HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES INC

Form SC 13G February 08, 2008

> Schedule 13G ------Highwoods Properties, Inc.

> > UNITED STATES
> > SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
> > Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under	the	Securit	ties	Exchai	nge	Act	of	1934
	Hic	ghwoods	Prop	perties	s, i	Inc.		

NAME OF ISSUER:

Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share
----TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES

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

[x] Rule 13d-1(b)

[] Rule 13d-1(c)

[] Rule 13d-1(d)

CUSIP No.: 431284108

1 Name Of Departure Departure

1. Name Of Reporting Persons

S.S. Or I.R.S. Identification Nos. Of Above Persons

Nomura Asset Management Co. Ltd.

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- 2. Check The Appropriate Box If A Member Of A Group
 - (A) []
 - (B) [X]

3. Sec T						
	zenship or Place of Organ					
Tokyo	o, Japan					
Number of			Sole Voting Power			
Shares Beneficia	ally		Shared Voting Power			
Owned by Each		7. Sole Dispositive Power 29,				
Reporting Person W			Shared Dispositive Powe			
	egate Amount Beneficially					
3,930	0,800					
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	ent of Class Represented					
	based on 57,158,461 share					
	of Reporting Person				• • • • •	
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Item 1(a)	Name of Issuer:					
	Highwoods Properties, I	nc. (the "Issuer")			
Item 1(b)	Address of Issuer's Pri	ncipa	l Executive Offices:			
	3100 Smoketree Court, S	uite	600, Raleigh, N.C. 27604			
Item 2(a)	Name of Person Filing					
accounts Mother Fu Global RI Mother Fu	This Statement is filed This Statement relates to of Nomura US-REIT Open Mound ("US-REIT Mother"), GREIT Open Mother Fund ("Gland ("International REIT Global REIT") and Nomura	o Sha other lobal obal Index	Fund ("Nomura US-REIT O REIT Mother Fund ("Glob REIT Open"), Internation "), Nomura Global REIT M	held for the pen"), US-REIT al REIT Mother al REIT Index other Fund	·"),	

NAM serves as investment manager to each of Nomura US-REIT Open, US-REIT Mother, Global REIT Mother, Global REIT Open, International REIT Index, Nomura Global REIT, and Nomura-CBRE. In such capacity, NAM may be deemed to have voting and dispositive power over the Shares held for the accounts of each of Nomura US-REIT Open, US-REIT Mother, Global REIT Mother, Global REIT Open, International REIT Index, Nomura Global REIT, and Nomura-CBRE.

Item $2\,\text{(b)}$ Address of Principal Office or, if none, Residence

The address of the principal office of NAM is 1-12-1, Nihonbashi, Chuo-ku, Tokyo, Japan 103-8260

Item 2(c) Citizenship

NAM is a Japanese corporation

Item 2(d) Title of Class of Securities

Common stock, \$0.01 par value per share (the "Shares")

Item 2(e) CUSIP Number:

431284108

Item 3(e). An investment adviser in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E)

Item 4 Ownership

Item 4(a) Amount Beneficially Owned

As of December 31, 2007, NAM may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of 3,930,800 Shares. This amount consists of: (A) 40,600 Shares held for the account of Nomura US-REIT Open; (B) 963,300 Shares held for the account of US-REIT Mother; (C) 82,700 Shares held for the account of Global REIT Mother; (D) 1,827,000 Shares held for the account of Global REIT Open; (E) 29,900 Shares held for the account of International REIT Index; (F) 920,300 Shares held for the account of Nomura-CBRE.

Item 4(b) Percent of Class:

The number of shares of which NAM may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of constitutes approximately 6.9% of the total number of Shares outstanding (based upon the information provided by the issuer in its most recently-filed quarterly report on Form 10-Q, there was 57,158,461 shares outstanding as of September $30,\ 2007$).

Item 4(c) Number of Shares of which such person has:

(i)	Sole power to vote or direct the vote:	3,930,800
(ii)	Shared power to vote or direct the vote:	0
(iii)	Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition of:	29 , 900
(iv)	Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition of:	3,900,900

Item 5 Ownership of 5% or Less of a Class:

This Item 5 is not applicable

Item 6 Ownership of More than 5% on Behalf of Another Person

This Item 6 is not applicable

This Item 7 is not applicable

Item 8 Identification and Classification of Members of the Group

This Item 8 is not applicable

Item 9 Notice of Dissolution of Group

This Item 9 is not applicable

Item 10 Certification:

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above 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.

Date: February 8, 2008

NOMURA ASSET MANAGEMENT CO., LTD.

By: /s/ Tsunehiko Ohnishi

Name: Tsunehiko Ohnishi Title: Managing Director