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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A LFCM Hold		orting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) (First) (Middle)			VENTAS INC [VTR] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
30 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA		AZA	(Month/Day/Year) 01/03/2012	Director 10% Owner Officer (give titleX Other (specify below) See Footnotes 8, 9 and 10			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
NEW YORK, NY 10020			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person _X_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tal	ble I - Non	-Derivative Sec	urities	s Acquire	d, Disposed of, o	r Beneficially	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	TransactiorDisposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A)				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)
Common Stock	01/03/2012		S	21,070,658	D (3)	\$ 53.45	3,700,186 (3) (4) (5) (6)	I (3) (4) (5) (6)	Footnote (1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (6) (7) (8) (9) (10)

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. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
. 9	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
LFCM Holdings LLC 30 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA NEW YORK, NY 10020				See Footnotes 8, 9 and 10			
Lazard Alternative Investments Holdings LLC 30 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA NEW YORK, NY 10020				See Footnotes 8, 9 and 10			

Signatures

LAZARD ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENTS HOLDINGS LLC, By: /s/ James V. Hansford, Chief Financial Officer	01/05/2012
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
LFCM HOLDINGS LLC, By: /s/ James V. Hansford, Chief Financial Officer	01/05/2012
**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).
 - This statement is being filed jointly by (i) Prometheus Senior Quarters LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Prometheus"), (ii) Lazard Senior Housing Partners LP, a Delaware limited partnership ("LSHP"), (iii) LSHP Coinvestment Partnership I LP, a Delaware
- limited partnership ("LSHP Coinvest" and, together with Prometheus and LSHP, the "Funds"), (iv) LFSRI II-CADIM Alternative **(1)** Partnership L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, (v) LF Strategic Realty Investors II L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, (vi) LFSRI II Alternative Partnership L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, (vii) Lazard Freres Real Estate Investors L.L.C., a New York limited liability company ("LFREI"), (viii) Lazard Senior Housing Partners GP LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("LSHP GP"),
- [continued from Footnote 1] (ix) LSHP Coinvestment I GP LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("LSHP Coinvest GP"), (x) Lazard Alternative Investments LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("LAI"), (xi) Lazard Alternative Investments Holdings LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("LAI Holdings"), and (xii) LFCM Holdings LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (all of such entities are collectively referred to as the "Reporting Persons"). As a result of the 10 Reporting Person per joint filing limitation of

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the electronic system, this Form 4 is being filed in duplicate (2 Reporting Persons have filed on this Form 4 and 10 Reporting Persons have filed on a duplicate Form 4).

- On January 3, 2012, Ventas, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Issuer"), the Funds and Citigroup Global Markets Inc. (the "Underwriter"), entered into an underwriting agreement, dated January 3, 2012 (the "Underwriting Agreement"), pursuant to which Prometheus, LSHP and LSHP Coinvest, severally and not jointly, agreed to sell 15,135,412, 4,908,094, and 1,027,152 shares of common stock of the Issuer ("Common Stock"), respectively, at a price per share of \$53.45 and to settle the sale transactions on January 9, 2012.
- Following the transfer described in Footnote 3, Prometheus, LSHP and LSHP Coinvest will be the holders of record of 2,656,006, 861,287 and 180,248 shares of Common Stock, respectively.
 - The shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by Prometheus may be deemed to be beneficially owned by each of LFSRI II-CADIM Alternative Partnership L.P., LF Strategic Realty Investors II L.P. and LFSRI II Alternative Partnership L.P., as its Managing Members,
- (5) and by LFREI, as their general partner. The shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by LSHP may be deemed to be beneficially owned by LSHP GP, as its general partner. The shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by LSHP Coinvest may be deemed to be beneficially owned by LSHP Coinvest GP, as its general partner.
- [continued from Footnote 5] LAI (as the Managing Member of each of LFREI, LSHP GP and LSHP Coinvest GP), LAI Holdings (as the parent of LAI), and LFCM Holdings LLC (as the parent of Lazard Alternative Investments Holdings LLC and the ultimate parent of LAI) may be deemed to beneficially own the shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by the Funds. Each of the Reporting Persons expressly disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares of Common Stock reported herein, except to the extent of its pecuniary interest therein, if any.
- The Form 4 filed by the Reporting Persons on May 16, 2011 (the "May 2011 Form 4") contained a typographical error and mistakenly reported that 61,534 shares of Common Stock were awarded by Atria Senior Living, Inc., a Delaware corporation and an affiliate of the Funds ("ASLI"), to certain employees of ASLI in connection with its incentive compensation arrangements. Only 61,309 shares were awarded. As a result, Prometheus, LSHP and LSHP Coinvest could be deemed to beneficially own an additional 162, 52 and 11 shares of Common Stock, respectively, than what was reported in the May 2011 Form 4 and in a subsequent Form 4 filed by the Reporting Persons on November 2, 2011.
 - On May 13, 2011, Matthew J. Lustig was appointed to the board of directors of the Issuer pursuant to an agreement, dated May 12, 2011 between the Funds and the Issuer that provides the Funds, collectively, with the right to designate one individual for nomination to the board of directors of the Issuer (the "Issuer's Board") for so long as the Funds and certain transferees collectively beneficially own
- (8) Merger Shares (as defined below) representing 3% or more of the outstanding shares of the Common Stock. Mr. Lustig is a Managing Director of LAI, Managing Principal of LFREI, and Managing Principal and Chief Executive Officer of each of LSHP GP and LSHP Coinvest GP. As a result of the sale transactions reported herein, the Funds no longer own Merger Shares representing 3% or more of the outstanding shares of Common Stock; and therefore, the Funds no longer have a right to designate a nominee to the Issuer's Board.
- [continued from Footnote 8] "Merger Shares" means the shares of Common Stock issued to the Funds on May 12, 2011 in connection with the Issuer's acquisition of substantially all of the real estate assets of Atria Senior Living Group, Inc., a Delaware corporation, One Lantern Senior Living Inc., a Delaware corporation, and LSHP Coinvestment I Inc., a Delaware corporation.
- (10) This filing shall not be deemed an admission that the Reporting Persons are required to file reports with respect to the Issuer for purposes of, or are otherwise subject to, Section 16 of the Exchange Act.

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