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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** Form 4 or

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(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

(Instr. 3)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(First)

(Street)

CROCKER DOUGLAS II

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

VENTAS INC [VTR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 11/27/2006

(Middle)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X_ Director

Officer (give title

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

below)

CHICAGO, IL 60606

(City) (State) (Zip) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities Acquired Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

5. Amount of

7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Form: Direct Beneficial (D) or Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

10% Owner Other (specify

Reported (Instr. 4)

(A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Common 11/27/2006 A Stock

Code V Amount (D) Price 39.936 \$ 37.56

49,160.266 (2)(3)

D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	isable and	7. Title and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onNumber	Expiration Da	ate	Amount of	Derivative	Deriv
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								Number		
								of		
								Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
CROCKER DOUGLAS II TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA CHICAGO, IL 60606	X					

Signatures

Douglas Crocker II, By: T. Richard, 11/29/2006 Attorney-In-Fact

> **Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- Common Stock in the form of Units granted under the Non-Employee Director Deferred Stock Compensation Plan (the "Plan") in lieu of
- (1) Director fees pursuant to the Director's deferral election. Such Units are payable solely in Common Stock and subject to the terms and conditions of the Director's deferral election and the Plan.
- (2) Includes 234.936 shares acquired on November 2, 2006 under the Ventas Employee and Director Stock Purchase Plan.
- (3) As of November 27, 2006, Reporting Person also owns options to purchase 50,000 shares of Issuer's common stock.

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