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Supplement dated March 23, 2012

to the Statement of Additional Information, dated May 1, 2011

for

Tri-Continental Corporation

(the Corporation)

Effective immediately, the chart entitled Corporation Officers, is hereby superseded and replaced with the following:

Corporation Officers

Position with

Corporation and Length

Name, Address, Age J. Kevin Connaughton	of Time Served* President and Principal Executive officer since May 2010	Principal Occupation During Last Five Years Senior Vice President and General Manager Mutual Fund Products, Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC
225 Franklin Street	2010	since May 2010; President, Columbia Funds since 2009 (previously Senior Vice President and Chief Financial
Boston, MA 02110		Officer, June 2008 January 2009); President, Atlantic Funds and Nations Funds since 2009; Managing Director of
Age 47		Columbia Management Advisors, LLC, December 2004 April 2010; Treasurer, Columbia Funds, October 2003 May 2008; Treasurer, the Liberty Funds, Stein Roe Funds and Liberty All- Star Funds, December 2000 December 2006
Amy K. Johnson	Vice President since	
5228 Ameriprise Financial Center	November 2008	Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer,
Minneapolis, MN		Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC (formerly RiverSource Investments, LLC) since May 2010 (previously Chief Administrative Officer, 2009 April 2010 and Vice President Asset Management and Trust Company Services, 2006-2009; Vice President, Atlantic Funds, Columbia Funds
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Age 46		and Nations Funds since May 2010
Michael G. Clarke	Treasurer and Chief	
225 Franklin Street	Financial Officer since January 2011	Vice President, Columbia Management Investment
Boston, MA 02110	Vanually 2011	Advisers, LLC since May 2010; Managing Director of Fund Administration, Columbia Management Advisors, LLC, September 2004 April 2010; senior officer of Columbia
Age 42		Funds and affiliated funds since 2002
Scott R. Plummer	Senior Vice President	Senior Vice President, Chief Legal Officer and Assistant Secretary, Columbia Management Investment Advisers,
5228 Ameriprise Financial Center	since April 14, 2011,	LLC (formerly RiverSource Investments, LLC) since June 2005; Vice President and Lead Chief Counsel Asset
Minneapolis, MN 55474	Chief Legal Officer	Management, Ameriprise Financial, Inc. since May 2010 (previously Vice President and Chief Counsel Asset
Age 52	since November	Management, 2005- April 2010); Senior Vice President and Chief Legal Officer, Atlantic Funds, Columbia Funds and

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2008 and Assistant

Secretary since June

2011

Nations Funds since May 2010; Vice President, Chief Counsel and Assistant Secretary, Columbia Management Investment Distributors, Inc. (formerly RiverSource Fund Distributors, Inc.) since 2008; Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary, Ameriprise Certificate Company since 2005; Chief Counsel, RiverSource Distributors, Inc. since 2006

Corporation Officers

Position with

Corporation and Length

Name, Address, Age Colin Moore	of Time Served* Senior Vice President since	Principal Occupation During Last Five Years Director and Chief Investment Officer, Columbia
225 Franklin Street	May 2010	Management Investment Advisers, LLC since May 2010; Senior Vice President, Atlantic Funds, Columbia Funds and Nations Funds since May 2010; Manager, Managing
Boston, MA 02110		Director and Chief Investment Officer, Columbia Management Advisors, LLC, 2007- April 2010; Head of
Age 53		Equities, Columbia Management Advisors, LLC, 2002-September 2007
Thomas P. McGuire	Interim Chief	Vice President-Asset Management Compliance, Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC since 2010; Chief
225 Franklin Street	Compliance Officer	Compliance Officer, Ameriprise Certificate Company since September 2010; Compliance Executive, Bank of America, 2005 - 2010
Boston, MA 02110	since 3/12	
Age 40		
Stephen T. Welsh	Vice President since April	President and Director, Columbia Management Investment Services Corp. since May 2010; President and Director,
225 Franklin Street	14, 2011	Columbia Management Services, Inc., July 2004-April 2010; Managing Director, Columbia Management
Boston, MA 02110		Distributors, Inc., August 2007-April 2010
Age 53		
Christopher O. Petersen	Vice President and	Vice President and Chief Counsel, Ameriprise Financial since January 2010 (formerly Vice President and Group
5228 Ameriprise Financial Center	Secretary since April	Counsel or Counsel, April 2004-January 2010); Assistant Secretary of Legacy RiverSource Funds, January 2007-April
Minneapolis, MN 55474	14, 2011	2011 and of the Nations Funds, May 2010-March 2011
Age 42		
Paul D. Pearson	Vice President and Assistant	Vice President Investment Accounting, Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC, since May 2010;
10468 Ameriprise Financial Center	Treasurer since April 14,	Vice President Managed Assets, Investment Accounting, Ameriprise Financial Corporation, February 1998-May 2010
Minneapolis, MN 55474	2011	
Age 55		
Joseph F. DiMaria	Vice President and Chief	Vice President, Mutual Fund Administration, Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC, since May 2010;
225 Franklin Street	Accounting Officer since	Director of Fund Administration, Columbia Management Advisors, LLC, from January 2006 April 2010
Boston, MA 02110	April 14, 2011	
Age 42		
Paul B. Goucher	Vice President since April	Vice President and Chief Counsel of Ameriprise Financial since January 2010 (formerly Vice President and Group
100 Park Avenue	14, 2011 and Assistant	Counsel, November 2008 January 2010); Director, Managing Director and General Counsel of J. & W.

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New York, NY 10017 Secretary since November Seligman & Co. Incorporated (Seligman), July 2008

November 2008 and Managing Director and Associate General Counsel of Seligman, January 2005 Usly 2008

Age 43 2008 General Counsel of Seligman, January 2005 July 2008

Michael E. DeFao Vice President since April Vice President and Chief Counsel, Ameriprise Financial

since May 2010; Associate General Counsel Bank of

225 Franklin Street 14, 2011 and Assistant America, June 2005 April 2010

Boston, MA 02110 Secretary since May 2010

Age 42

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^{*} All officers are elected annually by the Board of Directors and serve until their successors are elected and qualify or their earlier resignation.