**VENTAS INC** Form 4 March 20, 2008

## FORM 4

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

Check this box if no longer STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF Section 16.

**SECURITIES** 

obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* Reed Robert D.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VENTAS INC [VTR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(First) (Middle) (Last)

(Street)

(State)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/18/2008

X\_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

(Check all applicable)

**OMB APPROVAL** 

3235-0287

January 31,

Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

2005

0.5

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Number:

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burden hours per

2200 RIVER PLAZA DRIVE

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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SACRAMENTO, CA 95833

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Owned Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s)

Code V Amount (D) 16.741 Α

(Instr. 3 and 4) Price 2,016.741

Common Stock

(City)

03/18/2008

(A)

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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Derivative Security (Instr. 3)		Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
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# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Reed Robert D.							
2200 RIVER PLAZA DRIVE	X						
SACRAMENTO, CA 95833							

## **Signatures**

Robert D. Reed, By: T. Richard Riney,
Attorney-In-Fact
03/20/2008

\*\*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).

Common Stock in the form of Units granted under the Non-Employee Director Deferred Stock Compensation Plan (the "Plan") in lieu of

(1) Director fees pursuant to the Director's deferral election. Such Units are payable solely in Common Stock and subject to the terms and conditions of the Director's deferral election and the Plan.

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