**VENTAS INC** Form 4 June 16, 2008

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CAFARO DEBRA A			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol VENTAS INC [VTR]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	Middle) 3. D	ate of Earlies	t Tra	nsaction			(000	шт прричин	,
111 SOUTE SUITE 480	H WACKER DRI	`	nth/Day/Year 12/2008	.)				X Director X Officer (give t below) Chairman,		Owner er (specify
	(Street)	4. If	Amendment,	Date	e Original			6. Individual or Join	nt/Group Filin	g(Check
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - No	n-De	erivative S	ecuritie	es Acqu	nired, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date any (Month/Day/Ye	Code		4. Securit (A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature Indirect Benefici Ownersh (Instr. 4)

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			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)	( ,	
Common Stock	06/12/2008		S(1)(2)	100	D	\$ 44.81	752,736	D	
Common Stock	06/12/2008		S(1)(2)	100	D	\$ 44.82	752,636	D	
Common Stock	06/12/2008		S(1)(2)	100	D	\$ 44.83	752,536	D	
Common Stock	06/12/2008		S(1)(2)	100	D	\$ 44.88	752,436	D	
Common Stock	06/12/2008		S(1)(2)	100	D	\$ 44.94	752,336	D	

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Common Stock	06/12/2008	S(1)(2)	200	D	\$ 44.96 752,136	D
Common Stock	06/12/2008	S(1)(2)	200	D	\$ 44.98 751,936	D
Common Stock	06/12/2008	S(1)(2)	100	D	\$ 44.99 751,836	D
Common Stock	06/12/2008	S(1)(2)	100	D	\$ 45.02 751,736	D
Common Stock	06/12/2008	S(1)(2)	200	D	\$ 45.09 751,536	D
Common Stock	06/12/2008	S(1)(2)	100	D	\$ 45.12 751,436	D
Common Stock	06/12/2008	S(1)(2)	199	D	\$ 45.26 751,237	D
Common Stock	06/12/2008	S(1)(2)	400	D	\$ 45.275 750,837	D
Common Stock	06/12/2008	S(1)(2)	100	D	\$ 45.28 750,737	D
Common Stock	06/12/2008	S(1)(2)	100	D	\$ 45.29 750,637	D
Common Stock	06/12/2008	S(1)(2)	100	D	\$ 45.3 750,537	D
Common Stock	06/12/2008	S(1)(2)	200	D	\$ 45.31 750,337	D
Common Stock	06/12/2008	S(1)(2)	200	D	\$ 45.33 750,137	D
Common Stock	06/12/2008	S(1)(2)	300	D	\$ 45.34 749,837	D
Common Stock	06/12/2008	S(1)(2)	300	D	\$ 45.35 749,537	D
Common Stock	06/12/2008	S(1)(2)	300	D	\$ 45.36 749,237	D
Common Stock	06/12/2008	S(1)(2)	300	D	\$ 45.37 748,937	D
Common Stock	06/12/2008	S(1)(2)	201	D	\$ 45.38 748,736	D
Common Stock	06/12/2008	S(1)(2)	200	D	\$ 45.39 748,536	D
Common Stock	06/12/2008	S(1)(2)	300	D	\$ 45.41 748,236	D
	06/12/2008	S(1)(2)	200	D	\$ 45.42 748,036	D

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Common Stock						
Common Stock	06/12/2008	S(1)(2)	300	D	\$ 45.43 747,736	D
Common Stock	06/12/2008	S(1)(2)	400	D	\$ 45.44 747,336	D
Common Stock	06/12/2008	S(1)(2)	237	D	\$ 45.45 747,099	D
Common Stock (3)	06/12/2008	S(1)(2)	200	D	\$ 45.46 746,899	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	isable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onNumber	Expiration Da	ite	Amou	nt of	Derivative	J
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	5
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securi	ities	(Instr. 5)	]
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		(
	Security				Acquired						J
					(A) or						J
					Disposed						-
					of (D)						(
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
									or		
						Date	Expiration	Title	Number		
						Exercisable	Date	11116	of		
				Code V	(A) (D)						
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
. 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
CAFARO DEBRA A 111 SOUTH WACKER DRIVE, SUITE 4800 CHICAGO,, IL 60606	X		Chairman, President and CEO					

# **Signatures**

Debra A. Cafaro, By: T. Richard Riney,
Attorney-In-Fact
06/16/2008

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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) On May 15, 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.
- (2) These shares are being sold pursuant to a written non-discretionary Rule 10b5-1(c) sales plan dated November 15, 2007.
- (3) 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 (2).

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