PROSPECT CAPITAL CORP Form 497 April 26, 2012

Table of Contents

Filed pursuant to Rule 497 File No. 333-176637

**PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT** (To Prospectus dated October 21, 2011)

\$100,000,000

# **Prospect Capital Corporation**

# 6.95% Senior Notes due 2022

This is an offering by Prospect Capital Corporation of \$100,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of its 6.95% Senior Notes due 2022, which we refer to in this prospectus supplement as the Notes. The Notes will mature on November 15, 2022. We will pay interest on the Notes on February 15, May 15, August 15 and November 15 of each year, beginning August 15, 2012. We may redeem the Notes in whole or in part at any time or from time to time on or after May 15, 2015, at the redemption price discussed under the caption "Specific Terms of the Notes and the Offering Optional redemption" in this prospectus supplement. The Notes will be issued in minimum denominations of \$25 and integral multiples of \$25 in excess thereof. We may offer other debt securities from time to time other than the notes under our Registration Statement or in private placements.

The Notes will be our direct senior unsecured obligations and rank pari passu with all outstanding and future unsecured unsubordinated indebtedness issued by Prospect Capital Corporation.

We intend to list the Notes on The New York Stock Exchange and we expect trading in the Notes on The New York Stock Exchange to begin within 30 days of the original issue date. The Notes are expected to trade "flat." This means that purchasers will not pay, and sellers will not receive, any accrued and unpaid interest on the Notes that is not reflected in the trading price. Currently, there is no public market for the Notes and it is not expected that a market for the Notes will develop unless and until the Notes are listed on The New York Stock Exchange.

Prospect Capital Corporation is a financial services company that lends to and invests in middle market, privately-held companies. We are organized as an externally-managed, non-diversified closed-end management investment company that has elected to be treated as a business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940. Prospect Capital Management LLC manages our investments and Prospect Administration LLC provides the administrative services necessary for us to operate.

# Investing in the Notes involves risks. See "Risk Factors" beginning on page S-11 of this prospectus supplement and page 10 of the accompanying prospectus.

	Per Note	Total(2)
Public offering price(1)	100.00%	\$100,000,000
Underwriting discounts and commissions (sales loads)	3.00%	\$3,000,000
Proceeds to Prospect Capital Corporation (before expenses)(3)	97.00%	\$97,000,000

- The public offering price set forth above does not include accrued interest, if any.
  - Assumes no exercise of the underwriters option to purchase additional Notes as described below.
- (3)

(1)

(2)

Expenses payable by us related to this offering are estimated to be \$200,000.

The underwriters may also purchase up to an additional \$15,000,000 total aggregate principal amount of Notes within 30 days of the date of this prospectus supplement. If the underwriters exercise this option in full, the total public offering price will be \$115,000,000, the total underwriting discounts and commissions (sales load) paid by us will be \$3,450,000, and total proceeds, before expenses, will be \$11,550,000.

#### THE NOTES ARE NOT DEPOSITS OR OTHER OBLIGATIONS OF A BANK AND ARE NOT INSURED BY THE FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION OR ANY OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCY.

Delivery of the Notes in book-entry form only through The Depository Trust Company will be made on or about May 1, 2012.

This prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus contain important information you should know before investing in our securities. Please read this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus before you invest and keep it for future reference. We file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information about us with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or the "SEC". This information is available free of charge by contacting us at 10 East 40th Street, 44th Floor, New York, NY 10016 or by telephone at (212) 448-0702. The SEC maintains a website at www.sec.gov where such information is available without charge upon written or oral request. Our internet website address is www.prospectstreet.com. Information contained on our website is not incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus and you should not consider information contained on our website to be part of this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus.

Neither the SEC nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed on the adequacy or accuracy of this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

Joint Book-Running Managers

**BofA Merrill Lynch** 

Barclays

Citigroup Co-Managers

# **UBS Investment Bank**

**RBC Capital Markets** 

Junior Co-Manager

### **BB&T** Capital Markets

Prospectus Supplement dated April 24, 2012

### Table of Contents

#### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus may contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the "Exchange Act," which involve substantial risks and uncertainties. Forward-looking statements predict or describe our future operations, business plans, business and investment strategies and portfolio management and the performance of our investments and our investment management business. These forward-looking statements are not historical facts, but rather are based on current expectations, estimates and projections about our industry, our beliefs, and our assumptions. Words such as "intends," "intend," "intended," "goal," "estimate," "estimates," "expects," "expect," "expected," "project," "projected," "projections," "plans," "seeks," "anticipates," "anticipated," "should," "could," "may," "will," "designed to," "foreseeable future," "believe," "believes" and "scheduled" and variations of these words and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. Our actual results or outcomes may differ materially from those anticipated. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date the statement was made. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. These statements are not guarantees of future performance and are subject to risks, uncertainties, and other factors, some of which are beyond our control and difficult to predict and could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or forecasted in the forward-looking statements, including without limitation:

our future operating results,

our business prospects and the prospects of our portfolio companies,

the impact of investments that we expect to make,

our contractual arrangements and relationships with third parties,

the dependence of our future success on the general economy and its impact on the industries in which we invest,

the ability of our portfolio companies to achieve their objectives,

difficulty in obtaining financing or raising capital, especially in the current credit and equity environment,

the level and volatility of prevailing interest rates and credit spreads, magnified by the current turmoil in the credit markets,

adverse developments in the availability of desirable loan and investment opportunities whether they are due to competition, regulation or otherwise,

a compression of the yield on our investments and the cost of our liabilities, as well as the level of leverage available to us,

our regulatory structure and tax treatment, including our ability to operate as a business development company and a regulated investment company,

the adequacy of our cash resources and working capital,

the timing of cash flows, if any, from the operations of our portfolio companies,

the ability of our investment adviser to locate suitable investments for us and to monitor and administer our investments,

authoritative generally accepted accounting principles or policy changes from such standard-setting bodies as the Financial Accounting Standards Board, the SEC, Internal Revenue Service,

### Table of Contents

the NASDAQ Global Market, the New York Stock Exchange, and other authorities that we are subject to, as well as their counterparts in any foreign jurisdictions where we might do business, and

the risks, uncertainties and other factors we identify in "Risk Factors" and elsewhere in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus and in our filings with the SEC.

Although we believe that the assumptions on which these forward-looking statements are based are reasonable, any of those assumptions could prove to be inaccurate, and as a result, the forward-looking statements based on those assumptions also could be inaccurate. Important assumptions include our ability to originate new loans and investments, ability to obtain certain margins and levels of profitability and the availability of additional capital. In light of these and other uncertainties, the inclusion of a projection or forward-looking statement in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, respectively, should not be regarded as a representation by us that our plans and objectives will be achieved. These risks and uncertainties include those described or identified in "Risk Factors" and elsewhere in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, respectively. You should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which apply only as of the date of this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus, as applicable. These forward-looking statements do not meet the safe harbor for forward-looking statements pursuant to Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the "Securities Act."

You should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. We have not, and the underwriters have not, authorized any other person to provide you with information that is different from that contained in this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus. If anyone provides you with different or inconsistent information, you should not rely on it. We are not, and the underwriters are not, making an offer of these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer is not permitted. You should assume that the information appearing in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus is accurate only as of their respective dates and we assume no obligation to update any such information. Our business, financial condition and results of operations may have changed since those dates. Although we undertake no obligation to revise or update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, you are advised to consult any additional disclosures that we make directly to you or through reports that we have filed with the SEC, including annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q and current reports on Form 8-K.

This prospectus supplement supersedes the accompanying prospectus to the extent it contains information that is different from or in addition to the information in the prospectus.



# TABLE OF CONTENTS

### PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT

Prospectus Summary	
	<u>S-1</u>
Specific Terms of the Notes and the Offering	<u>S-6</u>
Selected Condensed Financial Data	<u>S-10</u>
Risk Factors	<u>S-11</u>
Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations	<u>S-15</u>
Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk	<u>S-45</u>
Description of the Notes	<u>S-46</u>
Registration and Settlement	<u>S-56</u>
Supplement to Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations	<u>S-59</u>
<u>Use of Proceeds</u>	<u>S-63</u>
Senior Securities	<u>S-64</u>
Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges	<u>S-65</u>
Underwriting	<u>S-66</u>
Legal Matters	<u>S-69</u>
Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm	<u>S-69</u>
Available Information	<u>S-69</u>
Index to Financial Statements	<u>F-1</u>
PROSPECTUS	
About This Prospectus	
	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{2}{10}$
Prospectus Summary	<u>2</u>
Selected Condensed Financial Data	<u>9</u>
<u>Risk Factors</u>	
Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations	<u>32</u>
Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk	<u>67</u>
Report of Management on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting	<u>68</u>
Use of Proceeds	<u>68</u>
Forward-Looking Statements	<u>68</u>
Distributions	70
Senior Securities	73
Price Range of Common Stock	<u></u> <u>74</u>
Business	76
Certain Relationships and Transactions	101
Control Persons and Principal Stockholders	$\frac{101}{102}$
Portfolio Companies	$\frac{102}{103}$
Determination of Net Asset Value	$\frac{105}{110}$
Sales of Common Stock Below Net Asset Value	<u>110</u> 111
Dividend Reinvestment Plan	<u>115</u>
Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations	<u>117</u>
Description of Our Capital Stock	<u>124</u>
Description of Our Preferred Stock	<u>131</u>
Description of Our Debt Securities	<u>131</u>
Description of Our Warrants	<u>145</u>
Regulation	<u>146</u>
Custodian, Transfer and Dividend Paying Agent and Registrar	<u>152</u>
Brokerage Allocation and Other Practices	<u>153</u>
<u>Plan of Distribution</u>	<u>153</u>
Legal Matters	<u>155</u>
Independent Registered Accounting Firm	155
Available Information	155
Index to Financial Statements	<u>F-1</u>
	<u> </u>

### PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

This summary highlights some of the information contained elsewhere in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. It is not complete and may not contain all of the information that you may want to consider. You should read carefully the more detailed information set forth under "Risk Factors" in this prospectus supplement and in the accompanying prospectus and the other information included in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus.

The terms "we", "us", "our" and "Company", refer to Prospect Capital Corporation; "Prospect Capital Management" and "Investment Adviser" refer to Prospect Capital Management LLC, our investment adviser; and "Prospect Administration" and the "Administrator" refer to Prospect Administration LLC, our administrator.

#### The Company

Prospect Capital Corporation is a financial services company that primarily lends to and invests in middle market privately-held companies. We are a closed-end investment company that has filed an election to be treated as a business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, or the 1940 Act. We invest primarily in senior and subordinated debt and equity of companies in need of capital for acquisitions, divestitures, growth, development and recapitalization. We work with the management teams or financial sponsors to seek investments with historical cash flows, asset collateral or contracted pro-forma cash flows.

Typically, we concentrate on making investments in companies with annual revenues of less than \$500 million and enterprise values of less than \$250 million. Our typical investment involves a secured loan of less than \$100 million with some form of equity participation. From time to time, we acquire controlling interests in companies in conjunction with making secured debt investments in such companies. In most cases, companies in which we invest are privately held at the time we invest in them. We refer to these companies as "target" or "middle market" companies and these investments as "middle market investments".

We seek to maximize total returns to our investors, including both current yield and equity upside, by applying rigorous credit analysis and asset-based and cash-flow based lending techniques to make and monitor our investments. Many of our investments to date have been in energy-related industries. We have made no investments to date in the real estate or mortgage industries, and we do not intend currently to focus on such investments.

We are currently pursuing multiple investment opportunities, including purchases of portfolios from private and public companies, as well as originations and secondary purchases of particular securities. We also regularly evaluate control investment opportunities in a range of industries, and some of these investments could be material to us. There can be no assurance that we will successfully consummate any investment opportunity we are currently pursuing. If any of these opportunities are consummated, there can be no assurance that investors will share our view of valuation or that any assets acquired will not be subject to future write downs, each of which could have an adverse effect on our stock price.

As of December 31, 2011, we held investments in 75 portfolio companies. The aggregate fair value as of December 31, 2011 of investments in these portfolio companies held on that date was approximately \$1.717 billion. Our portfolio across all our long-term debt had an annualized current yield of 12.2% for all performing loans as of December 31, 2011.

Our headquarters are located at 10 East 40th Street, 44th Floor, New York, NY 10016, and our telephone number is (212) 448-0702.

### Table of Contents

For a discussion of the risks inherent in our portfolio investments, see "Risk Factors Risks Relating to our Investments" in the accompanying prospectus.

### **Recent Developments**

### Dividends

On February 6, 2012, we announced the declaration of monthly dividends in the following amounts and with the following dates:

\$0.101450 per share for February 2012 to holders of record on February 29, 2012 with a payment date of March 23, 2012;

\$0.101475 per share for March 2012 to holders of record on March 30, 2012 with a payment date of April 20, 2012; and

\$0.101500 per share for April 2012 to holders of record on April 30, 2012 with a payment date of May 24, 2012.

### **Recent Investment Activity**

On January 4, 2012, Energy Solutions Holdings, Inc. (f/k/a Gas Solutions Holdings, Inc.) ("Energy Solutions") sold its gas gathering and processing assets ("Gas Solutions") for a sale price of \$200.5 million, including a potential earnout of \$28.0 million that will be paid based on the future performance of Gas Solutions. After expenses, including structuring fees of \$9.97 million paid to us, Energy Solutions received approximately \$148.69 million in cash and an additional \$10.0 million is being held in escrow. Currently, our loans to Energy Solutions remain outstanding and are collateralized by the cash held by Energy Solutions as a result of the sale transaction. The accounting for the sale of Gas Solutions has yet to be finalized, but will not result in any dividend income or realized gain recognition by us until cash payments are received from Energy Solutions.

On January 9, 2012, Arrowhead General Insurance Agency, Inc. repaid the \$27.0 million loan receivable to us.

On January 12, 2012, we made a follow-on investment of \$16.5 million to purchase 86.8% of the Class D Notes in CIFC Funding 2011-I, Ltd.

On January 17, 2012, we provided \$18.3 million of secured second-lien financing to a financial services processing company purchased by a leading private equity sponsor.

On January 31, 2012, Aircraft Fasteners International, LLC repaid the \$7.4 million loan receivable to us.

On February 2, 2012, NRG Manufacturing Inc. ("NRG") was sold to an outside buyer for \$123.3 million. In conjunction with the sale, the \$37.2 million loan that was outstanding was repaid. We also received a \$26.9 million make-whole fee for early repayment of the outstanding loan, which will be recorded as interest income in the quarter ending March 31, 2012. Further, we received a \$3.8 million advisory fee for the transaction, which will be recorded as other income in the quarter ending March 31, 2012. After expenses, including the make whole and advisory fees discussed above, \$40.9 million was available to be distributed to stockholders. While our 408 shares of NRG common stock represented 67.1% of the ownership, we only received net proceeds of \$26.0 million as our contribution to the escrow amount was proportionately higher than the other shareholders. In connection with the sales, we will recognize a realized gain of \$24.81 million in the results for the quarter ended March 31, 2012. In total, we received proceeds of \$94.0 million at closing. In addition,

### Table of Contents

there is \$11.1 million being held in escrow of which 80% is due to us upon release of the escrowed amounts. This will be recognized as additional gain when and if received.

On February 10, 2012, we provided \$15.0 million of secured second-lien financing to Rocket Sofware, Inc., a leading global infrastructure software company.

On February 15, 2012, we provided \$25.0 million of secured second-lien financing to a leading provider of Web security and wide area network (WAN) optimization solutions.

On February 24, 2012, we made a follow-on investment of \$7.9 million to purchase 24.0% of the unrated subordinated notes to Apidos CLO VIII, Ltd.

On February 28, 2012, we made a senior secured follow-on investment of \$9.5 million in Clearwater Seafoods LP to finance the repayment of a senior secured note due to mature in 2012 and settle outstanding claims senior to our own investment.

On February 29, 2012, we provided \$15.0 million of secured second-lien financing to Focus Brands, Inc., a leading franchiser and operator of restaurants, cafes, ice cream stores and retail bakeries.

On March 1, 2012, we made a senior secured follow-on investment of \$27.5 million in SG Acquisition Inc. to support a recapitalization.

On March 14, 2012, we made a follow-on investment of \$26.6 million to purchase subordinate notes in Babson CLO Ltd 2012-1A.

On March 16, 2012, VPSI, Inc. repaid the \$16.6 million loan receivable to us.

On March 23, 2012, Anchor Hocking, LLC repaid the \$19.5 million loan receivable to us.

On March 27, 2012, we provided \$12.5 million of senior secured financing to IDQ Holdings, Inc., a manufacturer of a refrigerant refill kit for automobile air conditioners.

On March 30, 2012, ROM Acquisition Corporation repaid the \$31.6 million loan receivable to us.

On April 16, 2012, we made a senior secured debt investment of \$15 million to support the recapitalization of a designer and distributor of accessories targeted at the youth lifestyle market.

### **Convertible Bonds Buyback**

Between January 30, 2012 and February 2, 2012, we repurchased \$5.0 million of our August 2016 convertible bonds at a price of 97.5% of par, including commissions. The transactions will result in our recognizing \$10,000 of loss in the quarter ended March 31, 2012.

#### **Prospect Capital InterNotes®**

On February 16, 2012, we entered into a Selling Agent Agreement (the "Selling Agent Agreement") with Incapital LLC, as purchasing agent for our issuance and sale from time to time of up to \$500,000,000 of Prospect Capital InterNotes® (the "Prospect Capital InterNotes," and the offering of such notes, the "InterNotes Offering"). Additional agents appointed by the Company from time to time in connection with the InterNotes Offering may become parties to the Selling Agent Agreement. Through April 23, 2012, we have sold \$14.0 million aggregate principal amount of Prospect Capital InterNotes under the program.

### Table of Contents

### **First Tower Acquisition**

On March 19, 2012, we entered into a definitive agreement to provide debt and equity for the acquisition of the businesses of First Tower Corp. ("First Tower"), a private multiline specialty finance company based in Flowood, Mississippi with over 150 branch offices. We are acquiring 80.1% of First Tower for \$110.2 million of cash and 14.5 million of our shares of common stock. We have the option, at our sole discretion, to substitute up to 100% cash in lieu of such 14.5 million shares of our common stock at a price per share based on average trading prices prior to the closing date. Completion of the acquisition (the "First Tower Acquisition") is subject to regulatory approvals and is expected to close within approximately 60 120 days after March 19, 2012.

### Stock Issuance in Connection with Dividend Reinvestment Plan

On January 25, 2012, we issued 85,252 shares of our common stock in connection with the dividend reinvestment plan.

On February 17, 2012, we issued 69,864 shares of our common stock in connection with the dividend reinvestment plan.

On March 23, 2012, we issued 77,764 shares of our common stock in connection with the dividend investment plan.

On April 20, 2012, we issued 85,063 shares of our common stock in connection with the dividend investment plan.

### Stock Issuance

On February 28, 2012, we issued 12,000,000 shares of our common stock at \$10.95 per share (or \$10.82 per share net proceeds excluding expenses), raising \$129.84 million of net proceeds.

### Net Investment Income Per Share

On April 10, 2012, we updated our estimate of net investment income ("NII") per share for the third fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2012 to \$0.50 to \$0.55 per share, a reduction of 3 cents per share from \$0.53 to \$0.58 per share. The reduction was primarily due to the increase in the average number of shares outstanding for the quarter from our issuance of 12,000,000 shares of common stock in February 2012.

### **Trustee Arrangements**

On March 9, 2012, we entered into an Agreement of Resignation, Appointment and Acceptance (the "Agreement") with American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC (the "Retiring Trustee") and U.S. Bank National Association (the "Successor Trustee"). Under the Agreement, we formally accepted the resignation of the Retiring Trustee and appointed the Successor Trustee under the Indenture, dated as of February 16, 2012 (the "Indenture"), by and between us and the Retiring Trustee, as supplemented by the First Supplemental Indenture, dated as of March 1, 2012, by and between us and the Retiring Trustee, as further supplemented by the Second Supplemental Indenture, dated as of March 8, 2012, by and between us and the Retiring Trustee, as further supplemented by the Joinder Supplemental Indenture, dated as of March 8, 2012, by and between us and the Retiring Trustee, as further supplemented by the Joinder Supplemental Indenture, dated as of March 8, 2012, by and between us and the Retiring Trustee, as further supplemented by the Joinder Supplemental Indenture, dated as of April 5, 2012, by and between us and the Successor Trustee and, as further supplemented by the Third Supplemental Indenture, dated as of April 5, 2012, by and between us and the Successor Trustee. We accepted the resignation of the Retiring Trustee and appointed the Successor Trustee in order to take advantage of a more efficient money market based system of settling issuances of notes issued pursuant to the Indenture not available through the Retiring Trustee.

### Table of Contents

### **Credit Facility**

On March 27, 2012, we completed a first closing on an expanded five-year \$650 million revolving credit facility (the "Facility") for Prospect Capital Funding LLC. The extended Facility, for which ten lenders have closed on \$410 million to date, includes an accordion feature that allows the Facility, at our discretion, to accept up to a total of \$650 million of commitments, an objective we target reaching with additional lenders. The revolving period of the Facility extends through March 2015, followed by an additional two year amortization period, with distributions allowed to us after the completion of the revolving period. Pricing for the Facility is one-month LIBOR plus 2.75%, with no minimum LIBOR floor achieving an approximately 125 basis point reduction in pricing (based on current LIBOR) from the previous three-year facility pricing of LIBOR (with a minimum LIBOR floor of 1%) plus 3.25%. The extended Facility has an investment grade Moody's rating of Aa3. Improvements in the Facility include increases in advance rates under certain conditions, decreases in unused line fees, increases in maximum eligible loan sizes, and increases in baskets for longer-dated and quarterly pay loans.

On April 4, 2012, we added one additional lender to the committed lenders, increasing the total commitments to \$425 million.

On April 17, 2012, we added three additional lenders to the committed lenders, increasing the total commitments to \$482.5 million.

### **Convertible Notes**

On April 16, 2012, we closed a private placement of 5.5 year unsecured 5.375% Senior Convertible Notes due 2017 (the "2017 Notes"). A total of \$130 million aggregate principal amount of the 2017 Notes were issued with net proceeds to us of approximately \$126 million. We also granted the initial purchasers of the 2017 Notes an option to purchase up to an additional \$20 million in aggregate principal amount of 2017 Notes.

### Table of Contents

### SPECIFIC TERMS OF THE NOTES AND THE OFFERING

This prospectus supplement sets forth certain terms of the Notes that Prospect Capital Corporation is offering pursuant to this prospectus supplement and supplements the accompanying prospectus that is attached to the back of this prospectus supplement. This section outlines the specific legal and financial terms of the Notes. You should read this section together with the more general description of the Notes under the heading "Description of the Notes" in this prospectus supplement and in the accompanying prospectus under the heading "Description of Our Debt Securities" before investing in the Notes. Capitalized terms used in this prospectus supplement and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the accompanying prospectus or in the indenture governing, or the supplemental indenture establishing, the terms of the Notes (collectively, the indenture and the supplemental indenture is referred to as the "Indenture").

Issuer	Prospect Capital Corporation
Title of securities	6.95% Senior Notes due 2022
Initial aggregate principal amount being	
offered	\$100,000,000
Option to purchase additional Notes	The underwriters may also purchase from us up to an additional \$15,000,000 aggregate
	principal amount of Notes within 30 days of the date of this prospectus supplement.
Initial public offering price	100% of the aggregate principal amount of Notes.
Principal payable at maturity	100% of the aggregate principal amount; the principal amount of each Note will be payable on
	its stated maturity date at the office of the Paying Agent, Registrar and Transfer Agent for the
	Notes or at such other office in The City of New York as we may designate.
Type of Note	Fixed rate note
Listing	We intend to list the Notes on The New York Stock Exchange within 30 days of the original
	issue date. The Notes will not be listed or quoted for trading on any national securities
	exchange or trading market on the original issue date.
Interest rate	6.95% per year
Day count basis	360-day year of twelve 30-day months
Original issue date	May 1, 2012
Stated maturity date	November 15, 2022
Date interest starts accruing	May 1, 2012
Interest payment dates	Every February 15, May 15, August 15 and November 15, commencing August 15, 2012. If an
	interest payment date falls on a non-business day, the applicable interest payment will be made
	on the next business day and no additional interest will accrue as a result of such delayed
	payment.

### Table of Contents

Interest periods	The initial interest period will be the period from and including May 1, 2012, to, but excluding, the initial interest payment date, and the subsequent interest periods will be the periods from and including an interest payment date to, but excluding, the next interest payment date or the stated maturity date, as the case may be.
Regular record dates for interest Specified currency	Every February 1, May 1, August 1 and November 1, commencing on August 1, 2012. U.S. Dollars
Place of payment	New York City
Ranking of Notes	The Notes will be our general, unsecured obligations and will rank equal in right of payment with all of our existing and future senior, unsecured indebtedness (including, but not limited to, our \$150 million in aggregate principal amount of 6.25% Convertible Senior Notes due 2015, our \$167.5 million in aggregate principal amount of 5.5% Convertible Senior Notes due 2016, our \$130 million in aggregate principal amount of 5.375% Senior Convertible Notes due 2017, and the Prospect Capital InterNotes) and senior in right of payment to any of our subordinated indebtedness. As a result, the Notes will be effectively subordinated to our existing and future secured indebtedness to the extent of the value of the assets securing such indebtedness of our subsidiaries.
	As of April 23, 2012, we and our subsidiaries had approximately \$461.5 million of senior indebtedness outstanding, none of which was secured indebtedness and all of which was unsecured indebtedness.
Denominations	We will issue the Notes in denominations of \$25 and integral multiples of \$25 in excess thereof.
Business day	Each Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday that is not a day on which banking institutions in New York City are authorized or required by law or executive order to close.
Optional redemption	The Notes may be redeemed in whole or in part at any time or from time to time at our option on or after May 15, 2015 upon not less than 30 days nor more than 60 days written notice by mail prior to the date fixed for redemption thereof, at a redemption price of \$25 per Note plus accrued and unpaid interest payments otherwise payable for the then-current quarterly interest period accrued to, but excluding, the date fixed for redemption.

Edgar Filing: PROSPECT CAPITAL CORP - Form 497

You may be prevented from exchanging or transferring the Notes when they are subject to redemption. In case any Notes are to be redeemed in part only, the redemption notice will provide that, upon surrender of such Note, you will receive, without a charge, a new Note or Notes of authorized denominations representing the principal amount of your remaining unredeemed Notes.

Any exercise of our option to redeem the Notes will be done in compliance with the 1940 Act, to the extent applicable.

If we redeem only some of the Notes, the Trustee will determine the method for selection of the particular Notes to be redeemed, in accordance with the 1940 Act to the extent applicable. Unless we default in payment of the redemption price, on and after the date of redemption, interest will cease to accrue on the Notes called for redemption.

The Notes will not be subject to any sinking fund.

Holders will not have the option to have the Notes repaid prior to the stated maturity date. The Notes are subject to defeasance by us.

The Notes are subject to covenant defeasance by us.

The Notes will be represented by global securities that will be deposited and registered in the name of The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") or its nominee. This means that, except in limited circumstances, you will not receive certificates for the Notes. Beneficial interests in the Notes will be represented through book-entry accounts of financial institutions acting on behalf of beneficial owners as direct and indirect participants in DTC. Investors may elect to hold interests in the Notes through either DTC, if they are a participant, or indirectly through organizations which are participants in DTC.

U.S. Bank National Association

If we undergo a fundamental change (as defined in this prospectus supplement) prior to maturity, you will have the right, at your option, to require us to repurchase for cash some or all of your Notes at a repurchase price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Notes being repurchased, plus accrued and unpaid interest to, but not including, the repurchase date. See "Description of the Notes Purchase of Notes by Us for Cash at the Option of Holders upon a Fundamental Change."

S-8

Sinking fund Repayment at option of Holders Defeasance Covenant defeasance Form of Notes

Trustee, Paying Agent, Registrar and Transfer Agent Fundamental Change Repurchase Right of Holders

Table of Contents	
Events of Default Other covenants	If an event of default on the Notes occurs, the principal amount of the Notes, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including additional interest, if any) may be declared immediately due and payable, subject to certain conditions set forth in the Indenture. These amounts automatically become due and payable in the case of certain types of bankruptcy or insolvency events of default involving the Company or a significant subsidiary of the Company as defined in the Indenture. In addition to the covenants described in the prospectus attached to this prospectus supplement, the following covenants shall apply to the Notes:
	We agree that for the period of time during which the Notes are outstanding, we will not violate Section $18(a)(1)(A)$ as modified by Section $61(a)(1)$ of the 1940 Act or any successor provisions.
	If, at any time, we are not subject to the reporting requirements of Sections 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act to file any periodic reports with the SEC, we agree to furnish to holders of the Notes and the Trustee, for the period of time during which the Notes are outstanding, our audited annual consolidated financial statements, within 90 days of our fiscal year end, and unaudited interim consolidated financial statements, within 45 days of our fiscal quarter end. All such financial statements will be prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with
Global Clearance and Settlement Procedures	applicable United States generally accepted accounting principles. Interests in the Notes will trade in DTC's Same Day Funds Settlement System, and any permitted secondary market trading activity in such Notes will, therefore, be required by DTC to be settled in immediately available funds. None of the Company, the Trustee or the paying agent will have any responsibility for the performance by DTC or its participants or indirect participants of their respective obligations under the rules and procedures governing their
Governing Law	operations. The Notes and the Indenture shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York.

### SELECTED CONDENSED FINANCIAL DATA

You should read the condensed financial information below with the Financial Statements and Notes thereto included in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. Financial information below for the years ended June 30, 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008 and 2007 has been derived from the financial statements that were audited by our independent registered public accounting firm. The selected consolidated financial data at and for the three months ended December 31, 2011 and 2010 and for the six months ended December 31, 2011 and 2010 has been derived from unaudited financial data. Interim results for the three months ended December 31, 2011 and 2010 and so the six months ended December 31, 2011 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending June 30, 2012. Certain reclassifications have been made to the prior period financial information to conform to the current period presentation. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" starting on page S-15 for more information.

		For the Three MonthsFor the Six MonthsEnded December 31,Ended December 31,								For the Ye	ar/l	Period Ende	ed J	une 30,				
		2011		2010		2011		2010		2011		2010		2009		2008		2007
				(in thou	san	ds except dat	a r	elating to sl	ıar	res, per shar	e ai	nd number o	of p	ortfolio con	ipa	nies)		
Performance Data:																		
Interest income	\$	45,528	\$	,	\$	87,415	\$	56,283	\$		\$	86,518	\$	62,926	\$	59,033	\$	30,084
Dividend income		19,637		3,371		27,187		5,565		15,092		15,366		22,793		12,033		6,153
Other income		2,098		2,567		8,003		6,664		19,930		12,675		14,762		8,336		4,444
Total investment income		67,263		33,300		122,605		68,512		169,476		114,559		100,481		79,402		40,681
Interest and credit facility		(0.750)		(2.2(1))		(10.510)		(1.522)		(17,500)		(0.202)		(6.1.61)		(( 210)		(1.002)
expenses		(9,759)		(2,261)		(18,719)		(4,522)		(17,598)		(8,382)		(6,161)		(6,318)		(1,903)
Investment advisory expense		(17,952)		(9,672)		(33,132)		(19,197)		(46,051)		(30,727)		(26,705)		(20,199)		(11,226)
Other expenses		(3,044)		(2,287)		(6,369)		(4,718)		(11,606)		(8,260)		(8,452)		(7,772)		(4,421)
Total expenses		(30,755)		(14,220)		(58,220)		(28,437)		(75,255)		(47,369)		(41,318)		(34,289)		(17,550)
Net investment income		36,508		19,080		64,385		40,075		94,221		67,190		59,163		45,113		23,131
Realized and unrealized gains (losses)		27,984		12,860		40,007		17,445		24,017		(47,565)		(24,059)		(17,522)		(6,403)
Net increase in net assets from operations	\$	64,492	\$	31,940	\$	104,392	\$	57,520	\$	118,238	\$	19,625	\$	35,104	\$	27,591	\$	16,728
Per Share Data:																		
Net increase in net assets			<i>•</i>	0.00	<i>•</i>	0.04		0.50	<b>.</b>	1.00	<i>•</i>	0.00	<i>•</i>		<i>•</i>		<i>•</i>	1.04
from operations(1)	\$	0.59	\$	0.38	\$	0.96	\$	0.73	\$	1.38	\$	0.33	\$	1.11	\$	1.17	\$	1.06
Distributions declared per	\$	(0.21)	¢	(0.20)	¢	(0, (1))	¢	(0, (0))	¢	(1.21)	¢	(1.22)	¢	(1, (2))	¢	(1.50)	¢	(1.5.4)
share	\$	(0.31)	\$	(0.30)	\$	(0.61)	\$	(0.60)	\$	(1.21)	\$	(1.33)	¢	(1.62)	\$	(1.59)	\$	(1.54)
Average weighted shares outstanding for the period	1	09.533.742		84,091,152	1	109.246.616		79.134.173		85,978,757		59,429,222		31,559,905	,	23.626.642	1	5,724,095
Assets and Liabilities Data:	1	09,555,742		04,091,152		109,240,010		79,154,175		05,970,757		39,429,222		51,559,905	-	23,020,042		3,724,095
Investments	\$	1,716,603	\$	918,221	\$	1,716,603	\$	918,221	\$	1,463,010	\$	748,483	\$	547,168	\$	497,530	\$	328,222
Other assets	ψ	85,619	ψ	157,874	ψ	85,619	ψ	157,874	φ	86,307	ψ	84,212	ψ	119,857	ψ	44,248	ψ	48,280
Total assets		1,802,222		1,076,095		1,802,222		1,076,095		1,549,317		832,695		667,025		541,778		376,502
Amount drawn on credit		252.000				252.000				04.000		100.000		124.000		01.1/7		
facility		252,000		150.000		252,000		150.000		84,200		100,300		124,800		91,167		
2010 Notes		150,000		150,000		150,000		150,000		150,000								
2011 Notes		172,500				172,500				172,500								
Amount owed to related		10.007		10 10 4		10.007		10 104		7.010		0.200		(71)		6 ( 11		1 0 2 0
parties Other lightlities		18,087		10,104		18,087		10,104		7,918		9,300		6,713		6,641		4,838
Other liabilities		37,151		12,801		37,151		12,801		20,342		11,671		2,916		14,347		71,616
Total liabilities		629,738		172,905		629,738		172,905		434,960		121,271		134,429		112,155		76,454

Net assets	\$	1,172,484	\$	903,190	\$	1,172,484	\$	903,190	\$	1,114,357	\$	711,424	\$	532,596	\$	429,623	\$	300,048
Investment Activity Data:																		
No. of portfolio companies	at	75		58		75		58		72		58		30		20/2		24(2)
period end Acquisitions	\$	154,697	\$	140,933	\$	377,272	\$	281,884	\$	953,337	\$	364,788(3)	\$	98,305	\$	29(2 311,947	.) \$	24(2) 167,255
Sales, repayments, and othe		154,077	ψ	140,755	ψ	577,272	ψ	201,004	ψ	155,551	ψ	504,700(5)	ψ	70,505	ψ	511,747	ψ	107,235
disposals	\$	120,206	\$	62,915	\$	166,261	\$	131,063	\$	285,562	\$	136,221	\$	27,007	\$	127,212	\$	38,407
Annualized current yield at end of period for performin debt investments(4) (1) Per share (2)	g	12.29		15.39 e weighted		12.29 es for the per		15.39	%	12.3%	6	16.2%		14.6%	6	15.5%	,	17.3%
	net p	rofits interest	in C	Charlevoix I	Ener	gy Trading L	LC	("Charlevo	ix")	, remaining	aftei	r loan was pai	id.					
(3) Includes \$	207,1	26 of acquire	ed po	ortfolio inve	stm	ents from Pat	triot	Acquisition	1.									
(4) Excludes of	equity	investments	and	non-perfori	ning	g loans.												

### Table of Contents

### **RISK FACTORS**

Your investment in the Notes will involve certain risks. This prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus do not describe all of those risks.

You should, in consultation with your own financial and legal advisors, carefully consider the following discussion of risks before deciding whether an investment in the Notes is suitable for you. The Notes will not be an appropriate investment for you if you are not knowledgeable about significant features of the Notes or financial matters in general. You should not purchase the Notes unless you understand, and know that you can bear, these investment risks.

# Our amount of debt outstanding will increase as a result of this offering. Our current indebtedness could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations and our ability to meet our payment obligations under the Notes and our other debt.

As of April 23, 2012, we and our subsidiaries had approximately \$461.5 million of senior indebtedness outstanding, none of which was secured indebtedness and all of which was unsecured indebtedness.

The use of debt could have significant consequences on our future operations, including:

making it more difficult for us to meet our payment and other obligations under the Notes and our other outstanding debt;

resulting in an event of default if we fail to comply with the financial and other restrictive covenants contained in our debt agreements, which event of default could result in substantially all of our debt becoming immediately due and payable;

reducing the availability of our cash flow to fund investments, acquisitions and other general corporate purposes, and limiting our ability to obtain additional financing for these purposes;

subjecting us to the risk of increased sensitivity to interest rate increases on our indebtedness with variable interest rates, including borrowings under our credit facility; and

limiting our flexibility in planning for, or reacting to, and increasing our vulnerability to, changes in our business, the industry in which we operate and the general economy.

Any of the above-listed factors could have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations and our ability to meet our payment obligations under the Notes and our other debt.

Our ability to meet our payment and other obligations under our debt instruments depends on our ability to generate significant cash flow in the future. This, to some extent, is subject to general economic, financial, competitive, legislative and regulatory factors as well as other factors that are beyond our control. We cannot assure you that our business will generate cash flow from operations, or that future borrowings will be available to us under our credit facility or otherwise, in an amount sufficient to enable us to meet our payment obligations under the Notes and our other debt and to fund other liquidity needs. If we are not able to generate sufficient cash flow to service our debt obligations, we may need to refinance or restructure our debt, including the Notes, sell assets, reduce or delay capital investments, or seek to raise additional capital. If we are unable to implement one or more of these alternatives, we may not be able to meet our payment obligations under the Notes and our other debt.

# A downgrade, suspension or withdrawal of the rating assigned by a rating agency to us or the Notes, if any, could cause the liquidity or market value of the Notes to decline significantly.

Our credit ratings are an assessment by rating agencies of our ability to pay our debts when due. Consequently, real or anticipated changes in our credit ratings will generally affect the market value of

### Table of Contents

the Notes. These credit ratings may not reflect the potential impact of risks relating to the structure or marketing of the Notes. Credit ratings are not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold any security, and may be revised or withdrawn at any time by the issuing organization in its sole discretion. Neither we nor any underwriter undertakes any obligation to maintain the ratings or to advise holders of Notes of any changes in ratings.

The Notes will be rated by Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, or "S&P." There can be no assurance that their rating will remain for any given period of time or that such rating will not be lowered or withdrawn entirely by S&P if in S&P's judgment future circumstances relating to the basis of the rating, such as adverse changes in our company, so warrant.

# The Notes will be effectively subordinated to any existing and future secured indebtedness and structurally subordinated to existing and future liabilities and other indebtedness of our subsidiaries, and are due after our other outstanding notes.

The Notes will be our general, unsecured obligations and will rank equally in right of payment with all of our existing and future unsubordinated, unsecured senior indebtedness, including without limitation, the \$150 million of 6.25% Convertible Senior Notes due 2015, or the "2015 Notes," the \$168 million of 5.5% Convertible Senior Notes due 2016, or the "2016 Notes," the \$130 million of 5.375% Senior Convertible Notes due 2017, or the "2017 Notes," and any Prospect Capital InterNotes. As a result, the Notes will be effectively subordinated to our existing and future liabilities and other indebtedness of our subsidiaries. These liabilities may include indebtedness, trade payables, guarantees, lease obligations and letter of credit obligations. The Notes do not restrict us or our subsidiaries from incurring indebtedness, including senior secured indebtedness in the future, nor do they limit the amount of indebtedness we can issue that is equal in right of payment to the Notes. As of April 23, 2012, we had no amounts outstanding under our credit facility. Our credit facility is secured by certain of our assets and the indebtedness thereunder is therefore effectively senior to the Notes to the extent of the value of such assets.

Each of the 2015 Notes, the 2016 Notes, the 2017 Notes and any issued and outstanding Prospect Capital InterNotes are due prior to the Notes. We do not currently know whether we will be able to replace any of the 2015 Notes, the 2016 Notes, the 2017 Notes or any of the issued and outstanding Prospect Capital InterNotes upon their respective maturities, or if we do, whether we will be able to do so on terms that are as favorable as such notes. In the event that we are not able to replace the 2015 Notes, the 2016 Notes, the 2017 Notes or any of the issued and outstanding Prospect Capital InterNotes at the time of their respective maturities, this could have a material adverse effect on our liquidity and ability to fund new investments, our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, our ability to repay the Notes and our ability to qualify as a regulated investment company, or "RIC."

### The Indenture under which the Notes will be issued will contain limited protection for holders of the Notes.

The Indenture under which the Notes will be issued will offer limited protection to holders of the Notes. The terms of the Indenture and the Notes do not restrict our or any of our subsidiaries' ability to engage in, or otherwise be a party to, a variety of corporate transactions, circumstances or events that could have an adverse impact on your investment in the Notes. In particular, the terms of the Indenture and the Notes will not place any restrictions on our or our subsidiaries' ability to:

issue securities or otherwise incur additional indebtedness or other obligations, including (1) any indebtedness or other obligations that would be equal in right of payment to the Notes, (2) any indebtedness or other obligations that would be secured and therefore rank effectively senior in right of payment to the Notes to the extent of the values of the assets securing such debt, (3) indebtedness of ours that is guaranteed by one or more of our subsidiaries and which therefore is structurally senior to the Notes and (4) securities, indebtedness or obligations issued

### Table of Contents

or incurred by our subsidiaries that would be senior to our equity interests in our subsidiaries and therefore rank structurally senior to the Notes with respect to the assets of our subsidiaries, in each case other than an incurrence of indebtedness or other obligation that would cause a violation of Section 18(a)(1)(A) as modified by Section 61(a)(1) of the 1940 Act or any successor provisions;

pay dividends on, or purchase or redeem or make any payments in respect of, capital stock or other securities ranking junior in right of payment to the Notes;

sell assets (other than certain limited restrictions on our ability to consolidate, merge or sell all or substantially all of our assets);

enter into transactions with affiliates;

create liens (including liens on the shares of our subsidiaries) or enter into sale and leaseback transactions;

make investments; or

create restrictions on the payment of dividends or other amounts to us from our subsidiaries.

Furthermore, the terms of the Indenture and the Notes do not protect holders of the Notes in the event that we experience changes (including significant adverse changes) in our financial condition, results of operations or credit ratings, as they do not require that we or our subsidiaries adhere to any financial tests or ratios or specified levels of net worth, revenues, income, cash flow, or liquidity.

Our ability to recapitalize, incur additional debt and take a number of other actions that are not limited by the terms of the Notes may have important consequences for you as a holder of the Notes, including making it more difficult for us to satisfy our obligations with respect to the Notes or negatively affecting the trading value of the Notes.

Certain of our current debt instruments include more protections for their holders than the Indenture and the Notes. See in the accompanying prospectus "Risk Factors In addition to regulatory restrictions that restrict our ability to raise capital, our credit facility contains various covenants which, if not complied with, could accelerate repayment under the facility, thereby materially and adversely affecting our liquidity, financial condition and results of operations." In addition, other debt we issue or incur in the future could contain more protections for its holders than the Indenture and the Notes, including additional covenants and events of default. The issuance or incurrence of any such debt with incremental protections could affect the market for and trading levels and prices of the Notes.

# We may be subject to certain corporate-level taxes which could adversely affect our cash flow and consequently adversely affect our ability to make payments on the Notes.

We may be subject to certain corporate-level taxes regardless of whether we continue to qualify as a RIC. Additionally, should we fail to qualify as a RIC, we would be subject to corporate-level taxes on all of our taxable income. The imposition of corporate-level taxes could adversely affect our cash flow and consequently adversely affect our ability to make payments on the Notes.

# The Notes may not be approved by The New York Stock Exchange and an active trading market for the Notes may not develop, which could limit the market price of the Notes or your ability to sell them.

The Notes are a new issue of debt securities for which there currently is no trading market. Although we expect the Notes to be listed on The New York Stock Exchange, we cannot provide any assurances that The New York Stock Exchange will approve the listing of the Notes or that an active trading market will develop for the Notes or that you will be able to sell your Notes. If the Notes are traded after their initial issuance, they may trade at a discount from their initial offering price depending on prevailing interest rates, the market for similar securities, our credit ratings, general

### Table of Contents

economic conditions, our financial condition, performance and prospects and other factors. The underwriters have advised us that they intend to make a market in the Notes, but they are not obligated to do so. The underwriters may discontinue any market-making in the Notes at any time at their sole discretion. Accordingly, we cannot assure you that a liquid trading market will develop for the Notes, that you will be able to sell your Notes at a particular time or that the price you receive when you sell will be favorable. To the extent an active trading market does not develop, the liquidity and trading price for the Notes may be harmed. Accordingly, you may be required to bear the financial risk of an investment in the Notes for an indefinite period of time.

# The Indenture governing the Notes will not contain restrictive covenants and will provide only limited protection in the event of a change of control.

The Indenture under which the Notes will be issued will not contain any financial or operating covenants or any other restrictive covenants that would limit our ability to engage in certain transactions that may adversely affect you. In particular, the Indenture will not contain covenants that limit our ability to pay dividends or make distributions on or redeem our capital stock or that limit our ability to incur additional indebtedness, including in a highly leveraged transaction or other similar transaction. We will only be required to offer to repurchase the Notes upon a change of control in the case of the transactions specified in the definition of a "fundamental change" under "Description of the Notes Purchase of Notes by Us for Cash at the Option of Holders upon a Fundamental Change."

Accordingly, subject to restrictions contained in our other debt agreements, we will be permitted to engage in certain transactions, such as acquisitions, refinancings or recapitalizations, that could affect our capital structure and the value of the Notes but would not constitute a fundamental change under the Notes.

### We may be unable to repurchase the Notes following a fundamental change.

Holders of the Notes have the right to require us to repurchase the Notes prior to their maturity upon the occurrence of a fundamental change as described under "Description of the Notes Purchase of Notes by Us for Cash at the Option of Holders upon a Fundamental Change." Any of our future debt agreements may contain similar provisions. We may not have sufficient funds or the ability to arrange necessary financing on acceptable terms at the time we are required to make repurchases of tendered Notes. In addition, our ability to repurchase the Notes may be limited by law or the terms of other agreements relating to our debt outstanding at the time, including our credit facility. If we fail to repurchase the Notes as required by the Indenture, it would constitute an event of default under the Indenture governing the Notes, which, in turn, would constitute an event of default under our credit facility.

# Some significant restructuring transactions may not constitute a fundamental change, in which case we would not be obligated to offer to repurchase the Notes.

Upon the occurrence of a fundamental change, you have the right to require us to offer to repurchase the Notes. However, the fundamental change provisions will not afford protection to holders of the Notes in the event of certain transactions. For example, transactions such as leveraged recapitalizations, refinancings, restructurings or acquisitions initiated by us would not constitute a fundamental change requiring us to repurchase the Notes. In the event of any such transaction, the holders would not have the right to require us to repurchase the Notes, even though each of these transactions could increase the amount of our indebtedness, or otherwise adversely affect our capital structure or any credit ratings, thereby adversely affecting the holders of the Notes.

### Provisions of the Notes could discourage an acquisition of us by a third party.

Certain provisions of the Notes could make it more difficult or more expensive for a third party to acquire us. Upon the occurrence of certain transactions constituting a fundamental change, holders of the Notes will have the right, at their option, to require us to repurchase all of their Notes or any portion of the principal amount of such Notes in integral multiples of \$25.

### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATION

(All figures in this item are in thousands except share, per share and other data)

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto appearing elsewhere in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. Historical results set forth are not necessarily indicative of our future financial position and results of operations.

### Overview

We are a financial services company that primarily lends to and invests in middle market privately-held companies. We are a closed-end investment company that has filed an election to be treated as a business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, or the 1940 Act. We invest primarily in senior and subordinated debt and equity of companies in need of capital for acquisitions, divestitures, growth, development and recapitalization. We work with the management teams or financial sponsors to seek investments with historical cash flows, asset collateral or contracted pro-forma cash flows.

We seek to be a long-term investor with our portfolio companies. From our July 27, 2004 inception to the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, we invested primarily in industries related to the industrial/energy economy. Since then, we have widened our strategy to focus in other sectors of the economy and continue to reduce our exposure to the energy industry, and our holdings in the energy and energy related industries now represent less than 13% of our investment portfolio.

The aggregate value of our portfolio investments was \$1,716,603 and \$1,463,010 as of December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011, respectively. During the six months ended December 31, 2011, our net cost of investments increased by \$212,477, or 14.8%, as a result of thirteen new investments, several follow-on investments and a revolver advance of \$373,943, accrued payment-in-kind interest of \$3,329 and accretion of purchase discount of \$2,575, while we received full repayment on six investments, sold one investment, received several partial prepayments, amortization payments and a revolver repayment totaling \$166,261 and recognized a net realized loss of \$1,109. During the six months ended December 31, 2011, Deb Shops filed for bankruptcy and a plan for reorganization was proposed. The plan, which is expected to be approved by the bankruptcy court, will eliminate our debt position with no payment to us. As a result, we determined that the impairment of Deb Shops was other-than-temporary and recorded a realized loss of \$14,607 for the full amount of the amortized cost. This realized loss was primarily offset by our sale of 392 shares of NRG common stock in December 2011 for which we realized a gain of \$12,131.

Compared to the end of last fiscal year (ended June 30, 2011), net assets increased by \$58,127 or 5.2% during the six months ended December 31, 2011, from \$1,114,357 to \$1,172,484. This increase resulted from the issuance of new shares of our common stock (less offering costs) in the amount of \$14,895, dividend reinvestments of \$5,393, and another \$104,392 from operations. These increases, in turn, were offset by \$66,553 in dividend distributions to our stockholders. The \$104,392 increase in net assets resulting from operations is net of the following: net investment income of \$64,385, net realized loss on investments of \$1,109 and an increase in net assets due to changes in net unrealized appreciation of investments of \$41,116.

### Second Quarter Highlights

### Investment Transactions

On October 13, 2011 and October 19, 2011, we made investments of \$9,319 and \$1,358, respectively, to purchase 32.9% of the unrated subordinated notes to Apidos CLO VIII ("Apidos").



### Table of Contents

On October 24, 2011, we made a senior secured investment of \$6,000 in Renaissance Learning, Inc. ("Renaissance"), a leading provider of technology based school improvement and student assessment programs. The second lien loan bears interest in cash at the greater of 12.0% or LIBOR plus 10.50% and has a final maturity on October 19, 2018.

On October 28, 2011, we made a follow-on investment of \$8,200 in Empire Today, LLC ("Empire"). The follow-on first lien note bears interest in cash at 11.375% and has a final maturity on February 1, 2017.

On October 31, 2011, IEC-Systems, LP and Advanced Rig Services, LLC ("IEC/ARS") repaid the \$20,909 loan receivable to us.

On November 4, 2011, we made a secured second lien investment of \$15,000 to support the acquisition of Injured Workers Pharmacy LLC ("IWP"), a specialty pharmacy services company, in a private equity backed transaction. The secured loan bears interest in cash at the greater of 12.0% or LIBOR plus 7.50% and has a final maturity on November 4, 2017.

On November 21, 2011, we received an equity distribution from the sale of our shares of Fairchild Industrial Products, Co. ("Fairchild") common and preferred stock, realizing \$1,549 of gross proceeds and a total gain of \$960 on settlement of the investment.

On December 2, 2011, we made a secured second-lien follow-on investment of \$7,500 to American Gilsonite Company ("American Gilsonite") for a dividend recapitalization. After the financing, we received a \$1,383 dividend as a result of our equity holdings in American Gilsonite. The second lien note bears interest in cash at the greater of 12.0% or LIBOR plus 10.0% and interest in kind of 2.5% and has a final maturity on March 10, 2016.

On December 22, 2011, we made a secured first lien investment of \$31,083 to VanDeMark Chemical, Inc. ("VanDeMark"), a specialty chemical manufacturer. The secured loan bears interest in cash at the greater of 12.2% or LIBOR plus 10.2% and has a final maturity on December 31, 2014.

On December 22, 2011, we made an investment of \$17,900 to purchase 13.2% of the secured Class D Notes and 86.0% of the unsecured Class E Notes in CIFC Funding 2011-I, Ltd ("CIFC"). The \$2,500 secured Class D Notes bear interest in cash at LIBOR plus 5.0% and has a final maturity date on January 19, 2023. The \$15,400 unsecured Class E Notes bear interest in cash at LIBOR plus 7.0% and has a final maturity on January 19, 2023.

On December 28, 2011, we made a secured first-lien follow-on investment of \$4,750 in Energy Solutions in order to facilitate the acquisition of a new vessel by Vessel Holdings LLC, a subsidiary of Freedom Marine Holdings, LLC ("Freedom Marine"). We invested \$1,250 of equity in Energy Solutions and \$3,500 of debt to Vessel Holdings LLC. The first lien note bears interest in cash at 18.0% and has a final maturity of December 12, 2016.

On December 28, 2011, we made a secured debt investment of \$10,000 to support the acquisition of Hoffmaster Group, Inc. ("Hoffmaster"). After the financing we received a repayment of the loan that was previously outstanding. The \$10,000 second lien note bears interest in cash at the greater of 11.0% or LIBOR plus 9.50% and has a final maturity date of January 3, 2019.

On December 28, 2011, we made a secured debt investment of \$37,218 to support the recapitalization of NRG. After the financing, we received repayment of the \$13,080 loan that was previously outstanding and a dividend of \$6,711 as a result of our equity holdings. In addition, we sold 392 shares of NRG common stock for \$13,266, realizing a gain of \$12,131. Our remaining 408 shares of NRG common stock held by us back to NRG were sold on February 2, 2012. (See *Recent Developments*.) The secured first lien note bears interest at 15.0% and has a final maturity on December 27, 2016.

### Table of Contents

On December 29, 2011, Iron Horse Coiled Tubing, Inc. ("Iron Horse") repaid the \$11,338 loan receivable to us.

On December 30, 2011, we provided \$8,000 of senior secured debt to Hi-Tech Testing Inc. ("Hi-Tech"), a provider of non-destructive testing services to detect leaks and other defects in pipes, vessels, and related equipment for the oil and gas pipeline, chemical and paper and pulp industries. The secured note bears interest in cash at 11.0% and has a final maturity of September 26, 2016.

On December 30, 2011, we exited our investment in Mac & Massey Holdings, LLC ("Mac & Massey") and received \$10,239 for repayment of the \$9,323 loan receivable to us and monetization of our equity position, resulting in a realized gain of \$820. We recognized \$694 of accelerated purchase discount accretion in the quarter ended December 31, 2011.

### Equity Issuance

On October 21, 2011, our Registration Statement on Form N-2 was declared effective by the SEC. Under this Shelf Registration Statement, we can issue up to \$750,000 of additional debt and equity securities in the public market.

On October 25, 2011, November 22, 2011 and December 22, 2011, we issued shares of our common stock in connection with the dividend reinvestment plan of 89,078, 94,213 and 90,677, respectively.

### Dividend

On November 7, 2011, we announced the declaration of monthly dividends in the following amounts and with the following dates:

\$0.101375 per share for November 2011 to holders of record on November 30, 2011 with a payment date of December 22, 2011;

\$0.101400 per share for December 2011 to holders of record on December 30, 2011 with a payment date of January 25, 2012; and

\$0.101425 per share for January 2012 to holders of record on January 31, 2012 with a payment date of February 17, 2012.

### **Investment Holdings**

As of December 31, 2011, we continue to pursue our investment strategy and continue to diversify the portfolio. In May 2007, we changed our name to "Prospect Capital Corporation" and terminated our policy to invest at least 80% of our net assets in energy companies. Since that time, we have reduced our exposure to the energy industry, and our holdings in the energy and energy related industries now represent less than 13% of our investment portfolio.

At December 31 2011, approximately \$1,716,603 or 146.4% of our net assets are invested in 75 long-term portfolio investments and 5.2% of our net assets are invested in money market funds.

During the six months ended December 31, 2011, we originated \$377,272 of new investments. Our origination efforts are focused primarily on secured lending, to reduce the risk in the portfolio, investing primarily in first lien loans, though we also continue to close selected junior debt and equity investments. In addition to targeting investments senior in corporate capital structures with our new originations, we have also increased our origination business mix of third party private equity sponsor owned companies, which tend to have more third party equity capital supporting our debt investments than non-sponsor transactions. Our performing loan portfolio's annualized current yield decreased from 12.3% as of June 30, 2011 to 12.2% as of December 31, 2011 across all long-term debt investments. We

### Table of Contents

expect Prospect's current asset yield may continue to decline modestly as we continue to reduce credit risk. Generally, we have seen a decrease in interest rates on loans issued during our fiscal year ended June 30, 2011 and the six months ending December 31, 2011 in comparison to the rates in effect prior to June 30, 2010 as we continue to reduce the risk profile of the portfolio. Monetization of other equity positions that we hold is not included in this yield calculation. In many of our portfolio companies, we hold equity positions, ranging from minority interests to majority stakes, which we expect over time to contribute to our investment returns. Some of these equity positions include features such as contractual minimum internal rates of returns, preferred distributions, flip structures and other features expected to generate additional investment returns, as well as contractual protections and preferences over junior equity, in addition to the yield and security offered by our cash flow and collateral debt protections.

We classify our investments by level of control. As defined in the 1940 Act, control investments are those where there is the ability or power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of a company. Control is generally deemed to exist when a company or individual possesses or has the right to acquire within 60 days or less, a beneficial ownership of 25% or more of the voting securities of an investee company. Affiliated investments and affiliated companies are defined by a lesser degree of influence and are deemed to exist through the possession outright or via the right to acquire within 60 days or less, beneficial ownership of 5% or more of the outstanding voting securities of another person.

As of December 31, 2011, we own controlling interests in AIRMALL USA, Inc. ("AIRMALL"), Ajax Rolled Ring & Machine, Inc. ("Ajax"), AWCNC, LLC, Borga, Inc., C&J Cladding LLC, Energy Solutions, Integrated Contract Services, Inc. ("ICS"), Manx Energy, Inc. ("Manx"), NMMB Holdings, Inc. ("NMMB"), NRG, Nupla Corporation and R-V Industries, Inc. ("R-V"). We also own an affiliated interest in BNN Holdings Corp. f/k/a Biotronic NeuroNetwork ("Biotronic"), Boxercraft Incorporated ("Boxercraft"), Smart, LLC, and Sport Helmets Holdings, LLC ("Sport Helmets").

The following is a summary of our investment portfolio by level of control at December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011, respectively:

		December 3 Percent of	31, 2011	Percent of		Percent of		
Level of Control	Cost	Portfolio	Fair Value	Portfolio	Cost	Percent of Portfolio	Fair Value	Portfolio
Control	\$ 273,496	16.6%	\$ 386,552	22.5% \$	262,301	18.3% \$	\$ 310,072	21.2%
Affiliate	59,488	3.6%	67,872	4.0%	56,833	4.0%	72,337	4.9%
Non-control/Non-affiliate	1,315,227	79.8%	1,262,179	73.5%	1,116,600	77.7%	1,080,601	73.9%
Total Portfolio	\$ 1,648,211	100.0%	\$ 1,716,603	100.0% \$	1,435,734	100.0% \$	\$ 1,463,010	100.0%
			S-18					

The following is our investment portfolio presented by type of investment at December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011, respectively:

		Decem Percent		1, 2011	Percent of			June 30, cent of	2011	Percent of		
Type of Investment	Cost	Portfoli		Fair Value	Portfolio	Cost		rtfolio	Fair Value	Portfolio		
Revolving Line of												
Credit	\$ 1,991	0.	1%\$	2,093	0.1%	\$ 7,1	44	0.5% \$	\$ 7,278	0.5%		
Senior Secured Debt	929,526	56.	4%	886,130	51.7%	822,5	582	57.3%	789,981	54.0%		
Subordinated Secured												
Debt	529,715	32.	1%	480,700	28.0%	491,1	88	34.2%	448,675	30.7%		
Subordinated												
Unsecured Debt	70,165	4.	3%	70,251	4.1%	54,6	587	3.8%	55,336	3.8%		
CLO Debt	14,334	0.	9%	14,334	0.8%			%	,	9		
CLO Residual Interest	42,793	2.	6%	39,362	2.3%			%	)	9		
Preferred Stock	31,602	1.	9%	22,471	1.3%	31,9	979	2.2%	25,454	1.7%		
Common Stock	19,907	1.	2%	179,993	10.5%	19,8	865	1.4%	116,076	7.9%		
Membership Interests	6,017	0.	4%	15,303	0.9%	6,1	28	0.4%	15,392	1.1%		
Overriding Royalty												
Interests			%	2,210	0.1%			%	2,168	0.1%		
Warrants	2,161	0.	1%	3,756	0.2%	2,1	61	0.2%	2,650	0.2%		
Total Portfolio	\$ 1,648,211	100.	0%\$	1,716,603	100.0%	\$ 1,435,7	'34	100.0% \$	\$ 1,463,010	100.0%		

The following is our investments in debt securities presented by type of security at December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011, respectively:

		December	r 31	, 2011	_		June 30, 2	2011	_
		Percent of Debt			Percent of Debt		Percent of Debt		Percent of Debt
Level of Control	Cost	Securities	1	Fair Value	Securities	Cost	Securities	Fair Value	Securities
First Lien	\$ 950,276	61.5%	6\$	907,781	62.5% \$	902,031	65.6% \$	854,975	65.7%
Second Lien	510,956	33.1%	6	461,142	31.7%	418,883	30.5%	390,959	30.0%
Unsecured	70,165	4.5%	6	70,251	4.8%	54,687	4.0%	55,336	4.3%
CLO Debt	14,334	0.9%	6	14,334	1.0%		%		%
Total Debt									
Securities	\$ 1,545,731	100.0%	6\$	1,453,508	100.0% \$	1,375,601	100.0% \$	1,301,270	100.0%

The following is our investment portfolio presented by geographic location of the investment at December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011, respectively:

		December 3 Percent of	31, 2011	Percent of		June 30, Percent of	2011	Percent of		
Geographic Location	Cost	Portfolio	Fair Value	Portfolio	Cost	Portfolio	Fair Value	Portfolio		
Canada	\$ 60,127	3.6%	\$ 61,915	3.6% \$	74,239	5.2% \$	5 75,207	5.1%		
Cayman Islands	57,127	3.5%	53,696	3.1%		%	1	%		
Ireland	14,914	0.9%	15,000	0.9%	14,908	1.0%	15,000	1.0%		
Midwest US	423,169	25.7%	375,594	21.9%	358,540	25.0%	340,251	23.4%		
Northeast US	274,349	16.6%	286,070	16.7%	242,039	16.9%	234,628	16.0%		
Southeast US	276,311	16.8%	254,583	14.8%	234,528	16.3%	208,226	14.2%		
Southwest US	200,276	12.2%	333,736	19.4%	189,436	13.2%	266,004	18.2%		
Western US	341,938	20.7%	336,009	19.6%	322,044	22.4%	323,694	22.1%		
Total Portfolio	\$ 1,648,211	100.0%	\$ 1,716,603	100.0% \$	1,435,734	100.0% \$	5 1,463,010	100.0%		
			S	-20						

The following is our investment portfolio presented by industry sector of the investment at December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011, respectively:

		December 3 Percent of	,	Percent of		June 30 Percent of		Percent of
Industry	Cost		Fair Value	Portfolio	Cost	Portfolio	Fair Value	Portfolio
Aerospace and Defense	\$ 56	<i>%</i>		<b>%</b>	56		<b>8</b> 35	%
Automobile / Auto Finance	56,570	3.4%	56,491	3.3%	41,924	2.9%	42,444	2.9%
Biomass Power(1)	( (22	%	6 700	%	2,540	0.2%	( 707	%
Business Services	6,633	0.4%	6,788	0.4%	6,604	0.5%	6,787	0.5%
Chemicals	56,618	3.4%	56,618	3.3%	25,277	1.8%	25,277	1.7%
Commercial Services	80,652	4.9%	80,652	4.7%	34,625	2.4%	34,625	2.4%
Consumer Services	88,692	5.4%	88,928	5.2%	68,286	4.8%	68,286	4.7%
Contracting	18,199	1.1%	1,106	0.0%	18,220	1.3%	1,767	0.1%
Diversified Financial Services	57,127	3.5%	53,696	3.1%			6	%
Diversified / Conglomerate Service		%	37	0.0%		9		%
Durable Consumer Products	159,556	9.7%	159,197	9.3%	141,779	9.9%	144,362	9.9%
Ecological	141	%	233	%	141	9		%
Electronics		%		%	588	ç	/	0.1%
Energy(1)	63,246	3.8%	153,467	8.9%		9		%
Food Products	136,759	8.3%	133,074	7.8%	144,503	10.1%	146,498	10.0%
Gas Gathering and Processing(1)		%		%	42,003	2.9%	105,406	7.2%
Healthcare	168,059	10.2%	167,448	9.8%	156,396	10.9%	163,657	11.2%
Home and Office Furnishings,								
Housewares and Durable	1,683	0.1%	5,046	0.3%	1,916	0.1%	6,109	0.4%
Insurance	86,550	5.3%	87,865	5.1%	86,850	6.0%	87,448	6.0%
Machinery	12,091	0.7%	12,714	0.7%	13,179	0.9%	13,171	0.9%
Manufacturing	136,599	8.3%	188,411	11.0%	114,113	7.9%	136,039	9.3%
Media	118,009	7.2%	115,409	6.7%	121,302	8.4%	121,300	8.3%
Metal Services and Minerals	580	%	5,191	0.3%	580	Ģ	6 4,699	0.3%
Mining, Steel, Iron and								
Non-Precious Metals and Coal								
Production(1)		%		%	1,448	0.1%		%
Oil and Gas Equipment Services	7,760	0.5%	7,760	0.5%		Ģ	6	%
Oil and Gas Production	126,749	7.7%	52,821	3.1%	124,662	8.7%	70,923	4.8%
Oilfield Fabrication		%		%	23,076	1.6%	23,076	1.6%
Personal and Nondurable Consumer								
Products	54,550	3.3%	62,169	3.6%	15,147	1.1%	23,403	1.6%
Production Services	268	0.0%	2,040	0.1%	14,387	1.0%	15,357	1.0%
Property Management	52,070	3.2%	53,145	3.1%	52,420	3.7%	51,726	3.5%
Retail	63	%	124	0.0%	14,669	1.0%	145	0.0%
Shipping Vessels(1)		%		%	11,303	0.8%	3,079	0.2%
Software & Computer Services	37,897	2.3%	38,000	2.3%	37,890	2.7%	38,000	2.7%
Specialty Minerals	37,732	2.3%	41,955	2.4%	30,169	2.1%	34,327	2.3%
Textiles and Leather	15,183	0.9%	18,613	1.1%	12,931	0.9%	15,632	1.1%
Transportation	68,119	4.1%	67,573	3.9%	76,750	5.3%	77,864	5.3%
Total Portfolio	\$ 1,648,211	100.0% \$	1,716,603	100.0% \$	1,435,734	100.0%	\$ 1,463,010	100.0%

(1)

During the quarter ended December 31, 2011, our ownership of Change Clean Energy Holdings, Inc. ("CCEHI") and Change Clean Energy, Inc. ("CCEI"), Freedom Marine and Yatesville Coal Holdings, Inc. ("Yatesville") was transferred to Energy Solutions to consolidate all of our energy holdings under one management team.

### Table of Contents

### **Portfolio Investment Activity**

During the six months ended December 31, 2011, we acquired \$336,000 of new investments, completed follow-on investments in existing portfolio companies, totaling approximately \$36,943, funded \$1,000 of revolver advances, and recorded PIK interest of \$3,329, resulting in gross investment originations of \$377,272. The more significant of these investments are described briefly in the following:

On July 1, 2011, we made a senior secured follow-on investment of \$2,300 in Boxercraft to support the acquisition of Jones & Mitchell, a supplier of college-licensed apparel. The first lien note bears interest in cash at LIBOR plus 7.50% and has a final maturity on September 16, 2013.

On July 8, 2011, we made a senior secured investment of \$39,000 to support the recapitalization of Totes Isotoner Corporation ("Totes"). The second lien note bears interest in cash at the greater of 10.75% or LIBOR plus 9.25% and has a final maturity on January 8, 2018.

On August 5, 2011 and September 7, 2011, we made senior secured follow-on investments of \$3,850 and \$11,800, respectively, in ROM Acquisition Corporation to support the acquisitions of Havis Lighting Solutions, a supplier of products primarily used by emergency response and police vehicles, and the acquisition of a leading manufacturer of personal safety products for the transportation and industrial markets. The first lien notes bear interest in cash at the greater of 10.50% or LIBOR plus 9.50% and has a final maturity on May 8, 2013.

On August 9, 2011, we provided a \$15,000 term loan to support the acquisition of Nobel Learning Communities, Inc., a leading national operator of private schools. The unsecured note bears interest in cash at 11.50% and interest in kind of 1.50% and has a final maturity on August 9, 2017.

On August 9, 2011, we made an investment of \$32,116 to purchase 66% of the unrated subordinated notes in Babson CLO Ltd 2011-I ("Babson").

On September 16, 2011, we acted as the facility agent and lead lender of a syndication of lenders that collectively provided \$132,000 in senior secured financing to support the financing of Capstone Logistics, LLC ("Capstone"), a leading logistics company. This company provides a broad array of logistics services to a diverse group of blue chip customers in the grocery, food service, retail, and specialty automotive industries. As of December 31, 2011 our investment is \$75,652 structured as \$34,027 of Term Loan A and \$41,625 of Term Loan B first lien notes. After the financing, we received repayment of the loan that was outstanding for Progressive Logistics Services, LLC ("PLS"). The Term Loan A notes bear interest in cash at the greater of 7.50% or LIBOR plus 5.50% and has a final maturity on September 16, 2016.

On September 30, 2011, we provided a \$23,000 senior secured loan to support the recapitalization of Anchor Hocking, LLC ("Anchor Hocking"), a leading designer, manufacturer, and marketer of high quality glass products for the retail, food service, and OEM channels. The second lien note bears interest in cash at the greater of 10.50% or LIBOR plus 9.00% and has a final maturity on September 27, 2016.

On October 13, 2011 and October 19, 2011, we made investments of \$9,319 and \$1,358, respectively, to purchase 32.9% of the unrated subordinated notes to Apidos.

On October 24, 2011, we made a senior secured investment of \$6,000 in Renaissance, a leading provider of technology based school improvement and student assessment programs. The second lien loan bears interest in cash at the greater of 12.0% or LIBOR plus 10.50% and has a final maturity on October 19, 2018.

### Table of Contents

On October 28, 2011, we made a follow-on investment of \$8,200 in Empire. The follow-on first lien note bears interest in cash at 11.375% and has a final maturity on February 1, 2017.

On November 4, 2011, we made a secured second lien investment of \$15,000 to support the acquisition of IWP, a specialty pharmacy services company, in a private equity backed transaction. The secured loan bears interest in cash at the greater of 12.0% or LIBOR plus 7.50% and has a final maturity on November 4, 2017.

On December 2, 2011, we made a secured second-lien follow-on investment of \$7,500 to American Gilsonite for a dividend recapitalization. After the financing, we received a \$1,383 dividend as a result of our equity holdings in American Gilsonite. The second lien note bears interest in cash at the greater of 12.0% or LIBOR plus 10.0% and interest in kind of 2.5% and has a final maturity on March 10, 2016.

On December 22, 2011, we made a secured first lien investment of \$31,083 to VanDeMark, a specialty chemical manufacturer. The secured loan bears interest in cash at the greater of 12.2% or LIBOR plus 10.2% and has a final maturity on December 31, 2014.

On December 22, 2011, we made an investment of \$17,900 to purchase 13.2% of the secured Class D Notes and 86.0% of the unsecured Class E Notes in CIFC. The \$2,500 secured Class D Notes bear interest in cash at LIBOR plus 5.0% and has a final maturity date on January 19, 2023. The \$15,400 unsecured Class E Notes bear interest in cash at LIBOR plus 7.0% and has a final maturity on January 19, 2023.

On December 28, 2011, we made a secured first-lien follow-on investment of \$4,750 in Energy Solutions in order to facilitate the acquisition of a new vessel by Vessel Holdings LLC, a subsidiary of Freedom Marine. We invested \$1,250 of equity in Energy Solutions and \$3,500 of debt to Vessel Holdings LLC. The first lien note bears interest in cash at 18.0% and has a final maturity of December 12, 2016.

On December 28, 2011, we made a secured debt investment of \$10,000 to support the acquisition of Hoffmaster. After the financing we received a repayment of the loan that was previously outstanding. The \$10,000 second lien note bears interest in cash at the greater of 11.0% or LIBOR plus 9.50% and has a final maturity date of January 3, 2019.

On December 28, 2011, we made a secured debt investment of \$37,218 to support the recapitalization of NRG. After the financing, we received repayment of the \$13,080 loan that was previously outstanding and a dividend of \$6,711 as a result of our equity holdings. In addition, we sold 392 shares of NRG common stock for \$13,266, realizing a gain of \$12,131. Our remaining 408 shares of NRG common stock held by us back to NRG were sold on February 2, 2012. (See *Recent Developments*.) The secured first lien note bears interest at 15.0% and has a final maturity on December 27, 2016.

On December 30, 2011, we provided \$8,000 of senior secured debt to Hi-Tech, a provider of non-destructive testing services to detect leaks and other defects in pipes, vessels, and related equipment for the oil and gas pipeline, chemical and paper and pulp industries. The secured note bears interest in cash at 11.0% and has a final maturity of September 26, 2016.

During the six months ended December 31, 2011, we closed-out four positions which are briefly described below.

On October 31, 2011, IEC/ARS repaid the \$20,909 loan receivable to us.

On November 21, 2011, we received an equity distribution from the sale of our shares of Fairchild common and preferred stock, realizing \$1,549 of gross proceeds and a total gain of \$960 on settlement of the investment.

### Table of Contents

On December 29, 2011, Iron Horse repaid the \$11,338 loan receivable to us.

On December 30, 2011, we exited our investment in Mac & Massey and received \$10,239 for repayment of the \$9,323 loan receivable to us and monetization of our equity position, resulting in a realized gain of \$820. We recognized \$694 of accelerated purchase discount accretion in the quarter ended December 31, 2011.

In addition to the repayments noted above, during the six months ended December 31, 2011 we received principal amortization payments of \$12,520 on several loans, and \$17,291 of partial prepayments related to Aircraft Fasteners International, LLC ("AFI"), Anchor Hocking, Cargo Airport Services USA, LLC, Iron Horse, LHC Holdings Corp. ("LHC"), NMMB and Pinnacle Treatment Centers, Inc.

During the six months ended December 31, 2010, we also received principal amortization payments of \$8,932 on several loans, and \$10,290 of partial prepayments related to AIRMALL, AFI, Ajax, EXL Acquisition Corporation, Fischbein, LLC ("Fischbein"), Iron Horse, LHC and Progression Holdings, Inc ("Progression").

During the three and six months ended December 31, 2011, we recognized \$1,548 and \$2,385 of interest income due to purchase discount accretion from the assets acquired from Patriot, respectively. Included in the \$1,548 recorded during the three months ended December 31, 2011 is \$854 of normal accretion and \$694 of accelerated accretion resulting from the repayment of Mac & Massey. Included in the \$2,385 recorded during the six months ended December 31, 2011 is \$1,691 of normal accretion and \$694 of accelerated accretion resulting from the repayment of Mac & Massey.

During the three and six months ended December 31, 2010, we recognized \$1,305 and \$5,353, respectively, of interest income due to purchase discount accretion from the assets acquired from Patriot. Included in the \$5,353 for the six months ended December 31, 2010, is \$1,116 of accelerated accretion resulting from the repayment of Impact Products, LLC. We also recapitalized our debt investment in Northwestern Management Services, LLC. The \$20,000 loan was issued at market terms comparable to other industry transactions. In accordance with ASC 320-20-35 the cost basis of the new loan was recorded at par value, which precipitated the acceleration of \$1,612 of original purchase discount from the loan repayment which was recognized as interest income. There was no accelerated accretion recorded during the quarter ended December 31, 2010.

The following is a quarter-by-quarter summary of our investment activity:

Quarter-End	Acc	uisitions(1)	Dispositions(2)	
December 31, 2011	\$	154,697	\$	120,206
September 30, 2011		222,575		46,055
June 30, 2011		312,301		62,367
March 31, 2011		359,152		76,494
December 31, 2010		140,933		62,915
September 30, 2010		140,951		67,621
June 30, 2010		88,973		39,883
March 31, 2010		59,311		26,603
December 31, 2009(3)		210,438		45,494
September 30, 2009		6,066		24,241
June 30, 2009		7,929		3,148
March 31, 2009		6,356		10,782
December 31, 2008		13,564		2,128
September 30, 2008		70,456		10,949
June 30, 2008		118,913		61,148
March 31, 2008		31,794		28,891
December 31, 2007		120,846		19,223
September 30, 2007		40,394		17,949
June 30, 2007		130,345		9,857
March 31, 2007		19,701		7,731
December 31, 2006		62,679		17,796
September 30, 2006		24,677		2,781
June 30, 2006		42,783		5,752
March 31, 2006		15,732		901
December 31, 2005				3,523
September 30, 2005		25,342		
June 30, 2005		17,544		
March 31, 2005		7,332		
December 31, 2004		23,771		32,083
September 30, 2004		30,371		
Since inception	\$	2,505,926	\$	806,521

Includes new deals, additional fundings, refinancings and PIK interest.

(2)

Includes scheduled principal payments, prepayments and refinancings.

(3)

The \$210,438 of acquisitions for the quarter ended December 31, 2009 includes \$207,126 of portfolio investments acquired from Patriot.



<sup>(1)</sup> 

### Table of Contents

#### **Investment Valuation**

In determining the fair value of our portfolio investments at December 31, 2011 the Audit Committee considered valuations from the independent valuation firm and from management having an aggregate range of \$1,659,592 to \$1,825,520, excluding money market investments.

In determining the range of value for debt instruments, management and the independent valuation firm generally shadow rated the investment and then based upon the range of ratings, determined appropriate yields to maturity for a loan rated as such. A discounted cash flow analysis was then prepared using the appropriate yield to maturity as the discount rate, yielding the ranges. For equity investments, the enterprise value was determined by applying EBITDA multiples for similar recent investment sales. For stressed equity investments, a liquidation analysis was prepared.

The Board of Directors looked at several factors in determining where within the range to value the asset including: recent operating and financial trends for the asset, independent ratings obtained from third parties and comparable multiples for recent sales of companies within the industry. The composite of all these analysis, applied to each investment, was a total valuation of \$1,716,603, excluding money market investments.

Our portfolio companies are generally middle market companies, outside of the financial sector, with less than \$50,000 of annual EBITDA. We believe our market has experienced less volatility than others because we believe there are more buy and hold investors who own these less liquid investments.

Control investments offer increased risk and reward over straight debt investments. Operating results and changes in market multiples can result in dramatic changes in values from quarter to quarter. Significant downturns in operations can further result in our looking to recoveries on sales of assets rather than the enterprise value of the investment. Several control investments in our portfolio are under enhanced scrutiny by our senior management and our Board of Directors and are discussed below.

### Ajax Rolled Ring & Machine, Inc.

We acquired a controlling equity interest in Ajax in a recapitalization of Ajax that was closed on April 4, 2008. We funded \$22,000 of senior secured term debt, \$11,500 of subordinated term debt and \$6,300 of equity as of that closing. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010, we funded an additional \$3,530 of secured subordinated debt to refinance a third-party revolver provider and provide working capital. Ajax repaid \$3,461 of this secured subordinated debt during the quarter ended September 30, 2010. As of December 31, 2011, we control 77.68% of the fully-diluted common and preferred equity. The principal balance of our senior debt to Ajax was \$20,387 and new debt was \$15,035 as of December 31, 2011.

Ajax forges seamless steel rings sold to various customers. The rings are used in a range of industrial applications, including in construction equipment and wind power turbines. Ajax's business is cyclical, and the business experienced a significant rebound in 2010 and 2011 following the decline in 2009 due to the global macroeconomic crisis. Ajax's EBITDA has experienced a 133% and 82% year-over-year improvement in 2010 and 2011, respectively.

The Board of Directors increased the fair value of our investment in Ajax to \$40,428 as of December 31, 2011, a reduction of \$1,051 from its amortized cost, compared to the \$7,822 unrealized depreciation recorded at June 30, 2011.

### Energy Solutions Holdings Inc. (f/k/a Gas Solutions Holdings, Inc.)

Gas Solutions Holdings, Inc. ("Gas Solutions") is an investment that we completed in September 2004 in which we own 100% of the equity. Gas Solutions is a midstream gathering and



### Table of Contents

processing business located in east Texas. We have provided additional capital for growth initiatives, acquisitions and other capital needs subsequent to our initial investment.

In December 2011, we completed a reorganization of Gas Solutions renaming the company Energy Solutions and transferring ownership of other operating companies owned by us and operating within the energy industry with the intent of strategically expanding Energy Solutions operations across energy sectors. As part of the reorganization, we transferred our equity interests in CCEHI, CCEI, Freedom Marine and Yatesville to Energy Solutions. On December 28, 2011, we made a follow-on investment of \$4,750 to support the acquisition of a new vessel by Vessel Holdings LLC, a subsidiary of Freedom Marine.

On January 4, 2012, Energy Solutions sold Gas Solutions, its gas gathering and processing assets, for a sale price of \$200,502, including a potential earnout of \$28,000 that will be paid based on the future performance of Gas Solutions. (See *Recent Developments*.) Our loans to and investment in Energy Solutions remain outstanding as Energy Solutions and will continue as a portfolio company of Prospect managing other energy-related subsidiaries. The cash balances of Energy Solutions continue to collateralize our loan positions.

In determining the value of Energy Solutions, we have utilized two valuation techniques to determine the value of the investment. Our Board of Directors has determined the value to be \$153,467 for our debt and equity positions at December 31, 2011 based upon a combination of an asset purchase analysis for Gas Solutions and a liquidation analysis for our interests in Freedom Marine. At December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011, Energy Solutions, including the underlying portfolio companies affected by the reorganization, was valued at \$90,221 and \$51,491 above its amortized cost, respectively.

#### Integrated Contract Services, Inc.

ICS is an investment that we entered into in April 2007. Prior to January 2009, ICS owned the assets of ESA Environmental Specialists, Inc. ("ESA") and 100% of the stock of The Healing Staff ("THS"). ESA originally defaulted under our contract governing our investment in ESA, prompting us to commence foreclosure actions with respect to certain ESA assets in respect of which we have a priority lien. In response to our actions, ESA filed voluntarily for reorganization under the bankruptcy code on August 1, 2007. On September 20, 2007, the U.S. Bankruptcy Court approved a Section 363 Asset Sale from ESA to us. To complete this transaction, we contributed our ESA debt to a newly-formed entity, ICS, and provided funds for working capital on October 9, 2007. In return for the ESA debt, we received senior secured debt in ICS of equal amount to our ESA debt, preferred stock of ICS, and 49% of the ICS common stock. ICS subsequently ceased operations and assigned the collateral back to us. ICS is in default of both payment and financial covenants. During September and October 2007, we provided \$1,170 to THS for working capital.

In January 2009, we foreclosed on the real and personal property of ICS. Through this foreclosure process, we gained 100% ownership of THS and certain ESA assets. THS provides outsourced medical staffing and security staffing services to governmental and commercial enterprises. In November 2009, THS was informed that the U.S. Air Force would not exercise its option to renew its contract. THS continues to solicit new contracts to replace the revenue lost when the Air Force contract ended. As part of its strategy to recovery from the loss of the Air Force contract, in 2010 THS started a new business, Vets Securing America, Inc. ("VSA"), to provide out-sourced security guards staffed primarily using retired military veterans. During the year ended June 30, 2011 and the six months ended December 31, 2011, we made follow-on secured debt investments of \$1,708 and \$874, respectively, to support the ongoing operations of THS and VSA. In October 2011, we sold a building acquired from ESA for \$894. The proceeds were used to reduce the outstanding loan balance due to us.



### Table of Contents

Based upon an analysis of the liquidation value of the ESA assets and the enterprise value of THS/VSA, our Board of Directors determined the fair value of our investment in ICS to be \$1,106 at December 31, 2011, a reduction of \$17,093 from its amortized cost, compared to the \$16,453 unrealized loss recorded at June 30, 2011.

#### Manx Energy, Inc.

On January 19, 2010, we modified the terms of our senior secured debt in Appalachian Energy Holdings LLC ("AEH") and Coalbed LLC ("Coalbed") in conjunction with the formation of Manx, a new entity consisting of the assets of AEH, Coalbed and Kinley Exploration. The assets of the three companies were combined under new common management. We funded \$2,800 at closing to Manx to provide for working capital. A portion of our loans to AEH and Coalbed was exchanged for Manx preferred equity, while our AEH equity interest was converted into Manx common stock. There was no change to fair value at the time of restructuring, and we continue to fully reserve any income accrued for Manx. During the year ended June 30, 2011, we made a follow-on secured debt investments of \$750 in Manx to support ongoing operations.

The Board of Directors decreased the fair value of our investment in Manx to \$436 as of December 31, 2011, a reduction of \$18,583 from its amortized cost, compared to the \$17,707 unrealized loss recorded at June 30, 2011.

Equity positions in the portfolio are susceptible to potentially significant changes in value, both increases as well as decreases, due to changes in operating results. Two of our portfolio companies have experienced such volatility due to improved operating results. Energy Solutions and NRG. As a result of improved operations and the resulting significant increase in valuation during the six months ended December 31, 2011, Energy Solutions sold its equity interests in the underlying Gas Solutions entities and we exited our investment in NRG in February 2012. (See Recent Developments.) The pending sale prices assisted in the determination of fair value for our equity interests as of December 31, 2011. The value of our equity position in Energy Solutions, including our equity positions in the underlying portfolio companies affected by the reorganization, has increased to \$109,536 as of December 31, 2011, a premium of \$100,743 to its cost, compared to the \$60,863 unrealized gain recorded at June 30, 2011. The value of our equity position in NRG has increased to \$50,257 as of December 31, 2011, a premium of \$49,077 to its cost, compared to the \$30,086 unrealized gain recorded at June 30, 2011. Two other portfolio companies with equity investments also experienced volatility due to improved operating results and experienced meaningful increases in valuation during the six months ended December 31, 2011 Ajax and R-V. The valuation of Ajax increased due to improved operating results and emergent customer base. R-V experienced improved operating results. The value of our equity position in Ajax has increased to \$5,006 as of December 31, 2011, a discount of \$1,051 to its cost, compared to the \$6,057 unrealized loss recorded at June 30, 2011. The value of our equity position in R-V has increased to \$12,806 as of December 31, 2011, a premium of \$6,037 to its cost, compared to the \$1,348 unrealized gain recorded at June 30, 2011. Five of the other controlled investments have been valued at discounts to the original investment. Seven of the control investments are valued at premiums to the original investment amounts. Overall, at December 31, 2011, the control investments are valued at \$113,056 above their amortized cost.

We hold four affiliate investments at December 31, 2011. The affiliate investments reported strong operating results with valuations remaining relatively consistent from June 30, 2011. Our equity investment in Biotronic experienced the most meaningful decrease in valuation as prior to June 30, 2011 we anticipated that the company would be sold at a substantial premium to our cost basis. This sales process was discontinued during the six months ended December 31, 2011 as the buyer and Biotronic could not agree to terms acceptable to each party. The value of our equity position in Biotronic has decreased to \$388 as of December 31, 2011, a discount of \$2,491 to its amortized cost, compared to the \$4,127 unrealized gain recorded at June 30, 2011. The other three affiliate investments



# Table of Contents

are valued at amortized cost or higher. Overall, at December 31, 2011, affiliate investments are valued \$8,384 above their amortized cost.

With the Non-control/Non-affiliate investments, generally, there is less volatility related to our total investments because our equity positions tend to be smaller than with our control/affiliate investments, and debt investments are generally not as susceptible to large swings in value as equity investments. For debt investments, the fair value is limited on the high side to each loan's par value, plus any prepayment premia that could be imposed. Many of the debt investments in this category have not experienced a significant change in value, as they were previously valued at or near par value. The exception to this categorization relates to investments which were acquired in the Patriot Acquisition, many of which were acquired at significant discounts to par value, and any changes in operating results or interest rates can have a significant effect on the value of such investments. During the six months ended December 31, 2011, our investment in Stryker experienced the most meaningful decrease in valuation due to declining operating results and a reduction in current natural gas prices. The value of our investment in Stryker Energy, LLC ("Stryker") has decreased to \$7,662 as of December 31, 2011, a discount of \$25,049 to its amortized cost, compared to the \$6,706 unrealized loss recorded at June 30, 2011. The decrease was due primarily to a drop in natural gas prices during the quarter ended December 31, 2011 and continuing to January 2012. Our other Non-control/Non-affiliate investments did not experience significant changes in operations. A few portfolio companies experienced decreases in valuations due to the general economic decline and increased market rates for middle market loans ICON Health & Fitness, Inc. and New Meatco Provisions, LLC. The remaining investments did not experience significant changes in valuation. Overall, at December 31, 2011, Non-control/Non-affiliate investments are valued \$53,048 below their amortized cost.

#### Capitalization

Our investment activities are capital intensive and the availability and cost of capital is a critical component of our business. We capitalize our business with a combination of debt and equity. Our debt currently consists of a revolving credit facility availing us of the ability to borrow debt subject to borrowing base determinations, Senior Convertible Notes, which we issued in December 2010 and February 2011 and our equity capital, which is comprised entirely of common equity. The following table shows the Revolving Credit Facility and Senior Convertible Notes amounts and outstanding borrowings at December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011:

	As of December 31, 2011				As of June 30, 2011					
	Facility Amount		Amount Itstanding				Amount Itstanding			
Revolving Credit Facility	\$ 400,000	\$	252,000	\$	325,000	\$	84,200			
Senior Convertible Notes	\$ 322,500	\$	322,500	\$	322,500	\$	322,500			

The following table shows the contractual maturity of our Revolving Credit Facility and Senior Convertible Notes at December 31, 2011:

	<b>Payments Due By Period</b>							
	Less Than 1 Year	1 - 3 Years	More Than 3 Years					
Revolving Credit Facility	\$	\$ 252,000	\$					
Senior Convertible Notes	\$	\$	\$ 322,500					

We have and expect to continue to fund a portion of our cash needs through borrowings from banks, issuances of senior securities, including secured, unsecured and convertible debt securities and preferred stock, or issuances of common equity. For flexibility, we maintain a universal shelf

# Table of Contents

registration statement that allows for the public offering and sale of our debt securities, common stock, preferred stock and warrants to purchase such securities in an amount up to \$750,000. We may from time to time issue securities pursuant to the shelf registration statement or otherwise pursuant to private offerings. The issuance of debt or equity securities will depend on future market conditions, funding needs and other factors and there can be no assurance that any such issuance will occur or be successful.

# Revolving Credit Facility

On June 25, 2009, we completed a first closing on an expanded \$250,000 syndicated revolving credit facility (the "Facility") through Prospect Capital Funding, LLC ("PCF"). The Facility included an accordion feature which allowed the Facility to accept up to an aggregate total of \$250,000 of commitments for which we had \$210,000 of commitments from six lenders when the Facility was renegotiated. The revolving period of the Facility extended through June 2010, with an additional one year amortization period after the completion of the revolving period.

On June 11, 2010, we closed an extension and expansion of our revolving credit facility with a syndicate of lenders (the "Syndicated Facility") through PCF. The lenders have extended current commitments of \$400,000 under the Syndicated Facility. As additional investments that are eligible, transferred to PCF and pledged under the Syndicated Facility, PCF will generate additional availability up to the \$400,000 commitment limit. The revolving period of the Syndicated Facility extends through June 2012, with an additional one year amortization period (with distributions allowed) after the completion of the revolving period. During such one year amortization period, all principal payments on the pledged assets will be applied to reduce the balance. At the end of the one year amortization period, the remaining balance will become due if required by the lenders.

As of December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011, PCF had the ability to borrow up to \$371,378 and \$255,673, respectively, under its Syndicated Facility based on the assets pledged as collateral at that time, of which \$252,000 and \$84,200 was drawn, respectively. The Syndicated Facility requires us to transfer investments to PCF and pledge assets as collateral in order to borrow under the credit facility. At December 31, 2011, the investments used as collateral for the Syndicated Facility had an aggregate market value of \$966,553, which represents 82.4% of net assets. These assets have been sold to Prospect Capital Funding, LLC, a bankruptcy remote entity, which owns the assets and as such, these assets are not available to the general creditors of us. PCF, our wholly-owned subsidiary, holds \$857,017 of these investments at market value as of December 31, 2011. The release of any assets from PCF requires the approval of Rabobank as facility agent.

The Syndicated Facility bears interest at one-month LIBOR plus 325 basis points, subject to a minimum LIBOR floor of 100 basis points. The maintenance of this facility requires us to pay a fee for the amount not drawn upon. The lenders charge a fee on the unused portion of the credit facility equal to either 75 basis points if at least half of the credit facility is used or 100 basis points otherwise.

#### Senior Convertible Notes

On December 21, 2010, we issued \$150,000 in aggregate principal amount of our 6.25% senior convertible notes due 2015 ("2015 Notes") for net proceeds following underwriting expenses of approximately \$145,200. Interest on the 2015 Notes is paid semi-annually in arrears on June 15 and December 15, at a rate of 6.25% per year, commencing June 15, 2011. The 2015 Notes mature on December 15, 2015 unless converted earlier. The 2015 Notes are convertible into shares of common stock at an initial conversion rate and conversion rate at December 31, 2011 of 88.0902 and 88.1056 shares of common stock, respectively, per \$1,000 principal amount of 2015 Notes, which is equivalent to a conversion price of approximately \$11.35 per share of common stock, subject to adjustment in certain



### Table of Contents

circumstances. The conversion rate for the 2015 Notes will be increased if monthly cash dividends paid to common shares exceed the rate of \$0.101125 cents per share, subject to adjustment.

On February 18, 2011, we issued \$172,500 in aggregate principal amount of our 5.50% senior convertible notes due 2016 ("2016 Notes") for net proceeds following underwriting expenses of approximately \$167,325. Interest on the 2016 Notes is paid semi-annually in arrears on February 15 and August 15, at a rate of 5.50% per year, commencing August 15, 2011. The 2016 Notes mature on August 15, 2016 unless converted earlier. The 2016 Notes are convertible into shares of common stock at an initial conversion rate and conversion rate at December 31, 2011 of 78.3699 and 78.3814 shares, respectively, of common stock per \$1,000 principal amount of 2016 Notes, which is equivalent to a conversion price of approximately \$12.76 per share of common stock, subject to adjustment in certain circumstances. The conversion rate for the 2016 Notes will be increased when monthly cash dividends paid to common shares exceed the rate of \$0.101150 per share.

In no event will the total number of shares of common stock issuable upon conversion exceed 96.8992 per \$1,000 principal amount of the 2015 Notes (the "conversion rate cap"), except that, to the extent we receive written guidance or a no-action letter from the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Guidance") permitting us to adjust the conversion rate in certain instances without regard to the conversion rate cap and to make the 2015 Notes convertible into certain reference property in accordance with certain reclassifications, business combinations, asset sales and corporate events by us without regard to the conversion rate cap, we will make such adjustments without regard to the conversion rate cap and will also, to the extent that we make any such adjustment without regard to the conversion rate cap pursuant to the Guidance, adjust the conversion rate cap accordingly. We will use our commercially reasonable efforts to obtain such Guidance as promptly as practicable.

Prior to obtaining the Guidance, we will not engage in certain transactions that would result in an adjustment to the conversion rate increasing the conversion rate beyond what it would have been in the absence of such transaction unless we have engaged in a reverse stock split or share combination transaction such that in our reasonable best estimation, the conversion rate following the adjustment for such transaction will not be any closer to the conversion rate cap than it would have been in the absence of such transaction.

Upon conversion, unless a holder converts after a record date for an interest payment but prior to the corresponding interest payment date, the holder will receive a separate cash payment with respect to the Notes surrendered for conversion representing accrued and unpaid interest to, but not including the conversion date. Any such payment will be made on the settlement date applicable to the relevant conversion on the 2015 Notes and 2016 Notes (collectively, "Senior Convertible Notes").

No holder of Senior Convertible Notes will be entitled to receive shares of our common stock upon conversion to the extent (but only to the extent) that such receipt would cause such converting holder to become, directly or indirectly, a beneficial owner (within the meaning of Section 13(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder) of more than 5.0% of the shares of our common stock outstanding at such time. The 5.0% limitation shall no longer apply following the effective date of any fundamental change. We will not issue any shares in connection with the conversion or redemption of the Notes which would equal or exceed 20% of the shares outstanding at the time of the transaction in accordance with NASDAQ rules.

Subject to certain exceptions, holders may require us to repurchase, for cash, all or part of their Senior Convertible Notes upon a fundamental change at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Senior Convertible Notes being repurchased plus any accrued and unpaid interest up to, but excluding, the fundamental change repurchase date. In addition, upon a fundamental change that constitutes a non-stock change of control we will also pay holders an amount in cash equal to the present value of all remaining interest payments (without duplication of the foregoing amounts) on such Senior Convertible Notes through and including the maturity date.

# Table of Contents

In connection with the issuance of the Senior Convertible Notes, we incurred \$10,562 of fees which are being amortized over the term of the facility in accordance with ASC 470-50, *Debt Modifications and Extinguishments*, of which \$8,883 remains to be amortized at December 31, 2011.

During the three and six months ended December 31, 2011, we recorded \$9,759 and \$18,719 of interest costs and amortization of financing costs as interest expense, respectively.

#### Net Asset Value

During the six months ended December 31, 2011, we raised \$14,895 of additional equity, net of offering costs, by issuing 1,500,000 shares of our common stock. The following table shows the calculation of net asset value per share as of December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011:

	As of	December 31, 2011	As o	of June 30, 2011
Net Assets	\$	1,172,484	\$	1,114,357
Shares of common stock outstanding		109,691,051		107,606,690
Net asset value per share	\$	10.69	\$	10.36

At December 31, 2011, we had 109,691,051 of our common stock issued and outstanding.

#### **Results of Operations**

Net increase in net assets resulting from operations for the three months ended December 31, 2011 and 2010 was \$64,492 and \$31,940, respectively, representing \$0.59 and \$0.38 per weighted average share, respectively. During the three months ended December 31, 2011, we experienced net unrealized and realized gains of \$27,984 or approximately \$0.26 per weighted average share primarily from significant write-ups of our investments in Energy Solutions and NRG, and our sale of NRG common stock for which we realized a gain of \$12,131. These increased on a weighted average per share basis from \$0.23 to \$0.33 for the three months ended December 31, 2010 and 2011, respectively. This increase is primarily due to an increase in dividend income received from Energy Solutions and NRG. During the three months ended December 31, 2010, we experienced net unrealized and realized gains of \$12,860 or approximately \$0.15 per weighted average share primarily from significant write-ups of our investments in Biotronic, Fischbein, Iron Horse, Maverick Healthcare, LLC ("Maverick"), NRG and R-V, and our sale of Miller Petroleum, Inc. ("Miller") common stock, for which we realized a gain of \$5,415. These instances of appreciation were partially offset by unrealized and Wind River.

Net increase in net assets resulting from operations for the six months ended December 31, 2011 and 2010 was \$104,392 and \$57,520, respectively, representing \$0.96 and \$0.73 per weighted average share, respectively. During the six months ended December 31, 2011, we experienced net unrealized and realized gains of \$40,007 or approximately \$0.37 per weighted average share primarily from significant write-ups of our investments in Ajax, Energy Solutions, NRG and R-V, and our sale of NRG common stock for which we realized a gain of \$12,131. These instances of unrealized appreciation were partially offset by unrealized depreciation in Biotronic and Stryker, and the impairment of Deb Shops due to bankruptcy for which we recorded a realized loss for the full amount of the amortized cost. Net investment income increased on a weighted average per share basis from \$0.51 to \$0.59 for the six months ended December 31, 2010 and 2011, respectively. This increase is primarily due to an increase in dividend income received from Energy Solutions and NRG. This increase is partially offset by a decline in our annualized current yield on portfolio investments. During the six months ended December 31, 2010, we experienced net unrealized and realized gains of \$17,445 or approximately \$0.22 per weighted average share primarily from significant write-ups of our investments in AIRMALL, Ajax, The Copernicus Group, Inc., Fischbein, Iron Horse and Maverick, and our sale of Miller common

# Table of Contents

stock for which we realized a gain of \$5,415. These instances of unrealized appreciation were partially offset by unrealized depreciation in H&M, ICS, NRG, Stryker and Wind River.

While we seek to maximize gains and minimize losses, our investments in portfolio companies can expose our capital to risks greater than those we may anticipate. These companies are typically not issuing securities rated investment grade, have limited resources, have limited operating history, have concentrated product lines or customers, are generally private companies with limited operating information available and are likely to depend on a small core of management talents. Changes in any of these factors can have a significant impact on the value of the portfolio company.

### **Investment Income**

We generate revenue in the form of interest income on the debt securities that we own, dividend income on any common or preferred stock that we own, fees generated from the structuring of new deals. Our investments, if in the form of debt securities, will typically have a term of one to ten years and bear interest at a fixed or floating rate. To the extent achievable, we will seek to collateralize our investments by obtaining security interests in our portfolio companies' assets. We also may acquire minority or majority equity interests in our portfolio companies, which may pay cash or in-kind dividends on a recurring or otherwise negotiated basis. In addition, we may generate revenue in other forms including prepayment penalties and possibly consulting fees. Any such fees generated in connection with our investments are recognized as earned.

Investment income, which consists of interest income, including accretion of loan origination fees and prepayment penalty fees, dividend income and other income, including settlement of net profits interests, overriding royalty interests and structuring fees, was \$67,293 and \$33,300 for the three months ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively. Investment income was \$122,605 and \$68,512 for the six months ended, December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively. During the three and six months ended December 31, 2011, the increase in investment income is primarily the result of a larger income producing portfolio and the deployment of additional capital in revenue-producing assets through increased origination and increased dividends received from Energy Solutions and NRG. The following table describes the various components of investment income and the related levels of debt investments:

	For The Three Months Ended December 31,				For The Six End Decemb	ed		
	2011		2010		2011		2010	
Interest income	\$ 45,528	\$	27,362	\$	87,415	\$	56,283	
Dividend income	19,637		3,371		27,187		5,565	
Other income	2,098		2,567		8,003		6,664	
Total investment income	\$ 67,263	\$	33,300	\$	122,605	\$	68,512	
Average debt principal of performing investments	\$ 1,376,917	\$	734,204	\$	1,346,000	\$	729,744	
Weighted-average interest rate earned	13.23%	б	14.91%	6	12.99%	6	15.43%	

Average interest income producing assets have increased from \$734,204 for the three months ended December 31, 2010 to \$1,376,917 for the three months ended December 31, 2011. The average yield on interest bearing assets decreased from 14.91% for the three months ended December 31, 2010 to 13.23% for the three months ended December 31, 2011. Average interest income producing assets have increased from \$729,744 for the six months ended December 31, 2010 to \$1,346,000 for the six months ended December 31, 2011. The average yield on interest bearing assets decreased from \$729,744 for the six months ended December 31, 2010 to \$1,346,000 for the six months ended December 31, 2011. The average yield on interest bearing assets decreased from 15.43%

### Table of Contents

for the six months ended December 31, 2010 to 12.99% for the six months ended December 31, 2011. The decrease in annual returns is primarily the result of accretion on the assets acquired from Patriot on which we recognized \$5,960 and \$2,575 during the six months ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively. Without these adjustments, the weighted average interest rates earned on debt investments would have been 12.61% and 13.79% for the six months ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively. Generally, we have seen a decrease in interest rates on loans issued during our fiscal year 2011 and the three and six months ending December 31, 2011 in comparison to the rates in effect prior to December 30, 2010 as we continue to reduce the risk profile of the portfolio. The average yield on interest bearing assets increased from 12.76% for the three months ended September 30, 2011 to 13.23% for the three months ended December 31, 2011. The increase is the result of \$694 of accelerated accretion resulting from the repayment of Mac & Massey. Without this adjustment, the weighted average interest rates earned on debt investments would have been 12.76% for three months ended September 30, 2011 and 13.02% for the three months ended December 31, 2011.

Investment income is also generated from dividends and other income. Dividend income increased from \$3,371 for the three months ended December 31, 2010 to \$19,637 for the three months ended December 31, 2011. Dividend income increased from \$5,565 for the six months ended December 31, 2010 to \$27,187 for the six months ended December 31, 2011. The increase in dividend income is primarily attributed to an increase in the level of dividends received during the respective three and six month periods from our investments in Energy Solutions and NRG due to increased profits generated by the portfolio companies. We received dividends from Energy Solutions of \$10,800 and \$2,100 during the three months ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively. We received dividends from Energy Solutions of \$14,300 and \$3,850 during the six months ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively. We received dividends from NRG of \$6,711 and \$200 during the three months ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively. We received dividends from NRG of \$6,711 and \$200 during the three months ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively. We received dividends from NRG of \$6,711 and \$200 during the six months ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively. We received dividends from NRG of \$6,711 and \$200 during the three months ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively. We received dividends from NRG of \$6,711 and \$200 during the three months ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively. We received dividends from NRG of \$6,711 and \$200 during the six months ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively. We received dividends from NRG of \$6,711 and \$200 during the three months ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively. We received dividends from NRG of \$9,911 and \$200 during the six months ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

Other income is generated primarily from structuring fees. Comparing the six months ended December 31, 2010 to the six months ended December 31, 2011, income from other sources increased from \$6,664 to \$8,003. This \$1,339 increase is primarily due to \$7,356 of structuring fees recognized during the six months ended December 31, 2011 primarily from the Capstone, Totes and VanDeMark originations, in comparison to \$5,675 of structuring fees recognized during the six months ended December 31, 2010 primarily related to AIRMALL, American Gilsonite, JHH Holdings, Inc., Progrexion, Royal, Snacks Holding Corporation, and VPSI.

#### **Operating Expenses**

Our primary operating expenses consist of investment advisory fees (base management and income incentive fees), borrowing costs, legal and professional fees and other operating and overhead-related expenses. These expenses include our allocable portion of overhead under the Administration Agreement with Prospect Administration under which Prospect Administration provides administrative services and facilities for us. Our investment advisory fees compensate our Investment Adviser for its work in identifying, evaluating, negotiating, closing and monitoring our investments. We bear all other costs and expenses of our operations and transactions in accordance with our Administration Agreement with Prospect Administration. Operating expenses were \$30,755 and \$14,220 for the three months ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively. Operating expenses were \$58,220 and \$28,437 for the six months ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively.

The base investment advisory expenses were \$8,825 and \$4,903 for the three months ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively. The base investment advisory expenses were \$17,036 and \$9,179 for the six months ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively. This increase is directly related to our growth in total assets. For the three months ended

# Table of Contents

December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, we incurred \$9,127 and \$4,769, respectively, of income incentive fees. For the six months ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, we incurred \$16,096 and \$10,018, respectively, of income incentive fees. The \$4,358 and \$6,078 increase in the income incentive fee for the respective three-month and six-month periods are driven by an increase in pre-incentive fee net investment income of \$21,786 and \$30,388 for the respective three-month and six-month periods primarily due to an increase in interest income from a larger asset base and increased dividend income generated by our investments in Energy Solutions and NRG. No capital gains incentive fee has yet been incurred pursuant to the Investment Advisory Agreement.

During the three and six months ended December 31, 2011, we incurred \$9,759 and \$18,719, respectively, of expenses related to our Syndicated Facility and Senior Convertible Notes. This compares with expenses of \$2,261 and \$4,522 incurred during the three and six months ended December 31, 2010, respectively. These expenses are related directly to the leveraging capacity put into place for each of those periods and the levels of indebtedness actually undertaken during those quarters. The table below describes the various expenses of our Syndicated Facility and Senior Convertible Notes and the related indicators of leveraging capacity and indebtedness during these periods.

	For The Three Months Ended December 31,			For The Six Months Ended December 31,				
		2011		2010		2011		2010
Interest on borrowings	\$	7,029	\$	512	\$	13,248	\$	1,461
Amortization of deferred financing costs		2,406		1,144		4,494		2,134
Commitment and other fees		324		605		977		927
Total	\$	9,759	\$	2,261	\$	18,719	\$	4,522
Weighted-average debt outstanding	\$	547,558	\$	41,139	\$	496,998	\$	64,249
Weighted-average interest rate on borrowings		5.02%	6	4.87%	, 2	5.22%	b	4.45%
Facility amount at beginning of period	\$	400,000	\$	240,000	\$	325,000	\$	210,000

The increase in interest expense for the three and six months ended December 31, 2011 is primarily due to the issuance of Senior Convertible Notes on December 21, 2010 and February 18, 2011 for which we incurred \$4,585 and \$9,458 of interest expense, respectively.

As our asset base has grown and we have added complexity to our capital raising activities, we have commensurately increased the size of our administrative and financial staff, accounting for a significant increase in the overhead allocation from Prospect Administration. Over the last two years, Prospect Administration has increased staffing levels along with costs passed through. The allocation of overhead expense from Prospect Administration was \$1,117 and \$840 for the three months ended December 31, 2011 and 2010. The allocation of overhead expense from Prospect Administration was \$2,233 and \$1,640 for the six months ended December 31, 2011 and 2010. As our portfolio continues to grow, we expect to continue to increase the size of our administrative and financial staff on a basis that provides increasing returns to scale. Other allocated expenses from Prospect Administration will continue to increase along with the increase in staffing and asset base.

Total operating expenses, net of investment advisory fees and interest costs ("Other Operating Expenses"), were \$3,044 and \$2,287 for the three months ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively. Other Operating Expenses were \$6,369 and \$4,718 for the six months ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively. The \$1,651 increase in Other Operating Expenses for the respective six-month period is primarily due to increased size of our portfolio, for which we have incurred higher costs for legal and valuation services and administrative expenses.

# Table of Contents

# Net Investment Income

Net investment income represents the difference between investment income and operating expenses. Our net investment income ("NII") was \$36,508 and \$19,080 for the three months ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively, or \$0.33 per share and \$0.23 per share, respectively. The \$17,428 increase for the three months ended December 31, 2011 is primarily due to increases of \$18,166 and \$16,266 in interest income and dividend income, respectively, due to the increased size of our portfolio for which we have recognized additional interest income and an increased level of dividends received primarily from our investments in Energy Solutions and NRG. The \$33,963 increase in investment income is offset by an increase in operating expenses of \$16,535, primarily due to a \$8,280 increase in advisory fees due to the growing size of our portfolio and related income, and \$7,498 of additional interest and credit facility expenses.

Our NII was \$64,385 and \$40,075 for the six months ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively, or \$0.59 per share and \$0.51 per share, respectively. The \$24,310 increase for the six months ended December 31, 2011 is primarily due to increases of \$31,132 and \$21,622 in interest income and dividend income, respectively, due to the increased size of our portfolio for which we have recognized additional interest income and an increased level of dividends received primarily from our investments in GSHI and NRG. The \$54,093 increase in investment income is offset by an increase in operating expenses of \$29,783, primarily due to a \$13,935 increase in advisory fees due to the growing size of our portfolio and related income, and \$14,197 of additional interest and credit facility expenses. We anticipate NII per share will continue to increase as we utilize prudent term leverage to finance our growth.

### Net Realized Gain (Loss), Increase in Net Assets from Net Changes in Unrealized Appreciation

Net realized gain was \$13,498 and \$4,489 for the three months ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively. Net realized (loss) gain was (\$1,109) and \$5,016 for the six months ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively. The net realized gain for the three months ended December 31, 2011 was due primarily to the sale of NRG common stock for which we realized a gain of \$12,131. For the six months ended December 31, 2011 this gain was offset by our impairment of Deb Shops. During the six months ended December 31, 2011, Deb Shops filed for bankruptcy and a plan for reorganization was proposed. The plan, which is expected to be approved by the bankruptcy court, will eliminate our debt position with no payment to us. As a result, we determined that the impairment of Deb Shops was other-than-temporary and recorded a realized loss of \$14,607 for the full amount of the amortized cost. The net realized gain for the three and six months ended December 31, 2010 was due primarily to the sale of our common stock in Miller.

Net increase in net assets from changes in unrealized appreciation was \$14,486 and \$8,371 for the three months ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively. For the three months ended December 31, 2011, the \$14,486 increase in net assets from the net change in unrealized appreciation was driven by significant write-ups of our investments in Energy Solutions and NRG. These instances of appreciation were partially offset by unrealized depreciation in Babson, Biotronic, NMMB and Stryker. For the three months ended December 31, 2010, the \$8,371 increase in net assets from the net change in unrealized appreciation was driven by significant write-ups of our investments of unrealized appreciation write-ups of our investments in Biotronic, NMMB and Stryker. For the three months ended December 31, 2010, the \$8,371 increase in net assets from the net change in unrealized appreciation was driven by significant write-ups of our investments in Biotronic, Fischbein, Iron Horse, Maverick, Miller, NRG and R-V. These instances of unrealized appreciation were partially offset by unrealized depreciation in H&M, ICS, Stryker and Wind River.

Net increase in net assets from changes in unrealized appreciation was \$41,116 and \$12,429 for the six months ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively. For the six months ended December 31, 2011, the \$41,116 increase in net assets from the net change in unrealized appreciation was driven by significant write-ups of our investments in Ajax, Energy Solutions, NRG and R-V. These instances of unrealized appreciation were partially offset by unrealized depreciation in Biotronic and



# Table of Contents

Stryker. For the six months ended December 31, 2010, the \$12,429 increase in net assets from the net change in unrealized appreciation was driven by significant write-ups of our investments in Airmall, Ajax, Copernicus, Fischbein, Iron Horse, Maverick and Miller. These instances of unrealized appreciation were partially offset by unrealized depreciation in H&M, ICS, NRG, Stryker and Wind River.

### **Financial Condition, Liquidity and Capital Resources**

For the six months ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, our operating activities used \$119,765 and \$176,337 of cash, respectively. Financing activities provided \$120,134 and \$179,275 of cash during the six months ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively, which included the payments of dividends of \$60,932 and \$41,483, during the six months ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively.

Our primary uses of funds have been to continue to invest in our investments in portfolio companies, to add new companies to our investment portfolio, repay outstanding borrowings and to make cash distributions to holders of our common stock.

Our primary sources of funds have been issuances of debt and equity. We have and may continue to fund a portion of our cash needs through borrowings from banks, issuances of senior securities or secondary offerings. We may also securitize a portion of our investments in mezzanine or senior secured loans or other assets. Our objective is to put in place such borrowings in order to enable us to expand our portfolio. During the six months ended December 31, 2011, we borrowed \$442,300 and made repayments totaling \$274,500 under our revolving credit facility. As of December 31, 2011, we had \$252,000 outstanding borrowings on our revolving credit facility and \$322,500 outstanding on our Senior Convertible notes (See Note 5 to our consolidated financial statements).

Undrawn committed revolvers incur commitment fees ranging from 0.50% to 2.00%. As of December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011, we have \$33,890 and \$35,822 of undrawn revolver commitments to our portfolio companies, respectively.

On October 21, 2011, our Registration Statement on Form N-2 was declared effective by the SEC. Under this Shelf Registration Statement, we can issue up to \$750,000 of additional equity securities.

We also continue to generate liquidity through public and private stock offerings.

On July 18, 2011, we issued 1,500,000 shares in connection with the exercise of an overallotment option granted with the June 21, 2011 offering of 10,000,000 shares which were delivered June 24, 2011, raising an additional \$15,225 of gross proceeds and \$14,895 of net proceeds.

# **Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

At December 31, 2011, we did not have any off-balance sheet liabilities or other contractual obligations that are reasonably likely to have a current or future material effect on our financial condition, other than those which originate from 1) the investment advisory and management agreement and the administration agreement and 2) the portfolio companies.

# **Recent Developments**

On January 4, 2012, Energy Solutions sold Gas Solutions, its gas gathering and processing assets, for a sale price of \$200,502, including a potential earnout of \$28,000 that will be paid based on the future performance of Gas Solutions. After expenses, including structuring fees of \$9,966 paid to us, Energy Solutions received approximately \$148,687 in cash and an additional \$10,000 is being held in escrow. Currently, our loans to Energy Solutions remain outstanding and are collateralized by the cash held by Energy Solutions as a result of the sale transaction. The accounting for the sale of Gas

### Table of Contents

Solutions has yet to be finalized, but will not result in any dividend income or realized gain recognition by us until cash payments are received from Energy Solutions.

On January 9, 2012, Arrowhead General Insurance Agency, Inc. repaid the \$27,000 loan receivable to us.

On January 12, 2012, we made a follow-on investment of \$16,500 to purchase 86.8% of the Class D Notes in CIFC Funding 2011-I, Ltd.

On January 17, 2012, we provided \$18,332 of secured second-lien financing to a financial services processing company purchased by a leading private equity sponsor.

On January 25, 2012, we issued 85,252 shares of our common stock in connection with the dividend reinvestment plan.

On January 31, 2012, Aircraft Fasteners International, LLC repaid the \$7,441 loan receivable to us.

On February 2, 2012, NRG was sold to an outside buyer for \$123,258. In conjunction with the sale, the \$37,218 loan that was outstanding was repaid. We also received a \$26,936 make-whole fee for early repayment of the outstanding loan, which will be recorded as interest income in the quarter ending March 31, 2012. Further, we received a \$3,800 advisory fee for the transaction, which will be recorded as other income in the quarter ending March 31, 2012. After expenses, including the make whole and advisory fees discussed above, \$40,886 was available to be distributed to stockholders. While our 408 shares of NRG common stock represented 67.1% of the ownership, we only received net proceeds of \$25,991 as our contribution to the escrow amount was proportionately higher than the other shareholders. In connection with the sales, we will recognize a realized gain of \$24,810 in the results for the quarter ended March 31, 2012. In total, we received proceeds of \$93,977 at closing. In addition, there is \$11,125 being held in escrow of which 80% is due to us upon release of the escrowed amounts. This will be recognized as additional gain when and if received.

Between January 30, 2012 and February 2, 2012, we repurchased \$5,000 of our August 2016 convertible bonds at a price of 97.5, including commissions. The transactions will result in our recognizing \$10 of loss in the quarter ended March 31, 2012.

On February 6, 2012, we announced the declaration of monthly dividends in the following amounts and with the following dates:

\$0.101450 per share for February 2012 to holders of record on February 29, 2012 with a payment date of March 23, 2012;

\$0.101475 per share for March 2012 to holders of record on March 30, 2012 with a payment date of April 20, 2012; and

\$0.101500 per share for April 2012 to holders of record on April 30, 2012 with a payment date of May 24, 2012.

On February 10, 2012, we provided \$15,000 of secured second-lien financing to Rocket Software, Inc., a leading global infrastructure software company.

On February 15, 2012, we provided \$25,000 of secured second-lien financing to a leading provider of Web security and wide area network (WAN) optimization solutions.

On February 16, 2012, we entered into a Selling Agent Agreement (the "Selling Agent Agreement") with Incapital LLC, as purchasing agent for our issuance and sale from time to time of up to \$500,000 of Prospect Capital InterNotes (the "InterNotes Offering"). Additional agents appointed by the Company from time to time in connection with the InterNotes Offering may become parties to the Selling Agent Agreement. Through April 23, 2012, we have sold \$13,981 of InterNotes.

### Table of Contents

On February 17, 2012, we issued 69,864 shares of our common stock, in connection with the dividend reinvestment plan.

On February 24, 2012, we made a follow-on investment of \$7,856 to purchase 24.0% of the unrated subordinated notes to Apidos CLO VIII, Ltd.

On February 28, 2012, we issued 12,000,000 shares of our common stock at \$10.95 per share (or \$10.82 per share net proceeds excluding expenses), raising \$129,840 of gross proceeds.

On February 28, 2012, we made a senior secured follow-on investment of \$9,500 in Clearwater Seafoods LP to finance the repayment of a senior secured note due to mature in 2012 and settle outstanding claims senior to our own investment.

On February 29, 2012, we provided \$15,000 of secured second-lien financing to Focus Brands, Inc., a leading franchiser and operator of restaurants, cafes, ice cream stores and retail bakeries.

On March 1, 2012, we made a senior secured follow-on investment of \$27,500 in SG Acquisition Inc. to support a recapitalization.

On March 9, 2012, we entered into an Agreement of Resignation, Appointment and Acceptance (the "Agreement") with American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC (the "Retiring Trustee") and U.S. Bank National Association (the "Successor Trustee"). Under the Agreement, we formally accepted the resignation of the Retiring Trustee and appointed the Successor Trustee under the Indenture, dated as of February 16, 2012 (the "Indenture"), by and between us and the Retiring Trustee, as supplemented by the First Supplemental Indenture, dated as of March 1, 2012, by and between us and the Retiring Trustee, as further supplemented by the Second Supplemental Indenture, dated as of March 8, 2012, by and between us and the Retiring Trustee, as further supplemented by the Joinder Supplemental Indenture, dated as of March 8, 2012, by and mong us, the Retiring Trustee and the Successor Trustee. We accepted the resignation of the Retiring Trustee and appointed the Successor Trustee in order to take advantage of a more efficient money market based system of settling issuances of notes issued pursuant to the Indenture not available through the Retiring Trustee.

On March 14, 2012, we made a follow-on investment of \$26,569 to purchase subordinate notes in Babson CLO Ltd 2012-1A.

On March 16, 2012, VPSI, Inc. repaid the \$16,598 loan receivable to us.

On March 19, 2012, we entered into a definitive agreement to provide debt and equity for the acquisition of the businesses of First Tower Corp. ("First Tower"), a private multiline specialty finance company based in Flowood, Mississippi with over 150 branch offices. We are acquiring 80.1% of First Tower for \$110,200 of cash and 14.5 million of our shares of common stock. We have the option, at our sole discretion, to substitute up to 100% cash in lieu of such 14.5 million shares of our common stock at a price per share based on average trading prices prior to the closing date. Completion of the acquisition is subject to regulatory approvals and is expected to close within approximately 60-120 days after March 19, 2012.

On March 23, 2012, Anchor Hocking, LLC repaid the \$19,523 loan receivable to us.

On March 23, 2012, we issued 77,764 shares of our common stock in connection with the dividend reinvestment plan.

On March 27, 2012, we provided \$12,500 of senior secured financing to IDQ Holdings, Inc., a manufacturer of a refrigerant refill kit for automobile air conditioners. The senior secured note bears interest in cash at 11.50% and has a final maturity of April 1, 2017.

On March 27, 2012, we completed a first closing on an expanded five-year \$650,000 revolving credit facility (the "Facility") for Prospect Capital Funding LLC. The new Facility, for which ten lenders

### Table of Contents

closed on \$410,000 on March 27, 2012, includes an accordion feature that allows the Facility, at our discretion, to accept up to a total of \$650,000 of commitments, an objective we target reaching with additional lenders. The revolving period of the Facility extends through March 2015, followed by an additional two year amortization period, with distributions allowed to us after the completion of the revolving period. Pricing for the Facility is one-month LIBOR plus 2.75%, with no minimum LIBOR floor achieving an approximately 125 basis point reduction in pricing (based on current LIBOR) from the previous three-year facility pricing of LIBOR (with a minimum LIBOR floor of 1%) plus 3.25%. The new Facility has an investment grade Moody's rating of Aa3. Improvements in the Facility include increases in advance rates under certain conditions, decreases in unused line fees, increases in maximum eligible loan sizes, and increases in baskets for longer-dated and quarterly pay loans.

On March 30, 2012, ROM Acquisition Corporation repaid the \$31,638 loan receivable to us.

On April 4, 2012, we added an additional lender to the committed lenders of the credit facility, increasing the total commitments to \$425,000.

On April 16, 2012, we made a senior secured debt investment of \$15,000 to support the recapitalization of a designer and distributor of accessories targeted at the youth lifestyle market.

On April 16, 2012, we closed a private placement of 5.5 year unsecured 5.375% Senior Convertible Notes due 2017 (the "2017 Notes"). A total of \$130,000 aggregate principal amount of the 2017 Notes were issued with net proceeds to us of approximately \$126,035. We also granted the initial purchasers of the 2017 Notes an option to purchase up to an additional \$20,000 in aggregate principal amount of 2017 Notes.

On April 17, 2012, we added three additional lenders to the committed lenders of the credit facility, increasing the total commitments to \$482,500.

On April 20, 2012, we issued 85,063 shares of our common stock in connection with the dividend reinvestment plan.

### **Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates**

Our discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations are based upon our financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP"). The preparation of these financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses. Changes in the economic environment, financial markets and any other parameters used in determining such estimates could cause actual results to differ materially. In addition to the discussion below, our critical accounting policies are further described in the notes to the financial statements.

# Basis of Consolidation

Under the 1940 Act rules, the regulations pursuant to Article 6 of Regulation S-X, and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants' Audit and Accounting Guide for Investment Companies, we are precluded from consolidating any entity other than another investment company or an operating company which provides substantially all of its services and benefits to us. Our December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011 financial statements include our accounts and the accounts of Prospect Capital Funding, LLC, our only wholly-owned, closely-managed subsidiary that is also an investment company. All intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

# Table of Contents

### Investment Classification

We are a non-diversified company within the meaning of the 1940 Act. We classify our investments by level of control. As defined in the 1940 Act, control investments are those where there is the ability or power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of a company. Control is generally deemed to exist when a company or individual possesses or has the right to acquire within 60 days or less, a beneficial ownership of 25% or more of the voting securities of an investee company. Affiliated investments and affiliated companies are defined by a lesser degree of influence and are deemed to exist through the possession outright or via the right to acquire within 60 days or less, beneficial ownership of 5% or more of the outstanding voting securities of another person.

Investments are recognized when we assume an obligation to acquire a financial instrument and assume the risks for gains or losses related to that instrument. Investments are derecognized when we assume an obligation to sell a financial instrument and forego the risks for gains or losses related to that instrument. Specifically, we record all security transactions on a trade date basis. Investments in other, non-security financial instruments are recorded on the basis of subscription date or redemption date, as applicable. Amounts for investments recognized or derecognized but not yet settled are reported as Receivables for investments sold and Payables for investments purchased, respectively, in the Consolidated Statements of Assets and Liabilities.

#### Investment Valuation

Our Board of Directors has established procedures for the valuation of our investment portfolio. These procedures are detailed below.

Investments for which market quotations are readily available are valued at such market quotations.

For most of our investments, market quotations are not available. With respect to investments for which market quotations are not readily available or when such market quotations are deemed not to represent fair value, our Board of Directors has approved a multi-step valuation process each quarter, as described below:

1)

Each portfolio company or investment is reviewed by our investment professionals with the independent valuation firm engaged by our Board of Directors;

2)

the independent valuation firm conducts independent appraisals and makes their own independent assessment;

3)

the audit committee of our Board of Directors reviews and discusses the preliminary valuation of our Investment Adviser and that of the independent valuation firm; and

4)

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 firm and the audit committee.

Effective July 1, 2008, we adopted the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC" or "Codification") 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures* ("ASC 820"). ASC 820 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in GAAP, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements.

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

Level 1: Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities, accessible by us at the measurement date.

### Table of Contents

*Level 2:* Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, or quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, or other observable inputs other than quoted prices.

Level 3: Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

In all cases, the level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement in its entirety falls has been determined based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Our assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment and considers factors specific to each investment.

In April 2009, the FASB issued ASC 820-10-65, *Determining Fair Value When the Volume and Level of Activity for the Asset or Liability Have Significantly Decreased and Identifying Transactions That Are Not Orderly"* ("ASC 820-10-65"). This update provides further clarification for ASC 820 in markets that are not active and provides additional guidance for determining when the volume of trading level of activity for an asset or liability has significantly decreased and for identifying circumstances that indicate a transaction is not orderly. ASC 820-10-65 is effective for interim and annual reporting periods ending after June 15, 2009. The adoption of ASC 820-10-65 did not have any effect on our net asset value, financial position or results of operations for the three and six months ended December 31, 2011, as there was no change to the fair value measurement principles set forth in ASC 820.

In January 2010, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update 2010-06, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures (Topic 820): Improving Disclosures about Fair Value Measurements* ("ASC 2010-06"). ASC 2010-06 amends ASC 820-10 and clarifies and provides additional disclosure requirements related to recurring and non-recurring fair value measurements and employers' disclosures about postretirement benefit plan assets. ASC 2010-06 is effective December 15, 2009, except for the disclosure about purchase, sales, issuances and settlements in the roll forward of activity in level 3 fair value measurements. The adoption of ASC 2010-06 for the three and six months ended December 31, 2011, did not have any effect on our financial statements.

#### Federal and State Income Taxes

We have elected to be treated as a regulated investment company, a RIC, and intend to continue to comply with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), applicable to regulated investment companies. We are required to distribute at least 90% of our investment company taxable income and intend to distribute (or retain through a deemed distribution) all of our investment company taxable income and intend to distribute (or retain through a deemed distribution) all of our investment company taxable income and net capital gain to stockholders; therefore, we have made no provision for income taxes. The character of income and gains that we will distribute is determined in accordance with income tax regulations that may differ from GAAP. Book and tax basis differences relating to stockholder dividends and distributions and other permanent book and tax differences are reclassified to paid-in capital.

If we do not distribute at least 98% of our annual income and 98.2% of our capital gains in the calendar year earned, we will generally be required to pay an excise tax equal to 4% of the amount by which 98% of our annual ordinary income and 98.2% of our capital gains exceeds the distributions from such taxable income for the year. To the extent that we determine that our estimated current year annual taxable income will be in excess of estimated current year dividend distributions from such taxable income, we accrue excise taxes, if any, on estimated excess taxable income as taxable income is earned using an annual effective excise tax rate. The annual effective excise tax rate is determined by dividing the estimated annual excise tax by the estimated annual taxable income.

If we fail to satisfy the Annual Distribution Requirement or otherwise fail to qualify as a RIC in any taxable year, 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 we be required to make

### Table of Contents

distributions. Distributions would generally be taxable to our individual and other non-corporate taxable stockholders as ordinary dividend income eligible for the reduced maximum rate for taxable years beginning before 2013 (but not for taxable years beginning thereafter, unless the relevant provisions are extended by legislation) to the extent of our current and accumulated earnings and profits, provided certain holding period and other requirements are met. Subject to certain limitations under the Code, corporate distributions would be eligible for the dividends-received deduction. To qualify again to be taxed as a RIC in a subsequent year, we would be required to distribute to our shareholders our accumulated earnings and profits attributable to non-RIC years reduced by an interest charge of 50% of such earnings and profits payable by us as an additional tax. In addition, if we failed to qualify as a RIC for a period greater than two taxable years, then, in order to qualify as a RIC in a subsequent year, we would be required to elect to recognize and pay tax on any net built-in gain (the excess of aggregate gain, including items of income, over aggregate loss that would have been realized if we had been liquidated) or, alternatively, be subject to taxation on such built-in gain recognized for a period of ten years.

We adopted FASB ASC 740, *Income Taxes* ("ASC 740"). ASC 740 provides guidance for how uncertain tax positions should be recognized, measured, presented, and disclosed in the financial statements. ASC 740 requires the evaluation of tax positions taken or expected to be taken in the course of preparing our tax returns to determine whether the tax positions are "more-likely-than-not" of being sustained by the applicable tax authority. Tax positions not deemed to meet the more-likely-than-not threshold are recorded as a tax benefit or expense in the current year. Adoption of ASC 740 was applied to all open tax years as of July 1, 2007. The adoption of ASC 740 did not have an effect on our net asset value, financial condition or results of operations as there was no liability for unrecognized tax benefits and no change to our beginning net asset value. As of December 31, 2011 and for the three and six months then ended, we did not have a liability for any unrecognized tax benefits. Management's determinations regarding ASC 740 may be subject to review and adjustment at a later date based upon factors including, but not limited to, an on-going analysis of tax laws, regulations and interpretations thereof.

#### Valuation of Other Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities

In February 2007, FASB issued ASC Subtopic 820-10-05-1, *The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities* ("ASC 820-10-05-1"). ASC 820-10-05-1 permits an entity to elect fair value as the initial and subsequent measurement attribute for many of assets and liabilities for which the fair value option has been elected and similar assets and liabilities measured using another measurement attribute. We adopted this statement on July 1, 2008 and have elected not to value other assets and liabilities at fair value as would be permitted by ASC 820-10-05-1.

### Senior Convertible Notes

We have recorded the Senior Convertible Notes (See Note 5) at their contractual amounts. The Senior Convertible Notes were analyzed for any features that would require its accounting to be bifurcated and they were determined to be immaterial.

#### Revenue Recognition

Realized gains or losses on the sale of investments are calculated using the specific identification method.

Interest income, adjusted for amortization of premium and accretion of discount, is recorded on an accrual basis. Origination, closing and/or commitment fees associated with investments in portfolio companies are accreted into interest income over the respective terms of the applicable loans. Accretion of such purchase discounts or premiums is calculated by the effective interest method as of

### Table of Contents

the purchase date and adjusted only for material amendments or prepayments. Upon the prepayment of a loan or debt security, any prepayment penalties and unamortized loan origination, closing and commitment fees are recorded as interest income. The purchase discount for portfolio investments acquired from Patriot Capital Funding, Inc. ("Patriot") was determined based on the difference between par value and fair market value as of December 2, 2009, and will continue to accrete until maturity or repayment of the respective loans.

Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date.

Structuring fees and similar fees are recognized as income as earned, usually when paid. Structuring fees, excess deal deposits, net profits interests and overriding royalty interests are included in other income.

Loans are placed on non-accrual status when there is reasonable doubt that principal or interest will not be collected in accordance with the terms of the investment. 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.

### Dividends and Distributions

Dividends and distributions to common stockholders are recorded on the ex-dividend date. The amount, if any, to be paid as a dividend or distribution is approved by our Board of Directors each quarter and is generally based upon our management's estimate of our earnings for the quarter. Net realized capital gains, if any, are distributed at least annually.

#### Financing Costs

We record origination expenses related to our credit facility and the Senior Convertible Notes as deferred financing costs. These expenses are deferred and amortized as part of interest expense using the straight-line method for our revolving credit facility and the effective interest method for our Senior Convertible Notes, over the respective expected life.

We record registration expenses related to shelf filings as prepaid assets. These expenses consist principally of Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") registration fees, legal fees and accounting fees incurred. These prepaid assets will be charged to capital upon the receipt of an equity offering proceeds or charged to expense if no offering completed.

# Guarantees and Indemnification Agreements

We follow ASC 460, *Guarantees* ("ASC 460"). ASC 460 elaborates on the disclosure requirements of a guarantor in its interim and annual financial statements about its obligations under certain guarantees that it has issued. It also requires a guarantor to recognize, at the inception of a guarantee, for those guarantees that are covered by ASC 460, the fair value of the obligation undertaken in issuing certain guarantees.

#### Per Share Information

Net increase or decrease in net assets resulting from operations per common share are calculated using the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the period presented. In accordance with ASC 946, *Financial Services Investment Companies*, convertible securities are not considered in the calculation of net assets per share.

# Table of Contents

### Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In February 2011, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update 2011-02, *Receivables (Topic 310): A Creditor's Determination of Whether a Restructuring is a Troubled Debt Restructuring* ("ASU 2011-02"). ASU 2011-02 clarifies which loan modifications constitute troubled debt restructurings. It is intended to assist creditors in determining whether a modification of the terms of a receivable meets the criteria to be considered a troubled debt restructuring, both for purposes of recording an impairment loss and for disclosure of troubled debt restructuring whether a restructuring constitutes a troubled debt restructuring, a creditor must separately conclude that both of the following exist: (a) the restructuring constitutes a concession; and (b) the debtor is experiencing financial difficulties. ASU 2011-02 provides guidance to clarify whether the creditor has granted a concession and whether a debtor is experiencing financial difficulties. The adoption of ASC 2010-06 for the three and six months ended December 31, 2011, did not have any effect on our financial statements.

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 the highest-and-best-use and valuation-premise concepts only apply to measuring the fair value of non-financial assets; (2) allowing a reporting entity to measure the fair value of the net asset or net liability position in a manner consistent with how market participants would price the net risk position, if certain criteria are met; (3) providing a framework for considering whether a premium or discount can be applied in a fair value measurement; (4) providing that the fair value of an instrument classified in a reporting entity's shareholders' equity is estimated from the perspective of a market participant that holds the identical item as an asset; and (5) expanding the qualitative and quantitative fair value disclosure requirements. The expanded disclosures include, for Level 3 items, a description of the valuation process and a narrative description of the sensitivity of the fair value to changes in unobservable inputs and interrelationships between those inputs if a change in those inputs would result in a significantly different fair value measurement. ASU 2011-4 also requires disclosures about the highest-and-best-use of a non-financial asset when this use differs from the asset's current use and the reasons for such a difference. In addition, this ASU amends Accounting Standards Codification 820, "Fair Value Measurements," to require disclosures to include any transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy. These amendments are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2011 and for interim periods within those fiscal years. The amendments of ASU 2011-04, when adopted, are not expected to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

# QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

We are subject to financial market risks, including changes in interest rates and equity price risk. Some of the loans in our portfolio have floating interest rates.

We may hedge against interest rate fluctuations by using standard hedging instruments such as futures, options and forward contracts subject to the requirements of the 1940 Act. While hedging activities may insulate us against adverse changes in interest rates, they may also limit our ability to participate in the benefits of higher interest rates with respect to our portfolio of investments. During the three months ended December 31, 2011, we did not engage in hedging activities.

# Table of Contents

# **DESCRIPTION OF THE NOTES**

The Notes will be issued under the Indenture referred to in the accompanying prospectus between us and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, and a supplemental indenture establishing the terms of the Notes (collectively, the indenture and supplemental indenture is referred to as the "Indenture"). The following description of particular terms of the Notes supplements the more general description of the debt securities contained in the accompanying prospectus. If there are any inconsistencies between the information in this section and the information in the accompanying prospectus, the information in this section controls. You should read this section together with the section entitled "Description of Our Debt Securities" in the accompanying prospectus beginning on page 131.

Together with the "Description of Our Debt Securities" in the accompanying prospectus, the following description provides a summary of the material provisions of the Notes and the Indenture and does not purport to be complete. We urge you to read the Indenture (including the form of global note contained therein), because it, and not this description, defines your rights as a holder of the Notes.

#### **Brief Description of the Notes**

The Notes will:

initially be limited to \$100 million aggregate principal amount (\$115 million if the option is exercised in full);

bear interest at a rate of 6.95% per year, payable every February 15, May 15, August 15 and November 15, commencing on August 15, 2012;

will be issued in minimum denominations of \$25 and integral multiples of \$25 in excess thereof;

be our general unsecured obligations, ranking equally with all of our other unsecured senior indebtedness (including, but not limited to, the 2015 Notes, the 2016 Notes, the 2017 Notes, and the Prospect Capital InterNotes) and senior in right of payment to any of our subordinated indebtedness, effectively subordinated in right of payment to our existing and future secured indebtedness and structurally subordinated to all existing and future debt of our subsidiaries;

be redeemed in whole or in part at any time or from time to time at our option on or after May 15, 2015, upon not less than 30 days nor more than 60 days written notice by mail prior to the date fixed for redemption thereof, at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount of the Notes to be redeemed plus accrued and unpaid interest to the date of redemption. See the description under " Optional Redemption" below.

be subject to repurchase by us at your option if a fundamental change occurs, at a cash repurchase price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Notes, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including additional interest, if any) to, but not including, the repurchase date;

are expected to be listed on The New York Stock Exchange; and

be due November 15, 2022.

Neither we nor any of our subsidiaries will be subject to any financial covenants under the Indenture. In addition, neither we nor any of our subsidiaries will be restricted under the Indenture from paying dividends, incurring debt or issuing or repurchasing our securities. You are not afforded protection under the Indenture in the event of a highly leveraged transaction or a change in control of us, except to the extent described below under " Purchase of Notes by Us for Cash at the Option of Holders upon a Fundamental Change."

No sinking fund is provided for the Notes and the Notes will be subject to defeasance.

# Table of Contents

The Notes will be represented by global securities that will be deposited and registered in the name of DTC or its nominee. This means that, except in limited circumstances, you will not receive certificates for the Notes. Beneficial interests in the Notes will be represented through book-entry accounts of financial institutions acting on behalf of beneficial owners as direct and indirect participants in DTC. Investors may elect to hold interests in the Notes through either DTC, if they are a participant, or indirectly through organizations which are participants in DTC. For information regarding registration of transfer and exchange of the global note held in DTC, see "Registration and Settlement" on page S-56.

#### **Additional Notes**

We may, without the consent of the holders of the Notes, increase the principal amount of the Notes by issuing additional Notes in the future on the same terms and conditions, except for any differences in the issue price and interest accrued prior to the issue date of the additional Notes; provided that such differences do not cause the additional Notes to constitute a different class of securities than the Notes for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The Notes offered by this prospectus supplement and any additional Notes would rank equally and ratably and would be treated as a single class for all purposes under the Indenture. No additional Notes may be issued if any event of default has occurred with respect to the Notes.

### Ranking

The Notes will be our general, unsecured obligations and will rank equal in right of payment with all of our existing and future senior, unsecured indebtedness (including, but not limited to, our \$150 million in aggregate principal amount of 6.25% Convertible Senior Notes due 2015, our \$167.5 million in aggregate principal amount of 5.5% Convertible Senior Notes due 2016, our \$130 million in aggregate principal amount of 5.375% Senior Convertible Notes due 2017, and any Prospect Capital InterNotes) and senior in right of payment to any of our subordinated indebtedness. As a result, the Notes will be effectively subordinated to our existing and future secured indebtedness to the extent of the value of the assets securing such indebtedness and structurally subordinated to any existing and future liabilities and other indebtedness of our subsidiaries. As of April 23, 2012, we and our subsidiaries had approximately \$461.5 million of senior indebtedness outstanding, none of which was secured indebtedness and all of which was unsecured indebtedness.

#### Payment at Maturity

On the maturity date, each holder will be entitled to receive on such date \$25 in cash for each \$25 in principal amount of Notes, together with accrued and unpaid interest (including additional interest, if any) to, but not including, the maturity date. With respect to the global note, principal and interest (including additional interest, if any) will be paid to DTC in immediately available funds.

#### **Optional Redemption**

The Notes may be redeemed in whole or in part at any time or from time to time at our option on or after May 15, 2015, upon not less than 30 days nor more than 60 days written notice by mail prior to the date fixed for redemption thereof, at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount of the Notes to be redeemed plus accrued and unpaid interest to the date of redemption.

A holder of the Notes may be prevented from exchanging or transferring the Notes when they are subject to redemption. In case any Notes are to be redeemed in part only, the redemption notice will provide that, upon surrender of such Note, the holder will receive, without a charge, a new Note or Notes of authorized denominations representing the principal amount of the holder's remaining unredeemed Notes.



# Table of Contents

Any exercise of our option to redeem the Notes will be done in compliance with 1940 Act, to the extent applicable.

If the Company redeems only some of the Notes, the trustee will determine the method for selection of the particular Notes to be redeemed, in accordance with the 1940 Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, to the extent applicable. Unless the Company defaults in payment of the redemption price, on and after the date of redemption, interest will cease to accrue on the Notes called for redemption.

### Purchase of Notes by Us for Cash at the Option of Holders upon a Fundamental Change

If a fundamental change (as defined below) occurs at any time prior to the maturity of the Notes, you will have the right to require us to repurchase, at the repurchase price described below, all or part of your Notes for which you have properly delivered and not withdrawn a written repurchase notice. The Notes submitted for repurchase must be \$25 in principal amount or \$25 integral multiples in excess thereof.

The repurchase price will be payable in cash and will equal 100% of the principal amount of the Notes being repurchased, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including additional interest, if any) to, but excluding, the repurchase date. However, if the repurchase date is after a record date and on or prior to the corresponding interest payment date, the interest (including additional interest, if any) will be paid on the repurchase date to the holder of record on the record date.

We may be unable to repurchase your Notes in cash upon a fundamental change. Our ability to repurchase the Notes in cash in the future may be limited by the terms of our then-existing borrowing agreements. In addition, the occurrence of a fundamental change could cause an event of default under the terms of our then-existing borrowing agreements. We cannot assure you that we would have the financial resources, or would be able to arrange financing, to pay the repurchase price in cash. See "Risk Factors" We may be unable to repurchase the Notes following a fundamental change" on page S-14 of this prospectus supplement.

A "fundamental change" will be deemed to have occurred when any of the following has occurred:

1. the consummation of any transaction (including, without limitation, any merger or consolidation other than those excluded under clause (3) below) the result of which is that any "person" becomes the "beneficial owner" (as these terms are defined in Rule 13d-3 and Rule 13d-5 under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of our capital stock that is at the time entitled to vote by the holder thereof in the election of our board of directors (or comparable body); or

2. the adoption of a plan relating to our liquidation or dissolution; or

3. the consolidation or merger of us with or into any other person, or the sale, lease, transfer, conveyance or other disposition, in one or a series of related transactions, of all or substantially all of our assets and those of our subsidiaries taken as a whole to any "person" (as this term is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act), other than:

any transaction that does not result in any reclassification, conversion, exchange or cancellation of all or substantially all of the outstanding shares of our capital stock;

any changes resulting from a subdivision or combination or a change solely in par value;

any transaction pursuant to which the holders of 50% or more of the total voting power of all shares of our capital stock entitled to vote generally in elections of directors immediately prior to such transaction have the right to exercise, directly or indirectly, 50% or more of the total voting power of all shares of capital stock of the continuing or surviving person

# Table of Contents

immediately after giving effect to such transaction entitled to vote generally in elections of directors; or

any merger primarily for the purpose of changing our jurisdiction of incorporation and resulting in a reclassification, conversion or exchange of outstanding shares of common stock solely into shares of common stock of the surviving entity; or

4. the termination of trading of our common stock, which will be deemed to have occurred if our common stock is neither listed for trading on the New York Stock Exchange, the NASDAQ Global Market or the NASDAQ Global Select Market (or any of their respective successors).

The definition of "fundamental change" includes a phrase relating to the sale, lease, transfer, conveyance or other disposition, in one or a series of related transactions, of all or substantially all of our assets and those of our subsidiaries taken as a whole. Although there is a developing body of case law interpreting the phrase "substantially all," there is no precise established definition of the phrase under applicable law. Accordingly, the ability of a holder of Notes to require us to repurchase the Notes as a result of a sale, lease, transfer, conveyance or other disposition of less than all of our assets and those of our subsidiaries taken as a whole to another person or group may be uncertain.

On or before the fifth calendar day after the occurrence of a fundamental change, we will provide to all record holders of the Notes on the date of the fundamental change at their addresses shown in the register of the registrar and to beneficial owners to the extent required by applicable law, the trustee and the paying agent, a written notice of the occurrence of the fundamental change and the resulting repurchase right. Such notice shall state, among other things, the event causing the fundamental change and the procedures you must follow to require us to repurchase your Notes.

The repurchase date will be a date specified by us in the notice of a fundamental change that is not less than 20 nor more than 35 calendar days after the date of the notice of a fundamental change.

To exercise your repurchase right, you must deliver, prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the repurchase date, a written notice to the paying agent of your exercise of your repurchase right (together with the Notes to be repurchased, if certificated Notes have been issued). The repurchase notice must state:

if you hold a beneficial interest in a global Note, your repurchase notice must comply with appropriate DTC procedures; if you hold certificated Notes, the Notes certificate numbers;

the portion of the principal amount of the Notes to be repurchased, which must be \$25 or \$25 integral multiples in excess thereof; and

that the Notes are to be repurchased by us pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Notes and the Indenture.

You may withdraw your repurchase notice at any time prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the repurchase date by delivering a written notice of withdrawal to the paying agent. If a repurchase notice is given and withdrawn during that period, we will not be obligated to repurchase the Notes listed in the repurchase notice. The withdrawal notice must state:

if you hold a beneficial interest in a global Note, your withdrawal notice must comply with appropriate DTC procedures; if you hold certificated Notes, the certificate numbers of the withdrawn Notes;

the principal amount of the withdrawn Notes; and

the principal amount, if any, which remains subject to the repurchase notice.

Payment of the repurchase price for Notes for which a repurchase notice has been delivered and not withdrawn is conditioned upon book-entry transfer or delivery of the Notes, together with necessary

### Table of Contents

endorsements, to the paying agent, as the case may be. Payment of the repurchase price for the Notes will be made promptly following the later of the repurchase date and the time of book-entry transfer or delivery of the Notes, as the case may be.

If the paying agent holds on the business day immediately following the repurchase date cash sufficient to pay the repurchase price of the Notes that holders have elected to require us to repurchase, then, as of the repurchase date:

the Notes will cease to be outstanding and interest (including additional interest, if any) will cease to accrue, whether or not book-entry transfer of the Notes has been made or the Notes have been delivered to the paying agent, as the case may be; and

all other rights of the holders of Notes will terminate, other than the right to receive the repurchase price upon delivery or transfer of the Notes.

In connection with any repurchase, we will, to the extent applicable:

comply with the provisions of Rule 13e-4 and any other tender offer rules under the Exchange Act that may be applicable at the time of the offer to repurchase the Notes;

file a Schedule TO or any other schedule required in connection with any offer by us to repurchase the Notes; and

comply with all other federal and state securities laws in connection with any offer by us to repurchase the Notes.

This fundamental change repurchase right could discourage a potential acquirer of the Company. However, this fundamental change repurchase feature is not the result of management's knowledge of any specific effort to obtain control of us by means of a merger, tender offer, solicitation or otherwise, or part of a plan by management to adopt a series of anti-takeover provisions. See "Risk Factors" Provisions of the Notes could discourage an acquisition by a third party" on page S-14 of this prospectus supplement.

Our obligation to repurchase the Notes upon a fundamental change would not necessarily afford you protection in the event of a highly leveraged or other transaction involving us that may adversely affect holders. We also could, in the future, enter into certain transactions, including certain recapitalizations, that would not constitute a fundamental change but would increase the amount of our (or our subsidiaries') outstanding debt. The incurrence of significant amounts of additional debt could adversely affect our ability to service our then existing debt, including the Notes. See "Risk Factors" Some significant restructuring transactions may not constitute a fundamental change, in which case we would not be obligated to repurchase the Notes" on page S-14 of this prospectus supplement.

#### Consolidation, Merger and Sale of Assets by the Company

The Indenture will provide that we may not, in a single transaction or a series of related transactions, consolidate with or merge with or into any other person or sell, convey, transfer or lease our property and assets substantially as an entirety to another person, unless:

either (a) we are the continuing corporation or (b) the resulting, surviving or transferee person (if other than us) is a corporation or limited liability company organized and existing under the laws of the United States, any state thereof or the District of Columbia and such person assumes, by a supplemental indenture in a form reasonably satisfactory to the trustee, all of our obligations under the Notes and the Indenture;

immediately after giving effect to such transaction, no default or event of default has occurred and is continuing; and

### Table of Contents

we have delivered to the trustee certain certificates and opinions of counsel if so requested by the trustee.

In the event of any transaction described in and complying with the conditions listed in the immediately preceding paragraph in which the Company is not the continuing corporation, the successor person formed or remaining shall succeed, and be substituted for, and may exercise every right and power of, the Company, and the Company shall be discharged from its obligations, under the Notes and the Indenture.

This covenant includes a phrase relating to the sale, conveyance, transfer and lease of the property and assets of the Company "substantially as an entirety." There is no precise, established definition of the phrase "substantially as an entirety" under New York law, which governs the Indenture and the Notes, or under the laws of Maryland, the Company's state of incorporation. Accordingly, the ability of a holder of the Notes to require us to repurchase the Notes as a result of a sale, conveyance, transfer or lease of less than all of the property and assets of the Company may be uncertain.

An assumption by any person of the Company's obligations under the Notes and the Indenture might be deemed for U.S. federal income tax purposes to be an exchange of the Notes for new Notes by the holders thereof, resulting in recognition of gain or loss for such purposes and possibly other adverse tax consequences to the holders. Holders should consult their own tax advisors regarding the tax consequences of such an assumption.

#### **Events of Default; Notice and Waiver**

In addition to the events of default and the other information with respect to events of default, see "Description of Our Debt Securities Events of Default" beginning on page 138 of the accompanying prospectus, the following will be events of default under the Indenture:

we fail to pay the repurchase price payable in respect of any Notes when due;

we fail to provide notice of the effective date or actual effective date of a fundamental change on a timely basis as required in the Indenture;

we fail to perform or observe any other term, covenant or agreement in the Notes or the Indenture for a period of 60 calendar days after written notice of such failure is given to us by the trustee or to us and the trustee by the holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the Notes then outstanding;

a failure to pay principal when due (whether at stated maturity or otherwise) or an uncured default that results in the acceleration of maturity, of any indebtedness for borrowed money of the Company or any of our "significant subsidiaries," which term shall have the meaning specified in Rule 1-02(w) of Regulation S-X), other than subsidiaries that are non-recourse or limited recourse subsidiaries, bankruptcy remote special purpose vehicles and any subsidiaries that are not consolidated with us for GAAP purposes, in an aggregate amount in excess of \$20,000,000 (or its foreign currency equivalent), unless such indebtedness is discharged, or such acceleration is rescinded, stayed or annulled, within a period of 30 calendar days after written notice of such failure is given to us by the trustee or to us and the trustee by the holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the Notes then outstanding; or

certain events involving our bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization of the Company or any of our "significant subsidiaries," which term shall have the meaning specified in Rule 1-02(w) of Regulation S-X), other than subsidiaries that are non-recourse or limited recourse subsidiaries, bankruptcy remote special purpose vehicles and any subsidiaries that are not consolidated with us for GAAP purposes.

# Table of Contents

We are required to notify the trustee promptly upon becoming aware of the occurrence of any default under the Indenture known to us. The trustee is then required within 90 calendar days of being notified by us of the occurrence of any default to give to the registered holders of the Notes notice of all uncured defaults known to it. However, the trustee may withhold notice to the holders of the Notes of any default, except defaults in payment of principal or interest (including additional interest, if any) on the Notes, if the trustee, in good faith, determines that the withholding of such notice is in the interests of the holders. We are also required to deliver to the trustee, on or before a date not more than 120 calendar days after the end of each fiscal year, a written statement as to compliance with the Indenture, including whether or not any default has occurred.

If an event of default specified in the last bullet point listed above occurs and continues, the principal amount of the Notes and accrued and unpaid interest (including additional interest, if any) on the outstanding Notes will automatically become due and payable. If any other event of default occurs and is continuing, the trustee or the holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Notes may declare the principal amount of the Notes and accrued and unpaid interest (including additional interest, if any) on the outstanding Notes to be due and payable. Thereupon, the trustee may, in its discretion, proceed to protect and enforce the rights of the holders of the Notes by appropriate judicial proceedings.

After a declaration of acceleration, but before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the trustee, the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Notes outstanding, by written notice to us and the trustee, may rescind and annul such declaration if:

we have paid (or deposited with the trustee a sum sufficient to pay) (1) all overdue interest (including additional interest, if any) on all Notes; (2) the principal amount of any Notes that have become due otherwise than by such declaration of acceleration; (3) to the extent that payment of such interest is lawful, interest upon overdue interest (including additional interest, if any); and (4) all sums paid or advanced by the trustee under the Indenture and the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the trustee, its agents and counsel; and

all events of default, other than the non-payment of the principal amount and any accrued and unpaid interest (including additional interest, if any) that have become due solely by such declaration of acceleration, have been cured or waived.

For more information on remedies if an event of default occurs, see "Description of Our Debt Securities Events of Default" beginning on page 138 of the accompanying prospectus.

Notwithstanding the foregoing and the description in the accompanying prospectus, the Indenture will provide, if we so elect, that the sole remedy for an event of default relating to the failure to comply with the reporting obligations in the Indenture, which are described below under the caption "Reports," and for any failure to comply with the requirements of Section 314(a)(1) of the Trust Indenture Act (which also relates to the provision of reports), will, at our option, for the 365 days after the occurrence of such an event of default consist exclusively of the right to receive additional interest on the Notes at an annual rate equal to 0.50% of the principal amount of the Notes. In the event we do not elect to pay the additional interest upon an event of default in accordance with this paragraph, the Notes will be subject to acceleration as provided above. The additional interest will accrue on all outstanding Notes from and including the date on which an event of default relating to a failure to comply with the reporting obligations in the Indenture first occurs to but not including the 365th day (or earlier, if the event of default relating to the reporting obligations shall have been cured or waived). On such 365th day (or earlier, if the event of default relating to the reporting obligations is cured or waived prior to such 365th day), such additional interest will cease to accrue and the Notes will be subject to acceleration as provided above if the event of default is continuing. The provisions of the Indenture described in this paragraph will not affect the rights of holders of Notes in the event of the occurrence of any other event of default.

### Table of Contents

#### Waiver

The holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Notes outstanding may, on behalf of the holders of all the Notes, waive any past default or event of default under the Indenture and its consequences, except that a holder cannot waive our failure to pay the repurchase price on the repurchase date in connection with a holder exercising its repurchase rights. For other exceptions to a holder's waiver of past default or event of default under the Indenture, see "Description of Our Debt Securities Events of Default" beginning on page 138 of the accompanying prospectus.

#### Modification

#### Changes Requiring Approval of Each Affected Holder

The Indenture (including the terms and conditions of the Notes) may not be modified or amended without the written consent or the affirmative vote of the holder of each Note affected by such change to:

reduce any amount payable upon repurchase of any Notes;

to add to, delete from or revise the conditions, limitations, and restrictions on the authorized amount, terms, or purposes of issue, authentication and delivery of debt securities, as set forth in the indenture;

change our obligation to repurchase any Notes upon a fundamental change in a manner adverse to the rights of the holders; and

change our obligation to maintain an office or agency in New York City.

For other changes requiring approval of each affected holder, see "Description of our Debt Securities Modification or Waiver" on page 140 of the accompanying prospectus.

#### Changes Requiring Majority Approval

The Indenture (including the terms and conditions of the Notes) may be modified or amended, except as described above, with the written consent or affirmative vote of the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Notes then outstanding. For such changes requiring majority approval, see "Description of Our Debt Securities" Modification or Waiver" on page 140 of the accompanying prospectus.

#### Changes Requiring No Approval

The Indenture (including the terms and conditions of the Notes) may be modified or amended by us and the trustee, without the consent of the holder of any Notes, to, among other things:

provide for our repurchase obligations in connection with a fundamental change in the event of any reclassification of our common stock, merger or consolidation, or sale, conveyance, transfer or lease of our property and assets substantially as an entity;

secure the Notes;

provide for the assumption of our obligations to the holders of the Notes in the event of a merger or consolidation, or sale, conveyance, transfer or lease of our property and assets substantially as an entirety;

surrender any right or power conferred upon us;

add to our covenants for the benefit of the holders of the Notes;

### Table of Contents

cure any ambiguity or correct or supplement any inconsistent or otherwise defective provision contained in the Indenture;

conform the provisions of the Indenture to the description of the Notes contained in this prospectus supplement;

make any provision with respect to matters or questions arising under the Indenture that we may deem necessary or desirable and that shall not be inconsistent with provisions of the Indenture; provided that such change or modification does not, in the good faith opinion of our board of directors, adversely affect the interests of the holders of the Notes in any material respect;

add guarantees of obligations under the Notes; and

provide for a successor trustee.

#### Other

The consent of the holders of Notes is not necessary under the Indenture to approve the particular form of any proposed modification or amendment. It is sufficient if such consent approves the substance of the proposed modification or amendment. After a modification or amendment under the Indenture becomes effective, we are required to mail to the holders a notice briefly describing such modification or amendment. However, the failure to give such notice to all the holders, or any defect in the notice, will not impair or affect the validity of the modification or amendment.

### Notes Not Entitled to Consent

Any Notes held by us or by any person directly or indirectly controlling or controlled by or under direct or indirect common control with us shall be disregarded (from both the numerator and the denominator) for purposes of determining whether the holders of the requisite aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Notes have consented to a modification, amendment or waiver of the terms of the Indenture.

#### Reports

We shall deliver to the trustee, within 30 days after filing with the SEC, copies of the annual reports and of the information, documents and other reports (or copies of such portions of any of the foregoing as the SEC may by rules and regulations prescribe) that we are required to file with the SEC pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act; provided, that any such information, documents or reports filed electronically with the SEC pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act shall be deemed filed with and delivered to the trustee and the holders at the same time as filed with the SEC.

### Satisfaction and Discharge

The Indenture shall upon the written request or order signed in the name of the Company, or the "Company Request", cease to be of further effect with respect to any series of notes specified in such Company Request (except as to any surviving rights of registration of transfer or exchange of notes of such series expressly provided in the Indenture, any surviving rights of tender for repayment at the option of the holders and any right to receive additional amounts, as provided in the Indenture), and the trustee, upon receipt of a company order, and at the expense of the Company, shall execute proper instruments acknowledging satisfaction and discharge of the Indenture as to such series when (1) either:

(A) all notes of such series theretofore authenticated and delivered and all coupons, if any, appertaining thereto (other than (i) coupons appertaining to bearer securities surrendered for exchange

# Table of Contents

for registered securities and maturing after such exchange, whose surrender is not required or has been waived as provided in the Indenture, (ii) notes and coupons of such series which have been destroyed, lost or stolen and which have been replaced or paid as provided in the Indenture, (iii) coupons appertaining to the notes called for redemption and maturing after the relevant redemption date, whose surrender has been waived as provided in the Indenture, and (iv) notes and coupons of such series for whose payment money has theretofore been deposited in trust with the trustee or any paying agent or segregated and held in trust by the Company and thereafter repaid to the Company or discharged from such trust), as provided in the Indenture have been delivered to the trustee for cancellation; or

(B) all notes of such series and, in the case of (i) or (ii) below, any coupons appertaining thereto not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation

- (i) have become due and payable, or
- (ii) will become due and payable at their stated maturity within one year, or

(iii) if redeemable at the option of the Company, are to be called for redemption within one year under arrangements satisfactory to the trustee for the giving of notice of redemption by the trustee in the name, and at the expense, of the Company, and the Company, in the case of (i), (ii) or (iii) above, has irrevocably deposited or caused to be deposited with the trustee as trust funds in trust for such purpose, solely for the benefit of the holders, an amount in the currency in which the Notes of such series are payable, sufficient to pay and discharge the entire indebtedness on such notes and such coupons not theretofore delivered to the trustee for cancellation, for principal (and premium, if any) and interest, if any, to the date of such deposit (in the case of Notes which have become due and payable) or to the stated maturity or redemption date, as the case may be;

(2) the Company has irrevocably paid or caused to be irrevocably paid all other sums payable under the Indenture by the Company; and

(3) the Company has delivered to the trustee an officers' certificate and an opinion of counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent in the Indenture provided for relating to the satisfaction and discharge of the Indenture as to such series have been complied with.

Notwithstanding the satisfaction and discharge of the Indenture, the obligations of the Company to the trustee and any predecessor trustee under the Indenture, the obligations of the Company to any authenticating agent under the Indenture and, if money shall have been deposited with the Trustee pursuant to subclause (B) of clause (1), the obligations of the trustee for application of the funds and the notes deposited with the trustee and held in trust for payment shall survive any termination of the Indenture.

# **Governing Law**

The Notes and the Indenture shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York.

# Form, Denomination and Registration

The Notes will be issued:

in fully registered form;

without interest coupons; and

in denominations of \$25 principal amount and integral multiples of \$25.

# Table of Contents

# **REGISTRATION AND SETTLEMENT**

### The Depository Trust Company

The Notes will be issued in book-entry only form. This means that we will not issue certificates for the Notes, except in the limited case described below. Instead, we will issue the global note in registered form. The global note will be held through DTC and will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC.

Accordingly, Cede & Co. will be the holder of record of the Notes. The Notes represented by the global note evidences a beneficial interest in the global note.

Beneficial interest in the global note will be shown on, and transfers are effected through, records maintained by DTC or its participants. In order to own a beneficial interest in the Notes, you must be an institution that has an account with DTC or have a direct or indirect account with such an institution. Transfers of ownership interests in the Notes will be accomplished by making entries in DTC participants' books acting on behalf of beneficial owners.

So long as DTC or its nominee is the registered holder of the global note, DTC or its nominee, as the case may be, will be the sole holder and owner of the Notes represented thereby for all purposes, including payment of principal and interest, under the indenture. Except as otherwise provided below, you will not be entitled to receive physical delivery of certificated notes and will not be considered the holder of the Notes for any purpose under the indenture. Accordingly, you must rely on the procedures of DTC and the procedures of the DTC participant through which you own your Note in order to exercise any rights of a holder of a Note under the indenture. The laws of some jurisdictions require that certain purchasers of notes take physical delivery of such notes in certificated form. Those limits and laws may impair the ability to transfer beneficial interests in the Notes.

The global note representing the Notes will be exchangeable for certificated notes of like tenor and terms and of differing authorized denominations in a like aggregate principal amount, only if (1) DTC notifies us that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depositary for the global note or we become aware that DTC has ceased to be a clearing agency registered under the Exchange Act and, in any such case we fail to appoint a successor to DTC within 60 calendar days, (2) we, in our sole discretion, determine that the global note shall be exchangeable for certificated notes or (3) an event of default has occurred and is continuing with respect to the Notes under the indenture. Upon any such exchange, the certificated notes shall be registered in the names of the beneficial owners of the global note representing the Notes.

The following is based on information furnished by DTC:

DTC will act as securities depositary for the Notes. The Notes will be issued as fully-registered notes registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC's partnership nominee) or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. One fully registered global note will be issued for all of the principal amount of the Notes.

The global note representing the Notes will be exchangeable for certificated notes of like tenor and terms and of differing authorized denominations in a like aggregate principal amount, only if (1) DTC notifies us that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depositary for the global note or we become aware that DTC has ceased to be a clearing agency registered under the Exchange Act and, in any such case we fail to appoint a successor to DTC within 60 calendar days, (2) we, in our sole discretion, determine that the global note shall be exchangeable for certificated notes or (3) an event of default has occurred and is continuing with respect to the Notes under the indenture. Upon any such exchange, the certificated notes shall be registered in the names of the beneficial owners of the global note representing the Notes.

The following is based on information furnished by DTC:

DTC will act as securities depositary for the Notes. The Notes will be issued as fully-registered notes registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC's partnership nominee) or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. One fully registered global note will be issued for all of the principal amount of the Notes.

# Table of Contents

DTC is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Exchange Act. DTC holds and provides asset servicing for over 3.5 million issues of U.S. and non-U.S. equity issues, corporate and municipal debt issues and money market instruments from over 100 countries that DTC's direct participants deposit with DTC.

DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among direct participants of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities, through electronic computerized book-entry transfers and pledges between direct participants' accounts. This eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations. DTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation ("DTCC"). DTCC, in turn, is owned by a number of direct participants of DTC and members of the National Securities Clearing Corporation, Government Securities Clearing Corporation, MBS Clearing Corporation, and Emerging Markets Clearing Corporation, as well as by The New York Stock Exchange, Inc., the American Stock Exchange LLC, and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. Access to the DTC system is also available to others such as both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies and clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a direct participant, either directly or indirectly. The DTC rules applicable to its participants are on file with the SEC. More information about DTC can be found at www.dtcc.com.

Purchases of the Notes under the DTC system must be made by or through direct participants, which will receive a credit for the Notes on DTC's records. The beneficial interest of each actual purchaser of the Notes is in turn to be recorded on the direct and indirect participants' records. Beneficial owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase. Beneficial owners are, however, expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the direct or indirect participant through which the beneficial owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of beneficial interests in the Notes are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of direct and indirect participants acting on behalf of beneficial owners. Beneficial owners will not receive certificates representing their beneficial interests in the Notes, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the Notes is discontinued.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all Notes deposited by direct participants with DTC will be registered in the name of DTC's partnership nominee, Cede & Co. or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. The deposit of the Notes with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other nominee do not effect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual beneficial owners of the Notes; DTC's records reflect only the identity of the direct participants to whose accounts such Notes will be credited, which may or may not be the beneficial owners. The direct and indirect participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to direct participants, by direct participants to indirect participants, and by direct participants and indirect participants to beneficial owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Beneficial owners of the Notes may wish to take certain steps to augment the transmission to them of notices of significant events with respect to the Notes, such as redemption, tenders, defaults, and proposed amendments to the security documents. For example, beneficial owners of the Notes may wish to ascertain that the nominee holding the Notes for their benefit has agreed to obtain and transmit notices to beneficial owners. In the alternative, beneficial owners may wish to provide their names and addresses to the registrar of the Notes and

### Table of Contents

request that copies of the notices be provided to them directly. Any such request may or may not be successful.

Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. (nor any other DTC nominee) will consent or vote with respect to the Notes unless authorized by a direct participant in accordance with DTC's procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an Omnibus Proxy to us as soon as possible after the regular record date. The Omnibus Proxy assigns Cede & Co.'s consenting or voting rights to those direct participants to whose accounts the notes are credited on the record date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

We will pay principal and or interest payments on the Notes in same-day funds directly to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. DTC's practice is to credit direct participants' accounts on the applicable payment date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records upon DTC's receipt of funds and corresponding detail information. Payments by participants to beneficial owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name," and will be the responsibility of these participants and not of DTC or any other party, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements that may be in effect from time to time. Payment of principal and interest to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC, is our responsibility, disbursement of such payments to direct participants is the responsibility of DTC, and disbursement of such payments to the beneficial owners is the responsibility of the direct or indirect participant.

We will send any redemption notices to DTC. If less than all of the Notes are being redeemed, DTC's practice is to determine by lot the amount of the interest of each direct participant in such issue to be redeemed.

A beneficial owner, or its authorized representative, shall give notice to elect to have its Notes repaid by us, through its direct or indirect participant, to the trustee, and shall effect delivery of such Notes by causing the direct participant to transfer that participant's interest in the global note representing the Notes, on DTC's records, to the trustee. The requirement for physical delivery of the Notes in connection with a demand for repayment will be deemed satisfied when the ownership rights in the global note representing the Notes are transferred by the direct participants on DTC's records.

DTC may discontinue providing its services as securities depository for the Notes at any time by giving us reasonable notice. Under such circumstances, if a successor securities depositary is not obtained, we will print and deliver certificated notes. We may decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry transfers through DTC (or a successor securities depositary). In that event, we will print and deliver certificated notes.

The information in this section concerning DTC and DTC's system has been obtained from sources that we believe to be reliable, but neither we, the underwriters nor any agent takes any responsibility for its accuracy.

#### **Registration, Transfer and Payment of Certificated Notes**

If we ever issue notes in certificated form, those notes may be presented for registration, transfer and payment at the office of the registrar or at the office of any transfer agent designated and maintained by us. We have originally designated U.S. Bank National Association to act in those capacities for the Notes. The registrar or transfer agent will make the transfer or registration only if it is satisfied with the documents of title and identity of the person making the request. There will not be a service charge for any exchange or registration of transfer of the Notes, but we may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with the exchange. At any time, we may change transfer agents or approve a change in the location

### Table of Contents

through which any transfer agent acts. We also may designate additional transfer agents for any notes at any time.

We will not be required to: (1) issue, exchange or register the transfer of any Note to be redeemed for a period of 15 days after the selection of the Notes to be redeemed; (2) exchange or register the transfer of any Note that was selected, called or is being called for redemption, except the unredeemed portion of any Note being redeemed in part; or (3) exchange or register the transfer of any Note as to which an election for repayment by the holder has been made, except the unrepaid portion of any Note being repaid in part.

We will pay principal of and interest on any certificated notes at the offices of the paying agents we may designate from time to time. Generally, we will pay interest on a note by check on any interest payment date other than at stated maturity or upon earlier redemption or repayment to the person in whose name the note is registered at the close of business on the regular record date for that payment. We will pay principal and interest at stated maturity or upon earlier redemption or repayment in same-day funds against presentation and surrender of the applicable notes.

### SUPPLEMENT TO MATERIAL U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS

The following summary of certain U.S. federal income tax considerations supplements the discussion set forth under the heading "Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations" in the accompanying prospectus and is subject to the qualifications and assumptions set forth therein.

The following is a general summary of certain U.S. federal income tax considerations relating to the purchase, ownership and disposition of the Notes. This discussion is based upon the Code, Treasury Regulations and judicial decisions and administrative interpretations thereof, all as of the date hereof and all of which are subject to change or differing interpretations, possibly with retroactive effect. No ruling from the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") has been sought regarding any matter discussed herein. No assurance can be given that the IRS would not assert, or that a court would not sustain, a position contrary to any of the tax aspects set forth below.

This discussion applies only to a holder of Notes that acquires the Notes pursuant to this offering at the initial offering price and who holds the Notes as a capital asset (generally, property held for investment) under the Code. This discussion does not address any U.S. federal estate or gift tax consequences or any state, local or non-U.S. tax consequences. In addition, this discussion does not address all aspects of U.S. federal income taxation that may be applicable to investors in light of their particular circumstances, or to investors subject to special treatment under U.S. federal income tax law, including, but not limited to:

banks, insurance companies or other financial institutions;

persons subject to the alternative minimum tax;

cooperatives;

tax-exempt organizations;

dealers in securities;

expatriates;

foreign persons or entities (except to the extent set forth below);

persons deemed to sell the Notes under the constructive sale provisions of the Code; or

persons that hold the Notes as part of a straddle, hedge, conversion transaction or other integrated investment.

#### Table of Contents

If a partnership (including any entity or arrangement treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes) owns Notes, the tax treatment of a partner in the partnership will depend upon the status of the partner and the activities of the partnership. Partners in a partnership that owns the Notes should consult their tax advisors as to the particular U.S. federal income tax consequences applicable to them.

We encourage investors to consult their tax advisors regarding the specific consequences of an investment in our Notes, including tax reporting requirements, the applicability of U.S. 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.

#### **Consequences to U.S. Noteholders**

The following is a general summary of certain U.S. federal income tax consequences that will apply to you if you are a U.S. Noteholder. Certain U.S. federal income tax consequences to Non-U.S. Holders are described under "Consequences to Non-U.S. Holders" below. For purposes of this summary, the term "U.S. Noteholder" means a beneficial owner of a Note that is, for U.S. federal income tax purposes (i) an individual who is a citizen or resident of the U.S., (ii) a corporation, or other entity treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes, that is created or organized under the laws of the U.S., any of the States or the District of Columbia, (iii) an estate the income of which is subject to U.S. federal income taxation regardless of its source, or (iv) a trust (A) if a court within the U.S. is able to exercise primary supervision over its administration and one or more U.S. persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of such trust, or (B) that has made a valid election to be treated as a U.S. person for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

#### Stated interest and OID on the Notes

A U.S. Noteholder generally will be required to recognize stated interest as ordinary income at the time it is paid or accrued on the Notes in accordance with its regular method of accounting for U.S. federal income tax purposes. In addition, if the Notes' "issue price" (the first price at which a substantial amount of the Notes is sold to investors) is less than their stated principal amount by more than a statutorily defined de minimis threshold, the Notes will be issued with original issue discount ("OID") for U.S. federal income tax purposes. It is not expected that the Notes will be issued with OID. If, however, the Notes were issued with OID, a U.S. Noteholder generally will be required to include the OID in gross income as ordinary interest income in advance of the receipt of cash attributable to that income and regardless of such holder's regular method of tax accounting. Such OID will be included in gross income for each day during each taxable year in which the Note is held using a constant yield-to-maturity method that reflects the compounding of interest. This means that the holder will have to include in income increasingly greater amounts of OID over time.

#### Sale, exchange, redemption or other taxable disposition of the Notes

Upon the sale, exchange, redemption or other taxable disposition of a Note, a U.S. Noteholder generally will recognize capital gain or loss in an amount equal to the difference between (1) the sum of cash plus the fair market value of all other property received on such disposition (except to the extent such cash or property is attributable to accrued but unpaid interest, which, to the extent not previously included in income, generally will be taxable as ordinary income) and (2) its adjusted tax basis in the Note. A U.S. Noteholder's adjusted tax basis in a Note generally will equal the price the U.S. Noteholder paid for the Note increased by OID, if any, previously included in income with respect to that Note. Such capital gain or loss will be long-term capital gain or loss if, at the time of such taxable disposition, the U.S. Noteholder has held the Note for more than one year. The deductibility of capital losses is subject to limitations.

#### Table of Contents

#### **Consequences to Non-U.S. Noteholders**

The following is a general summary of certain U.S. federal income tax consequences that will apply to you if you are a non-U.S. Noteholder. A beneficial owner of a Note that is not a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes or a U.S. Noteholder is referred to herein as a "non-U.S. Noteholder."

#### Stated interest and OID on the Notes

Stated interest and OID, if any, paid or accrued to a non-U.S. Noteholder will generally not be subject to U.S. federal income or withholding tax if the interest or OID is not effectively connected with its conduct of a trade or business within the United States, and the non-U.S. Noteholder:

does not own, actually or constructively, 10% or more of the total combined voting power of all classes of our stock entitled to vote;

is not a "controlled foreign corporation" with respect to which we are, directly or indirectly, a "related person";

is not a bank whose receipt of interest on the Notes is described in section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code; and

provides its name and address, and certifies, under penalties of perjury, that it is not a U.S. person (on a properly executed IRS Form W-8BEN or other applicable form), or holds its Notes through certain foreign intermediaries and satisfies the certification requirements of applicable Treasury Regulations.

If a non-U.S. Noteholder does not qualify for an exemption under these rules, interest income and OID, if any, from the Notes may be subject to withholding tax at the rate of 30% (or lower applicable treaty rate). Stated interest and OID, if any, effectively connected with a non-U.S. Noteholder's conduct of a U.S. trade or business (and, if required by an applicable income tax treaty, which is attributable to a United States permanent establishment), however, would not be subject to a 30% withholding tax so long as the non-U.S. Noteholder provides us or our paying agent an adequate certification (currently on IRS Form W-8ECI); such payments of interest generally would be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net basis at the rates applicable to U.S. persons generally. In addition, if a non-U.S. Noteholder is a foreign corporation and the stated interest and OID, if any, is effectively connected with its conduct of a U.S. trade or business, it may also be subject to a 30% (or lower applicable treaty rate) branch profits tax on its effectively connected earnings and profits for the taxable year, subject to adjustments. To claim the benefit of a tax treaty, a non-U.S. Noteholder must provide a properly executed IRS Form W-8BEN (or other applicable form) to us or our paying agent before the payment of stated interest or OID, and may be required to obtain a U.S. taxpayer identification number and provide documentary evidence issued by foreign governmental authorities to prove residence in the foreign country.

#### Sale, exchange, redemption or other taxable disposition of the Notes

Any gain recognized by a non-U.S. Noteholder on the sale, exchange, redemption or other taxable disposition of the Notes (except with respect to accrued and unpaid interest, which would be taxed as described under "Consequences to Non-U.S. Noteholders" Stated interest and OID on the Notes" above) generally will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax unless:

the non-U.S. Noteholder's gain is effectively connected with its conduct of a U.S. trade or business (and, if required by an applicable income tax treaty, is attributable to a United States permanent establishment); or

#### Table of Contents

the non-U.S. Noteholder is a nonresident alien individual present in the U.S. for 183 or more days in the taxable year within which the sale, exchange, redemption or other disposition takes place and certain other requirements are met.

If a non-U.S. Noteholder is a holder described in the first bullet point above, the net gain derived from the sale, exchange, redemption or other taxable disposition of its Notes generally will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net basis at the rates applicable to U.S. persons generally. In addition, if such non-U.S. Noteholder is a foreign corporation, it may also be subject to a 30% (or lower applicable treaty rate) branch profits tax on its effectively connected earnings and profits for the taxable year, subject to adjustments. If a non-U.S. Noteholder is a holder described in the second bullet point above, it will be subject to a flat 30% U.S. federal income tax on the gain derived from the sale, exchange, redemption or other taxable disposition of its Notes, which may be offset by U.S. source capital losses, even though it is not considered a resident of the United States.

Non-U.S. Noteholders should consult any applicable income tax treaties that may provide for different rules. In addition, Non-U.S. Noteholders are urged to consult their tax advisors regarding the tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of the Notes.

#### **Information Reporting and Backup Withholding**

#### U.S. Noteholders

Payments of interest on, or the proceeds of the sale or other disposition of, a note are generally subject to information reporting unless the U.S. Noteholder is an exempt recipient (such as a corporation). Such payments, along with principal payments on the note, may also be subject to U.S. federal backup withholding tax at the applicable rate if the recipient of such payment fails to supply a taxpayer identification number, certified under penalties of perjury, as well as certain other information or otherwise fails to establish an exemption from backup withholding. Any amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules will be allowed as a refund or credit against that U.S. Noteholder's U.S. federal income tax liability *provided* the required information is furnished to the IRS.

#### Non-U.S. Noteholders

A Non-U.S. Noteholder may be required to comply with certain certification procedures to establish that the holder is not a U.S. person in order to avoid backup withholding tax with respect to our payment of principal and interest on, or the proceeds of the sale or other disposition of, a note. Any amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules will be allowed as a refund or a credit against that Non-U.S. Noteholder's U.S. federal income tax liability *provided* the required information is furnished to the IRS. In certain circumstances, the name and address of the beneficial owner and the amount of interest paid on a note, as well as the amount, if any, of tax withheld, may be reported to the IRS. Copies of these information returns may also be made available under the provisions of a specific treaty or agreement to the tax authorities of the country in which the Non-U.S. Noteholder resides.

#### **USE OF PROCEEDS**

We estimate that the net proceeds from this offering will be approximately \$96,800,000 (or approximately \$111,350,000 if the option to purchase up to an additional \$15 million in aggregate principal amount of Notes is exercised in full) after deducting estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses of approximately \$200,000 payable by us.

We expect to use the net proceeds from the sale of the Notes initially to maintain balance sheet liquidity, including investments in high quality short-term debt instruments, and thereafter to make long-term investments in accordance with our investment objective. We anticipate that substantially all of the net proceeds from this offering will be used for the above purposes within six months, depending on the availability of appropriate investment opportunities consistent with our investment objective and market conditions.

#### SENIOR SECURITIES

Information about our senior securities is shown in the following table as of each fiscal year ended June 30 since the Company commenced operations and as of December 31, 2011.

Asset

Involuntary

Average

Credit Facility	 l Amount tanding(1)	Co	verage per Jnit(2)	Liquidating Preference per Unit(3)	Average Market Value per Unit(4)
Fiscal 2012 (as of December 31, 2011, unaudited)	\$ 252,000	\$	6,932		
Fiscal 2011 (as of June 30, 2011)	84,200		18,065		
Fiscal 2010 (as of June 30, 2010)	100,300		8,093		
Fiscal 2009 (as of June 30, 2009)	124,800		5,268		
Fiscal 2008 (as of June 30, 2008)	91,167		5,712		
Fiscal 2007 (as of June 30, 2007)			N/A		
Fiscal 2006 (as of June 30, 2006)	28,500		4,799		
Fiscal 2005 (as of June 30, 2005)			N/A		
Fiscal 2004 (as of June 30, 2004)			N/A		
2010 Notes Fiscal 2012 (as of December 31, 2011, unaudited) Fiscal 2011 (as of June 30, 2011)	\$ 150,000 150,000	\$	11,647 10,140		
2011 Notes					
Fiscal 2012 (as of December 31, 2011, unaudited)	\$ 172,500	\$	10,127		
Fiscal 2011 (as of June 30, 2011)	172,500		8,818		
All Senior Securities(5)					
Fiscal 2012 (as of December 31, 2011, unaudited)	\$ 574,500	\$	3,041		
Fiscal 2011 (as of June 30, 2011)	406,700		3,740		

<sup>(1)</sup> 

Total amount of each class of senior securities outstanding at the end of the period presented (in 000's).

(2)

The asset coverage ratio for a class of senior securities representing indebtedness is calculated as our consolidated total assets, less all liabilities and indebtedness not represented by senior securities, divided by senior securities representing indebtedness. This asset coverage ratio is multiplied by \$1,000 to determine the Asset Coverage Per Unit.

(3)

This column is inapplicable.

(4)

This column is inapplicable.

(5)

On February 16, 2012, we entered into the Selling Agent Agreement and began the InterNotes Offering. Through April 23, 2012, we have sold \$14.0 million aggregate principal amount of Prospect Capital InterNotes under the program. On April 16, 2012, we issued a total of \$130 million aggregate principal amount of 5.375% Senior Convertible Notes due 2017 (the "2017 Notes"). Amounts sold under the Prospect Capital InterNotes program and the 2017 Notes are not reflected in the table above.

#### **RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES**

For the period ended December 31, 2011 and the years ended June 30, 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008 and 2007, the ratios of earnings to fixed charges of the Company, computed as set forth below, were as follows:

	For the Three Months Ended		For the Year Ended					
	December 31,D 2011	ecember 31, 2011	June 30, 2011	June 30, 2010	June 30, 2009	June 30, 2008	June 30, 2007	
Earnings to Fixed Charges(1)	7.61	6.58	7.72	3.34	6.78	5.37	9.79	

For purposes of computing the ratios of earnings to fixed charges, earnings represent net increase in net assets resulting from operations plus (or minus) income tax expense including excise tax expense plus fixed charges. Fixed charges include interest and credit facility fees expense and amortization of debt issuance costs.

(1)

Earnings include the net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation. Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation can vary substantially from year to year. Excluding the net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation, the earnings to fixed charges ratio would be 6.12 for the three months ended December 31, 2011, 4.38 for the six months ended December 31, 2011, 7.29 for the year ended June 30, 2011, 2.87 for the year ended June 30, 2010, 4.35 for the year ended June 30, 2009, 7.93 for the year ended June 30, 2007.

#### UNDERWRITING

Citigroup Global Markets Inc., Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated and UBS Securities LLC are acting as representatives of each of the underwriters named below. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth in a purchase agreement among us and the underwriters, we have agreed to sell to the underwriters, and each of the underwriters has agreed, severally and not jointly, to purchase from us, the aggregate principal amount of Notes set forth opposite its name below.

Underwriter	Principal Amount of Notes
Citigroup Global Markets Inc.	\$ 29,000,000
Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith	
Incorporated	29,000,000
UBS Securities LLC	29,000,000
Barclays Capital Inc.	4,750,000
RBC Capital Markets, LLC	4,750,000
BB&T Capital Markets, a division of Scott & Stringfellow, LLC	2,500,000
J.J.B. Hilliard, W.L. Lyons, Inc.	500,000
Maxim Group LLC	500,000
-	
Total	\$ 100,000,000

Subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the purchase agreement, the underwriters have agreed, severally and not jointly, to purchase all of the Notes sold under the purchase agreement if any of these Notes are purchased. If an underwriter defaults, the purchase agreement provides that the purchase commitments of the nondefaulting underwriters may be increased or the purchase agreement may be terminated.

We have agreed to indemnify the underwriters against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, or to contribute to payments the underwriters may be required to make in respect of those liabilities.

The underwriters are offering the Notes, subject to prior sale, when, as and if issued to and accepted by them, subject to approval of legal matters by counsel and other conditions contained in the purchase agreement. The underwriters reserve the right to withdraw, cancel or modify offers to the public and to reject orders in whole or in part.

We expect that delivery of the Notes will be made against payment therefor on or about May 1, 2012, which will be the fifth business day following the date of the pricing of the Notes (such settlement being herein referred to as "T+5"). Under Rule 15c6-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, trades in the secondary market generally are required to settle in three business days, unless the parties to any such trade expressly agree otherwise. Accordingly, purchasers who wish to trade the Notes prior to the date of delivery hereunder will be required, by virtue of the fact that the Notes initially will settle in T+5 business days, to specify an alternate settlement arrangement at the time of any such trade to prevent a failed settlement.

#### **Commissions and Discounts**

An underwriting discount of 3% per Note will be paid by us. This underwriting discount will also apply to any Notes purchased pursuant to the option to purchase up to an additional \$15 million in aggregate principal amount of Notes.

The following table shows the total underwriting discounts and commissions that we are to pay to the underwriters in connection with this offering. The information assumes either no exercise or full exercise by the underwriters of their option.

		Total		Total	
	Per Note	Without Option	With Option		
Public offering price	100.00%	\$ 100,000,000	\$	115,000,000	
Underwriting discount	3.00%	\$ 3,000,000	\$	3,450,000	
Proceeds, before expenses, to us	97.00%	\$ 97,000,000	\$	111,550,000	

The underwriters propose to offer some of the Notes to the public at the public offering price set forth on the cover page of this prospectus supplement and some of the Notes to certain dealers at the public offering price less a concession not in excess of 1.50% of the principal amount of the Notes. The underwriters may allow, and dealers may reallow, a concession not in excess of 1.20% of the principal amount of the Notes to certain other dealers. After the initial offering of the Notes to the public, the public offering price and such concessions may be changed. No such change shall change the amount of proceeds to be received by us as set forth on the cover page of this prospectus supplement.

The expenses of the offering, not including the underwriting discount, are estimated at \$200,000 and are payable by us.

#### Option

We have granted an option to the underwriters to purchase up to an additional \$15,000,000 total aggregate principal amount of Notes at the public offering price within 30 days from the date of this prospectus supplement. If the underwriters exercise this option, each will be obligated, subject to conditions contained in the purchase agreement, to purchase a number of additional Notes proportionate to that underwriter's initial principal amount reflected in the above table.

#### Lock-Up Arrangement

We have agreed that during a period of 30 days from the date of this prospectus supplement, we will not, without the prior written consent of Citigroup Global Markets Inc., Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated and UBS Securities LLC, directly or indirectly, offer, pledge, sell, contract to sell, grant any option for the sale of, or otherwise transfer or dispose of, any senior unsecured debt securities issued or guaranteed by us or any securities convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for senior unsecured debt securities issued or guaranteed by us or file any registration statement under the Securities Act with respect to any of the foregoing. The foregoing restriction shall not apply to (i) the registration and sale of the Notes to be sold hereunder and (ii) the option we have granted to the initial purchasers of our 2017 Notes to purchase up to an additional \$20.0 million in aggregate principal amount of 2017 Notes.

#### Listing

The Notes are a new issue of securities with no established trading market. We intend to list the Notes on The New York Stock Exchange. We expect trading in the Notes on The New York Stock Exchange to begin within 30 days after the original issue date. Currently there is no public market for the Notes.

#### Table of Contents

We have been advised by the underwriters that they presently intend to make a market in the Notes after completion of the offering as permitted by applicable laws and regulations. The underwriters are not obligated, however, to make a market in the Notes and any such market-making may be discontinued at any time in the sole discretion of the underwriters without any notice. Accordingly, no assurance can be given as to the liquidity of, or development of a public trading market for, the Notes. If an active public trading market for the Notes does not develop, the market price and liquidity of the Notes may be adversely affected.

#### **Price Stabilization, Short Positions**

In connection with the offering, the underwriters may purchase and sell Notes in the open market. These transactions may include overallotment, covering transactions and stabilizing transactions. Overallotment involves sales of securities in excess of the aggregate principal amount of securities to be purchased by the underwriters in the offering, which creates a short position for the underwriters. Covering transactions involve purchases of the securities in the open market after the distribution has been completed in order to cover short positions. Stabilizing transactions consist of certain bids or purchases of securities made for the purpose of preventing or retarding a decline in the market price of the securities while the offering is in progress.

The underwriters also may impose a penalty bid. This occurs when a particular underwriter repays to the underwriters a portion of the underwriting discount received by it because the representatives have repurchased Notes sold by or for the account of such underwriter in stabilizing or short covering transactions.

Any of these activities may cause the price of the Notes to be higher than the price that otherwise would exist in the open market in the absence of such transactions. These transactions may be affected in the over-the-counter market or otherwise and, if commenced, may be discontinued at any time without any notice relating thereto.

#### **Electronic Offer, Sale and Distribution of Notes**

The underwriters may make prospectuses available in electronic (PDF) format. A prospectus in electronic (PDF) format may be made available on a web site maintained by the underwriters, and the underwriters may distribute such prospectuses electronically. The underwriters may allocate a limited principal amount of the Notes for sale to their online brokerage customers.

#### **Other Relationships**

The underwriters and their affiliates have provided in the past and may provide from time to time in the future in the ordinary course of their business certain commercial banking, financial advisory, investment banking and other services to us for which they have received or will be entitled to receive customary fees and commissions. In particular, affiliates of certain of the underwriters are lenders under our credit facility.

The principal business address of Citigroup Global Markets Inc. is 388 Greenwich St., New York, NY 10013. The principal business address of Merrill, Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated is 4 World Financial Center, 250 Vesey St., New York, NY 10080. The principal business address of UBS Securities LLC is 677 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, CT 06901.

#### **Other Jurisdictions**

Other than in the United States, no action has been taken by us or the underwriters that would permit a public offering of the Notes offered by this prospectus supplement in any jurisdiction where action for that purpose is required. The Notes offered by this prospectus supplement may not be

#### Table of Contents

offered or sold, directly or indirectly, nor may this prospectus supplement or any other offering material or advertisements in connection with the offer and sale of any such Notes be distributed or published in any jurisdiction, except under circumstances that will result in compliance with the applicable rules and regulations of that jurisdiction. Persons into whose possession this prospectus supplement comes are advised to inform themselves about and to observe any restriction relating to the offering and the distribution of this prospectus supplement. This prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus do not constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to buy the Notes offered by this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus in any jurisdiction in which such an offer or a solicitation is unlawful.

#### LEGAL MATTERS

The legality of the Notes will be passed upon for the Company by Joseph Ferraro, our General Counsel. Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP ("Skadden, Arps"), New York, New York, and Venable LLP, as special Maryland counsel, Baltimore, Maryland, will pass on certain matters for the Company. Certain legal matters in connection with the offering will be passed upon for the underwriters by Troutman Sanders LLP. Skadden, Arps and Venable LLP each have from time to time acted as counsel for us and our subsidiaries and may do so in the future.

#### INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

BDO USA, LLP is the independent registered public accounting firm for the Company.

#### **AVAILABLE INFORMATION**

We have filed with the SEC a registration statement on Form N-2, together with all amendments and related exhibits, under the Securities Act, with respect to the Notes offered by this prospectus supplement. The registration statement contains additional information about us and the Notes being registered by this prospectus supplement. We file with or submit to the SEC annual, quarterly and current periodic reports, proxy statements and other information meeting the informational requirements of the Exchange Act. This information and the information specifically regarding how we voted proxies relating to portfolio securities for the period ended June 30, 2011, are available free of charge by contacting us at 10 East 40th Street, 44th floor, New York, NY 10016 or by telephone at toll-free (888) 748-0702. You may inspect and copy these reports, proxy statements and other information, as well as the registration statement and related exhibits and schedules, at the Public Reference Room of the SEC at 100 F Street NE, Washington, D.C. 20549. You may obtain information on the operation of the Public Reference Room by calling the SEC at (202) 551-8090. The SEC maintains an Internet site that contains reports, proxy and information statements and other information may be obtained, after paying a duplicating fee, by electronic request at the following E-mail address: publicinfo@sec.gov, or by writing the SEC's Public Reference Section, Washington, D.C. 20549-0102.

Table of Contents

#### INDEX TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Consolidated Statements of Assets and Liabilities December 31, 2011 (Unaudited) and June 30, 2011 (Audited)	<u>F-2</u>
Consolidated Statements of Operations (Unaudited) For the Three and Six Months Ended December 31, 2011 and 2010	<u>F-3</u>
Consolidated Statements of Changes in Net Assets (Unaudited) For the Six Months Ended December 31, 2011 and 2010	<u>F-4</u>
Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Unaudited) For the Six Months Ended December 31, 2011 and 2010	<u>F-5</u>
Consolidated Schedule of Investments December 31, 2011 (Unaudited) and June 30, 2011 (Audited)	<u>F-6</u>
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited)	<u>F-31</u>
F-1	

#### PROSPECT CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

## December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011

#### (in thousands, except share and per share data)

	December 31, 2011		,		,	
	(	U <b>naudited</b> )		(Audited)		
Assets (Note 4)						
Investments at fair value:						
Control investments (net cost of \$273,496 and \$262,301, respectively)	\$	386,552	\$	310,072		
Affiliate investments (net cost of \$59,488 and \$56,833, respectively)		67,872		72,337		
Non-control/Non-affiliate investments (net cost of \$1,315,227 and \$1,116,600, respectively)		1,262,179		1,080,601		
Total investments at fair value (net cost of \$1,648,211 and \$1,435,734, respectively, Note 3)		1,716,603		1,463,010		
Investments in money market funds		60,705		59,903		
Cash		1,861		1,492		
Receivables for:						
Interest, net		9,739		9,269		
Other		517		267		
Prepaid expenses		387		101		
Deferred financing costs		12,410		15,275		
Total Assets		1,802,222		1,549,317		
Liabilities						
Credit facility payable (Note 4)		252,000		84,200		
Senior convertible notes (Note 5)		322,500		322,500		
Dividends payable		11,123		10,895		
Due to Broker		17,339				
Due to Prospect Administration (Note 9)		628		212		
Due to Prospect Capital Management (Note 9)		17,459		7,706		
Accrued expenses		5,966		5,876		
Other liabilities		2,723		3,571		
Total Liabilities		629,738		434,960		
Net Assets	\$	1,172,484	\$	1,114,357		
Components of Net Assets						
Common stock, par value \$0.001 per share (200,000,000 common shares authorized; 109,691,051 and						
107,606,690 issued and outstanding, respectively) (Note 6)	\$	110	\$	108		
Paid-in capital in excess of par (Note 6)		1,217,027		1,196,741		
Distributions in excess of net investment income				(21,638)		
Accumulated net realized losses on investments		(89,239)		(88,130)		
Net unrealized appreciation on investments		68,392		27,276		
Net Assets	\$	1,172,484	\$	1,114,357		
Net Asset Value Per Share	\$	10.69	\$	10.36		

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

#### PROSPECT CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

#### For The Three and Six Months Ended December 31, 2011 and 2010

## (in thousands, except share and per share data)

#### (Unaudited)

	Month	ne Three 1s Ended nber 31,	Ended Months E	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
Investment Income				
Interest Income: (Note 3)				
Control investments	\$ 6,415	\$ 5,428	\$ 12,580	\$ 10,617
Affiliate investments	2,399	3,524	4,801	6,474
Non-control/Non-affiliate investments	36,714	18,410	70,034	39,192
Total interest income	45,528	27,362	87,415	56,283
Dividend income:				
Control investments	17,645	2,300	24,345	4,050
Non-control/Non-affiliate investments	1,992	1,068	2,841	1,508
Money market funds		3	1	7
Total dividend income	19,637	3,371	27,187	5,565
	.,	- ,	.,	- ,
Other income: (Note 7)				
Control investments	612	14	618	1,785
Affiliate investments	13	7	74	154
Non-control/Non-affiliate investments	1,473	2,546	7,311	4,725
Total other income	2,098	2,567	8,003	6,664
Total Investment Income	67,263	33,300	122,605	68,512
Operating Expenses				
Investment advisory fees:				
Base management fee (Note 9)	8,825	4,903	17,036	9,179
Income incentive fee (Note 9)	9,127	4,769	16,096	10,018
	,	,	,	,
Total investment advisory fees	17,952	9,672	33,132	19,197
Interest and credit facility expenses	9,759	2,261	18,719	4,522
Legal fees	510	170	942	480
Valuation services	306	231	608	448
Audit, compliance and tax related fees	525	265	865	481
Allocation of overhead from Prospect Administration (Note 9)	1,117	840	2,233	1,640
Insurance expense	20	72	99	143
Directors' fees	63	64	127	128
Other general and administrative expenses	503	645	1,495	1,398
Total Operating Expenses	30,755	14,220	58,220	28,437

Net Investment Income	36,508	19,080	64,385	40,075
Net realized gain (loss) on investments (Note 3)	13,498	4,489	(1,109)	5,016
Net change in unrealized appreciation on investments (Note 3)	14,486	8,371	41,116	12,429
Net Increase in Net Assets Resulting from Operations	\$ 64,492	\$ 31,940	\$ 104,392	\$ 57,520
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations per share:				
(Note 8 and Note 12)	\$ 0.59	\$ 0.38	\$ 0.96	\$ 0.73
Dividends declared per share	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.30	\$ 0.61	\$ 0.60

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

## PROSPECT CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

#### For The Six Months Ended December 31, 2011 and 2010

#### (in thousands, except share data)

#### (Unaudited)

	For The Six M Decemb		
	2011		2010
Increase in Net Assets from Operations:			
Net investment income	\$ 64,385	\$	40,075
Net realized (loss) gain on investments	(1,109)		5,016
Net change in unrealized appreciation on investments	41,116		12,429
Net Increase in Net Assets Resulting from Operations	104,392		57,520
Dividends to Shareholders	(66,553)		(48,752)
Capital Share Transactions:			
Proceeds from capital shares sold, net of underwriting costs	15,060		178,317
Less: Offering costs of public share offerings	(165)		(599)
Reinvestment of dividends	5,393		5,280
Net Increase in Net Assets Resulting from Capital Share Transactions	20,288		182,998
Total Increase in Net Assets	58,127		191,766
Net assets at beginning of period	1,114,357		711,424
Net Assets at End of Period	\$ 1,172,484	\$	903,190
Capital Share Activity:			
Shares sold	1,500,000		18,494,476
Shares issued through reinvestment of dividends	584,361		534,044
Net increase in capital share activity	2,084,361		19,028,520
Shares outstanding at beginning of period	107,606,690		69,086,862
Shares Outstanding at End of Period	109,691,051		88,115,382

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

#### PROSPECT CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

#### For The Six Months Ended December 31, 2011 and 2010

## (in thousands, except share data)

#### (Unaudited)

	Fo	or The Six M Decem	
		2011	2010
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:			
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations	\$	104,392	\$ 57,520
Net realized loss (gain) on investments		1,109	(5,016)
Net change in unrealized appreciation on investments		(41,116)	(12,429)
Accretion of purchase discount on investments		(2,575)	(5,960)
Amortization of deferred financing costs		4,494	2,134
Change in operating assets and liabilities			
Payments for purchases of investments		(373,943)	(275,867)
Payment-in-kind interest		(3,329)	(6,017)
Proceeds from sale of investments and collection of investment principal		166,261	135,553
Net increase of investments in money market funds		(802)	(63,323)
Increase in interest receivable		(470)	(3,064)
Increase in dividends receivable			(1)
(Increase) decrease in other receivables		(250)	69
(Increase) decrease in prepaid expenses		(286)	121
Increase in due to broker		17,339	
Increase in due to Prospect Administration		416	23
Increase (decrease) in due to Prospect Capital Management		9,753	781
Increase (decrease) in accrued expenses		90	(1,418)
(Decrease) increase in other liabilities		(848)	557
Net Cash Used In Operating Activities		(119,765)	(176,337)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities:			
Borrowings under Senior Convertible Notes (Note 5)			150,000
Borrowings under credit facility		442,300	180,500
Principal payments under credit facility		(274,500)	(280,800)
Financing costs paid and deferred		(1,629)	(6,660)
Proceeds from issuance of common stock, net of underwriting costs		15,060	178,317
Offering costs from issuance of common stock		(165)	(599)
Dividends paid		(60,932)	(41,483)
Net Cash Provided By Financing Activities		120,134	179,275
Total Increase in Cash		369	2,938
Cash balance at beginning of period		1,492	1,081
Cash Balance at End of Period	\$	1,861	\$ 4,019
Cash Paid For Interest	\$	12,777	\$ 1,314
Non-Cash Financing Activity:			

Amount of shares issued in connection with dividend reinvestment plan \$ 5,393 \$ 5,280

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

#### PROSPECT CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

## CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS

## December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011

			Dece	,		
Portfolio Company LEVEL 3 PORTFOLIO I	Locale / Industry NVESTMENTS:	Investments(1)	Principal Value	Cost	Fair Value(2)	% of Net Assets
Control Investments (25.0 AIRMALL USA, Inc (27)	00% or greater of voting co Pennsylvania / Property Management	ontrol) Senior Secured Term Loan (12.00% (LIBOR + 9.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 6/30/2015)(3)(4) Senior Subordinated Term Loan (12.00% plus 6.00% PIK, due 12/31/2015) Convertible Preferred Stock (9,919.684 shares) Common Stock (100 shares)	\$ 29,650 12,500	\$ 29,650 12,500 9,920 <b>52,070</b>	\$ 29,650 12,500 9,920 1,075 <b>53,145</b>	2.5% 1.1% 0.9% 0.1% <b>4.6</b> %
Ajax Rolled Ring & Machine, Inc.	South Carolina / Manufacturing	Senior Secured Note Tranche A (10.50% (LIBOR + 7.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 4/01/2013)(3)(4) Subordinated Secured Note Tranche B (11.50% (LIBOR + 8.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor) plus 6.00% PIK, due 4/01/2013)(3)(4)	20,387	20,387	20,387	1.7%
		Convertible Preferred Stock Series A (6,142.6 shares) Unrestricted Common Stock (6 shares)	15,055	6,057 <b>41,479</b>	4,966 40 <b>40,428</b>	0.4% 0.0% <b>3.4</b> %
AWCNC, LLC(19)	North Carolina / Machinery	Members Units Class A (1,800,000 units) Members Units Class B-1 (1 unit) Members Units Class B-2 (7,999,999 units)				0.0% 0.0% 0.0% <b>0.0</b> %
Borga, Inc.	California / Manufacturing	Revolving Line of Credit \$1,000 Commitment (5.00% (PRIME + 1.75%) plus 3.00% default interest, in non-accrual status effective 03/02/2010, past due)(4)(25) Senior Secured Term Loan B (8.50% (PRIME + 5.25%) plus 3.00% default interest, in non-accrual status effective 03/02/2010, past	1,000	945	1,000	0.1%
		due)(4) Senior Secured Term Loan C (12.00% plus 4.00% PIK plus 3.00% default interest, in non-accrual status effective 03/02/2010, past due) Common Stock (100 shares)(21) Warrants (33,750 warrants)(21)	1,612 9,166	1,501 707	168	0.0% 0.0% 0.0% 0.0%
				3,153	1,168	0.1%

C&J Cladding LLC	Texas / Metal Services and Minerals	Membership Interest (400 units)(22)		580	5,191	0.4%
				580	5,191	0.4%
Energy Solutions	Texas / Gas Gathering	Senior Secured Note (18.00%, due 12/11/2016)(3)				
Holdings, Inc.(8)	and Processing		25,000	25,000	25,000	2.1%
-	_	Junior Secured Note (18.00%, due 12/12/2016)(3)	12,000	12,000	12,000	1.0%
		Senior Secured Note to Vessel Holdings LLC				
		(18.00%, due 12/12/2016)	3,500	3,500	3,500	0.3%
		Subordinated Secured Note to Freedom Marine				
		Holdings, LLC (12.00% (LIBOR + 6.11% with				
		5.89% LIBOR floor) plus 4.00% PIK, in				
		non-accrual status effective 10/1/2010, due				
		12/31/2011)	13,086	12,504	3,431	0.3%
		Senior Secured Debt to Yatesville Coal				
		Holdings, Inc. (Non-accrual status effective				
		1/01/2009, past due)	1,035	1,035		0.0%
		Junior Secured Debt to Yatesville Coal				
		Holdings, Inc. (Non-accrual status effective				
		1/01/2009, past due)	414	414		0.0%
		Common Stock (100 shares)(3)		8,793	109,536	9.3%
				63,246	153,467	13.0%

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

## PROSPECT CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

## CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

### December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011

			December 31, 2011 (Unaud			,	
Portfolio Company	Locale / Industry	Investments(1)	Principal Value	Cost	Fair Value(2)	% of Net Assets	
LEVEL 3 PORTFOLIO							
Control Investments (25.) Integrated Contract	00% or greater of voting of North Carolina /	Secured Promissory Notes (15.00%, in non-accrual					
Services, Inc.(9)	Contracting	status effective 12/22/2010, due					
Services, me.())	Conducting	3/21/2012 12/31/2013)(10)	\$ 2,581	\$ 2,580	\$ 1,106	0.1%	
		Senior Demand Note (15.00%, in non-accrual			- ,		
		status effective 11/1/2010, past due)(10) Senior Secured Note (7.00% plus 7.00% PIK plus	1,170	1,170		0.0%	
		6.00% default interest, in non-accrual status					
		effective 10/09/2007, past due)	960	660		0.0%	
		Junior Secured Note (7.00% plus 7.00% PIK plus					
		6.00% default interest, in non-accrual status effective 10/09/2007, past due)	13,110	13,110		0.0%	
		Preferred Stock Series A (10 shares)	15,110	15,110		0.0%	
		Common Stock (49 shares)		679		0.0%	
				18,199	1,106	0.1%	
Manx Energy, Inc.	Kansas / Oil & Gas	Appalachian Energy Holdings, LLC					
("Manx")(12)	Production	("AEH") Senior Secured First Lien Note (8.00%, in					
(1011111)(12)	Tioudellon	non-accrual status effective 1/19/2010, due					
		1/19/2013)	2,341	2,000		0.0%	
		Coalbed, LLC Senior Secured Note (8.00%, in					
		non-accrual status effective 1/19/2010, due	7.000	5 001		0.00	
		1/19/2013)(6) Manx Senior Secured Note (13.00%, in non-accrual	7,022	5,991		0.0%	
		status effective 1/19/2010, due 1/19/2013)	3,550	3,550	436	0.0%	
		Manx Preferred Stock (6,635 shares)	0,000	6,307	100	0.0%	
		Manx Common Stock (17,082 shares)		1,171		0.0%	
				19,019	436	0.0%	
NMMB	New York / Media	Revolving Line of Credit \$3,000 Commitment					
Holdings, Inc.(24)		(10.50% (LIBOR + 8.50% with 2.00% LIBOR					
		floor), due 5/6/2012)(4)(25)				0.0%	
		Senior Term Loan (14.00%, due 5/6/2016)	21,700	21,700	21,700	1.9%	
		Senior Subordinated Term Loan (15.00%, due 5/6/2016)	2,800	2,800	2,800	0.2%	
		Series A Preferred Stock (4,400 shares)	2,000	2,800 4,400	1,784	0.2%	
				28,900	26,284	2.3%	
NRG Manufacturing, Inc.	Texas / Manufacturing	Senior Secured Note (15.00%, due 12/27/2016)	37,218	37,218	37,218	3.2%	
6, 11	e	Common Stock (408 shares)	, -	1,180	50,257	4.3%	
				38,398	87,475	7.5%	
Nupla Corporation	California / Home & Office Furnishings,	Revolving Line of Credit \$2,000 Commitment (7.25% (PRIME + 4.00%), plus 2.00% default	1,093	1,046	1,093	0.1%	

Housewares & Durable	interest, due 9/04/2012)(4)(25) Senior Secured Term Loan A (8.00% (PRIME + 4.75%) plus 2.00% default interest, due 9/04/2012)(4) Senior Subordinated Debt (15.00% PIK, in non-accrual status effective 4/01/2009, due	4,273	637	3,857	0.3%
	3/04/2013) Preferred Stock Class A (2,850 shares) Preferred Stock Class B (1,330 shares) Common Stock (2,360,743 shares)	4,212		96	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0\% \\ 0.0\% \\ 0.0\% \\ 0.0\% \end{array}$
			1,683	5,046	0.4%

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

## PROSPECT CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

## CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

## December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011

			December 31, 2011 (Unaud			,	
Portfolio Company LEVEL 3 PORTFOLIO	Locale / Industry INVESTMENTS:	Investments(1)	Principal Value	Cost	Fair Value(2)	% of Net Assets	
<b>Control Investments (25.</b> R-V Industries, Inc.	00% or greater of voting co Pennsylvania / Manufacturing	ontrol) Warrants (200,000 warrants, expiring 6/30/2017) Common Stock (545,107 shares)		\$ 1,682 5,087	\$	$0.3\% \\ 0.8\%$	
				6,769	12,806	1.1%	
		Total Control Investments		273,496	386,552	32.9%	
Affiliate Investments (5.0 BNN Holdings Corp., (f/k/a Biotronic NeuroNetwork)	0% to 24.99% voting contr Michigan / Healthcare	<b>rol)</b> Senior Secured Note (11.50% (LIBOR + 7.00% with 4.50% LIBOR floor) plus 1.00% PIK, due 2/21/2013)(3)(4) Preferred Stock Series A (9,925.455 shares)(13) Preferred Stock Series B (1,753.64 shares)(13)	\$ 26,227	26,227 2,300 579	26,227 310 78	2.2% 0.0% 0.0%	
				29,106	26,615	2.2%	
Boxercraft Incorporated	Georgia / Textiles & Leather	Senior Secured Term Loan A (9.50% (LIBOR + 6.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 9/16/2013)(3)(4) Senior Secured Term Loan B (10.00% (LIBOR + 7.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due	2,194	2,003	2,225	0.2%	
		(LIBOR + 7.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due	4,725	4,140	4,796	0.4%	
		9/16/2013)(3)(4) Subordinated Secured Term Loan (12.00% plus	2,289	2,289	2,323	0.2%	
		3.00% PIK, due 3/16/2014)(3) Preferred Stock (1,000,000 shares) Common Stock (10,000 shares)	7,846	6,751	7,964 1,305	0.7% 0.1% 0.0%	
				15,183	18,613	1.6%	
Smart, LLC(14)	New York / Diversified / Conglomerate Service	Membership Interest			37	0.0%	
					37	0.0%	
Sport Helmets Holdings, LLC(14)	New York / Personal & Nondurable Consumer Products	Revolving Line of Credit \$3,000 Commitment (3.87% (LIBOR + 3.50%), due 12/14/2013)(4)(25)(26)				0.0%	
	1.044015	Senior Secured Term Loan A (3.87% (LIBOR + 3.50%), due 12/14/2013)(3)(4)	1,675	1,132	1,645	0.2%	
		Senior Secured Term Loan B (4.37%, (LIBOR + 4.00%) due 12/14/2013)(3)(4)	7,275 7,666	5,877 6,580	7,062 7,666	0.6% 0.7%	

Senior Subordinated Debt Series A (12.00% plus 3.00% PIK, due 6/14/2014)(3) Senior Subordinated Debt Series B (10.00% plus 5.00% PIK due 6/14/2014)(2)	1.464	1.151	1.464	0.1%
5.00% PIK, due 6/14/2014)(3)	1,404	, -	, -	
Common Stock (20,974 shares)		459	4,770	0.4%
		15,199	22,607	2.0%
Total Affiliate Investments		59,488	67,872	5.8%

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

## PROSPECT CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

#### CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

## December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011

			Dec Principal	ember 31, 2	011 (Unaudit Fair	ed) % of Net
Portfolio Company LEVEL 3 PORTFOLIO I	Locale / Industry	Investments(1)	Value	Cost	Value(2)	Assets
	Investments (less than 5.00	% of voting control)				
ADAPCO, Inc.	Florida / Ecological	Common Stock (5,000 shares)		\$ 141	\$ 233	0.0%
				141	233	0.0%
Aircraft Fasteners International, LLC	California / Machinery	Revolving Line of Credit \$500 Commitment (9.50% (LIBOR + 7.00% with 2.50% LIBOR floor), due 11/01/2012)(4)(25)(26) Senior Secured Term Loan (9.50% (LIBOR + 7.00% with 2.50% LIBOR floor), due				0.0%
		11/01/2012)(3)(4) Junior Secured Term Loan (12.00% plus 6.00%	2,976	2,976	2,976	0.3%
		PIK, due 5/01/2013)(3) Convertible Preferred Stock (32,500 units)	4,465	4,465 396	4,465 428	$0.4\% \\ 0.0\%$
				7,837	7,869	0.7%
American Gilsonite Company	Utah / Specialty Minerals	Senior Subordinated Note (12.00% (LIBOR + 10.00% with 2.00% LIBOR floor) plus				
		2.50% PIK, due 3/10/2016)(3)(4) Senior Subordinated Note (12.00% (LIPOP + 10.00% with 2.00% LIPOP floor) plus	30,232	2 30,232	30,232	2.6%
		(LIBOR + 10.00% with 2.00% LIBOR floor) plus 2.50% PIK, due 3/10/2016)(4) Membership Interest in AGC/PEP, LLC	7,500	7,500	7,500	0.6%
		(99.9999%)(15)			4,223	0.4%
				37,732	41,955	3.6%
Anchor Hocking, LLC.(3)	Ohio / Durable Consumer Products	Senior Secured First Lien Term Loan (10.50% (LIBOR + 9.00% with 1.50% LIBOR floor), due 9/27/2016)(4)	20,444	20,444	19,859	1.7%
		<i>y</i>	20,111	20,444	19,859	1.7%
	Courses Islands (	Subardinated Nation (Davidual Internet)		20,444	19,009	1.7 /0
Apidos CLO VIII	Cayman Islands / Diversified Financial Services	Subordinated Notes (Residual Interest)		10,677	9,668	0.8%
				10,677	9,668	0.8%
Arrowhead General Insurance Agency, Inc.(16)	California / Insurance	Secured Second Lien Term Loan (11.25% (LIBOR + 9.50% with 1.75% LIBOR floor), due 9/30/2017)(4)	27,000	27,000	27,810	2.4%
		~ /	.,	27,000	27,810	2.4%
				_,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	_,,010	2

Babson CLO Ltd 2011-I	Cayman Islands / Diversified Financial Services	Subordinated Notes (Residual Interest)		32,116	29,694	2.5%
	Strvices			32,110 32,116	29,694 29,694	2.5%
Byrider Systems Acquisition Corp	Indiana / Auto Finance	Senior Subordinated Notes (12.00% plus 2.00% PIK, due 11/3/2016)(3)	25,296	25,296	25,296	2.2%
				25,296	25,296	2.2%
Caleel + Hayden, LLC (14)	Colorado / Personal & Nondurable Consumer Products	Membership Units (7,500 shares) Options in Mineral Fusion Natural Brands, LLC		351	562	0.0%
		(11,662 options)		351	562	0.0% <b>0.0</b> %
Capstone Logistics, LLC. (4)	Georgia / Commercial Services	Senior Secured Term Loan A (7.50% (LIBOR + 5.50% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due 9/16/2016) Senior Secured Term Loan B (13.50%	34,027	34,027	34,027	2.9%
		(LIBOR + 11.50% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due 9/16/2016)(3)	41,625	41,625	41,625	3.6%
				75,652	75,652	6.5%

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

## PROSPECT CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

## CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

#### December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011

			Dec	ted) % of Net		
Portfolio Company LEVEL 3 PORTFOLIO	Locale / Industry	Investments(1)	Principal Value	Cost	Fair Value(2)	% of Net Assets
	e Investments (less than 5.0	0% of voting control)				
Cargo Airport Services USA, LLC	New York / Transportation	Senior Secured Term Loan (11.50% (LIBOR + 8.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 3/31/2016)(3)(4) Common Equity (1.5 units) Membership Interests in Cargo Services	\$ 49,522	\$ 49,522 1,500	\$ 49,522 1,705	$4.2\% \\ 0.1\%$
		Holdings, LLC		139	139	0.0%
				51,161	51,366	4.3%
CIFC Funding 2011-I, Ltd. (4)	Cayman Islands / Diversified Financial	Secured Class D Notes (5.79% (LIBOR + 5.00%), due 1/19/2023)				
	Services	Unsecured Class E Notes (7.79%	2,500	1,930	1,930	0.2%
		(LIBOR + 7.00%), due 1/19/2023)	15,400	12,404	12,404	1.1%
				14,334	14,334	1.3%
Clearwater Seafoods LP	Canada / Food Products	Second Lien Term Loan (12.00%, due 2/4/2016)(3)	45,000	45,000	45,000	3.8%
				45,000	45,000	3.8%
The Copernicus Group, Inc.	North Carolina / Healthcare	Revolving Line of Credit \$1,000 Commitment (7.50% (LIBOR + 4.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 2/9/2016)(4)(25) Senior Secured Term Loan A (7.50% (LIBOR + 4.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due				0.0%
		2/9/2016)(3)(4) Senior Secured Term Loan B (13.50%	10,688	10,688	10,688	0.9%
		(LIBOR + 10.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 2/9/2016)(3)(4) Preferred Stock Series A (1,000,000 shares) Preferred Stock Series C (212,121 shares)	11,250	11,250 67 212	11,250 1,489 634	1.0% 0.1% 0.1%
				22,217	24,061	2.1%
CRT MIDCO, LLC	Wisconsin / Media	Senior Secured Term Loan (10.50% (LIBOR + 7.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due				
		6/30/2017)(3)(4)	74,250	74,250	74,250	6.3%
				74,250	74,250	6.3%
Diamondback Operating, LP	Oklahoma / Oil & Gas Production	Net Profits Interest (15.00% payable on Equity distributions)(7)				0.0%
						0.0%

Empire Today, LLC(16)	Illinois / Durable Consumer Products	Senior Secured Note (11.375%, due 2/1/2017)	15,700	15,220	15,700	1.3%
				15,220	15,700	1.3%
Fischbein, LLC	North Carolina / Machinery	Senior Subordinated Debt (12.00% plus 2.00% PIK, due 10/31/2016) Membership Class A (875,000 units)	3,379	3,379 875	3,379 1,466	0.3% 0.1%
				4,254	4,845	0.4%
H&M Oil & Gas, LLC	Texas / Oil & Gas Production	Senior Secured Note (13.00% (LIBOR + 7.50% with 5.50% LIBOR floor) plus 3.00% PIK, in non-accrual status effective 01/01/2011, past due)(4) Net Profits Interest (8.00% payable on Equity distributions)(7)	61,865	60,019	39,081	3.3% 0.0%
				60,019	39,081	3.3%
Hi-Tech Testing Service, Inc. and Wilson	Texas / Oil & Gas Equipment & Services	Senior Secured Term Loan (11.00%, due 9/26/2016)				
Inspection X-Ray Services, Inc.			8,000	7,760	7,760	0.7%
				7,760	7,760	0.7%

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

## PROSPECT CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

## CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

#### December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011

			December 31, 2011 (Unaudited) Principal Fair %				
Portfolio Company LEVEL 3 PORTFOLIO	Locale / Industry INVESTMENTS:	Investments(1)	Principal Value	Cost	Fair Value(2)	% of Net Assets	
Non-control/Non-affiliate	Investments (less than 5.00	% of voting control)					
Hoffmaster Group, Inc.	Wisconsin / Durable Consumer Products	Second Lien Term Loan (11.00% (LIBOR + 9.50% with 1.50% LIBOR floor), due 1/3/2019)(4)	\$ 10,000	\$ 9,800	\$ 9,800	0.8%	
				9,800	9,800	0.8%	
Hudson Products Holdings, Inc.(16)	Texas / Manufacturing	Senior Secured Term Loan (8.50% (PRIME + 4.50% with 4.00% PRIME floor), due 8/24/2015)(3)(4)	6,316	5,840	5,365	0.5%	
				5,840	5,365	0.5%	
ICON Health & Fitness, Inc(16)	Utah / Durable Consumer Products	Senior Secured Note (11.875%, due 10/15/2016)(3)	43,100	43,382	43,100	3.7%	
				43,382	43,100	3.7%	
Injured Workers Pharmacy LLC	Massachusetts / Healthcare	Second Lien Debt (12.00% (LIBOR + 7.50% with 4.50% LIBOR floor) plus 1.00% PIK, due 11/04/2017)(3)(4)	15,024	15,024	15,024	1.3%	
				15,024	15,024	1.3%	
Iron Horse Coiled	Alberta, Canada /	Common Stock (3,821 shares)					
Tubing, Inc.(23)	Production Services			268	2,040	0.2%	
				268	2,040	0.2%	
JHH Holdings, Inc.	Texas / Healthcare	Second Lien Debt (12.00% (LIBOR + 10.00% with 2.00% LIBOR floor) plus 2.50% PIK, due 6/23/2016)(3)(4)	15,637	15,637	15,637	1.3%	
				15,637	15,637	1.3%	
LHC Holdings Corp.	Florida / Healthcare	Revolving Line of Credit \$750 Commitment (8.50% (LIBOR + 6.00% with 2.50% LIBOR floor), due 6/30/2012)(4)(25)(26) Senior Secured Term Loan A (8.50% (LIBOR + 6.00% with 2.50% LIBOR floor), due				0.0%	
		6/30/2012)(3)(4) Senior Subordinated Debt (12.00% plus 2.50%	295	295	295	0.0%	
		PIK, due 5/31/2013)(3) Membership Interest (125 units)	4,565	4,358 216	4,562 210	$0.4\% \\ 0.0\%$	
				4,869	5,067	0.4%	

Maverick Healthcare, LLC	Arizona / Healthcare	Preferred Units (1,250,000 units) Common Units (1,250,000 units)		1,252	1,483	$0.1\% \\ 0.0\%$
				1,252	1,483	0.1%
Medical Security Card Company, LLC(4)	Arizona / Healthcare	Revolving Line of Credit \$1,500 Commitment (9.50% (LIBOR + 7.00% with 2.50% LIBOR floor), due 2/1/2016)(25)				0.0%
		First Lien Term Loan (11.25% (LIBOR + 8.75% with 2.50% LIBOR floor), due 2/1/2016)(3)	19,646	19,646	19,646	1.7%
				19,646	19,646	1.7%
Mood Media Corporation(16)(3)	Canada / Media	Senior Subordinated Term Loan (10.25% (LIBOR + 8.75% with 1.50% LIBOR floor), due				
		11/6/2018)(4)	15,000	14,859 <b>14,859</b>	14,875 <b>14,875</b>	1.3%
New Meatco	California / Food	Senior Subordinated Term Loan (12.00%		14,039	14,075	1.5%
Provisions, LLC	Products	(LIBOR + 9.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor) plus 4.00%, PIK due 4/18/2016)(4)	13,374	13,374	10,268	0.9%
				13,374	10,268	<b>0.9</b> %

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

## PROSPECT CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

#### CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

## December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011

		ember 31, 20		
Portfolio Company Locale / Industry Investments(1)	Principal Value	Cost	Fair Value(2)	% of Net Assets
LEVEL 3 PORTFOLIO INVESTMENTS:				
Non-control/Non-affiliate Investments (less than 5.00% of voting control)				
Nobel LearningPennsylvania / ConsumerSubordinated Unsecured (11.50% plus 1.50%Communities, Inc.ServicesPIK, due 8/9/2017)	\$ 15,070	\$ 15,070	\$ 15,070	1.3%
		15,070	15,070	1.3%
NorthwesternFlorida / HealthcareRevolving Line of Credit \$1,500 CommitmentManagement(10.50% (LIBOR + 7.50% with 3.00% LIBORServices, LLCfloor), due 7/30/2015)(4)(25)Senior Secured Term Loan A (10.50%(LIBOR + 7.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due				0.0%
7/30/2015)(3)(4)	16,887	16,887	16,887	1.4%
Common Stock (50 shares)		371	673	0.1%
		17,258	17,560	1.5%
Out Rage, LLC(4)Wisconsin / Durable Consumer ProductsRevolving Line of Credit \$1,500 Commitment (11.0% (LIBOR + 8.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 3/2/2012)(25) Senior Secured Term Loom (11.00% (LIBOR + 0.00% LIBOR floor), due 3/2/2012) (25)				0.0%
(LIBOR + 8.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 3/2/2015)	12,266	12,266	12,266	1.0%
		12,266	12,266	1.0%
Pinnacle Treatment       Pennsylvania / Healthcare       Revolving Line of Credit \$1,000 Commitment         Centers, Inc(4)       (8.0% (LIBOR + 5.00% with 3.00% LIBOR         floor), due 1/10/2016)(25)       Senior Secured Term Loan (11.00%         Genore Secured Term Loan (11.00%       (11.00%				0.0%
(LIBOR + 8.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 1/10/2016)(3)	18,050	18,050	17,355	1.5%
		18,050	17,355	1.5%
Detters Heldingen Demosileurie ( Certin Sederatingted Term Lean (10.250)				
Potters HoldingsPennsylvania / ManufacturingSenior Subordinated Term Loan (10.25%II, L.P.(16)Manufacturing(LIBOR + 8.50% with 1.75% LIBOR floor), due 11/6/2017)(3)(4)	15,000	14,791	15,000	1.3%
		14,791	15,000	1.3%
		,	10,000	10,0
Pre-Paid Legal Services,Oklahoma / ConsumerSenior Subordinated Term Loan (11.00%Inc(16)Services(LIBOR + 9.50% with 1.50% LIBOR floor), due 12/31/2016)(3)(4)	5,000	5,000	5,000	0.4%
		5,000	5,000	0.4%
Utah / Consumer Services	35,395	35,395	35,395	3.0%

Progrexion Holdings, Inc(4)(28)		Senior Secured Term Loan A (10.75% (LIBOR + 8.75% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due 12/31/2014)(3) Senior Secured Term Loan B (10.75% (LIBOR + 8.75% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due 12/31/2014)	32,463	32,463	32,463	2.8%
				67,858	67,858	5.8%
Renaissance Learning, Inc.(16)	Wisconsin / Consumer Services	Second Lien Term Loan (12.00% (LIBOR + 10.50% with 1.50% LIBOR floor), due 10/19/2018)(4)	6,000	5,764 <b>5,764</b>	6,000 <b>6,000</b>	0.5% <b>0.5</b> %

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

## PROSPECT CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

## CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

### December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011

			December 31, 2011 (Unaudited)			
Portfolio Company LEVEL 3 PORTFOLIO	Locale / Industry INVESTMENTS:	Investments(1)	Principal Value	Cost	Fair Value(2)	% of Net Assets
Non-control/Non-affiliat	e Investments (less than 5.0	5				
ROM Acquisition Corporation	Missouri / Automobile	Revolving Line of Credit \$1,750 Commitment (4.50% (LIBOR + 3.50% with 1.00% LIBOR floor), due 2/08/2013)(4)(25)(26) Senior Secured Term Loan A (4.50% (LIBOR - 2.50%) with 1.00% (LIBOR G	\$	\$	\$	0.0%
		(LIBOR + 3.50% with 1.00% LIBOR floor), due 2/08/2013)(3)(4) Senior Secured Term Loan B (8.00%	1,492	1,372	1,471	0.1%
		(LIBOR + 7.00% with 1.00% LIBOR floor), due 5/08/2013)(3)(4) Senior Secured Term Loan C (10.50% (LIBOR + 9.50% with 1.00% LIBOR floor), due 5/08/2013)(3)(4) Senior Secured Term Loan D (10.50% (LIBOR + 9.50% with 1.00% LIBOR floor), due 5/08/2013)(3)(4) Senior Subordinated Debt (12.00% plus 3.00% PIK due 8/08/2013)(3)	7,123	7,123	7,123	0.6%
			3,850	3,850	3,805	0.3%
			11,800	11,800	11,667	1.0%
			7,318	7,129 <b>31,274</b>	7,129 <b>31,195</b>	0.6% <b>2.6</b> %
				01,271	01,170	2.070
Royal Adhesives & Sealants, LLC	Indiana / Chemicals	Senior Subordinated Unsecured Term Loan (12.00% plus 2.00% PIK due 11/29/2016)	25,535	25,535	25,535	2.2%
				25,535	25,535	2.2%
SG Acquisition, Inc(4)	Georgia / Insurance	Senior Secured Term Loan A (8.50% (LIBOR + 6.50% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due 3/18/2016) Senior Secured Term Loan B (14.50% (LIBOR + 12.50% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due 3/18/2016)(3)	29,775	29,775	29,983	2.6%
			29,775	29,775	30,072	2.6%
				59,550	60,055	5.2%
Seaton Corp.	Illinois / Business	Subordinated Secured (12.50% (LIBOR + 9.00%				
	Services	with 3.50% LIBOR floor) plus 2.00% PIK, due 3/14/2014)(3)(4)	6,788	6,633	6,788	0.6%
				6,633	6,788	0.6%
Shearer's Foods, Inc.	Ohio / Food Products	Junior Secured Debt (12.00% plus 3.75% PIK (3.75% LIBOR floor), due 3/31/2016)(3)(4) Membership Interest in Mistral Chip Holdings, LLC Common (2,000 units)(17) Membership Interest in Mistral Chip Holdings, LLC 2 Common (595 units)(17)	36,935	36,935	36,935	3.1%
				2,000	2,190	0.2%
				1,322 673	652 772	$0.1\% \\ 0.1\%$

## Membership Interest in Mistral Chip Holdings, LLC 3 Preferred (67 units)(17)

				40,930	40,549	3.5%
Skillsoft Public Limited Company	Ireland / Software & Computer Services	Subordinated Unsecured (11.125%, due 06/01/2018)	15,000	14,914	15,000	1.3%
				14,914	15,000	1.3%
Snacks Holding	Minnesota / Food	Senior Subordinated Unsecured Term Loan				
Corporation	Products	(12.00% plus 1.00% PIK, due 11/12/2017)	15,173	14,646	14,646	1.2%
-		Series A Preferred Stock (4,021.45 shares)		56	37	0.0%
		Series B Preferred Stock (1,866.10 shares)		56	37	0.0%
		Warrant (to purchase 31,196.52 voting common shares, expires 11/12/2020)		479	319	0.0%
				15,237	15,039	1.2%

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

# PROSPECT CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

# CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

## December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011

			December 31, 2011 (Unaudited)			
Portfolio Company	Locale / Industry	Investments(1)	Principal Value	Cost	Fair Value(2)	% of Net Assets
LEVEL 3 PORTFOLIO	INVESTMENTS: e Investments (less than 5.0	00% of voting control)			. ,	
SonicWALL, Inc.	California / Software & Computer Services	Subordinated Secured (12.00% (LIBOR + 10.00% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due 1/23/2017)(3)(4)	\$ 23,000	\$ 22,983	\$ 23,000	2.0%
				22,983	23,000	2.0%
Springs Window Fashions, LLC	Wisconsin / Durable Consumer Products	Second Lien Term Loan (11.25% (LIBOR + 9.25% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due 11/30/2017)(3)(4)	35,000	35,000	34,592	3.0%
				35,000	34,592	3.0%
ST Products, LLC	Pennsylvania/ Manufacturing	Senior Secured Term Loan (12.00% (LIBOR + 9.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 6/16/2016)(3)(4)	26,169	26,169	26,169	2.2%
				26,169	26,169	2.2%
Stauber Performance Ingredients, Inc.	California / Food Products	Senior Secured Term Loan (10.50% (LIBOR + 7.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 1/21/2016)(3)(4)	22,218	22,218	22,218	1.9%
				22,218	22,218	<b>1.9</b> %
Stryker Energy, LLC	Ohio / Oil & Gas Production	Subordinated Secured Revolving Credit Facility \$50,300 Commitment (8.50% (LIBOR + 7.00% with 1.50% LIBOR floor) plus 3.75% PIK, in non-accrual status effective 12/1/2011, due 12/01/2015)(4)(25) Overriding Royalty Interests(18)	32,817	32,711	5,452 2,210	$0.5\% \\ 0.2\%$
				32,711	7,662	0.7%
Targus Group International, Inc(16)	California / Durable Consumer Products	First Lien Term Loan (11.00% (LIBOR + 9.50% with 1.50% LIBOR floor), due 5/25/2016)(3)(4)	23,880	23,444	23,880	2.0%
				23,444	23,880	2.0%
Totes Isotoner Corporation	Ohio / Nondurable Consumer Products	Second Lien Term Loan (10.75%, (LIBOR + 9.25% with 1.50% LIBOR floor) due 1/8/2018)(3)(4)	39,000	39,000 <b>39,000</b>	39,000 <b>39,000</b>	3.3% <b>3.3</b> %
				27,000	23,000	010 10
U.S. HealthWorks Holding Company, Inc(16)	California / Healthcare	Second Lien Term Loan (10.50% (LIBOR + 9.00% with 1.50% LIBOR floor), due 6/15/2017)(3)(4)	25,000	25,000	25,000	2.1%

				25,000	25,000	2.1%
VanDeMark Chemicals, Inc.(3)	New York / Chemicals	Senior Secured Term Loan Note (12.20% (LIBOR + 10.20% with 2.0% LIBOR floor), due 12/31/2014)(4)	31,083	31,083	31,083	2.6%
				31,083	31,083	2.6%
VPSI, Inc.	Michigan / Transportation	First Lien Senior Secured Note (12.00% (LIBOR + 10.00% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due				
		12/23/2015)(3)(4)	16,958	16,958	16,207	1.4%
				16,958	16,207	1.4%
		F-14				

# PROSPECT CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

# CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

# December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011

			December 31, 2011 (Unaudited)			,
Portfolio Company	Locale / Industry	Investments(1)	Principal Value	Cost	Fair Value(2)	% of Net Assets
LEVEL 3 PORTFOLIO I Non-control/Non-affiliate Wind River Resources Corp. and Wind River II Corp.		<b>00% of voting control</b> ) Senior Secured Note (13.00% (LIBOR + 7.50% with 5.50% LIBOR floor) plus 3.00% default interest on principal, 16.00% default interest on past due interest, in non-accrual status effective 12/01/2008, past due)(4)	15,000	15,000	5.642	0.5%
		Net Profits Interest (5.00% payable on Equity distributions)(7)	15,000	13,000	5,042	0.0%
				15,000	5,642	0.5%
		Total Non-control/Non-affiliate Investments (Level 3				
		Investments)		1,315,108	1,262,023	107.7%
		Total Level 3 Portfolio Investments		1,648,092	1,716,447	146.4%
LEVEL 1 PORTFOLIO I Non-control/Non-affiliate		00% of voting control)				
Allied Defense Group, Inc.	Virginia / Aerospace & Defense	Common Stock (10,000 shares)		\$ 56	\$ 32	0.0%
				56	32	0.0%
Dover Saddlery, Inc.	Massachusetts / Retail	Common Stock (30,974 shares)		63	124	0.0%
				63	124	0.0%
		Total Non-control/Non-affiliate Investments (Level 1				
		Investments)		119	156	0.0%
		<b>Total Portfolio Investments</b>		1,648,211	1,716,603	146.4%
SHORT TERM INVEST	-	Funds (Level 2 Investments) ent Portfolio (Class I)				
Fidelity Institutional Mone Victory Government Mone	y Market Funds Governm			49,125 11,579 1	49,125 11,579 1	4.2% 1.0% 0.0%
		Total Money Market Funds		60,705	60,705	5.2%
		Total Investments		1,708,916	1,777,308	151.6%

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

# PROSPECT CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

## CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

# December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011

			June 30, 2011 (Audited)			
Portfolio Company LEVEL 3 PORTFOLIO II		Investments(1)	Principal Value	Cost	Fair Value(2)	% of Net Assets
Control Investments (25.0 AIRMALL USA, Inc(27)	0% or greater of voting cont Pennsylvania / Property Management	rol) Senior Secured Term Loan (12.00% (LIBOR + 9.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 6/30/2015)(3)(4) Senior Subordinated Term Loan (12.00% plus 6.00% PIK, due 12/31/2015) Convertible Preferred Stock (9,919.684 shares) Common Stock (100 shares)	\$ 30,000 12,500	\$ 30,000 12,500 9,920	\$ 30,000 12,500 9,226	2.7% 1.1% 0.8% 0.0%
				52,420	51,726	<b>4.6</b> %
Ajax Rolled Ring & Machine, Inc.	South Carolina / Manufacturing	Senior Secured Note Tranche A (10.50% (LIBOR + 7.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 4/01/2013)(3)(4) Subordinated Secured Note Tranche B (11.50% (LIBOR + 8.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor) plus	20,607	20,607	20,607	1.8%
		6.00% PIK, due 4/01/2013)(3)(4) Convertible Preferred Stock Series A (6,142.6 shares) Unrestricted Common Stock (6 shares)	15,035	15,035 6,057	13,270	1.2% 0.0% 0.0%
				41,699	33,877	3.0%
AWCNC, LLC(19)	North Carolina / Machinery	Members Units Class A (1,800,000 units) Members Units Class B-1 (1 unit) Members Units Class B-2 (7,999,999 units)				0.0% 0.0% 0.0% <b>0.0</b> %
Borga, Inc.	California / Manufacturing	Revolving Line of Credit \$1,000 Commitment (5.00% (PRIME + 1.75%) plus 3.00% default interest, in non-accrual status effective 03/02/2010, past due)(4)(25) Senior Secured Term Loan B (8.50% (PRIME + 5.25%) plus 3.00% default interest, in	1,000	945	1,000	0.1%
		non-accrual status effective 03/02/2010, past due)(4) Senior Secured Term Loan C (12.00% plus 4.00%	1,612	1,500	691	0.1%
		PIK plus 3.00% default interest, in non-accrual status effective 03/02/2010, past due) Common Stock (100 shares)(21) Warrants (33,750 warrants)(21)	8,980	706		$\begin{array}{c} 0.0\% \\ 0.0\% \\ 0.0\% \end{array}$
				3,151	1,691	0.2%
C&J Cladding LLC		Membership Interest (400 units)(22)		580	4,699	0.4%

Texas / Metal Services and Minerals

				580	4,699	0.4%
Change Clean Energy Holdings, Inc. ("CCEHI" or	Maine / Biomass Power	Common Stock (1,000 shares)				
"Biomass")(5)(8)				2,540		0.0%
				2,540		0.0%
Freedom Marine Services LLC(20)(8)	Louisiana / Shipping Vessels	Subordinated Secured Note (12.00% (LIBOR + 6.11% with 5.89% LIBOR floor) plus 4.00% PIK, in non-accrual status effective				
		10/1/2010, due 12/31/2011)(4) Net Profits Interest (22.50% payable on equity	11,674	11,303	3,079	0.3%
		distributions)(7)				0.0%
				11,303	3,079	0.3%

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

# PROSPECT CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

# CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

# December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011

			June 30, 2011 (Audited)			% of
Portfolio Company LEVEL 3 PORTFOLIO II	Locale / Industry NVESTMENTS:	Investments(1)	Principal Value	Cost	Fair Value(2)	% of Net Assets
Control Investments (25.00		ntrol)				
Gas Solutions	Texas / Gas Gathering	Senior Secured Note (18.00%, due 12/11/2016)				
Holdings, Inc.(8)(3)	and		\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	2.2%
	Processing	Junior Secured Note (18.00%, due 12/12/2016) Common Stock (100 shares)	12,000	12,000 5,003	12,000 68,406	1.1% 6.2%
		common stock (100 shares)		5,005	00,400	0.270
				42,003	105,406	<b>9.5</b> %
Integrated Contract	North Carolina /	Secured Promissory Notes (15.00%, in non-accrual				
Services, Inc.(9)	Contracting	status effective 12/22/2010, due 3/21/2012 4/10/2013)(10)	1,708	1,708	1,708	0.2%
		Senior Demand Note (15.00%, in non-accrual	1,700	1,700	1,700	0.270
		status effective 11/1/2010, past due)(10)	1,170	1,170	59	0.0%
		Senior Secured Note (7.00% plus 7.00% PIK plus				
		6.00% default interest, in non-accrual status effective 10/09/2007, past due)	960	660		0.0%
		Junior Secured Note (7.00% plus 7.00% PIK plus	200	000		0.070
		6.00% default interest, in non-accrual status				
		effective 10/09/2007, past due)	14,003	14,003		0.0%
		Preferred Stock Series A (10 shares) Common Stock (49 shares)		679		$0.0\% \\ 0.0\%$
				017		01070
				18,220	1,767	0.2%
Iron Horse Coiled	Alberta, Canada /	Senior Secured Tranche 2 (Zero Coupon, due				
Tubing, Inc.(23)		1/1/2016)	2,338	2,338	2,186	0.2%
	Production Services	Senior Secured Tranche 3 (2.00%, due 1/1/2016)	12,000	11,781	11,514	1.0%
		Common Stock (3,821 shares)		268	1,657	0.2%
				14,387	15,357	1.4%
	V (01) C					
Manx Energy, Inc. ("Manx")(12)	Kansas / Oil & Gas Production	Appalachian Energy Holdings, LLC ("AEH") Senior Secured Note (8.00%, in				
		non-accrual status effective 1/19/2010, due				
		1/19/2013)	2,248	2,000		0.0%
		Coalbed, LLC Senior Secured Note (8.00%, in non-accrual status effective 1/19/2010, due				
		1/19/2013)(6)	6,743	5,991		0.0%
		Manx Senior Secured Note (13.00%, in non-accrual				
		status effective 1/19/2010, due 1/19/2013) Manx Preferred Stock (6.635 shares)	3,550	3,550	1,312	0.1%
		Manx Common Stock (3,416,335 shares)		6,307 1,171		$0.0\% \\ 0.0\%$
				19,019	1,312	0.1%
NMMB Holdings, Inc.(24)	New York / Media	Revolving Line of Credit \$3,000 Commitment				
		(10.50% (LIBOR + 8.50% with 2.00% LIBOR floor) due 5/6/2016)(4)(25)				0.00
		floor), due 5/6/2016)(4)(25)				0.0%

		Senior Term Loan (14.00%, due 5/6/2016) Senior Subordinated Term Loan (15.00%, due 5/6/2016)	24,250 2,800	24,250 2,800	24,250 2,800	2.2% 0.2%
		Series A Preferred Stock (4,400 shares)	_,	4,400	4,400	0.4%
				31,450	31,450	2.8%
NRG Manufacturing, Inc.	Texas / Manufacturing	Senior Secured Note (16.50% (LIBOR + 11.00% with 5.50% LIBOR floor), due 8/31/2011)(3)(4)	13,080	13,080	13,080	1.2%
		Common Stock (800 shares)		2,317	32,403	2.9%
				15,397	45,483	4.1%

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

# PROSPECT CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

# CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

## December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011

			J	une 30, 201	1 (Audited)	01 B
Portfolio Company LEVEL 3 PORTFOLIO II		Investments(1)	Principal Value	Cost	Fair Value(2)	% of Net Assets
Control Investments (25.00 Nupla Corporation	<b>0% or greater of voting con</b> California / Home & Office Furnishings, Housewares & Durable	Revolving Line of Credit \$2,000 Commitment (7.25% (PRIME + 4.00%) plus 2.00% default interest, due 9/04/2012)(4) (25) Senior Secured Term Loan A (8.00%	\$ 1,093	\$ 1,014	\$ 1,093	0.1%
		(PRIME + 4.75%) plus 2.00% default interest, due 9/04/2012)(4) Senior Subordinated Debt (15.00% PIK, in non-accrual status effective 4/01/2009, due	4,538	902	4,538	0.4%
		3/04/2013) Preferred Stock Class A (2,850 shares) Preferred Stock Class B (1,330 shares) Common Stock (2,360,743 shares)	3,910		478	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0\% \\ 0.0\% \\ 0.0\% \\ 0.0\% \end{array}$
				1,916	6,109	0.5%
R-V Industries, Inc.	Pennsylvania / Manufacturing	Warrants (200,000 warrants, expiring 6/30/2017)		1,682	2,178	0.2%
		Common Stock (545,107 shares)		5,086	5,938	0.5%
Yatesville Coal Holdings, Inc.(11)(8)	, .,	Senior Secured Note (Non-accrual status effective 1/01/2009, past due)(4)		6,768	8,116	0.7%
	Metals and Coal Production		1,035	1,035		0.0%
		Junior Secured Note (Non-accrual status effective 1/01/2009, past due)(4) Common Stock (1,000 shares)	413	413		$0.0\% \\ 0.0\%$
				1,448		0.0%
		Total Control Investments		262,301	310,072	<b>27.8</b> %
Affiliate Investments (5.00% to 24.99% voting control)						
BNN Holdings Corp., (f/k/a Biotronic	Michigan / Healthcare	Senior Secured Note (11.50% (LIBOR + 7.00% with 4.50% LIBOR floor) plus 1.00% PIK, due	26.227	26 225	27.014	0.46
NeuroNetwork)		2/21/2013)(3)(4) Preferred Stock Series A (9,925.455 shares)(13) Preferred Stock Series B (1,753.64 shares)(13)	26,227	26,227 2,300 579	27,014 5,597 1,409	2.4% 0.6% 0.1%
				29,106	34,020	3.1%
Boxercraft Incorporated	Georgia / Textiles & Leather	Senior Secured Term Loan A (9.50% (LIBOR + 6.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 9/16/2013)(3)(4)	2,710	2,423	2,674	0.2%

		Senior Secured Term Loan B (10.00% (LIBOR + 7.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 9/16/2013)(3)(4) Subordinated Secured Term Loan (12.00% plus 6 50% PIK due 3/16/2014)(3)	4,753	4,025	4,722	0.4%
		6.50% PIK, due 3/16/2014)(3) Preferred Stock (1,000,000 shares) Common Stock (10,000 shares)	7,727	6,483	7,766 470	0.8% 0.0% 0.0%
				12,931	15,632	1.4%
Smart, LLC(14)	New York / Diversified / Conglomerate Service	Membership Interest Class B (1,218 units)				0.0%
	Conglomerate Service	Membership Interest Class D (1 unit)				0.0%
						0.0%

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

# PROSPECT CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

## CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

# December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011

			June 30, 2011 (Audited)			<i>01 0</i>
Portfolio Company LEVEL 3 PORTFOLIO IN	Locale / Industry VESTMENTS:	Investments(1)	Principal Value	Cost	Fair Value(2)	% of Net Assets
Affiliate Investments (5.00% Sport Helmets Holdings, LLC(14)		Revolving Line of Credit \$3,000 Commitment (4.00% (LIBOR + 3.75%), due				
Holdings, EEC(14)	Products	(4.00% (EIBOR + 5.75%), due 12/14/2013)(4)(25)(26) Senior Secured Term Loan A (4.00%	\$	\$	\$	0.0%
		(LIBOR + 3.75%), due 12/14/2013)(3)(4) Senior Secured Term Loan B (4.50%)	2,125	1,326	2,107	0.2%
		(LIBOR + 4.25%), due 12/14/2013)(3)(4) Senior Subordinated Debt Series A (12.00% plus	7,313	5,616	7,271	0.7%
		3.00% PIK, due 6/14/2014)(3) Senior Subordinated Debt Series B (10.00% plus	7,550	6,318	7,550	0.7%
		5.00% PIK, due 6/14/2014)(3) Common Stock (20,974 shares)	1,427	1,077 459	1,427 4,330	0.1% 0.3%
				14,796	22,685	2.0%
		Total Affiliate Investments		56,833	72,337	6.5%
Non-control/Non-affiliate In						
ADAPCO, Inc.	Florida / Ecological	Common Stock (5,000 shares)		141	194	0.0%
				141	194	0.0%
Aircraft Fasteners International, LLC	California / Machinery	Revolving Line of Credit \$500 Commitment (9.50% (LIBOR + 7.00% with 2.50% LIBOR floor), due $11/01/2012$ )(4)(25)(26) Senior Secured Term Loan (9.50% (LIBOR + 7.00% with 2.50% LIBOR floor), due				0.0%
		(LIBOK + 7.00% Will 2.50% LIBOK 1001), due 11/01/2012)(3)(4) Junior Secured Term Loan (12.00% plus 6.00%	3,663	3,663	3,663	0.3%
		PIK, due 5/01/2013)(3) Convertible Preferred Stock (32,500 units)	4,900	4,900 396	4,900 280	$0.5\% \\ 0.0\%$
				8,959	8,843	0.8%
American Gilsonite Company	Utah / Specialty Minerals	Senior Subordinated Note (12.00% (LIBOR + 10.00% with 2.00% LIBOR floor) plus				
		2.50% PIK, due 3/10/2016)(3)(4) Membership Interest in AGC/PEP, LLC	30,169	30,169	30,169	2.7%
		(99.9999%)(15)			4,158	0.4%
				30,169	34,327	3.1%
Arrowhead General Insurance Agency, Inc.(16)	California / Insurance	Junior Secured Term Loan (11.25% (LIBOR + 9.50% with 1.75% LIBOR floor), due 9/30/2017)(4)	27,000	27,000	27,000	2.4%
		· · · ·	, .			

				27,000	27,000	2.4%
Byrider Systems Acquisition Corp.	Indiana / Auto Finance	Senior Subordinated Notes (12.00% plus 2.00% PIK, due 11/3/2016)	25,082	25,082	25,082	2.3%
				25,082	25,082	2.3%
	Colorado / Personal & Nondurable Consumer Products	Membership Units (7,500 shares)		351	718	0.1%
	Troducts	Options in Mineral Fusion Natural Brands, LLC (11,662 options)		331	/10	0.0%
				351	718	0.1%

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

# PROSPECT CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

# CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

# December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011

			June 30, 2011 (Audited)				
Portfolio Company LEVEL 3 PORTFOLIO I	Locale / Industry NVESTMENTS:	Investments(1)	Principal Value	Cost	Fair Value(2)	% of Net Assets	
	Investments (less than 5.00% New York / Transportation	6 of voting control) Revolving Line of Credit \$5,000 Commitment (11.50% (LIBOR + 8.50% with 3.00% LIBOR					
,		floor), due 3/31/2012)(4)(25) Senior Secured Term Loan (11.50% (LIBOR + 8.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due	\$ 4,935	\$ 4,935	\$ 4,935	0.4%	
		3/31/2016)(4) Common Equity (1.5 units)	52,669	52,669 1,500	53,459 1,824	$4.8\% \\ 0.2\%$	
				59,104	60,218	5.4%	
Clearwater Seafoods LP	Canada / Food Products	Second Lien Term Loan (12.00%, due 2/4/2016)	45,000	45,000	45,000	4.0%	
				45,000	45,000	4.0%	
The Copernicus Group, Inc.	North Carolina / Healthcare	Revolving Line of Credit \$1,000 Commitment (8.00% (LIBOR + 5.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 2/9/2016)(4)(25) Senior Secured Term Loan A (8.00%				0.0%	
		(LIBOR + 5.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 2/9/2016)(3)(4) Senior Secured Term Loan B (14.00% (LIBOR + 11.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due	11,250	11,250	11,419	1.0%	
		2/9/2016)(4) Preferred Stock Series A (1,000,000 shares) Preferred Stock Series C (212,121 shares)	11,250	11,250 67 212	11,419 1,227 317	$1.0\% \\ 0.2\% \\ 0.0\%$	
				22,779	24,382	2.2%	
CRT MIDCO, LLC	Wisconsin / Media	Revolving Line of Credit \$7,500 Commitment (10.50% (LIBOR + 7.50% with 3.00% LIBOR					
		floor), due 6/30/2012)(4)(25) Senior Secured Term Loan (10.50% (LIBOR + 7.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due				0.0%	
		6/30/2017)(4)	75,000	75,000	75,000	6.7%	
				75,000	75,000	6.7%	
Deb Shops, Inc.(16)	Pennsylvania / Retail	Second Lien Debt (14.00% PIK, in non-accrual status effective 2/24/2009, due 10/23/2014)	19,906	14,606		0.0%	
				14,606		0.0%	
Diamondback Operating, LP	Oklahoma / Oil & Gas Production	Net Profits Interest (15.00% payable on Equity distributions)(7)				0.0%	

Empire Today, LLC(16)	Illinois / Durable Consumer Products	Senior Secured Note (11.375%, due 2/1/2017)	7,500	7,424	7,500	0.7%
				7,424	7,500	0.7%
Fairchild Industrial Products, Co.	North Carolina / Electronics	Preferred Stock Class A (285.1 shares) Common Stock Class B (28 shares)		377 211	795 579	0.1% 0.1%
				588	1,374	0.2%
Fischbein, LLC	North Carolina / Machinery	Senior Subordinated Debt (12.00% plus 2.00% PIK, due 10/31/2016) Membership Class A (875,000 units)	3,345	3,345 875	3,345 983	0.3% 0.1%
H&M Oil & Gas, LLC	Texas / Oil & Gas Production	Senior Secured Note (13.00% (LIBOR + 7.50% with 5.50% LIBOR floor)plus 3.00% PIK, in non-accrual status effective 01/01/2011, past due)(4) Net Profits Interest (8.00% payable on Equity distributions)(7)	60,930	<b>4,220</b> 60,019	<b>4,328</b> 38,463	<b>0.4</b> % 3.5% 0.0%
				60,019	38,463	3.5%

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

F-20

0.0%

# PROSPECT CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

# CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

# December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011

			June 30, 2011 (Audited)			% of
Portfolio Company	Locale / Industry	Investments(1)	Principal Value	Cost	Fair Value(2)	% of Net Assets
LEVEL 3 PORTFOLIO II Non-control/Non-affiliate	Investments (less than 5.00%	of voting control)				
Hoffmaster Group, Inc.	Wisconsin / Durable Consumer Products	Second Lien Term Loan (13.50%, due 6/2/2017)(3)	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,400	1.8%
				20,000	20,400	1.8%
Hudson Products Holdings, Inc.(16)	Texas / Manufacturing	Senior Secured Term Loan (8.50% (PRIME + 4.50% with 4.00% LIBOR floor), due 8/24/2015)(3)(4)	6,348	5,819	5,597	0.5%
				5,819	5,597	0.5%
ICON Health & Fitness, Inc.(16)	Utah / Durable Consumer Products	Senior Secured Note (11.875%, due 10/15/2016)(3)	43,100	43,407	45,040	4.0%
				43,407	45,040	4.0%
IEC-Systems, LP ("IEC") /Advanced Rig Services, LLC ("ARS")	Texas / Oilfield Fabrication	IEC Senior Secured Note (12.00% (LIBOR + 6.00% with 6.00% LIBOR floor) plus 3.00% PIK, due 11/20/2012)(3)(4)	15,360	15,360	15,360	1.5%
		ARS Senior Secured Note (12.00% (LIBOR + 6.00% with 6.00% LIBOR floor) plus 3.00% PIK, due 11/20/2012)(3)(4)	7,716	7,716	7,716	0.7%
				23,076	23,076	2.2%
JHH Holdings, Inc.	Texas / Healthcare	Senior Subordinated Debt (12.00% (LIBOR + 10.00% with 2.00% LIBOR floor) plus 2.50% PIK, due 6/23/2016)(4)	15,439	15,439	15,439	1.5%
				15,439	15,439	1.5%
LHC Holdings Corp.	Florida / Healthcare	Revolving Line of Credit \$750 Commitment (8.50% (LIBOR + 6.00% with 2.50% LIBOR floor), due $6/30/2012)(4)(25)(26)$ Senior Secured Term Loan A (8.50% (LIBOR floor), due $6/30\%$ (LIBOR + 6.00% with 2.50% LIBOR floor), due	2			0.0%
		(LIBOR + 6.00% with 2.50% LIBOR floor), due 6/30/2012)(3)(4) Senior Subordinated Debt (12.00% plus 2.50% PIK, due 5/31/2013)(3) Membership Interest (125 units)	1,052	1,052	1,041	0.1%
			4,565	4,299 216	4,486 219	$0.4\% \\ 0.0\%$
				5,567	5,746	0.5%
	Georgia / Food Products		9,188	8,250	9,188	0.8%

Mac & Massey Holdings, LLC		Senior Subordinated Debt (10.00% plus 5.75% PIK, due 2/10/2013)(3) Membership Interest (250 units)		111	617	0.1%
				8,361	9,805	<b>0.9</b> %
Maverick Healthcare, LLC	Arizona / Healthcare	Preferred Units (1,250,000 units) Common Units (1,250,000 units)		1,252	1,623	$0.1\% \\ 0.0\%$
				1,252	1,623	0.1%
Medical Security Card Company, LLC(4)	Arizona / Healthcare	Revolving Line of Credit \$1,500 Commitment (9.50% (LIBOR + 7.00% with 2.50% LIBOR floor), due 2/1/2016)(25) Senior Secured Term Loan (11.25% (LIBOR + 8.75% with 2.50% LIBOR floor), due				0.0%
		2/1/2016)(3)	20,500	20,500	20,500	1.8%
				20,500	20,500	1.8%
Mood Media Corporation(16)	Canada / Media	Senior Subordinated Term Loan (10.25%) (LIBOR + 8.75% with 1.50% LIBOR floor), due				
corporation(10)		11/6/2018)(4)	15,000	14,852	14,850	1.3%
				14,852	14,850	1.3%

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

## PROSPECT CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

## CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

# December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011

			June 30, 2011 (Audited)				
Portfolio Company	Locale / Industry	Investments(1)	Principal Value	Cost	Fair Value(2)	% of Net Assets	
LEVEL 3 PORTFOLIO IN Non-control/Non-affiliate I New Meatco Provisions, LLC	NVESTMENTS: Investments (less than 5.00% California / Food Products	of voting control) Senior Subordinated Term Loan (12.00% (LIBOR + 9.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor) plus 4.00% PIK due 4/18/2016)(4)	\$ 13,106	\$ 13,106	\$ 13,106	1.2%	
				13,106	13,106	1.2%	
Northwestern Management Services, LLC	Florida / Healthcare	Revolving Line of Credit \$1,500 Commitment (10.50% (LIBOR + 7.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 7/30/2015)(4)(25) Senior Secured Term Loan A (10.50% (LIBOR + 7.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due				0.0%	
		7/30/2015)(3)(4) Common Stock (50 shares)	17,369	17,369 371	17,369 565	1.5% 0.1%	
				17,740	17,934	1.6%	
Out Rage, LLC(4)	Wisconsin / Durable Consumer Products	Revolving Line of Credit \$1,500 Commitment (11.0% (LIBOR + 8.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 3/2/2015)(25) Senior Secured Term Loan (11.00%				0.0%	
		(LIBOR + 8.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 3/2/2015)	12,422	12,422	12,422	1.1%	
				12,422	12,422	1.1%	
Pinnacle Treatment Centers, Inc(4)	Pennsylvania / Healthcare	Revolving Line of Credit \$1,000 Commitment (8.0% (LIBOR + 5.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 1/10/2016)(25) Senior Secured Term Loan (11.00%	250	250	250	0.0%	
		(LIBOR + 8.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 1/10/2016)(3)	18,763	18,763	18,763	1.7%	
				19,013	19,013	<b>1.7</b> %	
Potters Holdings II, L.P.(16)	Pennsylvania / Manufacturing	Senior Subordinated Term Loan (10.25% (LIBOR + 8.50% with 1.75% LIBOR floor), due	15.000	14.770	14775	1 40	
		11/6/2017)(4)	15,000	14,779	14,775	1.4%	
				14,779	14,775	1.4%	
Pre-Paid Legal Services, Inc(16)	Oklahoma / Consumer Services	Senior Subordinated Term Loan (11.00% (LIBOR + 9.50% with 1.50% LIBOR floor), due 12/31/2016)(4)	5,000	5,000	5,000	0.4%	
				5,000	5,000	0.4%	

Progressive Logistics Services, LLC(3)		(LIBOR + 6.50% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due 1/6/2016)(4) Senior Secured Term Loan B (14.50%	14,625	14,625	14,625	1.3%
		15,000	15,000	15,000	1.4%	
				29,625	29,625	2.7%
Progrexion Holdings, Inc(4)(28)	Utah / Consumer Services	Senior Secured Term Loan A (10.75% (LIBOR + 8.75% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due 12/31/2014)(3) Senior Secured Term Loan B (10.75% (LIBOR + 8.75% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due 12/31/2014)	35,618 32,668	35,618 32,668	35,618 32,668	3.2% 2.9%
				68,286	68,286	6.1%

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

# PROSPECT CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

# CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

# December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011

			J	1 (Audited)		
Portfolio Company LEVEL 3 PORTFOLIO I		Investments(1)	Principal Value	Cost	Fair Value(2)	% of Net Assets
Non-control/Non-affiliate ROM Acquisition Corporation	Investments (less than 5.00 9 Missouri / Automobile	% of voting control) Revolving Line of Credit \$1,750 Commitment (4.25% (LIBOR + 3.25% with 1.00% LIBOR floor), due 2/08/2013)(4)(25)(26) Senior Secured Term Loan A (4.25% (LIBOR + 3.25% with 1.00% LIBOR floor), due	\$	\$	\$	0.0%
		2/08/2013)(3)(4) Senior Secured Term Loan B (8.00% (LIBOR + 7.00% with 1.00% LIBOR floor), due	2,932	2,684	2,895	0.3%
		5/08/2013)(3)(4) Senior Subordinated Debt (12.00% plus 3.00% PIK	7,187	7,187	7,187	0.6%
		due 8/08/2013)(3)	7,208	6,971	7,280	0.7%
				16,842	17,362	1.6%
Royal Adhesives & Sealants, LLC	Indiana / Chemicals	Senior Subordinated Unsecured Term Loan (12.00% plus 2.00% PIK due 11/29/2016)	25,277	25,277	25,277	2.3%
				25,277	25,277	2.3%
SG Acquisition, Inc(4)	Georgia / Insurance	Senior Secured Term Loan A (8.50% (LIBOR + 6.50% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due 3/18/2016) Senior Secured Term Loan B (14.50% (LIBOR + 12.50% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due 3/18/2016)(3)	29,925	29,925	30,224	2.7%
			29,925	29,925	30,224	2.7%
				59,850	60,448	5.4%
Seaton Corp.	Illinois / Business Services	Subordinated Secured (12.50% (LIBOR + 9.00% with 3.50% LIBOR floor) plus 2.00% PIK, due	6,788	6,604	6,787	0.6%
		3/14/2014)(3)(4)	6,788	,	,	
				6,604	6,787	0.6%
Shearer's Foods, Inc.	Ohio / Food Products	Junior Secured Debt (12.00% plus 3.75% PIK (3.75% LIBOR floor), due 3/31/2016)(3)(4)	36,248	36,248	36,248	3.2%
		Membership Interest in Mistral Chip Holdings, LLC Common (2,000 units)(17) Membership Interest in Mistral Chip Holdings, LLC		2,000	2,562	0.2%
		2 Common (595 units)(17)		1,322	762	0.1%
		Membership Interest in Mistral Chip Holdings, LLC 3 Preferred (67 units)(17)		673	674	0.1%
				40,243	40,246	3.6%
			15,000	14,908	15,000	1.3%

Skillsoft Public Limited Company	Ireland / Software & Computer Services	Subordinated Unsecured (11.125%, due 06/01/2018)				
				14,908	15,000	1.3%
Snacks Holding Corporation.	Minnesota / Food Products	Senior Subordinated Unsecured Term Loan (12.00% plus 1.00% PIK, due 11/12/2017) Series A Preferred Stock (4,021.45 shares)	15,059	14,502 56	15,059 55	1.4% 0.0%
		Series B Preferred Stock (4,021-4) shares) Warrant (to purchase 31,196.52 voting common shares, expires 11/12/2020)		56 479	55 472	0.0% 0.0%
				15,093	15,641	1.4%
SonicWALL, Inc.	California / Software & Computer Services	Subordinated Secured (12.00% (LIBOR + 10.00% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due 1/23/2017)(3)(4)	23,000	22,982	23,000	2.1%
				22,982	23,000	2.1%

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

# PROSPECT CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

# CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

## December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011

			June 30, 2011 (Audited)			<i>01</i> 8
Portfolio Company LEVEL 3 PORTFOLIO	Locale / Industry	Investments(1)	Principal Value	Cost	Fair Value(2)	% of Net Assets
	e Investments (less than 5.	00% of voting control)				
Springs Window Fashions, LLC	Wisconsin / Durable Consumer Products	Second Lien Term Loan (11.25% (LIBOR + 9.25% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due 11/30/2017)(4)	\$ 35,000	\$ 35,000	\$ 35,000	3.1%
				35,000	35,000	3.1%
ST Products, LLC	Pennsylvania/ Manufacturing	Senior Secured Term Loan (12.00% (LIBOR + 9.00% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 6/16/2016)(4)	26,500	26,500	26,500	2.4%
				26,500	26,500	2.4%
Stauber Performance Ingredients, Inc.	California / Food Products	Senior Secured Term Loan (10.50% (LIBOR + 7.50% with 3.00% LIBOR floor), due 1/21/2016)(3)(4)	22,700	22,700	22,700	2.0%
				22,700	22,700	2.0%
Stryker Energy, LLC	Ohio / Oil & Gas Production	Subordinated Secured Revolving Credit Facility \$50,300 Commitment (8.50% (LIBOR + 7.00% with 1.50% LIBOR floor) plus 3.75% PIK, due 12/01/2015)(3)(4)(25) Overriding Royalty Interests(18)	30,699	30,624	21,750 2,168	1.9% 0.2%
				30,624	23,918	2.1%
Targus Group International, Inc.(16)	California / Durable Consumer Products	First Lien Term Loan (11.00% (LIBOR + 9.50% with 1.50% LIBOR floor), due 5/25/2016)(4)	24,000	23,526	24,000	2.1%
				23,526	24,000	2.1%
U.S. HealthWorks Holding Company, Inc.(16)	California / Healthcare	Second Lien Term Loan (10.50% (LIBOR + 9.00% with 1.50% LIBOR floor), due 6/15/2017)(4)	25,000	25,000	25,000	2.2%
				25,000	25,000	2.2%
VPSI, Inc.	Michigan / Transportation	First Lien Senior Secured Note (12.00% (LIBOR + 10.00% with 2.00% LIBOR floor), due				
	mansportation	(LIBOR + 10.00% with 2.00% LIBOR 1001), due 12/23/2015)(4)	17,646	17,646	17,646	1.6%
				17,646	17,646	1.6%
			15,000	15,000	7,230	0.6%

Wind River Resources Corp. and Wind River II Corp.	Utah / Oil & Gas Production	Senior Secured Note (13.00% (LIBOR + 7.50% with 5.50% LIBOR floor) plus 3.00% default interest on principal, 16.00% default interest on past due interest, in non-accrual status effective $12/01/2008$ , past due)(4) Net Profits Interest (5.00% payable on Equity distributions)(7)			0.007
		distributions)(7)			0.0%
			15,000	7,230	0.6%
		Total Non-control/Non-affiliate Investments			
		(Level 3 Investments)	1,116,481	1,080,421	<b>97.0</b> %
		Total Level 3 Portfolio Investments	1,435,615	1,462,830	131.3%

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

## Table of Contents

# PROSPECT CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

# CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

## December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011

# (in thousands, except share data)

			June 30, 2011 (Audited)			,	
Portfolio Company LEVEL 1 PORTFOLIO	Locale / Industry INVESTMENTS:	Investments(1)	Principal Value	Cost	Fair Value(2)	% of Net Assets	
Non-control/Non-affiliate	Investments (less than 5.	00% of voting control)					
Allied Defense Group, Inc.	Virginia / Aerospace & Defense	Common Stock (10,000 shares)		\$ 56	\$ 35	0.0%	
				56	35	0.0%	
Dover Saddlery, Inc.	Massachusetts / Retail	Common Stock (30,974 shares)		63	145	0.0%	
				63	145	0.0%	
		Total Non-control/Non-affiliate Investments (Level 1 Investments)		119	180	0.0%	
		Total Portfolio Investments		1,435,734	1,463,010	131.3%	
	MENTS: Money Market	Funds (Level 2 Investments) ent Portfolio (Class I)					
Fidelity Institutional Mone Victory Government Mone	ey Market Funds Governme ey Market Funds	ent Portfolio (Class I)(3)		45,986 13,916 1	45,986 13,916 1	4.2% 1.2% 0.0%	
		Total Money Market Funds		59,903	59,903	5.4%	
		Total Investments		1,495,637	1,522,913	136.7%	

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

## CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

## December 31, 2011 (Unaudited) and June 30, 2011 (Audited)

#### (in thousands, except share data)

## Endnote Explanations for the Consolidated Schedule of Investments as of December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011

(1)

The securities in which Prospect Capital Corporation ("we", "us" or "our") has invested were acquired in transactions that were exempt from registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the "Securities Act." These securities may be resold only in transactions that are exempt from registration under the Securities Act.

#### (2)

Fair value is determined by or under the direction of our Board of Directors. As of December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011, two of our portfolio investments, Allied Defense Group, Inc. ("Allied") and Dover Saddlery, Inc. ("Dover") were publically traded and classified as Level 1 within the valuation hierarchy established by Accounting Standards Codification 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures* ("ASC 820"). As of December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011, the fair value of our remaining portfolio investments was determined using significant unobservable inputs. ASC 820 classifies such inputs used to measure fair value as Level 3 within the valuation hierarchy. Our investments in money market funds are classified as Level 2. See Note 2 and Note 3 within the accompanying consolidated financial statements for further discussion.

(3)

Security, or portion thereof, is held by Prospect Capital Funding LLC, a bankruptcy remote special purpose entity, and is pledged as collateral for the revolving credit facility and such security is not available as collateral to our general creditors (See Note 4). The market values of these investments at December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011 were \$966,553 and \$700,321, respectively; they represent 54.4% and 46.0% of total investments at fair value, respectively. Prospect Capital Funding LLC (See Note 1), our wholly-owned subsidiary, holds an aggregate market value of \$857,017 and \$631,915 of these investments as of December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011, respectively.

#### (4)

Security, or portion thereof, has a floating interest rate which may be subject to a LIBOR or PRIME floor. Stated interest rate was in effect at December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011.

## (5)

There are several entities involved in the Biomass investment. As of June 30, 2011, we own directly 3,265 shares of common stock in CCEI, f/k/a Worcester Energy Partners, Inc., representing 100% of the issued and outstanding common stock. CCEI owns 100 shares of common stock in Precision Logging and Landclearing, Inc. ("PLL"), representing 100% of the issued and outstanding common stock.

As of June 30, 2011, we own directly 552 shares of common stock in Worcester Energy Co., Inc. ("WECO"), representing 100% of the issued and outstanding common stock.

Our 100% ownership of each of CCEI and WECO resulted from our successful bid, in December 2010, for the 49% of each of those stocks we did not own directly.

As of June 30, 2011, we own directly 100 shares of common stock in Worcester Energy Holdings, Inc. ("WEHI"), representing 100% of the issued and outstanding common stock. WEHI, in turn, owns 51 membership certificates in Biochips LLC ("Biochips"), which represents a 51% ownership stake.

## CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

## December 31, 2011 (Unaudited) and June 30, 2011 (Audited)

## (in thousands, except share data)

### Endnote Explanations for the Consolidated Schedule of Investments as of December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011 (Continued)

During the quarter ended March 31, 2009, we created two new entities CCEHI and DownEast Power Company, LLC ("DEPC") in anticipation of the foreclosure proceedings against the three co-borrowers, WECO, CCEI and Biochips, on a note due to us that we had put on non-accrual status effective July 1, 2008.

As of June 30, 2011, we own 1,000 shares of CCEHI, representing 100% of the issued and outstanding stock, which in turn, owns a 100% of the membership interests in DEPC.

On March 11, 2009, we foreclosed on the assets formerly held by CCEI and Biochips with a successful credit bid of \$6,000 to acquire the assets. The credit bid was assigned to DEPC and the assets subsequently were acquired by DEPC.

Biochips, WECO, CCEI, Precision and WEHI currently have no material operations and no significant assets. As of June 30, 2009, our Board of Directors assessed a fair value of zero for all of the equity positions and the loan position. We determined that the impairment of both CCEI and CCEHI as of June 30, 2009 was other than temporary and recorded a realized loss for the amount that the amortized cost exceeds the fair value at June 30, 2009. Our Board of Directors set value at zero for the Biomass investment as a whole as of June 30, 2011, respectively.

In December 2011, we formed New CCEI, Inc. ("New CCEI") and contributed 100% of the equity of CCEI to New CCEI. After the contribution, CCEI converted into a limited liability company. On December 9, 2011, each of CCEH, PLL, WECO and WEHI merged with and into New CCEI. During the quarter ended December 31, 2011, New CCEI merged into Change Clean Energy Holdings, LLC and our ownership of New CCEI was transferred to Energy Solutions Holdings, Inc.

(6)

During the quarter ended December 31, 2009, we created two new entities, Coalbed Inc. and Coalbed LLC, to foreclose on the outstanding senior secured loan and assigned rights and interests of Conquest Cherokee, LLC ("Conquest"), as a result of the deterioration of Conquest's financial performance and inability to service debt payments. We own 1,000 shares of common stock in Coalbed Inc., representing 100% of the issued and outstanding common stock. Coalbed Inc., in turn owns 100% of the membership interest in Coalbed LLC.

On October 21, 2009, Coalbed LLC foreclosed on the loan formerly made to Conquest. On January 19, 2010, as part of the Manx rollup, the Coalbed LLC assets and loan was assigned to Manx, the holding company. Our Board of Directors set value at zero for the loan position in Coalbed LLC investment as of December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011.

(7)

In addition to the stated returns, the net profits interest held will be realized upon sale of the borrower or a sale of the interests.

(8)

During the quarter ended December 31, 2011, our ownership of Change Clean Energy Holdings, Inc. ("CCEHI") and Change Clean Energy, Inc. ("CCEI"), Freedom Marine Holding, Inc. ("Freedom Marine") and Yatesville Coal Holdings, Inc. ("Yatesville") was transferred to Energy Solutions Holdings Inc. (f/k/a Gas Solutions Holdings Inc.) ("Energy

## CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

## December 31, 2011 (Unaudited) and June 30, 2011 (Audited)

## (in thousands, except share data)

## Endnote Explanations for the Consolidated Schedule of Investments as of December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011 (Continued)

Solutions") to consolidate all of our energy holdings under one management team. We own 100% of Energy Solutions.

(9)

Entity was formed as a result of the debt restructuring of ESA Environmental Specialist, Inc. In early 2009, we foreclosed on the two loans on non-accrual status and purchased the underlying personal and real property. We own 1,000 shares of common stock in The Healing Staff ("THS"), f/k/a Lisamarie Fallon, Inc. representing 100% ownership. We own 1,500 shares of Vets Securing America, Inc. ("VSA"), representing 100% ownership. VSA is a holding company for the real property of Integrated Contract Services, Inc. ("ICS") purchased during the foreclosure process.

#### (10)

Loan is with THS an affiliate of ICS.

#### (11)

On June 30, 2008, we consolidated our holdings in four coal companies into Yatesville, and consolidated the operations under one management team. As part of the transaction, the debt that we held of C&A Construction, Inc. ("C&A"), Genesis Coal Corp. ("Genesis"), North Fork Collieries LLC ("North Fork") and Unity Virginia Holdings LLC ("Unity") were exchanged for newly issued debt from Yatesville, and our ownership interests in C&A, E&L Construction, Inc. ("E&L"), Whymore Coal Company Inc. ("Whymore") and North Fork were exchanged for 100% of the equity of Yatesville. This reorganization allowed for a better utilization of the assets in the consolidated group.

At June 30, 2011, Yatesville held a \$9,326 note receivable from North Fork and owned 100% of the membership interest of East Kentucky Coal Holdings, Inc. ("East Kentucky"). North Fork was owned 100% by East Kentucky.

At June 30, 2011, we owned 100% of the common stock of Genesis and held a note receivable of \$20,933.

Yatesville held a note receivable of \$4,261 from Unity at June 30, 2011.

As of June 30, 2011, Yatesville owned 10,000 shares of common stock or 100% of the equity of C&A and held a \$16,210 senior secured debt receivable from C&A.

As of June 30, 2011, Yatesville owned 10,000 shares of common stock or 100% of the equity of E&L. As June 30, 2011 Yatesville also owned 4,285 Series A convertible preferred shares in each of C&A and E&L.

In August 2009, Yatesville sold its 49% ownership interest in the common shares of Whymore to the 51% holder of the Whymore common shares ("Whymore Purchaser"). All reclamation liability was transferred to the Whymore Purchaser.

Yatesville currently has no material operations. During the quarter ended December 31, 2009, our Board of Directors determined that the impairment of Yatesville was other than temporary and we recorded a realized loss for the amount that the amortized cost exceeds the fair value. Our Board of Directors set the value of the remaining Yatesville investment at zero as of June 30, 2011.

## CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

## December 31, 2011 (Unaudited) and June 30, 2011 (Audited)

## (in thousands, except share data)

## Endnote Explanations for the Consolidated Schedule of Investments as of December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011 (Continued)

On December 9, 2011, each of Genesis, E&L, C&A and East Kentucky merged with and into Yatesville. During the quarter ended December 31, 2011, our ownership of Yatesville merged into a subsidiary of Energy Solutions.

(12)

On January 19, 2010, we modified the terms of our senior secured debt in AEH and Coalbed in conjunction with the formation of Manx Energy, a new entity consisting in the assets of AEH, Coalbed and Kinley Exploration. The assets of the three companies were brought under new common management. We funded \$2,800 at closing to Manx to provide for working capital. A portion of our loans to AEH and Coalbed was exchanged for Manx preferred equity, while our AEH equity interest was converted into Manx common stock. There was no change to fair value at the time of restructuring, and we continue to fully reserve any income accrued for Manx.

(13)

On a fully diluted basis represents 10.00% of voting common shares.

(14)

(15)

We own 99.9999% of AGC/PEP, LLC. AGC/PEP, LLC owns 2,037.65 out of a total of 83,818.69 shares (including 5,111 vested and unvested management options) of American Gilsonite Holding Company which owns 100% of American Gilsonite Company.

(16)

Syndicated investment which had been originated by another financial institution and broadly distributed.

(17)

At December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011, Mistral Chip Holdings, LLC owns 44,800 shares of Chip Holdings, Inc. and Mistral Chip Holdings 2, LLC owns 11,975 shares in Chip Holdings, Inc. Chip Holdings, Inc. is the parent company of Shearer's Foods, Inc. and has 67,936 shares outstanding before adjusting for management options.

(18)

The overriding royalty interests held receive payments at the stated rates based upon operations of the borrower.

(19)

On December 31, 2009, we sold our investment in Aylward Enterprises, LLC. AWCNC, LLC is the remaining holding company with zero assets. Our remaining outstanding debt after the sale was written off on December 31, 2009 and no value has been assigned to the equity position as of December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011.

(20)

As of June 30, 2011, we own 100% of Freedom Marine Holding, Inc. ("Freedom Marine"), which owns 100% of the common units of Jettco Marine Services LLC. During the quarter ended December 31, 2011, our ownership of Freedom Marine was transferred to Energy Solutions.

(21)

We own warrants to purchase 33,750 shares of common stock in Metal Buildings Holding Corporation ("Metal Buildings"), the former holding company of Borga, Inc. Metal Buildings Holding Corporation owned 100% of Borga, Inc.

On March 8, 2010, we foreclosed on the stock in Borga, Inc. that was held by Metal Buildings, obtaining 100% ownership of Borga, Inc.

A portion of the positions listed were issued by an affiliate of the portfolio company.

## CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

## December 31, 2011 (Unaudited) and June 30, 2011 (Audited)

## (in thousands, except share data)

## Endnote Explanations for the Consolidated Schedule of Investments as of December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011 (Continued)

- (22)
- We own 100% of C&J Cladding Holding Company, Inc., which owns 40% of the membership interests in C&J Cladding, LLC.
- (23)

On January 1, 2010, we restructured our senior secured and bridge loans investment in Iron Horse Coiled Tubing, Inc. ("Iron Horse") and we reorganized Iron Horse's management structure. The senior secured loan and bridge loan were replaced with three new tranches of senior secured debt. During the period from June 30, 2011 to December 31, 2011, our fully diluted ownership of Iron Horse decreased from 57.8% to 5.0%, respectively, as we continued to transfer ownership interests to Iron Horse's management as they repaid our outstanding debt. Iron Horse management has an option to repurchase our remaining interest for \$2,040.

As of December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011, our Board of Directors assessed a fair value in Iron Horse of \$2,040 and \$15,357, respectively.

(24)

On May 6, 2011, we made a secured first-lien \$24,250 debt investment to NMMB Acquisition, Inc., a \$2,800 secured debt and \$4,400 equity investment to NMMB Holdings, Inc. We own 100% of the Series A Preferred Stock in NMMB Holdings, Inc. NMMB Holdings, Inc. owns 100% of the Convertible Preferred in NMMB Acquisition, Inc. NMMB Acquisition, Inc. has a 5.8% dividend rate which is paid to NMMB Holdings, Inc. Our fully diluted ownership in NMMB Holdings, Inc. is 100% as of December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011. Our fully diluted ownership in NMMB Acquisition, Inc. is 83.5% and 94.7% as of December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011, respectively.

(25)

Undrawn committed revolvers incur commitment fees ranging from 0.50% to 2.00%. As of December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011, we have \$33,890 and \$35,822 of undrawn revolver commitments to our portfolio companies, respectively.

#### (26)

Stated interest rates are based on December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011 one month Libor rates plus applicable spreads based on the respective credit agreements. Interest rates are subject to change based on actual elections by the borrower for a Libor rate contract or Base Rate contract when drawing on the revolver.

(27)

On July 30, 2010, we made a secured first-lien \$30,000 debt investment to AIRMALL USA, Inc., a \$12,500 secured second-lien to AMU Holdings, Inc., and 100% of the Convertible Preferred Stock and Common stock of AMU Holdings, Inc. Our Convertible Preferred Stock in AMU Holdings, Inc. has a 12.0% dividend rate which is paid from the dividends received from the underlying operating company, AIRMALL USA Inc. AMU Holdings, Inc. owns 100% of the common stock in AIRMALL USA, Inc.

(28)

Progrexion Marketing, Inc., Progrexion Teleservices, Inc., Progrexion ASG, Inc. Progrexion IP, Inc. and Efolks, LLC, are joint borrowers on our senior secured investment. Progrexion Holdings, Inc. and eFolks Holdings, Inc. are the guarantors of this debt investment.

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## December 31, 2011

## (Unaudited)

## (in thousands, except share and per share data)

#### Note 1. Organization

References herein to "we", "us" or "our" refer to Prospect Capital Corporation ("Prospect") and its subsidiary unless the context specifically requires otherwise.

We were formerly known as Prospect Energy Corporation, a Maryland corporation. We were organized on April 13, 2004 and were funded in an initial public offering ("IPO"), completed on July 27, 2004. We are a closed-end investment company that has filed an election to be treated as a Business Development Company ("BDC"), under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "1940 Act"). As a BDC, we have qualified and have elected to be treated as a regulated investment company ("RIC"), under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code. We invest primarily in senior and subordinated debt and equity of companies in need of capital for acquisitions, divestitures, growth, development, recapitalizations and other purposes.

On May 15, 2007, we formed a wholly-owned subsidiary, Prospect Capital Funding LLC ("PCF"), a Delaware limited liability company and a bankruptcy remote special purpose entity, which holds certain of our portfolio loan investments that are used as collateral for the credit facility at PCF.

#### Note 2. Significant Accounting Policies

The following are significant accounting policies consistently applied by us:

## Basis of Presentation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") and pursuant to the requirements for reporting on Form 10-Q and Regulation S-X. The financial results of our portfolio investments are not consolidated in the financial statements.

## Use of Estimates

The preparation of GAAP financial statements requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of income and expenses during the reported period. Changes in the economic environment, financial markets, creditworthiness of our portfolio companies and any other parameters used in determining these estimates could cause actual results to differ, and these differences could be material.

## Basis of Consolidation

Under the 1940 Act rules, the regulations pursuant to Article 6 of Regulation S-X and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants' Audit and Accounting Guide for Investment Companies, we are precluded from consolidating any entity other than another investment company or an operating company which provides substantially all of its services and benefits to us. Our financial statements include our accounts and the accounts of PCF, our only wholly-owned, closely-managed

# NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

## December 31, 2011

## (Unaudited)

### (in thousands, except share and per share data)

## Note 2. Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

subsidiary that is also an investment company. All intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

#### Investment Classification

We are a non-diversified company within the meaning of the 1940 Act. We classify our investments by level of control. As defined in the 1940 Act, control investments are those where there is the ability or power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of a company. Control is generally deemed to exist when a company or individual possesses or has the right to acquire within 60 days or less, a beneficial ownership of 25% or more of the voting securities of an investee company. Affiliated investments and affiliated companies are defined by a lesser degree of influence and are deemed to exist through the possession outright or via the right to acquire within 60 days or less, beneficial ownership of 5% or more of the outstanding voting securities of another person.

Investments are recognized when we assume an obligation to acquire a financial instrument and assume the risks for gains or losses related to that instrument. Investments are derecognized when we assume an obligation to sell a financial instrument and forego the risks for gains or losses related to that instrument. Specifically, we record all security transactions on a trade date basis. Investments in other, non-security financial instruments are recorded on the basis of subscription date or redemption date, as applicable. Amounts for investments recognized or derecognized but not yet settled are reported as receivables for investments sold and payables for investments purchased, respectively, in the Consolidated Statements of Assets and Liabilities.

## Investment Risks

The Company's investments are subject to a variety of risks. Those risks include the following:

## Market Risk

Market risk represents the potential loss that can be caused by a change in the fair value of the financial instrument.

## Credit Risk

Credit risk represents the risk that the Company would incur if the counterparties failed to perform pursuant to the terms of their agreements with the Company.

## Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk represents the possibility that the Company may not be able to rapidly adjust the size of its positions in times of high volatility and financial stress at a reasonable price.

# NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

## December 31, 2011

## (Unaudited)

### (in thousands, except share and per share data)

## Note 2. Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

## Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk represents a change in interest rates, which could result in an adverse change in the fair value of an interest-bearing financial instrument.

#### Prepayment Risk

Many of the Company's debt investments allow for prepayment of principal without penalty. Downward changes in interest rates may cause prepayments to occur at a faster than expected rate, thereby effectively shortening the maturity of the security and making the security less likely to be an income producing instrument.

#### Investment Valuation

Our Board of Directors has established procedures for the valuation of our investment portfolio. These procedures are detailed below.

Investments for which market quotations are readily available are valued at such market quotations.

For most of our investments, market quotations are not available. With respect to investments for which market quotations are not readily available or when such market quotations are deemed not to represent fair value, our Board of Directors has approved a multi-step valuation process each quarter, as described below:

1)

Each portfolio company or investment is reviewed by our investment professionals with the independent valuation firm;

2)

the independent valuation firm engaged by our Board of Directors conducts independent appraisals and makes their own independent assessment;

3)

the audit committee of our Board of Directors reviews and discusses the preliminary valuation by our Investment Adviser within the valuation range presented by the independent valuation firm; and

4)

the Board of Directors discusses 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 firm and the audit committee.

Investments are valued utilizing a shadow bond approach, a market approach, an income approach, a liquidation approach, or a combination of approaches, as appropriate. The shadow bond and market approach uses prices and other relevant information generated by market transactions involving identical or comparable assets or liabilities (including a business). The income approach uses valuation techniques to convert future amounts (for example, cash flows or earnings) to a single present value amount (discounted) calculated based on an appropriate discount rate. The measurement is based on the net present value indicated by current market expectations about those future amounts. In

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

December 31, 2011

## (Unaudited)

## (in thousands, except share and per share data)

## Note 2. Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

following these approaches, the types of factors that we may take into account in fair value pricing our investments include, as relevant: available current market data, including relevant and applicable market trading and transaction comparables, applicable market yields and multiples, security covenants, call protection provisions, information rights, the nature and realizable value of any collateral, the portfolio company's ability to make payments, its earnings and discounted cash flows, the markets in which the portfolio company does business, comparisons of financial ratios of peer companies that are public, M&A comparables, the principal market and enterprise values, among other factors.

In September 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued ASC 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures* ("ASC 820"). ASC 820 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in GAAP, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. We adopted ASC 820 on a prospective basis beginning on July 1, 2008.

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

Level 1: Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities, accessible by us at the measurement date.

*Level 2*: Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, or quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, or other observable inputs other than quoted prices.

Level 3: Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

In all cases, the level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement in its entirety falls has been determined based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Our assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment and considers factors specific to each investment. The changes to GAAP from the application of ASC 820 relate to the definition of fair value, the framework for measuring fair value, and the expanded disclosures about fair value measurements. ASC 820 applies to fair value measurements already required or permitted by other standards. In accordance with ASC 820, the fair value of our investments is defined as the price that we would receive upon selling an investment in an orderly transaction to an independent buyer in the principal or most advantageous market in which that investment is transacted.

## Valuation of Other Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities

In February 2007, FASB issued ASC Subtopic 820-10-05-1, *The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities* ("ASC 820-10-05-1"). ASC 820-10-05-1 permits an entity to elect fair value as the initial and subsequent measurement attribute for many of assets and liabilities for which the fair value option has been elected and similar assets and liabilities measured using another measurement attribute. We adopted this statement on July 1, 2008 and have elected not to value other assets and liabilities at fair value as would be permitted by ASC 820-10-05-1.

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

December 31, 2011

## (Unaudited)

## (in thousands, except share and per share data)

## Note 2. Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

## Senior Convertible Notes

We have recorded the Senior Convertible Notes (See Note 5) at their contractual amounts. The Senior Convertible Notes were analyzed for any features that would require its accounting to be bifurcated and they were determined to be immaterial.

## Revenue Recognition

Realized gains or losses on the sale of investments are calculated using the specific identification method.

Interest income, adjusted for amortization of premium and accretion of discount, is recorded on an accrual basis. Origination, closing and/or commitment fees associated with investments in portfolio companies are accreted into interest income over the respective terms of the applicable loans. Accretion of such purchase discounts or premiums is calculated by the effective interest method as of the purchase date and adjusted only for material amendments or prepayments. Upon the prepayment of a loan or debt security, any prepayment penalties and unamortized loan origination, closing and commitment fees are recorded as interest income. The purchase discount for portfolio investments acquired from Patriot Capital Funding, Inc. ("Patriot") was determined based on the difference between par value and fair market value as of December 2, 2009, and will continue to accrete until maturity or repayment of the respective loans.

Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date.

Structuring fees and similar fees are recognized as income as earned, usually when paid. Structuring fees, excess deal deposits, net profits interests and overriding royalty interests are included in other income.

Loans are placed on non-accrual status when there is reasonable doubt that principal or interest will not be collected in accordance with the terms of the investment. 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.

## Federal and State Income Taxes

We have elected to be treated as a regulated investment company and intend to continue to comply with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the "Code"), applicable to regulated investment companies. We are required to distribute at least 90% of our investment company taxable income and intend to distribute (or retain through a deemed distribution) all of our investment company taxable income and net capital gain to stockholders; therefore, we have made no provision for income taxes. The character of income and gains that we will distribute is determined in accordance with income tax regulations that may differ from GAAP. Book and tax basis differences relating to

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

December 31, 2011

## (Unaudited)

## (in thousands, except share and per share data)

## Note 2. Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

stockholder dividends and distributions and other permanent book and tax differences are reclassified to paid-in capital.

If we do not distribute (or are not deemed to have distributed) at least 98% of our annual taxable income in the calendar year it is earned, we will generally be required to pay an excise tax equal to 4% of the amount by which 98% of our annual taxable income exceeds the distributions from such taxable income for the year. To the extent that we determine that our estimated current year annual taxable income will be in excess of estimated current year dividend distributions from such taxable income, we accrue excise taxes, if any, on estimated excess taxable income as taxable income is earned using an annual effective excise tax rate. The annual effective excise tax rate is determined by dividing the estimated annual excise tax by the estimated annual taxable income.

If we fail to satisfy the annual distribution requirement or otherwise fail to qualify as a RIC in any taxable year, 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 we be required to make distributions. Distributions would generally be taxable to our individual and other non-corporate taxable stockholders as ordinary dividend income eligible for the reduced maximum rate for taxable years beginning before 2013 (but not for taxable years beginning thereafter, unless the relevant provisions are extended by legislation) to the extent of our current and accumulated earnings and profits, provided certain holding period and other requirements are met. Subject to certain limitations under the Code, corporate distributions would be eligible for the dividends-received deduction. To qualify again to be taxed as a RIC in a subsequent year, we would be required to distribute to our shareholders our accumulated earnings and profits attributable to non-RIC years reduced by an interest charge of 50% of such earnings and profits payable by us as an additional tax. In addition, if we failed to qualify as a RIC for a period greater than two taxable years, then, in order to qualify as a RIC in a subsequent year, we would be required to distribute to elect to recognize and pay tax on any net built-in gain (the excess of aggregate gain, including items of income, over aggregate loss that would have been realized if we had been liquidated) or, alternatively, be subject to taxation on such built-in gain recognized for a period of ten years.

We follow ASC 740, *Income Taxes* ("ASC 740"). ASC 740 provides guidance for how uncertain tax positions should be recognized, measured, presented, and disclosed in the financial statements. ASC 740 requires the evaluation of tax positions taken or expected to be taken in the course of preparing our tax returns to determine whether the tax positions are "more-likely-than-not" of being sustained by the applicable tax authority. Tax positions not deemed to meet the more-likely-than-not threshold are recorded as a tax benefit or expense in the current year. Adoption of ASC 740 was applied to all open tax years as of July 1, 2007. The adoption of ASC 740 did not have an effect on our net asset value, financial condition or results of operations as there was no liability for unrecognized tax benefits and no change to our beginning net asset value. As of December 31, 2011 and for the three and six months then ended, we did not have a liability for any unrecognized tax benefits. Management's determinations regarding ASC 740 may be subject to review and adjustment at a later date based upon factors including, but not limited to, an on-going analysis of tax laws, regulations and interpretations thereof.

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

December 31, 2011

#### (Unaudited)

#### (in thousands, except share and per share data)

#### Note 2. Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### Dividends and Distributions

Dividends and distributions to common stockholders are recorded on the ex-dividend date. The amount, if any, to be paid as a monthly dividend or distribution is approved by our Board of Directors quarterly and is generally based upon our management's estimate of our earnings for the quarter. Net realized capital gains, if any, are distributed at least annually.

#### Financing Costs

We record origination expenses related to our credit facility and the Senior Convertible Notes as deferred financing costs. These expenses are deferred and amortized as part of interest expense using the straight-line method for our revolving credit facility and the effective interest method for our Senior Convertible Notes, over the respective expected life.

We record registration expenses related to shelf filings as prepaid assets. These expenses consist principally of Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") registration fees, legal fees and accounting fees incurred. These prepaid assets will be charged to capital upon the receipt of an equity offering proceeds or charged to expense if no offering completed.

#### Guarantees and Indemnification Agreements

We follow ASC 460, *Guarantees* ("ASC 460"). ASC 460 elaborates on the disclosure requirements of a guarantor in its interim and annual financial statements about its obligations under certain guarantees that it has issued. It also requires a guarantor to recognize, at the inception of a guarantee, for those guarantees that are covered by ASC 460, the fair value of the obligation undertaken in issuing certain guarantees.

#### Per Share Information

Net increase or decrease in net assets resulting from operations per common share are calculated using the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the period presented. In accordance with ASC 946, *Financial Services Investment Companies*, convertible securities are not considered in the calculation of net assets per share.

#### **Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

In January 2010, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update 2010-06, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures (Topic 820): Improving Disclosures about Fair Value Measurements* ("ASC 2010-06"). ASU 2010-06 amends ASC 820-10 and clarifies and provides additional disclosure requirements related to recurring and non-recurring fair value measurements and employers' disclosures about postretirement benefit plan assets. ASU 2010-06 is effective December 15, 2009, except for the disclosure about purchase, sales, issuances and settlements in the roll forward of activity in level 3 fair value measurements. Those disclosures are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2010 (or

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

December 31, 2011

#### (Unaudited)

#### (in thousands, except share and per share data)

#### Note 2. Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

July 1, 2011 for us) and for interim periods within those fiscal years. The adoption of the amended guidance in ASC 820-10 did not have a significant effect on our financial statements.

In February 2011, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update 2011-02, *Receivables (Topic 310): A Creditor's Determination of Whether a Restructuring is a Troubled Debt Restructuring* ("ASU 2011-02"). ASU 2011-02 clarifies which loan modifications constitute troubled debt restructurings. It is intended to assist creditors in determining whether a modification of the terms of a receivable meets the criteria to be considered a troubled debt restructuring, both for purposes of recording an impairment loss and for disclosure of troubled debt restructuring constitutes a troubled debt restructuring, a creditor must separately conclude that both of the following exist: (a) the restructuring constitutes a concession; and (b) the debtor is experiencing financial difficulties. ASU 2011-02 provides guidance to clarify whether the creditor has granted a concession and whether a debtor is experiencing financial difficulties. The new guidance is effective for interim and annual periods beginning on or after June 15, 2011, and applies retrospectively to restructurings occurring on or after the beginning of the fiscal year of adoption or July 1, 2011 for us. The adoption of the amended guidance in ASU 2011-02 did not have a significant effect on our financial statements.

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 the highest-and-best-use and valuation-premise concepts only apply to measuring the fair value of non-financial assets; (2) allowing a reporting entity to measure the fair value of the net asset or net liability position in a manner consistent with how market participants would price the net risk position, if certain criteria are met; (3) providing a framework for considering whether a premium or discount can be applied in a fair value measurement; (4) providing that the fair value of an instrument classified in a reporting entity's shareholders' equity is estimated from the perspective of a market participant that holds the identical item as an asset; and (5) expanding the qualitative and quantitative fair value disclosure requirements. The expanded disclosures include, for Level 3 items, a description of the valuation process and a narrative description of the sensitivity of the fair value to changes in unobservable inputs and interrelationships between those inputs if a change in those inputs would result in a significantly different fair value measurement. ASU 2011-4 also requires disclosures about the highest-and-best-use of a non-financial asset when this use differs from the asset's current use and the reasons for such a difference. In addition, this ASU amends Accounting Standards Codification 820, "Fair Value Measurements," to require disclosures to include any transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy. These amendments are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2011 and for interim periods within those fiscal years. The amendments of ASU 2011-04, when adopted, are not expected to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

#### December 31, 2011

#### (Unaudited)

#### (in thousands, except share and per share data)

#### Note 3. Portfolio Investments

At December 31, 2011, we had invested in 75 long-term portfolio investments, which had an amortized cost of \$1,648,211 and a fair value of \$1,716,603 and at June 30, 2011, we had invested in 72 long-term portfolio investments, which had an amortized cost of \$1,435,734 and a fair value of \$1,463,010.

As of December 31, 2011, we own controlling interests in AIRMALL USA, Inc., Ajax Rolled Ring & Machine, Inc., AWCNC, LLC, Borga, Inc. ("Borga"), C&J Cladding, LLC, Energy Solutions Holdings, Inc. (f/k/a Gas Solutions Holdings, Inc.) ("Energy Solutions"), Integrated Contract Services, Inc. ("ICS"), Manx Energy, Inc. ("Manx"), NMMB Holdings, Inc., NRG Manufacturing, Inc. ("NRG"), Nupla Corporation ("Nupla") and R-V Industries, Inc. We also own an affiliated interest in BNN Holdings Corp. f/k/a Biotronic NeuroNetwork, Boxercraft Incorporated, Smart, LLC, and Sport Helmets Holdings, LLC.

The composition of our investments as of December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011 at cost and fair value was as follows:

	December	r 31,	2011	June 30, 2011					
	Cost	Fair Value	Cost	F	air Value				
Money Market Funds	\$ 60,705	\$	60,705	\$ 59,903	\$	59,903			
Revolving Line of Credit	1,991		2,093	7,144		7,278			
Senior Secured Debt	929,526		886,130	822,582		789,981			
Subordinated Secured Debt	529,715		480,700	491,188		448,675			
Subordinated Unsecured Debt	70,165		70,251	54,687		55,336			
CLO Debt	14,334		14,334						
CLO Residual Interest	42,793		39,362						
Equity	59,687		223,733	60,133		161,740			
Total Portfolio	\$ 1,708,916	\$	1,777,308	\$ 1,495,637	\$	1,522,913			

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

## December 31, 2011

## (Unaudited)

#### (in thousands, except share and per share data)

#### Note 3. Portfolio Investments (Continued)

The fair values of our portfolio investments as of December 31, 2011 disaggregated into the three levels of the ASC 820 valuation hierarchy are as follows:

	Quoted Prices Active Markets Identical Securi (Level 1)	for	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)		Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)		Total
Investments at fair value							
Money Market Funds	\$		\$	60,705	\$		\$ 60,705
Revolving Line of Credit						2,093	2,093
Senior Secured Debt						886,130	886,130
Subordinated Secured Debt						480,700	480,700
Subordinated Unsecured Debt						70,251	70,251
CLO Debt						14,334	14,334
CLO Residual Interest						39,362	39,362
Equity		156				223,577	223,733
Total Portfolio	\$	156	\$	60,705	\$	1,716,447	\$ 1,777,308

	Fair Value Hierarchy										
	Lev	vel 1	Ι	Level 2		Level 3		Total			
Investments at fair value											
Control investments	\$		\$		\$	386,552	\$	386,552			
Affiliate investments						67,872		67,872			
Non-control/non-affiliate investments		156				1,262,023		1,262,179			
		156				1,716,447		1,716,603			
Investments in money market funds				60,705				60,705			
Total assets reported at fair value	\$	156	\$	60,705	\$	1,716,447	\$	1,777,308			
					Е 4	0					

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

## December 31, 2011

#### (Unaudited)

## (in thousands, except share and per share data)

#### Note 3. Portfolio Investments (Continued)

The fair values of our portfolio investments as of June 30, 2011 disaggregated into the three levels of the ASC 820 valuation hierarchy are as follows:

	Quoted Prices Active Markets Identical Securi (Level 1)	Prices in O Iarkets for Obs Securities Ir		Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)		Significant nobservable Inputs (Level 3)	Total
Investments at fair value							
Money Market Funds	\$		\$	59,903	\$		\$ 59,903
Revolving Line of Credit						7,278	7,278
Senior Secured Debt						789,981	789,981
Subordinated Secured Debt						448,675	448,675
Subordinated Unsecured Debt						55,336	55,336
Equity		180				161,560	161,740
Total Portfolio	\$	180	\$	59,903	\$	1,462,830	\$ 1,522,913

	Fair Value Hierarchy										
	Le	vel 1	J	Level 2		Level 3		Total			
Investments at fair value											
Control investments	\$		\$		\$	310,072	\$	310,072			
Affiliate investments						72,337		72,337			
Non-control/non-affiliate investments		180				1,080,421		1,080,601			
		180				1,462,830		1,463,010			
Investments in money market funds				59,903				59,903			
-											
Total assets reported at fair value	\$	180	\$	59,903	\$	1,462,830	\$	1,522,913			

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

## December 31, 2011

## (Unaudited)

#### (in thousands, except share and per share data)

#### Note 3. Portfolio Investments (Continued)

The aggregate values of Level 3 portfolio investments changed during the six months ended December 31, 2011 as follows:

	Fair Value Measurements Using Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)							
	Control Investments			Affiliate vestments	N	on-Control/ on-Affiliate ovestments		Total
Fair value as of June 30, 2011	\$	\$ 310,072		72,337	\$	\$ 1,080,421		1,462,830
Total realized loss, net		12,130				(13,239)		(1,109)
Change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation)		67,057		(7,119)		(18,798)		41,140
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)		79,187		(7,119)		(32,037)		40,031
Purchases of portfolio investments		44,043		2,300		327,600		373,943
Payment-in-kind interest		219		271		2,839		3,329
Accretion of purchase discount		32		1,125		1,418		2,575
Repayments and sales of portfolio investments		(44,961)		(1,042)		(120,258)		(166,261)
Transfers within Level 3		(2,040)				2,040		
Transfers in (out) of Level 3								
Fair value as of December 31, 2011	\$	386,552	\$	67,872	\$	1,262,023	\$	1,716,447

		Senior Secured	Value Measure Subordinated Secured	Subordinated Unsecured	l	le Inputs (L CLO Residual	evel 3)	
	Revolver	Debt	Debt	Debt	CLO Debt	Interest	Equity	Total
Fair value as of June 30, 2011	\$ 7,278 \$	789,981	\$ 448,675	\$ 55,336	\$	\$	\$ 161,560	\$ 1,462,830
Total realized loss, net		(221)	(14,606)				13,718	(1,109)
Change in unrealized (depreciation)	(32)	(10,796)	(6,503)	(560)	1	(3,432)	62,463	41,140
Net realized and unrealized (loss) gain	(32)	(11,017)	(21,109)	(560)	1	(3,432)	76,181	40,031
Purchases of portfolio investments	1,000	219,665	79,761	15,000	14,334	42,794	1,389	373,943
Payment-in-kind interest Accretion of purchase discount	32	219 1,003	2,668 1,507	442 33				3,329 2,575
Repayments and sales of portfolio investments Transfers within Level 3	(6,185)	(113,721)	,				(15,553)	(166,261)

Transfers in (out) of Level 3

Fair value as of December 31, 2011	\$ 2,093 \$	886,130 \$	480,700	\$ 70,251	\$ 14,334	\$ 39,362	\$ 223,577	\$ 1,716,447

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

## December 31, 2011

## (Unaudited)

## (in thousands, except share and per share data)

#### Note 3. Portfolio Investments (Continued)

The aggregate values of Level 3 portfolio investments changed during the six months ended December 31, 2010 as follows:

	Fair Value Measurements Using Unobservable Inputs (Lev Non-Control/								
	Control Investments		Affiliate Investments			n-Affiliate vestments		Total	
Fair value as of June 30, 2010	\$	195,958	\$	73,740	\$	477,417	\$	747,115	
Total realized (loss) gain, net		(803)				5,416		4,613	
Change in unrealized (depreciation) appreciation		18,260		236		(6,211)		12,285	
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)		17,457		236		(795)		16,898	
Purchases of portfolio investments		58,198		1,329		216,340		275,867	
Payment-in-kind interest		1,641		718		3,658		6,017	
Accretion of purchase discount		65		1,277		4,618		5,960	
Repayments and sales of portfolio investments		(9,091)		(2,591)		(122,068)		(133,750)	
Transfers within Level 3									
Transfers in (out) of Level 3									
Fair value as of December 31, 2010	\$	264,228	\$	74,709	\$	579,170	\$	918,107	

	Fair Value Measurements Using Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)										
	Revolving	Senior		Subordinated							
	Line of	Secured	Secured	Unsecured	E	T-4-1					
Fair value as of June 30, 2010	<b>Credit</b> \$ 5,017	<b>Debt</b> \$ 287,470	<b>Debt</b> \$ 313,511	<b>Debt</b> \$ 30,895	<b>Equity</b> \$ 110,222	<b>Total</b> \$ 747,115					
Fail value as of Julie 30, 2010	\$ 5,017	\$ 207,470	\$ 515,511	ф 50,695	\$ 110,222	\$ 747,113					
Total realized (loss) gain, net		(526	)		5,139	4,613					
Change in unrealized											
(depreciation) appreciation	(144)	(1,238	(1,983)	(260)	15,910	12,285					
Net realized and unrealized (loss)											
gain	(144)	(1,764	(1,983)	(260)	21,049	16,898					
Purchases of portfolio											
investments	2,150	137,477	85,585	39,455	11,200	275,867					
Payment-in-kind interest		1,239	4,673	105		6,017					
Accretion of purchase discount	46	2,671	3,105	138		5,960					
Repayments and sales of portfolio											
investments	(3,228)	(20,337	(88,406)	(15,493)	(6,286)	(133,750)					
Transfers within Level 3											
Transfers in (out) of Level 3											

\$ 3,841 \$ 406,756 \$ 316,485 \$ 54,840 \$ 136,185 \$ 918,107

Fair value as of December 31, 2010

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

December 31, 2011

#### (Unaudited)

#### (in thousands, except share and per share data)

#### Note 3. Portfolio Investments (Continued)

For the six months ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, the net change in unrealized appreciation on the investments that use Level 3 inputs was \$42,165 and \$13,669 for assets still held as of December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

In December 2011, we completed a reorganization of Gas Solutions Holdings, Inc. renaming the company Energy Solutions and transferring ownership of other operating companies owned by us and operating within the energy industry. As part of the reorganization, our equity interests in Change Clean Energy Holdings, Inc. ("CCEHI") and Change Clean Energy, Inc. ("CCEI"), Freedom Marine and Yatesville was transferred to Energy Solutions to consolidate all of our energy holdings under one management team strategically expanding Energy Solutions across energy sectors.

As of December 31, 2011, the valuation methodology for Energy Solutions changed from a combination of a discounted cash flow analysis and a public comparables analysis to a combination of an asset purchase analysis for gas gathering and processing assets and a liquidation analysis for our interests in Freedom Marine Holdings LLC. The independent valuation agent proposed this adjustment as Energy Solutions sold its gas gathering and processing assets in January 2012 (See Note 13). As a result, the fair market value of Energy Solutions, including the underlying portfolio companies affected by the reorganization, increased from \$108,485 to \$153,467 as of June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2011, respectively.

As of December 31, 2011, the valuation methodology for NRG changed from a public comparables analysis to a combination of sale price and a public comparables analysis. The independent valuation agent proposed this adjustment as we executed a stock purchase agreement to sell our ownership interests in NRG in February 2012 (See Note 13). As a result, the fair market value of NRG increased from \$45,483 to \$87,475 as of June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2011, respectively. There were no other material changes to our valuation methodology.

At December 31, 2011 nine loan investments were on non-accrual status: Borga, Freedom Marine Services LLC ("Freedom Marine"), a subsidiary of Energy Solutions, H&M Oil and Gas, LLC ("H&M"), ICS, Manx, Nupla, Stryker Energy, LLC, Wind River Resources Corp. and Wind River II Corp. ("Wind River") and Yatesville Coal Holdings LLC ("Yatesville"), a subsidiary of Energy Solutions. At June 30, 2011, nine loan investments were on non-accrual status: Borga, Deb Shops, Inc. ("Deb Shops"), Freedom Marine, H&M, ICS, Nupla, Manx, Wind River and Yatesville. The loan principal of these loans amounted to \$170,941 and \$154,752 as of December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011, respectively. The fair values of these investments represent approximately 4.8% of our net assets as of December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011. For the three months ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, the income foregone as a result of not accruing interest on non-accrual debt investments amounted to \$5,598 and \$3,495, respectively. For the six months ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, the income foregone as a result of not accruing interest on non-accrual debt investments amounted to \$12,028 and \$6,568, respectively.

During the six months ended December 31, 2011, Deb Shops filed for bankruptcy and a plan for reorganization was proposed. The plan, which is expected to be approved by the bankruptcy court, will eliminate our debt position with no payment to us. As a result, we determined that the impairment of

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

December 31, 2011

#### (Unaudited)

#### (in thousands, except share and per share data)

#### Note 3. Portfolio Investments (Continued)

Deb Shops was other-than-temporary and recorded a realized loss of \$14,607 for the full amount of the amortized cost.

On December 28, 2011, we made a secured debt investment of \$37,218 to support the recapitalization of NRG. After the financing, we received repayment of the \$13,080 loan that was previously outstanding and a dividend of \$6,711 as a result of our equity holdings. In addition, we sold 392 shares of NRG common stock held by us back to NRG for \$13,266, realizing a gain of \$12,131. Our remaining 408 shares of NRG common stock were sold on February 2, 2012 (See Note 13).

Energy Solutions has indemnified us against any legal action arising from its investment in Gas Solutions, LP. We have incurred approximately \$2,093 from the inception of the investment in Energy Solutions through December 31, 2011 for fees associated with a legal action, and Energy Solutions has reimbursed us for the entire amount. There were no such legal fees incurred or reimbursed for the three and six months ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010. Additionally, certain other expenses incurred by us which are attributable to Energy Solutions have been reimbursed by Energy Solutions and are reflected as dividend income: control investments in the Consolidated Statements of Operations. For the three months ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, such reimbursements totaled approximately \$3,896 and \$1,391, respectively. For the six months ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, such reimbursements totaled approximately \$5,659 and \$2,510, respectively.

The original cost basis of debt placements and equity securities acquired, including follow-on investments for existing portfolio companies, totaled \$152,941 and \$138,070 during the three months ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively. These placements and acquisitions totaled \$373,943 and \$275,867 during the six months ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively. Debt repayments and sales of equity securities with a cost basis of \$106,708 and \$62,915 were received during the three months ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively. These repayments and sales amounted to \$152,763 and \$131,063 during the six months ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively.

During the three and six months ended December 31, 2011, we recognized \$1,548 and \$2,385 of interest income due to purchase discount accretion from the assets acquired from Patriot, respectively. Included in the \$1,548 recorded during the three months ended December 31, 2011 is \$854 of normal accretion and \$694 of accelerated accretion resulting from the repayment of Mac & Massey Holdings, LLC ("Mac & Massey"). Included in the \$2,385 recorded during the six months ended December 31, 2011 is \$1,691 of normal accretion and \$694 of accelerated accretion from the repayment of Mac & Massey.

During the three and six months ended December 31, 2010, we recognized \$1,305 and \$5,353, respectively, of interest income due to purchase discount accretion from the assets acquired from Patriot. Included in the \$5,353 for the six months ended December 31, 2010, is \$1,116 of accelerated accretion resulting from the repayment of Impact Products, LLC. We also recapitalized our debt investment in Northwestern Management Services, LLC. The \$20,000 loan was issued at market terms comparable to other industry transactions. In accordance with ASC 320-20-35 the cost basis of the new

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

December 31, 2011

#### (Unaudited)

#### (in thousands, except share and per share data)

#### Note 3. Portfolio Investments (Continued)

loan was recorded at par value, which precipitated the acceleration of \$1,612 of original purchase discount from the loan repayment which was recognized as interest income. There was no accelerated accretion recorded during the quarter ended December 31, 2010.

As of December 31, 2011, \$6,250 of purchase discount from the assets acquired from Patriot remains to be accreted as interest income, of which \$726 is expected to be amortized during the three months ending March 31, 2012.

As of December 31, 2011, \$1,093,416 of our loans bear interest at floating rates, \$1,070,375 of which have Libor floors ranging from 1.00% to 5.89%.

Undrawn committed revolvers incur commitment fees ranging from 0.50% to 2.00%. As of December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011, we have \$33,890 and \$35,822 of undrawn revolver commitments to our portfolio companies, respectively.

#### Note 4. Revolving Credit Agreements

On June 6, 2007, we closed on a \$200,000 three-year revolving credit facility through PCF (as amended on December 31, 2007) with Rabobank Nederland ("Rabobank") as administrative agent and sole lead arranger (the "Rabobank Facility").

On June 25, 2009, we completed a first closing on an expanded \$250,000 revolving credit facility through PCF. The new syndicated facility, which had \$175,000 total commitments as of June 30, 2009, included an accordion feature which allows the syndicated facility to accept up to an aggregate total of \$250,000 of commitments for which we solicited additional commitments from other lenders for an additional \$35,000 raising the commitments to \$210,000. The revolving period ended on June 11, 2010, when we closed on our expanded revolving credit facility. On June 11, 2010, we closed an extension and expansion of our revolving credit facility with a syndicate of lenders through PCF (the "Syndicated Facility"). The lenders have extended commitments of \$400,000 under the Syndicated Facility as of December 31, 2011. The revolving period of the Syndicated Facility extends through June 2012, with an additional one year amortization period (with distributions allowed) after the completion of the revolving period. During such one year amortization period, all principal payments on the pledged assets will be applied to reduce the balance. At the end of the one year amortization period, the remaining balance will become due, if required by the lenders.

The Syndicated Facility contains restrictions pertaining to the geographic and industry concentrations of funded loans, maximum size of funded loans, interest rate payment frequency of funded loans, maturity dates of funded loans and minimum equity requirements. The Syndicated Facility also contains certain requirements relating to portfolio performance, including required minimum portfolio yield and limitations on delinquencies and charge-offs, violation of which could result in the early termination of the Syndicated Facility. The Syndicated Facility also requires the maintenance of a minimum liquidity requirement. At December 31, 2011, we were in compliance with the applicable covenants.

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

December 31, 2011

#### (Unaudited)

#### (in thousands, except share and per share data)

#### Note 4. Revolving Credit Agreements (Continued)

Interest on borrowings under the Syndicated Facility is one-month Libor plus 325 basis points, subject to a minimum Libor floor of 100 basis points. Additionally, the lenders charge a fee on the unused portion of the Syndicated Facility equal to either 75 basis points if at least half of the credit facility is used or 100 basis points otherwise. The Syndicated Facility requires us to pledge assets as collateral in order to borrow under the credit facility. As of December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011, we had \$371,378 and \$255,673, respectively, available to us for borrowing under our Syndicated Facility, of which the amount outstanding was \$252,000 and \$84,200, respectively. As additional investments that are eligible, transferred to PCF and pledged under the Syndicated Facility, PCF will generate additional availability up to the commitment amount of \$400,000. At December 31, 2011, the investments used as collateral for the Syndicated Facility had an aggregate market value of \$966,553, which represents 82.4% of consolidated net assets. These investments have been transferred to PCF, a bankruptcy remote special purpose entity, which owns these investments and as such, these investments are not available to our general creditors. PCF, a bankruptcy remote special purpose entity and our wholly-owned subsidiary, holds \$857,017 of these investments at market value as of December 31, 2011. The release of any assets from PCF requires the approval of Rabobank as facility agent.

In connection with the origination and amendments of the Syndicated Facility, we incurred \$11,905 of fees, including \$3,224 of fees carried over from the previous facility, which are being amortized over the term of the facility in accordance with ASC 470-50, *Debt Modifications and Extinguishments*, of which \$3,527 remains to be amortized.

During the three and six months ended December 31, 2011, we recorded \$4,689 and \$8,299 of interest costs and amortization of financing costs on the Syndicated Facility as interest expense, respectively.

#### Note 5. Senior Convertible Notes

On December 21, 2010, we issued \$150,000 in aggregate principal amount of our 6.25% senior convertible notes due 2015 ("2015 Notes") for net proceeds (after deducting underwriting expenses) of approximately \$145,200. Interest on the 2015 Notes is paid semi-annually in arrears on June 15 and December 15, at a rate of 6.25% per year, commencing June 15, 2011. The 2015 Notes mature on December 15, 2015 unless converted earlier. The 2015 Notes are convertible into shares of common stock at an initial conversion rate and conversion rate at December 31, 2011 of 88.0902 and 88.1056 shares, respectively, of common stock per \$1,000 principal amount of 2015 Notes, which is equivalent to a conversion price of approximately \$11.35 per share of common stock, subject to adjustment in certain circumstances. The conversion rate for the 2015 Notes will be increased when monthly cash dividends paid to common shares exceed the monthly dividend rate of \$0.101125 per share, subject to adjustment.

On February 18, 2011, we issued \$172,500 in aggregate principal amount of our 5.50% senior convertible notes due 2016 ("2016 Notes") for net proceeds following underwriting expenses of approximately \$167,325. Interest on the 2016 Notes is paid semi-annually in arrears on February 15 and August 15, at a rate of 5.50% per year, commencing August 15, 2011. The 2016 Notes mature on August 15, 2016 unless converted earlier. The 2016 Notes are convertible into shares of common stock

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

December 31, 2011

#### (Unaudited)

#### (in thousands, except share and per share data)

#### Note 5. Senior Convertible Notes (Continued)

at an initial conversion rate and conversion rate at December 31, 2011 of 78.3699 and 78.3814 shares, respectively, of common stock per \$1,000 principal amount of 2016 Notes, which is equivalent to a conversion price of approximately \$12.76 per share of common stock, subject to adjustment in certain circumstances. The conversion rate for the 2016 Notes will be increased when monthly cash dividends paid to common shares exceed the monthly dividend rate of \$0.101150 per share.

In no event will the total number of shares of common stock issuable upon conversion exceed 96.8992 per \$1,000 principal amount of the 2015 Notes (the "conversion rate cap"), except that, to the extent we receive written guidance or a no-action letter from the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Guidance") permitting us to adjust the conversion rate in certain instances without regard to the conversion rate cap and to make the 2015 Notes convertible into certain reference property in accordance with certain reclassifications, business combinations, asset sales and corporate events by us without regard to the conversion rate cap, we will make such adjustments without regard to the conversion rate cap and will also, to the extent that we make any such adjustment without regard to the conversion rate cap pursuant to the Guidance, adjust the conversion rate cap accordingly. We will use our commercially reasonable efforts to obtain such Guidance as promptly as practicable.

Prior to obtaining the Guidance, we will not engage in certain transactions that would result in an adjustment to the conversion rate increasing the conversion rate beyond what it would have been in the absence of such transaction unless we have engaged in a reverse stock split or share combination transaction such that in our reasonable best estimation, the conversion rate following the adjustment for such transaction will not be any closer to the conversion rate cap than it would have been in the absence of such transaction.

Upon conversion, unless a holder converts after a record date for an interest payment but prior to the corresponding interest payment date, the holder will receive a separate cash payment with respect to the Notes surrendered for conversion representing accrued and unpaid interest to, but not including the conversion date. Any such payment will be made on the settlement date applicable to the relevant conversion on the 2015 Notes and 2016 Notes (collectively, "Senior Convertible Notes").

No holder of Senior Convertible Notes will be entitled to receive shares of our common stock upon conversion to the extent (but only to the extent) that such receipt would cause such converting holder to become, directly or indirectly, a beneficial owner (within the meaning of Section 13(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder) of more than 5.0% of the shares of our common stock outstanding at such time. The 5.0% limitation shall no longer apply following the effective date of any fundamental change. We will not issue any shares in connection with the conversion or redemption of the Notes which would equal or exceed 20% of the shares outstanding at the time of the transaction in accordance with NASDAQ rules.

Subject to certain exceptions, holders may require us to repurchase, for cash, all or part of their Notes upon a fundamental change at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Notes being repurchased plus any accrued and unpaid interest up to, but excluding, the fundamental change repurchase date. In addition, upon a fundamental change that constitutes a non-stock change of control we will also pay holders an amount in cash equal to the present value of all remaining interest

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

#### December 31, 2011

#### (Unaudited)

#### (in thousands, except share and per share data)

#### Note 5. Senior Convertible Notes (Continued)

payments (without duplication of the foregoing amounts) on such Senior Convertible Notes through and including the maturity date.

In connection with the issuance of the Senior Convertible Notes, we incurred \$10,562 of fees which are being amortized over the term of the facility in accordance with ASC 470-50, *Debt Modifications and Extinguishments*, of which \$8,883 remains to be amortized and is included within deferred financing costs of \$12,410 on the consolidated statements of assets and liabilities.

During the three and six months ended December 31, 2011, we recorded \$5,070 and \$10,420 of interest costs and amortization of financing costs on the Senior Convertible Notes as interest expense.

#### Note 6. Equity Offerings, Offering Expenses, and Distributions

We issued 1,500,000 and 18,494,476 shares of our common stock during the six months ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively. The proceeds raised, the related underwriting fees, the offering expenses and the prices at which these shares were issued are as follows:

Issuances of Common Stock	Number of Shares Issued	Gross Proceeds Raised		Underwriting Fees		Offering Expenses		0	verage offering Price
During the six months ended December 31, 2011:									
July 18, 2011	1,500,000	\$	15,225	\$	165	\$	165	\$	10.150
During the six months ended December 31, 2010:									
November 16, 2010 - December 15, 2010(1)	4,513,920	\$	45,147	\$	904	\$	333	\$	10.000
September 29, 2010 - November 3, 2010(2)	5,231,956	\$	51,597	\$	1,033	\$	163	\$	9.861
July 22, 2010 - September 28, 2010(3)	6,000,000	\$	58,403	\$	1,156	\$	103	\$	9.734
July 1, 2010 - July 21, 2010(4)	2,748,600	\$	26,799	\$	536	\$		\$	9.749

(1)

On November 10, 2010, we established a fourth at-the-market program through which we could sell, from time to time and at our sole discretion 9,750,000 shares of our common stock. Through this program we issued 4,513,920 shares of our common stock at an average price of \$10.00 per share, raising \$45,147 of gross proceeds, from November 16, 2010 through December 15, 2010.

(2)

On September 24, 2010, we established a third at-the-market program through which we sold 5,231,956 shares of our common stock at an average price of \$9.86 per share, raising \$51,597 of gross proceeds, from September 29, 2010 through November 3, 2010.

(3)

On July 19, 2010, we established a second at-the-market program through which we sold 6,000,000 shares of our common stock at an average price of \$9.73 per share, raising \$58,403 of gross proceeds, from July 22, 2010 through September 28, 2010.

(4)

On March 17, 2010, we established an at-the-market program through which we sold 8,000,000 shares of our common stock. Through this program we issued 811,500 shares of our common stock

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

December 31, 2011

#### (Unaudited)

#### (in thousands, except share and per share data)

#### Note 6. Equity Offerings, Offering Expenses, and Distributions (Continued)

at an average price of \$12.60 per share, raising \$10,230 of gross proceeds, from March 23, 2010 through March 31, 2010. Through this program we also issued 2,748,600 shares of our common stock at an average price of \$9.75 per share, raising \$26,799 of gross proceeds, from July 1, 2010 through July 21, 2010.

Our shareholders' equity accounts at December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011 reflect cumulative shares issued as of those respective dates. Our common stock has been issued through public offerings, a registered direct offering, the exercise of over-allotment options on the part of the underwriters and our dividend reinvestment plan. When our common stock is issued, the related offering expenses have been charged against paid-in capital in excess of par. All underwriting fees and offering expenses were borne by us.

On August 24, 2011, our Board of Directors approved a share repurchase plan under which we may repurchase up to \$100,000 of our common stock at prices below our net asset value. We have not made any purchases of our common stock during the period from August 24, 2011 to December 31, 2011 pursuant to this plan.

On November 7, 2011, we announced the declaration of monthly dividends in the following amounts and with the following dates:

\$0.101375 per share for November 2011 to holders of record on November 30, 2011 with a payment date of December 22, 2011;

\$0.101400 per share for December 2011 to holders of record on December 30, 2011 with a payment date of January 25, 2012; and

\$0.101425 per share for January 2012 to holders of record on January 31, 2012 with a payment date of February 17, 2012.

On October 21, 2011, our Registration Statement on Form N-2 was declared effective by the SEC. Under this Shelf Registration Statement, we can issue up to \$750,000 of additional debt and equity securities in the public market.

During the six months ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, we issued 584,361 and 534,044 shares, respectively, of our common stock in connection with the dividend reinvestment plan.

At December 31, 2011, we have reserved 26,736,633 shares of our common stock for issuance upon conversion of the Senior Convertible Notes (See Note 5).

#### NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

#### December 31, 2011

#### (Unaudited)

#### (in thousands, except share and per share data)

#### Note 7. Other Investment Income

Other investment income consists of structuring fees, overriding royalty interests, settlement of net profit interests, deal deposits, administrative agent fee, and other miscellaneous and sundry cash receipts. Income from such sources for the three and six months ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010 were as follows:

	For The Three Months Ended December 31,					For The Six Months Ended December 31,					
Income Source		2011		2010		2011	2010				
Structuring and amendment fees	\$	1,862	\$	2,516	\$	7,456	\$	6,497			
Overriding royalty interests				51		117		99			
Administrative agent fee		236				430		68			
Other Investment Income	\$	2,098	\$	2,567	\$	8,003	\$	6,664			

#### Note 8. Net Increase in Net Assets per Common Share

The following information sets forth the computation of net increase in net assets resulting from operations per common share for the three and six months ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively.

	For The Three Months Ended December 31,			For The Six Months Ended December 31,			
	2011		2010		2011		2010
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations	\$ 64,492	\$	31,940	\$	104,392	\$	57,520
Weighted average common shares outstanding	109,533,742		84,091,152		109,246,616		79,134,173
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations per common							
share	\$ 0.59	\$	0.38	\$	0.96	\$	0.73

#### Note 9. Related Party Agreements and Transactions

#### Investment Advisory Agreement

We have entered into an investment advisory and management agreement with Prospect Capital Management (the "Investment Advisory Agreement") under which the Investment Adviser, subject to the overall supervision of our Board of Directors, manages the day-to-day operations of, and provides investment advisory services to, us. Under the terms of the Investment Advisory Agreement, our

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

December 31, 2011

#### (Unaudited)

#### (in thousands, except share and per share data)

#### Note 9. Related Party Agreements and Transactions (Continued)

Investment Adviser: (i) determines the composition of our portfolio, the nature and timing of the changes to our portfolio and the manner of implementing such changes, (ii) identifies, evaluates and negotiates the structure of the investments we make (including performing due diligence on our prospective portfolio companies); and (iii) closes and monitors investments we make.

Prospect Capital Management's services under the Investment Advisory Agreement are not exclusive, and it is free to furnish similar services to other entities so long as its services to us are not impaired. For providing these services the Investment Adviser receives a fee from us, consisting of two components: a base management fee and an incentive fee. The base management fee is calculated at an annual rate of 2.00% on our gross assets (including amounts borrowed). For services currently rendered under the Investment Advisory Agreement, the base management fee is payable quarterly in arrears. The base management fee is calculated based on the average value of our 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.

The total base management fees incurred to the favor of the Investment Adviser for the three months ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010 were \$8,825, and \$4,903, respectively. The fees incurred for the six months ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010 were \$17,036, and \$9,179, respectively.

The incentive fee has two parts. The first part, the income incentive fee, 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, dividend 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 and 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 the Administration Agreement described below, and any interest expense and dividends 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 payment 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 of our net assets at the end of the immediately preceding calendar quarter, is compared to a "hurdle rate" of 1.75% per quarter (7.00% annualized).

The net investment income used to calculate this part of the incentive fee is also included in the amount of the gross assets used to calculate the 2.00% base management fee. We pay the Investment Adviser an income incentive fee with respect to our pre-incentive fee net investment income in each calendar quarter as follows:

no incentive fee in any calendar quarter in which our pre-incentive fee net investment income does not exceed the hurdle rate;

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

December 31, 2011

#### (Unaudited)

#### (in thousands, except share and per share data)

#### Note 9. Related Party Agreements and Transactions (Continued)

100.00% 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 rate but is less than 125.00% of the quarterly hurdle rate in any calendar quarter (8.75% annualized assuming a 7.00% annualized hurdle rate); and

20.00% of the amount of our pre-incentive fee net investment income, if any, that exceeds 125.00% of the quarterly hurdle rate in any calendar quarter (8.75% annualized assuming a 7.00% annualized hurdle rate).

These calculations are appropriately prorated for any period of less than three months and adjusted for any share issuances or repurchases during the current quarter.

The second part of the incentive fee, the capital gains incentive fee, is determined and payable in arrears as of the end of each calendar year (or upon termination of the Investment Advisory Agreement, as of the termination date), and equals 20.00% of our realized capital gains for the calendar year, if any, computed net of all realized capital losses and unrealized capital depreciation at the end of such year. In determining the capital gains incentive fee payable to the Investment Adviser, we calculate the aggregate realized capital gains, aggregate realized capital losses and aggregate unrealized capital depreciation, as applicable, with respect to each investment that has been in its portfolio. For the purpose of this calculation, an "investment" is defined as the total of all rights and claims which maybe asserted against a portfolio company arising from our participation in the debt, equity, and other financial instruments issued by that company. Aggregate realized capital gains, if any, equal the sum of the differences between the aggregate net sales price of each investment and the aggregate net sales price of each investment is less than the aggregate cost basis of such investment when sold or otherwise disposed. Aggregate net sales price of each investment and the aggregate cost basis of such investment as of the applicable calendar year, if negative, between the aggregate valuation of each investment and the aggregate cost basis of such investment as of the applicable calendar year, the amount of capital gains that serves as the basis for our calculation of the capital gains incentive fee involves netting aggregate realized capital gains against aggregate realized capital gains incentive fee payable is equal to 20.00% of such amount, less the aggregate amount of any capital gains incentive fees paid since inception.

For the three months ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, income incentive fees of \$9,127 and \$4,769, respectively, were incurred. For the six months ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, income incentive fees of \$16,096 and \$10,018, respectively, were incurred. No capital gains incentive fees were incurred for the three or six months ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010.

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

December 31, 2011

#### (Unaudited)

#### (in thousands, except share and per share data)

#### Note 9. Related Party Agreements and Transactions (Continued)

#### Administration Agreement

We have also entered into an Administration Agreement with Prospect Administration, LLC ("Prospect Administration") under which Prospect Administration, among other things, provides (or arranges for the provision of) administrative services and facilities for us. For providing these services, we reimburse Prospect Administration for our allocable portion of overhead incurred by Prospect Administration in performing its obligations under the Administration Agreement, including rent and our allocable portion of the costs of our chief compliance officer and chief financial officer and his staff. For the three months ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, the reimbursement was approximately \$1,117 and \$840, respectively. For the six months ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, the reimbursement was approximately \$1,640, respectively. Under this agreement, Prospect Administration furnishes us with office facilities, equipment and clerical, bookkeeping and record keeping services at such facilities. Prospect Administration also performs, or oversees the performance of, our required administrative services, which include, among other things, being responsible for the financial records that we are required to maintain and preparing reports to our stockholders and reports filed with the SEC. In addition, Prospect Administration assists us in determining and publishing our net asset value, overseeing 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. Under the Administration Agreement, Prospect Administration also provides on our behalf managerial assistance to those portfolio companies to which we are required to provide such assistance. The Administration Agreement may be terminated by either party without penalty upon 60 days' written notice to the other party. Prospect Administration is a wholly owned subsidiary of our Investm

The Administration Agreement provides that, absent willful misfeasance, bad faith or negligence in the performance of its duties or by reason of the reckless disregard of its duties and obligations, Prospect Administration and its officers, managers, partners, agents, employees, controlling persons, members and any other person or entity affiliated with it are entitled to indemnification from us for any damages, liabilities, costs and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees and amounts reasonably paid in settlement) arising from the rendering of Prospect Administration's services under the Administration Agreement or otherwise as administrator for us.

#### Managerial Assistance

As a business development company, we offer, and must provide upon request, managerial assistance to certain of our portfolio companies. This assistance could involve, among other things, monitoring the operations of our portfolio companies, participating in board and management meetings, consulting with and advising officers of portfolio companies and providing other organizational and financial guidance. As of December 31, 2011 and June 30, 2011, \$256 and \$45 of managerial assistance fees remain on the consolidated statements of assets and liabilities as a payable to the Administrator.

#### NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

December 31, 2011

#### (Unaudited)

#### (in thousands, except share and per share data)

#### Note 10. Litigation

From time to time, we may become involved in various investigations, claims and legal proceedings that arise in the ordinary course of our business. These matters may relate to intellectual property, employment, tax, regulation, contract or other matters. The resolution of these matters as they arise will be subject to various uncertainties and, even if such claims are without merit, could result in the expenditure of significant financial and managerial resources. We are not aware of any such material litigation as of December 31, 2011.

#### Note 11. Financial Highlights

	For The Three Months Ended					For The Six Mo	onth	nths Ended		
	Ι	December 31, December 3 2011 2010		ecember 31, 2010	December 31, 2011			December 31, 2010		
Per Share Data(1):										
Net asset value at beginning of period	\$	10.41	\$	10.24	\$	10.36	\$	10.30		
Net investment income		0.33		0.23		0.59		0.51		
Net realized gain (loss)		0.12		0.05		(0.01)		0.06		
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation)		0.14		0.10		0.38		0.16		
Net decrease in net assets as a result of public offerings				(0.06)		(0.01)		(0.16)		
Dividends declared and paid		(0.31)		(0.31)		(0.62)		(0.62)		
Net asset value at end of period	\$	10.69	\$	10.25	\$	10.69	\$	10.25		
Per share market value at beginning of										
period	\$	8.41	\$	9.71	\$	10.11	\$	9.65		
Per share market value at end of period	\$	9.29	\$	10.80	\$	9.29	\$	10.80		
Total return based on market value(2)		14.08%	, 5	14.34%	14.34%		(1.67)%			
Total return based on net asset value(2)		6.05%	, 5	2.90%	)	10.41%		5.48%		
Shares outstanding at end of period		109,691,051		88,115,382		109,691,051		88,115,382		
Average weighted shares outstanding for period		109,533,742		84,091,152		109,246,616		79,134,173		
Ratio / Supplemental Data:		109,555,712		01,091,152		109,210,010		79,151,175		
Net assets at end of period (in thousands)	\$	1,172,484	\$	903,190	\$	1,172,484	\$	903,190		
Annualized ratio of operating expenses to	Ψ	1,172,101	Ŷ	,,,,,,,	Ŷ	1,172,101	Ŷ	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		
average net assets		10.65%	,	6.67%	,	10.20%		7.04%		
Annualized ratio of net operating income		20.00 /0				2012070				
to average net assets		12.64% F-55		8.95%	0	11.28%		9.97%		

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

## December 31, 2011

#### (Unaudited)

#### (in thousands, except share and per share data)

#### Note 11. Financial Highlights (Continued)

	Year Ended June 30, 2011	1	Year Ended June 30, 2010	1	Year Ended June 30, 2009	Ŋ	Year Ended June 30, 2008	J	Vear Ended June 30, 2007
Per Share Data(1):									
Net asset value at beginning of period	\$ 10.30	\$	12.40	\$	14.55	\$	15.04	\$	15.31
Costs related to the secondary public									
offering							(0.07)		(0.06)
Net investment income	1.10		1.13		1.87		1.91		1.47
Realized gain (loss)	0.19		(0.87)		(1.24)		(0.69)		0.12
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation)	0.09		0.07		0.48		(0.05)		(0.52)
Net (decrease) increase in net assets as a									
result of public offering	(0.08)		(0.85)		(2.11)				0.26
Net increase in net assets as a result of									
shares issued for Patriot acquisition			0.12						
Dividends to shareholders	(1.24)		(1.70)		(1.15)		(1.59)		(1.54)
Net asset value at end of period	\$ 10.36	\$	10.30	\$	12.40	\$	14.55	\$	15.04
Per share market value at end of period	\$ 10.11	\$	9.65	\$	9.20	\$	13.18	\$	17.47
Total return based on market value(2)	17.22%	,	17.66%		(18.60%)	)	(15.90%)	)	12.65%
Total return based on net asset value(2)	12.54%	,	(6.82%)	)	(0.61%)	)	7.84%		7.62%
Shares outstanding at end of period	107,606,690		69,086,862		42,943,084		29,520,379		19,949,065
Average weighted shares outstanding for period	85,978,757		59,429,222		31,559,905		23,626,642		15,724,095
Ratio / Supplemental Data:									
Net assets at end of period (in thousands)	\$ 1,114,357	\$	711,424	\$	532,596	\$	429,623	\$	300,048
Annualized ratio of operating expenses to									
average net assets	8.47%	2	7.54%		9.03%		9.62%		7.36%
Annualized ratio of net investment income to average net assets	10.60%	2	10.69%		13.14%		12.66%		9.71%

<sup>(1)</sup> 

Financial highlights are based on weighted average shares.

(2)

Total return based on market value is based on the change in market price per share between the opening and ending market prices per share in each period and assumes that dividends are reinvested in accordance with our dividend reinvestment plan. Total return based on net asset value is based upon the change in net asset value per share between the opening and ending net asset values per share in each period and assumes that dividends are reinvested in accordance with our dividend reinvestment plan.

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

#### December 31, 2011

#### (Unaudited)

#### (in thousands, except share and per share data)

#### Note 12. Selected Quarterly Financial Data (Unaudited)

	Investme	ent Income	Net Invest	ment Income	Unre	lized and ealized (Losses)	Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets from Operations			
Quarter Ended	Total	Per Share(1	) Total	Per Share(1)	Total	Per Share(1)	Total	Per Share(1)		
September 30, 2009	\$ 21,517	\$ 0.43	\$ 12,318	\$ 0.25	\$ (18,696	) \$ (0.38)	\$ (6,378)	\$ (0.13)		
December 31,										
2009(2)	31,801	0.55	19,258	0.33	(33,778	) (0.59)	(14,520)	(0.25)		
March 31, 2010	32,005	0.50	18,974	0.30	6,966	0.11	25,940	0.41		
June 30, 2010	29,236	0.44	16,640	0.25	(2,057	) (0.03)	14,583	0.22		
September 30, 2010	35,212	0.47	20,995	0.28	4,585	0.06	25,580	0.34		
December 31, 2010	33,300	0.40	19,080	0.23	12,860	0.16	31,940	0.38		
March 31, 2011	44,573	0.51	23,956	0.27	9,803	0.11	33,759	0.38		
June 30, 2011	56,391	0.58	30,190	0.31	(3,232	) (0.03)	26,959	0.28		
September 30, 2011	55,342	0.51	27,877	0.26	12,023	0.11	39,900	0.37		
December 31, 2011	67,263	0.61	36,508	0.33	27,984	0.26	64,492	0.59		

(1)

Per share amounts are calculated using weighted average shares during period.

#### (2)

As adjusted for increase in earnings from Patriot.

#### Note 13. Subsequent Events

On January 4, 2012, Energy Solutions sold its gas gathering and processing assets ("Gas Solutions") for a sale price of \$200,502, including a potential earnout of \$28,000 that will be paid based on the future performance of Gas Solutions. After expenses, including structuring fees of \$9,966 paid to us, Energy Solutions received approximately \$148,687 in cash and an additional \$10,000 is being held in escrow. Currently, our loans to Energy Solutions remain outstanding and are collateralized by the cash held by Energy Solutions as a result of the sale transaction. The accounting for the sale of Gas Solutions has yet to be finalized, but will not result in any dividend income or realized gain recognition by us until cash payments are received from Energy Solutions.

On January 9, 2012, Arrowhead General Insurance Agency, Inc. repaid the \$27,000 loan receivable to us.

On January 12, 2012, we made a follow-on investment of \$16,500 to purchase 86.8% of the Class D Notes in CIFC Funding 2011-I, Ltd.

On January 17, 2012, we provided \$18,332 of secured second-lien financing to a financial services processing company purchased by a leading private equity sponsor.

On January 25, 2012, we issued 85,252 shares of our common stock in connection with the dividend reinvestment plan.

On January 31, 2012, Aircraft Fasteners International, LLC repaid the \$7,441 loan receivable to us.

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

December 31, 2011

#### (Unaudited)

#### (in thousands, except share and per share data)

#### Note 13. Subsequent Events (Continued)

On February 2, 2012, NRG was sold to an outside buyer for \$123,258. In conjunction with the sale, the \$37,218 loan that was outstanding was repaid. We also received a \$26,936 make-whole fee for early repayment of the outstanding loan, which will be recorded as interest income in the quarter ending March 31, 2012. Further, we received a \$3,800 advisory fee for the transaction, which will be recorded as other income in the quarter ending March 31, 2012. After expenses, including the make whole and advisory fees discussed above, \$40,886 was available to be distributed to stockholders. While our 408 shares of NRG common stock represented 67.1% of the ownership, we only received net proceeds of \$25,991 as our contribution to the escrow amount was proportionately higher than the other shareholders. In connection with the sales, we will recognize a realized gain of \$24,810 in the results for the quarter ended March 31, 2012. In total, we received proceeds of \$93,977 at closing. In addition, there is \$11,125 being held in escrow of which 80% is due to us upon release of the escrowed amounts. This will be recognized as additional gain when and if received.

Between January 30, 2012 and February 2, 2012, we repurchased \$4,963 of our August 2016 convertible bonds at a price of 97.5, including commissions. The transactions will result in our recognizing \$10 of loss in the quarter ended March 31, 2012.

On February 6, 2012, we announced the declaration of monthly dividends in the following amounts and with the following dates:

\$0.101450 per share for February 2012 to holders of record on February 29, 2012 with a payment date of March 23, 2012;

\$0.101475 per share for March 2012 to holders of record on March 30, 2012 with a payment date of April 20, 2012; and

\$0.101500 per share for April 2012 to holders of record on April 30, 2012 with a payment date of May 24, 2012.

On February 10, 2012, we provided \$15,000 of secured second-lien financing to Rocket Software, Inc., a leading global infrastructure software company.

On February 15, 2012, we provided \$25,000 of secured second-lien financing to a leading provider of Web security and wide area network (WAN) optimization solutions.

On February 16, 2012, we entered into a Selling Agent Agreement (the "Selling Agent Agreement") with Incapital LLC, as purchasing agent for our issuance and sale from time to time of up to \$500,000 of Prospect Capital InterNotes (the "InterNotes Offering"). Additional agents appointed by the Company from time to time in connection with the InterNotes Offering may become parties to the Selling Agent Agreement. Through April 23, 2012, we have sold \$13,981 of InterNotes.

On February 17, 2012, we issued 69,864 shares of our common stock, in connection with the dividend reinvestment plan.

On February 24, 2012, we made a follow-on investment of \$7,856 to purchase 24.0% of the unrated subordinated notes to Apidos CLO VIII, Ltd.

#### NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

December 31, 2011

#### (Unaudited)

#### (in thousands, except share and per share data)

#### Note 13. Subsequent Events (Continued)

On February 28, 2012, we issued 12,000,000 shares of our common stock at \$10.95 per share (or \$10.82 per share net proceeds excluding expenses), raising \$129,840 of gross proceeds.

On February 28, 2012, we made a senior secured follow-on investment of \$9,500 in Clearwater Seafoods LP to finance the repayment of a senior secured note due to mature in 2012 and settle outstanding claims senior to our own investment.

On February 29, 2012, we provided \$15,000 of secured second-lien financing to Focus Brands, Inc., a leading franchiser and operator of restaurants, cafes, ice cream stores and retail bakeries.

On March 1, 2012, we made a senior secured follow-on investment of \$27,500 in SG Acquisition Inc. to support a recapitalization.

On March 9, 2012, we entered into an Agreement of Resignation, Appointment and Acceptance (the "Agreement") with American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC (the "Retiring Trustee") and U.S. Bank National Association (the "Successor Trustee"). Under the Agreement, we formally accepted the resignation of the Retiring Trustee and appointed the Successor Trustee under the Indenture, dated as of February 16, 2012 (the "Indenture"), by and between us and the Retiring Trustee, as supplemented by the First Supplemental Indenture, dated as of March 1, 2012, by and between us and the Retiring Trustee, as further supplemented by the Second Supplemental Indenture, dated as of March 8, 2012, by and between us and the Retiring Trustee, as further supplemented by the Joinder Supplemental Indenture, dated as of March 8, 2012, by and mong us, the Retiring Trustee and the Successor Trustee. We accepted the resignation of the Retiring Trustee and appointed the Successor Trustee in order to take advantage of a more efficient money market based system of settling issuances of notes issued pursuant to the Indenture not available through the Retiring Trustee.

On March 14, 2012, we made a follow-on investment of \$26,569 to purchase subordinate notes in Babson CLO Ltd 2012-1A.

On March 16, 2012, VPSI, Inc. repaid the \$16,598 loan receivable to us.

On March 19, 2012, we entered into a definitive agreement to provide debt and equity for the acquisition of the businesses of First Tower Corp. ("First Tower"), a private multiline specialty finance company based in Flowood, Mississippi with over 150 branch offices. We are acquiring 80.1% of First Tower for \$110,200 of cash and 14.5 million of our shares of common stock. We have the option, at our sole discretion, to substitute up to 100% cash in lieu of such 14.5 million shares of our common stock at a price per share based on average trading prices prior to the closing date. Completion of the acquisition is subject to regulatory approvals and is expected to close within approximately 60-120 days after March 19, 2012.

On March 23, 2012, Anchor Hocking, LLC repaid the \$19,523 loan receivable to us.

On March 23, 2012, we issued 77,764 shares of our common stock in connection with the dividend reinvestment plan.

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

December 31, 2011

#### (Unaudited)

#### (in thousands, except share and per share data)

#### Note 13. Subsequent Events (Continued)

On March 27, 2012, we provided \$12,500 of senior secured financing to IDQ Holdings, Inc., a manufacturer of a refrigerant refill kit for automobile air conditioners. The senior secured note bears interest in cash at 11.50% and has a final maturity of April 1, 2017.

On March 27, 2012, we completed a first closing on an expanded five-year \$650,000 revolving credit facility (the "Facility") for Prospect Capital Funding LLC. The new Facility, for which ten lenders closed on \$410,000 on March 27, 2012, includes an accordion feature that allows the Facility, at our discretion, to accept up to a total of \$650,000 of commitments, an objective we target reaching with additional lenders. The revolving period of the Facility extends through March 2015, followed by an additional two year amortization period, with distributions allowed to us after the completion of the revolving period. Pricing for the Facility is one-month Libor plus 2.75%, with no minimum Libor floor achieving an approximately 125 basis point reduction in pricing (based on current Libor) from the previous three-year facility pricing of Libor (with a minimum Libor floor of 1%) plus 3.25%. The new Facility has an investment grade Moody's rating of Aa3. Improvements in the Facility include increases in advance rates under certain conditions, decreases in unused line fees, increases in maximum eligible loan sizes, and increases in baskets for longer-dated and quarterly pay loans.

On March 30, 2012, ROM Acquisition Corporation repaid the \$31,638 loan receivable to us.

On April 4, 2012, we added an additional lender to the committed lenders of the credit facility, increasing the total commitments to \$425,000.

On April 16, 2012, we made a senior secured debt investment of \$15,000 to support the recapitalization of a designer and distributor of accessories targeted at the youth lifestyle market.

On April 16, 2012, we closed a private placement of 5.5 year unsecured 5.375% Senior Convertible Notes due 2017 (the "2017 Notes"). A total of \$130,000 aggregate principal amount of the 2017 Notes were issued with net proceeds to us of approximately \$126,035. We also granted the initial purchasers of the 2017 Notes an option to purchase up to an additional \$20,000 in aggregate principal amount of 2017 Notes.

On April 17, 2012, we added three additional lenders to the committed lenders of the credit facility, increasing the total commitments to \$482,500.

On April 20, 2012, we issued 85,063 shares of our common stock in connection with the dividend reinvestment plan.

## \$750,000,000

# **PROSPECT CAPITAL CORPORATION**

Common Stock Preferred Stock Debt Securities Warrants

We may offer, from time to time, in one or more offerings or series, together or separately, up to \$750,000,000 of our common stock, preferred stock, debt securities, warrants representing rights to purchase shares of common stock, preferred stock or debt securities, collectively, the Securities, to provide us with additional capital. Securities may be offered at prices and on terms to be disclosed in one or more supplements to this prospectus. You should read this prospectus and the applicable prospectus supplement carefully before you invest in our Securities.

We may offer shares of common stock, or warrants, options or rights to acquire shares of common stock, at a discount to net asset value per share in certain circumstances. Sales of common stock at prices below net asset value per share dilute the interests of existing stockholders, have the effect of reducing our net asset value per share and may reduce our market price per share. At our 2010 annual meeting, held on December 10, 2010, our stockholders approved our ability to sell or otherwise issue an unlimited number of shares of our common stock at any level of discount from net asset value per share for a period of twelve months, expiring on December 10, 2011. We are currently seeking stockholder approval at our 2011 annual meeting, to be held on December 8, 2011, to continue for an additional year our ability to issue shares of common stock below net asset value, subject to the condition that the maximum number of shares salable below net asset value pursuant to this authority in any particular offering that could result in such dilution is limited to 25% of our then outstanding common stock immediately prior to each such offering.

Our Securities may be offered directly to one or more purchasers, or through agents designated from time to time by us, or to or through underwriters or dealers. The prospectus supplement relating to the offering will identify any agents or underwriters involved in the sale of our Securities, and will disclose any applicable purchase price, fee, commission or discount arrangement between us and our agents or underwriters or among our underwriters or the basis upon which such amount may be calculated. See "Plan of Distribution." We may not sell any of our Securities through agents, underwriters or dealers without delivery of the prospectus and a prospectus supplement describing the method and terms of the offering of such Securities. Our common stock is traded on The NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol "PSEC." As of October 17, 2011, the last reported sales price for our common stock was \$8.86.

Prospect Capital Corporation, or the Company, is a company that lends to and invests in middle market privately-held companies. Prospect Capital Corporation, a Maryland corporation, has been organized as a closed-end investment company since April 13, 2004 and has filed an election to be treated as a business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, or the 1940 Act, and is a non-diversified investment company within the meaning of the 1940 Act.

Prospect Capital Management LLC, our investment adviser, manages our investments and Prospect Administration LLC, our administrator, provides the administrative services necessary for us to operate.

## Investing in our Securities involves a heightened risk of total loss of investment and is subject to risks. Before buying any Securities, you should read the discussion of the material risks of investing in our Securities in "Risk Factors" beginning on page 10 of this prospectus.

This prospectus contains important information about us that you should know before investing in our Securities. Please read it before making an investment decision and keep it for future reference. We file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information about us with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or the SEC. You may make inquiries or obtain this information free of charge by writing to Prospect Capital Corporation at 10 East 40th Street, 44th Floor, New York, NY 10016, or by calling 212-448-0702. Our

Internet address is http://www.prospectstreet.com. Information contained on our website is not incorporated by reference into this prospectus and you should not consider information contained on our website to be a part of this prospectus. You may also obtain information about us from our website and the SEC's website (http://www.sec.gov).

# The SEC has not approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

This prospectus may not be used to consummate sales of securities unless accompanied by a prospectus supplement.

The date of this Prospectus is October 21, 2011

## TABLE OF CONTENTS

About This Prospectus Prospectus Summary	Page <u>1</u>
Selected Condensed Financial Data	<u>2</u>
	<u>9</u>
<u>Risk Factors</u>	<u>10</u>
Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations	<u>32</u>
Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk	<u>67</u>
Report of Management on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting	<u>68</u>
<u>Use of Proceeds</u>	<u>68</u>
Forward-Looking Statements	<u></u>
Distributions	<u>30</u> 70
Senior Securities	_
Price Range of Common Stock	<u>73</u>
Business	<u>74</u>
Certain Relationships and Transactions	<u>76</u>
Control Persons and Principal Stockholders	<u>101</u>
Portfolio Companies	<u>102</u>
Determination of Net Asset Value	<u>103</u>
Sales of Common Stock Below Net Asset Value	<u>110</u>
Dividend Reinvestment Plan	<u>111</u>
Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations	<u>115</u>
Description of Our Capital Stock	<u>117</u>
Description of Our Preferred Stock	<u>124</u>
Description of Our Debt Securities	<u>131</u>
	<u>131</u>
Description of Our Warrants	<u>145</u>
Regulation	<u>146</u>
Custodian, Transfer and Dividend Paying Agent and Registrar	<u>152</u>
Brokerage Allocation and Other Practices	<u>153</u>
Plan of Distribution	153
Legal Matters	<u>155</u>

Independent Registered Accounting Firm		
		<u>155</u>
Available Information		
		<u>155</u>
Index to Financial Statements		<b>P</b> 1
	:	<u>F-1</u>
	1	

## ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS

This prospectus is part of a registration statement that we have filed with the SEC, using the "shelf" registration process. Under the shelf registration process, we may offer, from time to time on a delayed basis, up to \$750,000,000 of our common stock, preferred stock, debt securities or warrants representing rights to purchase shares of our common stock, preferred stock or debt securities, on the terms to be determined at the time of the offering. The Securities may be offered at prices and on terms described in one or more supplements to this prospectus. This prospectus provides you with a general description of the Securities that we may offer. Each time we use this prospectus to offer Securities, we will provide a prospectus supplement that will contain specific information about the terms of that offering. The prospectus supplement may also add, update or change information contained in this prospectus. Please carefully read this prospectus and any prospectus supplement together with any exhibits and the additional information described under the heading "Available Information" and the section under the heading "Risk Factors" before you make an investment decision.

1

## Table of Contents

#### PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

The following summary contains basic information about this offering. It does not contain all the information that may be important to an investor. For a more complete understanding of this offering, we encourage you to read this entire document and the documents to which we have referred.

Information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus may contain "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, which are statements about the future that may be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as "may," "will," "expect," "intend," "plans," "anticipate," "estimate" or "continue" or the negative thereof or other variations thereon or comparable terminology. These forward-looking statements do not meet the safe harbor for forward-looking statements pursuant to Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Act. The matters described in "Risk Factors" and certain other factors noted throughout this prospectus and in any exhibits to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part, constitute cautionary statements identifying important factors with respect to any such forward-looking statements. The Company reminds all investors that no forward-looking statement can be relied upon as an accurate or even mostly accurate forecast because humans cannot forecast the future.

The terms "we," "us," "our," "Prospect," and "Company" refer to Prospect Capital Corporation; "Prospect Capital Management" or the "Investment Adviser" refers to Prospect Capital Management LLC, our investment adviser; and "Prospect Administration" or the "Administrator" refers to Prospect Administration LLC, our administrator.

#### The Company

We are a financial services company that lends to and invests in middle market privately-held companies.

We were originally organized under the name "Prospect Street Energy Corporation" and we changed our name to "Prospect Energy Corporation" in June 2004. We changed our name again to "Prospect Capital Corporation" in May 2007 and at the same time terminated our policy of investing at least 80% of our net assets in energy companies. From our inception to the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, we invested primarily in industries related to the industrial/energy economy. Since then, we have widened our strategy to focus on other sectors of the economy and continue to broaden our portfolio holdings.

We have been organized as a closed-end investment company since April 13, 2004 and have filed an election to be treated as a business development company under the 1940 Act. We are a non-diversified company within the meaning of the 1940 Act. Our headquarters are located at 10 East 40th Street, 44th Floor, New York, NY 10016, and our telephone number is (212) 448-0702.

#### The Investment Adviser

Prospect Capital Management, an affiliate of the Company, manages our investment activities. Prospect Capital Management is an investment adviser that has been registered under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, or the Advisers Act, since March 31, 2004. Under an investment advisory and management agreement between us and Prospect Capital Management, or the Investment Advisory Agreement, we have agreed to pay Prospect Capital Management investment advisory fees, which will consist of an annual base management fee based on our gross assets, which we define as total assets without deduction for any liabilities (and, accordingly, includes the value of assets acquired with proceeds from borrowings), as well as a two-part incentive fee based on our performance.

#### Table of Contents

## The Offering

We may offer, from time to time, in one or more offerings or series, together or separately, up to \$750,000,000 of our Securities, which we expect to use initially to maintain balance sheet liquidity, involving repayment of debt under our credit facility, investment in high quality short-term debt instruments or a combination thereof, and thereafter to make long-term investments in accordance with our investment objectives.

Our Securities may be offered directly to one or more purchasers, through agents designated from time to time by us, or to or through underwriters or dealers. The prospectus supplement relating to a particular offering will disclose the terms of that offering, including the name or names of any agents or underwriters involved in the sale of our Securities by us, the purchase price, and any fee, commission or discount arrangement between us and our agents or underwriters or among our underwriters, or the basis upon which such amount may be calculated. See "Plan of Distribution." We may not sell any of our Securities through agents, underwriters or dealers without delivery of a prospectus supplement describing the method and terms of the offering of our Securities.

We may sell our common stock, or warrants, options or rights to acquire our common stock, at a price below the current net asset value of our common stock upon approval of our directors, including a majority of our independent directors, in certain circumstances. At our 2010 annual meeting, held on December 10, 2010, our stockholders approved our ability to sell or otherwise issue an unlimited number of shares of our common stock at any level of discount from net asset value per share for a period of twelve months, expiring on December 10, 2011. We are currently seeking stockholder approval at our 2011 annual meeting, to be held on December 8, 2011, to continue for an additional year our ability to issue shares of common stock below net asset value, subject to the condition that the maximum number of shares salable below net asset value pursuant to this authority in any particular offering that could result in such dilution is limited to 25% of our then outstanding common stock immediately prior to each such offering. Similarly, our stockholders approved our ability to issue warrants, options or rights to acquire our common stock at our 2008 annual meeting of stockholders for an unlimited time period and in accordance with the 1940 Act which provides that the conversion or exercise price of such warrants, options or rights may be less than net asset value per share at the date such securities are issued or at the date such securities are converted into or exercised for shares of our common stock at prices below net asset value per share dilute the interests of existing stockholders, have the effect of reducing our net asset value per share and may reduce our market price per share. We have no current intention of engaging in a rights offering, although we reserve the right to do so in the future.

Set forth below is additional information regarding the offering of our Securities:

#### Use of proceeds

Unless otherwise specified in a prospectus supplement, we intend to use the net proceeds from selling Securities pursuant to this prospectus initially to maintain balance sheet liquidity, involving repayment of debt under our credit facility, investments in high quality short-term debt instruments or a combination thereof, and thereafter to make long-term investments in accordance with our investment objective. See "Use of Proceeds."

#### 3

#### Table of Contents

# Distributions

Taxation

Symbol

Dividend reinvestment plan

Anti-takeover provisions

The NASDAQ Global Select Market

In June 2010, our Board of Directors approved a change in dividend policy from quarterly distributions to monthly distributions. Since that time, we have paid monthly distributions to

Edgar Filing: PROSPECT CAPITAL CORP - Form 497

the holders of our common stock and generally intend to continue to do so. The amount of the monthly distributions is determined by our Board of Directors and is based on our estimate of our investment company taxable income and net short-term capital gains. Certain amounts of the monthly distributions may from time to time be paid out of our capital rather than from earnings for the month as a result of our deliberate planning or accounting reclassifications. Distributions in excess of our current or accumulated earnings or profits constitute a return of capital and will reduce the stockholder's adjusted tax basis in such stockholder's common stock. After the adjusted basis is reduced to zero, these distributions will constitute capital gains to such stockholders. Certain additional amounts may be deemed as distributed to stockholders for income tax purposes. Other types of Securities will likely pay distributions in accordance with their terms. See "Price Range of Common Stock," "Distributions" and "Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations." We have qualified and elected to be treated for U.S. Federal income tax purposes as a regulated investment company, or a RIC, under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or the Code. As a RIC, we generally do not have to pay corporate-level U.S. Federal income taxes on any ordinary income or capital gains that we distribute to our stockholders as dividends. To maintain our qualification as a RIC and obtain RIC tax treatment, we must maintain specified source-of-income and asset diversification requirements and distribute annually at least 90% of our ordinary income and realized net short-term capital gains in excess of realized net long-term capital losses, if any. See "Distributions" and "Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations." We have a dividend reinvestment plan for our stockholders. This is an "opt out" dividend reinvestment plan. As a result, when we declare a dividend, the dividends are automatically reinvested in additional shares of our common stock, unless a stockholder specifically "opts out" of the dividend reinvestment plan so as to receive cash dividends. Stockholders who receive distributions in the form of stock are subject to the same U.S. Federal, state and local tax consequences as stockholders who elect to receive their distributions in cash. See "Dividend Reinvestment Plan."

#### PSEC

Our charter and bylaws, as well as certain statutory and regulatory requirements, contain provisions that may have the effect of discouraging a third party from making an acquisition proposal for us. These anti-takeover provisions may inhibit a change in control in circumstances that could give the holders of our common stock the opportunity to realize a premium over the market price of our common stock. See "Description Of Our Capital Stock."

### Table of Contents

Management arrangements	Prospect Capital Management serves as our investment adviser. Prospect Administration serves as our administrator. For a description of Prospect Capital Management, Prospect Administration and our contractual arrangements with these companies, see "Business Management Services Investment Advisory Agreement," and "Business Management Services Administration Agreement."
Risk factors	Investment in our Securities involves certain risks relating to our structure and investment objective that should be considered by prospective purchasers of our Securities. We have a limited operating history upon which you can evaluate our business. In addition, as a business development company, our portfolio primarily includes securities issued by privately-held companies. These investments generally involve a high degree of business and financial risk, and are less liquid than public securities. We are required to mark the carrying value of our investments to fair value on a quarterly basis, and economic events, market conditions and events affecting individual portfolio companies can result in quarter-to-quarter mark-downs and mark-ups of the value of individual investments that collectively can materially affect our net asset value, or NAV. Also, our determinations of fair value of privately-held securities may differ materially from the values that would exist if there was a ready market for these investments. A large number of entities compete for the same kind of investment opportunities as we do. Moreover, our business requires a substantial amount of capital to operate and to grow and we seek additional capital from external sources. In addition, the failure to qualify as a RIC eligible for pass-through tax treatment under the Code on income distributed to stockholders could have a materially adverse effect on the total return, if any, obtainable from an investment in our Securities. See "Risk Factors" and the other information included in this prospectus for a discussion of
Plan of distribution	factors you should carefully consider before deciding to invest in our Securities. We may offer, from time to time, up to \$750,000,000 of our common stock, preferred stock, debt securities or warrants representing rights to purchase shares of our common stock, preferred stock or debt securities, on the terms to be determined at the time of the offering. Securities may be offered at prices and on terms described in one or more supplements to this prospectus directly to one or more purchasers, through agents designated from time to time by us, or to or through underwriters or dealers. The supplement to this prospectus relating to the offering will identify any agents or underwriters involved in the sale of our Securities, and will set forth any applicable purchase price, fee and commission or discount arrangement or the basis upon which such amount may be calculated. We may not sell Securities pursuant to this prospectus without delivering a prospectus supplement describing the method and terms of the offering of such Securities. For more information, see "Plan of Distribution."

#### Table of Contents

#### Fees and Expenses

The following tables are intended to assist you in understanding the costs and expenses that an investor in this offering will bear directly or indirectly. We caution you that some of the percentages indicated in the table below are estimates and may vary. In these tables, we assume that we have borrowed \$1,072.5 million. We do not intend to issue preferred stock during the year. Except where the context suggests otherwise, whenever this prospectus contains a reference to fees or expenses paid by "you" or "us" or that "we" will pay fees or expenses, the Company will pay such fees and expenses out of our net assets and, consequently, you will indirectly bear such fees or expenses as an investor in the Company. However, you will not be required to deliver any money or otherwise bear personal liability or responsibility for such fees or expenses.

Stockholder transaction expenses:	
Sales load (as a percentage of offering price)(1)	5.00%
Offering expenses borne by us (as a percentage of offering price)(2)	0.50%
Dividend reinvestment plan expenses(3)	None
Total stockholder transaction expenses (as a percentage of offering price)(4)	5.50%
Annual expenses (as a percentage of net assets attributable to common stock)(4):	
Management fees(5)	3.98%
Incentive fees payable under Investment Advisory Agreement (20% of realized capital gains and 20% of pre-incentive fee net	
investment income)(6)	2.11%
Total advisory fees	6.09%
Interest payments on the credit facility	2.86%
	2.80 % 0.84%
Interest payments on the 2010 Notes(7)	
Interest payments on the 2011 Notes(8)	0.85%
Total interest expense	4.55%
Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses(9)	0.01%
Other expenses(10)	1.52%
Total annual expenses(6)(10)	12.18%
Example	

The following table demonstrates the projected dollar amount of cumulative expenses we would pay out of net assets and that you would indirectly bear over various periods with respect to a hypothetical investment in our common stock. In calculating the following expense amounts, we have assumed we would have borrowed \$1,072.5 million, that our annual operating expenses would remain at the levels set forth in the table above and that we would pay the costs shown in the table above.

	1	l Year	3	3 Years	5	5 Years	10	) Years	
You would pay the following expenses on a \$1,000 investment, assuming a 5% annual									
return	\$	150.09	\$	326.06	\$	484.67	\$	816.06	
While the example assumes, as required by the SEC, a 5% annual return, our performance will vary and may result in a return greater or									
less than 5%. The income incentive fee under our Investment Advisory Agreement with Prospect Capital Management is unlikely to be material									
assuming a 5% annual return and is not included in the example. If we achieve sufficient returns on our investments, including through the									
				'		0	$\mathcal{O}$		

realization of capital gains, to trigger an incentive fee of a material amount, our distributions to our common stockholders and our expenses would likely be higher. In

#### Table of Contents

addition, while the example assumes reinvestment of all dividends and other distributions at NAV, participants in our dividend reinvestment plan will receive a number of shares of our common stock determined by dividing the total dollar amount of the distribution payable to a participant by the market price per share of our common stock at the close of trading on the valuation date for the distribution. See "Dividend Reinvestment Plan" for additional information regarding our dividend reinvestment plan.

This example and the expenses in the table above should not be considered a representation of our future expenses. Actual expenses (including the cost of debt, if any, and other expenses) may be greater or less than those shown.

(1)

In the event that the Securities to which this prospectus relates are sold to or through underwriters, a corresponding prospectus supplement will disclose the estimated applicable sales load.

(2)

The related prospectus supplement will disclose the estimated amount of offering expenses, the offering price and the estimated offering expenses borne by us as a percentage of the offering price.

#### (3)

#### (4)

The related prospectus supplement will disclose the offering price and the total stockholder transaction expenses as a percentage of the offering price.

(5)

Our base management fee is 2% of our gross assets (which include any amount borrowed, i.e., total assets without deduction for any liabilities). Although we have no intent to borrow more than \$1,072.5 million in the coming year, however, assuming that we borrowed \$1,072.5 million, the 2% management fee of gross assets equals approximately 3.98% of net assets. Based on our total borrowings as of October 18, 2011 of \$553 million, the 2% management fee of gross assets equals approximately 3.01% of net assets. See "Business Management Services Investment Advisory Agreement" and footnote 6 below.

(6)

Based on the incentive fee paid during our fiscal year ended June 30, 2011, all of which consisted of an income incentive fee. For a more detailed discussion of the calculation of the two-part incentive fee, see "Management Services Investment Advisory Agreement" in this prospectus.

#### (7)

On December 21, 2010, the Company issued \$150 million in aggregate principal amount of 6.25% Convertible Senior Notes due 2015, which we refer to as the 2010 Notes. See "Business General" and "Risk Factors Risks Related to our Business" for more detail on the 2010 Notes.

(8)

On February 18, 2011, the Company issued \$172.5 million in aggregate principal amount of 5.5% Convertible Senior Notes due 2016, which we refer to as the 2011 Notes. See "Business General" and "Risk Factors Risks Related to our Business" for more detail on the 2011 Notes. The 2011 Notes and the 2010 Notes are referred to collectively as the Notes.

(9)

The Company's stockholders indirectly bear the expenses of underlying investment companies in which the Company invests. This amount includes the fees and expenses of investment companies in which the Company is invested in as of June 30, 2011. When applicable, fees and expenses are based on historic fees and expenses for the investment companies and for those investment companies with little or no operating history, fees and expenses are based on expected fees and expenses stated in the investment companies' prospectus or other similar communication without giving effect to any performance. Future fees and expenses for certain investment companies may be substantially higher or lower because certain fees and expenses are based on the performance of the investment companies, which may fluctuate over time. The amount of the Company's

The expenses of the dividend reinvestment plan are included in "other expenses."

#### Table of Contents

average net assets used in calculating this percentage was based on net assets of approximately \$1.1 billion as of June 30, 2011.

(10)

"Other expenses" are based on estimated amounts for the current fiscal year. The amount shown above represents annualized expenses during our three months ended June 30, 2011 representing all of our estimated recurring operating expenses (except fees and expenses reported in other items of this table) that are deducted from our operating income and reflected as expenses in our Statement of Operations. The estimate of our overhead expenses, including payments under an administration agreement with Prospect Administration, or the Administration Agreement, based on our projected allocable portion of overhead and other expenses incurred by Prospect Administration in performing its obligations under the Administration Agreement. "Other expenses" does not include non-recurring expenses. See "Business Management Services Administration Agreement."

### Table of Contents

#### SELECTED CONDENSED FINANCIAL DATA

You should read the condensed consolidated financial information below with the Consolidated Financial Statements and notes thereto included in this prospectus. Financial information below for the years ended June 30, 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008 and 2007 has been derived from the financial statements that were audited by our independent registered public accounting firm. Certain reclassifications have been made to the prior period financial information to conform to the current period presentation. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" starting on page 32 for more information.

	For the Year/Period Ended June 30,								
	2011		2010		2009		2008		2007
ata	relating to sha	res	, per share and	l nui	mber of portf	olio	companies)		
\$	,	\$	86,518	\$	62,926	\$	59,033	\$	30,084
	15,092		15,366		22,793		12,033		6,153
	19,930		12,675		14,762		8,336		4,444
	169,476		114,559		100,481		79,402		40,681
	(17,598)		(8,382)		(6,161)		(6,318)		(1,903)
	(46,051)		(30,727)		(26,705)		(20,199)		(11,226)
	(11,606)		(8,260)		(8,452)		(7,772)		(4,421)
	(75,255)		(47,369)		(41,318)		(34,289)		(17,550)
	94,221		67,190		59,163		45,113		23,131
	24,017		(47,565)		(24,059)		(17,522)		(6,403)
\$	118,238	\$	19,625	\$	35,104	\$	27,591	\$	16,728
\$	1.38	\$	0.33	\$	1.11	\$	1.17	\$	1.06
\$	(1.21)	\$	(1.33)	\$	(1.62)	\$	(1.59)	\$	(1.54)
	85,978,757		59,429,222		31,559,905		23,626,642		15,724,095
\$	1,463,010	\$	748,483	\$	547,168	\$	497,530	\$	328,222
	86,307		84,212		119,857		44,248		48,280
	1,549,317		832,695		667,025		541,778		376,502
	84,200		100,300		124,800		91,167		
	150,000								
	172,500								
	7,918		9,300		6,713		6,641		4,838
	20,342		11,671		2,916		14,347		71,616
	434,960		121,271		134,429		112,155		76,454
\$	1,114,357	\$	711,424	\$	532,596	\$	429,623	\$	300,048
	72		58		30		29(2	)	24(2
	\$ \$ \$	<ul> <li>\$ 134,454</li> <li>15,092</li> <li>19,930</li> <li>169,476</li> <li>(17,598)</li> <li>(46,051)</li> <li>(11,606)</li> <li>(75,255)</li> <li>94,221</li> <li>24,017</li> <li>\$ 118,238</li> <li>\$ (1,21)</li> <li>\$ 1,38</li> <li>\$ (1,21)</li> <li>\$ \$,978,757</li> <li>\$ 1,463,010</li> <li>\$ 86,307</li> <li>1,549,317</li> <li>\$ \$4,200</li> <li>150,000</li> <li>172,500</li> <li>7,918</li> <li>20,342</li> <li>434,960</li> <li>\$ 1,114,357</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>134,454</li> <li>15,092</li> <li>15,092</li> <li>19,930</li> <li>169,476</li> <li>(17,598)</li> <li>(46,051)</li> <li>(11,606)</li> <li>(75,255)</li> <li>94,221</li> <li>94,221</li> <li>24,017</li> <li>24,017</li> <li>118,238</li> <li>118,238</li> <li>(1,21)</li> <li>\$</li> <li>\$1,38,387</li> <li>\$1,38,397</li> <li>\$1,38,307</li> <li>\$1,363,010</li> <li>\$45,978,757</li> <li>\$1,463,010</li> <li>\$45,978,757</li> <li>\$1,463,010</li> <li>\$45,978,757</li> <li>\$1,549,317</li> <li>\$434,960</li> <li>\$1,114,357</li> <li>\$1,114,357</li> </ul>	\$       134,454       \$       86,518         15,092       15,366         19,930       12,675         169,476       114,559         (17,598)       (8,382)         (46,051)       (30,727)         (11,606)       (8,260)         (11,606)       (47,369)         94,221       67,190         94,221       67,190         24,017       (47,565)         \$       118,238       \$         \$       118,238       \$         \$       138,238       \$         \$       1.38       \$         \$       1.38       \$         \$       1.38       \$         \$       1.38       \$         \$       1.463,010       \$         \$       1,463,010       \$         \$       1,549,317       832,695         \$       1,549,317       \$         \$       9,300       20,342         \$       1,114,357       \$         \$       1,114,357       \$	\$       134,454       \$       86,518       \$         15,092       15,366       15,366       \$         19,930       12,675       \$         169,476       114,559       \$         (17,598)       (8,382)       \$         (46,051)       (30,727)       \$         (11,606)       (8,260)       \$         94,221       67,190       \$         94,221       67,190       \$         94,221       67,190       \$         \$       118,238       \$       0.33       \$         \$       118,238       \$       0.33       \$         \$       1.38       \$       0.33       \$         \$       1.38       \$       0.33       \$         \$       1.463,010       \$       748,483       \$         \$       1,549,317       832,695       \$         \$       1,549,317       832,695       \$         \$       9,300       20,342       11,671         \$       1,114,357       \$       711,424       \$	\$       134,454       \$       86,518       \$       62,926         15,092       15,366       22,793         19,930       12,675       14,762         169,476       114,559       100,481         (17,598)       (8,382)       (6,161)         (46,051)       (30,727)       (26,705)         (11,606)       (8,260)       (8,452)         (75,255)       (47,369)       (41,318)         94,221       67,190       59,163         24,017       (47,565)       (24,059)         \$       118,238       \$       19,625       \$       35,104         \$       118,238       \$       0.33       \$       1,11         \$       (1.21)       \$       (1.33)       \$       (1.62)         \$       1,463,010       \$       748,483       \$       547,168         \$       1,463,010       \$       748,483       \$       547,168         \$       1,549,317       832,695       667,025       667,025         \$       84,200       100,300       124,800       150,000         172,500       7       7,918       9,300       6,713         20,342       <	\$       134,454       \$       86,518       \$       62,926       \$         15,092       15,366       22,793       1         19,930       12,675       14,762       1         169,476       114,559       100,481       1         (17,598)       (8,382)       (6,161)       (46,051)         (160,651)       (30,727)       (26,705)       (41,318)         (17,5255)       (47,369)       (41,318)       1         94,221       67,190       59,163       1         94,221       67,190       59,163       1         118,238       \$       19,625       \$       35,104       \$         \$       118,238       \$       0.33       \$       1.11       \$         \$       118,238       \$       0.33       \$       1.111       \$         \$       1.38       \$       0.33       \$       1.111       \$         \$       1.463,010       \$       748,483       \$       547,168       \$         \$       1,463,010       \$       748,483       \$       547,168       \$         \$       1,463,010       \$       748,483       \$       547,168 </td <td>15,092       15,366       22,793       12,033         19,930       12,675       14,762       8,336         169,476       114,559       100,481       79,402         (17,598)       (8,382)       (6,161)       (6,318)         (46,051)       (30,727)       (26,705)       (20,199)         (11,606)       (8,260)       (8,452)       (7,772)         (75,255)       (47,369)       (41,318)       (34,289)         94,221       67,190       59,163       45,113         24,017       (47,565)       (24,059)       (17,522)         \$       118,238       \$       19,625       \$       35,104       \$       27,591         \$       118,238       \$       19,625       \$       35,104       \$       27,591         \$       118,238       \$       19,625       \$       35,104       \$       27,591         \$       118,238       \$       19,625       \$       35,104       \$       27,591         \$       118,238       \$       19,625       \$       35,104       \$       497,530         \$       1,463,010       \$       748,483       \$       547,168       \$       <t< td=""><td>\$       134,454       \$       86,518       \$       62,926       \$       59,033       \$         15,092       15,366       22,793       12,033       \$         19,930       12,675       14,762       8,336       \$         (17,598)       (8,382)       (6,161)       (6,318)       \$         (46,051)       (30,727)       (26,705)       (20,199)       \$         (11,606)       (8,260)       (41,318)       (34,289)       \$         (75,255)       (47,369)       (41,318)       (34,289)       \$         94,221       67,190       59,163       45,113       \$         94,221       (47,565)       (24,059)       (17,522)       \$         \$       118,238       \$       19,625       \$       35,104       \$       27,591       \$         \$       118,238       \$       19,625       \$       35,104       \$       27,591       \$         \$       118,238       \$       19,625       \$       35,104       \$       27,591       \$         \$       118,238       \$       19,625       \$       35,104       \$       49,7530       \$         \$       11,43,0</td></t<></td>	15,092       15,366       22,793       12,033         19,930       12,675       14,762       8,336         169,476       114,559       100,481       79,402         (17,598)       (8,382)       (6,161)       (6,318)         (46,051)       (30,727)       (26,705)       (20,199)         (11,606)       (8,260)       (8,452)       (7,772)         (75,255)       (47,369)       (41,318)       (34,289)         94,221       67,190       59,163       45,113         24,017       (47,565)       (24,059)       (17,522)         \$       118,238       \$       19,625       \$       35,104       \$       27,591         \$       118,238       \$       19,625       \$       35,104       \$       27,591         \$       118,238       \$       19,625       \$       35,104       \$       27,591         \$       118,238       \$       19,625       \$       35,104       \$       27,591         \$       118,238       \$       19,625       \$       35,104       \$       497,530         \$       1,463,010       \$       748,483       \$       547,168       \$ <t< td=""><td>\$       134,454       \$       86,518       \$       62,926       \$       59,033       \$         15,092       15,366       22,793       12,033       \$         19,930       12,675       14,762       8,336       \$         (17,598)       (8,382)       (6,161)       (6,318)       \$         (46,051)       (30,727)       (26,705)       (20,199)       \$         (11,606)       (8,260)       (41,318)       (34,289)       \$         (75,255)       (47,369)       (41,318)       (34,289)       \$         94,221       67,190       59,163       45,113       \$         94,221       (47,565)       (24,059)       (17,522)       \$         \$       118,238       \$       19,625       \$       35,104       \$       27,591       \$         \$       118,238       \$       19,625       \$       35,104       \$       27,591       \$         \$       118,238       \$       19,625       \$       35,104       \$       27,591       \$         \$       118,238       \$       19,625       \$       35,104       \$       49,7530       \$         \$       11,43,0</td></t<>	\$       134,454       \$       86,518       \$       62,926       \$       59,033       \$         15,092       15,366       22,793       12,033       \$         19,930       12,675       14,762       8,336       \$         (17,598)       (8,382)       (6,161)       (6,318)       \$         (46,051)       (30,727)       (26,705)       (20,199)       \$         (11,606)       (8,260)       (41,318)       (34,289)       \$         (75,255)       (47,369)       (41,318)       (34,289)       \$         94,221       67,190       59,163       45,113       \$         94,221       (47,565)       (24,059)       (17,522)       \$         \$       118,238       \$       19,625       \$       35,104       \$       27,591       \$         \$       118,238       \$       19,625       \$       35,104       \$       27,591       \$         \$       118,238       \$       19,625       \$       35,104       \$       27,591       \$         \$       118,238       \$       19,625       \$       35,104       \$       49,7530       \$         \$       11,43,0

No. of portfolio companies at period end						
Acquisitions	\$ 953,337	\$	364,788(3) \$	98,305 \$	311,947 \$	167,255
Sales, repayments, and other disposals	\$ 285,562	\$	136,221 \$	27,007 \$	127,212 \$	38,407
Weighted-Average Yield at end of						
period(4)	12.8%	b	14.2%	13.7%	15.5%	17.1%

(1)	Per share data is based on average weighted shares for the period
(2)	Includes a net profits interest in Charlevoix Energy Trading LLC ("Charlevoix"), remaining after loan was paid.
(3)	Includes \$207,126 of acquired portfolio investments from Patriot Acquisition.
(4)	Includes dividends from certain equity investments.

#### Table of Contents

#### **RISK FACTORS**

Investing in our Securities involves a high degree of risk. You should carefully consider the risks described below, together with all of the other information included in this prospectus, before you decide whether to make an investment in our Securities. The risks set forth below are not the only risks we face. If any of the adverse events or conditions described below occur, our business, financial condition and results of operations could be materially adversely affected. In such case, our NAV, and the trading price of our common stock could decline, or the value of our preferred stock, debt securities, and warrants, if any are outstanding, may decline, and you may lose all or part of your investment.

#### **Risks Relating To Our Business**

#### We may suffer credit losses.

Investment in small and middle-market companies is highly speculative and involves a high degree of risk of credit loss. These risks are likely to increase during volatile economic periods, such as the US and many other economies have recently been experiencing. See "Risks Related to Our Investments."

#### Our financial condition and results of operations will depend on our ability to manage our future growth effectively.

Prospect Capital Management has been registered as an investment adviser since March 31, 2004, and we have been organized as a closed-end investment company since April 13, 2004. Our ability to achieve our investment objective depends on our ability to grow, which depends, in turn, on our Investment Adviser's ability to continue to identify, analyze, invest in and monitor companies that meet our investment criteria. Accomplishing this result on a cost-effective basis is largely a function of our Investment Adviser's structuring of investments, its ability to provide competent, attentive and efficient services to us and our access to financing on acceptable terms. As we continue to grow, Prospect Capital Management will need to continue to hire, train, supervise and manage new employees. Failure to manage our future growth effectively could have a materially adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

#### We are dependent upon Prospect Capital Management's key management personnel for our future success.

We depend on the diligence, skill and network of business contacts of the senior management of our Investment Adviser. We also depend, to a significant extent, on our Investment Adviser's access to the investment professionals and the information and deal flow generated by these investment professionals in the course of their investment and portfolio management activities. The senior management team of the Investment Adviser evaluates, negotiates, structures, closes, monitors and services our investments. Our success depends to a significant extent on the continued service of the senior management team, particularly John F. Barry III and M. Grier Eliasek. The departure of any of the senior management team could have a materially adverse effect on our ability to achieve our investment objective. In addition, we can offer no assurance that Prospect Capital Management will remain our investment adviser or that we will continue to have access to its investment professionals or its information and deal flow.

#### We operate in a highly competitive market for investment opportunities.

A large number of entities compete with us to make the types of investments that we make in target companies. We compete with other business development companies, public and private funds, commercial and investment banks and commercial financing companies. Additionally, because competition for investment opportunities generally has increased among alternative investment vehicles, such as hedge funds, those entities have begun to invest in areas they have not traditionally invested in, including investments in middle-market companies. As a result of these new entrants, competition for investment opportunities at middle-market companies has intensified, a trend we expect to continue.



#### Table of Contents

Many of our existing and potential competitors are substantially larger and have considerably greater financial, technical and marketing resources than we do. For example, some competitors may have a lower cost of funds and access to funding sources that are not available to us. In addition, some of our competitors may have higher risk tolerances or different risk assessments, which could allow them to consider a wider variety of investments and establish more or fuller relationships with borrowers and sponsors than us. Furthermore, many of our competitors are not subject to the regulatory restrictions that the 1940 Act imposes on us as a business development company. We cannot assure you that the competitive pressures we face will not have a materially adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. Also, as a result of existing and increasing competition and our competitors ability to provide a total package solution, we may not be able to take advantage of attractive investment opportunities from time to time, and we can offer no assurance that we will be able to identify and make investments that are consistent with our investment objective.

We do not seek to compete primarily based on the interest rates that we offer, and we believe that some of our competitors make loans with interest rates that are comparable to or lower than the rates we offer. We may lose investment opportunities if we do not match our competitors' pricing, terms and structure. If we match our competitors' pricing, terms and structure, we may experience decreased net interest income and increased risk of credit loss.

# Most of our portfolio investments are recorded at fair value as determined in good faith by our Board of Directors and, as a result, there is uncertainty as to the value of our portfolio investments.

A large percentage of our portfolio investments consist of securities of privately held companies. Hence, market quotations are generally not readily available for determining the fair values of such investments. The determination of fair value, and thus the amount of unrealized losses we may incur in any year, is to a degree subjective, and the Investment Adviser has a conflict of interest in making the determination. We value these securities quarterly at fair value as determined in good faith by our Board of Directors based on input from our Investment Adviser, a third party independent valuation firm and our audit committee. Our Board of Directors utilizes the services of an independent valuation firm to aid it in determining the fair value of any securities. The types of factors that may be considered in determining the fair values of our investments include the nature and realizable value of any collateral, the portfolio company's ability to make payments and its earnings, the markets in which the portfolio company does business, comparison to publicly traded companies, discounted cash flow, current market interest rates and other relevant factors. Because such valuations, and particularly valuations of private securities and private companies, are inherently uncertain, the valuations may fluctuate significantly over short periods of time due to changes in current market conditions. The determinations of fair value by our Board of Directors may differ materially from the values that would have been used if an active market and market quotations existed for these investments. Our net asset value could be adversely affected if the determinations regarding the fair value of our investments were materially higher than the values that we ultimately realize upon the disposal of such securities.

In addition, decreases in the market values or fair values of our investments are recorded as unrealized depreciation. Unprecedented declines in prices and liquidity in the corporate debt markets experienced during the recent financial crises resulted in significant net unrealized depreciation in our portfolio in the past. The effect of all of these factors on our portfolio reduced our NAV by increasing net unrealized depreciation in our portfolio. Depending on market conditions, we could incur substantial realized losses and may continue to suffer additional unrealized losses in future periods, which could have a material adverse impact on our business, financial condition and results of operations. We have no policy regarding holding a minimum level of liquid assets. As such, a high percentage of our portfolio generally is not liquid at any given point in time. See " The lack of liquidity may adversely affect our business."

#### Table of Contents

# Senior securities, including debt, expose us to additional risks, including the typical risks associated with leverage and could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We currently use our revolving credit facility to leverage our portfolio and we expect in the future to borrow from and issue senior debt securities to banks and other lenders and may securitize certain of our portfolio investments. We also have the Notes outstanding, which are a form of leverage and are senior in payment to our common stock.

With certain limited exceptions, as a business development company, or BDC, we are only allowed to borrow amounts such that our asset coverage, as defined in the 1940 Act, is at least 200% after such borrowing. The amount of leverage that we employ will depend on our Investment Adviser's and our Board of Directors' assessment of market conditions and other factors at the time of any proposed borrowing. There is no assurance that a leveraging strategy will be successful. Leverage involves risks and special considerations for stockholders, including the following, any of which could adversely affect our business, financial condition and result of operations:

A likelihood of greater volatility in the net asset value and market price of our common stock;

Diminished operating flexibility as a result of asset coverage or investment portfolio composition requirements required by lenders or investors that are more stringent than those imposed by the 1940 Act;

The possibility that investments will have to be liquidated at less than full value or at inopportune times to comply with debt covenants or to pay interest or dividends on the leverage;

Increased operating expenses due to the cost of leverage, including issuance and servicing costs;

Convertible or exchangeable securities issued in the future may have rights, preferences and privileges more favorable than those of our common stock;

Subordination to lenders' superior claims on our assets as a result of which lenders will be able to receive proceeds available in the case of our liquidation before any proceeds will be distributed to our stockholders;

Making it more difficult for us to meet our payment and other obligations under the Notes and our other outstanding debt;

The occurrence of an event of default if we fail to comply with the financial and/or other restrictive covenants contained in our debt agreements, including the credit agreement and each indenture governing the Notes, which event of default could result in all or some of our debt becoming immediately due and payable;

Reduced availability of our cash flow to fund investments, acquisitions and other general corporate purposes, and limiting our ability to obtain additional financing for these purposes;

The risk of increased sensitivity to interest rate increases on our indebtedness with variable interest rates, including borrowings under our amended senior credit facility; and

Reduced flexibility in planning for, or reacting to, and increasing our vulnerability to, changes in our business, the industry in which we operate and the general economy.

For example, the amount we may borrow under our revolving credit facility is determined, in part, by the fair value of our investments. If the fair value of our investments declines, we may be forced to sell investments at a loss to maintain compliance with our borrowing limits.

Other debt facilities we may enter into in the future may contain similar provisions. Any such forced sales would reduce our NAV and also make it difficult for the net asset value to recover. Our Investment Adviser and our Board of Directors in their best judgment nevertheless may determine to use leverage if they expect that the benefits to our stockholders of maintaining the leveraged position will outweigh the risks.

#### Table of Contents

In addition, our ability to meet our payment and other obligations of the Notes and our credit facility depends on our ability to generate significant cash flow in the future. This, to some extent, is subject to general economic, financial, competitive, legislative and regulatory factors as well as other factors that are beyond our control. We cannot assure you that our business will generate cash flow from operations, or that future borrowings will be available to us under our existing credit facility or otherwise, in an amount sufficient to enable us to meet our payment obligations under the Notes and our other debt and to fund other liquidity needs. If we are not able to generate sufficient cash flow to service our debt obligations, we may need to refinance or restructure our debt, including the Notes, sell assets, reduce or delay capital investments, or seek to raise additional capital. If we are unable to implement one or more of these alternatives, we may not be able to meet our payment obligations under the Notes and our other debt.

*Illustration.* The following table illustrates the effect of leverage on returns from an investment in our common stock assuming various annual returns, net of interest expense. The calculations in the table below are hypothetical and actual returns may be higher or lower than those appearing below. The calculation assumes (i) \$1.5 billion in total assets, (ii) an average cost of funds of 4.73%, (iii) \$1,072.5 million in debt outstanding and (iv) \$1.1 billion of stockholders' equity.

Assumed Return on Our Portfolio (net of expenses)	(10)%	(5)%	0%	5%	10%
Corresponding Return to Stockholder	(24.73)%	(14.64)%	(4.55)%	5.54%	15.63%

The assumed portfolio return is required by regulation of the SEC and is not a prediction of, and does not represent, our projected or actual performance. Actual returns may be greater or less than those appearing in the table.

# The Notes present other risks to holders of our common stock, including the possibility that the Notes could discourage an acquisition of the Company by a third party and accounting uncertainty.

Certain provisions of the Notes could make it more difficult or more expensive for a third party to acquire us. Upon the occurrence of certain transactions constituting a fundamental change, holders of the Notes will have the right, at their option, to require us to repurchase all of their Notes or any portion of the principal amount of such Notes in integral multiples of \$1,000. We may also be required to increase the conversion rate or provide for conversion into the acquirer's capital stock in the event of certain fundamental changes. These provisions could discourage an acquisition of us by a third party.

The accounting for convertible debt securities is subject to frequent scrutiny by the accounting regulatory bodies and is subject to change. We cannot predict if or when any such change could be made and any such change could have an adverse impact on our reported or future financial results. Any such impacts could adversely affect the market price of our common stock.

# We fund a portion of our investments with borrowed money, which magnifies the potential for gain or loss on amounts invested and may increase the risk of investing in us.

Borrowings and other types of financing, also known as leverage, magnify the potential for gain or loss on amounts invested and, therefore, increase the risks associated with investing in our securities. Our lenders have fixed dollar claims on our assets that are superior to the claims of our common stockholders or any preferred stockholders. If the value of our assets increases, then leveraging would cause the net asset value to increase more sharply than it would have had we not leveraged. Conversely, if the value of our assets decreases, leveraging would cause net asset value to decline more sharply than it otherwise would have had we not leveraged. Similarly, any increase in our income in excess of consolidated interest payable on the borrowed funds would cause our net income to increase more than it would without the leverage, while any decrease in our income would cause net income to decline more sharply than it would have had we not borrowed. Such a decline could negatively affect

#### Table of Contents

our ability to make common stock dividend payments. Leverage is generally considered a speculative investment technique.

# We may in the future determine to fund a portion of our investments with preferred stock, which would magnify the potential for gain or loss and the risks of investing in us in the same way as our borrowings.

Preferred stock, which is another form of leverage, has the same risks to our common stockholders as borrowings because the dividends on any preferred stock we issue must be cumulative. Payment of such dividends and repayment of the liquidation preference of such preferred stock must take preference over any dividends or other payments to our common stockholders, and preferred stockholders are not subject to any of our expenses or losses and are not entitled to participate in any income or appreciation in excess of their stated preference.

# In addition to regulatory restrictions that restrict our ability to raise capital, our credit facility contains various covenants which, if not complied with, could accelerate repayment under the facility, thereby materially and adversely affecting our liquidity, financial condition and results of operations.

The agreement governing our credit facility requires us to comply with certain financial and operational covenants. These covenants include:

restrictions on the level of indebtedness that we are permitted to incur in relation to the value of our assets;

restrictions on our ability to incur liens; and

maintenance of a minimum level of stockholders' equity.

As of June 30, 2011, we were in compliance with these covenants. However, our continued compliance with these covenants depends on many factors, some of which are beyond our control. Accordingly, there are no assurances that we will continue to comply with the covenants in our credit facility. Failure to comply with these covenants would result in a default under this facility which, if we were unable to obtain a waiver from the lenders thereunder, could result in an acceleration of repayments under the facility and thereby have a material adverse impact on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

# Failure to extend our existing credit facility, the revolving period of which is currently scheduled to expire on June 13, 2012, could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and financial position and our ability to pay expenses and make distributions.

The revolving period for our credit facility with a syndicate of lenders is currently scheduled to terminate on June 13, 2012. If the credit facility is not renewed or extended by the participant banks by June 13, 2012, we will not be able to make further borrowings under the facility after such date and the outstanding principal balance on that date will be due and payable on June 13, 2013. At June 30, 2011 we had outstanding borrowings of \$84.2 million under our credit facility. Interest on borrowings under the credit facility is one-month LIBOR plus 325 basis points, subject to a minimum LIBOR floor of 100 basis points. Additionally, the lenders charge a fee on the unused portion of the credit facility or find a new source of borrowing on acceptable terms, we will be required to pay down the amounts outstanding under the facility during the one-year term-out period through one or more of the following: (1) principal collections on our securities pledged under the facility, (2) at our option, interest collections on our securities pledged under the facility, or (3) possible liquidation of some or all of our loans and other assets, any of which could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and financial position and may force us to decrease or stop paying certain expenses and making distributions until the facility is repaid. In addition, our stock price could decline significantly,

#### Table of Contents

we would be restricted in our ability to acquire new investments and, in connection with our year-end audit, our independent registered accounting firm could raise an issue as to our ability to continue as a going concern.

#### Changes in interest rates may affect our cost of capital and net investment income.

A significant portion of the debt investments we make bears interest at fixed rates and the value of these investments could be negatively affected by increases in market interest rates. In addition, as the interest rate on our revolving credit facility is at a variable rate based on an index, an increase in interest rates would make it more expensive to use debt to finance our investments. As a result, a significant increase in market interest rates could both reduce the value of our portfolio investments and increase our cost of capital, which would reduce our net investment income.

#### We need to raise additional capital to grow because we must distribute most of our income.

We need additional capital to fund growth in our investments. A reduction in the availability of new capital could limit our ability to grow. We must distribute at least 90% of our ordinary income and realized net short-term capital gains in excess of realized net long-term capital losses, if any, to our shareholders to maintain our RIC status. As a result, such earnings are not available to fund investment originations. We have sought additional capital by borrowing from financial institutions and may issue debt securities or additional equity securities. If we fail to obtain funds from such sources or from other sources to fund our investments, we could be limited in our ability to grow, which may have an adverse effect on the value of our common stock. In addition, as a business development company, we are generally required to maintain a ratio of total assets to total borrowings and other senior securities of at least 200%, which may restrict our ability to borrow in certain circumstances.

#### The lack of liquidity in our investments may adversely affect our business.

We generally make investments in private companies. Substantially all of these securities are subject to legal and other restrictions on resale or are otherwise less liquid than publicly traded securities. The illiquidity of our investments may make it difficult for us to sell such investments if the need arises. In addition, if we are required to liquidate all or a portion of our portfolio quickly, we may realize significantly less than the value at which we have previously recorded our investments. In addition, we may face other restrictions on our ability to liquidate an investment in a portfolio company to the extent that we or our Investment Adviser has material non-public information regarding such portfolio company.

#### We may experience fluctuations in our quarterly results.

We could experience fluctuations in our quarterly operating results due to a number of factors, including the interest or dividend rates payable on the debt or equity securities we hold, the default rate on debt securities, the level of our expenses, variations in and the timing of the recognition of realized and unrealized gains or losses, the degree to which we encounter competition in our markets, the seasonality of the energy industry, weather patterns, changes in energy prices and general economic conditions. As a result of these factors, results for any period should not be relied upon as being indicative of performance in future periods.

#### Our most recent NAV was calculated as of June 30, 2011 and our NAV when calculated as of September 30, 2011 may be higher or lower.

Our most recently estimated NAV per share is \$10.04 on an as adjusted basis solely to give effect to distributions with record dates of July 29, 2011, August 31, 2011 and September 30, 2011, our issuance of common stock on July 22, 2011, August 26, 2011 and September 23, 2011 in connection with our dividend reinvestment plan, and our issuance of 1,500,000 shares of common stock on July 18,

#### Table of Contents

2011 in connection with the option granted with the June 21, 2011 offering of 10,000,000 shares which were delivered June 24, 2011, versus \$10.36 determined by us as of June 30, 2011. NAV per share as of September 30, 2011, may be higher or lower than \$10.04 based on potential changes in valuations and earnings for the quarter then ended. Our Board of Directors has not yet determined the fair value of portfolio investments at any date subsequent to June 30, 2011. Our Board of Directors determines the fair value of our portfolio investments on a quarterly basis in connection with the preparation of quarterly financial statements and based on input from an independent valuation firm, our Investment Adviser and the audit committee of our Board of Directors.

#### Potential conflicts of interest could impact our investment returns.

Our executive officers and directors, and the executive officers of our Investment Adviser, Prospect Capital Management, may serve as officers, directors or principals of entities that operate in the same or related lines of business as we do or of investment funds managed by our affiliates. Accordingly, they may have obligations to investors in those entities, the fulfillment of which might not be in our best interests or those of our stockholders. Nevertheless, it is possible that new investment opportunities that meet our investment objective may come to the attention of one of these entities in connection with another investment advisory client or program, and, if so, such opportunity might not be offered, or otherwise made available, to us. However, as an investment adviser, Prospect Capital Management has a fiduciary obligation to act in the best interests of its clients, including us. To that end, if Prospect Capital Management or its affiliates manage any additional investment vehicles or client accounts in the future, Prospect Capital Management will endeavor to allocate investment opportunities in a fair and equitable manner over time so as not to discriminate unfairly against any client. If Prospect Capital Management chooses to establish another investment fund in the future, when the investment professionals of Prospect Capital Management identify an investment, they will have to choose which investment fund should make the investment.

In the course of our investing activities, under the Investment Advisory Agreement we pay base management and incentive fees to Prospect Capital Management, and reimburse Prospect Capital Management for certain expenses it incurs. As a result of the Investment Advisory Agreement, there may be times when the senior management team of Prospect Capital Management has interests that differ from those of our stockholders, giving rise to a conflict.

Prospect Capital Management receives a quarterly income incentive fee based, in part, on our pre-incentive fee net investment income, if any, for the immediately preceding calendar quarter. This income incentive fee is subject to a fixed quarterly hurdle rate before providing an income incentive fee return to the Investment Adviser. This fixed hurdle rate was determined when then current interest rates were relatively low on a historical basis. Thus, if interest rates rise, it would become easier for our investment income to exceed the hurdle rate and, as a result, more likely that our Investment Adviser will receive an income incentive fee than if interest rates on our investments remained constant or decreased. Subject to the receipt of any requisite stockholder approval under the 1940 Act, our Board of Directors may adjust the hurdle rate by amending the Investment Advisory Agreement.

The income incentive fee payable by us is computed and paid on income that may include interest that has been accrued but not yet received in cash. If a portfolio company defaults on a loan that has a deferred interest feature, it is possible that interest accrued under such loan that has previously been included in the calculation of the income incentive fee will become uncollectible. If this happens, our Investment Adviser is not required to reimburse us for any such income incentive fee payments. If we do not have sufficient liquid assets to pay this incentive fee or distributions to stockholders on such accrued income, we may be required to liquidate assets in order to do so. This fee structure could give rise to a conflict of interest for our Investment Adviser to the extent that it may encourage the Investment Adviser to favor debt financings that provide for deferred interest, rather than current cash payments of interest.



#### Table of Contents

We have entered into a royalty-free license agreement with Prospect Capital Management. Under this agreement, Prospect Capital Management agrees to grant us a non-exclusive license to use the name "Prospect Capital." Under the license agreement, we have the right to use the "Prospect Capital" name for so long as Prospect Capital Management or one of its affiliates remains our Investment Adviser. In addition, we rent office space from Prospect Administration, an affiliate of Prospect Capital Management, and pay Prospect Administration our allocable portion of overhead and other expenses incurred by Prospect Administration in performing its obligations as Administrator under the Administration Agreement, including rent and our allocable portion of the costs of our chief financial officer and chief compliance officer and their respective staffs. This may create conflicts of interest that our Board of Directors monitors.

#### Our incentive fee could induce Prospect Capital Management to make speculative investments.

The incentive fee payable by us to Prospect Capital Management may create an incentive for our Investment Adviser to make investments on our behalf that are more speculative or involve more risk than would be the case in the absence of such compensation arrangement. The way in which the incentive fee payable is determined (calculated as a percentage of the return on invested capital) may encourage the Investment Adviser to use leverage to increase the return on our investments. Increased use of leverage and this increased risk of replacement of that leverage at maturity, would increase the likelihood of default, which would disfavor holders of our common stock. Similarly, because the Investment Adviser will receive an incentive fee based, in part, upon net capital gains realized on our investments, the Investment Adviser may invest more than would otherwise be appropriate in companies whose securities are likely to yield capital gains, as compared to income producing securities. Such a practice could result in our investing in more speculative securities than would otherwise be the case, which could result in higher investment losses, particularly during economic downturns.

The incentive fee payable by us to Prospect Capital Management could create an incentive for our Investment Adviser to invest on our behalf in instruments, such as zero coupon bonds, that have a deferred interest feature. Under these investments, we would accrue interest income over the life of the investment but would not receive payments in cash on the investment until the end of the term. Our net investment income used to calculate the income incentive fee, however, includes accrued interest. For example, accrued interest, if any, on our investments in zero coupon bonds will be included in the calculation of our incentive fee, even though we will not receive any cash interest payments in respect of payment on the bond until its maturity date. Thus, a portion of this incentive fee would be based on income that we may not have yet received in cash in the event of default may never receive.

#### We may be obligated to pay our investment adviser incentive compensation even if we incur a loss.

Our investment adviser is entitled to incentive compensation for each fiscal quarter based, in part, on our pre-incentive fee net investment income if any, for the immediately preceeding calendar quarter above a performance threshold for that quarter. Accordingly, since the performance threshold is based on a percentage of our net asset value, decreases in our net asset value make it easier to achieve the performance threshold. Our pre-incentive fee net investment income for incentive compensation purposes excludes realized and unrealized capital losses or depreciation that we may incur in the fiscal quarter, even if such capital losses or depreciation result in a net loss on our statement of operations for that quarter. Thus, we may be required to pay Prospect Capital Management incentive compensation for a fiscal quarter even if there is a decline in the value of our portfolio or we incur a net loss for that quarter.

#### Table of Contents

#### Changes in laws or regulations governing our operations may adversely affect our business.

We and our portfolio companies are subject to regulation by laws at the local, state and U.S. Federal levels. These laws and regulations, as well as their interpretation, may be changed from time to time. Accordingly, changes in these laws or regulations could have a material adverse effect on our business. For additional information regarding the regulations we are subject to, see "Regulation."

#### Foreign and domestic political risk may adversely affect our business.

We are exposed to political risk to the extent that Prospect Capital Management, on its behalf and subject to its investment guidelines, transacts in securities in the U.S. and foreign markets. The governments in any of these jurisdictions could impose restrictions, regulations or other measures, which may have a material adverse impact on our strategy.

# Capital markets have recently been in a period of disruption and instability. These market conditions have materially and adversely affected debt and equity capital markets in the United States and abroad, which have had, and may in the future have, a negative impact on our business and operations.

The U.S. and foreign capital markets have recently been in a period of disruption as evidenced by a lack of liquidity in the debt capital markets, significant write-offs in the financial services sector, the re-pricing of credit risk in the broadly syndicated credit market and the failure of certain major financial institutions. Despite actions of the United States federal government and foreign governments, these events contributed to worsening general economic conditions that materially and adversely impacted the broader financial and credit markets and reduced the availability of debt and equity capital for the market as a whole and financial services firms in particular. While these conditions appear to be improving, they could continue for a prolonged period of time or worsen in the future. In addition, while these conditions persist, we and other companies in the financial services sector may have to access, if available, alternative markets for debt and equity capital in order to grow. Equity capital may be difficult to raise because subject to some limited exceptions, as a BDC, we are generally not able to issue additional shares of our common stock at a price less than net asset value without first obtaining approval for such issuance from our stockholders and our independent directors. At our annual meeting of stockholders held on December 10, 2010, subject to certain determinations required to be made by our Board of Directors, our stockholders approved our ability to sell or otherwise issue shares of our common stock at a price below its then current net asset value per share for a twelve month period expiring on the anniversary of the date of stockholder approval. We are currently seeking stockholder approval at our 2011 annual meeting, to be held on December 8, 2011, to continue for an additional year our ability to issue shares of common stock below net asset value, subject to the condition that the maximum number of shares salable below net asset value pursuant to this authority in any particular offering that could result in such dilution is limited to 25% of our then outstanding common stock immediately prior to each such offering. In addition, our ability to incur indebtedness or issue other senior securities (including by issuing preferred stock) is limited by applicable regulations such that our asset coverage, as defined in the 1940 Act, must equal at least 200% immediately after each time we incur indebtedness or issue other senior securities. The debt capital that will be available, if at all, may be at a higher cost and on less favorable terms and conditions in the future. Any inability to raise capital could have a negative effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Moreover, recent market conditions have made, and may in the future make, it difficult to extend the maturity of or refinance our existing indebtedness and any failure to do so could have a material adverse effect on our business. The illiquidity of our investments may make it difficult for us to sell such investments if required. As a result, we may realize significantly less than the value at which we have recorded our investments.

Given the recent extreme volatility and dislocation in the capital markets, many BDCs have faced, and may in the future face, a challenging environment in which to raise capital. Recent significant

#### Table of Contents

changes in the capital markets affecting our ability to raise capital have affected the pace of our investment activity. In addition, significant changes in the capital markets, including the recent extreme volatility and disruption, has had, and may in the future have, a negative effect on the valuations of our investments and on the potential for liquidity events involving our investments. An inability to raise capital, and any required sale of our investments for liquidity purposes, could have a material adverse impact on our business, financial condition or results of operations.

#### Risks Relating To Our Operation As A Business Development Company

#### A failure on our part to maintain our status as a business development company would significantly reduce our operating flexibility.

If we do not continue to qualify as a business development company, we might be regulated as a registered closed-end investment company under the 1940 Act; our failure to qualify as a BDC would make us subject to additional regulatory requirements, which may significantly decrease our operating flexibility by limiting our ability to employ leverage and issue common stock.

# If we fail to qualify as a RIC, we will have to pay corporate-level taxes on our income, and our income available for distribution would be reduced.

To maintain our qualification for federal income tax purposes as a RIC under Subchapter M of the Code, and obtain RIC tax treatment, we must meet certain source of income, asset diversification and annual distribution requirements.

The source of income requirement is satisfied if we derive at least 90% of our annual gross income from interest, dividends, payments with respect to certain securities loans, gains from the sale or other disposition of securities or options thereon or foreign currencies, or other income derived with respect to our business of investing in such securities or currencies, and net income from interests in "qualified publicly traded partnerships," as defined in the Code.

The annual distribution requirement for a RIC is satisfied if we distribute at least 90% of our ordinary income and realized net short-term capital gains in excess of realized net long-term capital losses, if any, to our stockholders on an annual basis. Because we use debt financing, we are subject to certain asset coverage ratio requirements under the 1940 Act and financial covenants that could, under certain circumstances, restrict us from making distributions necessary to qualify for RIC tax treatment. If we are unable to obtain cash from other sources, we may fail to qualify for RIC tax treatment and, thus, may be subject to corporate-level income tax.

To maintain our qualification as a RIC, we must also meet certain asset diversification requirements at the end of each calendar quarter. Failure to meet these tests may result in our having to dispose of certain investments quickly in order to prevent the loss of RIC status. Because most of our investments are in private companies, any such dispositions could be made at disadvantageous prices and may result in substantial losses.

If we fail to qualify as a RIC for any reason or become subject to corporate income tax, the resulting corporate taxes would substantially reduce our net assets, the amount of income available for distribution, and the actual amount of our distributions. Such a failure would have a materially adverse effect on us and our stockholders. For additional information regarding asset coverage ratio and RIC requirements, see "Regulation Senior Securities" and "Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations".

#### We may have difficulty paying our required distributions if we recognize income before or without receiving cash representing such income.

For U.S. federal income tax purposes, we include in income certain amounts that we have not yet received in cash, such as original issue discount or payment-in-kind interest, which represents contractual interest added to the loan balance and due at the end of the loan term. Such original issue

#### Table of Contents

discount, which could be significant relative to our overall investment activities, or increases in loan balances as a result of payment-in-kind arrangements, are included in our taxable income before we receive any corresponding cash payments. We also may be required to include in taxable income certain other amounts that we do not receive in cash. While we focus primarily on investments that will generate a current cash return, our investment portfolio currently includes, and we may continue to invest in, securities that do not pay some or all of their return in periodic current cash distributions.

The income incentive fee payable by us is computed and paid on income that may include interest that has been accrued but not yet received in cash. If a portfolio company defaults on a loan that is structured to provide accrued interest, it is possible that accrued interest previously used in the calculation of the income incentive fee will become uncollectible.

Since in some cases we may recognize taxable income before or without receiving cash representing such income, we may have difficulty distributing at least 90% of our ordinary income and realized net short-term capital gains in excess of realized net long-term capital losses, if any, as required to maintain RIC tax treatment. Accordingly, we may have to sell some of our investments at times we would not consider advantageous, raise additional debt or equity capital or reduce new investment originations to meet these distribution requirements. If we are not able to obtain cash from other sources, we may fail to qualify for RIC treatment and thus become subject to corporate-level income tax. See "Regulation Senior Securities" and "Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations".

# Regulations governing our operation as a business development company affect our ability to raise, and the way in which we raise, additional capital.

We have incurred indebtedness under our revolving credit facility and through the issuance of the Notes and, in the future, may issue preferred stock and/or borrow additional money from banks or other financial institutions, which we refer to collectively as "senior securities," up to the maximum amount permitted by the 1940 Act. Under the provisions of the 1940 Act, we are permitted, as a BDC, to incur indebtedness or issue senior securities only in amounts such that our asset coverage, as defined in the 1940 Act, equals at least 200% after each issuance of senior securities. If the value of our assets declines, we may be unable to satisfy this test, which would prohibit us from paying dividends and could prohibit us from qualifying as a RIC. If we cannot satisfy this test, we may be required to sell a portion of our investments or sell additional shares of common stock at a time when such sales may be disadvantageous in order to repay a portion of our indebtedness. In addition, issuance of additional common stock could dilute the percentage ownership of our current stockholders in us.

As a BDC regulated under provisions of the 1940 Act, we are not generally able to issue and sell our common stock at a price below the current net asset value per share. If our common stock trades at a discount to net asset value, this restriction could adversely affect our ability to raise capital. We may, however, sell our common stock, or warrants, options or rights to acquire our common stock, at a price below the current net asset value of our common stock in certain circumstances, including if (i)(1) the holders of a majority of our shares (or, if less, at least 67% of a quorum consisting of a majority of our shares) and a similar majority of the holders of our shares who are not affiliated persons of us approve the sale of our common stock at a price that is less than the current net asset value, and (2) a majority of our Directors who have no financial interest in the transaction and a majority of our independent Directors (a) determine that such sale is in our and our stockholders' best interests and (b) in consultation with any underwriter or underwriters of the offering, make a good faith determination as of a time either immediately prior to the first solicitation by us or on our behalf of firm commitments to purchase such shares, or immediately prior to the issuance of such shares, that the price at which such shares are to be sold is not less than a price which closely approximates the market value of such shares, less any distributing commission or discount or if (ii) a majority of such shares are voted in favor of the proposal, approve the sale of our common stock



#### Table of Contents

common stock at a price that is less than the current net asset value per share. At our 2010 annual meeting of stockholders held on December 10, 2010, we obtained the first method of approval from our shareholders to sell an unlimited number of shares of common stock at any discount to net asset value per share for a period of twelve months, expiring on December 10, 2011. We are currently seeking stockholder approval at our 2011 annual meeting, to be held on December 8, 2011, to continue for an additional year our ability to issue shares of common stock below net asset value, subject to the condition that the maximum number of shares salable below net asset value pursuant to this authority in any particular offering that could result in such dilution is limited to 25% of our then outstanding common stock immediately prior to each such offering. We will not sell shares of common stock under a prospectus supplement to the registration statement (the "current registration statement") if the cumulative dilution to our NAV per share from offerings under the current registration statement exceeds 15%. See "If we sell common stock at a discount to our net asset value per share, stockholders who do not participate in such sale will experience immediate dilution in an amount that may be material" discussed below.

To generate cash for funding new investments, we pledged a substantial portion of our portfolio investments under our revolving credit facility. These assets are not available to secure other sources of funding or for securitization. Our ability to obtain additional secured or unsecured financing on attractive terms in the future is uncertain.

Alternatively, we may securitize our future loans to generate cash for funding new investments. See " Securitization of our assets subjects us to various risks."

#### Securitization of our assets subjects us to various risks.

We may securitize assets to generate cash for funding new investments. We refer to the term securitize to describe a form of leverage under which a company (sometimes referred to as an "originator" or "sponsor") transfers income producing assets to a single-purpose, bankruptcy-remote subsidiary (also referred to as a "special purpose entity" or SPE), which is established solely for the purpose of holding such assets and entering into a structured finance transaction. The SPE then issues notes secured by such assets. The special purpose entity may issue the notes in the capital markets either publicly or privately to a variety of investors, including banks, non-bank financial institutions and other investors. There may be a single class of notes or multiple classes of notes, the most senior of which carries less credit risk and the most junior of which may carry substantially the same credit risk as the equity of the SPE.

An important aspect of most debt securitization transactions is that the sale and/or contribution of assets into the SPE be considered a true sale and/or contribution for accounting purposes and that a reviewing court would not consolidate the SPE with the operations of the originator in the event of the originator's bankruptcy based on equitable principles. Viewed as a whole, a debt securitization seeks to lower risk to the note purchasers by isolating the assets collateralizing the securitization in an SPE that is not subject to the credit and bankruptcy risks of the originator. As a result of this perceived reduction of risk, debt securitization transactions frequently achieve lower overall leverage costs for originators as compared to traditional secured lending transactions.

In accordance with the above description, to securitize loans, we may create a wholly owned subsidiary and contribute a pool of our assets to such subsidiary. The SPE may be funded with, among other things, whole loans or interests from other pools and such loans may or may not be rated. The SPE would then sell its notes to purchasers who we would expect to be willing to accept a lower interest rate and the absence of any recourse against us to invest in a pool of income producing assets to which none of our creditors would have access. We would retain all or a portion of the equity in the SPE. An inability to successfully securitize portions of our portfolio or otherwise leverage our portfolio through secured and unsecured borrowings could limit our ability to grow our business and fully execute our business strategy, and could decrease our earnings, if any. However, the successful



#### Table of Contents

securitization of portions of our portfolio exposes us to a risk of loss for the equity we retain in the SPE and might expose us to greater risk on our remaining portfolio because the assets we retain may tend to be those that are riskier and more likely to generate losses. A successful securitization may also impose financial and operating covenants that restrict our business activities and may include limitations that could hinder our ability to finance additional loans and investments or to make the distributions required to maintain our status as a RIC under Subchapter M of the Code. The 1940 Act may also impose restrictions on the structure of any securitizations.

Interests we hold in the SPE, if any, will be subordinated to the other interests issued by the SPE. As such, we will only receive cash distributions on such interests if the SPE has made all cash interest and other required payments on all other interests it has issued. In addition, our subordinated interests will likely be unsecured and rank behind all of the secured creditors, known or unknown, of the SPE, including the holders of the senior interests it has issued. Consequently, to the extent that the value of the SPE's portfolio of assets has been reduced as a result of conditions in the credit markets, or as a result of defaults, the value of the subordinated interests we retain would be reduced. Securitization imposes on us the same risks as borrowing except that our risk in a securitization is limited to the amount of subordinated interests we retain, whereas in a borrowing or debt issuance by us directly we would be at risk for the entire amount of the borrowing or debt issuance.

Generally, we would expect the SPE not to be consolidated with us and in that event our only interest will be the value of our retained subordinated interest and the income allocated to us, which may be more or less than the cash we receive from the SPE, and none of the SPE's liabilities will be reflected as our liabilities. If the assets of the SPE are not consolidated with our assets and liabilities, then our interest in the SPE may be deemed not to be a qualifying asset for purposes of determining whether 70% of our assets are qualifying assets and the leverage incurred by such SPE may or may not be treated as borrowings by us for purposes of the requirement that we not issue senior securities in an amount in excess of our net assets.

We may also engage in transactions utilizing SPEs and securitization techniques where the assets sold or contributed to the SPE remain on our balance sheet for accounting purposes. If, for example, we sell the assets to the SPE with recourse or provide a guarantee or other credit support to the SPE, its assets will remain on our balance sheet. Consolidation would also generally result if we, in consultation with the SEC, determine that consolidation would result in a more accurate reflection of our assets, liabilities and results of operations. In these structures, the risks will be essentially the same as in other securitization transactions but the assets will remain our assets for purposes of the limitations described above on investing in assets that are not qualifying assets and the leverage incurred by the SPE will be treated as borrowings incurred by us for purposes of our limitation on the issuance of senior securities.

Our Investment Adviser may have conflicts of interest with respect to potential securitizations in as much as securitizations that are not consolidated may reduce our assets for purposes of determining its investment advisory fee although in some circumstances our investment adviser may be paid certain fees for managing the assets of the SPE so as to reduce or eliminate any potential bias against securitizations.

#### Our ability to invest in public companies may be limited in certain circumstances.

As a BDC, we must not acquire any assets other than "qualifying assets" specified in the 1940 Act unless, at the time the acquisition is made, at least 70% of our total assets are qualifying assets (with certain limited exceptions). Subject to certain exceptions for follow-on investments and distressed companies, an investment in an issuer that has outstanding securities listed on a national securities exchange may be treated as qualifying assets only if such issuer has a market capitalization that is less than \$250 million at the time of such investment.

#### Table of Contents

# Price declines and illiquidity in the corporate debt markets have adversely affected, and may in the future adversely affect, the fair value of our portfolio investments, reducing our net asset value through increased net unrealized depreciation.

As a BDC, we are required to carry our investments at market value or, if no market value is ascertainable, at fair value as determined in good faith by or under the direction of our Board of Directors. As part of the valuation process, the types of factors that we may take into account in determining the fair value of our investments include, as relevant and among other factors: available current market data, including relevant and applicable market trading and transaction comparables, applicable market yields and multiples, security covenants, call protection provisions, information rights, the nature and realizable value of any collateral, the portfolio company's ability to make payments, its earnings and discounted cash flows, the markets in which the portfolio company does business, comparisons of financial ratios of peer companies that are public, merger and acquisition comparables, our principal market (as the reporting entity) and enterprise values. Decreases in the market values or fair values of our investments are recorded as unrealized depreciation. Unprecedented declines in prices and liquidity in the corporate debt markets resulted in significant net unrealized depreciation in our portfolio. Depending on market conditions, we could incur substantial realized losses and may suffer additional unrealized losses in future periods, which could have a material adverse impact on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

#### Our common stock may trade at a discount to our net asset value per share.

Common stock of BDCs, like that of closed-end investment companies, frequently trades at a discount to current net asset value, which could adversely affect the ability to raise capital. In the past, our common stock has traded at a discount to our net asset value. The risk that our common stock may continue to trade at a discount to our net asset value is separate and distinct from the risk that our net asset value per share may decline.

# If we sell common stock at a discount to our net asset value per share, stockholders who do not participate in such sale will experience immediate dilution in an amount that may be material.

At our 2010 annual meeting of stockholders held on December 10, 2010, our stockholders approved our ability to sell an unlimited number of shares of our common stock at any level of discount from net asset value per share during the 12 month period following the December 10, 2010 approval in accordance with the exception described above in " Regulations governing our operation as a business development company affect our ability to raise, and the way in which we raise, additional capital." We are currently seeking stockholder approval at our 2011 annual meeting, to be held on December 8, 2011, to continue for an additional year our ability to issue shares of common stock below net asset value, subject to the condition that the maximum number of shares salable below net asset value pursuant to this authority in any particular offering that could result in such dilution is limited to 25% of our then outstanding common stock immediately prior to each such offering. The issuance or sale by us of shares of our common stock at a discount to net asset value poses a risk of dilution to our stockholders. In particular, stockholders who do not purchase additional shares at or below the discounted price in proportion to their current ownership will experience an immediate decrease in net asset value per share (as well as in the aggregate net asset value of their shares if they do not participate at all). These stockholders will also experience a disproportionately greater decrease in their participation in our earnings and assets and their voting power than the increase we experience in our assets, potential earning power and voting interests from such issuance or sale. In addition, such sales may adversely affect the price at which our common stock trades. For additional information and hypothetical examples of these risks, see "Sales of Common Stock Below Net Asset Value" and the prospectus supplement pursuant to which such sale is made. We have sold shares of our common stock



#### Table of Contents

at prices below net asset value per share and may continue to do so to the future. For additional information, see "Recent Sales of Common Stock Below Net Asset Value" in the prospectus supplement pursuant to which such sale is made, if applicable.

#### Our ability to enter into transactions with our affiliates is restricted.

We are prohibited under the 1940 Act from knowingly participating in certain transactions with our affiliates without the prior approval of our independent directors. Any person that owns, directly or indirectly, 5% or more of our outstanding voting securities is our affiliate for purposes of the 1940 Act and we are generally prohibited from buying or selling any security or other property from or to such affiliate, absent the prior approval of our independent directors. The 1940 Act also prohibits "joint" transactions with an affiliate, which could include investments in the same portfolio company (whether at the same or different times), without prior approval of our independent directors. We are prohibited from buying or selling any security or other property from or to our Investment Adviser and its affiliates and persons with whom we are in a control relationship, or entering into joint transactions with any such person, absent the prior approval of the SEC.

#### **Risks Relating To Our Investments**

#### We may not realize gains or income from our investments.

We seek to generate both current income and capital appreciation. However, the securities we invest in may not appreciate and, in fact, may decline in value, and the issuers of debt securities we invest in may default on interest and/or principal payments. Accordingly, we may not be able to realize gains from our investments, and any gains that we do realize may not be sufficient to offset any losses we experience. See "Business Our Investment Objective and Policies."

#### Our investments in prospective portfolio companies may be risky and we could lose all or part of our investment.

Some of our portfolio companies have relatively short or no operating histories. These companies are and will be subject to all of the business risk and uncertainties associated with any new business enterprise, including the risk that these companies may not reach their investment objective and the value of our investment in them may decline substantially or fall to zero.

In addition, investment in the middle market companies that we are targeting involves a number of other significant risks, including:

these companies may have limited financial resources and may be unable to meet their obligations under their securities that we hold, which may be accompanied by a deterioration in the value of their securities or of any collateral with respect to any securities and a reduction in the likelihood of our realizing on any guarantees we may have obtained in connection with our investment;

they may have shorter operating histories, narrower product lines and smaller market shares than larger businesses, which tend to render them more vulnerable to competitors' actions and market conditions, as well as general economic downturns;

because many of these companies are privately held companies, public information is generally not available about these companies. As a result, we will depend on the ability of our Investment Adviser to obtain adequate information to evaluate these companies in making investment decisions. If our Investment Adviser is unable to uncover all material information about these companies, it may not make a fully informed investment decision, and we may lose money on our investments;

#### Table of Contents

they are more likely to depend on the management talents and efforts of a small group of persons; therefore, the death, disability, resignation or termination of one or more of these persons could have a materially adverse impact on our portfolio company and, in turn, on us;

they may have less predictable operating results, may from time to time be parties to litigation, may be engaged in changing businesses with products subject to a risk of obsolescence and may require substantial additional capital to support their operations, finance expansion or maintain their competitive position;

they may have difficulty accessing the capital markets to meet future capital needs;

increased taxes, regulatory expense or the costs of changes to the way they conduct business due to the effects of climate change may adversely affect their business, financial structure or prospects.

In addition, our executive officers, directors and our Investment Adviser could, in the ordinary course of business, be named as defendants in litigation arising from proposed investments or from our investments in the portfolio companies.

#### Economic recessions or downturns could impair our portfolio companies and harm our operating results.

The U.S. and foreign financial markets have been experiencing a high level of volatility, disruption and distress, which was exacerbated by the failure of several major financial institutions in the last few months of 2008. Despite actions of the United States federal government and foreign governments, these events contributed to worsening general economic conditions that materially and adversely impacted the broader financial and credit markets and reduced the availability of debt and equity capital for the market as a whole and financial services firms in particular. While these conditions appear to be improving, they could continue for a prolonged period of time or worsen in the future both in the U.S. and globally. Our portfolio companies will generally be affected by the conditions and overall strength of the national, regional and local economies, including interest rate fluctuations, changes in the capital markets and changes in the prices of their primary commodities and products. These factors also impact the amount of residential, industrial and commercial growth in the energy industry. Additionally, these factors could adversely impact the customer base and customer collections of our portfolio companies.

Many of our portfolio companies may be susceptible to economic slowdowns or recessions and may be unable to repay our loans or meet other obligations during these periods. Therefore, our non-performing assets are likely to increase, and the value of our portfolio is likely to decrease, during these periods. Adverse economic conditions also may decrease the value of collateral securing some of our loans and the value of our equity investments. Economic slowdowns or recessions could lead to financial losses in our portfolio and a decrease in revenues, net income and assets. Unfavorable economic conditions also could increase our funding costs, limit our access to the capital markets or result in a decision by lenders not to extend credit to us. These events could prevent us from increasing investments and harm our operating results.

A portfolio company's failure to satisfy financial or operating covenants imposed by us or other lenders could lead to defaults and, potentially, termination of its loans and foreclosure on its secured assets, which could trigger cross-defaults under other agreements and jeopardize a portfolio company's ability to meet its obligations under the debt or equity securities that we hold. We may incur expenses to the extent necessary to seek recovery upon default or to negotiate new terms, which may include the waiver of certain financial covenants, with a defaulting portfolio company. In addition, if one of our portfolio companies were to go bankrupt, even though we may have structured our interest as senior debt or preferred equity, depending on the facts and circumstances, including the extent to which we actually provided managerial assistance to that portfolio company, a bankruptcy court might



#### Table of Contents

re-characterize our debt or equity holding and subordinate all or a portion of our claim to those of other creditors.

# Our portfolio contains a limited number of portfolio companies, which subjects us to a greater risk of significant loss if any of these companies defaults on its obligations under any of its debt securities.

A consequence of the limited number of investments in our portfolio is that the aggregate returns we realize may be significantly adversely affected if one or more of our significant portfolio company investments perform poorly or if we need to write down the value of any one significant investment. Beyond our income tax diversification requirements, we do not have fixed guidelines for diversification, and our portfolio could contain relatively few portfolio companies.

#### Our failure to make follow-on investments in our portfolio companies could impair the value of our portfolio.

Following an initial investment in a portfolio company, we may make additional investments in that portfolio company as "follow-on" investments, in order to: (1) increase or maintain in whole or in part our equity ownership percentage; (2) exercise warrants, options or convertible securities that were acquired in the original or subsequent financing or (3) attempt to preserve or enhance the value of our investment.

We may elect not to make follow-on investments, may be constrained in our ability to employ available funds, or otherwise may lack sufficient funds to make those investments. We have the discretion to make any follow-on investments, subject to the availability of capital resources. The failure to make follow-on investments may, in some circumstances, jeopardize the continued viability of a portfolio company and our initial investment, or may result in a missed opportunity for us to increase our participation in a successful operation. Even if we have sufficient capital to make a desired follow-on investment, we may elect not to make a follow-on investment because we may not want to increase our concentration of risk, because we prefer other opportunities, or because we are inhibited by compliance with BDC requirements or the desire to maintain our tax status.

# We may be unable to invest the net proceeds raised from offerings on acceptable terms, which would harm our financial condition and operating results.

Until we identify new investment opportunities, we intend to either invest the net proceeds of future offerings in interest-bearing deposits or other short-term instruments or use the net proceeds from such offerings to reduce then-outstanding obligations under our credit facility. We cannot assure you that we will be able to find enough appropriate investments that meet our investment criteria or that any investment we complete using the proceeds from an offering will produce a sufficient return.

#### We may have limited access to information about privately held companies in which we invest.

We invest primarily in privately-held companies. Generally, little public information exists about these companies, and we are required to rely on the ability of our Investment Adviser's investment professionals to obtain adequate information to evaluate the potential returns from investing in these companies. These companies and their financial information are not subject to the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and other rules that govern public companies. If we are unable to uncover all material information about these companies, we may not make a fully informed investment decision, and we may lose money on our investment.

# We may not be in a position to control a portfolio investment when we are a debt or minority equity investor and its management may make decisions that could decrease the value of our investment.

We make both debt and minority equity investments in portfolio companies. As a result, we are subject to the risk that a portfolio company may make business decisions with which we disagree, and



#### Table of Contents

the management of such company, as representatives of the holders of their common equity, may take risks or otherwise act in ways that do not serve our interests. As a result, a portfolio company may make decisions that could decrease the value of our portfolio holdings.

#### Our portfolio companies may incur debt or issue equity securities that rank equally with, or senior to, our investments in such companies.

We may invest in mezzanine debt and dividend-paying equity securities issued by our portfolio companies. Our portfolio companies usually have, or may be permitted to incur, other debt, or issue other equity securities, that rank equally with, or senior to, the securities in which we invest. By their terms, such instruments may provide that the holders are entitled to receive payment of dividends, interest or principal on or before the dates on which we are entitled to receive payments in respect of the securities in which we invest. Also, in the event of insolvency, liquidation, dissolution, reorganization or bankruptcy of a portfolio company, holders of securities ranking senior to our investment in that portfolio company would typically be entitled to receive payment in full before we receive any distribution in respect of our investment. After repaying the senior security holders, the portfolio company may not have any remaining assets to use for repaying its obligation to us. In the case of securities ranking equally with securities in which we invest, we would have to share on an equal basis any distributions with other security holders in the event of an insolvency, liquidation, dissolution, reorganization or bankruptcy of the relevant portfolio company.

#### We may not be able to fully realize the value of the collateral securing our debt investments.

Although a substantial amount of our debt investments are protected by holding security interests in the assets of the portfolio companies, we may not be able to fully realize the value of the collateral securing our investments due to one or more of the following factors:

our debt investments may be made in the form of mezzanine loans, therefore our liens on the collateral, if any, may be subordinated to those of the senior secured debt of the portfolio companies, if any. As a result, we may not be able to control remedies with respect to the collateral;

the collateral may not be valuable enough to satisfy all of the obligations under our secured loan, particularly after giving effect to the repayment of secured debt of the portfolio company that ranks senior to our loan;

bankruptcy laws may limit our ability to realize value from the collateral and may delay the realization process;

our rights in the collateral may be adversely affected by the failure to perfect security interests in the collateral;

the need to obtain regulatory and contractual consents could impair or impede how effectively the collateral would be liquidated and could affect the value received; and

some or all of the collateral may be illiquid and may have no readily ascertainable market value. The liquidity and value of the collateral could be impaired as a result of changing economic conditions, competition, and other factors, including the availability of suitable buyers.

#### Our investments in foreign securities may involve significant risks in addition to the risks inherent in U.S. investments.

Our investment strategy contemplates potential investments in securities of foreign companies including those located in emerging market countries. Investing in foreign companies may expose us to additional risks not typically associated with investing in U.S. companies. These risks include changes in

#### Table of Contents

exchange control regulations, political and social instability, expropriation, imposition of foreign taxes, less liquid markets and less available information than is generally the case in the United States, higher transaction costs, less government supervision of exchanges, brokers and issuers, less developed bankruptcy laws, difficulty in enforcing contractual obligations, lack of uniform accounting and auditing standards and greater price volatility. Such risks are more pronounced in emerging market countries.

Although currently most of our investments are, and we expect that most of our investments will be, U.S. dollar-denominated, investments that are denominated in a foreign currency will be subject to the risk that the value of a particular currency will change in relation to one or more other currencies. Among the factors that may affect currency values are trade balances, the level of short-term interest rates, differences in relative values of similar assets in different currencies, long-term opportunities for investment and capital appreciation, and political developments.

#### We may expose ourselves to risks if we engage in hedging transactions.

We may employ hedging techniques to minimize certain investment risks, such as fluctuations in interest and currency exchange rates, but we can offer no assurance that such strategies will be effective. If we engage in hedging transactions, we may expose ourselves to risks associated with such transactions. We may utilize instruments such as forward contracts, currency options and interest rate swaps, caps, collars and floors to seek to hedge against fluctuations in the relative values of our portfolio positions from changes in currency exchange rates and market interest rates. Hedging against a decline in the values of our portfolio positions does not eliminate the possibility of fluctuations in the values of such positions does not eliminate the possibility of fluctuations designed to gain from those same developments, thereby offsetting the decline in the value of such portfolio positions. Such hedging transactions may also limit the opportunity for gain if the values of the portfolio positions should increase. Moreover, it may not be possible to hedge against an exchange rate or interest rate fluctuation that is so generally anticipated that we are not able to enter into a hedging transaction at an acceptable price.

The success of our hedging transactions depends on our ability to correctly predict movements, currencies and interest rates. Therefore, while we may enter into such transactions to seek to reduce currency exchange rate and interest rate risks, unanticipated changes in currency exchange rates or interest rates may result in poorer overall investment performance than if we had not engaged in any such hedging transactions. The degree of correlation between price movements of the instruments used in a hedging strategy and price movements in the portfolio positions being hedged may vary. Moreover, for a variety of reasons, we may not seek to establish a perfect correlation between such hedging instruments and the portfolio holdings being hedged. Any such imperfect correlation may prevent us from achieving the intended hedge and expose us to risk of loss. In addition, it may not be possible to hedge fully or perfectly against currency fluctuations affecting the value of securities denominated in non-U.S. currencies. The Company has no current intention of engaging in any of the hedging transaction described above, although it reserves the right to do so in the future.

# Our Board of Directors may change our operating policies and strategies without prior notice or stockholder approval, the effects of which may be adverse to us and could impair the value of our stockholders' investment.

Our Board of Directors has the authority to modify or waive our current operating policies and our strategies without prior notice and without stockholder approval. We cannot predict the effect any changes to our current operating policies and strategies would have on our business, financial condition, and value of our common stock. However, the effects might be adverse, which could negatively impact our ability to pay dividends and cause stockholders to lose all or part of their investment.



#### Table of Contents

#### **Risks Relating To Our Securities**

#### Investing in our securities may involve a high degree of risk and is highly speculative.

The investments we make in accordance with our investment objective may result in a higher amount of risk than alternative investment options and volatility or loss of principal. Our investments in portfolio companies may be speculative and aggressive, and therefore, an investment in our shares may not be suitable for someone with low risk tolerance.

#### The market price of our securities may fluctuate significantly.

The market price and liquidity of the market for our securities may be significantly affected by numerous factors, some of which are beyond our control and may not be directly related to our operating performance. These factors include:

significant volatility in the market price and trading volume of securities of business development companies or other companies in the energy industry, which are not necessarily related to the operating performance of these companies;

changes in regulatory policies or tax guidelines, particularly with respect to RICs or business development companies;

loss of RIC qualification;

changes in earnings or variations in operating results;

changes in the value of our portfolio of investments;

any shortfall in revenue or net income or any increase in losses from levels expected by investors or securities analysts;

departure of one or more of Prospect Capital Management's key personnel;

operating performance of companies comparable to us;

changes in prevailing interest rates;

litigation matters;

general economic trends and other external factors; and

loss of a major funding source.

# In the past, following periods of volatility in the market price of a company's securities, securities class action litigation has, from time to time, been brought against that company.

If our stock price fluctuates significantly, we may be the target of securities litigation in the future. Securities litigation could result in substantial costs and divert management's attention and resources from our business.

#### Sales of substantial amounts of our securities in the public market may have an adverse effect on the market price of our securities.

Sales of substantial amounts of our securities or the availability of such securities for sale could adversely affect the prevailing market price for our securities. If this occurs and continues it could impair our ability to raise additional capital through the sale of securities should we desire to do so.

#### Table of Contents

#### There is a risk that you may not receive distributions or that our distributions may not grow over time.

We have made and intend to continue to make distributions on a quarterly basis to our stockholders out of assets legally available for distribution. We cannot assure you that we will achieve investment results or maintain a tax status that will allow or require any specified level of cash distributions or year-to-year increases in cash distributions. In addition, due to the asset coverage test applicable to us as a business development company, we may be limited in our ability to make distributions.

# Provisions of the Maryland General Corporation Law and of our charter and bylaws could deter takeover attempts and have an adverse impact on the price of our common stock.

Our charter and bylaws and the Maryland General Corporation Law contain provisions that may have the effect of delaying, deferring or preventing a transaction or a change in control that might involve a premium price for our stockholders or otherwise be in their best interest. These provisions may prevent stockholders from being able to sell shares of our common stock at a premium over the current of prevailing market prices.

Our charter provides for the classification of our Board of Directors into three classes of directors, serving staggered three-year terms, which may render a change of control or removal of our incumbent management more difficult. Furthermore, any and all vacancies on our Board of Directors will be filled generally 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 until a successor is elected and qualifies.

Our Board of Directors is authorized to create and issue new series of shares, to classify or reclassify any unissued shares of stock into one or more classes or series, including preferred stock and, without stockholder approval, to amend our charter to increase or decrease the number of shares of common stock that we have authority to issue, which could have the effect of diluting a stockholder's ownership interest. Prior to the issuance of shares of common stock of each class or series, including any reclassified series, our Board of Directors is required by our governing documents 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 of shares of stock.

Our charter and bylaws also provide that our Board of Directors has the exclusive power to adopt, alter or repeal any provision of our bylaws, and to make new bylaws. The Maryland General Corporation Law also contains certain provisions that may limit the ability of a third party to acquire control of us, such as:

The Maryland Business Combination Act, which, subject to certain limitations, prohibits certain business combinations between us and an "interested stockholder" (defined generally as any person who beneficially owns 10% or more of the voting power of the common stock or an affiliate thereof) for five years after the most recent date on which the stockholder becomes an interested stockholder and, thereafter, imposes special minimum price provisions and special stockholder voting requirements on these combinations; and

The Maryland Control Share Acquisition Act, which provides that "control shares" of a Maryland corporation (defined as shares of common stock which, when aggregated with other shares of common stock controlled by the stockholder, entitles the stockholder to exercise one of three increasing ranges of voting power in electing directors, as described more fully below) acquired in a "control share acquisition" (defined as the direct or indirect acquisition of ownership or control of "control shares") have no voting rights except to the extent approved by



#### Table of Contents

stockholders by the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of all the votes entitled to be cast on the matter, excluding all interested shares of common stock.

The provisions of the Maryland Business Combination Act will not apply, however, if our Board of Directors adopts a resolution that any business combination between us and any other person will be exempt from the provisions of the Maryland Business Combination Act. 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. There can be no assurance that this resolution will not be altered or repealed in whole or in part at any time. If the resolution is altered or repealed, the provisions of the Maryland Business Combination Act may discourage others from trying to acquire control of us.

As permitted by Maryland law, our bylaws contain a provision exempting from the Maryland Control Share Acquisition Act any and all acquisitions by any person of our common stock. Although our bylaws include such a provision, such a provision may also be amended or eliminated by our Board of Directors at any time in the future, provided that we will notify the Division of Investment Management at the SEC prior to amending or eliminating this provision. It is the view of the staff of the SEC that opting into the Maryland Control Share Acquisition Act would be acting in a manner inconsistent with section 18(i) of the 1940 Act.

# We may in the future choose to pay dividends in our own stock, in which case our stockholders may be required to pay tax in excess of the cash they receive.

We may distribute taxable dividends that are payable in part in our stock. Under IRS Revenue Procedure 2010-12, up to 90% of any such taxable dividend could be payable in our stock for dividends paid on or before December 31, 2012 with respect to any taxable year ending on or before December 31, 2011. The IRS has also issued private letter rulings on cash/stock dividends paid by regulated investment companies and real estate investment trusts if certain requirements are satisfied. Taxable stockholders receiving such dividends would be required to include the full amount of the dividend as ordinary income (or as long-term capital gain to the extent such distribution is properly designated as a capital gain dividend) to the extent of our current and accumulated earnings and profits for United States federal income tax purposes. As a result, a U.S. stockholder may be required to pay tax with respect to such dividends in excess of any cash received. If a U.S. stockholder sells the stock it receives as a dividend in order to pay this tax, it may be subject to transaction fees (e.g. broker fees or transfer agent fees) and the sales proceeds may be less than the amount included in income with respect to the dividend, depending on the market price of our stock at the time of the sale. Furthermore, with respect to non-U.S. stockholders, we may be required to withhold U.S. tax with respect to such dividends, including in respect of all or a portion of such dividend that is payable in stock. In addition, if a significant number of our stock. It is unclear whether and to what exten