federal income tax liability and may entitle such stockholder to a refund, provided that proper information is timely provided to the IRS.

Taxation of Non-U.S. Stockholders

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

Distributions of our investment company taxable income to Non-U.S. stockholders (including interest income and net short-term capital gain) are expected to be subject to withholding of federal tax at a 30% rate (or lower rate provided by an applicable treaty) to the extent of our current and accumulated earnings and profits. A Non-U.S. stockholder will also be subject to backup withholding unless the distributions are effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business of the Non-U.S. stockholder, and, if an income tax treaty applies, attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States, in which case the distributions will be subject to federal income tax at the rates applicable to U.S. persons. In that case, a withholding agent will not be required to withhold federal tax if the Non-U.S. stockholder complies with applicable certification and disclosure requirements. Special certification requirements apply to a Non-U.S. stockholder that is a foreign partnership or a foreign trust, and such entities are urged to consult their own tax advisors.

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Actual or deemed distributions of our net long-term capital gains to a Non-U.S. stockholder, and gains realized by a Non-U.S. stockholder upon the sale of our common stock, will not be subject to federal withholding tax and generally will not be subject to federal income tax unless the distributions or gains, as the case may be, are effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business of the Non-U.S. stockholder and, if an income tax treaty applies, are attributable to a permanent establishment maintained by the Non-U.S. stockholder in the United States.

After December 31, 2012, withholding at a rate of 30% on dividends in respect of, and gross proceeds from the sale of, our common stock held by or through certain foreign financial institutions (including investment funds will be required), unless such institution enters into an agreement with the Secretary of the Treasury to report, on an annual basis, information with respect to shares in, and accounts maintained by, the institution to the extent such shares or accounts are held by certain United States persons or by certain non-U.S. entities that are wholly or partially owned by United States persons. Accordingly, the entity through which our common stock is held will affect the determination of whether such withholding is required. Similarly, dividends in respect of, and gross proceeds from the sale of, our common stock held by an investor that is a non-financial non-U.S. entity will be subject to withholding at a rate of 30%, unless such entity either (i) certifies to us that such entity does not have any substantial United States owners or (ii) provides certain information regarding the entity's substantial United States owners, which will in turn provide to the Secretary of the Treasury. Non-U.S. stockholders are encouraged to consult with their tax advisers regarding the possible implications of these requirements on their investment in our common stock.

If we distribute our net capital gains in the form of deemed rather than actual distributions (which we may do in the future), a Non-U.S. stockholder will be entitled to a federal income tax credit or tax refund equal to the stockholder's allocable share of the tax we pay on the capital gains deemed to have been distributed. In order to obtain the refund, the Non-U.S. stockholder must obtain a U.S. taxpayer identification number and file a federal income tax return even if the Non-U.S. stockholder would not otherwise be required to obtain a U.S. taxpayer identification number or file a federal income tax return. For a corporate Non-U.S. stockholder, distributions (both actual and deemed), and gains realized upon the sale of our common stock that are effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business may, under certain circumstances, be subject to an additional branch profits tax at a 30% rate (or at a lower rate if provided for by an applicable treaty). Accordingly, investment in the shares may not be appropriate for a Non-U.S. stockholder.

A Non-U.S. stockholder who is a non-resident alien individual, and who is otherwise subject to withholding of federal income tax, may be subject to information reporting and backup withholding of federal income tax on distributions unless the Non-U.S. stockholder provides us or the distribution paying agent with an IRS Form W-8BEN (or an acceptable substitute form) or otherwise meets documentary evidence requirements for establishing that it is a Non-U.S. stockholder or otherwise establishes an exemption from backup withholding.

Non-U.S. persons should consult their own tax advisors with respect to the U.S. federal income tax and withholding tax, and state, local and foreign tax consequences of an investment in the shares.

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PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

We may sell the securities in any of three ways (or in any combination): (a) through underwriters or dealers; (b) directly to a limited number of purchasers or to a single purchaser; or (c) through agents. The securities may also be sold at-the-market to or through a market maker or into an existing trading market for the securities, on an exchange or otherwise. The prospectus supplement will set forth the terms of the offering of such securities, including:

the name or names of any underwriters, dealers or agents and the amounts of securities underwritten or purchased by each of them;

the offering price of the securities and the proceeds to us and any discounts, commissions or concessions allowed or reallocated or paid to dealers; and

any securities exchanges on which the securities may be listed.

Any offering price and any discounts or concessions allowed or reallocated or paid to dealers may be changed from time to time.

We may offer our shares of common stock in a public offering at-the-market to a select group of investors, in which case you may not be able to participate in such offering and you will experience dilution unless you purchase additional shares of our common stock in secondary market at the same or lower price.

If underwriters are used in the sale of any securities, the securities will be acquired by the underwriters for their own accounts and may be resold from time to time in one or more transactions, including negotiated transactions, at a fixed public offering price or at varying prices determined at the time of sale. The securities may be either offered to the public through underwriting syndicates represented by managing underwriters, or directly by underwriters. Generally, the underwriters' obligations to purchase the securities will be subject to certain conditions precedent. The underwriters will be obligated to purchase all of the securities if they purchase any of the securities.

In compliance with the guidelines of FINRA, the maximum compensation to the underwriters or dealers in connection with the sale of our securities pursuant to this prospectus and the accompanying supplement to this prospectus may not exceed 8% of the aggregate offering price of the securities as set forth on the cover page of the supplement to this prospectus.

We may sell the securities through agents from time to time. The prospectus supplement will name any agent involved in the offer or sale of the securities and any commissions we pay to them. Generally, any agent will be acting on a best efforts basis for the period of its appointment.

We may authorize underwriters, dealers or agents to solicit offers by certain purchasers to purchase the securities from us at the public offering price set forth in the prospectus supplement pursuant to delayed delivery contracts providing for payment and delivery on a specified date in the future. The contracts will be subject only to those conditions set forth in the prospectus supplement, and the prospectus supplement will set forth any commissions we pay for soliciting these contracts.

Agents and underwriters may be entitled to indemnification by us against certain civil liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, or to contribution with respect to payments which the agents or underwriters may be required to make in respect thereof. Agents and underwriters may be customers of, engage in transactions with, or perform services for us in the ordinary course of business.

We may enter into derivative transactions with third parties, or sell securities not covered by this prospectus to third parties in privately negotiated transactions. If the applicable prospectus supplement indicates, in connection with those derivatives, the third parties may sell securities covered by this prospectus and the

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applicable prospectus supplement, including in short sale transactions. If so, the third party may use securities pledged by us or borrowed from us or others to settle those sales or to close out any related open borrowings of stock, and may use securities received from us in settlement of those derivatives to close out any related open borrowings of stock. The third party in such sale transactions will be an underwriter and, if not identified in this prospectus, will be identified in the applicable prospectus supplement (or a post-effective amendment). We or one of our affiliates may loan or pledge securities to a financial institution or other third party that in turn may sell the securities using this prospectus. Such financial institution or third party may transfer its short position to investors in our securities or in connection with a simultaneous offering of other securities offered by this prospectus or otherwise.

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SUB-ADMINISTRATOR, CUSTODIAN, TRANSFER AGENT AND TRUSTEE

BNY Mellon Investment Servicing (US) Inc. (formerly PNC Global Investment Servicing, Inc.), a subsidiary of The Bank of New York Mellon, provides administrative and accounting services to us under a sub-administration and accounting services agreement. The Bank of New York Mellon (successor in interest of PFPC Trust Company) provides custodian services to us pursuant to a custodian services agreement. The principal business address of The Bank of New York Mellon is One Wall Street, New York, NY 10286. American Stock Transfer & Trust Company acts as our transfer agent, distribution paying agent and registrar. The principal business address of American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC is P.O. Box 922, Wall Street Station, New York, New York 10269, telephone number: (800) 937-5449. American Stock Transfer & Trust Company may also serve as trustee for offerings of our debt securities.

LEGAL MATTERS

Certain legal matters regarding the securities offered by this prospectus will be passed upon for PennantPark Investment by Dechert LLP, Washington, D.C., and by Venable LLP, as special Maryland counsel.

INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

KPMG LLP, our independent registered public accounting firm, is located at 345 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10154.

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Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

The management of PennantPark Investment Corporation and its Subsidiaries, (except where the context suggests otherwise, the terms "we," "us," "our" and "PennantPark Investment" refer to PennantPark Investment Corporation and its Subsidiaries), are responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting. Our internal control system is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance to our management and board of directors regarding the preparation and fair presentation of published financial statements.

PennantPark Investment's internal control over financial reporting includes policies and procedures that pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect transactions recorded necessary to permit the preparation of financial statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Our policies and procedures also provide reasonable assurance that receipts and expenditures are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and the directors of PennantPark Investment, and provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of our assets that could have a material effect on our financial statements.

All internal control systems, no matter how well designed, have inherent limitations. Therefore, even those systems determined to be effective can provide only reasonable assurance with respect to financial statement preparation and presentation. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

Management assessed the effectiveness of PennantPark Investment's internal control over financial reporting as of September 30, 2011. In making this assessment, we used the criteria set forth by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission in *Internal Control - Integrated Framework*. Based on the assessment management believes that, as of September 30, 2011, our internal control over financial reporting is effective based on those criteria.

PennantPark Investment's independent registered public accounting firm that audited the financial statements has issued an audit report on the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of September 30, 2011. This report appears on page F-3.

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Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The Board of Directors and Stockholders

PennantPark Investment Corporation and its Subsidiaries:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated statements of assets and liabilities of PennantPark Investment Corporation and its Subsidiaries (the Company), including the consolidated schedules of investments as of September 30, 2011 and 2010, and the related consolidated statements of operations, changes in net assets, and cash flows for the years ended September 30, 2011, 2010 and 2009. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits.

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

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of PennantPark Investment Corporation and its Subsidiaries as of September 30, 2011 and 2010, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for the years ended September 30, 2011, 2010 and 2009, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), PennantPark Investment Corporation's internal control over financial reporting as of September 30, 2011, based on criteria established in *Internal Control - Integrated Framework*, issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO), and our report dated November 16, 2011 expressed an unqualified opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

/s/ KPMG LLP

New York, New York

November 16, 2011

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Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

On Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

The Board of Directors and Stockholders

PennantPark Investment Corporation and its Subsidiaries:

We have audited PennantPark Investment Corporation and its Subsidiaries (the Company) internal control over financial reporting as of September 30, 2011, based on criteria established in *Internal Control Integrated Framework*, issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). Management of the Company is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included on page 63 of the Annual Report on Form 10-K, and Item 9A., Controls and Procedures Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. Our audit also included performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, PennantPark Investment Corporation and its Subsidiaries maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of September 30, 2011, based on criteria established in *Internal Control Integrated Framework*, issued by COSO.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the statements of assets and liabilities of PennantPark Investment Corporation and its Subsidiaries, including the schedules of investments as of September 30, 2011 and 2010, and the related statements of operations, changes in net assets, and cash flows for the years ended September 30, 2011, 2010 and 2009, and our report dated November 16, 2011 expressed an unqualified opinion on those financial statements.

/s/ KPMG LLP

New York, New York

November 16, 2011

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	September 30,	
	2011	2010
Assets		
Investments at fair value		
Non-controlled, non-affiliated investments, at fair value (cost \$816,078,311 and \$631,280,755, respectively)	\$ 773,375,381	\$ 641,290,626
Non-controlled, affiliated investments, at fair value (cost \$36,744,425 and \$17,427,648, respectively)	40,673,133	15,433,680
Controlled, affiliated investments, at fair value (cost \$13,500,100 and \$8,000,100, respectively)	13,500,001	8,000,100
Total of Investments, at fair value (cost \$866,322,836 and \$656,708,503, respectively)	827,548,515	664,724,406
Cash equivalents (See Note 9)	71,604,519	1,814,451
Interest receivable	10,878,236	12,814,096
Receivable for investments sold	13,118,967	30,254,774
Prepaid expenses and other assets	5,587,977	1,886,119
Total assets	928,738,214	711,493,846
Liabilities		
Distributions payable	12,336,241	9,401,281
Payable for investments purchased	18,572,499	52,785,000
Unfunded investments	37,132,151	22,203,434
Credit facility payable (cost \$240,900,000 and \$233,100,000, respectively), (See Notes 5 and 11)	238,792,125	219,141,125
SBA debentures payable (cost \$150,000,000 and \$14,500,000, respectively), (See Notes 5 and 11)	150,000,000	14,500,000
Interest payable on credit facility and SBA debentures	687,362	215,135
Management fee payable (See Note 3)	4,008,054	3,286,816
Performance-based incentive fee payable (See Note 3)	3,773,829	2,239,011
Accrued other expenses	778,757	1,146,821
Total liabilities	466,081,018	324,918,623
Net Assets		
Common stock, 45,689,781 and 36,158,772 shares are issued and outstanding, respectively.		
Par value is \$0.001 per share and 100,000,000 shares are authorized.	45,690	36,159
Paid-in capital in excess of par value	540,603,020	428,675,184
Undistributed net investment income	8,326,854	1,800,646
Accumulated net realized loss on investments	(49,651,922)	(65,911,544)
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments	(38,774,321)	8,015,903
Net unrealized depreciation on credit facility	2,107,875	13,958,875
Total net assets	\$ 462,657,196	\$ 386,575,223
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 928,738,214	\$ 711,493,846
Net asset value per share	\$ 10.13	\$ 10.69

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	Years ended September 30,		
	2011	2010	2009
Investment income:			
From non-controlled, non-affiliated investments:			
Interest	\$ 83,632,455	\$ 57,467,862	\$ 43,613,233
Other	4,726,387	1,069,514	154,311
From non-controlled, affiliated investments:			
Interest	2,217,320	1,392,381	1,351,227
From controlled, affiliated investments:			
Interest	1,162,333	210,000	
Total investment income	91,738,495	60,139,757	45,118,771
Expenses:			
Base management fee (See Note 3)	14,899,983	11,618,773	7,715,615
Performance-based incentive fee (See Note 3)	13,161,597	8,018,309	5,683,388
Interest and expenses on the credit facility and SBA debentures (See Note 11)	5,322,231	3,672,444	4,628,564
Administrative services expenses (See Note 3)	2,596,756	2,328,210	2,319,759
Other general and administrative expenses	2,884,029	2,329,110	2,052,530
Expenses before income tax	38,864,596	27,966,846	22,399,856
Income tax	228,824	98,294	
Total Expenses	39,093,420	28,065,140	22,399,856
Net investment income	52,645,075	32,074,617	22,718,915
Realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments and credit facility:			
Net realized gain (loss) on non-controlled, non-affiliated investments	16,259,622	(15,417,097)	(39,243,879)
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on:			
Non-controlled, non-affiliated investments	(45,350,345)	36,275,341	46,954,325
Non-controlled and controlled, affiliated investments	(1,439,878)	(731,625)	(2,455,952)
Credit facility (appreciation) depreciation (See Note 5 and 11)	(11,851,000)	(35,665,745)	7,828,620
Net change in unrealized (depreciation) appreciation	(58,641,223)	(122,029)	52,326,993
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) from investments and credit facility	(42,381,601)	(15,539,126)	13,083,114
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations	\$ 10,263,474	\$ 16,535,491	\$ 35,802,029
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations per common share (See Note 7)	\$ 0.24	\$ 0.56	\$ 1.70
Net investment income per common share	\$ 1.25	\$ 1.09	\$ 1.08

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Years ended September 30,

	2011	2010	2009
Net increase in net assets from operations:			
Net investment income	\$ 52,645,075	\$ 32,074,617	\$ 22,718,915
Net realized gain(loss) on investments	16,259,622	(15,417,097)	(39,243,879)
Net change in unrealized (depreciation) appreciation on investments	(46,790,223)	35,543,716	44,498,373
Net change in unrealized (appreciation) depreciation on credit facility	(11,851,000)	(35,665,745)	7,828,620
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations	10,263,474	16,535,491	35,802,029
Distributions to stockholders:			
Distributions from net investment income	(46,347,691)	(32,264,036)	(20,226,021)
Capital transactions:			
Public offering	114,080,000	107,710,000	34,400,000
Offering costs	(5,743,800)	(5,986,500)	(1,920,000)
Reinvestment of dividends	3,829,990		
Total increase in net assets	76,081,973	85,994,955	48,056,008
Net Assets:			
Beginning of year	386,575,223	300,580,268	210,728,260
Cumulative effect of adoption of fair value option (See Note 5)			41,796,000
Adjusted beginning of year balance	386,575,223	300,580,268	252,524,260
End of year	\$ 462,657,196	\$ 386,575,223	\$ 300,580,268
Undistributed net investment income, at year end	\$ 8,326,854	\$ 1,800,646	\$ 1,890,235
Capital Share Activity:			
Shares issued from public offerings	9,200,000	10,790,000	4,300,000
Shares issued from reinvestment of dividends	331,011		

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	2011	Years ended September 30, 2010	2009
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations	\$ 10,263,474	\$ 16,535,491	\$ 35,802,029
Adjustments to reconcile net increase in net assets resulting from operations to net cash used for operating activities:			
Net change in net unrealized depreciation (appreciation) on investments	46,790,223	(35,543,716)	(44,498,373)
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on credit facility	11,851,000	35,665,745	(7,828,620)
Net realized (gain) loss on investments	(16,259,622)	15,417,097	39,243,879
Net accretion of discount and amortization of premium	(6,745,834)	(4,203,920)	(2,890,687)
Purchase of investments	(479,733,669)	(309,455,078)	(112,693,490)
Payment-in-kind interest	(10,883,750)	(6,416,075)	(4,729,590)
Proceeds from disposition of investments	304,008,543	145,237,359	27,956,008
Decrease (Increase) in interest receivable	1,935,860	(7,275,040)	507,143
Decrease (Increase) in receivables for investments sold	17,135,807	(27,528,767)	(2,726,007)
(Decrease) Increase in payables for investments purchased	(34,212,501)	33,295,475	19,489,525
Increase in unfunded investments	14,928,717	15,872,049	6,331,385
Increase (Decrease) in interest payable on credit facility and SBA debentures	472,227	142,347	(652,529)
Decrease (Increase) in prepaid expenses and other assets	749,017	(90,927)	258,912
Increase in management fee payable	721,238	1,066,706	2,134,214
Increase in performance-based incentive fee payable	1,534,818	730,847	1,385,131
(Decrease) Increase in accrued other expenses	(368,064)	(500,423)	555,556
Net cash used for operating activities	(137,812,516)	(127,050,830)	(42,355,514)
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Public offering	114,080,000	107,710,000	34,400,000
Offering costs	(5,743,800)	(5,986,500)	(1,920,000)
Distributions paid	(39,582,741)	(27,919,260)	(20,226,021)
Borrowings under SBA debentures (See Note 11)	135,500,000	14,500,000	
Capitalized borrowing costs	(4,450,875)	(686,625)	
Borrowings under credit facility (See Note 11)	701,900,000	256,000,000	169,600,000
Repayments under credit facility (See Note 11)	(694,100,000)	(248,000,000)	(146,500,000)
Net cash provided by financing activities	207,602,584	95,617,615	35,353,979
Net increase (decrease) in cash equivalents	69,790,068	(31,433,215)	(7,001,535)
Cash equivalents, beginning of year	1,814,451	33,247,666	40,249,201
Cash equivalents, end of year	\$ 71,604,519	\$ 1,814,451	\$ 33,247,666
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information and non-cash activity (See Note 5):			
Interest paid	\$ 4,149,149	\$ 3,161,048	\$ 5,014,055
Income taxes paid	123,824	98,294	
Dividend reinvested	3,829,990		
Cumulative effect of adoption of fair value option on credit facility			41,796,000

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PENNANTPARK INVESTMENT CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES**CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS****SEPTEMBER 30, 2011**

Issuer Name	Maturity	Industry	Current Coupon	Basis Point Spread Above Index⁽⁴⁾	Par/Shares	Cost	Fair Value⁽³⁾
Investments in Non-Controlled, Non-Affiliated Portfolio Companies 167.2%^{(1),(2)}							
First Lien Secured Debt 60.6%							
American Surgical Holdings, Inc.		Healthcare, Education and					
	3/23/2015	Childcare	14.00%	L+1,000 ⁽⁸⁾	\$ 20,300,000	\$ 19,748,930	\$ 20,300,000
CEVA Group PLC ^{(5),(10)}	10/1/2016	Logistics	11.63%		7,500,000	7,328,729	7,331,250
CEVA Group PLC ^{(5),(10)}	4/1/2018	Logistics	11.50%		1,000,000	988,872	920,000
Chester Downs and Marina, LLC		Hotels, Motels, Inns and					
	7/29/2016	Gaming	12.38%	L+988 ⁽⁸⁾	11,358,254	11,024,166	11,310,924
Columbus International, Inc. ^{(5),(10)}	11/20/2014	Communications	11.50%		10,000,000	10,000,000	9,800,000
Covad Communications Group, Inc. ⁽⁵⁾	11/3/2015	Telecommunications	12.00%	L+1,000 ⁽⁸⁾	6,475,000	6,362,696	6,345,500
Good Sam Enterprises, LLC ⁽⁵⁾ (f/k/a Affinity Group Holdings Inc.)	12/1/2016	Consumer Products	11.50%		12,000,000	11,759,625	11,220,000
Hanley-Wood, L.L.C.	3/10/2014	Other Media	2.56%	L+225	8,662,500	8,662,500	4,222,969
Instant Web, Inc.	8/7/2014	Printing and Publishing	14.50%	L+950 ⁽⁸⁾	24,625,000	24,227,464	25,683,875
Interactive Health Solutions, Inc.	10/4/2016	Healthcare, Education	11.50%	L+950 ⁽⁸⁾	19,000,000	18,572,500	18,572,500
Jacuzzi Brands Corp.	2/7/2014	and Childcare Home and Office	2.51%	L+225	9,671,622	9,671,622	6,866,851
		Furnishings, Housewares and Durable Consumer Products					
K2 Pure Solutions NoCal, L.P.	9/10/2015	Chemicals, Plastics and	10.00%	P+675 ⁽⁸⁾	18,952,500	18,002,959	18,004,875
Kadmon Pharmaceuticals, LLC (f/k/a Three Rivers Pharmaceutical, L.L.C.)	10/22/2011	Rubber Healthcare, Education and Childcare	15.00%	L+1,300 ⁽⁸⁾	29,066,987	27,940,332	30,811,006
Learning Care Group, Inc.	4/27/2016	Education	12.00%		26,052,632	25,555,967	25,401,316
Penton Media, Inc.	8/1/2014	Other Media	5.00% ⁽⁶⁾	L+400 ⁽⁸⁾	37,779,699	32,241,162	26,130,971
Prepaid Legal Services, Inc., Tranche A	12/30/2016	Personal, Food and	7.50% ⁽⁶⁾	L+600 ⁽⁸⁾	2,000,000	1,970,966	1,900,000

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		Miscellaneous Services					
Prepaid Legal Services, Inc., Tranche B	12/30/2016	Personal, Food and	11.00% ⁽⁶⁾	L+950 ⁽⁸⁾	35,000,000	33,978,263	33,250,000
		Miscellaneous Services					
Questex Media Group LLC	12/16/2012	Other Media	10.50%		26,721	26,721	26,721
Questex Media Group LLC ⁽⁹⁾	12/16/2012	Other Media			240,485	240,485	240,485
VPSI, Inc.	12/23/2015	Personal Transportation	12.00%	L+1,000 ⁽⁸⁾	17,302,083	17,047,133	17,215,572
Yonkers Racing Corp. ⁽⁵⁾	7/15/2016	Hotels, Motels, Inns and Gaming	11.38%		4,500,000	4,391,231	4,590,000
Total First Lien Secured Debt						289,742,323	280,144,815
Second Lien Secured Debt 32.9%							
Brand Energy and Infrastructure Services, Inc.	2/7/2015	Energy/Utilities	6.30%	L+600	13,600,000	13,300,431	11,832,000
Brand Energy and Infrastructure Services, Inc.	2/7/2015	Energy/Utilities	7.33%	L+700	12,000,000	11,821,275	10,680,000
DirectBuy Holdings, Inc. ⁽⁵⁾	2/1/2017	Consumer Products	12.00%		34,000,000	31,944,865	10,710,000
Eureka Hunter Pipeline, LLC	8/16/2018	Energy/Utilities	12.50% ⁽⁶⁾		31,000,000	31,000,000	31,000,000
Eureka Hunter Pipeline, LLC ⁽⁹⁾	8/15/2012	Energy/Utilities			19,000,000	18,525,000	18,525,000
Greatwide Logistics Services, L.L.C.	3/1/2014	Cargo Transport	11.00% ⁽⁶⁾	L+700 ⁽⁸⁾	2,860,871	2,860,871	2,860,871
Questex Media Group LLC, Term Loan A	12/15/2014	Other Media	9.50%	L+650 ⁽⁸⁾	2,971,450	2,971,450	2,692,134
Questex Media Group LLC, Term Loan B	12/15/2015	Other Media	11.50% ⁽⁶⁾	L+750 ⁽⁸⁾	1,990,370	1,990,370	1,737,593
RAM Energy Resources, Inc.	9/13/2016	Oil and Gas	11.00%	L+900 ⁽⁸⁾	17,000,000	16,672,749	16,830,000
Realogy Corp.	10/15/2017	Buildings and Real Estate	13.50%		10,000,000	10,000,000	9,760,000
ROC Finance LLC and ROC Finance I Corp	9/1/2018	Hotels, Motels, Inns and Gaming	12.13%		16,000,000	15,726,668	16,160,000
Sheridan Holdings, Inc.	6/15/2015	Healthcare, Education and Childcare	6.07% ⁽⁶⁾	L+575	13,500,000	11,856,253	12,521,250
TransFirst Holdings, Inc.	6/15/2015	Financial Services	6.24% ⁽⁶⁾	L+600	7,811,488	7,422,480	6,756,937
Total Second Lien Secured Debt						176,092,412	152,065,785

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Issuer Name	Maturity	Industry	Current Coupon	Basis Point Spread Above Index⁽⁴⁾	Par/Shares	Cost	Fair Value⁽³⁾
Subordinated Debt/Corporate Notes 65.0%							
Affinion Group Holdings, Inc.	11/15/2015	Consumer Products	11.63%		\$ 26,345,000	\$ 26,391,240	\$ 20,285,650
Aquilex Holdings, LLC ⁽⁵⁾	12/15/2016	Diversified / Conglomerate	11.13%		18,885,000	18,440,262	8,309,400
Services							
Consolidated Foundries, Inc.	4/17/2015	Aerospace and	14.25% ⁽⁶⁾		8,109,468	7,997,216	8,109,468
Defense							
Diversitech Corporation	1/29/2017	Manufacturing/Basic	13.50% ⁽⁶⁾		11,000,000	10,783,491	10,780,000
Industry							
Escort, Inc.	6/1/2016	Electronics	14.75% ⁽⁶⁾		24,560,142	23,964,150	24,314,541
Last Mile Funding, Corp. (3PD, Inc.)	6/30/2016	Cargo Transport	14.50% ⁽⁶⁾		44,456,391	43,380,579	43,344,981
Learning Care Group (US) Inc.	6/30/2016	Education	15.00% ⁽⁶⁾		4,566,982	3,891,689	4,133,119
LTI Flexible Products, Inc.	1/26/2017	Chemical, Plastic and	13.88% ⁽⁶⁾		33,937,985	33,119,280	33,768,295
Rubber							
Mailsouth, Inc.	6/15/2017	Printing and	14.50% ⁽⁶⁾		15,000,000	14,579,991	14,640,000
Publishing							
MedQuist, Inc.	10/14/2016	Business Services	13.00% ⁽⁶⁾		19,000,000	18,492,685	19,950,000
PAS Technologies, Inc.	5/12/2017	Aerospace and	14.02% ⁽⁶⁾		16,785,000	16,400,403	16,600,365
Defense							
Prince Mineral Holdings Corp.	12/3/2016	Mining, Steel, Iron and Non-Precious	13.50% ⁽⁶⁾		26,169,195	25,667,843	25,645,811
Metals							
Realogy Corp.	4/15/2018	Buildings and Real	11.00%		10,000,000	9,159,259	7,800,000
Estate							
TRAK Acquisition Corp.	12/29/2015	Business Services	15.00% ⁽⁶⁾		12,020,950	11,683,548	11,984,887
UP Support Services, Inc.	2/8/2015	Oil and Gas	19.00% ⁽⁶⁾		26,276,070	26,063,224	24,173,984
Veritext Corp.	12/31/2015	Business Services	14.00% ⁽⁶⁾		15,000,000	14,686,238	15,000,000
Veritext Corp. ⁽⁹⁾	12/31/2012	Business Services			12,000,000	11,700,000	12,000,000
Total Subordinated Debt/Corporate Notes						316,401,098	300,840,501
Preferred Equity/Partnership Interests 1.7%⁽⁷⁾							
AH Holdings, Inc. (American Surgical Holdings, Inc.)		Healthcare, Education and Childcare	6.00%		211	500,000	491,004

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AHC Mezzanine, LLC (Advanstar Inc.)	Other Media		7,505	318,896	
CFHC Holdings, Inc., Class A (Consolidated Foundries, Inc.)	Aerospace and				
	Defense	12.00%	909	909,248	1,328,977
PAS Tech Holdings, Inc., Series A-1 (PAS Technologies)	Aerospace and				
	Defense	8.00%	20,000	1,980,000	2,026,969
TZ Holdings, L.P., Series A (Trizetto Group, Inc.)	Insurance		686	685,820	685,820
TZ Holdings, L.P., Series B (Trizetto Group, Inc.)	Insurance	6.50%	1,312	1,312,006	1,581,165
Universal Pegasus International, Inc. (UP Support Services, Inc.)	Oil and Gas	8.00%	101,175	2,738,050	
Verde Parent Holdings, Inc. (VPSI, Inc)	Personal Transportation	8.00%	1,824,167	1,824,167	1,911,003
Total Preferred Equity/Partnership Interests				10,268,187	8,024,938

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Issuer Name	Maturity	Industry	Current Coupon	Basis Point Spread Above Index⁽⁴⁾	Par/ Shares	Cost	Fair Value⁽³⁾
Common Equity/Warrants/Partnership Interests 7.0%							
AH Holdings, Inc (American Surgical Holdings, Inc.) (Warrants)	3/23/2021	Healthcare, Education and Childcare			\$ 753	\$	\$
CEA Autumn Management, LLC		Broadcasting and Entertainment			1,333	3,000,000	280,176
CFHC Holdings, Inc. (Consolidated Foundries, Inc.)		Aerospace and Defense			1,856	18,556	1,443,556
CT Technologies Holdings, LLC (CT Technologies Intermediate Holdings, Inc.)		Business Services			5,556	2,277,209	8,431,871
DirectBuy Investors, L.P.		Consumer Products			30,000	1,350,000	469,500
Kadmon Corporation, LLC, Class A (f/k/a Kadmon Holdings, LLC) (Kadmon Pharmaceuticals, LLC)		Healthcare, Education and Childcare			1,079,920	1,236,832	295,205
Kadmon Corporation, LLC, Class D (f/k/a Kadmon Holdings, LLC) (Kadmon Pharmaceuticals, LLC)		Healthcare, Education and Childcare			1,079,920	1,028,807	1,028,807
Learning Care Group (US) Inc. (Warrants)	4/27/2020	Education			1,267	779,920	112,064
Magnum Hunter Resources Corporation		Oil and Gas			1,221,932	3,239,999	4,044,595
Magnum Hunter Resources Corporation (Warrants)	10/14/2013	Oil and Gas			122,193	105,697	61,091
MidOcean PPL Holdings, Inc. (Pre-Paid LegalServices, Inc.)		Personal, Food and Miscellaneous Services			3,000	3,000,000	3,320,146
PAS Tech Holdings, Inc. (PAS Technologies)		Aerospace and Defense			20,000	20,000	101,931
QMG HoldCo, LLC, Class A (Questex Media Group, Inc.)		Other Media			4,325	1,306,167	1,352,585
QMG HoldCo, LLC, Class B (Questex Media Group, Inc.)		Other Media			531		166,063
TRAK Acquisition Corp. (Warrants)	12/29/2019	Business Services			3,500	29,400	577,061
Transportation 100 Holdco, LLC (Greatwide Logistics Services, LLC)		Cargo Transport			137,923	2,111,588	1,521,406
TZ Holdings, L.P. (Trizetto Group, Inc.)		Insurance			2	9,843	1,591,505
Universal Pegasus International, Inc. (UP Support Services, Inc.)		Oil and Gas			110,742	1,107	
Verde Parent Holdings, Inc (VPSI, Inc.)		Personal Transportation			9,166	9,166	
VText Holdings, Inc. (Veritext Corp.)		Business Services			35,526	4,050,000	7,501,780
Total Common Equity/Warrants/Partnership Interests						23,574,291	32,299,342
Investments in Non-Controlled, Non-Affiliated Portfolio Companies						\$ 816,078,311	\$ 773,375,381

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Investments in Non-Controlled, Affiliated

Portfolio Companies 8.8%^{(1),(2)}

First Lien Secured Debt 1.4%

EnviroSolutions, Inc. ⁽⁹⁾	7/29/2013	Environmental Services	2.72%		6,666,666	6,666,666	6,666,666
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Second Lien Secured Debt 2.9%

EnviroSolutions, Inc.	7/29/2014		8.00%	L+600 ⁽⁸⁾	5,870,416	5,870,416	5,870,416
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Performance, Inc.	1/16/2015	Environmental Services Leisure, Amusement,	7.25%	L+625 ⁽⁸⁾	8,000,000	8,000,000	7,336,000
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Total Second Lien Secured Debt						13,870,416	13,206,416
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Issuer Name	Maturity	Industry	Current Coupon	Basis Point Spread Above Index⁽⁴⁾	Par/ Shares	Cost	Fair Value⁽³⁾
Subordinated Debt/Corporate Notes 1.4%							
Performance Holdings, Inc.	7/16/2015	Leisure, Amusement, Motion Pictures and Entertainment	15.00% ⁽⁶⁾		\$ 6,775,991	\$ 6,617,860	\$ 6,403,311
Common Equity/Partnership Interest 3.1%							
EnviroSolutions, Inc.		Environmental Services			37,382	2,710,036	5,641,925
EnviroSolutions, Inc. (Warrants)		Environmental Services			50,102	3,129,447	7,561,205
NCP-Performance (Performance Holdings, Inc.)		Leisure, Amusement, Motion Pictures and Entertainment			375,000	3,750,000	1,193,610
Total Common Equity/Partnership Interest						9,589,483	14,396,740
Investments in Non-Controlled, Affiliated Portfolio Companies						\$ 36,744,425	\$ 40,673,133
Investments in Controlled, Affiliated Portfolio Companies 2.9%^{(1),(2)}							
First Lien Secured Debt 2.1%							
SuttonPark Holdings, Inc.	6/30/2020	Business Services	14.00% ⁽⁶⁾		9,200,000	9,200,000	9,676,650
Subordinated Debt/Corporate Notes 0.5%							
SuttonPark Holdings, Inc.	6/30/2020	Business Services	14.00% ⁽⁶⁾		2,300,000	2,300,000	2,085,357
Preferred Equity 0.4%							
SuttonPark Holdings, Inc.		Business Services	14.00%		2,000	2,000,000	1,737,994
Common Equity 0.0%							
SuttonPark Holdings, Inc.		Business Services			100	100	
Investments in Controlled, Affiliated Portfolio Companies						13,500,100	13,500,001
Total Investments 178.9%						866,322,836	827,548,515
Cash Equivalents 15.5%						71,604,519	71,604,519
Total Investments and Cash Equivalents 194.3%						\$ 937,927,355	\$ 899,153,034

Liabilities in Excess of Other	(436,495,838)
Assets (94.3%)	
Net Assets 100.0%	\$ 462,657,196

- (1) The provisions of the 1940 Act classify investments based on the level of control that we maintain in a particular portfolio company. As defined in the 1940 Act, a company is deemed as non-controlled when we own less than 25% of a portfolio company's voting securities and controlled when we own 25% or more of a portfolio company's voting securities.
- (2) The provisions of the 1940 Act classify investments further based on the level of ownership that we maintain in a particular portfolio company. As defined in the 1940 Act, a company is deemed as non-affiliated when we own less than 5% of a portfolio company's voting securities and affiliated when we own 5% or more of a portfolio company's voting securities.
- (3) Valued based on our accounting policy (see Note 2 to our Consolidated Financial Statements).
- (4) Represents floating rate instruments that accrue interest at a predetermined spread relative to an index, typically the applicable London Interbank Offer Rate (LIBOR or L) or prime rate (Prime or P).
- (5) Security is exempt from registration under Rule 144A promulgated under the Securities Act of 1933. The security may be resold in transactions that are exempt from registration, normally to qualified institutional buyers.
- (6) Coupon is payable in cash and/or in-kind (PIK).
- (7) Non-income producing securities.
- (8) Coupon is subject to a LIBOR or prime rate floor.
- (9) Represents the purchase of a security with delayed settlement (unfunded investment).
- (10) Non-U.S. company or principal place of business outside the United States.

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Issuer Name	Maturity	Industry	Current Coupon	Basis Point Spread Above Index⁽⁴⁾	Par/Shares	Cost	Fair Value⁽³⁾
Investments in Non-Controlled, Non-Affiliated Portfolio Companies 165.9%^{(1),(2)}							
First Lien Secured Debt 59.3%							
Airvana Networks Solution, Inc.	8/27/2014	Communications	11.00%	L+900 ⁽⁸⁾	\$13,583,333	\$ 13,316,337	\$ 13,447,500
Birch Communications, Inc.	6/21/2015	Telecommunications	15.00%	L+1,300 ⁽⁸⁾	16,363,636	15,786,257	16,363,636
Birch Communications, Inc. ⁽⁹⁾	1/31/2011	Telecommunications			3,636,364	3,636,364	3,636,364
CEVA Group PLC ^{(5),(10)}	10/1/2016	Logistics	11.63%		7,500,000	7,305,603	7,912,500
CEVA Group PLC ^{(5),(10)}	4/1/2018	Logistics	11.50%		1,000,000	987,774	1,045,000
Chester Downs and Marina, LLC	7/31/2016	Hotels, Motels, Inns and Gaming	12.38%	L+988 ⁽⁸⁾	9,250,000	8,765,468	9,296,250
Columbus International, Inc. ^{(5),(10)}	11/20/2014	Communications	11.50%		10,000,000	10,000,000	11,048,000
EnviroSolutions, Inc. ⁽⁹⁾	7/29/2013	Environmental Services			6,666,666	6,666,666	6,666,666
Fairway Group Acquisition Company	10/1/2014	Grocery	12.00%	L+950	11,905,025	11,650,744	11,845,500
				P+850 ⁽⁸⁾			
Hanley-Wood, L.L.C.	3/8/2014	Other Media	2.62%	L+225	8,752,500	8,752,500	3,894,863
Instant Web, Inc.	8/7/2014	Printing and Publishing	14.50%	L+950 ⁽⁸⁾	24,875,000	24,402,321	24,875,000
Jacuzzi Brands Corp.	2/7/2014	Home and Office Furnishings, Housewares and Durable Consumer Products	2.71%	L+225	9,744,595	9,744,595	7,874,850
K2 Pure Solutions NoCal, L.P.	9/10/2015	Chemicals, Plastics and Rubber	10.00%	L+675 ⁽⁸⁾	19,000,000	17,866,826	18,240,000
Learning Care Group, Inc.	4/27/2016	Education	12.00%		26,052,631	25,481,512	26,052,631
Mattress Holding Corp.	1/18/2014	Home and Office Furnishings, Housewares and Durable Consumer Products	2.54%	L+225	3,844,931	3,844,931	3,345,090
Penton Media, Inc.	8/1/2014	Other Media	5.00% ⁽⁶⁾	L+400 ⁽⁸⁾	9,829,738	8,432,037	6,995,500
Questex Media Group LLC	12/16/2012	Other Media	10.50%	L+650 ⁽⁸⁾	66,801	66,801	64,263
Questex Media Group LLC ⁽⁹⁾	12/16/2012	Other Media			200,404	200,404	192,789
Sugarhouse HSP Gaming Prop.	9/23/2014	Hotels, Motels, Inns and Gaming	11.25%	L+825 ⁽⁸⁾	29,500,000	28,756,343	29,702,813
Three Rivers Pharmaceutical, L.L.C.	10/22/2011	Healthcare, Education and Childcare	15.25%	L+1,300	25,000,000	21,861,968	21,861,968
				P+1,200 ⁽⁸⁾			
Yonkers Racing Corp. ⁽⁵⁾	7/15/2016	Hotels, Motels, Inns and Gaming	11.38%		4,500,000	4,381,967	4,882,500
Total First Lien Secured Debt						231,907,418	229,243,683
Second Lien Secured Debt 38.6%							
Brand Energy and Infrastructure Services, Inc.	2/7/2015	Energy/Utilities	6.43%	L+600	13,600,000	13,216,845	11,696,000
Brand Energy and Infrastructure Services, Inc.	2/7/2015	Energy/Utilities	7.39%	L+700	12,000,000	11,776,589	10,410,000
EnviroSolutions, Inc.	7/29/2014	Environmental Services	8.00%	L+600 ⁽⁸⁾	6,237,317	6,237,317	5,950,400
Generics International (U.S.), Inc.	4/30/2015	Healthcare, Education and Childcare	7.79%	L+750	12,000,000	11,958,469	11,940,000

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Greatwide Logistics Services, L.L.C.	3/1/2014	Cargo Transport	11.00% ⁽⁶⁾	L+700 ⁽⁸⁾	2,570,357	2,570,357	2,594,775
Mohegan Tribal Gaming Authority ⁽⁵⁾	11/1/2017	Hotels, Motels, Inns and Gaming	11.50%		5,000,000	4,825,762	4,475,000
Questex Media Group LLC, Term Loan A	12/15/2014	Other Media	9.50%	L+650 ⁽⁸⁾	3,219,319	3,219,319	2,675,254
Questex Media Group LLC, Term Loan B	12/15/2015	Other Media	11.50% ⁽⁶⁾	L+850 ⁽⁸⁾	1,773,703	1,773,703	1,349,788
Realogy Corp.	10/15/2017	Buildings and Real Estate	13.50%		10,000,000	10,000,000	10,600,000
Saint Acquisition Corp. ⁽⁵⁾	5/15/2015	Transportation	8.13%	L+775	10,000,000	9,950,907	9,325,000
Saint Acquisition Corp. ⁽⁵⁾	5/15/2017	Transportation	12.50%		19,000,000	17,039,991	19,118,750

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Issuer Name	Maturity	Industry	Current Coupon	Basis Point Spread Above Index⁽⁴⁾	Par/Shares	Cost	Fair Value⁽³⁾
Sheridan Holdings, Inc.	6/15/2015	Healthcare, Education and Childcare	6.05% ⁽⁶⁾	L+575	\$21,500,000	\$ 19,211,412	\$ 19,887,500
Specialized Technology Resources, Inc.	12/15/2014	Chemical, Plastics and Rubber	7.26% ⁽⁶⁾	L+700	22,500,000	22,490,129	22,500,000
TransFirst Holdings, Inc.	6/15/2015	Financial Services	6.29% ⁽⁶⁾	L+600	17,811,488	17,341,134	16,564,684
Total Second Lien Secured Debt						151,611,934	149,087,151
Subordinated Debt/Corporate Notes 56.1%							
Affinion Group Holdings, Inc. ⁽⁵⁾	11/15/2015	Consumer Products	11.63%		10,000,000	9,855,000	9,855,000
Aquilex Holdings, LLC ⁽⁵⁾	12/15/2016	Diversified / Conglomerate Services	11.13%		18,885,000	18,380,337	18,696,150
Consolidated Foundries, Inc.	4/17/2015	Aerospace and Defense	14.25% ⁽⁶⁾		8,109,468	7,973,429	8,170,289
CT Technologies Intermediate Holdings, Inc.	3/22/2014	Business Services	14.00% ⁽⁶⁾		20,720,892	20,359,932	21,425,401
Da-Lite Screen Company, Inc. ⁽⁵⁾	4/1/2015	Home and Office Furnishings, Housewares and Durable Consumer Products	12.50%		25,000,000	24,379,843	25,625,000
i2 Holdings Ltd. ⁽¹⁰⁾	6/6/2014	Aerospace and Defense	14.75% ⁽⁶⁾		23,283,292	22,970,124	23,283,292
Learning Care Group (US) Inc.	6/30/2016	Education	15.00% ⁽⁶⁾		3,947,368	3,194,611	3,592,105
MedQuist, Inc.	10/15/2016	Business Services	13.00% ⁽⁶⁾		19,000,000	18,430,000	18,430,000
Realty Corp.	4/15/2015	Buildings and Real Estate	12.38% ⁽⁶⁾		10,000,000	9,055,731	7,900,000
TRAK Acquisition Corp.	12/29/2015	Business Services	15.00% ⁽⁶⁾		11,721,019	11,361,858	11,838,229
Trizetto Group, Inc.	10/1/2016	Insurance	13.50% ⁽⁶⁾		20,501,960	20,331,704	21,117,018
UP Acquisition Sub Inc.	2/8/2015	Oil and Gas	15.50% ⁽⁶⁾		21,098,000	20,642,507	20,148,590
Veritext Corp.	12/31/2015	Business Services	14.00% ⁽⁶⁾		15,000,000	14,636,487	15,000,000
Veritext Corp. ⁽⁹⁾	12/31/2012	Business Services			12,000,000	11,700,000	12,000,000
Total Subordinated Debt/Corporate Notes						213,271,563	217,081,074
Preferred Equity/Partnership Interests 2.0%							
AHC Mezzanine, LLC (Advanstar Inc.)		Other Media			319	318,896	
CFHC Holdings, Inc., Class A (Consolidated Foundries, Inc.)		Aerospace and Defense	12.00%		797	797,288	1,070,352
CT Technologies Holdings, LLC (CT Technologies Intermediate Holdings, Inc.)		Business Services	9.00%		144,375	144,376	148,909
i2 Holdings Ltd. ⁽¹⁰⁾		Aerospace and Defense	12.00%		4,137,240	4,137,240	3,869,263
TZ Holdings, L.P., Series A (Trizetto Group, Inc.)		Insurance			686	685,820	685,820
TZ Holdings, L.P., Series B (Trizetto Group, Inc.)		Insurance	6.50%		1,312	1,312,006	1,495,885

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UP Holdings Inc., Class A-1 (UP Acquisitions Sub Inc.)	Oil and Gas	8.00%	91,608	2,499,066	495,851
Total Preferred Equity/Partnership Interests				9,894,692	7,766,080

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Issuer Name	Maturity	Industry	Current Coupon	Basis Point Spread Above Index⁽⁴⁾	Par/Shares	Cost	Fair Value⁽³⁾
Common Equity/Warrants/Partnership Interests 9.9%							
CEA Autumn Management, L.L.C.		Broadcasting and Entertainment			\$ 1,333	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 3,000,000
CFHC Holdings, Inc. (Consolidated Foundries, Inc.)		Aerospace and Defense			1,627	16,271	387,012
CT Technologies Holdings, LLC (CT Technologies Intermediate Holdings, Inc.)		Business Services			5,556	3,200,000	7,987,755
EnviroSolutions, Inc.		Environmental Services			24,375	1,506,076	1,998,008
EnviroSolutions, Inc. (Warrants)		Environmental Services			49,005	3,027,906	4,016,429
i2 Holdings Ltd. ⁽¹⁰⁾		Aerospace and Defense			457,322	454,030	
Kadmon Holdings, L.L.C., Class A (Three Rivers Pharmaceutical, L.L.C.)		Healthcare, Education and Childcare			8,999	1,780,693	1,780,693
Kadmon Holdings, L.L.C., Class D (Three Rivers Pharmaceutical, L.L.C.)		Healthcare, Education and Childcare			8,999	857,339	857,339
Learning Care Group (US) Inc. (Warrants)	4/27/2020	Education			1,267	779,920	633,308
Magnum Hunter Resources Corporation		Oil and Gas			1,055,932	2,464,999	4,350,440
QMG HoldCo, LLC, Class A (Questex Media Group, Inc.)		Other Media			4,325	1,306,167	1,081,683
QMG HoldCo, LLC, Class B (Questex Media Group, Inc.)		Other Media			531		132,803
TRAK Acquisition Corp. (Warrants)	12/29/2019	Business Services			3,500	29,400	973,875
Transportation 100 Holdco, L.L.C. (Greatwide Logistics Services, L.L.C.)		Cargo Transport			137,923	2,111,588	4,589,906
TZ Holdings, L.P. (Trizetto Group, Inc.)		Insurance			2	9,843	1,688,629
UP Holdings Inc. (UP Acquisitions Sub Inc.)		Oil and Gas			91,608	916	
VText Holdings, Inc.		Business Services			35,526	4,050,000	4,634,758
Total Common Equity/Warrants/Partnership Interests						24,595,148	38,112,638
Investments in Non-Controlled, Non-Affiliated Portfolio Companies						631,280,755	641,290,626
Investments in Non-Controlled, Affiliated Portfolio Companies 4.0%⁽¹⁾,⁽²⁾							
Second Lien Secured Debt 2.0%							
Performance, Inc.	1/16/2015	Leisure, Amusement, Motion Pictures and Entertainment	7.50%	L+650 ⁽⁸⁾	8,000,000	8,000,000	7,584,000
Subordinated Debt/Corporate Notes 1.5%							
Performance Holdings, Inc.	7/16/2015	Leisure, Amusement, Motion Pictures and Entertainment	15.00% ⁽⁶⁾		5,848,176	5,677,648	5,745,832

Common Equity/Partnership Interest 0.5%⁽⁷⁾

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NCP-Performance (Performance Holdings, Inc.)		Leisure, Amusement, Motion Pictures and Entertainment		37,500	3,750,000	2,103,848
Investments in Non-Controlled, Affiliated Portfolio Companies					17,427,648	15,433,680
Investments in Controlled, Affiliated Portfolio Companies 2.1%^{(1),(2)}						
First Lien Secured Debt 1.4%						
SuttonPark Holdings, Inc.	6/30/2020	Business Services	14.00% ⁽⁶⁾	4,800,000	4,800,000	5,352,000

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Subordinated Debt/Corporate Notes 0.3%							
SuttonPark Holdings, Inc.	6/30/2020	Business Services	14.00% ⁽⁶⁾		\$1,200,000	\$ 1,200,000	\$ 1,142,398
Preferred Equity 0.4%							
SuttonPark Holdings, Inc.		Business Services	14.00%		2,000	2,000,000	1,505,602
Common Equity 0.0%							
SuttonPark Holdings, Inc.		Business Services			100	100	100
Investments in Controlled, Affiliated Portfolio Companies						8,000,100	8,000,100
Total Investments 172.0%						656,708,503	664,724,406
Cash Equivalents 0.5%					1,814,451	1,814,451	1,814,451
Total Investments and Cash Equivalents 172.5%						\$658,522,954	\$666,538,857
Liabilities in Excess of Other Assets (72.5%)							(279,963,634)
Net Assets 100.0%							\$386,575,223

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Except where the context suggests otherwise, the terms we, us, our and PennantPark Investment refer to PennantPark Investment Corporation and its consolidated subsidiaries. SBIC LP refer to our wholly owned, consolidated Small Business Investment Company, or SBIC, PennantPark SBIC LP.

1. ORGANIZATION

PennantPark Investment Corporation was organized as a Maryland corporation on January 11, 2007. PennantPark Investment is a closed-end, externally managed, non-diversified investment company that has elected to be treated as a business development company, or BDC, under the Investment Company Act of 1940, or the 1940 Act. PennantPark Investment's objective is to generate both current income and capital appreciation through debt and equity investments. PennantPark Investment invests primarily in U.S. middle-market companies in the form of senior secured loans, mezzanine debt and equity investments.

On April 24, 2007, PennantPark Investment closed its initial public offering and its common stock trades on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol PNNT. PennantPark Investment completed its initial public offering of common stock in 2007 and issued 21.0 million shares raising \$294.1 million in net proceeds. Since PennantPark Investment's initial public offering, it has sold 24.3 million shares of common stock through follow-on public offerings, resulting in net proceeds of \$242.5 million. During the year ended September 30, 2011, PennantPark Investment sold 9.2 million shares in a follow-on public offering including the overallotment, resulting in net proceeds of \$108.3 million.

We are externally managed by PennantPark Investment Advisers, LLC, the Investment Adviser or PennantPark Investment Advisers. PennantPark Investment Administration, LLC, or the Administrator or PennantPark Investment Administration provides the administrative services necessary for us to operate.

PennantPark SBIC LP, or either SBIC LP or our SBIC and its general partner, PennantPark SBIC GP, LLC, the SBIC GP, were organized in Delaware as a limited partnership and a limited liability company, respectively, on May 7, 2010 and began operations on June 11, 2010. SBIC LP received a license from the Small Business Administration, or SBA, to operate as a SBIC, effective July 30, 2010 under Section 301(c) of the Small Business Investment Act of 1958, or the 1958 Act. Both SBIC LP and SBIC GP, or the Subsidiaries, are consolidated wholly owned subsidiaries of PennantPark Investment. The SBIC LP's objective is to generate both current income and capital appreciation through debt and equity investments. SBIC LP, generally, invests with us in SBA eligible businesses that meet the investment criteria used by PennantPark Investment.

PennantPark Investment, through the Investment Adviser, manages day-to-day operations of and provides investment advisory services to SBIC LP under a separate investment management agreement. PennantPark Investment, through the Administrator, also provides similar services to SBIC LP and our controlled affiliate SuttonPark Holdings, Inc. and its subsidiaries, or SPH, under separate administration agreements. For more information, See Note 3 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The preparation of Consolidated Financial Statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, or GAAP, requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of PennantPark Investment's and its Subsidiaries' assets and liabilities at the date of the Consolidated Financial Statements and the reported amounts of income and expenses during the reported period. Actual results could differ from these estimates. We have reclassified certain prior period amounts to conform to the current period presentation. We have eliminated all intercompany balances and transactions. References to

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the Accounting Standards Codification, or ASC, serve as a single source of accounting literature. Subsequent events are evaluated and disclosed as appropriate for events occurring through the date the Consolidated Financial Statements are issued.

Our Consolidated Financial Statements are prepared in accordance with GAAP and pursuant to the requirements for reporting on Form 10-K and Article 6 or 10 of Regulation S-X, as appropriate. In accordance with Article 6-09 of Regulation S-X under the Exchange Act, we are providing a Consolidated Statement of Changes in Net Assets in lieu of a Consolidated Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity.

Our significant accounting policies consistently applied are as follows:

(a) Investment Valuations

Our board of directors generally uses market quotations to assess the value of our investments for which market quotations are readily available. We obtain these market values from independent pricing services or at the bid prices obtained from at least two broker/dealers if available, otherwise by a principal market maker or a primary market dealer. If the board of directors has a bona fide reason to believe any such market quote does not reflect the fair value of an investment, it may independently value such investments by using the valuation procedure that it uses with respect to assets for which market quotations are not readily available. Investments, of sufficient credit quality, purchased within 60 days of maturity are valued at cost plus accreted discount, or minus amortized premium, which approximates fair value.

We expect that there will not be readily available market values for many of our investments which are or will be in our portfolio, and we value such investments at fair value as determined in good faith by or under the direction of our board of directors using a documented valuation policy, described herein, and a consistently applied valuation process. With respect to investments for which there is no readily available market value, the factors that the board of directors may take into account in pricing our investments at fair value include, as relevant, 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 to publicly traded securities 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 or revise our valuation. Due to the inherent uncertainty of determining the fair value of investments that do not have a readily available market value, the price used in an actual transaction may be different than our valuation and the differences may be material. See Note 5 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

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

- (1) Our quarterly valuation process begins with each portfolio company or investment being initially valued by the investment professionals of our Investment Adviser responsible for the portfolio investment;
- (2) Preliminary valuation conclusions are then documented and discussed with the management of our Investment Adviser;
- (3) Our board of directors also engages independent valuation firms to conduct independent appraisals of our investments for which market quotations are not readily available or are readily available but deemed not reflective of the fair value of the investment. The independent valuation firms review management's preliminary valuations in light of their own independent assessment and also in light of any market quotations obtained from an independent pricing service, broker, dealer or market maker.

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- (4) The audit committee of our board of directors reviews the preliminary valuations of the Investment Adviser and that of the independent valuation firms and responds and supplements the valuation recommendations of the independent valuation firms to reflect any comments; and

- (5) The board of directors discusses these valuations and determines the fair value of each investment in our portfolio in good faith based on the input of our Investment Adviser, the respective independent valuation firms and the audit committee.

The factors that the board of directors may take into account in pricing our investments at fair value include, as relevant, 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 to publicly traded securities and other relevant factors.

(b) Security Transactions, Revenue Recognition, and Realized/Unrealized Gains or Losses

Security transactions are recorded on a trade-date basis. We measure realized gains or losses by the difference between the net proceeds from the repayment or sale and the amortized cost basis of the investment, using the specific identification method, without regard to unrealized appreciation or depreciation previously recognized, but considering unamortized upfront fees and prepayment penalties. Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation reflects the change in portfolio investment and credit facility values during the reporting period, including any reversal of previously recorded unrealized appreciation or depreciation, when gains or losses are realized.

We record interest income on an accrual basis to the extent that we expect to collect such amounts. For loans and debt investments with contractual payment-in-kind (PIK) interest, which represents interest accrued and added to the loan balance that generally becomes due at maturity, we will generally not accrue PIK interest when the portfolio company valuation indicates that such PIK interest is not collectable. We do not accrue as a receivable interest on loans and debt investments if we have reason to doubt our ability to collect such interest. Loan origination fees, original issue discount, market discount or premium and deferred financing costs are capitalized, and we then accrete or amortize such amounts using the effective interest method as interest income or interest expense as it relates to our deferred financing costs. We record prepayment premiums on loans and debt investments as income. Dividend income, if any, is recognized on an accrual basis on the ex-dividend date to the extent that we expect to collect such amounts.

Loans are placed on non-accrual status when principal or interest payments are past due 30 days or more and/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. 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.

(c) Income Taxes

Since May 1, 2007, PennantPark Investment has complied with the requirements of Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or the Code, and expects to be subject to tax as a regulated investment company, or RIC. As a result, PennantPark Investment accounts for income taxes using the asset liability method prescribed by ASC 740, Income Taxes. Under this method, income taxes were provided for

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amounts currently payable and for amounts deferred as tax assets and liabilities based on differences between the financial statement carrying amounts and the tax bases of existing assets and liabilities. Based upon PennantPark Investment's qualification and election to be subject to tax as a RIC, we do not anticipate paying any material level of federal income taxes in the future. Although we are not subject to tax as a RIC, we have elected to retain a portion of our calendar year income and pay an excise tax of \$0.2 million for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2011.

PennantPark Investment recognizes in its Consolidated Financial Statements the effect of a tax position when it is more likely than not, based on the technical merits, that the position will be sustained upon examination. We did not have any uncertain tax positions that met the recognition or measurement criteria of ASC 740-10-25 nor did we have any unrecognized tax benefits as of the periods presented herein. Although we file federal and state tax returns, our major tax jurisdiction is federal. Our tax returns for each of our federal tax years from 2008 to date remain subject to examination by the Internal Revenue Service.

Book and tax basis differences relating to permanent book and tax differences are reclassified among PennantPark Investment's capital accounts, as appropriate. Additionally, the tax character of distributions is determined in accordance with income tax regulations that may differ from GAAP. See Note 8 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

(d) Dividends, Distributions, and Capital Transactions

Dividends and distributions to common stockholders are recorded on the ex-dividend date. The amount, if any, to be paid 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 distributed at least annually.

Capital transactions, in connection with our dividend reinvestment plan or through offerings of our common stock, are recorded when issued and offering costs are charged as a reduction of capital upon issuance of our common stock.

(e) Consolidation

As permitted under Regulation S-X and as explained by ASC 946-810-45, PennantPark Investment will generally not consolidate its investment in a company other than an investment company subsidiary or a controlled operating company whose business consists of providing services to us. Accordingly, we have consolidated the results of the Subsidiaries in our Consolidated Financial Statements.

(f) New Accounting Pronouncements and Accounting Standards Updates (ASU)

In May 2011, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update 2011-04, Amendments to Achieve Common Fair Value Measurement and Disclosure Requirements in U.S. GAAP and IFRSs (ASU 2011-04). ASU 2011-04 amends Accounting Standards Codification Topic 820, Fair Value Measurements (ASC 820) by: (1) clarifying that certain concepts related to measuring the fair value apply only to non-financial assets; (2) allowing a reporting entity to measure the fair value of a net asset or net liability position in a manner consistent with how market participants would price the position; (3) providing a framework for selecting a premium or discount that may be applied in a fair value measurement; (4) providing that an instrument classified in a reporting entity's shareholders' equity may be fair valued based how a market participant would price the identical instrument; and (5) expanding the qualitative and quantitative fair value disclosure requirements. These amendments are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2011 and for interim periods within

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those fiscal years. The amendments of ASU 2011-04, when adopted, are not expected to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements and the company is currently evaluating the impact on its disclosures.

3. AGREEMENTS

PennantPark Investment's Management Agreement with the Investment Adviser, was re-approved by our board of directors, including a majority of our directors who are not interested persons of PennantPark Investment, in February 2011. Under the Investment Management Agreement the Investment Adviser, subject to the overall supervision of PennantPark Investment's board of directors, manages the day-to-day operations of and provides investment advisory services to, PennantPark Investment. SBIC LP's investment management agreement does not affect the management or incentive fees that we pay to the Investment Adviser on a consolidated basis. For providing these services, the Investment Adviser receives a fee from PennantPark Investment, consisting of two components—a base management fee and an incentive fee (collectively, Management Fees).

The base management fee is calculated at an annual rate of 2.00% on PennantPark Investment's average adjusted gross assets (net of U.S. Treasury Bills and/or temporary draws, if any, on the Credit Facility, as defined in Note 11). The base management fee is 2.00% and is payable quarterly in arrears. The base management fee is calculated based on the average adjusted gross assets at the end of the two most recently completed calendar quarters, and appropriately adjusted for any share issuances or repurchases during the current calendar quarter. For the fiscal years ended September 30, 2011, 2010 and 2009, the Investment Adviser earned a net base management fee of \$14.9 million, \$11.6 million and \$7.7 million, respectively, from us.

The incentive fee has two parts, as follows:

One part is calculated and payable quarterly in arrears based on PennantPark Investment's Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income for the immediately preceding calendar quarter. For this purpose, Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income means interest income, distribution income and any other income, including any other fees other than fees for providing managerial assistance, such as commitment, origination, structuring, diligence and consulting fees or other fees received from portfolio companies accrued during the calendar quarter, minus PennantPark Investment's operating expenses for the quarter (including the base management fee, any expenses payable under the Administration Agreement, and any interest expense and distribution paid on any issued and outstanding preferred stock, but excluding the incentive fee). Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income includes, in the case of investments with deferred interest feature (such as original issue discount, debt instruments with PIK interest and zero coupon securities), accrued income not yet received in cash. Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income does not include any realized capital gains, realized capital losses or unrealized capital appreciation or depreciation. Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income, expressed as a rate of return on the value of PennantPark Investment's net assets at the end of the immediately preceding calendar quarter, is compared to the hurdle rate of 1.75% per quarter (7.00% annualized). PennantPark Investment pays the Investment Adviser an incentive fee with respect to PennantPark Investment's Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income in each calendar quarter as follows: (1) no incentive fee in any calendar quarter in which PennantPark Investment's Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income does not exceed the hurdle rate of 1.75%, (2) 100% of PennantPark Investment's 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 2.1875% in any calendar quarter (8.75% annualized), and (3) 20% of the amount of PennantPark Investment's Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income, if any, that exceeds 2.1875% in any calendar quarter. These calculations are pro-rated for any period of less than three months and adjusted for any share issuances or repurchases during the current quarter.

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The second part of the incentive fee is determined and payable in arrears as of the end of each calendar year (or upon termination of the Investment Management Agreement, as of the termination date) and equals 20.0% of PennantPark Investment's realized capital gains, if any, on a cumulative basis from inception through the end of each calendar year, 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. For the fiscal years ended September 30, 2011, 2010 and 2009, the Investment Adviser received an incentive fee of \$13.2 million, \$8.0 million and \$5.7 million, respectively, from us.

PennantPark Investment's Administration Agreement with the Administrator was reapproved by our board of directors including a majority of our directors who are not interested persons of PennantPark Investment, in February 2011. Under the Administration Agreement PennantPark Investment Administration provides administrative services for PennantPark Investment. The Administrator provides similar services to SBIC LP under its administration agreement with PennantPark Investments. For providing these services, facilities and personnel, PennantPark Investment reimburses the Administrator for its allocable portion of overhead and other expenses incurred by the Administrator in performing its obligations under the Administration Agreement, including rent, technology systems, insurance and PennantPark Investment's allocable portion of the costs of the compensation and related expenses for its chief compliance officer, chief financial officer and their respective staffs. The Administrator also offers, on PennantPark Investment's behalf, managerial assistance to portfolio companies to which PennantPark Investment is required to offer such assistance. Reimbursement for certain of these costs is included in administrative services expenses in the Consolidated Statement of Operations. For the fiscal years ended September 30, 2011, 2010 and 2009, the Investment Adviser and Administrator, collectively, were reimbursed \$2.6 million, \$2.1 million and \$1.7 million, respectively, from us, including expenses it incurred on behalf of the Administrator, for services described above.

PennantPark Investment entered into an administration agreement with its controlled affiliate, SPH. Under the administration agreement with SPH, or the SPH Administration Agreement, PennantPark Investment through the Administrator furnishes SPH with office facilities, equipment and clerical, bookkeeping and record keeping services at such facilities. Additionally, the Administrator performs or oversees the performance of SPH's required administrative services, which include, among other things, maintaining financial records, preparing financial reports and filing of tax returns. Payments under the SPH Administration Agreement are equal to an amount based upon SPH's allocable portion of the Administrator's overhead in performing its obligations under the SPH Administration Agreement, including rent and allocable portion of the cost of compensation and related expenses of our chief financial officer and their respective staffs. For the fiscal years ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, PennantPark Investment was reimbursed \$0.5 million and \$0.1 million, respectively, for the services described above.

4. INVESTMENTS

Purchases of long-term investments, including PIK, for the fiscal years ended September 30, 2011, 2010 and 2009 totaled \$490.6 million, \$315.8 million and \$117.4 million, respectively. Sales and repayments of long-term investments for the fiscal years ended September 30, 2011, 2010 and 2009 totaled \$304.0 million, \$145.2 million and \$28.0 million, respectively.

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Investments and cash equivalents consisted of the following:

	September 30, 2011		September 30, 2010	
	Cost	Fair Value	Cost	Fair Value
First lien	\$ 305,608,989	\$ 296,488,131	\$ 236,707,418	\$ 234,595,683
Second lien	189,962,828	165,272,201	159,611,934	156,671,151
Subordinated debt / corporate notes	325,318,958	309,329,169	220,149,211	223,969,304
Preferred equity	12,268,187	9,762,932	11,894,692	9,271,682
Common equity	33,163,874	46,696,082	28,345,248	40,216,586
Total Investments	866,322,836	827,548,515	656,708,503	664,724,406
Cash equivalents	71,604,519	71,604,519	1,814,451	1,814,451
Total Investments and cash equivalents	\$ 937,927,355	\$ 899,153,034	\$ 658,522,954	\$ 666,538,857

The table below describes investments by industry classification and enumerates the percentage, by fair value, of the total portfolio assets (excluding cash equivalents) in such industries as of September 30, 2011 and September 30, 2010.

Industry Classification	September 30,	
	2011	2010
Business Services	11%	15%
Healthcare, Education and Childcare	10	8
Energy / Utilities	9	3
Cargo Transport	6	6
Chemicals, Plastics and Rubber	6	1
Consumer Products	5	1
Oil and Gas	5	4
Personal, Food and Miscellaneous Services	5	2
Printing and Publishing	5	4
Aerospace and Defense	4	6
Education	4	5
Hotels, Motels, Inns and Gaming	4	7
Other Media	4	2
Electronics	3	
Environmental Services	3	3
Mining, Steel, Iron and Non-Precious Metals	3	
Buildings and Real Estate	2	3
Leisure, Amusement, Motion Pictures, Entertainment	2	2
Personal Transportation	2	4
Communication	1	4
Manufacturing / Basic Industry	1	
Diversified / Conglomerate Services		3
Home and Office Furnishings, Housewares & Durable Consumer Products		6
Insurance		4

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Telecommunications		3
Other	5	4
Total	100%	100%

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5. FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Fair value, as defined under ASC 820, is the price that we would receive upon selling an investment or pay to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction to a market participant in the principal or most advantageous market for the investment or liability. ASC 820 emphasizes that valuation techniques maximize the use of observable market inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. Inputs refer broadly to the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability, including assumptions about risk. Inputs may be observable or unobservable. Observable inputs reflect the assumptions market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability based on market data obtained from sources independent of PennantPark Investment. Unobservable inputs reflect the assumptions market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability based on the best information available to us on the reporting period date.

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

Level 1: Inputs that are quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities, accessible by us at the measurement date.

Level 2: Inputs that are quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, or that are quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active and inputs that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term, if applicable, of the financial instrument.

Level 3: Inputs that are unobservable for an asset or liability because they are based on our own assumptions about how market participants would price the asset or liability.

A financial instrument's categorization within the valuation hierarchy is based upon the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Generally, most of our investments and Credit Facility are classified as Level 3. Due to the inherent uncertainty of determining the fair value of investments that do not have a readily available market value, the price used in an actual transaction may be different than our valuation and those differences may be material.

The inputs into the determination of fair value may require significant management judgment or estimation. Even if observable market data is available, such information may be the result of consensus pricing information or broker quotes which include a disclaimer that the broker would not be held to such a price in an actual transaction. The non-binding nature of consensus pricing and/or quotes accompanied by disclaimer would result in classification as Level 3 information, assuming no additional corroborating evidence was available. Corroborating evidence that would result in classifying these non-binding broker/dealer bids as a Level 2 asset includes observable market-based transactions for the same or similar assets or other relevant observable market based inputs that may be used in pricing an asset.

Our investments are generally structured as debt and equity investments in the form of senior secured loans, mezzanine debt and equity co-investments. The transaction price, excluding transaction costs, is typically the best estimate of fair value at inception. When evidence supports a subsequent change to the carrying value from the original transaction price, adjustments are made to reflect the expected exit values. Ongoing reviews by our Investment Adviser and independent valuation firms are based on an assessment of each underlying investment, incorporating valuations that consider the evaluation of financing and sale transactions with third parties, expected cash flows and market-based information, including comparable transactions and performance multiples, among other factors. These nonpublic investments are included in Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy.

A review of fair value hierarchy classifications is conducted on a quarterly basis. Changes in our ability to observe valuation inputs may result in a reclassification for certain financial assets or liabilities. Reclassifications

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impacting Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy are reported as transfers in or out of the Level 3 category as of the end of the quarter in which the reclassifications occur. During fiscal year ended September 30, 2011, our ability to observe valuation inputs has resulted in a reclassification of assets from Level 3 to Level 2. There were no investments transferred between Levels 1 and 2 during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2011.

In addition to using the above inputs in cash equivalents, investments and Credit Facility valuations, PennantPark Investment employs the valuation policy approved by its board of directors that is consistent with ASC 820 (See Note 2). Consistent with our valuation policy, PennantPark Investment evaluates the source of inputs, including any markets in which its investments are trading, in determining fair value.

At September 30, 2011 and 2010, our cash equivalents, investments and our Credit Facility were categorized as follows in the fair value hierarchy for ASC 820 purposes.

Description	Fair Value Measurements at September 30, 2011			
	Fair Value	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Loan and debt investments	\$ 771,089,501	\$	\$ 38,395,050	\$ 732,694,451
Equity investments	56,459,014	4,044,595	61,091	52,353,328
Total Investments	827,548,515	4,044,595	38,456,141	785,047,779
Cash Equivalents	71,604,519	71,604,519		
Total Investments and cash equivalents	899,153,034	75,649,114	38,456,141	785,047,779
Credit Facility	\$ 238,792,125	\$	\$	\$ 238,792,125

Description	Fair Value Measurements at September 30, 2010			
	Fair Value	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Loan and debt investments	\$ 615,236,138	\$	\$	\$ 615,236,138
Equity investments	49,488,268	4,350,440		45,137,828
Total Investments	664,724,406	4,350,440		660,373,966
Cash Equivalents	1,814,451	1,814,451		
Total Investments and cash equivalents	666,538,857	6,164,891		660,373,966
Credit Facility	\$ 213,941,125	\$	\$	\$ 213,941,125

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The following tables show a reconciliation of the beginning and ending balances for fair valued investments measured using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) for the years ended September 30, 2011 and 2010:

Description	Year Ended September 30, 2011		
	Loan and debt investments	Equity investments	Totals
Beginning Balance, September 30, 2010	\$ 615,236,138	\$ 45,137,828	\$ 660,373,966
Realized (losses)	10,194,422	6,065,196	16,259,618
Unrealized appreciation	(48,568,848)	2,904,075	(45,664,773)
Purchases, PIK and net discount accretion	486,512,694	9,969,861	496,482,555
Sales / repayments	(292,284,905)	(11,723,632)	(304,008,537)
Non-cash exchanges			
Transfers in and /or out of Level 3	(38,395,050)		(38,395,050)
Ending Balance, September 30, 2011	\$ 732,694,451	\$ 52,353,328	\$ 785,047,779
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) for the period above reported within the net change in unrealized (depreciation) appreciation on investments in our Consolidated Statement of Operations attributable to our Level 3 assets still held at the reporting date:	\$ (24,916,057)	\$ 2,186,601	\$ (22,729,456)

Description	Year Ended September 30, 2010		
	Loan and debt investments	Equity investments	Totals
Beginning Balance, September 30, 2009	\$ 442,128,049	\$ 27,632,024	\$ 469,760,073
Realized (losses)	(12,411,934)	(3,005,163)	(15,417,097)
Unrealized (depreciation)	31,964,795	1,693,480	33,658,275
Purchases, PIK and net discount accretion	304,625,814	12,984,260	317,610,074
Sales / repayments	(138,765,449)	(6,922)	(138,772,371)
Non-cash exchanges	(12,305,137)	5,840,149	(6,464,988)
Transfers in and /or out of Level 3			
Ending Balance, September 30, 2010	\$ 615,236,138	\$ 45,137,828	\$ 660,373,966
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) for the period above reported within the net change in unrealized (depreciation) appreciation on investments in our Consolidated Statement of Operations attributable to our Level 3 assets still held at the reporting date:	\$ 15,408,002	\$ (1,311,683)	\$ 14,096,319

The following tables show a reconciliation of the beginning and ending balances for fair valued liabilities measured using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) for the fiscal years ended September 30, 2011 and 2010.

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Credit Facility	Carrying / Fair Value
Beginning balance, September 30, 2010 (Cost \$227,900,000)	\$ 213,941,125
Total unrealized appreciation included in earnings	11,851,000
Borrowings ⁽¹⁾	407,500,000
Repayments ⁽¹⁾	(394,500,000)
Transfers in and/or out of Level 3	
Ending balance of Credit Facility, September 30, 2011, at fair value, (Cost \$240,900,000)	\$ 238,792,125

Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2010

Credit Facility	Carrying / Fair Value
Beginning balance, September 30, 2009 (Cost \$218,100,000)	\$ 168,475,380
Total unrealized (appreciation) included in earnings	35,665,745
Borrowings ⁽¹⁾	177,700,000
Repayments ⁽¹⁾	(167,900,000)
Transfers in and/or out of Level 3	
Ending balance of Credit Facility, September 30, 2010, at fair value, (Cost \$227,900,000)	\$ 213,941,125
Temporary draw outstanding, at cost	5,200,000
Total Credit Facility, September 30, 2010 (Cost \$233,100,000)	\$ 219,141,125

(1) Excludes temporary draws.

We adopted ASC 825-10, which provides companies with an option to report selected financial assets and liabilities at fair value, and made an irrevocable election to apply ASC 825-10 to its Credit Facility. We elected to use the fair value option for the Credit Facility to align the measurement attributes of both our assets and liabilities while mitigating volatility in earnings from using different measurement attributes. ASC 825-10 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 on earnings of a 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 Consolidated Statement of Assets and Liabilities and changes in fair value of the Credit Facility are recorded in the Consolidated Statement of Operations. We elected not to apply ASC 825-10 to any other financial assets or liabilities including the SBA debentures. For the years ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, our Credit Facility had a net change in unrealized appreciation of \$11.9 million and \$35.7 million, respectively. As of September 30, 2011 and 2010, net unrealized depreciation on our Credit Facility totaled \$2.1 million and \$14.0 million, respectively. We

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use a nationally recognized independent valuation service to measure the fair value of our Credit Facility in a manner consistent with the valuation process that the board of directors uses to value investments.

6. TRANSACTIONS WITH AFFILIATED COMPANIES

An affiliated company is a company in which we own 5% or more of the portfolio company's voting securities. A controlled affiliate is a company in which we own 25% or more of a portfolio company's voting

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securities. Advances to and distributions from affiliates are included in the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flow under purchases. Transactions related to our investments with both controlled and non-controlled affiliates for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2011 were as follows:

Name of Investment	Fair Value at September 30, 2010	Advances to affiliates	Distributions from affiliates	Income Received	Fair Value at September 30, 2011
Controlled Affiliates					
SuttonPark Holdings, Inc.	\$ 8,000,100	\$ 5,500,000	\$	\$ 785,167	\$ 13,500,001
Non-Controlled Affiliates					
Performance Holdings, Inc.	15,433,680			1,537,489	14,932,921
Envirosolutions, Inc.	\$ 18,631,503	\$ 1,305,502	\$ 366,901	\$ 759,320	\$ 25,740,212
Total Controlled and Non-Controlled Affiliates	\$ 42,065,283	\$ 6,805,502	\$ 366,901	\$ 3,081,976	\$ 54,173,134

7. CHANGE IN NET ASSETS FROM OPERATIONS PER COMMON SHARE

The following information sets forth the computation of basic and diluted net increase in net assets resulting from operations.

Class and Year	Years ended September 30,		
	2011	2010	2009
Numerator for net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations	\$ 10,263,474	\$ 16,535,491	\$ 35,802,029
Denominator for basic and diluted weighted average shares	42,196,076	29,546,772	21,092,334*
Basic and diluted net increase (decrease) in net assets per share resulting from operations	\$ 0.24	\$ 0.56	\$ 1.70

* Denominator for diluted weighted average shares is 21,094,745 based the over-allotment exercised subsequent to September 30, 2009.

8. TAXES AND DISTRIBUTIONS

Dividends from net investment income and distributions from net realized capital gains are determined in accordance with U.S. federal tax regulations, which may differ from amounts determined in accordance with GAAP and these book-to-tax adjustments could be material. These book-to-tax differences are either temporary or permanent in nature. To the extent these differences are permanent, they are reclassified to undistributed net investment income, accumulated net realized loss or paid-in-capital, as appropriate in the period that the difference arises. The following differences were reclassified for tax purposes for the years ended September 30, 2011 and 2010:

	2011	2010	2009
Decrease in paid-in capital	\$ (228,824)	\$ (98,294)	\$ (1,536)
(Increase) in accumulated net realized loss	\$	\$	\$ (87,991)
Increase in undistributed net investment income	\$ 228,824	\$ 98,294	\$ 89,527

As of September 30, 2011 and 2010, the cost of investments for federal income tax purposes was \$865.8 million and \$659.4 million, respectively, resulting in a gross unrealized appreciation of \$31.3 million and \$28.8 million, respectively, and gross unrealized depreciation of

\$69.6 million and \$23.5 million, respectively.

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The following reconciles net increase in net assets resulting from operations to taxable income:

	Years ended September 30,		
	2011	2010	2009
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations	\$ 10,263,474	\$ 16,535,491	\$ 35,802,029
Net realized gain(loss) on investments not taxable	(16,259,622)	15,417,097	39,243,879
Net unrealized (depreciation) appreciation on investments and Credit Facility	58,641,223	122,029	(52,326,993)
Other temporary book-to-tax differences	(3,178,194)	(321,805)	827,527
Other non-deductible expenses	228,824		
Taxable income before deductions for distributions	\$ 49,695,705	\$ 31,752,812	\$ 23,546,442

The components of accumulated losses on book basis and reconciliation to accumulated losses on a tax basis are as follows:

	Years ended September 30,		
	2011	2010	2009
Undistributed ordinary income	\$ 17,639,482	\$ 11,451,782	\$ 7,618,230
Undistributed long-term net capital gains			
Total undistributed net earnings	17,639,482	11,451,782	7,618,230
Capital loss carry forwards ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾	(47,030,821)	(54,591,911)	(11,250,568)
Post-October capital losses ⁽²⁾		(8,645,354)	(39,331,872)
Dividends payable and other temporary differences	(12,477,778)	(9,651,137)	(5,638,469)
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments and Credit Facility	(36,122,397)	19,300,499	22,096,807
Total accumulated deficit	\$ (77,991,514)	\$ (42,136,121)	\$ (26,505,872)

- (1) As of September 30, 2011, the capital loss carry forward of \$47.0 million expires, if not utilized against future capital gains, as follows: \$3.7 million in 2017 and \$43.3 million in 2018.
- (2) Under federal tax law, capital losses realized after October 31 may be deferred and treated as having arisen on the first day of the following fiscal year.
- (3) Under the recently enacted Regulated Investment Company Modernization Act of 2010, capital losses incurred by us after September 30, 2011 will not be subject to expiration. In addition, those losses must be utilized prior to the losses incurred in pre-enactment taxable years. The tax characteristics of dividends during the fiscal years ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 were solely from ordinary income and totaled \$46.3 million, or \$1.10 per share, and \$32.3 million, or \$1.09 per share, respectively.

9. CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash equivalents represents cash pending investment in longer-term portfolio holdings. Our portfolio may consist of temporary investments in U.S. Treasury Bills (of varying maturities), repurchase agreements, money market funds or repurchase agreement-like treasury securities. These temporary investments with maturities of 90 days or less are deemed cash equivalents and are included in the Consolidated Schedule of

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Investments. At the end of each fiscal quarter, we may take proactive steps to preserve investment flexibility for the next quarter by investing in cash equivalents, which is dependent upon the composition of its total assets at quarter end. We may

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accomplish this in several ways, including purchasing U.S. Treasury Bills and closing out its positions on a net cash basis after quarter-end, temporarily drawing down on the Credit Facility, or utilizing repurchase agreements or other balance sheet transactions as are deemed appropriate for this purpose. These amounts are excluded from adjusted gross assets for purposes of computing the Investment Adviser's management fee. U.S. Treasury Bills with maturities greater than 60 days from the time of purchase are valued consistent with our valuation policy. As of September 30, 2011, cash equivalents consisted of \$71.6 million, including amounts in money market funds.

10. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Below are the financial highlights for the respective periods:

	Year ended September 30, 2011	Year ended September 30, 2010	Year ended September 30, 2009	Year ended September 30, 2008	Period from January 11, 2007 (inception) through September 30, 2007
Per Share Data:					
Net asset value, beginning of period	\$ 10.69	\$ 11.85	\$ 10.00	\$ 12.83	\$
Cumulative effect of adoption of fair value option ⁽¹⁾			1.99		
Adjusted net asset value, beginning of period	10.69	11.85	11.99	12.83	
Net investment income ⁽²⁾	1.25	1.09	1.08	0.88	0.35
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) ⁽²⁾	(1.01)	(0.53)	0.62	(2.81)	(1.15)
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations ⁽²⁾	0.24	0.56	1.70	(1.93)	(0.80)
Distributions to stockholders ⁽³⁾	(1.10)	(1.09)	(0.96)	(0.90)	(0.36)
(Dilutive) offering costs ⁽²⁾	(0.14)	(0.20)	(0.09)		(1.01)
Initial issuance of common stock					15.00
Accretive (Dilutive) effect of common stock issuance ⁽²⁾	0.44	(0.43)	(0.79)		
Net asset value, end of period	\$ 10.13	\$ 10.69	\$ 11.85	\$ 10.00	\$ 12.83
Per share market value, end of period	\$ 8.92	\$ 10.61	\$ 8.11	\$ 7.41	\$ 13.40
Total return* ⁽⁴⁾	(7.37)%	44.79%	30.39%	(38.58)%	(8.29)% ⁽⁷⁾
Shares outstanding at end of period	45,689,781	36,158,772	25,368,772	21,068,772	21,068,772
Ratio** / Supplemental Data:					
Ratio of operating expenses to average net assets ⁽⁵⁾	7.28%	7.16%	7.42%	6.30%	3.76% ⁽⁷⁾

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Ratio of Credit Facility related expenses to average net assets	1.15%	1.08%	1.93%	2.66%	1.50% ⁽⁷⁾
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets ⁽⁶⁾	8.43%	8.24%	9.35%	8.96%	5.26% ⁽⁷⁾
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets	11.35%	9.45%	9.49%	7.82%	5.96% ⁽⁷⁾
Net assets at end of period	\$ 462,657,196	\$ 386,575,223	\$ 300,580,268	\$ 210,728,260	\$ 270,393,094
Weighted average debt outstanding ⁽⁸⁾	\$ 278,294,433	\$ 246,216,548	\$ 182,490,685	\$ 119,472,732	\$ 817,610 ⁽⁷⁾
Weighted average debt per share ⁽⁸⁾	\$ 6.60	\$ 8.33	\$ 8.65	\$ 5.67	\$ 0.04 ⁽⁷⁾
Portfolio turnover ratio	40.89%	25.97%	7.47%	20.10%	62.20%

* Not annualized for a period of less than a year.

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- (1) On October 1, 2008, PennantPark Investment adopted ASC 825 and made an irrevocable election to apply the fair value option to our Credit Facility. Upon our adoption Net Asset Value increased \$41.8 million, or \$1.99 per share, due to the fair value adjustment related to our Credit Facility.
- (2) Calculated based on the weighted average shares outstanding for the respective periods.
- (3) Determined based on taxable income calculated in accordance with income tax regulations and may differ from amounts determined under GAAP.
- (4) Based on the change in market price per share during the periods and takes into account dividends and distributions, if any, reinvested in accordance with our dividend reinvestment plan.
- (5) Before adoption of ASC 825 for the fiscal years ended September 30, 2011, 2010 and 2009, the ratios were 7.38%, 7.95% and 9.32%, respectively. The ratios before management fee waiver were 6.47% and 4.28% for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2008 and for the period from April 24, 2007 (initial public offering) through September 30, 2007, respectively.
- (6) Before adoption of ASC 825 for the fiscal years ended September 30, 2011, 2010 and 2009, the ratios were 8.55%, 9.15% and (1.75%), respectively. The ratios before management fee waiver to average net assets were 9.13% and 5.78% for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2008 and for the period from April 24, 2007 (initial public offering) through September 30, 2007, respectively.
- (7) Since initial public offering on April 24, 2007.
- (8) Includes the SBA debentures outstanding.

11. CREDIT FACILITY AND SBA DEBENTURES

Credit Facility

On June 25, 2007, we entered into a senior secured revolving credit agreement, or the Credit Facility, among us, various lenders and SunTrust Bank, as administrative agent for the lenders. As of September 30, 2011 and 2010, there was \$240.9 million and \$233.1 million in outstanding borrowings under the Credit Facility (including a \$5.2 million temporary draw), with a weighted average interest rate at the time of 1.27% and 1.34% exclusive of the fee on undrawn commitment of 0.20%, respectively.

Under our Credit Facility, the lenders agreed to extend credit to PennantPark Investment in an aggregate principal or face amount not exceeding \$315.0 million at any one time outstanding. The Credit Facility is a five-year revolving facility (with a stated maturity date of June 25, 2012) and pricing is set at 100 basis points over LIBOR. The Credit Facility contains customary affirmative and negative covenants, including the maintenance of a minimum stockholders' equity, the maintenance of an asset coverage ratio not less than 200% of total assets (less total liabilities other than indebtedness) to total indebtedness, and restrictions on certain payments and issuance of debt. In accordance with the 1940 Act, with certain limited exceptions, PennantPark Investment is only allowed to borrow amounts such that its asset coverage, as defined in the 1940 Act, is at least 200% after such borrowing. As of September 30, 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008 and 2007 our asset coverage ratio was 294%, 266%, 271%, 204% and 2,804%, respectively. As of September 30, 2011, we have excluded the SBA debentures from our asset coverage ratio pursuant to an SEC exemptive relief. For a complete list of such covenants, see our report on Form 8-K, filed June 28, 2007 and on Form 10-Q, filed May 5, 2010. As of September 30, 2011, we were in compliance with our covenants relating to our Credit Facility.

SBA Debentures

SBIC LP is able to borrow funds from the SBA against regulatory capital (which approximates equity capital) that is paid-in and is subject to customary regulatory requirements including but not limited to an examination by the SBA. As of September 30, 2011, we have committed \$75.0 million to SBIC LP, funded it with equity capital and had SBA debentures outstanding of \$150.0 million. SBA debentures are non-recourse to us, have a 10-year maturity, and may be prepaid at any time without penalty. The interest rate of SBA debentures is fixed at the time of issuance, often referred to as pooling, at a market-driven spread over 10-year U.S. Treasury

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Notes. SBA current regulations limit the amount that SBIC LP may borrow to a maximum of \$150 million, which is up to twice its potential regulatory capital. As of September 30, 2011 the SBIC LP has accessed the maximum borrowing with its \$75.0 million in regulatory capital.

As of September 30, 2011, \$150.0 million in debt commitments were fully drawn with a weighted average interest rate of 3.70% exclusive of the 3.43% in upfront fees (4.04% inclusive of the 3.43% upfront fees). The SBA debenture s upfront fees of 3.43% consists of a commitment fee of 1% and an issuance at a 2.43% discount to face. Both fees are amortized over the life of the loan.

Issuance Dates	Maturity	As of September 30, 2011		As of September 30, 2010	
		All-in Coupon Rate ⁽¹⁾	Principal Balance	All-in Coupon Rate ⁽¹⁾	Principal Balance
Fixed SBA Debentures					
September 22, 2010	September 1, 2020	3.50%	\$ 500,000	3.50%	\$ 500,000
March 29, 2011	March 1, 2021	4.46%	44,500,000		
September 21, 2011	September 1, 2021	3.38%	105,000,000		
		3.70%	150,000,000	3.50%	500,000
Interim SBA Debentures					
				0.84%	14,000,000
Total SBA Debentures		3.70%	\$ 150,000,000	0.93%	\$ 14,500,000
SBA Commitment			\$ 150,000,000		\$ 33,500,000
Available Undrawn SBA Commitment			\$		\$ 19,000,000

(1) Excluding 3.43% of upfront fees.

Current SBA regulations limit the amount that SBIC LP may borrow to a maximum of \$150 million, which is up to twice its potential regulatory capital. This means that SBIC LP may access the maximum borrowing if it has \$75 million in regulatory capital. Under SBA regulations, SBIC LP is subject to regulatory requirements including making investments in SBA eligible businesses, investing at least 25% of regulatory capital in eligible smaller businesses, as defined under the 1958 Act, placing certain limitations on the financing terms of investments, prohibiting investing in certain industries, requiring capitalization thresholds and being subject to periodic audits and examinations. If our SBIC subsidiary fails to comply with applicable SBA regulations the SBA could, depending on the severity of the violation, limit or prohibit its use of debentures, declare outstanding debentures immediately due and payable and/or limit it from making new investments. These actions by the SBA would, in turn, negatively affect us because SBIC LP is wholly owned by us. As of September 30, 2011, SBIC LP was in compliance with our requirements relating to our SBA debentures.

On June 1, 2011, we received exemptive relief from the SEC allowing us to modify the asset coverage requirement to exclude the SBA debentures from the calculation. Accordingly, our ratio of total assets on a consolidated basis to outstanding indebtedness may be less than 200%, which while providing increased investment flexibility, would also increase our exposure to risks associated with leverage.

Our net asset value may decline as a result of economic conditions in the United States. Our continued compliance with the covenants under our Credit Facility and SBA debentures depend on many factors, some of which are beyond our control. Material net asset devaluation could have a material adverse effect on our operations and could require us to reduce our borrowings under our Credit Facility and SBA debentures in order to comply with certain covenants including the ratio of total assets to total indebtedness.

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12. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

From time to time, we, the Investment Adviser or the Administrator may be a party to legal proceedings in the ordinary course of business, including proceedings relating to the enforcement of our rights under contracts with our portfolio companies. While the outcome of these legal proceedings cannot be predicted with certainty, we do not expect that these proceedings will have a material effect upon our financial condition or results of operations. Unfunded debt investments described in the Consolidated Statement of Assets and Liabilities represent unfunded delayed draws on investments in first lien secured debt and subordinated debt investments.

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9,000,000 shares

Common Stock

PRELIMINARY PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT

Joint Bookrunners

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Goldman, Sachs & Co.

J.P. Morgan

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