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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

LEWIS RAYMOND J			Symbol VENTAS INC [VTR]					(Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) President			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 111 SOUTH WACKER DRIVE, SUITE 4800			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/30/2010								
CHICAGO,	(Street)			ndment, Da nth/Day/Year)	Ü	1		6. Individual or Jo Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by 0 Form filed by N Person		rson	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction D (Month/Day/Yea	ar) Execution	med on Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, Amount	(A) or	d 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 of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Stock	11/30/2010			F	6,032 (1)	D	φ 51.27	126,877 <u>(2)</u>	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)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	of		ate	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
					4, and 5)	Date	Expiration		Amount		
				Code V	(A) (D)	Exercisable	Date	Title	Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LEWIS RAYMOND J 111 SOUTH WACKER DRIVE, SUITE 4800 CHICAGO, IL 60606

President

Signatures

Raymond J. Lewis, By: T. Richard Riney, 12/02/2010 Attorney-In-Fact

> **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).
- Represents shares withheld to pay the taxes on the vesting of restricted stock granted on November 30, 2007, under the Ventas, Inc. 2006 **(1)** Incentive Plan.
- (2) As of November 30, 2010, Reporting Person also owns options to purchase 83,805 shares of Issuer's common stock.

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