**VENTAS INC** Form 4 January 14, 2008

### FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** 

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* CAFARO DEBRA A

Symbol

(Middle)

VENTAS INC [VTR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/10/2008

10350 ORMSBY PARK PLACE, **SUITE 300** 

(Street)

(Ctata)

(First)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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\_X\_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify \_X\_\_ Officer (give title . below) Chairman, President and CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

#### LOUISVILLE,, KY 40223

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
Common Stock (1)	01/10/2008		S(2)(3)	100	D	\$ 42.19	716,760	D			
Common Stock	01/10/2008		S(2)(3)	200	D	\$ 42.27	716,560	D			
Common Stock	01/10/2008		S(2)(3)	100	D	\$ 42.28	716,460	D			
Common Stock	01/10/2008		S(2)(3)	100	D	\$ 42.29	716,360	D			
Common Stock	01/10/2008		S(2)(3)	200	D	\$ 42.3	716,160	D			

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Common Stock	01/10/2008	S(2)(3)	100	D	\$ 42.37	716,060	D
Common Stock	01/10/2008	S(2)(3)	100	D	\$ 42.39	715,960	D
Common Stock	01/10/2008	S(2)(3)	100	D	\$ 42.4	715,860	D
Common Stock	01/10/2008	S(2)(3)	100	D	\$ 42.43	715,760	D
Common Stock	01/10/2008	S(2)(3)	200	D	\$ 42.45	715,560	D
Common Stock	01/10/2008	S(2)(3)	100	D	\$ 42.5	715,460	D
Common Stock	01/10/2008	S(2)(3)	100	D	\$ 42.53	715,360	D
Common Stock	01/10/2008	S(2)(3)	100	D	\$ 42.59	715,260	D
Common Stock	01/10/2008	S(2)(3)	100	D	\$ 42.62	715,160	D
Common Stock	01/10/2008	S(2)(3)	300	D	\$ 42.65	714,860	D
Common Stock	01/10/2008	S(2)(3)	100	D	\$ 42.66	714,760	D
Common Stock	01/10/2008	S(2)(3)	100	D	\$ 42.68	714,660	D
Common Stock	01/10/2008	S(2)(3)	200	D	\$ 42.71	714,460	D
Common Stock	01/10/2008	S(2)(3)	100	D	\$ 42.74	714,360	D
Common Stock	01/10/2008	S(2)(3)	100	D	\$ 42.86	714,260	D
Common Stock	01/10/2008	S(2)(3)	100	D	\$ 42.92	714,160	D
Common Stock	01/10/2008	S(2)(3)	100	D	\$ 42.95	714,060	D
Common Stock	01/10/2008	S(2)(3)	100	D	\$ 42.98	713,960	D
Common Stock	01/10/2008	S(2)(3)	200	D	\$ 42.99	713,760	D
Common Stock	01/10/2008	S(2)(3)	100	D	\$ 43.09	713,660	D
	01/10/2008	S(2)(3)	100	D		713,560	D

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Common Stock					\$ 43.12		
Common Stock	01/10/2008	S(2)(3)	100	D	\$ 43.17	713,460	D
Common Stock	01/10/2008	S(2)(3)	100	D	\$ 43.19	713,360	D
Common Stock	01/10/2008	S(2)(3)	100	D	\$ 43.22	713,260	D
Common Stock (4)	01/10/2008	S(2)(3)	100	D	\$ 43.26	713,160	D

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

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

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Tit	le and	8. Price of	Ç
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	onNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	ınt of	Derivative	J
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Unde	rlying	Security	,
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)	]
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr	3 and 4)		(
	Security				Acquired						J
					(A) or						J
					Disposed						-
					of (D)						(
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
									A		
									Amount		
						Date	Expiration	TP:41	or		
					J	Exercisable Date	Title Number				
									of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
• 6	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
CAFARO DEBRA A 10350 ORMSBY PARK PLACE, SUITE 300 LOUISVILLE,, KY 40223	X		Chairman, President and CEO				
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# Signatures

Debra A. Cafaro, By: T. Richard Riney,
Attorney-In-Fact
01/14/2008

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\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Please see the Reporting Person's previous Form 4 filing dated the date hereof which contains additional transactions which are part of one aggregate direction under the Rule 10b5-1 sales plan described in Footnote (3).
- (2) On January 10, 2008, the Reporting Person transmitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission a Form 144 covering the sale of the Issuer's common stock reported on Table I.
- (3) These shares are being sold pursuant to a written non-discretionary Rule 10b5-1(c) sales plan dated November 15, 2007.
- (4) Please see the Reporting Person's subsequent Form 4 filing dated the date hereof which contains additional transactions which are part of one aggregate direction under the Rule 10b5-1(c) sales plan described in Footnote (3).

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