VENTAS INC Form 4 October 31, 2013

FORM 4

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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A GELLERT	Address of Reporting	Symbol	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VENTAS INC [VTR]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last)	(First) (N	Middle) 3. Date o	of Earliest Transaction		(Che	ck all applicable	;)	
`			Day/Year) 2013	_X_ Director Officer (give below)		Owner er (specify		
(Street) 4.			endment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check				
Fi			onth/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person				
WOODLAN	ND HILLS,, CA 9	91367		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-Derivative Sec	urities Acc	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	e 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Transaction(A) or Dispo Code (Instr. 3, 4 and (Instr. 8)	sed of (D) and 5) and 7 r D) Price	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	10/29/2013		M 5,000 A	\$ 22.15	77,001.683	D		

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

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

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.15	10/29/2013		M	5,000	01/05/2004(1)	01/05/2014	Common Stock	5,000

Reporting Owners

or 10% Owne	O CC	
10 % O WIIC	r Officer	Other
	or 10% Owne.	or 10% Owner Officer

Signatures

Jay M. Gellert, By: T. Richard Riney, Attorney-In-Fact

10/31/2013

**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).
- (1) These options were part of a previously reported grant of 5,000 on January 5, 2004 by the Issuer to the Reporting Person that vested in two equal annual installments beginning on January 5, 2004.
- (2) Represents total number of unexercised stock options held by the Reporting Person as of October 29, 2013.

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