VENTAS INC Form 4 January 31, 2014

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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may continue.

See Instruction

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person CROCKER DOUGLAS II			er Name and Ticker or Trading AS INC [VTR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer						
(Last)	(First)		of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)						
71 SOUTH DRIVE, SU		(Month 01/29/	(Day/Year) 2014	X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)						
	(Street)	4. If An	nendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check						
CHICAGO, IL 60606			onth/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City)	(State)	(Zip) Ta	ble I - Non-Derivative Securities A	tive Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned						
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year		3. 4. Securities Acquire Transaction(A) or Disposed of (I Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)							
		(Month/Day/Year	(A) or Code V Amount (D) Pri	Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)						

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date		4.	5.	6. Date Exerc		7. Titl		8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transact Code (Instr. 8)	orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	:		Amou Under Securi (Instr.	lying	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CROCKER DOUGLAS II
71 SOUTH WACKER DRIVE SUITE 3400

CHICAGO, IL 60606

Signatures

Douglas Crocker, II, By: T. Richard Riney, Attorney-In-Fact

01/31/2014

**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 Ventas Nonemployee Directors' Deferred Stock Compensation Plan (the "Plan") in
- (1) lieu of 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) As of January 29, 2014, Reporting Person also owns options to purchase 25,000 shares of Issuer's common stock.

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