

PROSPECT CAPITAL CORP

Form 497

April 16, 2018

The information in this preliminary pricing supplement is not complete and may be changed. This preliminary pricing supplement and the accompanying prospectus supplement and prospectus are not offers to sell these securities and are not soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted.

Subject to completion

Preliminary Pricing Supplement dated

April 16, 2018

Prospect Capital Corporation

Prospect Capital InterNotes®

4.500% Notes due 2023 (the "2023 Notes")

5.000% Notes due 2026 (the "2026 Notes" and together with the 2023 Notes, the "Notes")

Filed under Rule 497, Registration Statement No. 333-213391

Preliminary Pricing Supplement Nos. 552 and 553 — Dated Monday, April 16, 2018

(To: Prospectus Dated October 30, 2017, and Prospectus Supplement Dated February 9, 2018)

| CUSIP Number | ISIN Number  | Principal Amount | Selling Price | Gross Concession | Net Proceeds | Coupon Type | Coupon Rate | Coupon Frequency | Maturity Date | 1st Coupon Date | 1st Coupon Amount |
|--------------|--------------|------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|------------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| 74348YB83    | US74348YB838 | \$ 100.000       | % 1.250       | % 1.250          | \$           | Fixed       | 4.500%      | Semi-Annual      | 4/15/2023     | 10/15/2018      | \$21.1            |

Redemption Information: Callable at 100.000% on 10/15/2018 and every business day thereafter ("Optional Redemption Date")

| CUSIP Number | ISIN Number  | Principal Amount | Selling Price | Gross Concession | Net Proceeds | Coupon Type | Coupon Rate | Coupon Frequency | Maturity Date | 1st Coupon Date | 1st Coupon Amount |
|--------------|--------------|------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|------------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| 74348YB91    | US74348YB911 | \$ 100.000       | % 1.900       | % 1.900          | \$           | Fixed       | 5.000%      | Semi-Annual      | 4/15/2026     | 10/15/2018      | \$23.4            |

Redemption Information: Callable at 100.000% on 10/15/2018 and every business day thereafter ("Optional Redemption Date")

Trade Date: Monday, April 23, 2018 @ 12:00 PM ET

Settle Date: Thursday, April 26, 2018

Minimum Denomination/Increments: \$1,000.00/\$1,000.00

Initial trades settle flat and clear SDFS: DTC Book Entry only

The Notes will be issued pursuant to the Indenture, dated as of February 16, 2012, as amended and supplemented by that certain Five Hundred Fifty-Second and Five Hundred Fifty-Third Supplemental Indenture dated as of April 26, 2018.

The date from which interest shall accrue on the Notes is Thursday, April 26, 2018. The "Interest Payment Dates" for the Notes shall be April 15 and October 15 of each year, commencing October 15, 2018; the interest payable on any Interest Payment Date, will be paid to the Person in whose name the Notes (or one or more predecessor Notes) is registered at the close of business on the Regular Record Date (as defined in the Indenture) for such interest, which shall be April 1 or October 1, as the case may be, next preceding such Interest Payment Date.

The Notes will be redeemable in whole or in part at any time or from time to time, at the option of Prospect Capital Corporation, on or after October 15, 2018 at a redemption price of \$1,000 per Note plus accrued and unpaid interest payments otherwise payable for the then-current semi-annual interest period accrued to, but excluding, the date fixed for redemption and upon not less than 5 days nor more that 60 days prior notice to the noteholder and the trustee, as described in the prospectus.

Except for Notes sold to level-fee accounts, Notes offered to the public will be offered at the public offering price set forth above. Agents purchasing Notes on an agency basis for client accounts shall purchase Notes at the public offering price. Notes sold by the Agents for their own account may be sold at the public offering price less the 3% discount specified above. Notes purchased by the Agents on behalf of level-fee accounts may be sold to such accounts at the discount to the public offering price specified above, in which case, such Agents will not retain any portion of the sales price as compensation.

Prospect Capital Corporation is a financial services company that lends to and invests in middle market, privately-held companies. We are organized as an externally-managed, non-diversified closed-end management investment company that has elected to be treated as a business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940. Prospect Capital Management L.P. manages our investments and Prospect Administration LLC provides the administrative services necessary for us to operate.

This preliminary pricing supplement relates only to the securities described in the accompanying prospectus supplement and prospectus, is only a summary of changes and should be read together with the accompanying prospectus supplement and prospectus, including among other things the section entitled "Risk Factors" beginning on page S-8 of such prospectus supplement and page 10 of such prospectus. This preliminary pricing supplement and the accompanying prospectus supplement and prospectus contain important information you should know before investing in our securities. Please read it before you invest and keep it for future reference. We file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information about us with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or the "SEC." This information is available free of charge by contacting us at 10 East 40<sup>th</sup> Street, 42<sup>nd</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10016

---

or by telephone at (212) 448-0702. The SEC maintains a website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov) where such information is available without charge upon written or oral request. Our internet website address is [www.prospectstreet.com](http://www.prospectstreet.com). Information contained on our website is not incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus and you should not consider information contained on our website to be part of this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus.

Neither the SEC nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed on the adequacy or accuracy of this preliminary pricing supplement. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense. Obligations of Prospect Capital Corporation and any subsidiary of Prospect Capital Corporation are not guaranteed by the full faith and credit of the United States of America. Neither Prospect Capital Corporation nor any subsidiary of Prospect Capital Corporation is a government-sponsored enterprise or an instrumentality of the United States of America.

InterNotes® is a registered trademark of Incapital Holdings LLC.

#### Recent Developments:

On February 22, 2018, we made a \$10.0 million second lien secured investment in Janus International Group, LLC, a manufacturer of steel roll-up doors and building components.

On March 1, 2018, LaserShip, Inc. repaid the \$23.0 million Senior Secured Term Loan A and \$14.1 million Senior Secured Term Loan B loan receivable to us.

On March 9, 2018, we made a follow-on \$16.9 million subordinated debt investment in First Tower LLC and a \$2.7 million equity investment in First Tower Finance Company LLC, to support an acquisition.

On March 12, 2018, we made a \$42.0 million senior secured investment in Class Appraisal, LLC, a provider of residential appraisal services.

On March 19, 2018, we made a \$15.0 million second lien secured investment in ATS Consolidated Inc., a traffic management company.

On March 20, 2018, PGX Holdings, Inc. partially repaid \$16.4 million second lien term loan receivable to us.

On March 28, 2018, Prince Mineral Holding Corp. fully repaid \$10.0 million senior secured term loan receivable to us.

On March 29, 2018, we made a \$32.5 million senior secured investment in Rosa Mexicano Company, an operator of Mexican themed restaurants. Our investment is comprised of a \$30.0 million senior secured term loan and a \$2.5 million unfunded revolving credit facility.

On April 2, 2018, Ability Network Inc. fully repaid the \$15.0 million second lien term loan receivable to us.

On April 3, 2018, we made a \$28.0 million first lien senior secured investment in Mobile Posse Inc., which offers home screen content and messaging services to mobile phone carriers.

On April 4, 2018, Wheel Pros, LLC fully repaid the \$20.8 million senior secured subordinated notes receivable to us.

On April 4, 2018, we filed an 8-K announcing that our Board of Directors appointed Kristin Van Dask as our Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer, Secretary, and Chief Compliance Officer, effective immediately, in place of Brian H. Oswald who previously served in such positions.

On April 6, 2018, we filed an 8-K announcing that our Board of Directors, as a result of new industry guidelines set forth by Standard & Poor's on April 3, 2018, determined to no longer modify, beginning March 25, 2019 (one year from prior board determination), the asset coverage ratio test applicable to us under Section 61(a)(2) of the Investment Company Act of 1940. As a result, our asset coverage ratio test remains and is expected to remain at 200% instead of 150%.

During the period from March 22, 2018 through April 13, 2018, we received partial repayments of \$35.0 million of our loans previously outstanding with National Property REIT Corp. ("NPRC") and its wholly-owned subsidiaries. We also provided \$19.4 million of equity financing to NPRC, which was used to fund capital expenditures for existing properties.

During the period from February 10, 2018 through April 12, 2018, we issued \$10.7 million in aggregate principal amount of our Prospect Capital InterNotes® for net proceeds of \$10.6 million.

Filed pursuant to Rule 497  
File No. 333-213391

PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT

(To Prospectus dated October 30, 2017)

Prospect Capital Corporation

Prospect Capital InterNotes®

We may offer to sell our Prospect Capital InterNotes® from time to time. The specific terms of the notes will be set prior to the time of sale and described in a pricing supplement. You should read this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus and the applicable pricing supplement carefully before you invest. We may offer other debt securities from time to time other than the notes under our Registration Statement or in private placements.

We may offer the notes to or through agents for resale. The applicable pricing supplement will specify the purchase price, agent discounts and net proceeds of any particular offering of notes. The agents are not required to sell any specific amount of notes but will use their reasonable best efforts to sell the notes. We also may offer the notes directly. We have not set a date for termination of our offering.

The agents have advised us that from time to time they may purchase and sell notes in the secondary market, but they are not obligated to make a market in the notes and may suspend or completely stop that activity at any time. Unless otherwise specified in the applicable pricing supplement, we do not intend to list the notes on any stock exchange.

Investing in the notes involves certain risks, including those described in the “Risk Factors” section beginning on page S-8 of this prospectus supplement and page 10 of the accompanying prospectus.

This prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus contain important information you should know before investing in our securities. Please read it before you invest and keep it for future reference. We file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information about us with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or the “SEC.” This information is available free of charge by contacting us at 10 East 40<sup>th</sup> Street, 42<sup>nd</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10016 or by telephone at (212) 448-0702. The SEC maintains a website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov) where such information is available without charge upon written or oral request. Our internet website address is [www.prospectstreet.com](http://www.prospectstreet.com).

Information contained on our website is not incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus and you should not consider information contained on our website to be part of this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus.

Neither the SEC nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed on the adequacy or accuracy of this prospectus supplement. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

Obligations of Prospect Capital Corporation and any subsidiary of Prospect Capital Corporation are not guaranteed by the full faith and credit of the United States of America. Neither Prospect Capital Corporation nor any subsidiary of Prospect Capital Corporation is a government-sponsored enterprise or an instrumentality of the United States of America.

We may sell the notes to or through one or more agents or dealers, including the agents listed below.

Incapital LLC Citigroup RBC Capital Markets

Prospectus Supplement dated February 9, 2018.

®InterNotes is a registered trademark of Incapital Holdings LLC

## FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus may contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the “Exchange Act,” which involve substantial risks and uncertainties. Forward-looking statements predict or describe our future operations, business plans, business and investment strategies and portfolio management and the performance of our investments and our investment management business. These forward-looking statements are not historical facts, but rather are based on current expectations, estimates and projections about our industry, our beliefs, and our assumptions. Words such as “intends,” “intend,” “intended,” “goal,” “estimate,” “estimates,” “expects,” “expect,” “expected,” “project,” “projected,” “projects,” “seeks,” “anticipates,” “anticipated,” “should,” “could,” “may,” “will,” “designed to,” “foreseeable future,” “believe,” “believe in,” “scheduled” and variations of these words and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. Our actual results or outcomes may differ materially from those anticipated. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward looking statements, which speak only as of the date the statement was made. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. These statements are not guarantees of future performance and are subject to risks, uncertainties, and other factors, some of which are beyond our control and difficult to predict and could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or forecasted in the forward-looking statements, including without limitation:

- our future operating results,
- our business prospects and the prospects of our portfolio companies,
- the impact of investments that we expect to make,
- our contractual arrangements and relationships with third parties,
- the dependence of our future success on the general economy and its impact on the industries in which we invest,
- the ability of our portfolio companies to achieve their objectives,
- difficulty in obtaining financing or raising capital, especially in the current credit and equity environment,
- the level and volatility of prevailing interest rates and credit spreads, magnified by the current turmoil in the credit markets,
- adverse developments in the availability of desirable loan and investment opportunities whether they are due to competition, regulation or otherwise,
- a compression of the yield on our investments and the cost of our liabilities, as well as the level of leverage available to us,
- our regulatory structure and tax treatment, including our ability to operate as a business development company and a regulated investment company,
- the adequacy of our cash resources and working capital,
- the timing of cash flows, if any, from the operations of our portfolio companies,
- the ability of our investment adviser to locate suitable investments for us and to monitor and administer our investments,
- authoritative generally accepted accounting principles or policy changes from such standard-setting bodies as the Financial Accounting Standards Board, the SEC, Internal Revenue Service, the NASDAQ Global Select Market, and other authorities that we are subject to, as well as their counterparts in any foreign jurisdictions where we might do business, and
- the risks, uncertainties and other factors we identify in “Risk Factors” and elsewhere in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus and in our filings with the SEC.

Although we believe that the assumptions on which these forward-looking statements are based are reasonable, any of those assumptions could prove to be inaccurate, and as a result, the forward-looking statements based on those assumptions also could be inaccurate. Important assumptions include our ability to originate new loans and investments, ability to obtain certain margins and levels of profitability and the availability of additional capital. In light of these and other uncertainties, the inclusion of a projection or forward-looking statement in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, respectively, should not be regarded as a representation by us that our plans and objectives will be achieved. These risks and uncertainties include those described or identified in “Risk Factors” and elsewhere in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, respectively. You should not

place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which apply

i

---

only as of the date of this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus, as applicable. These forward-looking statements do not meet the safe harbor for forward-looking statements pursuant to Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the “Securities Act.”

You should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus supplement, including any pricing supplement included hereto, and the accompanying prospectus. We have not, and the agent(s) or dealer(s) has not, authorized any other person to provide you with information that is different from that contained in this prospectus supplement, including any pricing supplement included hereto, or the accompanying prospectus. If anyone provides you with different or inconsistent information, you should not rely on it. We are not, and the agents are not, making an offer of these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer is not permitted. You should assume that the information appearing in this prospectus supplement, including any pricing supplement included hereto, and the accompanying prospectus is accurate only as of their respective dates and we assume no obligation to update any such information. Our business, financial condition and results of operations may have changed since those dates. Although we undertake no obligation to revise or update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, you are advised to consult any additional disclosures that we may make directly to you or through reports that we have filed with the SEC, including annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q and current reports on Form 8-K.

This prospectus supplement, including any pricing supplement included hereto, supersedes the accompanying prospectus to the extent it contains information that is different from or in addition to the information in that prospectus.

## TABLE OF CONTENTS

## PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT

|  |             |
|--|-------------|
| <u>Prospectus Summary</u>  | <u>S-1</u>  |
| <u>Selected Condensed Financial Data</u>   | <u>S-6</u>  |
| <u>Risk Factors</u>  | <u>S-8</u>  |
| <u>Description of Notes</u>  | <u>S-13</u> |
| <u>Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations</u> | <u>S-22</u> |
| <u>Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk</u>                            | <u>S-54</u> |
| <u>Registration and Settlement</u>   | <u>S-55</u> |
| <u>Supplement to Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations</u>                         | <u>S-58</u> |
| <u>Certain Considerations Applicable to ERISA, Governmental and Other Plan Investors</u>     | <u>S-63</u> |
| <u>Use of Proceeds</u>   | <u>S-64</u> |
| <u>Senior Securities</u>   | <u>S-65</u> |
| <u>Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges</u>  | <u>S-68</u> |
| <u>Plan of Distribution</u>  | <u>S-69</u> |
| <u>Legal Matters</u>   | <u>S-71</u> |
| <u>Independent Accounting Firms</u>  | <u>S-71</u> |
| <u>Available Information</u>   | <u>S-71</u> |
| <u>Index to Financial Statements</u>   | <u>F-1</u>  |

## PROSPECTUS

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| <u>About This Prospectus</u>   | <u>1</u>   |
| <u>Prospectus Summary</u>  | <u>2</u>   |
| <u>Selected Condensed Financial Data</u>   | <u>10</u>  |
| <u>Risk Factors</u>  | <u>12</u>  |
| <u>Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations</u> | <u>44</u>  |
| <u>Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk</u>                            | <u>80</u>  |
| <u>Report of Management on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting</u>                     | <u>81</u>  |
| <u>Use of Proceeds</u>   | <u>81</u>  |
| <u>Forward-Looking Statements</u>  | <u>83</u>  |
| <u>Distributions</u>   | <u>84</u>  |
| <u>Senior Securities</u>   | <u>86</u>  |
| <u>Price Range of Common Stock</u>   | <u>89</u>  |
| <u>Business</u>  | <u>90</u>  |
| <u>Certain Relationships and Transactions</u>  | <u>111</u> |
| <u>Control Persons and Principal Stockholders</u>  | <u>111</u> |
| <u>Portfolio Companies</u>   | <u>113</u> |
| <u>Determination of Net Asset Value</u>  | <u>122</u> |
| <u>Sales of Common Stock Below Net Asset Value</u>   | <u>123</u> |
| <u>Dividend Reinvestment and Direct Stock Purchase Plan</u>                                  | <u>127</u> |
| <u>Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations</u>                                       | <u>130</u> |
| <u>Description of Our Capital Stock</u>  | <u>136</u> |



|   |            |
|---|------------|
| <u>Description of Our Preferred Stock</u>     | <u>142</u> |
| <u>Description of Our Debt Securities</u>     | <u>143</u> |
| <u>Description of Our Subscription Rights</u> | <u>153</u> |
| <u>Description of Our Warrants</u>            | <u>154</u> |

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| <u>Description of Our Units</u>                                    | <u>155</u> |
| <u>Regulation</u>  | <u>156</u> |
| <u>Custodian, Transfer and Dividend Paying Agent and Registrar</u> | <u>161</u> |
| <u>Brokerage Allocation and Other Practices</u>                    | <u>162</u> |
| <u>Plan of Distribution</u>  | <u>163</u> |
| <u>Legal Matters</u>   | <u>165</u> |
| <u>Independent Accounting Firms</u>                                | <u>165</u> |
| <u>Available Information</u>                                       | <u>165</u> |
| <u>Index to Financial Statements</u>                               | <u>F-1</u> |

## PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

This section summarizes the legal and financial terms of the notes that are described in more detail in “Description of Notes” beginning on page S-13. Final terms of any particular notes will be determined at the time of sale and will be contained in the pricing supplement, which will be included with this prospectus supplement, relating to those notes. The terms in that pricing supplement may vary from and supersede the terms contained in this summary and in “Description of Notes.” In addition, you should read the more detailed information appearing elsewhere in this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus and in that pricing supplement.

The terms “we,” “us,” “our” and “Company” refer to Prospect Capital Corporation; “Prospect Capital Management,” “Investment Adviser” and “PCM” refer to Prospect Capital Management L.P.; and “Prospect Administration” and the “Administrator” refer to Prospect Administration LLC.

### The Company

Prospect Capital Corporation is a financial services company that primarily lends to and invests in middle market privately-held companies. We are a closed-end investment company incorporated in Maryland. We have elected to be regulated as a business development company (“BDC”) under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the “1940 Act”). As a BDC, we have elected to be treated as a regulated investment company (“RIC”) under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the “Code”). We were organized on April 13, 2004 and were funded in an initial public offering completed on July 27, 2004. We are one of the largest BDCs with approximately \$5.9 billion of total assets as of December 31, 2017.

We are externally managed by our investment adviser, Prospect Capital Management. Prospect Administration provides administrative services and facilities necessary for us to operate.

On May 15, 2007, we formed a wholly-owned subsidiary Prospect Capital Funding LLC (“PCF”), a Delaware limited liability company and a bankruptcy remote special purpose entity, which holds certain of our portfolio loan investments that are used as collateral for the revolving credit facility at PCF. Our wholly-owned subsidiary Prospect Small Business Lending, LLC (“PSBL”) was formed on January 27, 2014 and purchases small business whole loans on a recurring basis from online small business loan originators, including On Deck Capital, Inc. (“OnDeck”). On September 30, 2014, we formed a wholly-owned subsidiary Prospect Yield Corporation, LLC (“PYC”) and effective October 23, 2014, PYC holds our investments in collateralized loan obligations (“CLOs”). Each of these subsidiaries have been consolidated since operations commenced.

We currently have nine strategies that guide our origination of investment opportunities: (1) lending to companies controlled by private equity sponsors, (2) lending to companies not controlled by private equity sponsors, (3) purchasing controlling equity positions and lending to operating companies, (4) purchasing controlling equity positions and lending to financial services companies, (5) purchasing controlling equity positions and lending to real estate companies, (6) purchasing controlling equity positions and lending to aircraft leasing companies, (7) investing in structured credit, (8) investing in non-agented debt and (9) investing in online loans. We may also invest in other strategies and opportunities from time to time that we view as attractive. We continue to evaluate other origination strategies in the ordinary course of business with no specific top-down allocation to any single origination strategy.

**Lending to Companies Controlled by Private Equity Sponsors** - We make agented loans to companies which are controlled by private equity sponsors. This debt can take the form of first lien, second lien, unitranche or unsecured loans. These loans typically have equity subordinate to our loan position. Historically, this strategy has comprised approximately 40%-60% of our portfolio.

**Lending to Companies not Controlled by Private Equity Sponsors** - We make loans to companies which are not controlled by private equity sponsors, such as companies that are controlled by the management team, the founder, a family or public shareholders. This origination strategy may have less competition to provide debt financing than the private-equity-sponsor origination strategy because such company financing needs are not easily addressed by banks and often require more diligence preparation. This origination strategy can result in investments with higher returns or lower leverage than the private-equity-sponsor origination strategy. Historically, this strategy has comprised up to approximately 15% of our portfolio.

Purchasing Controlling Equity Positions and Lending to Operating Companies - This strategy involves purchasing yieldproducing debt and controlling equity positions in non-financial-services operating companies. We believe that we can provide enhanced certainty of closure and liquidity to sellers and we look for management to continue on in their current roles. This strategy has comprised approximately 5%-15% of our portfolio.

S-1

---

**Purchasing Controlling Equity Positions and Lending to Financial Services Companies** - This strategy involves purchasing yield-producing debt and controlling equity positions in financial services companies, including consumer direct lending, sub-prime auto lending and other strategies. These investments are often structured in tax-efficient partnerships, enhancing returns. This strategy has comprised approximately 5%-15% of our portfolio.

**Purchasing Controlling Equity Positions and Lending to Real Estate Companies** - We purchase debt and controlling equity positions in tax-efficient real estate investment trusts (“REIT” or “REITs”). NPRC’s, an operating company and the surviving entity of the May 23, 2016 merger with APRC and UPRC, real estate investments are in various classes of developed and occupied real estate properties that generate current yields, including multi-family properties, student housing, and selfstorage. NPRC seeks to identify properties that have historically significant occupancy rates and recurring cash flow generation. NPRC generally co-invests with established and experienced property management teams that manage such properties after acquisition. Additionally, NPRC purchases loans originated by certain consumer loan facilitators. It purchases each loan in its entirety (i.e., a “whole loan”). The borrowers are consumers, and the loans are typically serviced by the facilitators of the loans. This investment strategy has comprised approximately 10%-20% of our business.

**Purchasing Controlling Equity Positions and Lending to Aircraft Leasing Companies** - We invest in debt as well as equity in companies with aircraft assets subject to commercial leases to airlines across the globe. We believe that these investments can present attractive return opportunities due to cash flow consistency from long-term leases coupled with hard asset residual value. We believe that these investment companies seek to deliver risk-adjusted returns with strong downside protection by analyzing relative value characteristics across a variety of aircraft types and vintages. This strategy historically has comprised less than 5% of our portfolio.

**Investing in Structured Credit** - We make investments in CLOs, often taking a significant position in the subordinated interests(equity) of the CLOs. The underlying portfolio of each CLO investment is diversified across approximately 100 to 200 broadly syndicated loans and does not have direct exposure to real estate, mortgages, or consumer-based credit assets. The CLOs in which we invest are managed by established collateral management teams with many years of experience in the industry. This strategy has comprised approximately 10%-20% of our portfolio.

**Investing in Non-Agented Debt** - On a primary or secondary basis, we purchase primarily senior and secured loans and high yield bonds that have been sold to a club or syndicate of buyers. These investments are often purchased with a long term, buy-and-hold outlook, and we often look to provide significant input to the transaction by providing anchoring orders. This strategy has comprised approximately 5%-10% of our portfolio.

**Investing in Online Loans** - We purchase loans originated by certain small-and-medium-sized business (“SME”) loan facilitators. We generally purchase each loan in its entirety (i.e., a “whole loan”). The borrowers are SMEs and the loans are typically serviced by the facilitators of the loans. This investment strategy has comprised up to approximately 1% of our portfolio.

Typically, we concentrate on making investments in companies with annual revenues of less than \$750 million and enterprise values of less than \$1 billion. Our typical investment involves a secured loan of less than \$250 million. We also acquire controlling interests in companies in conjunction with making secured debt investments in such companies. In most cases, companies in which we invest are privately held at the time we invest in them. We refer to these companies as “target” or “middle market” companies and these investments as “middle market investments.” We seek to maximize total returns to our investors, including both current yield and equity upside, by applying rigorous credit analysis and asset-based and cash-flow based lending techniques to make and monitor our investments. We are constantly pursuing multiple investment opportunities, including purchases of portfolios from private and public companies, as well as originations and secondary purchases of particular securities. We also regularly evaluate control investment opportunities in a range of industries, and some of these investments could be material to us. There can be no assurance that we will successfully consummate any investment opportunity we are currently pursuing. If any of these opportunities are consummated, there can be no assurance that investors will share our view of valuation or that any assets acquired will not be subject to future write downs, each of which could have an adverse effect on our stock price.

As of December 31, 2017, we had investments in 122 portfolio companies and CLOs. The aggregate fair value as of December 31, 2017 of investments in these portfolio companies held on that date is approximately \$5.4 billion. Our portfolio across all our performing interest-bearing investments had an annualized current yield of 12.5% as of December 31, 2017. Our annualized current yield was 10.3% as of December 31, 2017 across all investments.

S-2

---

#### Recent Developments

##### Investment Transactions

On January 5, 2018, we made a \$10.0 million first lien and \$50.0 million second lien secured investment in Research Now Group, Inc., a provider of customer surveys for market research activities.

On January 23, 2018, we made a \$12.5 million Senior Secured Term Loan A and \$12.5 million Senior Secured Term Loan B investment in Luminex Home Decor & Fragrance Company, LLC, a manufacturer and designer of decorative candles.

On January 29, 2018, we made a \$70.0 million first lien senior secured investment in Town & Country Holdings, Inc., a manufacturer and designer of kitchen textiles and table linens.

During the period from February 8, 2018 through February 9, 2018, we made a \$67.1 million second lien investment in Digital Room LLC, an online printing and design company.

##### Debt and Equity

We called \$50.6 million of our Prospect Capital InterNotes® at par maturing between July 15, 2018 and July 15, 2020, with a weighted average rate of 5.10%.

On January 12, 2018, we called, with settlement on February 15, 2018, \$37.2 million of our Prospect Capital InterNotes® at par maturing between February 15, 2019 and August 15, 2020, with a weighted average rate of 4.80%.

During the period from January 1, 2018 through February 8, 2018 we issued \$7.9 million aggregate principal amount of Prospect Capital InterNotes® for net proceeds of \$7.8 million.

##### Dividends

On February 7, 2018, we announced the declaration of monthly dividends in the following amounts and with the following dates:

\$0.06 per share for February 2018 to holders of record on February 28, 2018 with a payment date of March 22, 2018.

\$0.06 per share for March 2018 to holders of record on March 30, 2018 with a payment date of April 19, 2018.

\$0.06 per share for April 2018 to holders of record on April 30, 2018 with a payment date of May 24, 2018.

|                             |  |
|-----------------------------|--|
| The Offering<br>Issuer      | Prospect Capital Corporation   |
| Purchasing<br>Agent         | Incapital LLC  |
| Agents                      | Citigroup Global Markets Inc. and RBC Capital Markets, LLC. From time to time, we may sell the notes to or through additional agents.  |
| Title of Notes              | Prospect Capital InterNotes®   |
| Amount                      | We may issue notes from time to time in various offerings up to \$1.5 billion, the aggregate principal amount authorized by our board of directors for notes. As of February 8, 2018, \$1.3 billion aggregate principal amount of notes has been issued. We have, from time to time, repurchased certain notes and, therefore, as of February 8, 2018, \$747.6 million aggregate principal amount of notes were outstanding, including intended repurchases of \$37.2 million on February 15, 2018. There are no limitations on our ability to issue additional indebtedness in the form of Prospect Capital InterNotes® or otherwise other than under the 1940 Act and the asset coverage requirement under our credit facility.          |
| Denominations               | The notes will be issued and sold in denominations of \$1,000 and multiples of \$1,000 (unless otherwise stated in the pricing supplement).  |
| Status                      | The notes will be our direct unsecured senior obligations and will rank equally in right of payment with all of our other unsecured senior indebtedness from time to time outstanding.   |
| Maturities                  | Each note will mature 12 months or more from its date of original issuance.  |
| Interest                    | Notes may be issued with a fixed or floating interest rate; a floating interest rate note will be based on the London Interbank Offered Rate (“LIBOR”).<br>Interest on each fixed or floating interest rate note will be payable either monthly, quarterly, semi-annually or annually on each interest payment date and on the stated maturity date. Interest also will be paid on the date of redemption or repayment if a note is redeemed or repaid prior to its stated maturity in accordance with its terms.<br>Interest on the notes will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months, often referred to as the 30/360 (ISDA) day count convention.   |
| Principal                   | The principal amount of each note will be payable on its stated maturity date at the corporate trust office of the paying agent or at any other place we may designate.  |
| Redemption and<br>Repayment | Unless otherwise stated in the applicable pricing supplement, a note will not be redeemable at our option or be repayable at the option of the holder prior to its stated maturity date. The notes will not be subject to any sinking fund.  |
| Survivor’s<br>Option        | Specific notes may contain a provision permitting the optional repayment of those notes prior to stated maturity, if requested by the authorized representative of the beneficial owner of those notes, following the death of the beneficial owner of the notes, so long as the notes were owned by the beneficial owner or his or her estate at least six months prior to the request. This feature is referred to as a “Survivor’s Option.” Your notes will not be repaid in this manner unless the pricing supplement for your notes provides for the Survivor’s Option. If the pricing supplement for your notes provides for the Survivor’s Option, your right to exercise the Survivor’s Option will be subject to limits set by us |



on (1) the permitted dollar amount of total exercises by all holders of notes in any calendar year, and (2) the permitted dollar amount of an individual exercise by a holder of a note in any calendar year. Additional details on the Survivor's Option are described in the section entitled "Description of Notes—Survivor's Option."

Sale and  
Clearance

We will sell notes in the United States only. Notes will be issued in book-entry only form and will clear through The Depository Trust Company. We do not intend to issue notes in certificated form.

Trustee

The trustee for the notes is U.S. Bank National Association, under an indenture dated as of February 16, 2012, as amended and as supplemented from time to time.

S-4

---

Selling  
Group

The agents and dealers comprising the selling group are broker-dealers and securities firms. Each of the Purchasing Agent, Citigroup Global Markets Inc. and RBC Capital Markets, LLC entered into a Sixth Amended and Restated Selling Agent Agreement with us dated November 10, 2016 (as amended, the “Selling Agent Agreement”). Additional agents appointed by us from time to time in connection with the offering of the notes contemplated by this prospectus supplement will become parties to the Selling Agent Agreement. Dealers who are members of the selling group have executed a Master Selected Dealer Agreement with the Purchasing Agent. The agents and the dealers have agreed to market and sell the notes in accordance with the terms of those respective agreements and all other applicable laws and regulations. You may contact the Purchasing Agent at [info@incapital.com](mailto:info@incapital.com) for a list of selling group members.

S-5

---

## SELECTED CONDENSED FINANCIAL DATA

You should read the condensed consolidated financial information below with the Consolidated Financial Statements and notes thereto included in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. Financial information below for the years ended June 30, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, and 2013 has been derived from the financial statements that were audited by our independent registered public accounting firm. The selected consolidated financial data at and for the three and six months ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 has been derived from unaudited financial data. Interim results for the three and six months ended December 31, 2017 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending June 30, 2018. Certain reclassifications have been made to the prior period financial information to conform to the current period presentation. See “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” starting on page S-22 for more information.

|  | For the Three<br>Months Ended<br>December 31,<br>2017                                      |            | For the Six<br>Months Ended<br>December 31,<br>2017 |            | For the Year Ended June 30,<br>2017 |            |            | 2016       | 2015       | 2014       |
|--|--|------------|---|------------|-------------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
|  | 2016   | 2016       | 2016  | 2016       | 2017                                | 2016       | 2015       | 2014       | 2013       |            |
|  | (in thousands except data relating to shares, per share and number of portfolio companies) |            |   |            |                                     |            |            |            |            |            |
| Performance Data:                                    |  |            |   |            |                                     |            |            |            |            |            |
| Total interest income                                | \$ 153,382   | \$ 174,791 | \$ 301,467  | \$ 346,441 | \$ 668,717                          | \$ 731,618 | \$ 748,974 | \$ 611,111 | \$ 611,111 | \$ 611,111 |
| Total dividend income                                | 326  | 1,379      | 870   | 3,763      | 5,679                               | 26,501     | 7,663      | 26,800     | 26,800     | 26,800     |
| Total other income                                   | 8,692  | 7,310      | 18,642  | 13,108     | 26,650                              | 33,854     | 34,447     | 71,700     | 71,700     | 71,700     |
| Total Investment Income                              | 162,400  | 183,480    | 320,979   | 363,312    | 701,046                             | 791,973    | 791,084    | 712,500    | 712,500    | 712,500    |
| Interest and credit facility expenses                | (39,347 )  | (40,848 )  | (80,382 )   | (82,517 )  | (164,848 )                          | (167,719 ) | (170,660 ) | (130,000 ) | (130,000 ) | (130,000 ) |
| Investment advisory expense                          | (47,857 )  | (51,987 )  | (93,953 )   | (102,509 ) | (199,394 )                          | (219,305 ) | (225,277 ) | (198,000 ) | (198,000 ) | (198,000 ) |
| Other expenses                                       | (2,004 )   | (6,240 )   | (9,720 )  | (14,962 )  | (30,722 )                           | (33,821 )  | (32,400 )  | (26,000 )  | (26,000 )  | (26,000 )  |
| Total Operating Expenses                             | (89,208 )  | (99,075 )  | (184,055 )  | (199,988 ) | (394,964 )                          | (420,845 ) | (428,337 ) | (355,000 ) | (355,000 ) | (355,000 ) |
| Net Investment Income                                | 73,192   | 84,405     | 136,924   | 163,324    | 306,082                             | 371,128    | 362,747    | 357,500    | 357,500    | 357,500    |
| Net realized and change in unrealized gains (losses) | 48,535   | 16,475     | (3,224 )  | 18,922     | (53,176 )                           | (267,766 ) | (16,408 )  | (38,000 )  | (38,000 )  | (38,000 )  |
| Net increase in Net Assets from Operations           | \$ 121,727   | \$ 100,880 | \$ 133,700  | \$ 182,246 | \$ 252,906                          | \$ 103,362 | \$ 346,339 | \$ 319,500 | \$ 319,500 | \$ 319,500 |
| Per Share Data:                                      |  |            |   |            |                                     |            |            |            |            |            |
| Net Increase in Net Assets from Operations(1)        | \$ 0.34  | \$ 0.28    | \$ 0.37   | \$ 0.51    | \$ 0.70                             | \$ 0.29    | \$ 0.98    | \$ 1.00    | \$ 1.00    | \$ 1.00    |

Edgar Filing: PROSPECT CAPITAL CORP - Form 497

|  |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Dividends declared per share                                   | \$(0.18 )   | \$(0.25 )   | \$(0.41 )   | \$(0.50 )   | \$(1.00 )   | \$(1.00 )   | \$(1.19 )   | \$(1.19 )   | \$(1.19 )   |
| Weighted average shares of common stock outstanding            | 360,473,705 | 358,494,783 | 360,322,770 | 358,011,031 | 358,841,714 | 356,134,297 | 353,648,522 | 300,000,000 | 300,000,000 |
| Assets and Liabilities Data:                                   |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |
| Investments at Fair Value                                      | \$5,421,132 | \$5,936,999 | \$5,421,132 | \$5,936,999 | \$5,838,305 | \$5,897,708 | \$6,609,558 | \$6,200,000 | \$6,200,000 |
| Other Assets(4)  | 496,381     | 241,149     | 496,381     | 241,149     | 334,484     | 338,473     | 144,356     | 166,000     | 166,000     |
| Total Assets(4)  | 5,917,513   | 6,178,148   | 5,917,513   | 6,178,148   | 6,172,789   | 6,236,181   | 6,753,914   | 6,420,000   | 6,420,000   |
| Revolving Credit Facility                                      | —           | —           | —           | —           | —           | —           | 368,700     | 92,000      | 92,000      |
| Convertible notes(4)   | 889,233     | 909,505     | 889,233     | 909,505     | 937,641     | 1,074,361   | 1,218,226   | 1,218,226   | 1,218,226   |
| Public notes (4)   | 739,318     | 737,311     | 739,318     | 737,311     | 738,300     | 699,368     | 541,490     | 637,000     | 637,000     |
| Prospect Capital InterNotes®(4)                                | 824,383     | 947,172     | 824,383     | 947,172     | 966,254     | 893,210     | 811,180     | 766,000     | 766,000     |
| Due to Prospect Administration and Prospect Capital Management | 49,564      | 55,222      | 49,564      | 55,222      | 50,159      | 55,914      | 6,788       | 2,218,226   | 2,218,226   |
| Other liabilities  | 66,603      | 74,342      | 66,603      | 74,342      | 125,483     | 77,411      | 104,481     | 83,800      | 83,800      |
| Total Liabilities(4)   | 2,569,101   | 2,723,552   | 2,569,101   | 2,723,552   | 2,817,837   | 2,800,264   | 3,050,865   | 2,800,000   | 2,800,000   |
| Net Assets   | \$3,348,412 | \$3,454,596 | \$3,348,412 | \$3,454,596 | \$3,354,952 | \$3,435,917 | \$3,703,049 | \$3,620,000 | \$3,620,000 |
| Investment Activity Data:                                      |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |
| No. of portfolio companies at period end                       | 122         | 123         | 122         | 123         | 121         | 125         | 131         | 142         | 142         |
| Acquisitions   | \$738,737   | \$469,537   | \$960,888   | \$816,687   | \$1,489,470 | \$979,102   | \$1,867,477 | \$2,900,000 | \$2,900,000 |
| Sales, repayments, and other disposals                         | \$1,042,269 | \$644,995   | \$1,353,163 | \$759,326   | \$1,413,882 | \$1,338,875 | \$1,411,562 | \$760,000   | \$760,000   |
| Total return based on market value(2)                          | 3.01        | % 6.29      | % (11.82 )  | % 13.45     | % 16.80     | % 21.84     | % (20.84 )  | % 10.8      | % 10.8      |
| Total return based on net asset value(2)                       | 4.51        | % 3.33      | % 5.78      | % 6.25      | % 8.98      | % 7.15      | % 11.47     | % 10.9      | % 10.9      |
| Weighted average yield on debt portfolio at                    | 12.5        | % 13.2      | % 12.5      | % 13.2      | % 12.2      | % 13.2      | % 12.7      | % 12.1      | % 12.1      |

period end(3)  
Weighted  
average yield  
on total  
portfolio at  
period end

10.3

% 11.5

% 10.3

% 11.5

% 10.4

% 12.0

% 11.9

% 11.9

---

S-6

---

- (1) Per share data is based on the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the year/period presented (except for dividends to shareholders which is based on actual rate per share).  
Total return based on market value is based on the change in market price per share between the opening and ending market prices per share in each year/period and assumes that dividends are reinvested in accordance with our dividend reinvestment plan. Total return based on net asset value is based upon the change in net asset value per share between the opening and ending net asset values per share in each year/period and assumes that dividends are reinvested in accordance with our dividend reinvestment plan. For a period less than a year, the return is not annualized.
- (2)
- (3) Excludes equity investments and non-performing loans.  
We have changed our method of presentation relating to debt issuance costs in accordance with ASU 2015-03, Interest - Imputation of Interest (Subtopic 835-30). Unamortized deferred financing costs of \$40,526, \$44,140, (4) \$57,010, and \$37,607 previously reported as an asset on the Consolidated Statements of Assets and Liabilities as of June 30, 2016, 2015, 2014, and 2013, respectively, have been reclassified as a direct deduction to the respective Unsecured Notes. See Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates for further discussion.

## RISK FACTORS

Your investment in the notes will involve certain risks. This prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus do not describe all of those risks.

You should, in consultation with your own financial and legal advisors, carefully consider the following discussion of risks before deciding whether an investment in the notes is suitable for you. The notes will not be an appropriate investment for you if you are not knowledgeable about significant features of the notes or financial matters in general. You should not purchase the notes unless you understand, and know that you can bear, these investment risks.

Our amount of debt outstanding will increase as a result of this offering. Our current indebtedness could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations and our ability to meet our payment obligations under the notes and our other debt.

As of February 8, 2018, we and our subsidiaries had approximately \$2.4 billion of unsecured senior indebtedness outstanding and as our credit facility was undrawn, no secured indebtedness outstanding.

The use of debt could have significant consequences on our future operations, including:

- making it more difficult for us to meet our payment and other obligations under the notes and our other outstanding debt;

- resulting in an event of default if we fail to comply with the financial and other restrictive covenants contained in our debt agreements, which event of default could result in all of our debt becoming immediately due and payable;

- reducing the availability of our cash flow to fund investments, acquisitions and other general corporate purposes, and limiting our ability to obtain additional financing for these purposes;

- subjecting us to the risk of increased sensitivity to interest rate increases on our indebtedness with variable interest rates, including borrowings under our amended senior credit facility; and

- limiting our flexibility in planning for, or reacting to, and increasing our vulnerability to, changes in our business, the industry in which we operate and the general economy.

Any of the above-listed factors could have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations and our ability to meet our payment obligations under the notes and our other debt.

Our ability to meet our payment and other obligations under our debt instruments depends on our ability to generate significant cash flow in the future. This, to some extent, is subject to general economic, financial, competitive, legislative and regulatory factors as well as other factors that are beyond our control. We cannot assure you that our business will generate cash flow from operations, or that future borrowings will be available to us under our existing or amended senior credit facility or otherwise, in an amount sufficient to enable us to meet our payment obligations under the notes and our other debt and to fund other liquidity needs. If we are not able to generate sufficient cash flow to service our debt obligations, we may need to refinance or restructure our debt, including any notes sold, sell assets, reduce or delay capital investments, or seek to raise additional capital. If we are unable to implement one or more of these alternatives, we may not be able to meet our payment obligations under the notes and our other debt.

A downgrade, suspension or withdrawal of the rating assigned by a rating agency to us or the notes, if any, could cause the liquidity or market value of the notes to decline significantly.

Our credit ratings are an assessment by rating agencies of our ability to pay our debts when due. Consequently, real or anticipated changes in our credit ratings will generally affect the market value of the notes. These credit ratings may not reflect the potential impact of risks relating to the structure or marketing of the notes. Credit ratings are not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold any security, and may be revised or withdrawn at any time by the issuing organization in its sole discretion. Neither we nor the agents undertake any obligation to maintain the ratings or to advise holders of notes of any changes in ratings.

The notes will be rated by Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, or "S&P," and Kroll Bond Rating Agency, Inc., or "Kroll."

There can be no assurance that their rating will remain for any given period of time or that such rating will not be lowered or withdrawn entirely by S&P or Kroll if in their respective judgment future circumstances relating to the basis of the rating, such as adverse changes in our company, so warrant.

The notes will be effectively subordinated to any existing and future secured indebtedness and structurally subordinated to existing and future liabilities and other indebtedness of our subsidiaries.

The notes will be our general, unsecured obligations and will rank equally in right of payment with all of our existing and future unsubordinated, unsecured indebtedness, including without limitation, the \$85.4 million aggregate principal

amount of 5.75% Convertible Notes due 2018 (the “2018 Notes”), the \$200.0 million aggregate principal amount of 5.875% Convertible

S-8

---



Notes due 2019 (the “2019 Notes”), the \$300.0 million aggregate principal amount of 5.00% Public Notes due 2019 (the “5.00% 2019 Notes”), the \$392.0 million aggregate principal amount of 4.75% Convertible Notes due 2020 (the “2020 Notes”), the \$225.0 million aggregate principal amount of 4.95% Convertible Notes due 2022 (the “2022 Notes”), the \$250.0 million aggregate principal amount of 5.875% Public Notes due 2023 (the “2023 Notes”) and the \$199.3 million aggregate principal amount of 6.25% Public Notes due 2024 (the “2024 Notes”). As a result, the notes will be effectively subordinated to our existing and future secured indebtedness (including indebtedness that is initially unsecured to which we subsequently grant security) to the extent of the value of the assets securing such indebtedness and structurally subordinated to any existing and future liabilities and other indebtedness of our subsidiaries. Effective subordination means that in any liquidation, dissolution, bankruptcy or other similar proceeding, the holders of any of our existing or future secured indebtedness and the secured indebtedness of our subsidiaries may assert rights against the assets pledged to secure that indebtedness in order to receive full payment of their indebtedness before the assets may be used to pay other creditors. Structural subordination means that creditors of a parent entity are subordinate to creditors of a subsidiary entity with respect to the subsidiary’s assets. These liabilities may include indebtedness, trade payables, guarantees, lease obligations and letter of credit obligations. The notes do not restrict us or our subsidiaries from incurring indebtedness, including senior secured indebtedness in the future, nor do they limit the amount of indebtedness we can issue that is equal in right of payment to the notes. As of February 8, 2018, our credit facility was undrawn. Our credit facility is secured by certain of our assets and the indebtedness thereunder is therefore effectively senior to the notes to the extent of the value of such assets.

Each of the 2018 Notes, the 2019 Notes, the 5.00% 2019 Notes, the 2020 Notes, the 2022 Notes, the 2023 Notes and the 2024 Notes may be due prior to their maturities. We do not currently know whether we will be able to replace any of the 2018 Notes, the 2019 Notes, the 5.00% 2019 Notes, the 2020 Notes, the 2022 Notes, the 2023 Notes or the 2024 Notes upon their respective maturities, or if we do, whether we will be able to do so on terms that are as favorable as such notes. In the event that we are not able to replace the 2018 Notes, the 2019 Notes, the 5.00% 2019 Notes, the 2020 Notes, the 2022 Notes, the 2023 Notes or the 2024 Notes at the time of their respective maturities, this could have a material adverse effect on our liquidity and ability to fund new investments, our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, our ability to repay the notes and our ability to qualify as a regulated investment company, or “RIC.”

The indenture and supplemental indentures under which the notes will be issued will contain limited protection for holders of the notes.

The indenture and supplemental indentures (collectively, the “indenture”) under which the notes will be issued offer limited protection to holders of the notes. The terms of the indenture and the notes do not restrict our or any of our subsidiaries’ ability to engage in, or otherwise be a party to, a variety of corporate transactions, circumstances or events that could have an adverse impact on your investment in the notes. In particular, the terms of the indenture and the notes will not place any restrictions on our or our subsidiaries’ ability to:

issue securities or otherwise incur additional indebtedness or other obligations, including (1) any indebtedness or other obligations that would be equal in right of payment to the notes, (2) any indebtedness or other obligations that would be secured and therefore rank effectively senior in right of payment to the notes to the extent of the values of the assets securing such debt, (3) indebtedness of ours that is guaranteed by one or more of our subsidiaries and which therefore is structurally senior to the notes and (4) securities, indebtedness or obligations issued or incurred by our subsidiaries that would be senior to our equity interests in our subsidiaries and therefore rank structurally senior to the notes with respect to the assets of our subsidiaries, in each case other than an incurrence of indebtedness or other obligation that would cause a violation of Section 18(a)(1)(A) as modified by Section 61(a)(1) of the 1940 Act or any successor provisions;

pay dividends on, or purchase or redeem or make any payments in respect of, capital stock or other securities ranking junior in right of payment to the notes;

sell assets (other than certain limited restrictions on our ability to consolidate, merge or sell all or substantially all of our assets);

enter into transactions with affiliates;

create liens (including liens on the shares of our subsidiaries) or enter into sale and leaseback transactions;

make investments; or

create restrictions on the payment of dividends or other amounts to us from our subsidiaries.

In addition, the indenture will not require us to offer to purchase the notes in connection with a change of control or any other event.

Furthermore, the terms of the indenture and the notes do not protect holders of the notes in the event that we experience changes (including significant adverse changes) in our financial condition, results of operations or credit ratings, as they do not require that we or our subsidiaries adhere to any financial tests or ratios or specified levels of net worth, revenues, income, cash

S-9

---

flow, or liquidity other than certain limited restrictions on dividends and certain board structures or default provisions mandated by the 1940 Act.

Our ability to recapitalize, incur additional debt and take a number of other actions that are not limited by the terms of the notes may have important consequences for you as a holder of the notes, including making it more difficult for us to satisfy our obligations with respect to the notes or negatively affecting the trading value of the notes.

Certain of our current debt instruments include more protections for their holders than the indenture and the notes. See in the accompanying prospectus “Risk Factors—Risks Relating to Our Business—The Notes present other risks to holders of our common stock, including the possibility that the Notes could discourage an acquisition of the Company by a third party and accounting uncertainty” and “—In addition to regulatory restrictions that restrict our ability to raise capital, our credit facility contains various covenants which, if not complied with, could accelerate repayment under the facility, thereby materially and adversely affecting our liquidity, financial condition and results of operations.” In addition, other debt we issue or incur in the future could contain more protections for its holders than the indenture and the notes, including additional covenants and events of default. The issuance or incurrence of any such debt with incremental protections could affect the market for and trading levels and prices of the notes.

We may choose to redeem notes when prevailing interest rates are relatively low.

If your notes will be redeemable at our option, we may choose to redeem your notes from time to time, especially when prevailing interest rates are lower than the rate borne by the notes. If prevailing rates are lower at the time of redemption, you would not be able to reinvest the redemption proceeds in a comparable security at an effective interest rate as high as the interest rate on the notes being redeemed. Our redemption right also may adversely impact your ability to sell your notes as the optional redemption date or period approaches.

Survivor’s Option may be limited in amount.

We will have a discretionary right to limit the aggregate principal amount of notes subject to the Survivor’s Option that may be exercised in any calendar year to an amount equal to the greater of \$2.0 million or 2% of the outstanding principal amount of all notes outstanding as of the end of the most recent calendar year. We also have the discretionary right to limit to \$250,000 in any calendar year the aggregate principal amount of notes subject to the Survivor’s Option that may be exercised in such calendar year on behalf of any individual deceased beneficial owner of notes. Accordingly, no assurance can be given that exercise of the Survivor’s Option for the desired amount will be permitted in any single calendar year.

We cannot assure that a trading market for your notes will ever develop or be maintained.

In evaluating the notes, you should assume that you will be holding the notes until their stated maturity. The notes are a new issue of securities. We cannot assure you that a trading market for your notes will ever develop, be liquid or be maintained. Many factors independent of our creditworthiness affect the trading market for and market value of your notes. Those factors include, without limitation:

• the method of calculating the principal and interest for the notes;

• the time remaining to the stated maturity of the notes;

• the outstanding amount of the notes;

• the redemption or repayment features of the notes; and

• the level, direction and volatility of interest rates generally.

There may be a limited number of buyers when you decide to sell your notes. This may affect the price you receive for your notes or your ability to sell your notes at all.

Your investment in the floating rate notes will involve certain risks not associated with an investment in conventional debt securities. You should consider carefully the following discussion of risks before you decide that an investment in the floating rate notes is suitable for you.

Floating rate notes present different investment considerations than fixed rate notes. For notes with only floating rates, the rate of interest paid by us on the notes for each applicable interest period is not fixed, but will vary depending on LIBOR and accordingly could be substantially less than the rates of interest we would pay on fixed rate notes of the same maturity. Additionally, the notes may change the interest rate or interest rate formula in relation to LIBOR at one or more points during the term of such notes (often referred to as a “step up” feature) or may switch from floating to

fixed rate or from a fixed to a floating rate during the term of the notes. Consequently, the return on the notes may be less than returns otherwise payable on fixed rate debt securities issued by us with similar maturities whose interest rates cannot change. The variable interest rate on

S-10

---

the notes, while determined, in part, by reference to LIBOR, may not actually pay at such rates. Furthermore, we have no control over any fluctuations in LIBOR.

If the relevant pricing supplement specifies a maximum rate, the interest rate for any interest period will be limited by the maximum rate. The maximum rate will limit the amount of interest you may receive for each such interest period, even if the fixed or floating rate component, as adjusted by any spread factor, if applicable, and/or a spread, if applicable, would have otherwise resulted in an interest rate greater than the maximum rate. As a result, if the interest rate for any interest period without taking into consideration the maximum rate would have been greater than the maximum rate, the notes will provide you less interest income than an investment in a similar instrument that is not subject to a maximum interest rate.

Our most recent NAV was calculated on December 31, 2017 and our NAV when calculated effective March 31, 2018 and thereafter may be higher or lower.

Our NAV per share is \$9.28 as of December 31, 2017. NAV per share as of March 31, 2018 may be higher or lower than \$9.28 based on potential changes in valuations, issuances of securities, repurchases of securities, dividends paid and earnings for the quarter then ended. Our Board of Directors has not yet determined the fair value of portfolio investments at any date subsequent to December 31, 2017. Our Board of Directors determines the fair value of our portfolio investments on a quarterly basis in connection with the preparation of quarterly financial statements and based on input from independent valuation firms, the Investment Adviser, the Administrator and the Audit Committee of our Board of Directors.

In addition to regulatory restrictions that restrict our ability to raise capital, our credit facility contains various covenants which, if not complied with, could accelerate repayment under the facility, thereby materially and adversely affecting our liquidity, financial condition and results of operations.

The agreement governing our credit facility requires us to comply with certain financial and operational covenants.

These covenants include:

- restrictions on the level of indebtedness that we are permitted to incur in relation to the value of our assets;
- restrictions on our ability to incur liens; and
- maintenance of a minimum level of stockholders' equity.

As of December 31, 2017, we were in compliance with these covenants. However, our continued compliance with these covenants depends on many factors, some of which are beyond our control. Accordingly, there are no assurances that we will continue to comply with the covenants in our credit facility. Failure to comply with these covenants would result in a default under this facility which, if we were unable to obtain a waiver from the lenders thereunder, could result in an acceleration of repayments under the facility and thereby have a material adverse impact on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Changes relating to the LIBOR calculation process may adversely affect the value of the LIBOR-indexed, floating-rate debt securities in our portfolio.

In July 2017, the head of the United Kingdom Financial Conduct Authority announced the desire to phase out the use of LIBOR by the end of 2021. There is currently no definitive information regarding the future utilization of LIBOR or of any particular replacement rate. As such, the potential effect on any such event on our cost of capital and net investment income cannot yet be determined.

Actions by the British Bankers' Association ("BBA"), regulators or law enforcement agencies as a result of these or future events, may result in changes to the manner in which LIBOR is determined. Potential changes, or uncertainty related to such potential changes may adversely affect the market for LIBOR-based securities, including our portfolio of LIBOR-indexed, floating-rate debt securities. In addition, any further changes or reforms to the determination or supervision of LIBOR may result in a sudden or prolonged increase or decrease in reported LIBOR, which could have an adverse impact on the market for LIBOR-based securities or the value of our portfolio of LIBOR-indexed, floating-rate debt securities.

Regulations governing our operation as a business development company affect our ability to raise, and the way in which we raise, additional capital.

We have incurred indebtedness under our revolving credit facility and through the issuance of the Unsecured Notes and, in the future, may issue preferred stock or debt securities and/or borrow additional money from banks or other

financial institutions, which we refer to collectively as “senior securities,” up to the maximum amount permitted by the 1940 Act. Under the provisions of the 1940 Act, we are permitted, as a BDC, to incur indebtedness or issue senior securities only in amounts

S-11

---

such that our asset coverage, as defined in the 1940 Act, equals at least 200% after each issuance of senior securities. If the value of our assets declines, we may be unable to satisfy this test, which would prohibit us from paying dividends in cash or other property and could prohibit us from qualifying as a RIC. If we cannot satisfy this test, we may be required to sell a portion of our investments or sell additional shares of common stock at a time when such sales may be disadvantageous in order to repay a portion of our indebtedness or otherwise increase our net assets. In addition, issuance of additional common stock could dilute the percentage ownership of our current stockholders in us. Additionally, if signed into law, the Financial Choice Act would decrease the asset coverage requirement for BDCs to 150 percent from 200 percent under certain circumstances. Other BDCs may be better positioned to take advantage of such changes, potentially leaving the Company at a competitive disadvantage.

As a BDC regulated under provisions of the 1940 Act, we are not generally able to issue and sell our common stock at a price below the current net asset value per share without stockholder approval. If our common stock trades at a discount to net asset value, this restriction could adversely affect our ability to raise capital. We may, however, sell our common stock, or warrants, options or rights to acquire our common stock, at a price below the current net asset value of our common stock in certain circumstances, including if (i)(1) the holders of a majority of our shares (or, if less, at least 67% of a quorum consisting of a majority of our shares) and a similar majority of the holders of our shares who are not affiliated persons of us approve the sale of our common stock at a price that is less than the current net asset value, and (2) a majority of our Directors who have no financial interest in the transaction and a majority of our independent Directors (a) determine that such sale is in our and our stockholders' best interests and (b) in consultation with any underwriter or underwriters of the offering, make a good faith determination as of a time either immediately prior to the first solicitation by us or on our behalf of firm commitments to purchase such shares, or immediately prior to the issuance of such shares, that the price at which such shares are to be sold is not less than a price which closely approximates the market value of such shares, less any distributing commission or discount or if (ii) a majority of the number of the beneficial holders of our common stock entitled to vote at our annual meeting, without regard to whether a majority of such shares are voted in favor of the proposal, approve the sale of our common stock at a price that is less than the current net asset value per share.

To generate cash for funding new investments, we pledged a substantial portion of our portfolio investments under our revolving credit facility. These assets are not available to secure other sources of funding or for securitization. Our ability to obtain additional secured or unsecured financing on attractive terms in the future is uncertain.

Alternatively, we may securitize our future loans to generate cash for funding new investments. See "Securitization of our assets subjects us to various risks" in the accompanying prospectus.

## DESCRIPTION OF NOTES

The following description of the particular terms of the notes being offered supplements and, to the extent inconsistent with or otherwise specified in an applicable pricing supplement, replaces the description of the general terms and provisions of the debt securities set forth under the heading “Description of Our Debt Securities” in the accompanying prospectus. Unless otherwise specified in an applicable pricing supplement, the notes will have the terms described below. Capitalized terms used but not defined below have the meanings given to them in the accompanying prospectus and in the indenture relating to the notes.

The notes being offered by this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus and the applicable pricing supplement will be issued under an indenture, dated as of February 16, 2012, as amended and as supplemented from time to time. U.S. Bank National Association was appointed as trustee, as successor to American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC, pursuant to an Agreement of Resignation, Appointment and Acceptance dated as of March 9, 2012. The indenture is more fully described in the accompanying prospectus. The indenture does not limit the aggregate amount of debt securities that may be issued under it and provides that the debt securities may be issued under it from time to time in one or more series. The following statements are summaries of the material provisions of the indenture and the notes. These summaries do not purport to be complete and are qualified in their entirety by reference to the indenture, including for the definitions of certain terms. From time to time we may offer other debt securities either publicly or through private placement having maturities, interest rates, covenants and other terms that may differ materially from the terms of the notes described herein and in any pricing supplement.

The notes constitute a single series of debt securities for purposes of the indenture and are unlimited in aggregate principal amount under the terms of the indenture. Our board of directors has authorized the issuance and sale of the notes from time to time, up to an aggregate principal amount of \$1.5 billion. As of February 8, 2018, \$1.3 billion aggregate principal amount of notes has been issued. We have, from time to time, repurchased certain notes and, therefore, as of February 8, 2018, \$747.6 million aggregate principal amount of notes were outstanding, including intended repurchases of \$37.2 million on February 15, 2018.

Notes issued in accordance with this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus and the applicable pricing supplement will have the following general characteristics:

- the notes will be our direct unsecured senior obligations and will rank equally with all of our other unsecured senior indebtedness from time to time outstanding;
- the notes may be offered from time to time by us through the Purchasing Agent or the agents and each note will mature on a day that is at least 12 months from its date of original issuance;
- each note may be issued with a fixed or floating interest rate; any floating interest rate will be based on LIBOR;
- the notes will not be subject to any sinking fund; and
- the minimum denomination of the notes will be \$1,000 (unless otherwise stated in the pricing supplement).

In addition, the pricing supplement relating to each offering of notes will describe specific terms of the notes, including but not limited to:

- the stated maturity;
- the denomination of your notes;
- the price at which we originally issue your notes, expressed as a percentage of the principal amount, and the original issue date;
- whether your notes are fixed rate notes or floating rate notes;
- if your notes are fixed rate notes, the annual rate at which your notes will bear interest, or the periodic rates in the case of notes that bear different rates at different times during the term of the notes, and the interest payment dates, if different from those stated below under “—Interest Rates—Fixed Rate Notes;”
- if your notes are floating rate notes, the interest rate, spread or spread multiplier or initial base rate, maximum rate and/or minimum rate; if there is more than one spread to be applied at different times during the term of the notes for your interest rate, which spread during which periods applies to your notes; and the interest reset, determination, calculation and payment dates, all of which we describe under “—Interest Rates—Floating Rate Notes” below;
- if applicable, the circumstances under which your notes may be redeemed at our option or repaid at the holder’s option before the stated maturity, including any redemption commencement date, repayment date(s), redemption price(s) and redemption period(s), all of which we describe under “—Redemption and Repayment” below;



whether the authorized representative of the holder of a beneficial interest in the notes will have the right to seek repayment upon the death of the holder as described under “—Survivor’s Option;”  
any special U.S. federal income tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of the notes; and

S-13

---

any other significant terms of your notes, which could be different from those described in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, but in no event inconsistent with the indenture.

We may at any time purchase notes at any price or prices in the open market or otherwise. Notes so purchased by us may, at our discretion, be held, resold or surrendered to the trustee for cancellation.

#### Types of Notes

We may issue either of the two types of notes described below. Notes may have elements of each of the two types of notes described below. For example, notes may bear interest at a fixed rate for some periods and at a floating rate in others.

**Fixed Rate Notes.** Notes of this type will bear interest at one or more fixed rates described in your pricing supplement.

Fixed rate notes will bear interest from their original issue date or from the most recent date to which interest on the notes has been paid or made available for payment. Interest will accrue on the principal of fixed rate notes at the fixed rate or rates per annum stated in your pricing supplement during the applicable time periods as stated in your pricing supplement, until the principal is paid or made available for payment. Each payment of interest due on an interest payment date or the maturity will include interest accrued from and including the last date to which interest has been paid, or made available for payment, or from the issue date if none has been paid or made available for payment, to but excluding the interest payment date or maturity. We will compute interest on fixed rate notes on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months (the 30/360 (ISDA) day count convention) unless your pricing supplement provides that we will compute interest on a different basis. We will pay interest on each interest payment date and at maturity as described below under “—Payments of Principal and Interest.” Notes may be offered that switch from a fixed rate to a floating rate or from a floating rate to a fixed rate during the term of the notes.

**Floating Rate Notes.** Notes of this type will bear interest at rates that are determined by reference to an interest rate formula based on LIBOR. In some cases, the rates may also be adjusted by adding or subtracting a spread in relation to LIBOR or multiplying by a spread multiplier and may be subject to a minimum rate and/or a maximum rate. The various interest rate formulas and these other features are described below in “—Interest Rates—Floating Rate Notes.” If your notes are floating rate notes, the formula and any adjustments that apply to the interest rate will be specified in your pricing supplement.

Floating rate notes will bear interest from their original issue date or from the most recent date to which interest on the notes has been paid or made available for payment. Interest will accrue on the principal of floating rate notes at a rate per annum determined according to the interest rate formula stated in your pricing supplement during the applicable interest rate periods as stated in your pricing supplement, until the principal is paid or made available for payment. We will pay interest on each interest payment date and at maturity as described below “—Payments of Principal and Interest.” Notes may be offered that switch from a fixed rate to a floating rate or from a floating rate to a fixed rate during the term of the notes.

#### Interest Rates

This subsection describes the different kinds of interest rates that may apply to your notes, as specified in your pricing supplement.

**Fixed Rate Notes.** Fixed rate notes will bear interest from their original issue date or from the most recent date to which interest on the notes has been paid or made available for payment. Interest will accrue on the principal of fixed rate notes at the fixed yearly rate or rates stated in your pricing supplement during the applicable time periods as stated in your pricing supplement, until the principal is paid or made available for payment. Your pricing supplement will describe the interest periods and relevant interest payment dates on which interest on fixed rate notes will be payable. Each payment of interest due on an interest payment date or the maturity will include interest accrued from and including the last date to which interest has been paid, or made available for payment, or from the issue date if none has been paid or made available for payment, to but excluding the interest payment date or the maturity. We will compute interest on fixed rate notes on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months (the 30/360 (ISDA) day count convention), unless your pricing supplement provides that we will compute interest on a different basis. We will pay interest on each interest payment date and at maturity as described below under “—Payments of Principal and Interest.”

Floating Rate Notes. Floating rate notes will bear interest at rates that are determined by reference to an interest rate formula based on LIBOR. In some cases, the rates may also be adjusted by adding or subtracting a spread in relation to LIBOR or multiplying by a spread multiplier and may be subject to a minimum rate and/or a maximum rate. If your note is a floating rate note, the formula and any adjustments that apply to the interest rate will be specified in your pricing supplement.

Each floating rate note will bear interest from its original issue date or from the most recent date to which interest on the note has been paid or made available for payment. Interest will accrue on the principal of a floating rate note at a rate per annum determined according to the interest rate formula stated in the pricing supplement during the applicable interest rate

S-14

---

period specified in your pricing supplement, until the principal is paid or made available for payment. We will pay interest on each interest payment date and at maturity as described below under “—Payment of Principal and Interest.” In addition, the following will apply to floating rate notes.

#### Initial Base Rate

Unless otherwise specified in your pricing supplement, for floating rate notes, the initial base rate will be the applicable LIBOR base rate in effect from and including the original issue date to but excluding the initial interest reset date. We will specify the initial LIBOR base rate in your pricing supplement.

#### Spread or Spread Multiplier

In some cases, the base rate for floating rate notes may be adjusted:

- by adding or subtracting a specified number of basis points, called the spread, with one basis point being 0.01%; or
- by multiplying the base rate by a specified percentage, called the spread multiplier.

If you purchase floating rate notes, your pricing supplement will specify whether a spread or spread multiplier will apply to your notes and, if so, the amount of the applicable spread or spread multiplier and any increases or decreases in the spread or spread multiplier during the term of your notes.

#### Maximum and Minimum Rates

The actual interest rate, after being adjusted by the spread or spread multiplier, may also be subject to either or both of the following limits:

- a maximum rate—i.e., a specified upper limit that the actual interest rate in effect at any time may not exceed; and/or
- a minimum rate—i.e., a specified lower limit that the actual interest rate in effect at any time may not fall below.

If you purchase floating rate notes, your pricing supplement will specify whether a maximum rate and/or minimum rate will apply to your notes and, if so, what those rates are.

Whether or not a maximum rate applies, the interest rate on floating rate notes will in no event be higher than the maximum rate permitted by New York law, as it may be modified by U.S. law of general application. Under current New York law, the maximum rate of interest, with some exceptions, for any loan in an amount less than \$250,000 is 16% and for any loan in the amount of \$250,000 or more but less than \$2,500,000 is 25%, per year on a simple interest basis. These limits do not apply to loans of \$2,500,000 or more.

The rest of this subsection describes how the interest rate and the interest payment dates will be determined, and how interest will be calculated, on floating rate notes.

#### Interest Reset Dates

Except as otherwise specified in your pricing supplement, the rate of interest on floating rate notes will be reset, by the calculation agent described below, daily, weekly, monthly, quarterly, semi-annually or annually (each, an “interest reset period”). The date on which the interest rate resets and the reset rate becomes effective is called the interest reset date. Except as otherwise specified in your pricing supplement, the interest reset date will be as follows:

- for floating rate notes that reset daily, each London business day (as defined below);
- for floating rate notes that reset weekly, the Wednesday of each week;
- for floating rate notes that reset monthly, the third Wednesday of each month;
- for floating rate notes that reset quarterly, the third Wednesday of each of four months of each year as specified in your pricing supplement;
- for floating rate notes that reset semi-annually, the third Wednesday of each of two months of each year as specified in your pricing supplement; and
- for floating rate notes that reset annually, the third Wednesday of one month of each year as specified in your pricing supplement.

For floating rate notes, the interest rate in effect on any particular day will be the interest rate determined with respect to the latest interest reset date that occurs on or before that day. There are several exceptions, however, to the reset provisions described above.

Interest reset dates are subject to adjustment, as described below under “—Business Day Conventions.”

The base rate in effect from and including the original issue date to but excluding the first interest reset date will be the initial base rate. For floating rate notes that reset daily or weekly, the base rate in effect for each day following the fifth business day before an interest payment date to, but excluding, the interest payment date, and for each day following the fifth business day before the maturity to, but excluding, the maturity, will be the base rate in effect on that fifth business day.

#### Interest Determination Dates

The interest rate that takes effect on an interest reset date will be determined by the calculation agent for the LIBOR base rates by reference to a particular date called an interest determination date. Except as otherwise specified in your pricing supplement, the interest determination date relating to a particular interest reset date will be the second London business day preceding the interest reset date. We refer to an interest determination date for LIBOR notes as a LIBOR interest determination date.

#### Interest Calculation Date

The interest rate that takes effect on a particular interest reset date will be determined by reference to the corresponding interest determination date or interest reset date, as applicable. For some notes, however, the calculation agent will set the rate on a day no later than the corresponding interest calculation date. Unless otherwise specified in your pricing supplement, the interest calculation date for rates to which a calculation date applies will be the business day immediately preceding the date on which interest will next be paid (on an interest payment date or the maturity, as the case may be). The calculation agent need not wait until the relevant interest calculation date to determine the interest rate if the rate information it needs to make the determination is available from the relevant sources sooner.

#### Interest Rate Calculations

Interest payable on floating rate notes for any particular interest period will be calculated as described below using an interest factor, expressed as a decimal, applicable to each day during the applicable interest period, unless otherwise specified in your pricing supplement.

Calculations relating to floating rate notes will be made by the calculation agent, an institution that we appoint as our agent for this purpose. We have initially appointed U.S. Bank National Association as our calculation agent for any floating rate notes. We may specify a different calculation agent in your pricing supplement. The applicable pricing supplement for your floating rate note will name the institution that we have appointed to act as the calculation agent for that note as of its original issue date. We may appoint a different institution to serve as calculation agent from time to time after the original issue date of your floating rate note without your consent and without notifying you of the change. Absent manifest error, all determinations of the calculation agent will be final and binding on you and us, without any liability on the part of the calculation agent.

For floating rate notes, the calculation agent will determine, on the corresponding interest calculation date or interest determination date, as described below, the interest rate that takes effect on each interest reset date. In addition, the calculation agent will calculate the amount of interest that has accrued during each interest period—i.e., the period from and including the original issue date, or the last date to which interest has accrued (which may be the interest payment date or any interest reset date in accordance with the business day convention), to but excluding the next date to which interest will accrue (which may be the interest payment date or any interest reset date in accordance with the business day convention). For each interest period, the calculation agent will calculate the amount of accrued interest by multiplying the face amount of the floating rate note by an accrued interest factor for the interest period. Such accrued interest rate factor is determined by multiplying the applicable interest rate for the period by the day count fraction. The day count fraction will be determined in accordance with the 30/360 (ISDA) day count convention, where the number of days in the interest period in respect of which payment is being made is divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

where:

“Y1” is the year, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the interest period falls;

“Y2” is the year, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day included in the interest period falls;

“M1” is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the interest period falls;

“M2” is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day included in the interest period falls;

S-16

---

“D1” is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the interest period, unless such number would be 31, in which case D1 will be 30; and

“D2” is the calendar day, expressed as a number, immediately following the last day included in the interest period, unless such number would be 31 and D1 is greater than 29, in which case D2 will be 30.

Upon the request of the holder of any floating rate note, the calculation agent will provide the interest rate then in effect, and, if determined, the interest rate that will become effective on the next interest reset date with respect to such floating rate note.

All percentages resulting from any calculation relating to any note will be rounded upward or downward, as appropriate, to the next higher or lower one hundred-thousandth of a percentage point, e.g., 9.876541% (or .09876541) being rounded down to 9.87654% (or .0987654) and 9.876545% (or .09876545) being rounded up to 9.87655% (or .0987655). All amounts used in or resulting from any calculation relating to any note will be rounded upward or downward to the nearest cent.

#### Sources and Corrections

If we refer to a rate as set forth on a display page, other published source, information vendor or other vendor officially designated by the sponsor of that rate, if there is a successor source for the display page, other published source, information vendor or other official vendor, we refer to that successor source as applicable as determined by the calculation agent. When we refer to a particular heading or headings on any of those sources, those references include any successor or replacement heading or headings as determined by the calculation agent.

If the applicable rate is based on information obtained from a Reuters screen, that rate will be subject to the corrections, if any, published on that Reuters screen within one hour of the time that rate was first displayed on such source.

#### LIBOR Calculation

LIBOR, with respect to the base rate and any interest reset date, will be the London interbank offered rate for deposits in U.S. dollars for the index maturity specified in your pricing supplement, appearing on the Reuters screen LIBOR page as of approximately 11:00 A.M., London time, on the relevant LIBOR interest determination date.

If the rate described above does not so appear on the Reuters screen LIBOR page, then LIBOR will be determined on the basis of the rates at which deposits in U.S. dollars are offered by four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the calculation agent at approximately 11:00 A.M., London time, on the relevant LIBOR interest determination date, to prime banks in the London interbank market for a period of the specified index maturity, beginning on the relevant interest reset date, and in a representative amount. The calculation agent will request the principal London office of each of these major banks to provide a quotation of its rate. If at least two quotations are provided, LIBOR for the relevant interest reset date will be the arithmetic mean of the quotations.

If fewer than two of the requested quotations described above are provided, LIBOR for the relevant interest reset date will be the arithmetic mean of the rates quoted by major banks in New York City selected by the calculation agent, at approximately 11:00 A.M., New York City time (or the time in the relevant principal financial center), on the relevant interest reset date, for loans in U.S. dollars (or the index currency) to leading European banks for a period of the specified index maturity, beginning on the relevant interest reset date, and in a representative amount.

If no quotation is provided as described in the preceding paragraph, then the calculation agent, after consulting such sources as it deems comparable to any of the foregoing quotations or display page, or any such source as it deems reasonable from which to estimate LIBOR or any of the foregoing lending rates, shall determine LIBOR for that interest reset date in its sole discretion.

For the purpose of this section, we define the term “index maturity” as the interest rate period of LIBOR on which the interest rate formula is based as specified in your pricing supplement.

In all cases, if the stated maturity or any earlier redemption date or repayment date with respect to any note falls on a day that is not a business day, any payment of principal, premium, if any, and interest otherwise due on such day will be made on the next succeeding business day, and no interest on such payment shall accrue for the period from and after such stated maturity, redemption date or repayment date, as the case may be.

#### Business Days

The term “London business day” will apply to your floating rate notes, as specified in your pricing supplement, and it means each Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday that is not a day on which banking institutions in London generally are authorized or obligated by law, regulation or executive order to close and is also a day on which dealings in the applicable index currency are transacted in the London interbank market.

S-17

---



**Business Day Convention**

The business day convention that will apply to your notes is the “following business day convention.” The “following business day convention” means, for any interest payment date or interest reset date, other than the maturity, if such date would otherwise fall on a day that is not a business day, then such date will be postponed to the next day that is a business day.

**Payment of Principal and Interest**

Principal of and interest on beneficial interests in the notes will be made in accordance with the arrangements then in place between the paying agent and The Depository Trust Company (referred to as “DTC”) and its participants as described under “Registration and Settlement—The Depository Trust Company.” Payments in respect of any notes in certificated form will be made as described under “Registration and Settlement—Registration, Transfer and Payment of Certificated Notes.”

Interest on each note will be payable either monthly, quarterly, semi-annually or annually on each interest payment date and at the note’s stated maturity or on the date of redemption or repayment if a note is redeemed or repaid prior to maturity. Interest is payable to the person in whose name a note is registered at the close of business on the regular record date before each interest payment date. Interest due at a note’s stated maturity or on a date of redemption or repayment will be payable to the person to whom principal is payable.

We will pay any administrative costs imposed by banks in connection with making payments in immediately available funds, but any tax, assessment or governmental charge imposed upon any payments on a note, including, without limitation, any withholding tax, is the responsibility of the holders of beneficial interests in the note in respect of which such payments are made.

**Payment and Record Dates for Interest**

Interest on the notes will be paid as follows:

| Interest Payment Frequency | Interest Payment Dates   |
|----------------------------|--|
| Monthly                    | Fifteenth day of each calendar month, beginning in the first calendar month following the month the note was issued.   |
| Quarterly                  | Fifteenth day of every third month, beginning in the third calendar month following the month the note was issued.     |
| Semi-annually              | Fifteenth day of every sixth month, beginning in the sixth calendar month following the month the note was issued.     |
| Annually                   | Fifteenth day of every twelfth month, beginning in the twelfth calendar month following the month the note was issued. |

The regular record date for any interest payment date will be the first day of the calendar month in which the interest payment date occurs, except that the regular record date for interest due on the note’s stated maturity date or date of earlier redemption or repayment will be that particular date. For the purpose of determining the holder at the close of business on a regular record date when business is not being conducted, the close of business will mean 5:00 P.M., New York City time, on that day.

Interest on a note will be payable beginning on the first interest payment date after its date of original issuance to holders of record on the corresponding regular record date.

“Business day” means any day, other than a Saturday or Sunday, that is neither a legal holiday nor a day on which banking institutions are authorized or required by law or regulation to close in The City of New York.

**Redemption and Repayment**

Unless we otherwise provide in the applicable pricing supplement, a note will not be redeemable or repayable prior to its stated maturity date.

If the pricing supplement states that the note will be redeemable at our option prior to its stated maturity date, then on such date or dates specified in the pricing supplement, we may redeem those notes at our option either in whole or from time to time in part, upon not less than five nor more than 60 days’ written notice to the holder of those notes. If the pricing supplement states that your note will be repayable at your option prior to its stated maturity date, we will require receipt of notice of the request for repayment at least 30 but not more than 60 days prior to the date or dates specified in

S-18

---

the pricing supplement. We also must receive the completed form entitled “Option to Elect Repayment.” Exercise of the repayment option by the holder of a note is irrevocable.

Since the notes will be represented by a global note, DTC or its nominee will be treated as the holder of the notes; therefore DTC or its nominee will be the only entity that receives notices of redemption of notes from us, in the case of our redemption of notes, and will be the only entity that can exercise the right to repayment of notes, in the case of optional repayment. See “Registration and Settlement.”

To ensure that DTC or its nominee will timely exercise a right to repayment with respect to a particular beneficial interest in a note, the beneficial owner of the interest in that note must instruct the broker or other direct or indirect participant through which it holds the beneficial interest to notify DTC or its nominee of its desire to exercise a right to repayment. Because different firms have different cut-off times for accepting instructions from their customers, each beneficial owner should consult the broker or other direct or indirect participant through which it holds an interest in a note to determine the cut-off time by which the instruction must be given for timely notice to be delivered to DTC or its nominee. Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC or its nominee to participants, by participants to indirect participants and by participants and indirect participants to beneficial owners of the notes will be governed by agreements among them and any applicable statutory or regulatory requirements.

The redemption of a note normally will occur on a specified interest payment date and any business day thereafter following receipt of a valid notice. The repayment of a note normally will occur on the interest payment date or dates following receipt of a valid notice. Unless otherwise specified in the pricing supplement, the redemption or repayment price will equal 100% of the principal amount of the note plus unpaid interest accrued to the date or dates of redemption or repayment.

We may at any time purchase notes at any price or prices in the open market or otherwise. We may also purchase notes otherwise tendered for repayment by a holder or tendered by a holder’s duly authorized representative through exercise of the Survivor’s Option described below. If we purchase the notes in this manner, we have the discretion to either hold, resell or surrender the notes to the trustee for cancellation.

#### Survivor’s Option

The “Survivor’s Option” is a provision in a note pursuant to which we agree to repay that note, if requested by the authorized representative of the beneficial owner of that note, following the death of the beneficial owner of the note, so long as the note was owned by that beneficial owner or the estate of that beneficial owner at least six months prior to the request. The pricing supplement relating to each offering of notes will state whether the Survivor’s Option applies to those notes.

If a note is entitled to a Survivor’s Option, upon the valid exercise of the Survivor’s Option and the proper tender of that note for repayment, we will, at our option, repay or repurchase that note, in whole or in part, at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the deceased beneficial owner’s interest in that note plus unpaid interest accrued to the date of repayment.

To be valid, the Survivor’s Option must be exercised by or on behalf of the person who has authority to act on behalf of the deceased beneficial owner of the note (including, without limitation, the personal representative or executor of the deceased beneficial owner or the surviving joint owner with the deceased beneficial owner) under the laws of the applicable jurisdiction.

The death of a person holding a beneficial ownership interest in a note as a joint tenant or tenant by the entirety with another person, or as a tenant in common with the deceased holder’s spouse, will be deemed the death of a beneficial owner of that note, and the entire principal amount of the note so held will be subject to repayment by us upon request. However, the death of a person holding a beneficial ownership interest in a note as tenant in common with a person other than such deceased holder’s spouse will be deemed the death of a beneficial owner only with respect to such deceased person’s interest in the note.

The death of a person who, during his or her lifetime, was entitled to substantially all of the beneficial ownership interests in a note will be deemed the death of the beneficial owner of that note for purposes of the Survivor’s Option, regardless of whether that beneficial owner was the registered holder of that note, if entitlement to those interests can be established to the satisfaction of the trustee. A beneficial ownership interest will be deemed to exist in typical cases of nominee ownership, ownership under the Uniform Transfers to Minors Act or Uniform Gifts to Minors Act, community property or other joint ownership arrangements between a husband and wife. In addition, a beneficial

ownership interest will be deemed to exist in custodial and trust arrangements where one person has all of the beneficial ownership interests in the applicable note during his or her lifetime.

We have the discretionary right to limit the aggregate principal amount of notes as to which exercises of the Survivor's Option shall be accepted by us from authorized representatives of all deceased beneficial owners in any calendar year to an amount equal to the greater of \$2,000,000 or 2% of the principal amount of all notes outstanding as of the end of the most recent calendar year. We also have the discretionary right to limit to \$250,000 in any calendar year the aggregate principal

S-19

---

amount of notes as to which exercises of the Survivor's Option shall be accepted by us from the authorized representative of any individual deceased beneficial owner of notes in such calendar year. In addition, we will not permit the exercise of the Survivor's Option except in principal amounts of \$1,000 and multiples of \$1,000. An otherwise valid election to exercise the Survivor's Option may not be withdrawn. Each election to exercise the Survivor's Option will be accepted in the order that elections are received by the trustee, except for any note the acceptance of which would contravene any of the limitations described in the preceding paragraph. Notes accepted for repayment through the exercise of the Survivor's Option normally will be repaid on the first interest payment date that occurs 20 or more calendar days after the date of the acceptance. For example, if the acceptance date of a note tendered through a valid exercise of the Survivor's Option is September 1, 2017, and interest on that note is paid monthly, we would normally, at our option, repay that note on the interest payment date occurring on October 15, 2017, because the September 15, 2017 interest payment date would occur less than 20 days from the date of acceptance. Each tendered note that is not accepted in any calendar year due to the application of any of the limitations described in the preceding paragraph will be deemed to be tendered in the following calendar year in the order in which all such notes were originally tendered. If a note tendered through a valid exercise of the Survivor's Option is not accepted, the trustee will deliver a notice by first-class mail to the registered holder, at that holder's last known address as indicated in the note register, that states the reason that note has not been accepted for repayment. With respect to notes represented by a global note, DTC or its nominee is treated as the holder of the notes and will be the only entity that can exercise the Survivor's Option for such notes. To obtain repayment pursuant to exercise of the Survivor's Option for a note, the deceased beneficial owner's authorized representative must provide the following items to the broker or other entity through which the beneficial interest in the note is held by the deceased beneficial owner:

- a written instruction to such broker or other entity to notify DTC of the authorized representative's desire to obtain repayment pursuant to exercise of the Survivor's Option;
- appropriate evidence satisfactory to the trustee (a) that the deceased was the beneficial owner of the note at the time of death and his or her interest in the note was owned by the deceased beneficial owner or his or her estate at least six months prior to the request for repayment, (b) that the death of the beneficial owner has occurred, (c) of the date of death of the beneficial owner, and (d) that the representative has authority to act on behalf of the beneficial owner;
- if the interest in the note is held by a nominee of the deceased beneficial owner, a certificate satisfactory to the trustee from the nominee attesting to the deceased's beneficial ownership of such note;
- written request for repayment signed by the authorized representative of the deceased beneficial owner with the signature guaranteed by a member firm of a registered national securities exchange or of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. or a commercial bank or trust company having an office or correspondent in the United States;
- if applicable, a properly executed assignment or endorsement;
- tax waivers and any other instruments or documents that the trustee reasonably requires in order to establish the validity of the beneficial ownership of the note and the claimant's entitlement to payment; and
- any additional information the trustee reasonably requires to evidence satisfaction of any conditions to the exercise of the Survivor's Option or to document beneficial ownership or authority to make the election and to cause the repayment of the note.

In turn, the broker or other entity will deliver each of these items to the trustee, together with evidence satisfactory to the trustee from the broker or other entity stating that it represents the deceased beneficial owner.

The death of a person owning a note in joint tenancy or tenancy by the entirety with another or others shall be deemed the death of the holder of the note, and the entire principal amount of the note so held shall be subject to repayment, together with interest accrued thereon to the repayment date. The death of a person owning a note by tenancy in common shall be deemed the death of a holder of a note only with respect to the deceased holder's interest in the note so held by tenancy in common; except that in the event a note is held by husband and wife as tenants in common, the death of either shall be deemed the death of the holder of the note, and the entire principal amount of the note so held shall be subject to repayment. The death of a person who, during his or her lifetime, was entitled to substantially all of the beneficial interests of ownership of a note, shall be deemed the death of the holder thereof for purposes of this provision, regardless of the registered holder, if such beneficial interest can be established to the satisfaction of the

trustee and us. Such beneficial interest shall be deemed to exist in typical cases of nominee ownership, ownership under the Uniform Gifts to Minors Act, the Uniform Transfers to Minors Act, community property or other joint ownership arrangements between a husband and wife and trust arrangements where one person has substantially all of the beneficial ownership interest in the note during his or her lifetime.

We retain the right to limit the aggregate principal amount of notes as to which exercises of the Survivor's Option applicable to the notes will be accepted in any one calendar year as described above. All other questions regarding the eligibility

S-20

---

or validity of any exercise of the Survivor's Option will be determined by the trustee, in its sole discretion, which determination will be final and binding on all parties.

The broker or other entity will be responsible for disbursing payments received from the trustee to the authorized representative. See "Registration and Settlement."

Forms for the exercise of the Survivor's Option may be obtained from the Trustee at 100 Wall Street, Suite 1600, New York, NY 10005, Attention: General Counsel.

If applicable, we will comply with the requirements of Section 14(e) of the Exchange Act, and the rules promulgated thereunder, and any other securities laws or regulations in connection with any repayment of notes at the option of the registered holders or beneficial owners thereof.

S-21

---

## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

(All figures in this item are in thousands except share, per share and other data.)

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto appearing elsewhere in this prospectus supplement and accompanying prospectus. Historical results set forth are not necessarily indicative of our future financial position and results of operations.

### Overview

The terms "Prospect," "we," "us" and "our" mean Prospect Capital Corporation and its subsidiaries unless the context specifically requires otherwise.

Prospect is a financial services company that primarily lends to and invests in middle market privately-held companies. We are a closed-end investment company incorporated in Maryland. We have elected to be regulated as a business development company ("BDC") under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "1940 Act"). As a BDC, we have elected to be treated as a regulated investment company ("RIC"), under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the "Code"). We were organized on April 13, 2004 and were funded in an initial public offering completed on July 27, 2004.

On May 15, 2007, we formed a wholly-owned subsidiary Prospect Capital Funding LLC ("PCF"), a Delaware limited liability company and a bankruptcy remote special purpose entity, which holds certain of our portfolio loan investments that are used as collateral for the revolving credit facility at PCF. Our wholly-owned subsidiary Prospect Small Business Lending, LLC ("PSBL") was formed on January 27, 2014 and purchases small business whole loans on a recurring basis from online small business loan originators, including On Deck Capital, Inc. ("OnDeck"). On September 30, 2014, we formed a wholly-owned subsidiary Prospect Yield Corporation, LLC ("PYC") and effective October 23, 2014, PYC holds our investments in collateralized loan obligations ("CLOs"). Each of these subsidiaries have been consolidated since operations commenced.

We consolidate certain of our wholly-owned and substantially wholly-owned holding companies formed by us in order to facilitate our investment strategy. The following companies are included in our consolidated financial statements: APH Property Holdings, LLC ("APH"); Arctic Oilfield Equipment USA, Inc.; CCPI Holdings Inc.; CP Holdings of Delaware LLC ("CP Holdings"); Credit Central Holdings of Delaware, LLC; Energy Solutions Holdings Inc.; First Tower Holdings of Delaware LLC ("First Tower Delaware"); Harbortouch Holdings of Delaware Inc.; MITY Holdings of Delaware Inc.; Nationwide Acceptance Holdings LLC; NMMB Holdings, Inc. ("NMMB Holdings"); NPH Property Holdings, LLC ("NPH"); STI Holding, Inc.; UPH Property Holdings, LLC ("UPH"); Valley Electric Holdings I, Inc.; Valley Electric Holdings II, Inc.; and Wolf Energy Holdings Inc. ("Wolf Energy Holdings"). On October 10, 2014, concurrent with the sale of the operating company, our ownership increased to 100% of the outstanding equity of ARRM Services, Inc. which was renamed SB Forging Company, Inc. ("SB Forging"). As such, we began consolidating SB Forging on October 11, 2014. Effective May 23, 2016, in connection with the merger of American Property REIT Corp. ("APRC") and United Property REIT Corp. ("UPRC") with and into National Property REIT Corp. ("NPRC"), APH and UPH merged with and into NPH, and were dissolved. We collectively refer to these entities as the "Consolidated Holding Companies."

We are externally managed by our investment adviser, Prospect Capital Management L.P. ("Prospect Capital Management" or the "Investment Adviser"). Prospect Administration LLC ("Prospect Administration"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Investment Adviser, provides administrative services and facilities necessary for us to operate.

Our investment objective is to generate both current income and long-term capital appreciation through debt and equity investments. We invest primarily in senior and subordinated debt and equity of private companies in need of capital for acquisitions, divestitures, growth, development, recapitalizations and other purposes. We work with the management teams or financial sponsors to seek investments with historical cash flows, asset collateral or contracted pro-forma cash flows.

We currently have nine strategies that guide our origination of investment opportunities: (1) lending to companies controlled by private equity sponsors, (2) lending to companies not controlled by private equity sponsors, (3) purchasing controlling equity positions and lending to operating companies, (4) purchasing controlling equity



positions and lending to financial services companies, (5) purchasing controlling equity positions and lending to real estate companies, (6) purchasing controlling equity positions and lending to aircraft leasing companies, (7) investing in structured credit, (8) investing in non-agented debt and (9) investing in online loans. We may also invest in other strategies and opportunities from time to time that we view as attractive. We continue to evaluate other origination strategies in the ordinary course of business with no specific top-down allocation to any single origination strategy.

S-22

---

**Lending to Companies Controlled by Private Equity Sponsors** - We make agented loans to companies which are controlled by private equity sponsors. This debt can take the form of first lien, second lien, unitranche or unsecured loans. These loans typically have equity subordinate to our loan position. Historically, this strategy has comprised approximately 40%-60% of our portfolio.

**Lending to Companies not Controlled by Private Equity Sponsors** - We make loans to companies which are not controlled by private equity sponsors, such as companies that are controlled by the management team, the founder, a family or public shareholders. This origination strategy may have less competition to provide debt financing than the private-equity-sponsor origination strategy because such company financing needs are not easily addressed by banks and often require more diligence preparation. This origination strategy can result in investments with higher returns or lower leverage than the private-equity-sponsor origination strategy. Historically, this strategy has comprised up to approximately 15% of our portfolio.

**Purchasing Controlling Equity Positions and Lending to Operating Companies** - This strategy involves purchasing yield-producing debt and controlling equity positions in non-financial-services operating companies. We believe that we can provide enhanced certainty of closure and liquidity to sellers and we look for management to continue on in their current roles. This strategy has comprised approximately 5%-15% of our portfolio.

**Purchasing Controlling Equity Positions and Lending to Financial Services Companies** - This strategy involves purchasing yield-producing debt and control equity investments in financial services companies, including consumer direct lending, sub-prime auto lending and other strategies. These investments are often structured in tax-efficient partnerships, enhancing returns. This strategy has comprised approximately 5%-15% of our portfolio.

**Purchasing Controlling Equity Positions and Lending to Real Estate Companies** - We purchase debt and controlling equity positions in tax-efficient real estate investment trusts (“REIT” or “REITs”). NPRC’s, an operating company and the surviving entity of the May 23, 2016 merger with APRC and UPRC, real estate investments are in various classes of developed and occupied real estate properties that generate current yields, including multi-family properties, student housing, and self-storage. NPRC seeks to identify properties that have historically significant occupancy rates and recurring cash flow generation. NPRC generally co-invests with established and experienced property management teams that manage such properties after acquisition. Additionally, NPRC purchases loans originated by certain consumer loan facilitators. It purchases each loan in its entirety (i.e., a “whole loan”). The borrowers are consumers, and the loans are typically serviced by the facilitators of the loans. This investment strategy has comprised approximately 10%-20% of our business.

**Purchasing Controlling Equity Positions and Lending to Aircraft Leasing Companies** - We invest in debt as well as equity in companies with aircraft assets subject to commercial leases to airlines across the globe. We believe that these investments can present attractive return opportunities due to cash flow consistency from long-term leases coupled with hard asset residual value. We believe that these investment companies seek to deliver risk-adjusted returns with strong downside protection by analyzing relative value characteristics across a variety of aircraft types and vintages. This strategy historically has comprised less than 5% of our portfolio.

**Investing in Structured Credit** - We make investments in CLOs, often taking a significant position in the subordinated interests (equity) of the CLOs. The underlying portfolio of each CLO investment is diversified across approximately 100 to 200 broadly syndicated loans and does not have direct exposure to real estate, mortgages, or consumer-based credit assets. The CLOs in which we invest are managed by established collateral management teams with many years of experience in the industry. This strategy has comprised approximately 10%-20% of our portfolio.

**Investing in Non-Agented Debt** - On a primary or secondary basis, we purchase primarily senior and secured loans and high yield bonds that have been sold to a club or syndicate of buyers. These investments are often purchased with a long term, buy-and-hold outlook, and we often look to provide significant input to the transaction by providing anchoring orders. This strategy has comprised approximately 5%-10% of our portfolio.

**Investing in Online Business Loans** - We purchase loans originated by certain small-and-medium-sized business (“SME”) loan facilitators. We generally purchase each loan in its entirety (i.e., a “whole loan”). The borrowers are SMEs and the loans are typically serviced by the facilitators of the loans. This investment strategy has comprised up to approximately 1% of our portfolio.



We invest primarily in first and second lien secured loans and unsecured debt, which in some cases includes an equity component. First and second lien secured loans generally are senior debt instruments that rank ahead of unsecured debt of a given portfolio company. These loans also have the benefit of security interests on the assets of the portfolio company, which may rank ahead of or be junior to other security interests. Our investments in CLOs are subordinated to senior loans and are generally unsecured. We invest in debt and equity positions of CLOs which are a form of securitization in which the cash flows of a portfolio of loans are pooled and passed on to different classes of owners in various tranches. Our CLO investments are derived from portfolios of corporate debt securities which are generally risk rated from BB to B.

We hold many of our control investments in a two-tier structure consisting of a holding company and one or more related operating companies for tax purposes. These holding companies serve various business purposes including concentration of management teams, optimization of third party borrowing costs, improvement of supplier, customer, and insurance terms, and enhancement of co-investments by the management teams. In these cases, our investment, which is generally equity in the holding company, the holding company's equity investment in the operating company and any debt from us directly to the operating company structure represents our total exposure for the investment. As of December 31, 2017, as shown in our Consolidated Schedule of Investments, the cost basis and fair value of our investments in controlled companies was \$1,895,360 and \$2,011,922, respectively. This structure gives rise to several of the risks described in our public documents and highlighted elsewhere in this Quarterly Report. We consolidate all wholly-owned and substantially wholly-owned holding companies formed by us for the purpose of holding our controlled investments in operating companies. There is no significant effect of consolidating these holding companies as they hold minimal assets other than their investments in the controlled operating companies. Investment company accounting prohibits the consolidation of any operating companies.

#### Second Quarter Highlights

##### Investment Transactions

We seek to be a long-term investor with our portfolio companies. During the three months ended December 31, 2017, we acquired \$151,300 of new investments, completed follow-on investments in existing portfolio companies totaling approximately \$573,320, funded \$12,117 of revolver advances, and recorded paid in kind ("PIK") interest of \$2,000, resulting in gross investment originations of \$738,737. During the three months ended December 31, 2017, we received full repayments on 7 investments and received several partial repayments and amortization payments totaling \$1,042,269.

##### Debt Issuances and Redemptions

During the three months ended December 31, 2017, we redeemed \$91,558 aggregate principal amount of our Prospect Capital InterNotes® at par with a weighted average interest rate of 4.79%, and repaid \$1,909 aggregate principal amount of Prospect Capital InterNotes® at par in accordance with the Survivor's Option, as defined in the InterNotes® Offering prospectus. As a result of these transactions, we recorded a loss in the amount of the unamortized debt issuance costs. The net loss on the extinguishment of Prospect Capital InterNotes® in the three months ended December 31, 2017 was \$488.

During the three months ended December 31, 2017 we issued \$24,775 aggregate principal amount of Prospect Capital InterNotes® with a stated and weighted average interest rate of 4.20%, to extend our borrowing base. The newly issued notes mature between October 15, 2022 and December 15, 2025 and generated net proceeds of \$24,401.

##### Equity Issuances

On October 19, 2017, November 22, 2017, and December 21, 2017, we issued 83,913, 98,276, and 488,141 shares of our common stock in connection with the dividend reinvestment plan, respectively.

##### Investment Holdings

As of December 31, 2017, we continue to pursue our investment strategy. At December 31, 2017, approximately \$5,421,132, or 161.9%, of our net assets are invested in 122 long-term portfolio investments and CLOs.

During the six months ended December 31, 2017, we originated \$960,888 of new investments, primarily composed of \$853,975 of debt and equity financing to non-controlled portfolio investments and \$106,913 of debt and equity financing to controlled investments. Our origination efforts are focused primarily on secured lending to non-control investments to reduce the risk in the portfolio by investing primarily in first lien loans, though we also continue to close select junior debt and equity investments. Our annualized current yield was 12.5% and 12.2% as of

December 31, 2017 and June 30, 2017, respectively, across all performing interest bearing investments, excluding equity investments and non-accrual loans. Our annualized current yield was 10.3% and 10.4% as of December 31, 2017 and June 30, 2017, respectively, across all investments. Monetization of equity positions that we hold and loans on non-accrual status are not included in this yield calculation. In many of our portfolio companies we hold equity positions, ranging from minority interests to majority stakes, which we expect over time to contribute to our investment returns. Some of these equity positions include features such as contractual minimum internal rates of returns, preferred distributions, flip structures and other features expected to generate additional investment returns, as well as contractual protections and preferences over junior equity, in addition to the yield and security offered by our cash flow and collateral debt protections.

We are a non-diversified company within the meaning of the 1940 Act. As required by the 1940 Act, we classify our investments by level of control. As defined in the 1940 Act, “Control Investments” are those where there is the ability or power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of a company. Control is generally deemed to exist when a company or individual possesses or has the right to acquire within 60 days or less, a beneficial ownership of 25% or more of the voting securities of an investee company. Under the 1940 Act, “Affiliate Investments” are defined by a lesser degree of influence and are deemed to exist through the possession outright or via the right to acquire within 60 days or less, beneficial ownership of 5% or more of the outstanding voting securities of another person. “Non-Control/Non-Affiliate Investments” are those that are neither Control Investments nor Affiliate Investments.

As of December 31, 2017, we own controlling interests in the following portfolio companies: Arctic Energy Services, LLC (“Arctic Energy”); CCPI Inc. (“CCPI”); CP Energy Services Inc. (“CP Energy”); Credit Central Loan Company, LLC (“Credit Central”); Echelon Aviation LLC (“Echelon”); Edmentum Ultimate Holdings, LLC (“Edmentum”); First Tower Finance Company LLC (“First Tower Finance”); Freedom Marine Solutions, LLC (“Freedom Marine”); MITY, Inc. (“MITY”); NPRC; Nationwide Loan Company LLC (f/k/a Nationwide Acceptance LLC) (“Nationwide”); NMMB, Inc. (“NMMB”); R-V Industries, Inc.; SB Forging Company II, Inc. (f/k/a Gulf Coast Machine & Supply Company) (“Gulfco”); USES Corp. (“USES”); Valley Electric Company, Inc. (“Valley Electric”); and Wolf Energy, LLC (“Wolf Energy”). We also own affiliated interests in Nixon, Inc. (“Nixon”) and Targus Cayman HoldCo Limited (“Targus”). The following shows the composition of our investment portfolio by level of control as of December 31, 2017 and June 30, 2017:

| Level of Control                      | December 31, 2017 |                |              |                | June 30, 2017 |                |              |                |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|
|                                       | Cost              | % of Portfolio | Fair Value   | % of Portfolio | Cost          | % of Portfolio | Fair Value   | % of Portfolio |
| Control Investments                   | \$ 1,895,360      | 34.1 %         | \$ 2,011,922 | 37.1 %         | \$ 1,840,731  | 30.8 %         | \$ 1,911,775 | 32.7 %         |
| Affiliate Investments                 | 24,075            | 0.4 %          | 19,272       | 0.4 %          | 22,957        | 0.4 %          | 11,429       | 0.2 %          |
| Non-Control/Non-Affiliate Investments | 3,643,003         | 65.5 %         | 3,389,938    | 62.5 %         | 4,117,868     | 68.8 %         | 3,915,101    | 67.1 %         |
| Total Investments                     | \$ 5,562,438      | 100.0 %        | \$ 5,421,132 | 100.0 %        | \$ 5,981,556  | 100.0 %        | \$ 5,838,305 | 100.0 %        |

The following shows the composition of our investment portfolio by type of investment as of December 31, 2017 and June 30, 2017:

| Type of Investment          | December 31, 2017 |                |            |                | June 30, 2017 |                |            |                |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|----------------|------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|------------|----------------|
|                             | Cost              | % of Portfolio | Fair Value | % of Portfolio | Cost          | % of Portfolio | Fair Value | % of Portfolio |
| Revolving Line of Credit    | \$ 34,317         | 0.6 %          | \$ 34,096  | 0.6 %          | \$ 27,409     | 0.5 %          | \$ 27,409  | 0.5 %          |
| Senior Secured Debt         | 2,497,404         | 44.9 %         | 2,381,739  | 44.0 %         | 2,940,163     | 49.2 %         | 2,798,796  | 47.9 %         |
| Subordinated Secured Debt   | 1,233,051         | 22.2 %         | 1,153,876  | 21.3 %         | 1,160,019     | 19.4 %         | 1,107,040  | 19.0 %         |
| Subordinated Unsecured Debt | 38,236            | 0.7 %          | 32,052     | 0.6 %          | 37,934        | 0.6 %          | 44,434     | 0.8 %          |
| Small Business Loans        | 1,484             | — %            | 1,365      | — %            | 8,434         | 0.1 %          | 7,964      | 0.1 %          |
| CLO Residual Interest       | 1,067,371         | 19.2 %         | 940,276    | 17.3 %         | 1,150,006     | 19.2 %         | 1,079,712  | 18.5 %         |
| Preferred Stock             | 77,346            | 1.4 %          | 62,678     | 1.2 %          | 112,394       | 1.9 %          | 83,209     | 1.4 %          |
| Common Stock                | 362,348           | 6.5 %          | 458,025    | 8.4 %          | 295,200       | 4.9 %          | 391,374    | 6.7 %          |
| Membership Interest         | 250,881           | 4.5 %          | 258,774    | 4.8 %          | 249,997       | 4.2 %          | 206,012    | 3.5 %          |
| Participating Interest(1)   | —                 | — %            | 97,395     | 1.8 %          | —             | — %            | 91,491     | 1.6 %          |

Edgar Filing: PROSPECT CAPITAL CORP - Form 497

|                   |             |       |       |             |       |   |             |       |   |
|-------------------|-------------|-------|-------|-------------|-------|---|-------------|-------|---|
| Escrow Receivable | —           | —     | % 856 | —           | % —   | — | % 864       | —     | % |
| Total Investments | \$5,562,438 | 100.0 | %     | \$5,421,132 | 100.0 | % | \$5,981,556 | 100.0 | % |

S-24

---

(1) Participating Interest includes our participating equity investments, such as net profits interests, net operating income interests, net revenue interests, and overriding royalty interests.

The following shows our investments in interest bearing securities by type of investment as of December 31, 2017 and June 30, 2017:

| Type of Investment     | December 31, 2017 |                |             |                | June 30, 2017 |                |             |                |
|------------------------|-------------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|
|                        | Cost              | % of Portfolio | Fair Value  | % of Portfolio | Cost          | % of Portfolio | Fair Value  | % of Portfolio |
| First Lien             | \$2,526,629       | 51.9 %         | \$2,410,743 | 53.1 %         | \$2,959,738   | 55.6 %         | \$2,818,371 | 55.6 %         |
| Second Lien            | 1,238,143         | 25.4 %         | 1,158,968   | 25.5 %         | 1,167,853     | 21.9 %         | 1,114,874   | 22.0 %         |
| Unsecured              | 38,236            | 0.8 %          | 32,052      | 0.7 %          | 37,934        | 0.7 %          | 44,434      | 0.9 %          |
| Small Business Loans   | 1,484             | — %            | 1,365       | — %            | 8,434         | 0.2 %          | 7,964       | 0.2 %          |
| CLO Residual Interest  | 1,067,371         | 21.9 %         | 940,276     | 20.7 %         | 1,150,006     | 21.6 %         | 1,079,712   | 21.3 %         |
| Total Debt Investments | \$4,871,863       | 100.0 %        | \$4,543,404 | 100.0 %        | \$5,323,965   | 100.0 %        | \$5,065,355 | 100.0 %        |

The following shows the composition of our investment portfolio by geographic location as of December 31, 2017 and June 30, 2017:

| Geographic Location | December 31, 2017 |                |             |                | June 30, 2017 |                |             |                |
|---------------------|-------------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|
|                     | Cost              | % of Portfolio | Fair Value  | % of Portfolio | Cost          | % of Portfolio | Fair Value  | % of Portfolio |
| Canada              | \$18,403          | 0.3 %          | \$18,470    | 0.3 %          | \$9,831       | 0.2 %          | \$10,000    | 0.2 %          |
| Cayman Islands      | 1,067,371         | 19.2 %         | 940,276     | 17.3 %         | 1,150,006     | 19.2 %         | 1,079,712   | 18.5 %         |
| France              | 12,325            | 0.2 %          | 11,283      | 0.2 %          | 9,755         | 0.2 %          | 8,794       | 0.2 %          |
| Midwest US          | 322,759           | 5.8 %          | 343,836     | 6.3 %          | 605,417       | 10.1 %         | 678,766     | 11.6 %         |
| Northeast US        | 913,669           | 16.4 %         | 914,612     | 16.9 %         | 786,552       | 13.1 %         | 823,616     | 14.0 %         |
| Northwest US        | 173,290           | 3.1 %          | 114,145     | 2.1 %          | 281,336       | 4.7 %          | 207,962     | 3.6 %          |
| Puerto Rico         | 86,153            | 1.5 %          | 83,428      | 1.5 %          | 83,410        | 1.4 %          | 83,410      | 1.4 %          |
| Southeast US        | 1,230,425         | 22.1 %         | 1,450,187   | 26.8 %         | 1,367,606     | 22.9 %         | 1,412,351   | 24.2 %         |
| Southwest US        | 650,475           | 11.7 %         | 568,639     | 10.5 %         | 616,008       | 10.3 %         | 558,368     | 9.6 %          |
| Western US          | 1,087,568         | 19.7 %         | 976,256     | 18.1 %         | 1,071,635     | 17.9 %         | 975,326     | 16.7 %         |
| Total Investments   | \$5,562,438       | 100.0 %        | \$5,421,132 | 100.0 %        | \$5,981,556   | 100.0 %        | \$5,838,305 | 100.0 %        |

Edgar Filing: PROSPECT CAPITAL CORP - Form 497

The following shows the composition of our investment portfolio by industry as of December 31, 2017 and June 30, 2017:

| Industry                                       | December 31, 2017 |                |            |                | June 30, 2017 |                |            |                |   |
|--|-------------------|----------------|------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|------------|----------------|---|
|  | Cost              | % of Portfolio | Fair Value | % of Portfolio | Cost          | % of Portfolio | Fair Value | % of Portfolio |   |
| Aerospace & Defense                            | \$69,837          | 1.3            | % \$76,577 | 1.4            | % \$69,837    | 1.2            | % \$71,318 | 1.2            | % |
| Air Freight & Logistics                        | 37,114            | 0.7            | % 37,114   | 0.7            | % 51,952      | 0.9            | % 51,952   | 0.9            | % |
| Auto Components                                | 33,538            | 0.6            | % 33,594   | 0.6            | % 30,222      | 0.5            | % 30,460   | 0.5            | % |
| Capital Markets                                | 19,785            | 0.4            | % 20,000   | 0.4            | % 14,796      | 0.2            | % 15,000   | 0.3            | % |
| Chemicals                                      | 17,491            | 0.3            | % 17,077   | 0.3            | % 17,489      | 0.3            | % 16,699   | 0.3            | % |
| Commercial Services & Supplies                 | 338,263           | 6.1            | % 278,723  | 5.1            | % 354,185     | 5.9            | % 312,634  | 5.3            | % |
| Communications Equipment                       | 39,851            | 0.7            | % 39,851   | 0.7            | % —           | —              | % —        | —              | % |
| Construction & Engineering                     | 63,358            | 1.1            | % 40,930   | 0.8            | % 62,258      | 1.0            | % 32,509   | 0.6            | % |
| Consumer Finance                               | 468,390           | 8.4            | % 542,497  | 10.0           | % 469,869     | 7.9            | % 502,941  | 8.6            | % |
| Distributors                                   | 591,124           | 10.6           | % 506,339  | 9.3            | % 140,847     | 2.4            | % 83,225   | 1.4            | % |
| Diversified Consumer Services                  | 187,373           | 3.4            | % 176,030  | 3.2            | % 188,912     | 3.2            | % 190,662  | 3.3            | % |
| Diversified Telecommunication Services         | —                 | —              | % —        | —              | % 4,395       | 0.1            | % 4,410    | 0.1            | % |
| Electronic Equipment, Instruments & Components | 39,897            | 0.7            | % 49,920   | 0.9            | % 37,696      | 0.6            | % 51,846   | 0.9            | % |
| Energy Equipment & Services                    | 248,499           | 4.5            | % 166,318  | 3.1            | % 251,019     | 4.2            | % 131,660  | 2.3            | % |
| Equity Real Estate                             |                   |                |            |                |               |                |            |                |   |
| Investment Trusts (REITs)                      | 437,063           | 7.8            | % 718,356  | 13.3           | % 374,380     | 6.3            | % 624,337  | 10.7           | % |
| Food Products                                  | 9,876             | 0.2            | % 9,876    | 0.2            | % —           | —              | % —        | —              | % |
| Health Care Providers & Services               | 455,946           | 8.2            | % 452,712  | 8.4            | % 422,919     | 7.1            | % 421,389  | 7.1            | % |
| Health Care Technology                         | 14,926            | 0.3            | % 14,926   | 0.3            | % —           | —              | % —        | —              | % |
| Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure                  | —                 | —              | % —        | —              | % 127,638     | 2.1            | % 103,897  | 1.8            | % |
| Household Durables                             | 45,390            | 0.8            | % 45,241   | 0.8            | % 146,031     | 2.4            | % 146,183  | 2.5            | % |
| Insurance                                      | 2,985             | 0.1            | % 2,985    | 0.1            | % —           | —              | % —        | —              | % |
| Internet Software & Services                   | 228,615           | 4.1            | % 228,699  | 4.2            | % 219,348     | 3.7            | % 219,348  | 3.8            | % |
| IT Services                                    | 19,568            | 0.4            | % 20,000   | 0.4            | % 19,531      | 0.3            | % 20,000   | 0.3            | % |
| Leisure Products                               | 49,217            | 0.9            | % 49,324   | 0.9            | % 44,085      | 0.7            | % 44,204   | 0.8            | % |
| Machinery                                      | 35,488            | 0.6            | % 31,408   | 0.6            | % 35,488      | 0.6            | % 32,678   | 0.6            | % |
| Marine (1)                                     | 8,935             | 0.2            | % 8,935    | 0.2            | % 8,919       | 0.1            | % 8,800    | 0.2            | % |
| Media  | 128,616           | 2.3            | % 126,411  | 2.3            | % 469,108     | 7.8            | % 466,500  | 8.0            | % |
| Metals & Mining                                | 9,963             | 0.2            | % 10,000   | 0.2            | % 9,953       | 0.2            | % 10,000   | 0.2            | % |
| Online Lending                                 | 408,280           | 7.2            | % 331,384  | 6.1            | % 424,350     | 7.1            | % 370,931  | 6.3            | % |
| Paper & Forest Products                        | 11,312            | 0.2            | % 11,500   | 0.2            | % 11,295      | 0.2            | % 11,500   | 0.2            | % |
| Personal Products                              | 212,725           | 3.8            | % 183,136  | 3.4            | % 222,698     | 3.7            | % 192,748  | 3.3            | % |
| Pharmaceuticals                                | 11,880            | 0.2            | % 12,000   | 0.2            | % 117,989     | 2.0            | % 117,989  | 2.0            | % |
| Professional Services                          | 16,287            | 0.3            | % 17,076   | 0.3            | % 64,242      | 1.1            | % 64,473   | 1.1            | % |
| Software                                       | 55,127            | 1.0            | % 55,970   | 1.0            | % 56,041      | 0.9            | % 55,150   | 0.9            | % |
| Technology Hardware, Storage & Peripherals     | 12,376            | 0.2            | % 12,376   | 0.2            | % —           | —              | % —        | —              | % |
| Textiles, Apparel & Luxury Goods               | 60,574            | 1.1            | % 56,272   | 1.0            | % 285,180     | 4.8            | % 274,206  | 4.7            | % |
| Tobacco  | 14,380            | 0.3            | % 14,500   | 0.3            | % 14,365      | 0.2            | % 14,431   | 0.2            | % |
| Trading Companies & Distributors               | 64,188            | 1.2            | % 55,969   | 1.0            | % 64,513      | 1.1            | % 64,513   | 1.1            | % |



Edgar Filing: PROSPECT CAPITAL CORP - Form 497

|                               |             |       |   |             |       |   |             |       |   |             |       |   |
|-------------------------------|-------------|-------|---|-------------|-------|---|-------------|-------|---|-------------|-------|---|
| Transportation Infrastructure | 26,830      | 0.5   | % | 26,830      | 0.5   | % | \$—         | —     | % | \$—         | —     | % |
| Subtotal                      | \$4,495,067 | 80.9  | % | \$4,480,856 | 82.6  | % | \$4,831,550 | 80.8  | % | \$4,758,593 | 81.5  | % |
| Structured Finance (2)        | \$1,067,371 | 19.1  | % | \$940,276   | 17.4  | % | \$1,150,006 | 19.2  | % | \$1,079,712 | 18.5  | % |
| Total Investments             | \$5,562,438 | 100.0 | % | \$5,421,132 | 100.0 | % | \$5,981,556 | 100.0 | % | \$5,838,305 | 100.0 | % |

S-26

---

Industry includes exposure to the energy markets through our investments in Harley Marine Services, Inc.

(1) Including this investment, our overall fair value exposure to the broader energy industry, including energy equipment and services as noted above, as of December 31, 2017 and June 30, 2017 is \$175,253 and \$140,460, respectively.

(2) Our CLO investments do not have industry concentrations and as such have been separated in the table above.

#### Portfolio Investment Activity

During the six months ended December 31, 2017, we acquired \$236,255 of new investments, completed follow-on investments in existing portfolio companies totaling approximately \$705,686, funded \$14,967 of revolver advances, and recorded PIK interest of \$3,980, resulting in gross investment originations of \$960,888. The more significant of these transactions are briefly described below.

During the period from July 19, 2017 through September 11, 2017, we made a \$16,000 follow-on first lien senior debt investment in RGIS Services, LLC. The senior secured loan bears interest at the greater of 8.50% or LIBOR plus 7.50% and has a final maturity of March 31, 2023.

On September 22, 2017, we made a \$21,000 follow-on Senior Secured Term Loan A and a \$17,000 follow-on Senior Secured Term Loan B debt investment in Matrixx Initiatives, Inc. The \$21,000 Senior Secured Term Loan A bears interest at the greater of 7.50% or LIBOR plus 6.50% and has a final maturity of September 22, 2020. The \$17,000 Senior Secured Term Loan B bears interest at the greater of 12.50% or LIBOR plus 11.50% and has a final maturity of September 22, 2020.

On September 25, 2017, we made a \$5,000 first lien senior secured and \$35,000 second lien senior secured debt investment in Engine Group, a marketing services firm, in order to support a refinancing. The first lien term loan bears interest at the great of 5.75% or LIBOR plus 4.75% and has a final maturity of September 15, 2022. The second lien term loan bears interest at the greater of 9.75% or LIBOR plus 8.75% and has a final maturity of September 15, 2023.

On September 25, 2017, we made a \$10,000 senior secured term loan to fund a dividend recapitalization in Ingenio, LLC, which operates as an online personal advice marketplace and as a provider of digital entertainment media. The senior secured term loan bears interest at the greater of 8.75% or LIBOR plus 7.50% and has a final maturity of September 26, 2022.

On September 25, 2017, we exchanged \$1,600 of Senior Secured Term Loan A and \$4,799 of Senior Secured Term Loan B investments in Targus International, LLC into 6,120,658 of common shares of Targus Cayman Holdco Limited, and recorded a realized gain of \$846, as a result of this transaction.

On September 27, 2017, we made a \$22,000 follow-on senior secured Term Loan C-3 investment in Instant Web, LLC to fund a dividend recapitalization. The senior secured term loan bears interest at the greater of 12.50% or LIBOR plus 11.50% and has a final maturity of March 28, 2019.

On September 29, 2017, we made a \$32,000 first lien senior secured debt investment to support operations and a refinancing of AgaMatrix, Inc., a leading developer, manufacturer, and marketer of diabetes monitoring care solutions. The first lien term loan bears interest at the greater of 10.00% or LIBOR plus 8.75% and has a final maturity of September 29, 2022.

On October 16, 2017, we made a \$27,500 second lien secured investment in Transplace Holdings, a provider of transportation management solutions, in support of an acquisition of the company. The second lien term loan bears interest at the greater of 9.75% or LIBOR plus 8.75% and has a final maturity of October 6, 2025.

On November 3, 2017 through November 24, 2017, we made a \$40,000 second lien secured investment to support the acquisition of Securus Technologies Holdings, a provider of mission-critical communication technology solutions and services. The second lien term loan bears interest at the greater of 8.25% or LIBOR plus 7.25% and has a final maturity of November 1, 2025.

On November 20, 2017, we made a \$118,051 follow-on senior secured term loan A investment and a \$900 follow-on senior secured term loan B investment in Instant Web, LLC ("IWCO") to fund a refinancing and dividend recapitalization. The senior secured term loan A loan bears interest at the greater of 6.15% or LIBOR plus 5.15% and has a final maturity of November 20, 2022 and the senior secured term loan B bears interest at the greater of 10.15% or LIBOR plus 9.15% and has a final maturity of November 20, 2022. In addition, IWCO repaid the \$27,000 term loan C, \$25,000 term loan C-1, and \$22,000 term loan C-2 receivable to us.



On December 1, 2017, we made a \$10,000 second lien secured investment in UTZ Quality Foods, LLC, a salty snack food company, to fund an acquisition. The second lien term loan bears interest at the greater of 8.25% or LIBOR plus 7.25% and has a final maturity of November 21, 2025.

On December 4, 2017, we made an additional \$235,453 senior secured investment in Broder Bros., Co., to fund an acquisition and a dividend recapitalization. The first lien term loan bears interest at the greater of 9.25% or LIBOR plus 8.00% and has a final maturity of December 2, 2022.

On December 15, 2017, we made a \$12,000 second lien secured investment in PharMerica Corporation, which is a leading provider of institutional and specialty pharmacy services. The second lien term loan bears interest at the greater of 8.75% or LIBOR plus 7.75% and has a final maturity of December 7, 2024.

On December 20, 2017, we made a \$15,000 second lien secured investment in Ability Network Inc., a leading healthcare IT company. The second lien term loan bears interest at the greater of 8.75% or LIBOR plus 7.75% and has a final maturity of December 13, 2025.

On December 8, 2017, we made a \$20,000 Senior Secured Note investment in ACE Cash Express, Inc., which is a retailer of lending and non-lending financial products to customers in the U.S. The first lien term loan bears interest at a fixed rate of 12.00% and has a final maturity of December 15, 2022.

On December 5, 2017, we made a \$12,500 second lien secured investment in EXC Holdings III Corp., an industrial technology company that designs and manufactures products that generate, detect, process, focus and harness light. The second lien term loan bears interest at the greater of 8.50% or LIBOR plus 7.50% and has a final maturity of December 1, 2025.

On December 29, 2017, we entered into a fee agreement with Wolf Energy Services Company, LLC (“Wolf”), for services required to locate, inventory, foreclose, and liquidate assets that were transferred from Ark-La-Tex to Wolf. Per the agreement, we will receive a fee equal to 8.0% of gross liquidation proceeds in the event aggregate liquidation gross proceeds exceed \$19,000 (currently \$18,500). We expect the liquidation fee agreement to result in a fee, net of third-party transaction costs, of \$1,180 in early 2018, which, if received, will be reflected as other income on our accompanying Consolidated Statement of Operations. As of December 31, 2017, the valuation of our investment in Wolf decreased by the same amount as a result of the related liability.

During the six months ended December 31, 2017, we made three follow-on investments in NPRC totaling \$29,588 to support the online consumer lending initiative. We invested \$10,356 of equity through NPH and \$19,233 of debt directly to NPRC and its wholly-owned subsidiaries. In addition, we provided \$52,914 of equity financing to NPRC for the acquisition of real estate properties and \$1,112 of debt and \$7,881 of equity financing to NPRC to fund capital expenditures for existing real estate properties.

During the six months ended December 31, 2017, we purchased \$7,551 of small business whole loans from OnDeck. During the six months ended December 31, 2017, we received full repayments on twelve investments and received several partial prepayments and amortization payments totaling \$1,353,163, which resulted in net realized gains totaling \$4,236. The more significant of these transactions are briefly described below.

During the period from July 19, 2017 through September 22, 2017, we received \$21,545 and \$25,914 as a partial return of capital on our investments in Voya CLO 2012-2, Ltd. and Voya CLO 2012-3, Ltd., respectively.

On July 25, 2017, EZShield Parent, Inc. repaid the \$14,963 Senior Secured Term Loan A and \$15,000 Senior Secured Term Loan B receivable to us.

On July 28, 2017, Global Employment Solutions, Inc. repaid the \$48,131 loan receivable to us.

On August 7, 2017, Water Pik, Inc. repaid the \$13,739 loan receivable to us.

On September 25, 2017, Traeger Pellet Grills LLC repaid the \$47,094 Senior Secured Term Loan A and \$56,031 Senior Secured Term Loan B loan receivable to us.

On November 22, 2017, LaserShip, Inc. partially repaid \$14,295 senior secured loan receivable to us.

On December 11, 2017, Primesport, Inc. repaid the \$53,001 Senior Secured Term Loan A and \$71,481 Senior Secured Term Loan B loan receivable to us, for which we agreed to a payment to satisfy the loan less than the par amount and recorded a realized loss of \$3,019, as a result of this transaction.

On December 15, 2017, Instant Web, LLC repaid the \$238,500 Senior Secured Term Loan A and \$159,000 Senior Secured Term Loan B loan receivable to us.

On December 15, 2017, Matrixx Initiatives, Inc. repaid the \$86,427 Senior Secured Term Loan A and \$69,562 Senior Secured Term Loan B loan receivable to us.

On December 21, 2017, NCP Finance Limited Partnership repaid the \$26,800 subordinated secured loan receivable to us.

On December 29, 2017, Digital Room LLC repaid the \$34,000 second lien term loan receivable to us.

During the six months ended December 31, 2017, we received partial repayments of \$28,307 of our loans due from NPRC and its wholly-owned subsidiaries and \$10,403 as a return of capital on our equity investment in NPRC.

The following table provides a summary of our investment activity for each quarter within the three years ending June 30, 2018:

| Quarter Ended      | Acquisitions(1) | Dispositions(2) |
|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| September 30, 2015 | \$ 345,743      | \$ 436,919      |
| December 31, 2015  | 316,145         | 354,855         |
| March 31, 2016     | 23,176          | 163,641         |
| June 30, 2016      | 294,038         | 383,460         |
| September 30, 2016 | 347,150         | 114,331         |
| December 31, 2016  | 469,537         | 644,995         |
| March 31, 2017     | 449,607         | 302,335         |
| June 30, 2017      | 223,176         | 352,043         |
| September 30, 2017 | 222,151         | 310,894         |
| December 31, 2017  | 738,737         | 1,042,269       |

(1) Includes investments in new portfolio companies, follow-on investments in existing portfolio companies, refinancings and PIK interest.

(2) Includes sales, scheduled principal payments, prepayments and refinancings.

#### Investment Valuation

In determining the range of values for debt instruments, except CLOs and debt investments in controlling portfolio companies, management and the independent valuation firm estimated corporate and security credit ratings and identified corresponding yields to maturity for each loan from relevant market data. A discounted cash flow technique was then prepared using the appropriate yield to maturity as the discount rate, to determine a range of values. In determining the range of values for debt investments of controlled companies and equity investments, the enterprise value was determined by applying earnings before interest, income tax, depreciation and amortization (“EBITDA”) multiples, the discounted cash flow technique, net income and/or book value multiples for similar guideline public companies and/or similar recent investment transactions. For stressed debt and equity investments, a liquidation analysis was prepared.

In determining the range of values for our investments in CLOs, the independent valuation firm use both a discounted single-path cash flow model and a discounted multi-path cash flow model. The valuations were accomplished through the analysis of the CLO deal structures to identify the risk exposures from the modeling point of view as well as to determine an appropriate call date (i.e., expected maturity). These risk factors are sensitized in the multi-path cash flow model using Monte Carlo simulations, which is a simulation used to model the probability of different outcomes, to generate probability-weighted (i.e., multi-path) cash flows for the underlying assets and liabilities. These cash flows are discounted using appropriate market discount rates, and relevant data in the CLO market and certain benchmark credit indices are considered, to determine the value of each CLO investment. In addition, we generate a single-path cash flow utilizing our best estimate of expected cash receipts, and assess the reasonableness of the implied discount rate that would be effective for the value derived from the corresponding multi-path cash flow model.



With respect to our online consumer and SME lending initiative, we invest primarily in marketplace loans through marketplace lending facilitators. We do not conduct loan origination activities ourselves. Therefore, our ability to purchase consumer and SME loans, and our ability to grow our portfolio of consumer and SME loans, are directly influenced by the business performance and competitiveness of the marketplace loan origination business of the marketplace lending facilitators from which we purchase consumer and SME loans. In addition, our ability to analyze the risk-return profile of consumer and SME loans is significantly dependent on the marketplace facilitators' ability to effectively evaluate a borrower's credit profile and likelihood of default. If we are unable to effectively evaluate borrowers' credit profiles or the credit decisioning and scoring models implemented by each facilitator, we may incur unanticipated losses which could adversely impact our operating results.

The Board of Directors looked at several factors in determining where within the range to value the asset including: recent operating and financial trends for the asset, independent ratings obtained from third parties, comparable multiples for recent sales of companies within the industry and discounted cash flow models for our investments in CLOs. The composite of all these various valuation techniques, applied to each investment, was a total valuation of \$5,421,132.

Our portfolio companies are generally lower middle market companies, outside of the financial sector, with less than \$100,000 of annual EBITDA. We believe our investment portfolio has experienced less volatility than others because we believe there are more buy and hold investors who own these less liquid investments.

Control investments offer increased risk and reward over straight debt investments. Operating results and changes in market multiples can result in dramatic changes in values from quarter to quarter. Significant downturns in operations can further result in our looking to recoveries on sales of assets rather than the enterprise value of the investment.

Equity positions in our portfolio are susceptible to potentially significant changes in value, both increases as well as decreases, due to changes in operating results and market multiples. Several of our controlled companies discussed below experienced such changes and we recorded corresponding fluctuations in valuations during the six months ended December 31, 2017.

#### Arctic Energy Services, LLC

Prospect owns 100% of the equity of Arctic Oilfield Equipment USA, Inc. ("Arctic Equipment"), a Consolidated Holding Company. Arctic Equipment owns 70% of the equity of Arctic Energy, with Ailport Holdings, LLC (100% owned and controlled by Arctic Energy management) owning the remaining 30% of the equity of Arctic Energy.

Arctic Energy provides oilfield service personnel, well testing flowback equipment, frac support systems and other services to exploration and development companies in the Rocky Mountains.

The Board of Directors increased the fair value of our investment in Arctic Energy to \$24,158 as of December 31, 2017, reflecting a discount of \$36,718 to its amortized cost, compared to a discount of \$43,506 to its amortized cost as of June 30, 2017. The increase in fair value was driven by an improvement in operating performance.

#### CP Energy Services Inc.

Prospect owns 100% of the equity of CP Holdings, a Consolidated Holding Company. CP Holdings owns 82.3% of the equity of CP Energy, and the remaining 17.7% of the equity is owned by CP Energy management. CP Energy provides oilfield flowback services and fluid hauling and disposal services through its subsidiaries.

As a result of improved operating performance, the Board of Directors increased the fair value of our investment in CP Energy to \$86,557 as of December 31, 2017, reflecting a discount of \$26,943 to its amortized cost, compared to a discount of \$41,284 to its amortized cost as of June 30, 2017.

#### Edmentum Ultimate Holdings, LLC

Prospect owns 37.1% of the equity of Edmentum Ultimate Holdings, LLC ("Edmentum Holdings"). Edmentum Holdings owns 100% of the equity of Edmentum, Inc. ("Edmentum"). Edmentum is the largest all subscription based, software as a service provider of online curriculum and assessments to the U.S. education market. Edmentum provides high-value, comprehensive online solutions that support educators to successfully transition learners from one stage to the next.

On June 9, 2015, Prospect provided additional debt and equity financing to support the recapitalization of Edmentum. As part of the recapitalization, Prospect exchanged 100% of the \$50,000 second lien term loan previously outstanding for \$26,365 of junior paid in kind ("PIK") notes and 370,964.14 Class A common units representing 37.1% equity ownership in Edmentum Holdings. In addition, Prospect invested \$5,875 in senior PIK notes and committed \$7,834 as

part of a second lien revolving credit facility, of which \$4,896 was funded at closing. On June 9, 2015, our investment in Edmentum was written-down for

S-30

---



tax purposes and a loss of \$22,116 was therefore realized for the amount that the amortized cost exceeded the fair value, reducing the amortized cost to \$37,216.

The Board of Directors decreased the fair value of our investment in Edmentum to \$31,362 as of December 31, 2017, reflecting a discount of \$11,343 to its amortized cost, compared to a premium of \$1,750 to its amortized cost as of June 30, 2017. The decrease in fair value was driven by lower sales coupled with compressed margins.

#### First Tower Finance Company LLC

We own 80.1% of First Tower Finance, which owns 100% of First Tower, LLC (“First Tower”), the operating company. First Tower is a multiline specialty finance company based in Flowood, Mississippi with over 170 branch offices. On June 15, 2012, we acquired 80.1% of First Tower businesses. As of June 30, 2016, First Tower had \$432,639 of finance receivables net of unearned charges. As of June 30, 2017, First Tower’s total debt outstanding to parties senior to us was \$304,337.

The Board of Directors increased the fair value of our investment in First Tower to \$405,030, representing a premium of 20% to its amortized cost basis, as of December 31, 2017, from \$365,588, representing a premium of 8% to its amortized cost basis, as of June 30, 2017. The increase in fair value was driven by increases in trading multiples of comparable companies.

#### Freedom Marine Solutions, LLC

Prospect owns 100% of the equity of Energy Solutions, a Consolidated Holding Company. Energy Solutions owns 100% of Freedom Marine. Freedom Marine owns 100% of each of Vessel Company, LLC, Vessel Company II, LLC, and Vessel Company III, LLC. Freedom Marine owns, manages, and operates offshore supply vessels to provide transportation and support services for the oil and gas exploration and production industries in the Gulf of Mexico. On October 30, 2015, we restructured our investment in Freedom Marine. Concurrent with the restructuring, we exchanged our \$32,500 senior secured loans for additional membership interest in Freedom Marine.

The Board of Directors increased the fair value of our investment in Freedom Marine to \$25,266 as of December 31, 2017, a discount of \$17,546 to its amortized cost, compared to a discount of \$18,616 to its amortized cost as of June 30, 2017. The increase in fair value was driven by improved operating results.

#### National Property REIT Corp.

NPRC is a Maryland corporation and a qualified REIT for federal income tax purposes. NPRC is held for purposes of investing, operating, financing, leasing, managing and selling a portfolio of real estate assets and engages in any and all other activities that may be necessary, incidental, or convenient to perform the foregoing. NPRC acquires real estate assets, including, but not limited to, industrial, commercial, and multi-family properties. NPRC may acquire real estate assets directly or through joint ventures by making a majority equity investment in a property-owning entity. Additionally, through its wholly-owned subsidiaries, NPRC invests in online consumer loans. Effective May 23, 2016, APRC and UPRC merged with and into NPRC, to consolidate all of our real estate holdings, with NPRC as the surviving entity. As of December 31, 2017, we own 100% of the fully-diluted common equity of NPRC.

During the six months ended December 31, 2017, we provided \$52,914 of equity financing to NPRC for the acquisition of real estate properties and \$1,112 of debt and \$7,881 of equity financing to NPRC to fund capital expenditures for existing real estate properties.

During the six months ended December 31, 2017, we provided \$19,233 and \$10,356 of debt and equity financing, respectively, to NPRC and its wholly-owned subsidiaries to support the online consumer loans and online consumer loan backed products. In addition, during the six months ended December 31, 2017, we received partial repayments of \$28,307 of our loans previously outstanding with NPRC and its wholly-owned subsidiaries and \$10,403 as a return of capital on our equity investment in NPRC.

The online consumer loan investments held by certain of NPRC’s wholly-owned subsidiaries are unsecured obligations of individual borrowers that are issued in amounts ranging from \$1 to \$50, with fixed terms ranging from 24 to 84 months. As of December 31, 2017, the outstanding investment in online consumer loans by certain of NPRC’s wholly-owned subsidiaries was comprised of 105,315 individual loans and one securitization equity residual, and had an aggregate fair value of \$629,837. The average outstanding individual loan balance was approximately \$6 and the loans mature on dates ranging from January



1, 2018 to January 3, 2025 with a weighted-average outstanding term of 29 months as of December 31, 2017. Fixed interest rates range from 4.0% to 36.0% with a weighted-average current interest rate of 24.8%. As of December 31, 2017, our investment in NPRC and its wholly-owned subsidiaries relating to online consumer lending had a fair value of \$330,019.

As of December 31, 2017, based on outstanding principal balance, 4.5% of the portfolio was invested in super prime loans (borrowers with a Fair Isaac Corporation (“FICO”) score, of 720 or greater), 14.1% of the portfolio in prime loans (borrowers with a FICO score of 660 to 719) and 81.4% of the portfolio in near prime loans (borrowers with a FICO score of 580 to 659, a portion of which are considered sub-prime).

| Loan Type    | Outstanding Principal Balance | Fair Value | Weighted Average Interest Rate* |
|--------------|-------------------------------|------------|---------------------------------|
| Super Prime  | \$ 28,643                     | \$27,730   | 13.3%                           |
| Prime        | 90,104                        | 85,268     | 16.0%                           |
| Near Prime** | 521,139                       | 483,150    | 26.9%                           |

\*Weighted by outstanding principal balance of the online consumer loans.

\*\*A portion of these loans are sub-prime borrowers.

As of December 31, 2017, our investment in NPRC and its wholly-owned subsidiaries had an amortized cost of \$843,859 and a fair value of \$1,048,375, including our investment in online consumer lending as discussed above. The fair value of \$718,356 related to NPRC’s real estate portfolio was comprised of forty multi-families properties, twelve self-storage units, eight student housing properties and three commercial properties. The following table shows the location, acquisition date, purchase price, and mortgage outstanding due to other parties for each of the properties held by NPRC as of December 31, 2017.

| No. | Property Name                   | City                  | Acquisition Date | Purchase Price | Mortgage Outstanding |
|-----|---------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------------|
| 1   | Filet of Chicken                | Forest Park, GA       | 10/24/2012       | \$ 7,400       | \$ —                 |
| 2   | 5100 Live Oaks Blvd, LLC        | Tampa, FL             | 1/17/2013        | 63,400         | 46,700               |
| 3   | Lofton Place, LLC               | Tampa, FL             | 4/30/2013        | 26,000         | 20,324               |
| 4   | Arlington Park Marietta, LLC    | Marietta, GA          | 5/8/2013         | 14,850         | 9,650                |
| 5   | NPRC Carroll Resort, LLC        | Pembroke Pines, FL    | 6/24/2013        | 225,000        | 177,455              |
| 6   | Cordova Regency, LLC            | Pensacola, FL         | 11/15/2013       | 13,750         | 11,375               |
| 7   | Crestview at Oakleigh, LLC      | Pensacola, FL         | 11/15/2013       | 17,500         | 13,845               |
| 8   | Inverness Lakes, LLC            | Mobile, AL            | 11/15/2013       | 29,600         | 24,700               |
| 9   | Kings Mill Pensacola, LLC       | Pensacola, FL         | 11/15/2013       | 20,750         | 17,550               |
| 10  | Plantations at Pine Lake, LLC   | Tallahassee, FL       | 11/15/2013       | 18,000         | 14,092               |
| 11  | Verandas at Rocky Ridge, LLC    | Birmingham, AL        | 11/15/2013       | 15,600         | 10,205               |
| 12  | Matthews Reserve II, LLC        | Matthews, NC          | 11/19/2013       | 22,063         | 19,918               |
| 13  | City West Apartments II, LLC    | Orlando, FL           | 11/19/2013       | 23,562         | 23,264               |
| 14  | Vinings Corner II, LLC          | Smyrna, GA            | 11/19/2013       | 35,691         | 32,901               |
| 15  | Uptown Park Apartments II, LLC  | Altamonte Springs, FL | 11/19/2013       | 36,590         | 29,793               |
| 16  | St. Marin Apartments II, LLC    | Coppell, TX           | 11/19/2013       | 73,078         | 62,383               |
| 17  | Atlanta Eastwood Village LLC    | Stockbridge, GA       | 12/12/2013       | 25,957         | 22,729               |
| 18  | Atlanta Monterey Village LLC    | Jonesboro, GA         | 12/12/2013       | 11,501         | 11,059               |
| 19  | Atlanta Hidden Creek LLC        | Morrow, GA            | 12/12/2013       | 5,098          | 4,734                |
| 20  | Atlanta Meadow Springs LLC      | College Park, GA      | 12/12/2013       | 13,116         | 13,019               |
| 21  | Atlanta Meadow View LLC         | College Park, GA      | 12/12/2013       | 14,354         | 13,074               |
| 22  | Atlanta Peachtree Landing LLC   | Fairburn, GA          | 12/12/2013       | 17,224         | 15,486               |
| 23  | NPH Carroll Bartram Park, LLC   | Jacksonville, FL      | 12/31/2013       | 38,000         | 27,402               |
| 24  | Crestview at Cordova, LLC       | Pensacola, FL         | 1/17/2014        | 8,500          | 7,874                |
| 25  | NPH Carroll Atlantic Beach, LLC | Atlantic Beach, FL    | 1/31/2014        | 13,025         | 8,527                |

S-32

---

Edgar Filing: PROSPECT CAPITAL CORP - Form 497

| No. | Property Name                            | City                 | Acquisition Date | Purchase Price | Mortgage Outstanding |
|-----|--|----------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------------|
| 26  | Taco Bell, OK                            | Yukon, OK            | 6/4/2014         | 1,719          | —                    |
| 27  | Taco Bell, MO                            | Marshall, MO         | 6/4/2014         | 1,405          | —                    |
| 28  | 23 Mile Road Self Storage, LLC           | Chesterfield, MI     | 8/19/2014        | 5,804          | 4,350                |
| 29  | 36th Street Self Storage, LLC            | Wyoming, MI          | 8/19/2014        | 4,800          | 3,600                |
| 30  | Ball Avenue Self Storage, LLC            | Grand Rapids, MI     | 8/19/2014        | 7,281          | 5,460                |
| 31  | Ford Road Self Storage, LLC              | Westland, MI         | 8/29/2014        | 4,642          | 3,480                |
| 32  | Ann Arbor Kalamazoo Self Storage, LLC    | Ann Arbor, MI        | 8/29/2014        | 4,458          | 3,345                |
| 33  | Ann Arbor Kalamazoo Self Storage, LLC    | Ann Arbor, MI        | 8/29/2014        | 8,927          | 6,695                |
| 34  | Ann Arbor Kalamazoo Self Storage, LLC    | Kalamazoo, MI        | 8/29/2014        | 2,363          | 1,775                |
| 35  | Canterbury Green Apartments Holdings LLC | Fort Wayne, IN       | 9/29/2014        | 85,500         | 74,109               |
| 36  | Abbie Lakes OH Partners, LLC             | Canal Winchester, OH | 9/30/2014        | 12,600         | 13,055               |
| 37  | Kengary Way OH Partners, LLC             | Reynoldsburg, OH     | 9/30/2014        | 11,500         | 13,502               |
| 38  | Lakeview Trail OH Partners, LLC          | Canal Winchester, OH | 9/30/2014        | 26,500         | 23,256               |
| 39  | Lakepoint OH Partners, LLC               | Pickerington, OH     | 9/30/2014        | 11,000         | 14,480               |
| 40  | Sunbury OH Partners, LLC                 | Columbus, OH         | 9/30/2014        | 13,000         | 14,115               |
| 41  | Heatherbridge OH Partners, LLC           | Blacklick, OH        | 9/30/2014        | 18,416         | 18,328               |
| 42  | Jefferson Chase OH Partners, LLC         | Blacklick, OH        | 9/30/2014        | 13,551         | 17,200               |
| 43  | Goldenstrand OH Partners, LLC            | Hilliard, OH         | 10/29/2014       | 7,810          | 9,600                |
| 44  | Jolly Road Self Storage, LLC             | Okemos, MI           | 1/16/2015        | 7,492          | 5,620                |
| 45  | Eaton Rapids Road Self Storage, LLC      | Lansing West, MI     | 1/16/2015        | 1,741          | 1,305                |
| 46  | Haggerty Road Self Storage, LLC          | Novi, MI             | 1/16/2015        | 6,700          | 5,025                |
| 47  | Waldon Road Self Storage, LLC            | Lake Orion, MI       | 1/16/2015        | 6,965          | 5,225                |
| 48  | Tyler Road Self Storage, LLC             | Ypsilanti, MI        | 1/16/2015        | 3,507          | 2,630                |
| 49  | SSIL I, LLC                              | Aurora, IL           | 11/5/2015        | 34,500         | 26,450               |
| 50  | Vesper Tuscaloosa, LLC                   | Tuscaloosa, AL       | 9/28/2016        | 54,500         | 41,250               |
| 51  | Vesper Iowa City, LLC                    | Iowa City, IA        | 9/28/2016        | 32,750         | 24,825               |
| 52  | Vesper Corpus Christi, LLC               | Corpus Christi, TX   | 9/28/2016        | 14,250         | 10,800               |
| 53  | Vesper Campus Quarters, LLC              | Corpus Christi, TX   | 9/28/2016        | 18,350         | 14,175               |
| 54  | Vesper College Station, LLC              | College Station, TX  | 9/28/2016        | 41,500         | 32,058               |
| 55  | Vesper Kennesaw, LLC                     | Kennesaw, GA         | 9/28/2016        | 57,900         | 44,727               |
| 56  | Vesper Statesboro, LLC                   | Statesboro, GA       | 9/28/2016        | 7,500          | 5,548                |
| 57  | Vesper Manhattan KS, LLC                 | Manhattan, KS        | 9/28/2016        | 23,250         | 17,487               |
| 58  | JSIP Union Place, LLC                    | Franklin, MA         | 12/7/2016        | 64,750         | 51,800               |
| 59  | 9220 Old Lantern Way, LLC                | Laurel, MD           | 1/30/2017        | 187,250        | 153,580              |
| 60  | 7915 Baymeadows Circle Owner, LLC        | Jacksonville, FL     | 10/31/2017       | 95,700         | 76,560               |
| 61  | 8025 Baymeadows Circle Owner, LLC        | Jacksonville, FL     | 10/31/2017       | 15,300         | 12,240               |
| 62  | 23275 Riverside Drive Owner, LLC         | Southfield, MI       | 11/8/2017        | 52,000         | 44,044               |
| 63  | 23741 Pond Road Owner, LLC               | Southfield, MI       | 11/8/2017        | 16,500         | 14,185               |
|     |  |                      |                  | \$1,773,290    | \$1,453,943          |

The Board of Directors increased the fair value of our investment in NPRC to \$1,048,375 as of December 31, 2017, a premium of \$204,516 from its amortized cost, compared to the \$197,008 premium recorded at June 30, 2017. This increase is primarily attributable to increases in property values.

NMMB, Inc.

Prospect owns 100% of the equity of NMMB Holdings, a Consolidated Holding Company. NMMB Holdings owns 96.33% of the fully-diluted equity of NMMB (f/k/a NMMB Acquisition, Inc.), with NMMB management owning the remaining 3.67% of the equity. NMMB owns 100% of Refuel Agency, Inc. ("Refuel Agency"). Refuel Agency owns 100% of Armed Forces Communications, Inc. NMMB is an advertising media buying business.

Due to reduced operating expenses resulting from a realignment of operations, new initiatives and improved focus on core business segments, the Board of Directors increased the fair value of our investment in NMMB to \$21,228 as of December 31, 2017, a discount of \$2,255 to its amortized cost, compared to the discount of \$2,658 to its amortized cost at June 30, 2017.

R-V Industries, Inc.

Prospect owns 88.27% of the fully-diluted equity of R-V Industries, Inc. ("R-V"), with R-V management owning the remaining 11.73% of the equity. R-V is an industrial engineering and metal fabrication company specializing in designing, building, and installing industrial process equipment for customers throughout the U.S. and worldwide. The Board of Directors decreased the fair value of our investment in R-V to \$31,408 as of December 31, 2017, a discount of \$4,080 to its amortized cost, compared to a discount of \$2,811 to its amortized cost as of June 30, 2017. The decrease in fair value was driven by higher operating expenses.

USES Corp.

We own 99.96% of USES as of December 31, 2017. USES provides industrial and environmental services in the Gulf States region. USES offers industrial services, such as tank and chemical cleaning, hydro blasting, waste management, vacuum, safety training, turnaround management, and oilfield response/remediation services.

On June 15, 2016, we provided additional \$1,300 debt financing to USES and its subsidiaries in the form of additional Term Loan A debt and, in connection with such Term Loan A debt financing, USES issued to us 99,900 shares of its common stock. On June 29, 2016, we provided additional \$2,200 debt financing to USES and its subsidiaries in the form of additional Term Loan A debt and, in connection with such Term Loan A debt financing, USES issued to us 169,062 shares of its common stock. As a result of such debt financing and recapitalization, as of June 29, 2016, we held 268,962 shares of USES common stock representing a 99.96% common equity ownership interest in USES.

Due to an industry-wide decline in emergency response activity as well as a decline in revenues from other service lines, the Board of Directors determined the fair value of our investment in USES to be \$6,655 as of December 31, 2017, a discount of \$60,515 from its amortized cost, compared to \$51,655 of unrealized depreciation at June 30, 2017.

Valley Electric Company, Inc.

We own 94.99% of Valley Electric as of December 31, 2017. Valley Electric owns 100% of the equity of VE Company, Inc., which owns 100% of the equity of Valley Electric Co. of Mt. Vernon, Inc. ("Valley"). Valley is a leading provider of specialty electrical services in the state of Washington and is among the top 50 electrical contractors in the U.S. The company, with its headquarters in Everett, Washington, offers a comprehensive array of contracting services, primarily for commercial, industrial, and transportation infrastructure applications, including new installation, engineering and design, design-build, traffic lighting and signalization, low to medium voltage power distribution, construction management, energy management and control systems, 24-hour electrical maintenance and testing, as well as special projects and tenant improvement services. Valley was founded in 1982 by the Ward family, who held the company until the end of 2012.

On December 31, 2012, we acquired 96.3% of the outstanding shares of Valley. On June 24, 2014, Prospect and management of Valley formed Valley Electric and contributed their shares of Valley stock to Valley Electric. Valley management made an additional equity investment in Valley Electric, reducing our ownership to 94.99%.

Due to increased project margins partially offset by the softening of the energy markets, the Board of Directors determined the fair value of our investment in Valley Electric to be \$40,931 as of December 31, 2017, a discount of \$22,427 from its amortized cost, compared to the \$29,749 unrealized depreciation recorded at June 30, 2017.

Our controlled investments, other than those discussed above, have seen steady or improved operating performance and are valued at \$26,096 above cost. Overall, combined with those portfolio companies impacted by the energy markets and discussed above, our controlled investments at December 31, 2017 are valued at \$116,562 above their amortized cost.



With the non-control/non-affiliate investments, generally, there is less volatility related to our total investments because our equity positions tend to be smaller than with our control/affiliate investments, and debt investments are generally not as susceptible to large swings in value as equity investments. For debt investments, the fair value is generally limited on the high side to each loan's par value, plus any prepayment premium that could be imposed. Many of the debt investments in this category have not experienced a significant change in value, as they were previously valued at or near par value. Non-control/non-affiliate investments did not experience significant changes and are generally performing as expected or better. However, as of December 31, 2017, two of our non-control/non-affiliate investments - Pacific World Corporation and United Sporting Companies, Inc. ("USC") - are valued at discounts to amortized cost of \$29,589, and \$84,785, respectively. As of December 31, 2017, our CLO investment portfolio is valued at a \$127,095 discount to amortized cost. Excluding these investments, non-control/non-affiliate investments at December 31, 2017 are valued \$11,596 below their amortized cost.

#### Capitalization

Our investment activities are capital intensive and the availability and cost of capital is a critical component of our business. We capitalize our business with a combination of debt and equity. Our debt as of December 31, 2017 consists of: a Revolving Credit Facility availing us of the ability to borrow debt subject to borrowing base determinations; Convertible Notes which we issued in August 2012, December 2012, April 2014 and April 2017; Public Notes which we issued in March 2013, April 2014, December 2015, and from time to time, through our 2024 Notes Follow-on Program; and Prospect Capital InterNotes® which we issue from time to time. Our equity capital is comprised entirely of common equity.

The following table shows our outstanding debt as of December 31, 2017.

|                              | Principal<br>Outstanding | Unamortized<br>Discount &<br>Debt<br>Issuance<br>Costs | Net<br>Carrying<br>Value | Fair Value<br>(1) | Effective<br>Interest Rate |      |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|------|
| Revolving Credit Facility(2) | \$ —                     | \$ 3,394   | \$ —                     | (3)\$ —           | 1ML+2.25%                  | (6)  |
| 2018 Notes                   | 85,419                   | 117  | 85,302                   | 85,937            | (4)6.42                    | %(7) |
| 2019 Notes                   | 200,000                  | 1,266  | 198,734                  | 205,474           | (4)6.51                    | %(7) |
| 2020 Notes                   | 392,000                  | 5,379  | 386,621                  | 393,831           | (4)5.38                    | %(7) |
| 2022 Notes                   | 225,000                  | 6,424  | 218,576                  | 225,621           | (4)5.63                    | %(7) |
| Convertible Notes            | 902,419                  | 13,186   | 889,233                  | 910,863           |                            |      |
| 5.00% 2019 Notes             | 300,000                  | 1,303  | 298,697                  | 307,974           | (4)5.29                    | %(7) |
| 2023 Notes                   | 250,000                  | 3,782  | 246,218                  | 259,015           | (4)6.09                    | %(7) |
| 2024 Notes                   | 199,281                  | 4,878  | 194,403                  | 206,455           | (4)6.74                    | %(7) |
| Public Notes                 | 749,281                  | 9,963  | 739,318                  | 773,444           |                            |      |
| Prospect Capital InterNotes® | 837,497                  | 13,114   | 824,383                  | 880,065           | (5)5.55                    | %(8) |
| Total                        | \$ 2,489,197             | \$ 39,657  | \$ 2,452,934             | \$ 2,564,372      |                            |      |

As permitted by ASC 825-10-25, we have not elected to value our Revolving Credit Facility, Convertible Notes, (1)Public Notes and Prospect Capital InterNotes® at fair value. The fair value of these debt obligations are categorized as Level 2 under ASC 820 as of December 31, 2017.

(2)The maximum draw amount of the Revolving Credit facility as of December 31, 2017 is \$885,000.

(3)Net Carrying Value excludes deferred financing costs associated with the Revolving Credit Facility. See Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates for accounting policy details.

(4)We use available market quotes to estimate the fair value of the Convertible Notes and Public Notes.

(5)The fair value of Prospect Capital InterNotes® is estimated by discounting remaining payments using current Treasury rates plus spread.

(6)



Represents the rate on drawn down and outstanding balances. Deferred debt issuance costs are amortized on a straight-line method over the stated life of the obligation.

S-35

---

The effective interest rate is equal to the effect of the stated interest, the accretion of original issue discount and (7) amortization of debt issuance costs. For the 2024 Notes, the rate presented is a combined effective interest rate of the 2024 Notes and 2024 Notes Follow-on Program.

For the Prospect Capital InterNotes®, the rate presented is the weighted average effective interest rate. Interest (8) expense and deferred debt issuance costs, which are amortized on a straight-line method over the stated life of the obligation which approximates level yield, are weighted against the average year-to-date principal balance. The following table shows the contractual maturities of our Revolving Credit Facility, Convertible Notes, Public Notes and Prospect Capital InterNotes® as of December 31, 2017.

|                               | Payments Due by Period |                  |              |             |               |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|------------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|
|                               | Total                  | Less than 1 Year | 1 – 3 Years  | 3 – 5 Years | After 5 Years |
| Revolving Credit Facility     | \$—                    | \$—              | \$—          | \$—         | \$—           |
| Convertible Notes             | 902,419                | 85,419           | 592,000      | 225,000     | —             |
| Public Notes                  | 749,281                | —                | 300,000      | —           | 449,281       |
| Prospect Capital InterNotes®  | 837,497                | 28,197           | 294,936      | 281,595     | 232,769       |
| Total Contractual Obligations | \$2,489,197            | \$ 113,616       | \$ 1,186,936 | \$ 506,595  | \$ 682,050    |

The following table shows the contractual maturities of our Revolving Credit Facility, Convertible Notes, Public Notes and Prospect Capital InterNotes® as of June 30, 2017.

|                               | Payments Due by Period |                  |              |             |               |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|------------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|
|                               | Total                  | Less than 1 Year | 1 – 3 Years  | 3 – 5 Years | After 5 Years |
| Revolving Credit Facility     | \$—                    | \$—              | \$—          | \$—         | \$—           |
| Convertible Notes             | 953,153                | 136,153          | 592,000      | —           | 225,000       |
| Public Notes                  | 749,281                | —                | 300,000      | —           | 449,281       |
| Prospect Capital InterNotes®  | 980,494                | 39,038           | 325,661      | 399,490     | 216,305       |
| Total Contractual Obligations | \$2,682,928            | \$ 175,191       | \$ 1,217,661 | \$ 399,490  | \$ 890,586    |

Historically, we have funded a portion of our cash needs through borrowings from banks, issuances of senior securities, including secured, unsecured and convertible debt securities, or issuances of common equity. For flexibility, we maintain a universal shelf registration statement that allows for the public offering and sale of our debt securities, common stock, preferred stock, subscription rights, and warrants and units to purchase such securities in an amount up to \$5,000,000 less issuances to date. As of December 31, 2017, we can issue up to \$4,639,035 of additional debt and equity securities in the public market under this shelf registration. We may from time to time issue securities pursuant to the shelf registration statement or otherwise pursuant to private offerings. The issuance of debt or equity securities will depend on future market conditions, funding needs and other factors and there can be no assurance that any such issuance will occur or be successful.

Each of our Convertible Notes, Public Notes and Prospect Capital InterNotes® (collectively, our “Unsecured Notes”) are our general, unsecured obligations and rank equal in right of payment with all of our existing and future unsecured indebtedness and will be senior in right of payment to any of our subordinated indebtedness that may be issued in the future. The Unsecured Notes are effectively subordinated to our existing secured indebtedness, such as our credit facility, and future secured indebtedness to the extent of the value of the assets securing such indebtedness and structurally subordinated to any existing and future liabilities and other indebtedness of any of our subsidiaries.

#### Revolving Credit Facility

On August 29, 2014, we renegotiated our previous credit facility and closed an expanded five and a half year revolving credit facility (the “2014 Facility” or the “Revolving Credit Facility”). The lenders have extended commitments of \$885,000 under the 2014 Facility as of December 31, 2017. The 2014 Facility includes an accordion feature which allows commitments to be increased up to \$1,500,000 in the aggregate. The revolving period of the 2014 Facility extends through March 2019, with an additional one year amortization period (with distributions allowed) after the completion of the revolving period. During such one year amortization period, all principal payments on the pledged assets will be applied to reduce the balance. At the end of the one year amortization period, the remaining balance will become due, if required by the lenders.

The 2014 Facility contains restrictions pertaining to the geographic and industry concentrations of funded loans, maximum size of funded loans, interest rate payment frequency of funded loans, maturity dates of funded loans and minimum equity requirements.

S-36

---

The 2014 Facility also contains certain requirements relating to portfolio performance, including required minimum portfolio yield and limitations on delinquencies and charge-offs, violation of which could result in the early termination of the 2014 Facility. The 2014 Facility also requires the maintenance of a minimum liquidity requirement. As of December 31, 2017, we were in compliance with the applicable covenants.

Interest on borrowings under the 2014 Facility is one-month LIBOR plus 225 basis points. Additionally, the lenders charge a fee on the unused portion of the 2014 Facility equal to either 50 basis points if at least 35% of the credit facility is drawn or 100 basis points otherwise. The 2014 Facility requires us to pledge assets as collateral in order to borrow under the credit facility.

As of December 31, 2017 and June 30, 2017, we had \$508,851 and \$665,409, respectively, available to us for borrowing under the Revolving Credit Facility, of which nothing was outstanding at either date. As additional eligible investments are transferred to PCF and pledged under the Revolving Credit Facility, PCF will generate additional availability up to the current commitment amount of \$885,000. As of December 31, 2017, the investments, including cash and money market funds, used as collateral for the Revolving Credit Facility had an aggregate fair value of \$1,305,210, which represents 22.1% of our total investments, including cash and money market funds. These assets are held and owned by PCF, a bankruptcy remote special purpose entity, and as such, these investments are not available to our general creditors. The release of any assets from PCF requires the approval of the facility agent.

In connection with the origination and amendments of the Revolving Credit Facility, we incurred \$12,405 of new fees and \$3,539 were carried over for continuing participants from the previous facility, all of which are being amortized over the term of the facility in accordance with ASC 470-50. As of December 31, 2017, \$3,394 remains to be amortized and is reflected as deferred financing costs on the Consolidated Statements of Assets and Liabilities.

During the three months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, we recorded \$3,387 and \$3,066, respectively, of interest costs, unused fees and amortization of financing costs on the Revolving Credit Facility as interest expense. During the six months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, we recorded \$6,341 and \$6,029, respectively, of interest costs, unused fees and amortization of financing costs on the Revolving Credit Facility as interest expense.

#### Convertible Notes

On February 18, 2011, we issued \$172,500 aggregate principal amount of convertible notes that matured on August 15, 2016 (the "2016 Notes"). The 2016 Notes bore interest at a rate of 5.50% per year, payable semi-annually on February 15 and August 15 of each year, beginning August 15, 2011. Total proceeds from the issuance of the 2016 Notes, net of underwriting discounts and offering costs, were \$167,325. Between January 30, 2012 and February 2, 2012, we repurchased \$5,000 aggregate principal amount of the 2016 Notes at a price of 97.5, including commissions. The transactions resulted in our recognizing \$10 of loss in the year ended June 30, 2012. On August 15, 2016, we repaid the outstanding principal amount of the 2016 Notes, plus interest. No gain or loss was realized on the transaction.

On April 16, 2012, we issued \$130,000 aggregate principal amount of convertible notes that matured on October 15, 2017 (the "2017 Notes"). The 2017 Notes bore interest at a rate of 5.375% per year, payable semi-annually on April 15 and October 15 of each year, beginning October 15, 2012. Total proceeds from the issuance of the 2017 Notes, net of underwriting discounts and offering costs, were \$126,035. On March 28, 2016, we repurchased \$500 aggregate principal amount of the 2017 Notes at a price of 98.25, including commissions. The transaction resulted in our recognizing a \$9 gain for the period ended March 31, 2016. On April 6, 2017, we repurchased \$78,766 aggregate principal amount of the 2017 Notes at a price of 102.0, including commissions. The transaction resulted in our recognizing a \$1,786 loss during the three months ended June 30, 2017. On October 15, 2017, we repaid the outstanding principal amount of the 2017 Notes, plus interest. No gain or loss was realized on the transaction.

On August 14, 2012, we issued \$200,000 aggregate principal amount of convertible notes that mature on March 15, 2018 (the "2018 Notes"), unless previously converted or repurchased in accordance with their terms. The 2018 Notes bear interest at a rate of 5.75% per year, payable semi-annually on March 15 and September 15 of each year, beginning March 15, 2013. Total proceeds from the issuance of the 2018 Notes, net of underwriting discounts and offering costs, were \$193,600. On April 6, 2017, we repurchased \$114,581 aggregate principal amount of the 2018 Notes at a price of 103.5, including commissions. The transaction resulted in our recognizing a \$4,700 loss during the three months ended June 30, 2017.

On December 21, 2012, we issued \$200,000 aggregate principal amount of convertible notes that mature on January 15, 2019 (the "2019 Notes"), unless previously converted or repurchased in accordance with their terms. The 2019 Notes bear interest at a rate of 5.875% per year, payable semi-annually on January 15 and July 15 of each year, beginning July 15, 2013. Total proceeds from the issuance of the 2019 Notes, net of underwriting discounts and offering costs, were \$193,600.

S-37

---

On April 11, 2014, we issued \$400,000 aggregate principal amount of convertible notes that mature on April 15, 2020 (the “2020 Notes”), unless previously converted or repurchased in accordance with their terms. The 2020 Notes bear interest at a rate of 4.75% per year, payable semi-annually on April 15 and October 15 each year, beginning October 15, 2014. Total proceeds from the issuance of the 2020 Notes, net of underwriting discounts and offering costs, were \$387,500. On January 30, 2015, we repurchased \$8,000 aggregate principal amount of the 2020 Notes at a price of 93.0, including commissions. As a result of this transaction, we recorded a gain of \$332, in the amount of the difference between the reacquisition price and the net carrying amount of the notes, net of the proportionate amount of unamortized debt issuance costs.

On April 11, 2017, we issued \$225,000 aggregate principal amount of convertible notes that mature on July 15, 2022 (the “2022 Notes”), unless previously converted or repurchased in accordance with their terms. The 2022 Notes bear interest at a rate of 4.95% per year, payable semi-annually on January 15 and July 15 each year, beginning July 15, 2017. Total proceeds from the issuance of the 2022 Notes, net of underwriting discounts and offering costs, were \$218,010.

Certain key terms related to the convertible features for the 2018 Notes, the 2019 Notes, the 2020 Notes and the 2022 Notes (collectively, the “Convertible Notes”) are listed below.

|   | 2018<br>Notes | 2019 Notes | 2020<br>Notes | 2022<br>Notes |
|---|---------------|------------|---------------|---------------|
| Initial conversion rate(1)                  | 82.3451       | 79.7766    | 80.6647       | 100.2305      |
| Initial conversion price                    | \$12.14       | \$12.54    | \$12.40       | \$9.98        |
| Conversion rate at December 31, 2017(1)(2)  | 84.1497       | 79.8360    | 80.6670       | 100.2305      |
| Conversion price at December 31, 2017(2)(3) | \$11.88       | \$12.53    | \$12.40       | \$9.98        |
| Last conversion price calculation date      | 8/14/2017     | 12/21/2017 | 4/11/2017     | 4/11/2017     |
| Dividend threshold amount (per share)(4)    | \$0.101600    | \$0.110025 | \$0.110525    | \$0.083330    |

(1) Conversion rates denominated in shares of common stock per \$1 principal amount of the Convertible Notes converted.

(2) Represents conversion rate and conversion price, as applicable, taking into account certain de minimis adjustments that will be made on the conversion date.

(3) The conversion price will increase only if the current monthly dividends (per share) exceed the dividend threshold amount (per share).

(4) The conversion rate is increased if monthly cash dividends paid to common shares exceed the monthly dividend threshold amount, subject to adjustment. Current dividend rates are at or below the minimum dividend threshold amount for further conversion rate adjustments for all bonds.

Upon conversion, unless a holder converts after a record date for an interest payment but prior to the corresponding interest payment date, the holder will receive a separate cash payment with respect to the notes surrendered for conversion representing accrued and unpaid interest to, but not including, the conversion date. Any such payment will be made on the settlement date applicable to the relevant conversion on the Convertible Notes.

No holder of Convertible Notes will be entitled to receive shares of our common stock upon conversion to the extent (but only to the extent) that such receipt would cause such converting holder to become, directly or indirectly, a beneficial owner (within the meaning of Section 13(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder) of more than 5.0% of the shares of our common stock outstanding at such time. The 5.0% limitation shall no longer apply following the effective date of any fundamental change. We will not issue any shares in connection with the conversion or redemption of the Convertible Notes which would equal or exceed 20% of the shares outstanding at the time of the transaction in accordance with NASDAQ rules.

Subject to certain exceptions, holders may require us to repurchase, for cash, all or part of their Convertible Notes upon a fundamental change at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Convertible Notes being repurchased plus any accrued and unpaid interest up to, but excluding, the fundamental change repurchase date. In addition, upon a fundamental change that constitutes a non-stock change of control we will also pay holders an amount in cash equal to the present value of all remaining interest payments (without duplication of the foregoing amounts) on such Convertible Notes through and including the maturity date.

In connection with the issuance of the Convertible Notes, we incurred \$32,147 of fees which are being amortized over the terms of the notes, of which \$13,186 remains to be amortized and is included as a reduction within Convertible Notes on the Consolidated Statement of Assets and Liabilities as of December 31, 2017.

S-38

---

During the three months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, we recorded \$13,003 and \$13,477, respectively, of interest costs and amortization of financing costs on the Convertible Notes as interest expense. During the six months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, we recorded \$26,659 and \$28,190, respectively, of interest costs and amortization of financing costs on the Convertible Notes as interest expense.

#### Public Notes

On March 15, 2013, we issued \$250,000 aggregate principal amount of unsecured notes that mature on March 15, 2023 (the “2023 Notes”). The 2023 Notes bear interest at a rate of 5.875% per year, payable semi-annually on March 15 and September 15 of each year, beginning September 15, 2013. Total proceeds from the issuance of the 2023 Notes, net of underwriting discounts and offering costs, were \$243,641.

On April 7, 2014, we issued \$300,000 aggregate principal amount of unsecured notes that mature on July 15, 2019 (the “5.00% 2019 Notes”). Included in the issuance is \$45,000 of Prospect Capital InterNotes® that were exchanged for the 5.00% 2019 Notes. The 5.00% 2019 Notes bear interest at a rate of 5.00% per year, payable semi-annually on January 15 and July 15 of each year, beginning July 15, 2014. Total proceeds from the issuance of the 5.00% 2019 Notes, net of underwriting discounts and offering costs, were \$295,998.

On December 10, 2015, we issued \$160,000 aggregate principal amount of unsecured notes that mature on June 15, 2024 (the “2024 Notes”). The 2024 Notes bear interest at a rate of 6.25% per year, payable quarterly on March 15, June 15, September 15 and December 15 of each year, beginning March 15, 2016. Total proceeds from the issuance of the 2024 Notes, net of underwriting discounts and offering costs, were \$155,043. On June 16, 2016, we entered into an at-the-market program with FBR Capital Markets & Co. through which we could sell, by means of at-the-market offerings, from time to time, up to \$100,000 in aggregate principal amount of our existing 2024 Notes. As of December 31, 2017, we issued \$199,281 in aggregate principal amount of our 2024 Notes for net proceeds of \$193,253 after commissions and offering costs.

The 2023 Notes, the 5.00% 2019 Notes, and the 2024 Notes (collectively, the “Public Notes”) are direct unsecured obligations and rank equally with all of our unsecured indebtedness from time to time outstanding.

In connection with the issuance of the 2023 Notes, the 5.00% 2019 Notes, and the 2024 Notes, we incurred \$13,613 of fees which are being amortized over the term of the notes, of which \$8,214 remains to be amortized and is included as a reduction within Public Notes on the Consolidated Statement of Assets and Liabilities as of December 31, 2017.

During the three months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, we recorded \$11,048 and \$11,058, respectively, of interest costs and amortization of financing costs on the Public Notes as interest expense. During the six months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, we recorded \$22,089 and \$21,838, respectively, of interest costs and amortization of financing costs on the Public Notes as interest expense.

#### Prospect Capital InterNotes®

On February 16, 2012, we entered into a selling agent agreement (the “Selling Agent Agreement”) with Incapital LLC, as purchasing agent for our issuance and sale from time to time of up to \$500,000 of Prospect Capital InterNotes® (the “InterNotes® Offering”), which was increased to \$1,500,000 in May 2014. Additional agents may be appointed by us from time to time in connection with the InterNotes® Offering and become parties to the Selling Agent Agreement.

These notes are direct unsecured obligations and rank equally with all of our unsecured indebtedness from time to time outstanding. Each series of notes will be issued by a separate trust. These notes bear interest at fixed interest rates and offer a variety of maturities no less than twelve months from the original date of issuance.

During the six months ended December 31, 2017, we issued \$52,177 aggregate principal amount of Prospect Capital InterNotes® for net proceeds of \$51,398. These notes were issued with stated interest rates ranging from 4.00% to 5.00% with a weighted average interest rate of 4.39%. These notes mature between July 15, 2022 and December 15, 2025. The following table summarizes the Prospect Capital InterNotes® issued during the six months ended December 31, 2017.



| Tenor at Origination (in years) | Principal Amount | Interest Rate Range | Weighted Average Interest Rate | Maturity Date Range                 |
|---------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 5                               | \$ 31,950        | 4.00%–4.75%         | 4.23 %                         | July 15, 2022 – December 15, 2022   |
| 7                               | \$ 2,825         | 4.75%–5.00%         | 4.94 %                         | July 15, 2024                       |
| 8                               | \$ 17,402        | 4.50%–5.00%         | 4.61 %                         | August 15, 2025 – December 15, 2025 |
|                                 | \$ 52,177        |                     |                                |                                     |

During the six months ended December 31, 2016, we issued \$64,731 aggregate principal amount of our Prospect Capital InterNotes® for net proceeds of \$63,926. These notes were issued with stated interest rates ranging from 4.75% to 5.50% with a weighted average interest rate of 5.25%. These notes mature between July 15, 2021 and December 15, 2021. The following table summarizes the Prospect Capital InterNotes® issued during the six months ended December 31, 2016.

| Tenor at Origination (in years) | Principal Amount | Interest Rate Range | Weighted Average Interest Rate | Maturity Date Range               |
|---------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 5                               | \$ 64,731        | 4.75%–5.50%         | 5.25 %                         | July 15, 2021 – December 15, 2021 |

During the six months ended December 31, 2017, we redeemed \$181,538 aggregate principal amount of Prospect Capital InterNotes® at par with a weighted average interest rate of 4.85% in order to replace shorter maturity debt with longer-term debt. During the six months ended December 31, 2017, we repaid \$3,793 aggregate principal amount of Prospect Capital InterNotes® at par in accordance with the Survivor's Option, as defined in the InterNotes® Offering prospectus. As a result of these transactions, we recorded a loss in the amount of the unamortized debt issuance costs. The net loss on the extinguishment of Prospect Capital InterNotes® in the six months ended December 31, 2017 was \$932. The following table summarizes the Prospect Capital InterNotes® outstanding as of December 31, 2017.

| Tenor at Origination (in years) | Principal Amount | Interest Rate Range | Weighted Average Interest Rate | Maturity Date Range                   |
|---------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 4                               | \$9,750          | 4.00                | % 4.00 %                       | January 15, 2018                      |
| 5                               | 266,923          | 4.00%–5.50%         | 4.96 %                         | July 15, 2018 – December 15, 2022     |
| 5.2                             | 4,440            | 4.63                | % 4.63 %                       | August 15, 2020 – September 15, 2020  |
| 5.3                             | 2,636            | 4.63                | % 4.63 %                       | September 15, 2020                    |
| 5.4                             | 5,000            | 4.75                | % 4.75 %                       | August 15, 2019                       |
| 5.5                             | 104,790          | 4.25%–4.75%         | 4.63 %                         | May 15, 2020 – November 15, 2020      |
| 6                               | 2,182            | 4.88                | % 4.88 %                       | April 15, 2021 – May 15, 2021         |
| 6.5                             | 40,652           | 5.10%–5.50%         | 5.24 %                         | February 15, 2020 – May 15, 2022      |
| 7                               | 155,298          | 4.00%–5.75%         | 5.09 %                         | January 15, 2020 – July 15, 2024      |
| 7.5                             | 1,996            | 5.75                | % 5.75 %                       | February 15, 2021                     |
| 8                               | 17,402           | 4.50%–5.00%         | 4.61 %                         | August 15, 2025                       |
| 10                              | 37,434           | 4.32%–7.00%         | 6.15 %                         | March 15, 2022 – December 15, 2025    |
| 12                              | 2,978            | 6.00                | % 6.00 %                       | November 15, 2025 – December 15, 2025 |
| 15                              | 17,177           | 5.25%–6.00%         | 5.35 %                         | May 15, 2028 – November 15, 2028      |
| 18                              | 21,098           | 4.13%–6.25%         | 5.54 %                         | December 15, 2030 – August 15, 2031   |
| 20                              | 4,187            | 5.75%–6.00%         | 5.90 %                         | November 15, 2032 – October 15, 2033  |
| 25                              | 33,711           | 6.25%–6.50%         | 6.39 %                         | August 15, 2038 – May 15, 2039        |
| 30                              | 109,843          | 5.50%–6.75%         | 6.24 %                         | November 15, 2042 – October 15, 2043  |
|                                 | \$837,497        |                     |                                |                                       |



During the six months ended December 31, 2016, we repaid \$5,730 aggregate principal amount of Prospect Capital InterNotes® at par in accordance with the Survivor's Option, as defined in the InterNotes® Offering prospectus. As a result of these transactions, we recorded a loss in the amount of the difference between the reacquisition price and the net carrying amount of the notes, net of the proportionate amount of unamortized debt issuance costs. The net loss on the extinguishment of Prospect Capital InterNotes® in the six months ended December 31, 2016 was \$185.

The following table summarizes the Prospect Capital InterNotes® outstanding as of June 30, 2017.

| Tenor at Origination (in years) | Principal Amount | Interest Rate Range | Weighted Average Interest Rate | Maturity Date Range |
|---------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| 4                               | \$39,038         | 3.75%-4.00%         | 3.92 %                         | November 15, 2017   |
| 5                               | 354,805          | 4.25%-5.50%         | 5.00 %                         | July 15, 2018       |
| 5.2                             | 4,440            | 5                   | % 4.63 %                       | August 15, 2020     |
| 5.3                             | 2,686            | 5                   | % 4.63 %                       | September 15, 2020  |
| 5.4                             | 5,000            | 5                   | % 4.75 %                       | August 15, 2019     |
| 5.5                             | 109,068          | 4.25%-5.00%         | 4.67 %                         | February 15, 2019   |
| 6                               | 2,182            | 5                   | % 4.88 %                       | April 15, 2021      |
| 6.5                             | 40,702           | 5.10%-5.50%         | 5.24 %                         | February 15, 2020   |
| 7                               | 191,356          | 4.00%-6.55%         | 5.38 %                         | June 15, 2019       |
| 7.5                             | 1,996            | 6                   | % 5.75 %                       | February 15, 2021   |
| 10                              | 37,509           | 4.27%-7.00%         | 6.20 %                         | March 15, 2022      |
| 12                              | 2,978            | 6                   | % 6.00 %                       | November 15, 2025   |
| 15                              | 17,245           | 5.25%-6.00%         | 5.36 %                         | May 15, 2028        |
| 18                              | 21,532           | 4.13%-6.25%         | 5.47 %                         | December 15, 2030   |
| 20                              | 4,248            | 5.63%-6.00%         | 5.84 %                         | November 15, 2032   |
| 25                              | 34,218           | 6.25%-6.50%         | 6.39 %                         | August 15, 2038     |
| 30                              | 111,491          | 5.50%-6.75%         | 6.22 %                         | November 15, 2042   |
|                                 | \$980,494        |                     |                                |                     |

In connection with the issuance of Prospect Capital InterNotes®, we incurred \$24,485 of fees which are being amortized over the term of the notes, of which \$13,114 remains to be amortized and is included as a reduction within Prospect Capital InterNotes® on the Consolidated Statement of Assets and Liabilities as of December 31, 2017. During the three months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, we recorded \$11,910 and \$13,247, respectively, of interest costs and amortization of financing costs on the Prospect Capital InterNotes® as interest expense. During the six months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, we recorded \$25,294 and \$26,460, respectively, of interest costs and amortization of financing costs on the Prospect Capital InterNotes® as interest expense.

#### Net Asset Value

During the six months ended December 31, 2017 our net asset value decreased by \$0.04 per share. This decrease is primarily from dividends exceeding net investment income by \$9,634, or \$0.03 per share. Our net investment income decreased primarily from a decrease in interest income due to reduced returns from our structured credit investments as a result of lower future expected cash flows and decreases in interest income due to repayments on investments.

The following table shows the calculation of net asset value per share as of December 31, 2017 and June 30, 2017.

|   | December 31, 2017 | June 30, 2017 |
|---|-------------------|---------------|
| Net assets                                    | \$3,348,412       | \$3,354,952   |
| Shares of common stock issued and outstanding | 360,980,752       | 360,076,933   |
| Net asset value per share                     | \$9.28            | \$9.32        |



### Results of Operations

Net increase in net assets resulting from operations for the three months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016 was \$121,727 and \$100,880, respectively. During the three months ended December 31, 2017, the \$20,847 increase is primarily due to an increase in net change in unrealized gains on investments of \$54,695 recognized for three months ended December 31, 2017 compared to a \$16,681 increase in net change in unrealized gains recognized for the three months ended December 31, 2016. This increase was partially offset by a \$21,410, or \$0.06 per share, decline in interest income primarily due to returns from our structured credit investments as a result of lower future expected cash flows and decreases in interest income due to repayments on investments.

Net increase in net assets resulting from operations for the six months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016 was \$133,700 and \$182,246, respectively. The \$48,546 decrease is primarily due to a \$44,975, or \$0.12 per share, decline in interest income due to reduced returns from our structured credit investments as a result of lower future expected cash flows and decreases in interest income due to repayments on investments.

While we seek to maximize gains and minimize losses, our investments in portfolio companies can expose our capital to risks greater than those we may anticipate. These companies typically do not issue securities rated investment grade, and have limited resources, limited operating history, and concentrated product lines or customers. These are generally private companies with limited operating information available and are likely to depend on a small core of management talents. Changes in any of these factors can have a significant impact on the value of the portfolio company.

### Investment Income

We generate revenue in the form of interest income on the debt securities that we own, dividend income on any common or preferred stock that we own, and fees generated from the structuring of new deals. Our investments, if in the form of debt securities, will typically have a term of one to ten years and bear interest at a fixed or floating rate. To the extent achievable, we will seek to collateralize our investments by obtaining security interests in our portfolio companies' assets. We also may acquire minority or majority equity interests in our portfolio companies, which may pay cash or in-kind dividends on a recurring or otherwise negotiated basis. In addition, we may generate revenue in other forms including prepayment penalties and possibly consulting fees. Any such fees generated in connection with our investments are recognized as earned.

Investment income, which consists of interest income, including accretion of loan origination fees and prepayment penalty fees, dividend income and other income, including settlement of net profits interests, overriding royalty interests and structuring fees, was \$162,400 and \$183,480 for the three months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively. Investment income was \$320,979 and \$363,312 for the six months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively. Investment income decreased from prior periods primarily due to reduced returns from our structured credit investments due to lower future expected cash flows and decreases in interest income due to lower interest earning assets outstanding.

The following table describes the various components of investment income and the related levels of debt investments:

|   | Three Months Ended |              | Six Months Ended |              |   |
|---|--------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------|---|
|   | December 31,       |              | December 31,     |              |   |
|   | 2017               | 2016         | 2017             | 2016         |   |
| Interest income   | \$ 153,382         | \$ 174,791   | \$ 301,467       | \$ 346,441   |   |
| Dividend income   | 326                | 1,379        | 870              | 3,763        |   |
| Other income  | 8,692              | 7,310        | 18,642           | 13,108       |   |
| Total investment income   | \$ 162,400         | \$ 183,480   | \$ 320,979       | \$ 363,312   |   |
| Average debt principal of performing interest bearing investments <sup>(1)</sup>                | \$ 5,541,686       | \$ 5,679,706 | \$ 5,482,245     | \$ 5,683,930 |   |
| Weighted average interest rate earned on performing interest bearing investments <sup>(1)</sup> | 10.83              | % 12.04      | % 10.88          | % 12.06      | % |
| Average debt principal of all interest bearing investments <sup>(2)</sup>                       | \$ 5,838,576       | \$ 5,936,577 | \$ 5,804,372     | \$ 5,936,915 |   |

|  |       |         |         |         |   |
|--|-------|---------|---------|---------|---|
| Weighted average interest rate earned on all interest bearing investments <sup>(2)</sup> | 10.28 | % 11.52 | % 10.27 | % 11.54 | % |
|--|-------|---------|---------|---------|---|

<sup>(1)</sup> Excludes equity investments and non-accrual loans.

S-42

---

(2) Excludes equity investments.

Average interest income producing assets decreased from \$5,679,706 for the three months ended December 31, 2016 to \$5,541,686 for the three months ended December 31, 2017. We have not been fully invested, which along with non-performing assets, contributed to the decline. The average interest earned on interest bearing performing assets decreased from 12.04% for the three months ended December 31, 2016 to 10.83% for the three months ended December 31, 2017. The decrease is primarily due to reduced returns from our structured credit investments due to lower future expected cash flows and decreases in interest income due to repayments on investments.

Average interest income producing assets decreased from \$5,683,930 for the six months ended December 31, 2016 to \$5,482,245 for the six months ended December 31, 2017. The average interest earned on interest bearing performing assets decreased from 12.06% for the six months ended December 31, 2016 to 10.88% for the six months ended December 31, 2017. The decrease is primarily due to reduced returns from our structured credit investments due to lower future expected cash flows and decreases in interest income due to repayments on investments.

Investment income is also generated from dividends and other income which is less predictable than interest income. Dividend income decreased from \$1,379 for the three months ended December 31, 2016 to \$325 for the three months ended December 31, 2017. The \$1,054 decrease in dividend income is primarily attributable to a \$739 dividend received from our investment in Nationwide Loan Company LLC (“NAC”) and a \$468 dividend received from our investment in MITY, Inc. (“Mity”) during the three months ended December 31, 2016. No such dividend was received from NAC or Mity during the three months ended December 31, 2017. Dividend income decreased from \$3,763 for the six months ended December 31, 2016 to \$870 for the six months ended December 31, 2017. The \$2,893 decrease in dividend income is primarily attributable to a \$2,580 dividend received from our investment in NAC, a \$468 dividend received from our investment in Mity and a \$123 dividend received from our investment in CCPI, Inc. (“CCPI”) during the six months ended December 31, 2016. No such dividend was received from NAC, Mity or CCPI during the six months ended December 31, 2017.

Other income has come primarily from structuring fees, royalty interests, and settlement of net profits interests. Income from other sources increased to \$8,692 for the three months ended December 31, 2017 from \$7,310 for the three months ended December 31, 2016. The \$1,382 increase is primarily attributable to an increase in structuring fees and amendment fees which are generated from new originations as well as from follow-on investments and amendments to existing portfolio companies.

Income from other sources was \$18,642 and \$13,108 for the six months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively. Included within other income is \$11,197 and \$10,273 of structuring fees for the six months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016. The increase in structuring fees is due to an increased level of originations in non-control, broadly syndicated portfolio investments during the six months ended December 31, 2017.

#### Operating Expenses

Our primary operating expenses consist of investment advisory fees (base management and income incentive fees), borrowing costs, legal and professional fees, overhead-related expenses and other operating expenses. These expenses include our allocable portion of overhead under the Administration Agreement with Prospect Administration under which Prospect Administration provides administrative services and facilities for us. Our investment advisory fees compensate the Investment Adviser for its work in identifying, evaluating, negotiating, closing and monitoring our investments. We bear all other costs and expenses of our operations and transactions. Operating expenses were \$89,208 and \$99,075 for the three months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively. Operating expenses were \$184,055 and \$199,988 for the six months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively.

Total gross base management fee was \$29,742 and \$31,095 for the three months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively. The decrease in total gross base management fee is directly related a decrease in average total assets. The Investment Adviser has entered into a servicing agreement with certain institutions who

purchased loans with us, where we serve as the agent and collect a servicing fee on behalf of the Investment Adviser. We received payments of \$183 and \$209 from these institutions for the three months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively, on behalf of the Investment Adviser, for providing such services under the servicing agreement. We were given a credit for these payments as a reduction of base management fee payable by us to the Investment Adviser resulting in net base management fees of \$29,559 and \$30,886 for the three months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively.

Total gross base management fee was \$60,121 and \$62,435 for the six months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively. The decrease in total gross base management fee is directly related a decrease in average total assets. The Investment Adviser has entered into a servicing agreement with certain institutions who purchased loans with us, where we serve as the agent

S-43

---



and collect a servicing fee on behalf of the Investment Adviser. We received payments of \$399 and \$757 from these institutions for the six months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively, on behalf of the Investment Adviser, for providing such services under the servicing agreement. We were given a credit for these payments as a reduction of base management fee payable by us to the Investment Adviser resulting in net base management fees of \$59,722 and \$61,678 for the six months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively.

For the three months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, we incurred \$18,298 and \$21,101 of income incentive fees, respectively (\$0.05 and \$0.06 per weighted average share, respectively). This decrease was driven by a corresponding decrease in pre-incentive fee net investment income from \$105,506 for the three months ended December 31, 2016 to \$91,940 for the three months ended December 31, 2017, primarily from decreases in interest income due to reduced returns from our structured credit investments due to lower future expected cash flows and repayments on investments. No capital gains incentive fee has yet been incurred pursuant to the Investment Advisory Agreement.

For the six months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, we incurred \$34,231 and \$40,831 of income incentive fees, respectively (\$0.10 and \$0.11 per weighted average share, respectively). This decrease was driven by a corresponding decrease in pre-incentive fee net investment income from \$204,155 for the six months ended December 31, 2016 to \$171,155 for the six months ended December 31, 2017, primarily from decreases in interest income due to reduced returns from our structured credit investments due to lower future expected cash flows and repayments on investments. No capital gains incentive fee has yet been incurred pursuant to the Investment Advisory Agreement.

During the three months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, we incurred \$39,347 and \$40,848 respectively, of interest expenses related to our Revolving Credit Facility, Convertible Notes, Public Notes and Prospect Capital InterNotes® (collectively, our “Notes”). During the six months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, we incurred \$80,382 and \$82,517 respectively, of interest expenses related to our Notes. These expenses are related directly to the leveraging capacity put into place for each of those periods and the levels of indebtedness actually undertaken in those periods.

The table below describes the various expenses of our Notes and the related indicators of leveraging capacity and indebtedness during these years.

|   | Three Months Ended<br>December 31, |             | Six Months Ended<br>December 31, |             |   |
|---|------------------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|-------------|---|
|   | 2017                               | 2016        | 2017                             | 2016        |   |
| Interest on borrowings  | \$34,130                           | \$35,454    | \$69,668                         | \$71,168    |   |
| Amortization of deferred financing costs                                      | 3,053                              | 3,127       | 6,219                            | 6,758       |   |
| Accretion of discount on Public Notes   | 72                                 | 68          | 141                              | 132         |   |
| Facility commitment fees  | 2,092                              | 2,199       | 4,354                            | 4,459       |   |
| Total interest and credit facility expenses                                   | \$39,347                           | \$40,848    | \$80,382                         | \$82,517    |   |
| Average principal debt outstanding  | \$2,588,997                        | \$2,649,321 | \$2,627,534                      | \$2,658,370 |   |
| Annualized weighted average stated interest rate on borrowings <sup>(1)</sup> | 5.27                               | % 5.35      | % 5.30                           | % 5.35      | % |
| Annualized weighted average interest rate on borrowings <sup>(2)</sup>        | 6.08                               | % 6.17      | % 6.12                           | % 6.21      | % |

(1) Includes only the stated interest expense.

(2) Includes the stated interest expense, amortization of deferred financing costs, accretion of discount on Public Notes and commitment fees on the undrawn portion of our Revolving Credit Facility.

Interest expense is relatively stable for the three months ended December 31, 2017 as compared to three months ended December 31, 2016. The weighted average stated interest rate on borrowings (excluding amortization, accretion and undrawn facility fees) decreased from 5.35% for the three months ended December 31, 2016 to 5.30% for the three months ended December 31, 2017. This decrease is primarily due to the repurchases and maturities of our Convertible Notes and Prospect Capital InterNotes® which yielded higher rates than the remaining debt.

Interest expense is relatively stable for the six months ended December 31, 2017 as compared to six months ended December 31, 2016. The weighted average stated interest rate on borrowings (excluding amortization, accretion and

undrawn facility fees) decreased from 5.35% for the six months ended December 31, 2016 to 5.27% for the six months ended December 31, 2017. This

S-44

---

decrease is primarily due to the repurchases and maturities of our Convertible Notes and Prospect Capital InterNotes® which yielded higher rates than the remaining debt.

The allocation of gross overhead expense from Prospect Administration was \$3,827 and \$3,566 for the three months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively. Prospect Administration received estimated payments of \$4,651 and \$909 directly from our portfolio companies, insurance carrier, and certain funds managed by the Investment Adviser for legal, tax and portfolio level accounting services during the three months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively. We were given a credit for these payments as a reduction of the administrative services cost payable by us to Prospect Administration. Had Prospect Administration not received these payments, Prospect Administration's charges for its administrative services would have increased by these amounts. Net overhead during the three months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016 totaled \$(824) and \$2,657, respectively.

The allocation of gross overhead expense from Prospect Administration was \$8,496 and \$8,437 for the six months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively. Prospect Administration received estimated payments of \$5,792 and \$2,247 directly from our portfolio companies, insurance carrier, and certain funds managed by the Investment Adviser for legal, tax and portfolio level accounting services during the six months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively. We were given a credit for these payments as a reduction of the administrative services cost payable by us to Prospect Administration. Had Prospect Administration not received these payments, Prospect Administration's charges for its administrative services would have increased by these amounts. Net overhead during the six months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016 totaled \$2,704 and \$6,190, respectively.

Total operating expenses, excluding investment advisory fees, interest and credit facility expenses, and allocation of overhead from Prospect Administration ("Other Operating Expenses"), net of any expense reimbursements, were at \$7,016 and \$7,088 for the six months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively.

#### Net Investment Income

Net investment income represents the difference between investment income and operating expenses. Net investment income was \$73,192 and \$84,405 for the three months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively. Net investment income for the three months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016 was \$0.20 and \$0.24 per weighted average share, respectively. During the three months ended December 31, 2017, the decrease of \$11,213, or \$0.04 per weighted average share, is primarily due to the decrease in interest income by \$21,410, or \$0.06 per weighted average share, which is due to reduced returns from our structured credit investments due to lower future expected cash flows, an increase in foregone interest from our non-accrual investments, and a decrease in interest income due to lower levels of performing investments. This decrease was offset by a \$4,131, or \$0.01 per weighted average share, decrease in investment advisory fees.

Net investment income was \$136,924 and \$163,324 for the six months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively. Net investment income for the six months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016 was \$0.38 and \$0.46 per weighted average share, respectively. During the six months ended December 31, 2017, the decrease of \$26,400, or \$0.08 per weighted average share, is primarily due to the decrease in interest income by \$44,975, or \$0.13 per weighted average share, which is due to reduced returns from our structured credit investments due to lower future expected cash flows, an increase in foregone interest from our non-accrual investments, and a decrease in interest income due to lower levels of performing investments. This decrease was offset by a \$8,557, or \$0.02 per weighted average share, decrease in investment advisory fees.

#### Net Realized (Losses) Gains

During the three months ended December 31, 2017, we recognized a net realized loss of \$5,673, an unfavorable increase in losses of \$5,591 compared to the \$82 net realized loss recognized during the three months ended December 31, 2016. During the six months ended December 31, 2017, we recognized a net realized loss of \$4,236, an unfavorable increase in losses of \$4,868 compared to the \$632 net realized gain recognized during the six months ended December 31, 2016. The net realized losses in 2017 were primarily related to the repayment of our investment in Primesport, for which we agreed to a payment to satisfy the loan less than the par amount and realized a loss of \$3,019. Additionally, during the three months ended December 31, 2017, we recognized realized losses of \$2,494 and \$826 from our call of investments in Apidos IX CLO and Madison IX CLO, respectively.

Change in Unrealized Gains (Losses), Net

During the three months ended December 31, 2017, net unrealized losses decreased by \$54,695 primarily due to positive trends in the broader market. Improvements in the consumer finance industry and energy sector resulted in increased net unrealized gains of \$30,945 and reduced unrealized losses of \$24,168, respectively, related to our investments in Credit Central, First Tower, Nationwide and Arctic Energy and Spartan Energy. Our investment in NPRC contributed \$11,236 of net unrealized gains, driven

S-45

---

by a \$23,292 increase in fair value due to improved operating results and favorable market conditions for the underlying real estate portfolio, partially offset by a \$12,056 decline in NPRC's online lending portfolio resulting from an increase in delinquent loans. The remaining net unrealized gain was primarily due to a reduction of the unrealized losses for our investment in PrimeSport. Our investment in PrimeSport repaid and the previously recorded unrealized loss was reversed. These favorable changes were partially offset by a \$12,047 unrealized loss related to our CLO portfolio, primarily due to an increase in defaults and ratings migration in the underlying collateral and an increase in the LIBOR rate. Additionally, the value of our investment in USC decreased by \$13,757 due to both a decline in operating performance and the overall decline in demand for firearms and ammunition.

During the three months ended December 31, 2016, net unrealized losses decreased by \$16,681 primarily due to positive trends in the broader market. Reductions in unrealized losses on our CLO equity investments comprised \$39,591 of the total net change in unrealized losses, consistent with positive trends in the broader market, and we also increased the value of our investment in NMMB by \$5,404 due to improved operating performance. These favorable changes were partially offset by unrealized losses on our energy-related investments of \$3,349 and a decline in our online lending portfolio of \$11,894 resulting from an increase in delinquent loans. The remaining \$13,071 increase in unrealized losses is primarily a result of declined operating performance in Pacific World.

Net change in unrealized gains (losses) was \$1,944 and \$18,475 for the six months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively. For the six months ended December 31, 2017, the \$1,944 net change in unrealized gains was primarily the result of \$56,802 unrealized losses in our CLO portfolio due to a decline in the weighted average spread in the underlying senior secured loan portfolios, increase in discount rates, and collateral losses. The value of our investment in USC decreased by \$27,164 due to both a decline in operating performance and the overall decline in demand for firearms and ammunition. These unrealized losses were offset by unrealized gains primarily in our investments in consumer financing - Credit Central and First Tower -comprising \$51,121 and energy - Arctic Energy, CP Energy and Spartan Energy - comprising \$39,742.

During the six months ended December 31, 2016, net unrealized losses decreased by \$18,475 due to positive trends in the broader market. Unrealized gains on our CLO equity investments comprised \$16,027 of the total net change in unrealized gains, consistent with positive trends in the broader market, and unrealized gains on our REIT investment comprised \$36,001 of total net change in unrealized gains for the six months ended December 31, 2016 primarily due to improved operating performance at the property level. These gains were partially offset by unrealized losses on our energy-related investments of \$27,827. Additionally, the value of our investment in Pacific World decreased by \$10,830 due to a decline in operating performance, and our online lending portfolio declined in value by \$14,189 due to an increase in delinquent loans. The remaining \$19,292 increase in net unrealized gains was due to operating improvements across multiple investments and industries.

#### Financial Condition, Liquidity and Capital Resources

For the six months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, our operating activities provided \$500,148 and \$128,165 of cash, respectively. There were no investing activities for the six months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016. Financing activities used \$343,755 and \$242,052 of cash during the six months ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively, which included dividend payments of \$148,587 and \$163,409, respectively. Our primary uses of funds have been to continue to invest in portfolio companies, through both debt and equity investments, repay outstanding borrowings and to make cash distributions to holders of our common stock.

Our primary sources of funds have historically been issuances of debt and equity. More recently, we have and may continue to fund a portion of our cash needs through repayments and opportunistic sales of our existing investment portfolio. We may also securitize a portion of our investments in unsecured or senior secured loans or other assets. Our objective is to put in place such borrowings in order to enable us to expand our portfolio. During the six months ended December 31, 2017, we borrowed \$341,000 and we made repayments totaling \$341,000 under the Revolving Credit Facility. As of December 31, 2017, we had, net of unamortized discount and debt issuance costs, \$889,233 outstanding on the Convertible Notes, \$739,318 outstanding on the Public Notes and \$824,383 outstanding on the

Prospect Capital InterNotes®, and no outstanding balance on the Revolving Credit Facility. (See “Capitalization” above.)

Undrawn committed revolvers and delayed draw term loans to our portfolio companies incur commitment and unused fees ranging from 0.00% to 4.00%. As of December 31, 2017 and June 30, 2017, we had \$20,017 and \$22,925, respectively, of undrawn revolver and delayed draw term loan commitments to our portfolio companies. The fair value of our undrawn committed revolvers and delayed draw term loans was zero as of December 31, 2017 and June 30, 2017.

Our shareholders’ equity accounts as of December 31, 2017 and June 30, 2017 reflect cumulative shares issued, net of shares repurchased, as of those respective dates. Our common stock has been issued through public offerings, a registered direct offering, the exercise of over-allotment options on the part of the underwriters, our dividend reinvestment plan and in connection with the

S-46

---

acquisition of certain controlled portfolio companies. When our common stock is issued, the related offering expenses have been charged against paid-in capital in excess of par. All underwriting fees and offering expenses were borne by us.

As part of our Repurchase Program, we delivered a notice with our annual proxy mailing on September 22, 2017. We did not repurchase any shares of our common stock for the six months ended December 31, 2017 or December 31, 2016.

On August 31, 2016, we filed a registration statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-213391) with the SEC. We subsequently filed a Pre-Effective Amendment No. 2 thereto on November 1, 2016, which the SEC declared effective on November 3, 2016. On October 26, 2017, we filed Post-Effective Amendment No. 50 to the registration statement, which the SEC declared effective on October 30, 2017. The registration statement permits us to issue, through one or more transactions, up to an aggregate of \$5,000,000 in securities, consisting of common stock, preferred stock, debt securities, subscription rights to purchase our securities, warrants representing rights to purchase our securities or separately tradeable units combining two or more of our securities. As of December 31, 2017, we have the ability to issue up to \$4,639,035 in securities under the registration statement.

#### Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

As of December 31, 2017, we did not have any off-balance sheet liabilities or other contractual obligations that are reasonably likely to have a current or future material effect on our financial condition, other than those which originate from 1) the investment advisory and management agreement and the administration agreement and 2) the portfolio companies.

#### Recent Developments

On January 5, 2018, we made a \$10,000 first lien and \$50,000 second lien secured investment in Research Now Group, Inc., a provider of customer surveys for market research activities.

On January 23, 2018, we made a \$12,500 Senior Secured Term Loan A and \$12,500 Senior Secured Term Loan B investment in Luminex Home Decor & Fragrance Company, LLC, a manufacturer and designer of decorative candles.

On January 29, 2018, we made a \$70,000 first lien senior secured investment in Town & Country Holdings, Inc., a manufacturer and designer of kitchen textiles and table linens.

On January 12, 2018, we called, with settlement on February 15, 2018, \$37,210 of our Prospect Capital InterNotes® at par maturing between February 15, 2019 and August 15, 2020, with a weighted average rate of 4.80%.

During the period from January 1, 2018 through February 7, 2018 we issued \$7,922 aggregate principal amount of Prospect

Capital InterNotes® for net proceeds of \$7,813.

On February 7, 2018, we announced the declaration of monthly dividends in the following amounts and with the following dates:

\$0.06 per share for February 2018 to holders of record on February 28, 2018 with a payment date of March 22, 2018.

\$0.06 per share for March 2018 to holders of record on March 30, 2018 with a payment date of April 19, 2018.

\$0.06 per share for April 2018 to holders of record on April 30, 2018 with a payment date of May 24, 2018.

#### Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

##### Basis of Presentation and Consolidation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with United States generally accepted accounting principles (“GAAP”) pursuant to the requirements for reporting on Form 10-Q, ASC 946, Financial Services—Investment Companies (“ASC 946”), and Articles 6, 10 and 12 of Regulation S-X. Under the 1940 Act, ASC 946, and the regulations pursuant to Article 6 of Regulation S-X, we are precluded from consolidating any entity other than another investment company or an operating company which provides substantially all of its services to benefit us. Our consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Prospect, PCF, PSBL, PYC, and the Consolidated Holding Companies. All intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. The financial results of our non-substantially wholly-owned holding companies and operating portfolio company investments are not consolidated in the financial statements. Any operating companies owned by the Consolidated Holding Companies are not consolidated.

S-47

---



## Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications have been made in the presentation of prior consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes to conform to the presentation as of and for the three and six months ended December 31, 2017.

### Use of Estimates

The preparation of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with GAAP requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of income, expenses, and gains and losses during the reported period. Changes in the economic environment, financial markets, creditworthiness of the issuers of our investment portfolio and any other parameters used in determining these estimates could cause actual results to differ, and these differences could be material.

### Investment Classification

We are a non-diversified company within the meaning of the 1940 Act. As required by the 1940 Act, we classify our investments by level of control. As defined in the 1940 Act, "Control Investments" are those where there is the ability or power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of a company. Control is generally deemed to exist when a company or individual possesses or has the right to acquire within 60 days or less, a beneficial ownership of more than 25% of the voting securities of an investee company. Under the 1940 Act, "Affiliate Investments" are defined by a lesser degree of influence and are deemed to exist through the possession outright or via the right to acquire within 60 days or less, beneficial ownership of 5% or more of the outstanding voting securities of another person. "Non-Control/Non-Affiliate Investments" are those that are neither Control Investments nor Affiliate Investments.

As a BDC, we must not acquire any assets other than "qualifying assets" specified in the 1940 Act unless, at the time the acquisition is made, at least 70% of our total assets are qualifying assets (with certain limited exceptions). As of December 31, 2017 and June 30, 2017, our qualifying assets as a percentage of total assets, stood at 72.16% and 71.75%, respectively.

### Investment Transactions

Investments are recognized when we assume an obligation to acquire a financial instrument and assume the risks for gains or losses related to that instrument. Specifically, we record all security transactions on a trade date basis. Investments are derecognized when we assume an obligation to sell a financial instrument and forego the risks for gains or losses related to that instrument. In accordance with ASC 325-40, Beneficial Interest in Securitized Financial Assets, investments in CLOs are periodically assessed for other-than-temporary impairment ("OTTI"). When the Company determines that a CLO has OTTI, the amortized cost basis of the CLO is written down to its fair value as of the date of the determination based on events and information evaluated and that write-down is recognized as a realized loss. Amounts for investments traded but not yet settled are reported in Due to Broker or Due from Broker, in the Consolidated Statements of Assets and Liabilities.

### Foreign Currency

Foreign currency amounts are translated into US Dollars (USD) on the following basis:

- i. fair value of investment securities, other assets and liabilities—at the spot exchange rate on the last business day of the period; and
- ii. purchases and sales of investment securities, income and expenses—at the rates of exchange prevailing on the respective dates of such investment transactions, income or expenses.

We do not isolate that portion of the results of operations resulting from changes in foreign exchange rates on investments from the fluctuations arising from changes in fair values of investments held or disposed of during the period. Such fluctuations are included within the net realized and net change in unrealized gains or losses from investments in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

### Investment Risks

Our investments are subject to a variety of risks. Those risks include the following:

#### Market Risk

Market risk represents the potential loss that can be caused by a change in the fair value of the financial instrument.



#### Credit Risk

Credit risk represents the risk that we would incur if the counterparties failed to perform pursuant to the terms of their agreements with us.

#### Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk represents the possibility that we may not be able to rapidly adjust the size of our investment positions in times of high volatility and financial stress at a reasonable price.

#### Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk represents a change in interest rates, which could result in an adverse change in the fair value of an interest-bearing financial instrument.

#### Prepayment Risk

Many of our debt investments allow for prepayment of principal without penalty. Downward changes in interest rates may cause prepayments to occur at a faster than expected rate, thereby effectively shortening the maturity of the security and making us less likely to fully earn all of the expected income of that security and reinvesting in a lower yielding instrument.

#### Structured Credit Related Risk

CLO investments may be riskier and less transparent to us than direct investments in underlying companies. CLOs typically will have no significant assets other than their underlying senior secured loans. Therefore, payments on CLO investments are and will be payable solely from the cash flows from such senior secured loans.

#### Online Small-and-Medium-Sized Business Lending Risk

With respect to our online SME lending initiative, we invest primarily in marketplace loans through marketplace lending facilitators. We do not conduct loan origination activities ourselves. Therefore, our ability to purchase SME loans, and our ability to grow our portfolio of SME loans, is directly influenced by the business performance and competitiveness of the marketplace loan origination business of the marketplace lending facilitators from which we purchase SME loans. In addition, our ability to analyze the risk-return profile of SME loans is significantly dependent on the marketplace facilitators' ability to effectively evaluate a borrower's credit profile and likelihood of default. If we are unable to effectively evaluate borrowers' credit profiles or the credit decisioning and scoring models implemented by each facilitator, we may incur unanticipated losses which could adversely impact our operating results.

#### Foreign Currency

Investments denominated in foreign currencies and foreign currency transactions may involve certain considerations and risks not typically associated with those of domestic origin. These risks include, but are not limited to, currency fluctuations and revaluations and future adverse political, social and economic developments, which could cause investments in foreign markets to be less liquid and prices more volatile than those of comparable U.S. companies or U.S. government securities.

#### Investment Valuation

To value our investments, we follow the guidance of ASC 820, Fair Value Measurement ("ASC 820"), that defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP"), and requires disclosures about fair value measurements. In accordance with ASC 820, the fair value of our investments is defined as the price that we would receive upon selling an investment in an orderly transaction to an independent buyer in the principal or most advantageous market in which that investment is transacted.

ASC 820 classifies the inputs used to measure these fair values into the following hierarchy:

Level 1: Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities, accessible by us at the measurement date.

Level 2: Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, or quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, or other observable inputs other than quoted prices.

Level 3: Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

In all cases, the level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement in its entirety falls has been determined based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Our assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment and considers factors specific to each investment.

Our Board of Directors has established procedures for the valuation of our investment portfolio. These procedures are detailed below.

Investments for which market quotations are readily available are valued at such market quotations.

For most of our investments, market quotations are not available. With respect to investments for which market quotations are not readily available or when such market quotations are deemed not to represent fair value, our Board of Directors has approved a multi-step valuation process each quarter, as described below.

1. Each portfolio company or investment is reviewed by our investment professionals with independent valuation firms engaged by our Board of Directors.
2. The independent valuation firms prepare independent valuations for each investment based on their own independent assessments and issue their report.
3. The Audit Committee of our Board of Directors reviews and discusses with the independent valuation firms the valuation reports, and then makes a recommendation to the Board of Directors of the value for each investment. The Board of Directors discusses valuations and determines the fair value of each investment in our portfolio in good faith based on the input of the Investment Adviser, the respective independent valuation firm and the Audit Committee.

Our non-CLO investments are valued utilizing a yield technique, enterprise value (“EV”) technique, net asset value technique, liquidation technique, discounted cash flow technique, or a combination of techniques, as appropriate. The yield technique uses loan spreads for loans and other relevant information implied by market data involving identical or comparable assets or liabilities. Under the EV technique, the EV of a portfolio company is first determined and allocated over the portfolio company’s securities in order of their preference relative to one another (i.e., “waterfall” allocation). To determine the EV, we typically use a market (multiples) valuation approach that considers relevant and applicable market trading data of guideline public companies, transaction metrics from precedent merger and acquisitions transactions, and/or a discounted cash flow technique. The net asset value technique, an income approach, is used to derive a value of an underlying investment (such as real estate property) by dividing a relevant earnings stream by an appropriate capitalization rate. For this purpose, we consider capitalization rates for similar properties as may be obtained from guideline public companies and/or relevant transactions. The liquidation technique is intended to approximate the net recovery value of an investment based on, among other things, assumptions regarding liquidation proceeds based on a hypothetical liquidation of a portfolio company’s assets. The discounted cash flow technique converts future cash flows or earnings to a range of fair values from which a single estimate may be derived utilizing an appropriate discount rate. The fair value measurement is based on the net present value indicated by current market expectations about those future amounts.

In applying these methodologies, additional factors that we consider in valuing our investments may include, as we deem relevant: security covenants, call protection provisions, and information rights; the nature and realizable value of any collateral; the portfolio company’s ability to make payments; the principal markets in which the portfolio company does business; publicly available financial ratios of peer companies; the principal market; and enterprise values, among other factors.

Our investments in CLOs are classified as Level 3 fair value measured securities under ASC 820 and are valued using both a discounted single-path cash flow model and a discounted multi-path cash flow model. The CLO structures are analyzed to identify the risk exposures and to determine an appropriate call date (i.e., expected maturity). These risk factors are sensitized in the multi-path cash flow model using Monte Carlo simulations, which is a simulation used to model the probability of different outcomes, to generate probability-weighted (i.e., multi-path) cash flows from the underlying assets and liabilities. These cash flows, after payments to debt tranches senior to our equity positions, are discounted using appropriate market discount rates, and relevant data in the CLO market as well as certain benchmark credit indices are considered, to determine the value of each CLO investment. In addition, we generate a single-path cash flow utilizing our best estimate of expected cash receipts, and assess the reasonableness of the implied discount rate that would be effective for the value derived from the multi-path cash flows. We are not responsible for and have

no influence over the asset management of the portfolios underlying the CLO investments we hold, as those portfolios are managed by non-affiliated third party CLO collateral managers. The main risk factors are default risk, prepayment risk, interest rate risk, downgrade risk, and credit spread risk.

Valuation of Other Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities

S-50

---

ASC 825, Financial Instruments, specifically ASC 825-10-25, permits an entity to choose, at specified election dates, to measure eligible items at fair value (the “Fair Value Option”). We have not elected the Fair Value Option to report selected financial assets and financial liabilities. See Note 8 in the accompanying Consolidated Financial Statements for further discussion of our financial liabilities that are measured using another measurement attribute.

#### Convertible Notes

We have recorded the Convertible Notes at their contractual amounts. We have determined that the embedded conversion options in the Convertible Unsecured Notes are not required to be separately accounted for as a derivative under ASC 815, Derivatives and Hedging. See Note 5 in the accompanying Consolidated Financial Statements for further discussion.

#### Revenue Recognition

Realized gains or losses on the sale of investments are calculated using the specific identification method.

Interest income, adjusted for amortization of premium and accretion of discount, is recorded on an accrual basis. Loan origination fees, original issue discount, and market discounts are capitalized and accreted into interest income over the respective terms of the applicable loans using the effective interest method or straight-line, as applicable, and adjusted only for material amendments or prepayments. Upon a prepayment of a loan, prepayment premiums, original issue discount, or market discounts are recorded as interest income.

Loans are placed on non-accrual status when there is reasonable doubt that principal or interest will be collected.

Unpaid accrued interest is generally reversed when a loan is placed on non-accrual status. Interest payments received on non-accrual loans are either applied to the cost basis or interest income, depending upon management’s judgment of the collectibility of the loan receivable. Non-accrual loans are restored to accrual status when past due principal and interest is paid and in management’s judgment, is likely to remain current and future principal and interest collections when due are probable. Interest received and applied against cost while a loan is on non-accrual, and PIK interest capitalized but not recognized while on non-accrual, is recognized prospectively on the effective yield basis through maturity of the loan when placed back on accrual status, to the extent deemed collectible by management. As of December 31, 2017, approximately 1.2% of our total assets at fair value are in non-accrual status.

Some of our loans and other investments may have contractual payment-in-kind (“PIK”) interest or dividends. PIK income computed at the contractual rate is accrued into income and reflected as receivable up to the capitalization date. PIK investments offer issuers the option at each payment date of making payments in cash or in additional securities. When additional securities are received, they typically have the same terms, including maturity dates and interest rates as the original securities issued. On these payment dates, we capitalize the accrued interest (reflecting such amounts in the basis as additional securities received). PIK generally becomes due at maturity of the investment or upon the investment being called by the issuer. At the point that we believe PIK is not fully expected to be realized, the PIK investment will be placed on non-accrual status. When a PIK investment is placed on non-accrual status, the accrued, uncapitalized interest or dividends are reversed from the related receivable through interest or dividend income, respectively. We do not reverse previously capitalized PIK interest or dividends. Upon capitalization, PIK is subject to the fair value estimates associated with their related investments. PIK investments on non-accrual status are restored to accrual status if we believe that PIK is expected to be realized.

Interest income from investments in the “equity” class of security of CLO funds (typically preferred shares, income notes or subordinated notes) and “equity” class of security of securitized trust is recorded based upon an estimation of an effective yield to expected maturity utilizing assumed cash flows in accordance with ASC 325-40, Beneficial Interests in Securitized Financial Assets. We monitor the expected cash inflows from our CLO and securitized trust equity investments, including the expected residual payments, and the effective yield is determined and updated periodically. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date.

Other income generally includes amendment fees, commitment fees, administrative agent fees and structuring fees which are recorded when earned. Excess deal deposits, net profits interests and overriding royalty interests are included in other income. See Note 10 in the accompanying Consolidated Financial Statements for further discussion. Federal and State Income Taxes

We have elected to be treated as a RIC and intend to continue to comply with the requirements of the Code applicable to regulated investment companies. We are required to distribute at least 90% of our investment company taxable income and intend to distribute (or retain through a deemed distribution) all of our investment company taxable

income and net capital gain to stockholders; therefore, we have made no provision for income taxes. The character of income and gains that we will distribute is determined

S-51

---

in accordance with income tax regulations that may differ from GAAP. Book and tax basis differences relating to stockholder dividends and distributions and other permanent book and tax differences are reclassified to paid-in capital.

If we do not distribute (or are not deemed to have distributed) at least 98% of our annual ordinary income and 98.2% of our capital gains in the calendar year earned, we will generally be required to pay an excise tax equal to 4% of the amount by which 98% of our annual ordinary income and 98.2% of our capital gains exceed the distributions from such taxable income for the year. To the extent that we determine that our estimated current year annual taxable income will be in excess of estimated current year dividend distributions from such taxable income, we accrue excise taxes, if any, on estimated excess taxable income. As of December 31, 2017, we do not expect to have any excise tax due for the 2017 calendar year. Thus, we have not accrued any excise tax for this period.

If we fail to satisfy the annual distribution requirement or otherwise fail to qualify as a RIC in any taxable year, we would be subject to tax on all of our taxable income at regular corporate income tax rates. We would not be able to deduct distributions to stockholders, nor would we be required to make distributions. Distributions would generally be taxable to our individual and other non-corporate taxable stockholders as ordinary dividend income eligible for the reduced maximum rate applicable to qualified dividend income to the extent of our current and accumulated earnings and profits, provided certain holding period and other requirements are met. Subject to certain limitations under the Code, corporate distributions would be eligible for the dividends-received deduction. To qualify again to be taxed as a RIC in a subsequent year, we would be required to distribute to our shareholders our accumulated earnings and profits attributable to non-RIC years. In addition, if we failed to qualify as a RIC for a period greater than two taxable years, then, in order to qualify as a RIC in a subsequent year, we would be required to elect to recognize and pay tax on any net built-in gain (the excess of aggregate gain, including items of income, over aggregate loss that would have been realized if we had been liquidated) or, alternatively, be subject to taxation on such built-in gain recognized for a period of five years.

We follow ASC 740, Income Taxes (“ASC 740”). ASC 740 provides guidance for how uncertain tax positions should be recognized, measured, presented, and disclosed in the consolidated financial statements. ASC 740 requires the evaluation of tax positions taken or expected to be taken in the course of preparing our tax returns to determine whether the tax positions are “more-likely-than-not” of being sustained by the applicable tax authority. Tax positions not deemed to meet the more-likely-than-not threshold are recorded as a tax benefit or expense in the current year. As of December 31, 2017 and for the three and six months then ended, we did not record any unrecognized tax benefits or liabilities. Management’s determinations regarding ASC 740 may be subject to review and adjustment at a later date based upon factors including, but not limited to, an on-going analysis of tax laws, regulations and interpretations thereof. Although we file both federal and state income tax returns, our major tax jurisdiction is federal. Our federal tax returns for the tax years ended August 31, 2014 and thereafter remain subject to examination by the Internal Revenue Service.

#### Dividends and Distributions

Dividends and distributions to common stockholders are recorded on the ex-dividend date. The amount, if any, to be paid as a monthly dividend or distribution is approved by our Board of Directors quarterly and is generally based upon our management’s estimate of our future taxable earnings. Net realized capital gains, if any, are distributed at least annually.

#### Financing Costs

We record origination expenses related to our Revolving Credit Facility and the Unsecured Notes as deferred financing costs. These expenses are deferred and amortized as part of interest expense using the straight-line method over the stated life of the obligation for our Revolving Credit Facility. The same methodology is used to approximate the effective yield method for our Prospect Capital InterNotes® and our 2024 Notes Follow-on Program. The effective interest method is used to amortize deferred financing costs for our remaining Unsecured Notes over the respective expected life or maturity. In the event that we modify or extinguish our debt before maturity, we follow the guidance in ASC 470-50, Modification and Extinguishments (“ASC 470-50”). For modifications to or exchanges of our Revolving Credit Facility, any unamortized deferred costs relating to lenders who are not part of the new lending group are expensed. For extinguishments of our Unsecured Notes, any unamortized deferred costs are deducted from the carrying amount of the debt in determining the gain or loss from the extinguishment.



Unamortized deferred financing costs are presented as a direct deduction to the respective Unsecured Notes (see Notes 5, 6, and 7 in the accompanying Consolidated Financial Statements for further discussion).

We may record registration expenses related to shelf filings as prepaid expenses. These expenses consist principally of SEC registration fees, legal fees and accounting fees incurred. These prepaid expenses are charged to capital upon the receipt of proceeds from an equity offering or charged to expense if no offering is completed. As of December 31, 2017 and June 30, 2017, there are no prepaid expenses related to registration expenses and all amounts incurred have been expensed.

S-52

---

#### Guarantees and Indemnification Agreements

We follow ASC 460, Guarantees (“ASC 460”). ASC 460 elaborates on the disclosure requirements of a guarantor in its interim and annual consolidated financial statements about its obligations under certain guarantees that it has issued. It also requires a guarantor to recognize, at the inception of a guarantee, for those guarantees that are covered by ASC 460, the fair value of the obligation undertaken in issuing certain guarantees.

#### Per Share Information

Net increase or decrease in net assets resulting from operations per share is calculated using the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the period presented. In accordance with ASC 946, convertible securities are not considered in the calculation of net asset value per share.

#### Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In June 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-13, Financial Instruments-Credit Losses (Topic 326): Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments (“ASU 2016-13”), which amends the financial instruments impairment guidance so that an entity is required to measure expected credit losses for financial assets based on historical experience, current conditions and reasonable and supportable forecasts. As such, an entity will use forward-looking information to estimate credit losses. ASU 2016-13 also amends the guidance in FASB ASC Subtopic No. 325-40, Investments-Other, Beneficial Interests in Securitized Financial Assets, related to the subsequent measurement of accretible yield recognized as interest income over the life of a beneficial interest in securitized financial assets under the effective yield method. ASU 2016-13 is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019, including interim periods within those fiscal years. Early adoption is permitted as of the fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018, including interim periods within those fiscal years. We are currently evaluating the impact, if any, of adopting this ASU on our consolidated financial statements.

In August 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-15, Statement of Cash Flows (Topic 230): Classification of Certain Cash Receipts and Cash Payments (“ASU 2016-15”), which addresses certain aspects of cash flow statement classification. One such amendment requires cash payments for debt prepayment or debt extinguishment costs to be classified as cash outflows for financing activities. ASU 2016-15 is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2017, and interim periods within those fiscal years. Early adoption is permitted, including adoption in an interim period. If an entity early adopts the amendments in an interim period, any adjustments should be reflected as of the beginning of the fiscal year that includes that interim period. An entity that elects early adoption must adopt all of the amendments in the same period. The adoption of the amended guidance in ASU 2016-15 is not expected to have a significant effect on our consolidated financial statements and disclosures.

## QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

We are subject to financial market risks, including changes in interest rates and equity price risk. Interest rate sensitivity refers to the change in our earnings that may result from changes in the level of interest rates impacting some of the loans in our portfolio which have floating interest rates. Additionally, because we fund a portion of our investments with borrowings, our net investment income is affected by the difference between the rate at which we invest and the rate at which we borrow. As a result, there can be no assurance that a significant change in market interest rates will not have a material adverse effect on our net investment income. See “Risk Factors - Risks Relating to Our Business - Changes in interest rates may affect our cost of capital and net investment income.”

Our debt investments may be based on floating rates or fixed rates. For our floating rate loans the rates are determined from the LIBOR, EURO Interbank Offer Rate, the Federal Funds Rate or the Prime Rate. The floating interest rate loans may be subject to a LIBOR floor. Our loans typically have durations of one to three months after which they reset to current market interest rates. As of December 31, 2017, 89.3% of the interest earning investments in our portfolio, at fair value, bore interest at floating rates.

We also have a revolving credit facility and certain Prospect Capital InterNotes® issuances that are based on floating LIBOR rates. Interest on borrowings under the revolving credit facility is one-month LIBOR plus 225 basis points with no minimum LIBOR floor and there is no outstanding balance as of December 31, 2017. Interest on five Prospect Capital InterNotes® is three-month LIBOR plus a range of 300 to 350 basis points with no minimum LIBOR floor.

The Convertible Notes, Public Notes and remaining Prospect Capital InterNotes® bear interest at fixed rates.

The following table shows the approximate annual impact on net investment income of base rate changes in interest rates (considering interest rate flows for floating rate instruments, excluding our investments in CLO residual interests) to our loan portfolio and outstanding debt as of December 31, 2017, assuming no changes in our investment and borrowing structure:

| (in thousands)<br>Basis Point Change | Interest<br>Income | Interest<br>Expense | Net<br>Investment<br>Income | Net<br>Investment<br>Income (1) |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Up 300 basis points                  | \$96,350           | \$ 43               | \$ 96,307                   | \$ 77,046                       |
| Up 200 basis points                  | 63,644             | 29                  | 63,615                      | 50,892                          |
| Up 100 basis points                  | 31,271             | 14                  | 31,257                      | 25,006                          |
| Down 100 basis points                | (12,187 )          | (24 )               | (12,163 )                   | (9,730 )                        |

(1) Includes the impact of income incentive fees. See Note 13 in the accompanying Consolidated Financial Statements for more information on income incentive fees.

As of December 31, 2017, one and three month LIBOR was 1.56% and 1.69%, respectively.

We may hedge against interest rate fluctuations by using standard hedging instruments such as futures, options and forward contracts subject to the requirements of the 1940 Act. While hedging activities may insulate us against adverse changes in interest rates, they may also limit our ability to participate in the benefits of higher interest rates with respect to our portfolio of investments. During the quarter ended December 31, 2017, we did not engage in hedging activities.

## REGISTRATION AND SETTLEMENT

### The Depository Trust Company

All of the notes we offer will be issued in book-entry only form. This means that we will not issue certificates for notes, except in the limited case described below. Instead, we will issue global notes in registered form. Each global note will be held through DTC and will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC.

Accordingly, Cede & Co. will be the holder of record of the notes. Each note represented by a global note evidences a beneficial interest in that global note.

Beneficial interests in a global note will be shown on, and transfers are effected through, records maintained by DTC or its participants. In order to own a beneficial interest in a note, you must be an institution that has an account with DTC or have a direct or indirect account with such an institution. Transfers of ownership interests in the notes will be accomplished by making entries in DTC participants' books acting on behalf of beneficial owners.

So long as DTC or its nominee is the registered holder of a global note, DTC or its nominee, as the case may be, will be the sole holder and owner of the notes represented thereby for all purposes, including payment of principal and interest, under the indenture. Except as otherwise provided below, you will not be entitled to receive physical delivery of certificated notes and will not be considered the holder of the notes for any purpose under the indenture.

Accordingly, you must rely on the procedures of DTC and the procedures of the DTC participant through which you own your note in order to exercise any rights of a holder of a note under the indenture. The laws of some jurisdictions require that certain purchasers of notes take physical delivery of such notes in certificated form. Those limits and laws may impair the ability to transfer beneficial interests in the notes.

Each global note representing notes will be exchangeable for certificated notes of like tenor and terms and of differing authorized denominations in a like aggregate principal amount, only if (1) DTC notifies us that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depository for the global notes or we become aware that DTC has ceased to be a clearing agency registered under the Exchange Act and, in any such case we fail to appoint a successor to DTC within 60 calendar days, (2) we, in our sole discretion, determine that the global notes shall be exchangeable for certificated notes or (3) an event of default has occurred and is continuing with respect to the notes under the indenture. Upon any such exchange, the certificated notes shall be registered in the names of the beneficial owners of the global note representing the notes.

The following is based on information furnished by DTC:

DTC will act as securities depository for the notes. The notes will be issued as fully-registered notes registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC's partnership nominee) or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. Generally, one fully registered global note will be issued for all of the principal amount of the notes.

DTC is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Exchange Act. DTC holds and provides asset servicing for over 2 million issues of U.S. and non-U.S. equity issues, corporate and municipal debt issues and money market instruments from over 85 countries that DTC's direct participants deposit with DTC.

DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among direct participants of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities, through electronic computerized book-entry transfers and pledges between direct participants' accounts. This eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct participants include both U.S. and non U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations. DTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation ("DTCC"). DTCC, in turn, is owned by a number of direct participants of DTC and members of the National Securities Clearing Corporation, Government Securities Clearing Corporation, MBS Clearing Corporation, and Emerging Markets Clearing Corporation, as well as by The New York Stock Exchange, Inc., the American Stock Exchange LLC, and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. Access to the DTC system is also available to others such as both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies and clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a direct participant, either directly or indirectly. The DTC rules applicable to its participants are on file with the SEC. More information about DTC can be found at [www.dtcc.com](http://www.dtcc.com).

Purchases of the notes under the DTC system must be made by or through direct participants, which will receive a credit for the notes on DTC's records. The beneficial interest of each actual purchaser of each note is in turn to be recorded on the direct and indirect participants' records. Beneficial owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase.

S-55

---

Beneficial owners are, however, expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the direct or indirect participant through which the beneficial owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of beneficial interests in the notes are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of direct and indirect participants acting on behalf of beneficial owners. Beneficial owners will not receive certificates representing their beneficial interests in notes, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the notes is discontinued.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all notes deposited by direct participants with DTC will be registered in the name of DTC's partnership nominee, Cede & Co. or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. The deposit of the notes with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other nominee do not effect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual beneficial owners of the notes; DTC's records reflect only the identity of the direct participants to whose accounts such notes will be credited, which may or may not be the beneficial owners. The direct and indirect participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to direct participants, by direct participants to indirect participants, and by direct participants and indirect participants to beneficial owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Beneficial owners of the notes may wish to take certain steps to augment the transmission to them of notices of significant events with respect to the notes, such as redemption, tenders, defaults, and proposed amendments to the security documents. For example, beneficial owners of the notes may wish to ascertain that the nominee holding the notes for their benefit has agreed to obtain and transmit notices to beneficial owners. In the alternative, beneficial owners may wish to provide their names and addresses to the registrar of the notes and request that copies of the notices be provided to them directly. Any such request may or may not be successful.

Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. (nor any other DTC nominee) will consent or vote with respect to the notes unless authorized by a direct participant in accordance with DTC's procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an Omnibus Proxy to us as soon as possible after the regular record date. The Omnibus Proxy assigns Cede & Co.'s consenting or voting rights to those direct participants to whose accounts the notes are credited on the record date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

We will pay principal and or interest payments on the notes in same-day funds directly to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. DTC's practice is to credit direct participants' accounts on the applicable payment date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records upon DTC's receipt of funds and corresponding detail information. Payments by participants to beneficial owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name," and will be the responsibility of these participants and not of DTC or any other party, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements that may be in effect from time to time. Payment of principal and interest to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC, is our responsibility, disbursement of such payments to direct participants is the responsibility of DTC, and disbursement of such payments to the beneficial owners is the responsibility of the direct or indirect participant.

We will send any redemption notices to DTC. If less than all of the notes are being redeemed, DTC's practice is to determine by lot the amount of the interest of each direct participant in such issue to be redeemed.

A beneficial owner, or its authorized representative, shall give notice to elect to have its notes repaid by us, through its direct or indirect participant, to the trustee, and shall effect delivery of such notes by causing the direct participant to transfer that participant's interest in the global note representing such notes, on DTC's records, to the trustee. The requirement for physical delivery of notes in connection with a demand for repayment will be deemed satisfied when the ownership rights in the global note representing such notes are transferred by the direct participants on DTC's records.

DTC may discontinue providing its services as securities depository for the notes at any time by giving us reasonable notice. Under such circumstances, if a successor securities depository is not obtained, we will print and deliver certificated notes. We may decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry transfers through DTC (or a successor securities depository). In that event, we will print and deliver certificated notes.

The information in this section concerning DTC and DTC's system has been obtained from sources that we believe to be reliable, but neither we, the Purchasing Agent nor any agent takes any responsibility for its accuracy.

Registration, Transfer and Payment of Certificated Notes

If we ever issue notes in certificated form, those notes may be presented for registration, transfer and payment at the office of the registrar or at the office of any transfer agent designated and maintained by us. We have originally designated

S-56

---

American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC to act in those capacities for the notes. The registrar or transfer agent will make the transfer or registration only if it is satisfied with the documents of title and identity of the person making the request. There will not be a service charge for any exchange or registration of transfer of the notes, but we may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with the exchange. At any time, we may change transfer agents or approve a change in the location through which any transfer agent acts. We also may designate additional transfer agents for any notes at any time. We will not be required to: (1) issue, exchange or register the transfer of any note to be redeemed for a period of 15 days after the selection of the notes to be redeemed; (2) exchange or register the transfer of any note that was selected, called or is being called for redemption, except the unredeemed portion of any note being redeemed in part; or (3) exchange or register the transfer of any note as to which an election for repayment by the holder has been made, except the unrepaid portion of any note being repaid in part.

We will pay principal of and interest on any certificated notes at the offices of the paying agents we may designate from time to time. Generally, we will pay interest on a note by check on any interest payment date other than at stated maturity or upon earlier redemption or repayment to the person in whose name the note is registered at the close of business on the regular record date for that payment. We will pay principal and interest at stated maturity or upon earlier redemption or repayment in same-day funds against presentation and surrender of the applicable notes.



## SUPPLEMENT TO MATERIAL U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS

The following summary of U.S. federal income tax considerations supplements the discussion set forth under the heading “Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations” in the accompanying prospectus and is subject to the qualifications and assumptions set forth therein.

The following is a general summary of U.S. federal income tax considerations generally applicable to the purchase, ownership and disposition of the notes. This discussion is based upon the Code, Treasury Regulations and judicial decisions and administrative interpretations thereof, all as of the date hereof and all of which are subject to change or differing interpretations, possibly with retroactive effect. No ruling from the Internal Revenue Service (“IRS”) has been or will be sought regarding any matter discussed herein. No assurance can be given that the IRS would not assert, or that a court would not sustain, a position contrary to any of the tax aspects set forth below.

This discussion applies only to a holder of notes that acquires the notes pursuant to this offering at their “issue price” within the meaning of the applicable provisions of the Code and who holds the notes as a capital asset (generally, property held for investment) under the Code. This discussion does not address any U.S. federal estate or gift tax consequences or any state, local or non-U.S. tax consequences. In addition, this discussion does not address all aspects of U.S. federal income taxation that may be applicable to investors in light of their particular circumstances, or to investors subject to special treatment under U.S. federal income tax law, including, but not limited to:

- banks, insurance companies or other financial institutions;
- pension plans or trusts;
- U.S. noteholders (as defined below) whose functional currency is not the U.S. dollar;
- real estate investment trusts;
- regulated investment companies;
- persons subject to the alternative minimum tax;
- cooperatives;
- tax-exempt organizations;
- dealers in securities;
- expatriates;
- foreign persons or entities (except to the extent set forth below);
- persons deemed to sell the notes under the constructive sale provisions of the Code; or
- persons that hold the notes as part of a straddle, hedge, conversion transaction or other integrated investment.

If a partnership (including any entity or arrangement treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes) owns notes, the tax treatment of a partner in the partnership will depend upon the status of the partner and the activities of the partnership. Partners in a partnership that owns the notes should consult their tax advisors as to the particular U.S. federal income tax consequences applicable to them.

We encourage investors to consult their tax advisors regarding the specific consequences of an investment in our notes, including tax reporting requirements, the applicability of U.S. federal, state or local and foreign tax laws, eligibility for the benefits of any applicable tax treaty and the effect of any possible changes in the tax laws.

### Consequences to U.S. Noteholders

The following is a general summary of U.S. federal income tax consequences generally applicable to you if you are a U.S. noteholder. U.S. federal income tax consequences generally applicable to non-U.S. noteholders are described under “Consequences to Non-U.S. Noteholders” below. For purposes of this summary, the term “U.S. noteholder” means a beneficial owner of a note that is, for U.S. federal income tax purposes (i) an individual who is a citizen or resident of the U.S., (ii) a corporation, or other entity treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes, that is created or organized under the laws of the U.S., any of the States or the District of Columbia, (iii) an estate the income of which is subject to U.S. federal income taxation regardless of its source, or (iv) a trust (A) if a court within the U.S. is able to exercise primary supervision over its administration and one or more U.S. persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of such trust, or (B) that has made a valid election to be treated as a U.S. person for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

### Stated interest and OID on the notes

Except as discussed below, a U.S. noteholder generally will be required to recognize stated interest as ordinary income at the time it is paid or accrued on the notes in accordance with its regular method of accounting for U.S.

federal income tax purposes. In addition, if the notes' "issue price" (the first price at which a substantial amount of the notes is sold to investors) is less than their "stated redemption price at maturity" (the sum of all payments to be made on the notes other than "qualified stated interest") by more than a statutorily defined de minimis threshold, the notes will be issued with original issue discount

S-58

---

("OID") for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The term "qualified stated interest" generally means stated interest that is unconditionally payable at least annually at a single fixed rate or, if certain requirements are met (as described below), certain variable rates.

If the notes are issued with OID, a U.S. noteholder generally will be required to include the OID in gross income as ordinary interest income in advance of the receipt of cash attributable to that income and regardless of such holder's regular method of tax accounting. Such OID will be included in gross income for each day during each taxable year in which the note is held using a constant yield-to-maturity method that reflects the compounding of interest. This means that the holder will have to include in income increasingly greater amounts of OID over time. Notice will be given in the applicable pricing supplement if we determine that a particular note will be issued with OID. We are required to provide information returns stating the amount of OID accrued on the notes held by persons of record other than certain exempt holders.

If the notes are "step-up notes" (i.e., notes with a fixed interest rate that increases at pre-determined intervals), the tax treatment described in the first sentence under "—Consequences to U.S. Noteholders—Stated interest and OID on the notes" assumes that we will have the right to call the notes at par (plus accrued but unpaid interest) on each date that the interest rate increases. If this is not the case, interest that exceeds the lowest rate payable under the step-up note may not be treated as qualified stated interest and, depending on the amount of such excess, may thus cause the step-up note to be treated as issued with OID, in which case the notes generally would be subject to the OID rules discussed above. Prospective investors are urged to consult their own tax advisors regarding the treatment of step-up notes or similar notes.

If you own a note issued with de minimis OID (i.e., discount that is not OID), you generally must include the de minimis OID in income at the time principal payments on the notes are made in proportion to the amount paid. Any amount of de minimis OID that you have included in income will be treated as capital gain.

#### Short-term notes

Notes that have a fixed maturity of one year or less ("short-term notes") will be subject to the following special rules. All of the interest on a short-term note is treated as part of the short-term note's stated redemption price at maturity, thereby giving rise to OID. Thus, all short-term notes will be OID debt securities. OID will be treated as accruing on a short-term debt instrument ratably or, at the election of a U.S. noteholder, under a constant yield method.

A U.S. noteholder that uses the cash method of tax accounting (with certain exceptions) will generally not be required to include OID in respect of the short-term note in income on a current basis, though they may be required to include stated interest in income as the income is received. Such a U.S. noteholder may not be allowed to deduct all of the interest paid or accrued on any indebtedness incurred or maintained to purchase or carry such a short-term note until the maturity of the note or its earlier disposition in a taxable transaction. In addition, such a U.S. noteholder will be required to treat any gain realized on a disposition of the note as ordinary income to the extent of the holder's accrued OID on the note, and short-term capital gain to the extent the gain exceeds accrued OID. A U.S. noteholder that uses the cash method of tax accounting may, however, elect to include OID on a short-term note in income on a current basis. In such case, the limitation on the deductibility of interest described above will not apply. A U.S. noteholder that uses the accrual method of tax accounting and certain cash method holders generally will be required to include OID on a short-term note in income on a current basis.

#### Floating rate notes

In the case of a note that is a floating rate note (including a note based on LIBOR), special rules apply. In general, if a note qualifies for treatment as a "variable rate debt instrument" under Treasury Regulations and provides for stated interest that is unconditionally payable at least annually at a variable rate that, subject to certain exceptions, is a single "qualified floating rate" or "objective rate," each as defined below, all stated interest on the note is treated as qualified stated interest. In that case, both the note's "yield to maturity" and "qualified stated interest" will be determined, for purposes of calculating the accrual of OID, if any, as though the note will bear interest in all periods throughout its term at a fixed rate generally equal to the rate that would be applicable to interest payments on the note on its issue date or, in the case of an objective rate (other than a "qualified inverse floating rate"), the rate that reflects the yield to maturity that is reasonably expected for the note. A U.S. noteholder of a variable rate debt instrument would then recognize OID, if any, that is calculated based on the note's assumed yield to maturity. If the interest actually accrued or paid during an accrual period exceeds or is less than the assumed fixed interest, the qualified stated interest

allocable to that period is increased or decreased under rules set forth in Treasury Regulations. Special rules apply for determining the amount of OID for other variable rate debt instruments, such as instruments with more than one qualified floating rate or instruments with a single fixed rate and one or more qualified floating rates. U.S. noteholders should consult their own tax advisors with respect to the specific U.S. federal income tax considerations regarding any investment in a note that qualifies a “variable rate debt instrument.”

S-59

---

A note will generally qualify as a variable rate debt instrument if (a) the note's issue price does not exceed the total noncontingent principal payments by more than the lesser of: (i) .015 multiplied by the product of the total noncontingent principal payments and the number of complete years to maturity from the issue date, or (ii) 15% of the total noncontingent principal payments; (b) the note provides for stated interest, compounded or paid at least annually, only at one or more qualified floating rates, a single fixed rate and one or more qualified floating rates, a single objective rate, or a single fixed rate and a single objective rate that is a qualified inverse floating rate; and (c) the value of the rate on any date during the term of the note is set no earlier than three months prior to the first day on which that value is in effect or no later than one year following that first day.

Generally, a rate is a qualified floating rate if variations in the rate can reasonably be expected to measure contemporaneous fluctuations in the cost of newly borrowed funds in the currency in which the debt instrument is denominated. A rate that equals LIBOR or LIBOR plus or minus a fixed spread is, in general, a qualified floating rate. However, a rate (including a rate based on LIBOR) will generally not be a qualified floating rate if, among other circumstances:

the rate is subject to one or more minimum or maximum rate floors or ceilings or one or more governors limiting the amount of increase or decrease in each case which are not fixed throughout the term of the note and which are reasonably expected as of the issue date to cause the rate in some accrual periods to be significantly higher or lower than the overall expected return on the note determined without the floor, ceiling, or governor; or

the rate is a multiple of a qualified floating rate unless the multiple is a fixed multiple that is greater than 0.65 but not more than 1.35 (provided, however, that if a multiple of a qualified floating rate is not within such limits and thus is not itself a qualified floating rate, it may nevertheless qualify as an "objective rate").

If a note provides for two or more qualified floating rates that are within 0.25 percentage points of each other on the issue date or can reasonably be expected to have approximately the same values throughout the term of the note, the qualified floating rates together constitute a single qualified floating rate.

Generally, an objective rate is a rate that is determined using a single fixed formula that is based on objective financial or economic information such as one or more qualified floating rates. An objective rate is a qualified inverse floating rate if that rate is equal to a fixed rate minus a qualified floating rate and variations in the rate can reasonably be expected to inversely reflect contemporaneous variations in the qualified floating rate. A variable rate will generally not qualify as an objective rate if, among other circumstances, it is reasonably expected that the average value of the variable rate during the first half of the term of the note will be either significantly less than or significantly greater than the average value of the rate during the final half of the term of the note.

If a floating rate note does not qualify as a "variable rate debt instrument," the note generally will be subject to taxation under special rules applicable to contingent payment debt instruments. U.S. noteholders should consult their own tax advisors with respect to the specific U.S. federal income tax considerations regarding such notes.

**Sale, exchange, redemption or other taxable disposition of the notes**

Subject to the special rules for short-term notes discussed above, upon the sale, exchange, redemption or other taxable disposition of a note, a U.S. noteholder generally will recognize capital gain or loss in an amount equal to the difference between (1) the sum of cash plus the fair market value of all other property received on such disposition (except to the extent such cash or property is attributable to accrued but unpaid interest, which, to the extent not previously included in income, generally will be taxable as ordinary income) and (2) its adjusted tax basis in the note. A U.S. noteholder's adjusted tax basis in a note generally will equal the price the U.S. noteholder paid for the note increased by OID (including with respect to a short-term note), if any, previously included in income with respect to that note, and reduced by any cash payments on the note other than qualified stated interest. Such capital gain or loss will be long-term capital gain or loss if, at the time of such taxable disposition, the U.S. noteholder has held the note for more than one year. The deductibility of capital losses is subject to limitations.

**Medicare tax**

Certain U.S. noteholders who are individuals, estates or trusts and whose income exceeds certain thresholds will be required to pay a 3.8% Medicare tax on all or a portion of their "net investment income," which includes interest on the notes and capital gains from the sale or other disposition of the notes.

**Information reporting and backup withholding**

In general, information reporting requirements will apply to certain payments of principal and interest (including OID) and to the proceeds of sale of a note paid to a U.S. noteholder (unless such noteholder is an exempt recipient). A backup

S-60

---

withholding tax may apply to such payments if a U.S. noteholder fails to provide a taxpayer identification number or certification of exempt status, or if it is otherwise subject to backup withholding.

Any amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules will be allowed as a refund or credit against a U.S. noteholder's United States federal income tax liability provided the required information is timely furnished to the IRS.

#### Consequences to Non-U.S. Noteholders

The following is a general summary of U.S. federal income tax consequences generally applicable to you if you are a non-U.S. noteholder. A beneficial owner of a note that is not a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes (including any entity or arrangement otherwise treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes) or a U.S. noteholder is referred to herein as a "non-U.S. noteholder."

#### Stated interest and OID on the notes

Stated interest and OID, if any, paid or accrued to a non-U.S. noteholder will generally not be subject to U.S. federal income or withholding tax if the interest or OID is not effectively connected with its conduct of a trade or business within the United States and is not considered contingent interest within the meaning of Section 871(h)(4)(A) of the Code (generally relating to interest payments that are determined by reference to the income, profits, receipts, cash flow, changes in the value of non-publicly-traded property or other attributes of, or distributions or similar payments paid by, the debtor or a related party), and the non-U.S. noteholder:

- does not own, actually or constructively, 10% or more of the total combined voting power of all classes of our stock entitled to vote;

- is not a "controlled foreign corporation" with respect to which we are, directly or indirectly, a "related person";

- is not a bank whose receipt of interest on the notes is described in section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code; and

- provides its name and address, and certifies, under penalties of perjury, that it is not a U.S. person (on a properly executed IRS Form W-8BEN or W-8BEN-E (or other applicable form)), or holds its notes through certain foreign intermediaries and satisfies the certification requirements of applicable Treasury Regulations.

If a non-U.S. noteholder does not qualify for an exemption under these rules, interest income and OID, if any, from the notes may be subject to withholding tax at the rate of 30% (or lower applicable treaty rate). Stated interest and OID, if any, effectively connected with a non-U.S. noteholder's conduct of a U.S. trade or business (and, if required by an applicable income tax treaty, which is attributable to a United States permanent establishment), however, would not be subject to a 30% withholding tax so long as the non-U.S. noteholder provides us or our paying agent an adequate certification (currently on IRS Form W-8ECI); such payments of interest generally would be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net basis at the rates applicable to U.S. persons generally. In addition, if a non-U.S. noteholder is a foreign corporation and the stated interest and OID, if any, is effectively connected with its conduct of a U.S. trade or business, it may also be subject to a 30% (or lower applicable treaty rate) branch profits tax on its effectively connected earnings and profits for the taxable year, subject to adjustments. To claim the benefit of a tax treaty, a non-U.S. noteholder must provide a properly executed IRS Form W-8BEN or W-8BEN-E (or other applicable form) to us or our paying agent before the payment of stated interest or OID, and may be required to obtain a U.S. taxpayer identification number and provide documentary evidence issued by foreign governmental authorities to prove residence in the foreign country.

#### Sale, exchange, redemption or other taxable disposition of the notes

Any gain recognized by a non-U.S. noteholder on the sale, exchange, redemption or other taxable disposition of the notes (except with respect to accrued and unpaid interest, which would be taxed as described under "Consequences to Non-U.S. Noteholders—Stated interest and OID on the notes" above) generally will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax unless:

- the gain is effectively connected with its conduct of a U.S. trade or business (and, if required by an applicable income tax treaty, is attributable to a United States permanent establishment); or

- the non-U.S. noteholder is a nonresident alien individual present in the U.S. for 183 or more days in the taxable year within which the sale, exchange, redemption or other disposition takes place and certain other requirements are met.

If a non-U.S. noteholder is a holder described in the first bullet point above, the net gain derived from the sale, exchange, redemption or other taxable disposition of its notes generally will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net basis at the rates applicable to U.S. persons generally. In addition, if such non-U.S. noteholder is a foreign corporation, it may also be subject to a 30% (or lower applicable treaty rate) branch profits tax on its effectively

connected earnings and profits for the taxable year, subject to adjustments. If a non-U.S. noteholder is a holder described in the second bullet point above, it will be subject to a flat 30% U.S. federal income tax on the gain derived from the sale, exchange, redemption or other taxable

S-61

---



disposition of its notes, which may be offset by U.S. source capital losses, even though it is not considered a resident of the United States.

#### Information Reporting and Backup Withholding

Generally, we must report to the IRS and to a non-U.S. noteholder the amount of interest (including OID) on the notes paid to a non-U.S. noteholder and the amount of tax, if any, withheld with respect to those payments if the notes are in registered form. Copies of the information returns reporting such interest payments and any withholding may also be made available to the tax authorities in the country in which a non-U.S. noteholder resides under the provisions of an applicable income tax treaty.

In general, a non-U.S. noteholder will not be subject to backup withholding with respect to payments on the notes that we make to such noteholder provided that we do not have actual knowledge or reason to know that such noteholder is a U.S. person as defined under the Code, and we have received from you the statement described above under the fourth bullet point under “Consequences to Non-U.S. Noteholders—Stated interest and OID on the notes.”

In addition, no information reporting requirements or backup withholding will be required regarding the proceeds of the sale of a note made within the United States or conducted through certain United States-related financial intermediaries, if the payor receives the statement described above and does not have actual knowledge or reason to know that the non-U.S. noteholder is a U.S. person as defined under the Code, or the non-U.S. noteholder otherwise establishes an exemption.

Any amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules will be allowed as a refund or credit against a non-U.S. noteholder’s United States federal income tax liability provided the required information is timely furnished to the IRS. Other withholding rules

Withholding at a rate of 30% will be required on interest in respect of, and after December 31, 2018, on gross proceeds from the sale of, notes held by or through certain foreign financial institutions (including investment funds), unless such institution enters into an agreement with the Secretary of the Treasury to report, on an annual basis, information with respect to shares in, and accounts maintained by, the institution to the extent such shares or accounts are held by certain United States persons or by certain non-U.S. entities that are wholly or partially owned by United States persons and to withhold on certain payments. Accordingly, the entity through which notes are held will affect the determination of whether such withholding is required. An intergovernmental agreement between the United States and an applicable foreign country, or future guidance, may modify these requirements. Similarly, interest in respect of, and after December 31, 2018, gross proceeds from the sale of, notes held by an investor that is a non-financial non-U.S. entity will be subject to withholding at a rate of 30%, unless such entity either (i) certifies to us that such entity does not have any “substantial United States owners” or (ii) provides certain information regarding the entity’s “substantial United States owners,” which we will in turn provide to the Secretary of the Treasury. Non-U.S. noteholders are encouraged to consult with their tax advisors regarding the possible implications of these requirements on their investment in notes.

Non-U.S. noteholders should consult any applicable income tax treaties that may provide for different rules. In addition, non-U.S. noteholders are urged to consult their tax advisors regarding the tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of the notes.

CERTAIN CONSIDERATIONS APPLICABLE TO