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ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d)

OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

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For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008

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TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the Transition period from to Commission File Number 1-14788

Capital Trust, Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland

94-6181186

(State or other jurisdiction of

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

incorporation or organization)

410 Park Avenue, 14th Floor, New York,

10022

NY

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 655-0220 Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of Each Class class A common stock, \$0.01 par value ("class A common stock") Name of Each Exchange on Which Registered New York Stock Exchange

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes o No x

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act. Yes o No x

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes x No o

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K (§229.405 of this chapter) is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10 K. x

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a non-accelerated filer or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated Accelerated filer x Non-accelerated Smaller reporting

filer o filer o company o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act). Yes o No x MARKET VALUE

The aggregate market value of the outstanding class A common stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant was approximately \$296,277,924 as of June 30, 2008 (the last business day of the registrant's most recently completed second fiscal quarter) based on the closing sale price on the New York Stock Exchange on that date.

#### **OUTSTANDING STOCK**

As of February 28, 2009 there were 21,846,545 outstanding shares of class A common stock. The class A common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange (trading symbol "CT").

#### DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Part III incorporates information by reference from the registrant's definitive proxy statement to be filed with the Commission within 120 days after the close of the registrant's fiscal year.

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#### PART I

Item 1. Business

References herein to "we," "us" or "our" refer to Capital Trust, Inc. and its subsidiaries unless the context specifically requires otherwise.

#### Overview

We are a fully integrated, self-managed, real estate finance and investment management company that specializes in credit sensitive financial products. To date, our investment programs have focused on loans and securities backed by commercial real estate assets. We invest for our own account directly on our balance sheet and for third parties through a series of investment management vehicles. From the inception of our finance business in 1997 through December 31, 2008, we have completed over \$11.0 billion of investments in the commercial real estate debt arena. We conduct our operations as a real estate investment trust, or REIT, for federal income tax purposes and we are headquartered in New York City.

#### **Operating Segments**

Segment revenue and profit information is presented in Note 20 to the consolidated financial statements.

#### **Current Market Conditions**

During 2008, the general economic environment deteriorated precipitously, leaving the U.S economy and many economies around the world in a state of severe economic recession. In addition, the global capital markets continued to be in a severe state of crisis. The impact on commercial real estate has been a combination of: (i) decreased, and expected further decreases, in property level cash flows and (ii) lack of capital, both debt and equity, to allow for markets to function in an orderly manner. Transaction volume has declined significantly, credit spreads for all forms of mortgage debt reached all-time highs, issuance levels of commercial mortgage backed securities, or CMBS, ground to a halt, and other forms of financing from the debt markets have been dramatically curtailed. Financial institutions still hold significant inventories of unsold loans and CMBS, creating a further overhang on the markets. These factors have combined to create significant decreases in property values and have and will continue to impact the performance of our existing portfolio of assets. Furthermore, the volatility in the capital markets has caused severe stress to all financial institutions and our business is dependent upon these counterparties for, among other things, financing and interest rate derivatives.

#### Restructuring of Our Debt Obligations

On March 16, 2009, we consummated a restructuring of substantially all of our recourse debt obligations with certain of our secured and unsecured creditors pursuant to the amended terms of our secured credit facilities, our senior unsecured credit agreement, and certain of our trust preferred securities.

#### Secured Credit Facilities

In connection with the restructuring, we amended our secured, recourse credit facilities with: (i) JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., JPMorgan Chase Funding Inc. and J.P. Morgan Securities Inc., or collectively JPMorgan, (ii) Morgan Stanley Bank, N.A., or Morgan Stanley, and (iii) Citigroup Financial Products Inc. and Citigroup Global Markets Inc., or collectively Citigroup. We collectively refer to JPMorgan, Morgan Stanley and Citigroup as the participating secured lenders. Further, as part of the restructuring, we also entered into an agreement to terminate our secured, recourse facility with Goldman Sachs Mortgage Company, or Goldman Sachs. We had previously, on February 25,

2009, terminated our secured financing with UBS Real Estate Securities Inc., or UBS.

Specifically, on March 16, 2009, we entered into separate amendments to the respective master repurchase agreements with JPMorgan, Morgan Stanley and Citigroup. Pursuant to the terms of each such agreement, we repaid the balance outstanding with each participating secured lender by an amount equal to three percent (3%) of the current outstanding principal amount due under its existing secured, recourse credit facility, \$17.7 million in the aggregate, and further amended the terms of each such facility, without any change to the collateral pool securing the debt owed to each participating secured lender, to provide the following:

- •Maturity dates were modified to one year from the March 16, 2009 effective date of each respective agreement, which maturity date may be extended further for two one-year periods. The first one-year extension option is exercisable by us so long as the outstanding balance as of the first extension date is less than or equal to a certain amount, which is a reduction of twenty percent (20%), including the upfront payment described above, of the outstanding principal amount from the date of the amendment, and no other defaults or events of default have occurred and are continuing, or would be caused by such extension. The second one-year extension option is exercisable by each participating secured lender in its sole discretion.
- •We agreed to pay each participating secured lender periodic amortization as follows: (i) mandatory payments, payable monthly in arrears, in an amount equal to sixty-five (65%) (subject to adjustment in the second year) of the net interest income generated by each such lender's collateral pool, and (ii) one hundred percent (100%) of the principal proceeds received from the repayment of assets in each such lender's collateral pool. In addition, under the terms of the amendment with Citigroup, we agreed to pay Citigroup an additional quarterly amortization payment equal to the lesser of: (x) Citigroup's then outstanding senior secured credit facility balance or (y) the product of (i) the total cash paid (including both principal and interest) during the period to our senior unsecured credit facility in excess of an amount equivalent to LIBOR plus 1.75% based upon a \$100.0 million facility amount, and (ii) a fraction, the numerator of which is Citigroup's then outstanding senior secured credit facility balance and the denominator is the total outstanding secured indebtedness of the participating secured lenders.
- We further agreed to amortize each participating secured lender's secured debt at the end of each calendar quarter on a pro rata basis until we have repaid our secured, recourse credit facilities and thereafter our senior unsecured credit facility in an amount equal to any unrestricted cash in excess of the sum of (i) \$25.0 million, and (ii) any unfunded loan and co-investment commitments.
- Each participating secured lender was relieved of its obligation to make future advances with respect to unfunded commitments arising under investments in its collateral pool.
- We received the right to sell or refinance collateral assets as long as we apply one hundred percent (100%) of the proceeds to pay down the related secured credit facility balance subject to minimum release price mechanics.
- •We eliminated the cash margin call provisions and amended the mark-to-market provisions so that future changes in collateral value will be determined based upon changes in the performance of the underlying real estate collateral in lieu of the previous provisions which were based on market spreads. Beginning six months after the date of execution of the agreements, each collateral pool will be valued monthly on this basis. If the ratio of a participating secured lender's total outstanding secured credit facility balance to total collateral value exceeds 1.15x the ratio calculated as of the effective date of the amended agreements, we will be required to liquidate collateral in order to return to compliance with the prescribed loan to collateral value ratio or post other collateral to bring the ratio back into compliance.

In each master repurchase agreement amendment and the amendment to our senior unsecured credit agreement described in greater detail below, which we collectively refer to as our restructured debt obligations, we also replaced all existing financial covenants with the following uniform covenants which:

- •prohibit new balance sheet investments except, subject to certain limitations, co-investments in our investment management vehicles or protective investments to defend existing collateral assets on our balance sheet;
  - prohibit the incurrence of any additional indebtedness except in limited circumstances;

- limit the total cash compensation to all employees and, specifically with respect to our chief executive officer, chief operating officer and chief financial officer, freeze their base salaries at 2008 levels, and require cash bonuses to any of them to be approved by a committee comprised of one representative designated by the secured lenders, the administrative agent under the senior unsecured credit facility and the chairman of our board of directors;
- •prohibit the payment of cash dividends to our common shareholders except to the minimum extent necessary to maintain our REIT status;
- •require us to maintain a minimum amount of liquidity, as defined, of \$7.0 million in 2009 and \$5.0 million thereafter;
- •trigger an event of default if both our chief executive officer and chief operating officer cease their current employment with us during the term of the agreement and we fail to hire a replacement acceptable to the lenders; and
- •trigger an event of default, if any event or condition occurs which causes any obligation or liability of more than \$1.0 million to become due prior to its scheduled maturity or any monetary default under our restructured debt obligations if the amount of such obligation is at least \$1.0 million.

Pursuant to the restructuring, the interest rates on our secured borrowings will remain the same as those in effect as of December 31, 2008. In exchange for maintenance of these historic rates, on March 16, 2009 we issued, or irrevocably committed to issue as of such date, JPMorgan, Morgan Stanley and Citigroup warrants to purchase 3,479,691 shares of our class A common stock at an exercise price of \$1.79 per share, which is equal to the closing bid price on the New York Stock Exchange on March 13, 2009. The warrants will become exercisable on March 16, 2012 and expire on March 16, 2019, and may be exercised through a cashless exercise.

The warrants were issued, or irrevocably committed to be issued, in reliance upon the exemption provided in Section 4(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the safe harbor of Rule 506 under Regulation D. Any certificates representing such securities will contain restrictive legends preventing sale, transfer or other disposition, unless registered under the Securities Act of 1933. No form of general solicitation or general advertising was conducted in connection with the issuance.

The foregoing descriptions of the amendments to the secured credit facilities with the participating secured lenders, the amendment to the senior unsecured credit facility and the warrant agreement with respect to the warrants are qualified in their entirety by reference to Exhibits 10.49b, 10.46d and 10.69, respectively, to this Form 10-K.

On March 16, 2009, we also entered into an agreement to terminate the master repurchase agreement with Goldman Sachs, pursuant to which we satisfied the indebtedness due under the Goldman Sachs secured credit facility. Specifically, we: (i) pre-funded certain required advances of approximately \$2.4 million under one loan in the collateral pool, (ii) paid Goldman Sachs \$2.6 million to effect a full release to us of another loan, and (iii) transferred all of the other assets that served as collateral for Goldman Sachs to Goldman Sachs for a purchase price of \$85.7 million as payment in full for the balance remaining under the secured credit facility. Goldman Sachs agreed to release us from any further obligation under the secured credit facility. The foregoing description is qualified in its entirety by reference to Exhibit 10.47e to this Form 10-K.

Previously, on February 25, 2009, we entered into a satisfaction, termination and release agreement with UBS pursuant to which the parties terminated their right, title, interest in, to and under a master repurchase agreement. We consented to the transfer to UBS, and UBS unconditionally accepted and retained all of our rights, title and interest in a loan financed under the master repurchase agreement in complete satisfaction of all of our obligations, including all amounts due thereunder. The foregoing description is qualified in its entirety by reference to Exhibit 10.71 to this

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We are currently in negotiations with Lehman Brothers to resolve the \$18.0 million outstanding balance under our secured, recourse credit facility with such firm, which finances a single asset.

# Senior Unsecured Credit Agreement

On March 16, 2009, we entered into an amended and restated senior unsecured credit agreement governing our \$100.0 million term loan from WestLB AG, New York Branch, participant and administrative agent, Fortis Capital Corp., Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., Morgan Stanley Bank, N.A. and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, which we collectively refer to as the senior unsecured lenders. Pursuant to the amended and restated senior unsecured credit agreement, we and the senior unsecured lenders agreed to:

- •Extend the maturity date of the senior unsecured credit agreement to be co-terminus with the maturity date of the secured credit facilities with the participating secured lenders (as they may be further extended until March 16, 2012, as described above);
- •Increase the cash interest rate under the senior unsecured credit agreement to LIBOR plus 3.0% per annum (from LIBOR plus 1.75%), plus an accrual rate of 7.20% per annum less the cash interest rate;
- •Initiate quarterly amortization equal to the greater of: (i) \$5.0 million per annum and (ii) 25% of the annual cash flow received from our currently unencumbered collateralized debt obligation interests;
- Pledge our unencumbered collateralized debt obligation interests and provide a negative pledge with respect to certain other assets; and
- •Replace all existing financial covenants with substantially identical covenants and default provisions to those described above in the participating secured credit facilities.

The foregoing description is qualified in its entirety by reference to the amended and restated credit agreement filed as Exhibit 10.70 to this Form 10-K.

#### **Trust Preferred Securities**

On March 16, 2009, we reached an agreement with Taberna Preferred Funding V, Ltd., Taberna Preferred Funding VI, Ltd., Taberna Preferred Funding VIII, Ltd. and Taberna Preferred Funding IX, Ltd., or collectively Taberna, to issue new junior subordinated notes in exchange for \$50.0 million face amount of trust preferred securities issued through our statutory trust subsidiary CT Preferred Trust I held by affiliates of Taberna, which we refer to as the Trust I Securities, and \$53.1 million face amount of trust preferred securities issued through our statutory trust subsidiary CT Preferred Trust II held by affiliates of Taberna, which we refer to as the Trust II Securities. We refer to the Trust I Securities and the Trust II Securities together as the Trust Securities. The Trust Securities were backed by and recorded as junior subordinated debentures issued by us with terms that mirror the Trust Securities.

Pursuant to the exchange agreement dated March 16, 2009, by and among us and Taberna, we issued \$118.6 million aggregate principal amount of new junior subordinated notes due on April 30, 2036 (an amount equal to 115% of the current aggregate face amount of the Trust Securities being exchanged). The interest rate payable under the new subordinated notes is 1% per annum from March 16, 2009, through and including April 29, 2012, which we refer to as the modification period. After the modification period, the interest rate will revert to a blended rate equal to that which was previously payable under the notes underlying the Trust Securities, a fixed rate of 7.23% per annum through and including April 29, 2016 and thereafter a floating rate, reset quarterly, equal to three month LIBOR plus 2.44% until maturity. The new junior subordinated notes will be contractually senior to the remaining trust preferred securities, will mature on April 12, 2036 and will be freely redeemable by us at par at any time. The new junior subordinated notes contain a covenant that through April 30, 2012, subject to certain exceptions, we may not declare or pay dividends or distributions on, or redeem, purchase or acquire any of our equity interests (other than remaining trust preferred securities not exchanged) except to the extent necessary to maintain our status as a REIT. Except for the foregoing, the new junior subordinated notes contain substantially similar provisions as the Trust Securities. The foregoing description is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Exchange Agreement filed as Exhibit 10.72 to this Form 10-K.

As part of the agreement with Taberna, we also agreed to pay \$750,000 to cover third party fees and costs incurred in connection with the exchange transaction.

**Current Period Financial Statement Impact:** 

While the restructuring of our debt obligations was finalized subsequent to December 31, 2008 and the amendments to the respective agreements and termination of our facility with UBS were executed in the first quarter of 2009, certain elements of the transaction require us to amend the presentation of certain items in our consolidated financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008. Specifically, the aggregate \$140.4 million (face value) of loans sold to Goldman Sachs and UBS have been reclassified under the consolidated balance sheet classification, loans held-for-sale, and a valuation allowance of \$48.3 million, reflecting the difference between the carrying value of the loans and the sale price, was recorded on the consolidated statement of operations.

#### Developments during Fiscal Year 2008

During the year ended December 31, 2008, we originated \$553.2 million (on a gross basis) of new investments in 27 separate transactions. Of this total, we closed \$55.0 million directly for our balance sheet and \$498.2 million for our managed funds and accounts, which we refer to as investment management vehicles.

Primarily as a result of principal repayments, our balance sheet portfolio of interest earning assets comprised of loans and CMBS, decreased from \$3.1 billion (160 separate investments) at year end 2007 to \$2.6 billion (150 separate investments) at year end 2008. At year end, we held 73 loans with an aggregate book value of \$1.8 billion and our CMBS portfolio was comprised of 77 bonds with an aggregate book value of \$852 million. In addition to interest earning assets, our balance sheet assets include loans held-for-sale and our equity investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries, primarily comprised of our co-investments in our investment management vehicles.

In 2008, our overall portfolio migrated in the following manner:

- New investments in interest earning assets of \$47.8 million, net of related purchase discounts.
- •Total fundings under existing loan commitments of \$89.8 million, which resulted in remaining unfunded loan commitments of \$54.2 million as of year end.
- Total principal payments received on interest earning assets, including receipts from asset sales, of \$420.4 million.
- •An aggregate provision for possible credit losses of \$57.6 million was taken against five loans with a total principal balance of \$82.1 million, and a \$10.0 million loan against which we previously recorded a \$4.0 provision was written-off as uncollectable. In addition, we foreclosed on one loan with a book balance of \$11.9 million and have taken a \$2.0 million impairment on that asset.
- Ratings activity on our CMBS portfolio included a total of 13 securities which received ratings downgrades and 6 securities which received ratings upgrades. We recorded a \$900,000 other-than-temporary impairment on one CMBS investment with a net book value of \$3.5 million.
  - Maturity dates were extended on 5 loans with an aggregate principal balance of \$61.8 million.

On the capital raising front, we raised \$125.5 million of new balance sheet equity capital in 2008 through the following transactions:

- •In March 2008, we closed a public offering of 4,000,000 shares of class A common stock, from which we received net proceeds of approximately \$112.6 million.
- During 2008, we issued 488,563 shares of class A common stock under our dividend reinvestment and direct stock purchase plans, from which we received net proceeds of approximately \$12.9 million.

In 2008, we renewed or obtained new financing commitments as follows:

- In March 2008, we exercised the term-out option under our senior unsecured credit facility with WestLB, extending the maturity date of the \$100 million principal balance outstanding for one year as a non-revolving term loan.
  - In May 2008, we entered into a new \$18.0 million loan and security agreement with Lehman Brothers.

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In June 2008, we amended our master repurchase agreements with the former Bear Stearns entities by extending the termination date of each obligation to October 2008.

- In July 2008, we extended the availability period under our \$250.0 million master repurchase agreement with Citigroup to July 2009.
- •In July 2008, we extended the purchase period of our \$300.0 million master repurchase agreement with Morgan Stanley to July 2009.
- •In October 2008, we combined the JP Morgan and Bear Stearns repurchase facilities and extended the resultant \$355 million facility for two years.

As described above, in 2008, we continued to expand our investment management business by raising a new private equity vehicle, CT High Grade Partners II, LLC, or CT High Grade II, and obtaining additional equity commitments in our other actively investing vehicle, CT Opportunity Partners I, LP., or CTOPI. During 2008, excluding incentive management fees, revenues from our investment management business grew to \$12.9 million, an increase of 270% from 2007 levels.

- •CT High Grade II held its initial closing in June 2008 with \$667 million of commitments from two institutional investors. The fund targets senior debt opportunities in the commercial real estate debt sector and does not employ leverage. We earn a 0.40% per annum management fee on invested capital.
- •CTOPI is a multi-investor private equity fund designed to invest in commercial real estate debt and equity, specifically taking advantage of the current dislocation in the commercial real estate capital markets. On July 14, 2008, CTOPI held its final closing completing its capital raise with \$540 million of total equity commitments. We have committed to invest \$25 million in the vehicle and entities controlled by our chairman have committed to invest \$20 million. The fund's investment period expires in December 2010, and we earn base management fees as the investment manager to CTOPI (equal to 1.60% per annum of total equity commitments during the investment period and of invested capital thereafter). In addition, we earn gross incentive management fees of 20% of profits after a 9% preferred return and a 100% return of capital.
- •CT High Grade MezzanineSM closed in November 2006, with a single, related party investor committing \$250 million. This separate account targets lower risk subordinate debt investments and does not utilize leverage and we earn management fees of 0.25% per annum on invested assets. In July 2007, we upsized the account by \$100 million to \$350 million and extended the investment period to July 2008.
- •CT Large Loan 2006, Inc. closed in May 2006 with total equity commitments of \$325 million from eight third party investors. The fund employs leverage and we earn management fees of 0.75% per annum of invested assets (capped at 1.5% on invested equity). The investment period ended in May 2008.
- •CTX Fund I, L.P., or CTX Fund, is a single investor fund designed to invest in collateralized debt obligations, or CDOs, sponsored, but not issued, by us. We do not earn fees on the CTX Fund, however, we earn CDO management fees from the CDOs in which the CTX Fund invests. We sponsored one such CDO in 2007, a \$500 million CDO secured primarily by credit default swaps referencing CMBS.
- •CT Mezzanine Partners III, Inc., or Fund III, is a vehicle we co-sponsored with a joint venture partner that had an investment period that ran from 2003 to 2005. The fund is currently liquidating in the ordinary course. We have a co-investment in the fund, earn 100% of base management fees and we split incentive management fees with our partner, who receives 37.5% of Fund III's incentive management fees.

#### Platform

Our platform consists of 33 full time professionals with extensive real estate credit, capital markets and structured finance expertise. Our senior management team has, on average, over 20 years of industry experience. Founded in 1997, our business has been built on long-standing relationships with borrowers, brokers and our origination partners. This extensive network produces a pipeline of investment opportunities from which we select only those transactions that we believe exhibit a compelling risk/return profile. Once a transaction that meets our parameters is identified, we apply a disciplined process founded on four elements:

intense credit underwriting;

• creative financial structuring;

• efficient capitalization; and

aggressive asset management.

The first element, and the foundation of our platform, is our credit underwriting. For each prospective investment, an in-house underwriting team is assigned to perform an intense ground-up analysis of all aspects of credit risk. Our underwriting process is embodied in our proprietary credit policies and procedures that detail the due diligence steps from initial client contact through closing. We have developed the capability to apply this methodology to a high volume of investment opportunities, including CMBS transactions with a large number of underlying loans, through the combination of personnel, procedures and technology. On all levels, input is received from our finance, capital markets, credit and legal teams, as well as from various third parties, including our credit providers.

Creative financial structuring is the second critical element. In our direct investment programs, we strive to design a customized structure for each investment that provides us with the necessary credit, yield and protective structural features while meeting the varying, and often complex, needs of our clients. We believe our demonstrated ability to structure creative solutions gives us a distinct competitive advantage in the marketplace. In the structured products arena, our broad capital markets expertise enables us to better analyze the risks and opportunities embedded in complex vehicles such as CMBS and synthetic securities.

Efficient capitalization is the third integral element of our platform. We utilize multiple debt and equity products to capitalize our balance sheet and investment management business. As such, we seek to maintain adequate liquidity to defend the balance sheet and investment management vehicles against reasonable capital market and real estate market volatility.

The final element of our platform is aggressive asset management. We pride ourselves on our active style of managing our portfolios. From the closing of an investment through its final repayment, our dedicated asset management team is in constant contact with our borrowers and servicers, monitoring performance of our collateral and enforcing our rights as necessary. We are rated/approved as a special servicer by all three rating agencies, allowing us to exercise a substantial level of control in certain structured transactions, such as CMBS.

#### **Business Model**

As depicted below, our business model is designed to produce a unique mix of net interest income from our balance sheet investments and fee income from our investment management operations.

We operate our business to qualify as a REIT for federal income tax purposes. We manage our balance sheet investments to produce a portfolio that meets the asset and income tests necessary to maintain our REIT qualification and conduct our investment management business through our wholly-owned subsidiary, CT Investment Management Co., LLC, which is subject to federal, state and city income tax.

#### **Investment Strategies**

Since 1997, our investment programs have focused on various strategies designed to take advantage of opportunities that have developed in the commercial real estate finance sector.

Depending on our assessment of relative value, our real estate investments may take a variety of forms including, but not limited to:

- Mortgage Loans—These are secured property loans evidenced by a first mortgage which is senior to any mezzanine financing and the owner's equity. These loans may finance stabilized properties, may serve as bridge loans providing required interim financing to property owners or may provide construction and development financing. Our mortgage loans vary in duration and typically require a balloon payment of principal at maturity. These investments may include pari passu participations in mortgage loans. We may also originate and fund first mortgage loans in which we intend to sell the senior tranche, thereby creating what we refer to as a subordinate mortgage interest.
- Subordinate Mortgage Interests—Sometimes known as B Notes, these are loans evidenced by a junior participation in a first mortgage, with the senior participation known as an A Note. Although sometimes evidenced by its own promissory note, subordinate mortgage interests have the same borrower and benefit from the same underlying obligation and collateral as the A Note lender. The subordinate mortgage interest is subordinated to the A Note by virtue of a contractual arrangement between the A Note lender and the subordinate mortgage interest lender and in most instances is contractually limited in rights and remedies in the case of default. In some cases, there may be multiple senior and/or junior interests in a single mortgage loan.

- •Mezzanine Loans—These include both property and corporate mezzanine loans. Property mezzanine loans are secured property loans that are subordinate to a first mortgage loan, but senior to the owner's equity. A mezzanine property loan is evidenced by its own promissory note and is typically made to the owner of the property-owning entity, which is typically the first mortgage borrower. It is not secured by a mortgage on the property, but by a pledge of the borrower's ownership interest in the property-owning entity. Subject to negotiated contractual restrictions, the mezzanine lender generally has the right, following foreclosure, to become the owner of the property, subject to the lien of the first mortgage. Corporate mezzanine loans, on the other hand, are investments in or loans to real estate related operating companies, including REITs. Such investments may take the form of secured debt, preferred stock and other hybrid instruments such as convertible debt. Corporate mezzanine loans may finance, among other things, operations, mergers and acquisitions, management buy-outs, recapitalizations, start-ups and stock buy-backs generally involving real estate and real estate related entities.
- •CMBS—These are securities collateralized by pools of individual first mortgage loans. Cash flows from the underlying mortgages are aggregated and allocated to the different classes of securities in accordance with their seniority, typically ranging from the AAA rated through the unrated, first loss tranche. Administration and servicing of the pool is performed by a trustee and servicers, who act on behalf of all security holders in accordance with contractual agreements. Our investments generally represent the subordinated tranches in these pools ranging from the BBB rated through the unrated class. When practical, we are designated the special servicer for the CMBS trusts in which we have appropriate ownership interests, enabling us to control the resolution of matters which require lender approval. We also include select investments in CDOs in this category.

#### **Business Plan**

Our near term business strategy is to continue to manage our balance sheet investments and existing investment management vehicles through the current volatile market, though our balance sheet investment activities cannot resume until we have retired or refinanced the existing restructured obligations due our lenders. At the same time, we expect to grow our investment management business and capitalize on new opportunities in the marketplace.

#### Competition

We are engaged in a competitive business. In our investment activities, we compete for opportunities with numerous public and private investment vehicles, including financial institutions, specialty finance companies, mortgage banks, pension funds, opportunity funds, hedge funds, REITs and other institutional investors, as well as individuals. Many competitors are significantly larger than us, have well established operating histories and may have greater access to capital, more resources and other advantages over us. These competitors may be willing to accept lower returns on their investments or to compromise underwriting standards and, as a result, our origination volume and profit margins could be adversely affected. In our investment management business, we compete with other investment management companies in attracting third party capital for our vehicles and many of our competitors are well established, possessing substantially greater financial, marketing and other resources.

#### Government Regulation

Our activities in the United States, including the financing of our operations, are subject to a variety of federal and state regulations. In addition, a majority of states have ceilings on interest rates chargeable to certain customers in financing transactions. Furthermore, our international activities are also subject to local regulations.

#### **Employees**

As of December 31, 2008, we had 33 full-time employees. Our staff is employed under a co-employment agreement with a third party human resources firm, Ambrose Employer Group, LLC. In addition, our chief operating officer and chief financial officer are employed under employment contracts. None of our employees are covered by a collective bargaining agreement and management considers the relationship with our employees to be good. In addition to our staff in New York, we contract for the services of an additional 15 dedicated professionals employed by a commercial real estate underwriting services firm in Chennai, India.

#### Code of Business Conduct and Ethics and Corporate Governance Documents

We have adopted a code of business conduct and ethics that applies to all of our employees and our board of directors, including our principal executive officer and principal financial and accounting officer. This code of business conduct and ethics is designed to comply with SEC regulations and New York Stock Exchange corporate governance rules related to codes of conduct and ethics and is posted on our corporate website at http://www.capitaltrust.com. In addition, our corporate governance guidelines and charters for our audit, compensation and corporate governance committees of the board of directors are also posted on our corporate website. Copies of our code of business conduct and ethics, our corporate governance guidelines and our committee charters are also available free of charge, upon request directed to Investor Relations, Capital Trust, Inc., 410 Park Avenue, 14th Floor, New York, NY 10022.

#### Website Access to Reports

We maintain a website at http://www.capitaltrust.com. Through our website, we make available, free of charge, our annual proxy statement, annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K and amendments to those reports filed or furnished pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, as soon as reasonably practicable after we electronically file such material with, or furnish them to, the SEC. The SEC maintains a website that contains these reports at http://www.sec.gov.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

#### FORWARD LOOKING INFORMATION

Our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008, our 2008 Annual Report to Shareholders, any of our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q or Current Reports on Form 8-K of the Company, or any other oral or written statements made in press releases or otherwise by or on behalf of Capital Trust, Inc., may contain forward looking statements within the meaning of the Section 21E of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, which involve certain 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 identified by their use of such terms and phrases as "intends," "intended," "goal," "estimate," "estimates," "expects," "expect," "expected," "projections," "plans," "seeks," "anticipates," "anticipated," "should," "could," "may," "will," "designed to," "foreseeable "believes" and "scheduled" and similar expressions. 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 assume no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

Our actual results may differ significantly from any results expressed or implied by these forward looking statements. Some, but not all, of the factors that might cause such a difference include, but are not limited to:

- the effects of the recent turmoil in the financial markets and general economic recession upon our ability to invest and manage our investments;
- the general political, economic and competitive conditions in the United States and foreign jurisdictions where we invest;
- the level and volatility of prevailing interest rates and credit spreads, magnified by the current turmoil in the credit markets;
  - adverse changes in the real estate and real estate capital markets;
  - difficulty in obtaining financing or raising capital, especially in the current constrained financial markets;
- the deterioration of performance and thereby credit quality of property securing our investments, borrowers and, in general, the risks associated with the ownership and operation of real estate that may cause cash flow deterioration to us and potentially principal losses on our investments;
- •a compression of the yield on our investments and the cost of our liabilities, as well as the level of leverage available to us;
- adverse developments in the availability of desirable loan and investment opportunities whether they are due to competition, regulation or otherwise;
- events, contemplated or otherwise, such as natural disasters including hurricanes and earthquakes, acts of war and/or terrorism (such as the events of September 11, 2001) and others that may cause unanticipated and uninsured performance declines and/or losses to us or the owners and operators of the real estate securing our investment;
- the cost of operating our platform, including, but not limited to, the cost of operating a real estate investment platform and the cost of operating as a publicly traded company;

- authoritative generally accepted accounting principles or policy changes from such standard-setting bodies as the Financial Accounting Standards Board, the Securities and Exchange Commission, Internal Revenue Service, the New York Stock Exchange, and other authorities that we are subject to, as well as their counterparts in any foreign jurisdictions where we might do business; and
  - the risk factors set forth below, including those related to the restructuring of our debt obligations.

#### Risks Related to Our Investment Activities

Our efforts to stabilize our business with the restructuring of our debt obligations may not be successful as our balance sheet portfolio is subject to the risk of further deterioration and ongoing turmoil in the financial markets.

We have previously invested on a leveraged basis, which magnifies the consequences of a deterioration in the performance of our portfolio of investments. Even with the restructuring of our debt obligations, we may not be able to satisfy our obligations to our lenders and maintain the stability we intend from our restructuring. The impact of the economic recession on the commercial real estate sector in general, and our portfolio in particular, cannot be predicted and we expect to experience defaults by borrowers and other impairments to our investments. These events may trigger defaults under our restructured debt obligations that may result in the exercise of remedies that cause severe losses in the book value of our investments. Therefore, an investment in our class A common stock is subject to a high degree of risk.

Our restructured debt obligations with our lenders prohibit new balance sheet investment activities, which prevents us from growing our balance sheet portfolio.

Following a series of negotiations that were precipitated by our decision to conserve our cash resources and not meet further margin calls made by our secured lenders, we have restructured our debt obligations with our participating secured and unsecured lenders, a development that has consequences to our business. Under the terms of the restructured debt obligations, we are prohibited from acquiring or originating new investments. This restriction precludes us from growing our balance sheet portfolio at a time when investment opportunities that provide attractive risk-adjusted returns may otherwise be available to us. Our interest earning investments will continue to be reduced which will negatively impact our net investment income. There can be no assurance that we will be able to retire completely or refinance our restructured debt obligations so that we can resume our balance sheet investment activities.

Our liquidity will be impacted by our restructured debt obligations.

Our restructured debt obligations further reduce our current liquidity as a result of up front payments and ongoing required amortization and additional interest payments. The reduction in liquidity may impair our ability to meet our obligations and, given the covenants contained in our restructured debt obligations, our ability to improve our liquidity position will be constrained. In addition, we must maintain a minimum of \$7.0 million in liquidity during 2009 and \$5.0 million thereafter, a requirement that may limit our ability to make commitments to investment management vehicles and, ultimately, that we may not be able to achieve.

The U.S. and other financial markets have been in turmoil and the U.S. and other economies in which we operate are in the midst of an economic recession which can be expected to negatively impact our operations.

The U.S. and other financial markets have been experiencing extreme dislocations and a severe contraction in available liquidity globally as important segments of the credit markets are frozen as lenders are unwilling or unable to originate new credit. Global financial markets have been disrupted by, among other things, volatility in security prices, credit rating downgrades, the failure and near failure of a number of large financial institutions and declining valuations, and this disruption has been acute in real estate related markets. This disruption has lead to a decline in business and consumer confidence and increased unemployment and has precipitated an economic recession around the globe. As a consequence, owners and operators of commercial real estate that secure or back our investment may experience distress and real estate values in the U.S. or elsewhere may decline. We are unable to predict the likely duration or severity of the current disruption in financial markets and adverse economic conditions which could materially and adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations, including leading to significant impairment to our assets and our ability to generate income.

Our existing loans and investments expose us to a high degree of risk associated with investing in real estate assets.

Real estate historically has experienced significant fluctuations and cycles in performance that may result in reductions in the value of our real estate related investments. The performance and value of our loans and investments once originated or acquired by us depends upon many factors beyond our control. The ultimate performance and value of our investments is subject to the varying degrees of risk generally incident to the ownership and operation of the properties which collateralize or support our investments. The ultimate performance and value of our loans and investments depends upon, in large part, the commercial property owner's ability to operate the property so that it produces sufficient cash flows necessary either to pay the interest and principal due to us on our loans and investments or pay us as an equity advisor. Revenues and cash flows may be adversely affected by:

- changes in national economic conditions;
- changes in local real estate market conditions due to changes in national or local economic conditions or changes in local property market characteristics;
- the extent of the impact of the current turmoil in the financial markets, including the lack of available debt financing for commercial real estate:
  - tenant bankruptcies;
  - competition from other properties offering the same or similar services;
  - changes in interest rates and in the state of the debt and equity capital markets;
  - the ongoing need for capital improvements, particularly in older building structures;
    - changes in real estate tax rates and other operating expenses;
- •adverse changes in governmental rules and fiscal policies, civil unrest, acts of God, including earthquakes, hurricanes and other natural disasters, and acts of war or terrorism, which may decrease the availability of or increase the cost of insurance or result in uninsured losses:
  - adverse changes in zoning laws;
  - the impact of present or future environmental legislation and compliance with environmental laws;
- •the impact of lawsuits which could cause us to incur significant legal expenses and divert management's time and attention from our day-to-day operations; and
  - other factors that are beyond our control and the control of the commercial property owners.

In the event that any of the properties underlying or collateralizing our loans or investments experiences any of the foregoing events or occurrences, the value of, and return on, such investments, our profitability and the market price of our class A common stock would be negatively impacted. In addition, our restructured debt obligations contain covenants which limit the amount of protective investments we may make to preserve value in collateral securing our investments.

A prolonged economic slowdown, a lengthy or severe recession, a credit crisis, or declining real estate values could harm our operations or may adversely affect our liquidity.

We believe the risks associated with our business are more severe during periods of economic slowdown or recession like those we are currently experiencing, particularly if these periods are accompanied by declining real estate values. The recent dislocation of the global credit markets and anticipated collateral consequences to commercial activity of businesses unable to finance their operations as required may lead to a weakening of general economic conditions and precipitate declines in real estate values and otherwise exacerbate troubled borrowers' ability to repay loans in our portfolio or backing our CMBS. Declining real estate values would likely reduce the level of new mortgage loan originations, since borrowers often use increases in the value of their existing properties to support the purchase of or investment in additional properties, which in turn could lead to fewer opportunities for our investment. Borrowers may also be less able to pay principal and interest on our loans as the real estate economy weakens. Continued weakened economic conditions could negatively affect occupancy levels and rental rates in the markets in which the collateral supporting our investments are located, which, in turn, may have a material adverse impact on our cash flows and operating results of our borrowers. Further, declining real estate values significantly increase the likelihood that we will incur losses on our loans in the event of default because the value of our collateral may be insufficient to cover our basis in the loan. Any sustained period of increased payment delinquencies, foreclosures or losses could adversely affect both our net interest income from loans in our portfolio as well as our ability to operate our investment management business, which would significantly harm our revenues, results of operations, financial condition, liquidity, business prospects and our share price.

We are exposed to the risks involved with making subordinated investments.

Our subordinated investments involve the risks attendant to investments consisting of subordinated loans and similar positions. In many cases, management of our investments and our remedies with respect thereto, including the ability to foreclose on or direct decisions with respect to the collateral securing such investments, is subject to the rights of senior lenders and the rights set forth in inter-creditor or servicing agreements. Our interests and those of the senior lenders and other interested parties may not be aligned.

We may not be able to obtain the level of leverage necessary to optimize or achieve our target rate of returns.

Our return on investment depends, in part, upon our ability to grow our balance sheet portfolio of invested assets and those of our investment management vehicles through the use of leverage at a cost of debt that is lower than the yield earned on our investments. Under the terms of the restructured debt obligations, we are required to cease our balance sheet investment activities and may not incur any further indebtedness unless used to retire the debt due our lenders. As a result, we are precluded from carrying out our historical leveraged investment strategy for our balance sheet.

We have historically obtained leverage through the issuance of CDOs, repurchase agreements and other borrowings. Our failure to obtain and/or maintain leverage at desired levels, or to obtain leverage on attractive terms, would have an adverse effect on our performance or that of our investment management vehicles. Moreover, we are dependent upon a limited universe of lenders to provide financing under repurchase agreements, and there can be no assurance that these agreements will be renewed or extended at expiration. Our ability to obtain financing through the CDO market, which has been closed since 2007, is subject to conditions in the financial markets which are impacted by factors beyond our control that may at times be adverse and reduce the level of investor demand for such securities. In particular, recent turmoil in the credit markets has severely impeded the ability of borrowers, even well capitalized borrowers, to obtain credit from lenders operating in virtually frozen credit markets, and it can be expected that this development will negatively impact our ability to finance our assets. At this time, we are unable to refinance our restructured debt obligations with our lenders. There can be no assurance that U.S. and non-U.S. government efforts to improve conditions in the credit markets will be successful in the short term or at all, and the amount of leverage available from our investment management vehicles' lenders may be significantly reduced or, in certain cases, even

eliminated.

We are obligated to fund unfunded commitments under our loan agreements.

We are required to fund unfunded obligations to our borrowers. Historically, prior to our restructuring, we relied upon our lenders to fund a portion of these commitments. Going forward, we can rely only on our immediately available liquidity to meet these commitments. If we do not have the liquidity in excess of the minimum amounts required under our restructured debt obligations, and the lenders do not consent to our obtaining additional financing, if available, we would default on these commitments and potentially lose value in these investments and expose ourselves to litigation.

We are subject to counterparty risk associated with our debt obligations and interest rate swaps.

Our counterparties for these critical financial relationships include both domestic and international financial institutions. Many of them have been severely impacted by the credit market turmoil and have been experiencing financial pressures. In some cases, our counterparties have filed bankruptcy.

We are subject to the general risk of a leveraged investment strategy and the specific risks of our restructured indebtedness.

Our restructured secured debt obligations are secured by our investments, which are subject to being revalued by our credit providers. If the value of the underlying property collateralizing our investments declines, we may be required to liquidate our investments, the impact of which could be magnified if such a liquidation is at a commercially inopportune time, such as the market environment we are currently experiencing. In addition, the occurrence of any event or condition which causes any obligation or liability of more than \$1.0 million to become due prior to its scheduled maturity or any monetary default under our restructured debt obligations if the amount of such obligation is at least \$1.0 million could constitute a cross-default under our restructured debt obligations. If a cross-default occurs, the maturity of almost all of our indebtedness could be accelerated and become immediately due and payable.

We may guarantee some of our leverage and contingent obligations.

We guarantee the performance of our obligations, including, but not limited to, our repurchase agreements, derivative agreements, obligations to co-invest in our investment management vehicles and unsecured indebtedness. The non-performance of such obligations may cause losses to us in excess of the capital we initially may have invested or committed under such obligations and there is no assurance that we will have sufficient capital to cover any such losses.

Our secured and unsecured credit agreements may impose restrictions on our operation of the business.

Under our secured and unsecured indebtedness, such as our credit and derivative agreements, we make certain representations, warranties and affirmative and negative covenants that restrict our ability to operate while still utilizing those sources of credit. Currently, our restructured debt obligations prohibit us from acquiring or originating new balance sheet investments except, subject to certain limitations, co-investments in our investment management vehicles or protective investments to defend existing collateral assets on our balance sheet, and from incurring additional indebtedness unless used to pay down such obligations. In addition, such representations, warranties and covenants include, but are not limited to covenants which:

• limit the total cash compensation to all employees and, specifically with respect to our chief executive officer, chief operating officer and chief financial officer, freeze their base salaries at 2008 levels, and require cash bonuses to any of them to be approved by a committee comprised of one representative designated by the secured lenders, the administrative agent under the senior unsecured credit facility and the chairman of our board of directors;

•prohibit the payment of cash dividends to our common shareholders except to the minimum extent necessary to maintain our REIT status;

- •require us to maintain a minimum amount of liquidity, as defined, of \$7.0 million in 2009 and \$5.0 million thereafter;
- •trigger an event of default if both our chief executive officer and chief operating officer cease their current employment with us during the term of the agreement and we fail to hire a replacement acceptable to the lenders; and
- •trigger an event of default, if any event or condition occurs which causes any obligation or liability of more than \$1.0 million to become due prior to its scheduled maturity or any monetary default under our restructured debt obligations if the amount of such obligation is at least \$1.0 million.

Our success depends on the availability of attractive investments and our ability to identify, structure, consummate, leverage, manage and realize returns on attractive investments.

Our operating results are dependent upon the availability of, as well as our ability to identify, structure, consummate, leverage, manage and realize returns on, credit sensitive investment opportunities for our managed vehicles and our balance sheet assuming we are able to resume balance sheet investment activity. In general, the availability of desirable investment opportunities and, consequently, our balance sheet returns and our investment management vehicles' returns, will be affected by the level and volatility of interest rates, conditions in the financial markets, general economic conditions, the demand for credit sensitive investment opportunities and the supply of capital for such investment opportunities. We cannot make any assurances that we will be successful in identifying and consummating investments which satisfy our rate of return objectives or that such investments, once consummated, will perform as anticipated. In addition, if we are not successful in investing for our investment management vehicles, the potential revenues we earn from management fees and co-investment returns will be reduced. We may expend significant time and resources in identifying and pursuing targeted investments, some of which may not be consummated.

The real estate investment business is highly competitive. Our success depends on our ability to compete with other providers of capital for real estate investments.

Our business is highly competitive. Competition may cause us to accept economic or structural features in our investments that we would not have otherwise accepted and it may cause us to search for investments in markets outside of our traditional product expertise. We compete for attractive investments with traditional lending sources, such as insurance companies and banks, as well as other REITs, specialty finance companies and private equity vehicles with similar investment objectives, which may make it more difficult for us to consummate our target investments. Many of our competitors have greater financial resources and lower costs of capital than we do, which provides them with greater operating flexibility and a competitive advantage relative to us.

Our loans and investments may be subject to fluctuations in interest rates which may not be adequately protected, or protected at all, by our hedging strategies.

Our current balance sheet investments include loans with both floating interest rates and fixed interest rates. Floating rate investments earn interest at rates that adjust from time to time (typically monthly) based upon an index (typically one month LIBOR). These floating rate loans are insulated from changes in value specifically due to changes in interest rates, however, the coupons they earn fluctuate based upon interest rates (again, typically one month LIBOR) and, in a declining and/or low interest rate environment, these loans will earn lower rates of interest and this will impact our operating performance. Fixed interest rate investments, however, do not have adjusting interest rates and, as prevailing interest rates change, the relative value of the fixed cash flows from these investments will cause potentially significant changes in value. We may employ various hedging strategies to limit the effects of changes in interest rates (and in some cases credit spreads), including engaging in interest rate swaps, caps, floors and other

interest rate derivative products. We believe that no strategy can completely insulate us or our investment management vehicles from the risks associated with interest rate changes and there is a risk that they may provide no protection at all and potentially compound the impact of changes in interest rates. Hedging transactions involve certain additional risks such as counterparty risk, the legal enforceability of hedging contracts, the early repayment of hedged transactions and the risk that unanticipated and significant changes in interest rates may cause a significant loss of basis in the contract and a change in current period expense. We cannot make assurances that we will be able to enter into hedging transactions or that such hedging transactions will adequately protect us or our investment management vehicles against the foregoing risks.

Accounting for derivatives under GAAP is extremely complicated. Any failure by us to account for our derivatives properly in accordance with GAAP in our consolidated financial statements could adversely affect our earnings. In particular, cash flow hedges which are not perfectly correlated (and appropriately designated and/or documented as such) with a variable rate financing will impact our reported income as gains, and losses on the ineffective portion of such hedges.

Our use of leverage may create a mismatch with the duration and index of the investments that we are financing.

We attempt to structure our leverage to minimize the difference between the term of our investments and the leverage we use to finance such an investment. In the event that our leverage is shorter term than the financed investment, we may not be able to extend or find appropriate replacement leverage. In the event that our leverage is longer term than the financed investment, we may not be able to repay such leverage or replace the financed investment with an optimal substitute or at all, which will negatively impact our desired leveraged returns. Our attempts to mitigate such risk are subject to factors outside of our control, such as the availability to us of favorable financing and hedging options, which is subject to a variety of factors, of which duration and term matching are only two such factors.

Our loans and investments are illiquid, which will constrain our ability to vary our portfolio of investments.

Our real estate investments and structured financial product investments are relatively illiquid and some are highly illiquid. Such illiquidity may limit our ability to vary our portfolio or our investment management vehicles' portfolios of investments in response to changes in economic and other conditions. Illiquidity may result from the absence of an established market for investments as well as the legal or contractual restrictions on their resale. In addition, illiquidity may result from the decline in value of a property securing these investments. We cannot make assurances that the fair market value of any of the real property serving as security will not decrease in the future, leaving our or our investment management vehicles' investments under-collateralized or not collateralized at all, which could impair the liquidity and value, as well as our return on such investments.

We may not have control over certain of our loans and investments.

Our ability to manage our portfolio of loans and investments may be limited by the form in which they are made. In certain situations, we or our investment management vehicles may:

- acquire investments subject to rights of senior classes and servicers under inter-creditor or servicing agreements;
  - acquire only a participation in an underlying investment;
- co-invest with third parties through partnerships, joint ventures or other entities, thereby acquiring non-controlling interests; or
  - rely on independent third party management or strategic partners with respect to the management of an asset.

Therefore, we may not be able to exercise control over the loan or investment. Such financial assets may involve risks not present in investments where senior creditors, servicers or third party controlling investors are not involved. Our rights to control the process following a borrower default may be subject to the rights of senior creditors or servicers whose interests may not be aligned with ours. A third party partner or co-venturer may have financial difficulties resulting in a negative impact on such asset, may have economic or business interests or goals which are inconsistent with ours and those of our investment management vehicles, or may be in a position to take action contrary to our or our investment management vehicles' investment objectives. In addition, we and our investment management vehicles may, in certain circumstances, be liable for the actions of our third party partners or co-venturers.

We may not achieve our targeted rate of return on our investments.

We originate or acquire investments based on our estimates or projections of overall rates of return on such investments, which in turn are based upon, among other considerations, assumptions regarding the performance of assets, the amount and terms of available financing to obtain desired leverage and the manner and timing of dispositions, including possible asset recovery and remediation strategies, all of which are subject to significant uncertainty. In addition, events or conditions that we have not anticipated may occur, such as the recent volatility of the financial markets, and may have a significant effect on the actual rate of return received on an investment.

As we acquire or originate investments when permitted for our balance sheet portfolio, whether as new additions or as replacements for maturing investments, there can be no assurance that we will be able to originate or acquire investments that produce rates of return comparable to rates on our existing investments.

Investor demand for commercial real estate CDOs has been effectively eliminated.

In recent years, we have relied to a substantial extent on CDO financings to obtain match funded financing for our investments. Until the market for commercial real estate CDOs recovers, we may be unable to utilize CDOs to finance our investments and we may need to utilize less favorable sources of financing to finance our investments on a long-term basis. There can be no assurance as to when demand for commercial real estate CDOs will return or the terms of such securities investors will demand or whether we will be able to issue CDOs to finance our investments on terms beneficial to us.

We may not be able to find suitable replacement investments for CDOs with reinvestment periods.

Some of our CDOs have periods where principal proceeds received from assets securing the CDO can be reinvested only for a defined period of time, commonly referred to as a reinvestment period. Our ability to find suitable investments during the reinvestment period that meet the criteria set forth in the CDO documentation and by rating agencies may determine the success of our CDO investments. Our potential inability to find suitable investments may cause, among other things, lower returns, interest deficiencies, hyper-amortization of the senior CDO liabilities and may cause us to reduce the life of our CDOs and accelerate the amortization of certain fees and expenses.

The use of CDO financings may have a negative impact on our cash flow.

The terms of CDOs generally provide that the principal amount of investments must exceed the principal balance of the related bonds by a certain amount and that interest income exceeds interest expense by a certain amount. Certain of our CDOs provide that, if defaults, losses, or rating agency downgrades cause a decline in collateral value or cash flow levels, the cash flow otherwise payable to our retained subordinated classes may be redirected to repay classes of CDOs senior to ours until the tests are brought in compliance. In certain instances, we have breached these tests and cash flow has been redirected and there can be no assurances that this will not occur on all of our CDOs. Once breached there is no certainty about when or if the cash flow redirection will remedy the tests' failure or that cash flow will be restored to our subordinated classes.

We may be required to repurchase loans that we have sold or to indemnify holders of our CDOs.

If any of the loans we originate or acquire and sell or securitize through CDOs do not comply with representations and warranties that we make about certain characteristics of the loans, the borrowers and the underlying properties, we may be required to repurchase those loans or replace them with substitute loans. In addition, in the case of loans that we have sold instead of retained, we may be required to indemnify persons for losses or expenses incurred as a result of a breach of a representation or warranty. Repurchased loans typically require a significant allocation of working capital to carry on our books, and our ability to borrow against such assets is limited. Any significant repurchases or indemnification payments could adversely affect our financial condition and operating results.

The commercial mortgage and mezzanine loans we originate or acquire and the commercial mortgage loans underlying the commercial mortgage backed securities in which we invest are subject to delinquency, foreclosure and loss, which could result in losses to us.

Our commercial mortgage and mezzanine loans are secured by commercial property and are subject to risks of delinquency and foreclosure, and risks of loss that are greater than similar risks associated with loans made on the security of single-family residential property. The ability of a borrower to repay a loan secured by an income-producing property typically is dependent primarily upon the successful operation of the property rather than upon the existence of independent income or assets of the borrower. If the net operating income of the property is reduced, the borrower's ability to repay the loan may be impaired. Net operating income of an income-producing property can be affected by, among other things, tenant mix, success of tenant businesses, property management decisions, property location and condition, competition from comparable types of properties, changes in laws that increase operating expenses or limit rents that may be charged, any need to address environmental contamination at the property, changes in national, regional or local economic conditions and/or specific industry segments, declines in regional or local real estate values, declines in regional or local rental or occupancy rates, increases in interest rates, real estate tax rates and other operating expenses, and changes in governmental rules, regulations and fiscal policies, including environmental legislation, acts of God, terrorism, social unrest and civil disturbances.

Our investments in subordinated commercial mortgage backed securities and similar investments are subject to losses.

In general, losses on an asset securing a mortgage loan included in a securitization will be borne first by the equity holder of the property and then by the most junior security holder, referred to as the "first loss" position. In the event of default and the exhaustion of any equity support and any classes of securities junior to those in which we invest (and in some cases we may be invested in the junior most classes of securitizations), we may not be able to recover all of our investment in the securities we purchase. In addition, if the underlying mortgage portfolio has been overvalued by the originator, or if the values subsequently decline and, as a result, less collateral is available to satisfy interest and principal payments due on the related mortgage backed securities, the securities in which we invest may incur significant losses. Subordinate interests generally are not actively traded and are relatively illiquid investments and recent volatility in CMBS trading markets has caused the value of these investments to decline.

The prices of lower credit quality CMBS are generally less sensitive to interest rate changes than more highly rated investments, but more sensitive to adverse economic downturns and underlying borrower developments. A projection of an economic downturn, for example, could cause a decline in the price of lower credit quality CMBS because the ability of borrowers to make principal and interest payments on the mortgages underlying the mortgage backed securities may be impaired. In such event, existing credit support in the securitization structure may be insufficient to protect us against the loss of our principal on these securities.

We may have difficulty or be unable to sell some of our loans and commercial mortgage backed securities.

A prolonged period of frozen capital markets and an out of favor real estate sector may prevent us from selling our loans and CMBS. Given the terms of our recent restructuring, we may be forced to sell assets in order to meet required debt reduction levels. If the market for real estate loans and CMBS remains in its current state, this may be difficult or impossible, causing further losses or events of default.

The impact of the events of September 11, 2001 and the effect thereon on terrorism insurance expose us to certain risks.

The terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001 disrupted the U.S. financial markets, including the real estate capital markets, and negatively impacted the U.S. economy in general. Any future terrorist attacks, the anticipation of any such attacks, and the consequences of any military or other response by the U.S. and its allies may have a further

adverse impact on the U.S. financial markets and the economy generally. We cannot predict the severity of the effect that such future events would have on the U.S. financial markets, the economy or our business.

In addition, the events of September 11, 2001 created significant uncertainty regarding the ability of real estate owners of high profile assets to obtain insurance coverage protecting against terrorist attacks at commercially reasonable rates, if at all. The Terrorism Risk Insurance Act of 2002, or TRIA, was extended in December 2007. Coverage under the new law, the Terrorism Risk Insurance Program Reauthorization Act, or TRIPRA, now expires in 2014. There is no assurance that TRIPRA will be extended beyond 2014. The absence of affordable insurance coverage may adversely affect the general real estate lending market, lending volume and the market's overall liquidity and may reduce the number of suitable investment opportunities available to us and the pace at which we are able to make investments. If the properties that we invest in are unable to obtain affordable insurance coverage, the value of those investments could decline and in the event of an uninsured loss, we could lose all or a portion of our investment.

The economic impact of any future terrorist attacks could also adversely affect the credit quality of some of our loans and investments. Some of our loans and investments will be more susceptible to such adverse effects than others. We may suffer losses as a result of the adverse impact of any future attacks and these losses may adversely impact our results of operations.

Our non-U.S. investments will expose us to certain risks.

We make investments in foreign countries. Investing in foreign countries involves certain additional risks that may not exist when investing in the United States. The risks involved in foreign investments include:

- •exposure to local economic conditions, local interest rates, foreign exchange restrictions and restrictions on the withdrawal of foreign investment and earnings, investment restrictions or requirements, expropriations of property and changes in foreign taxation structures;
- •potential adverse changes in the diplomatic relations of foreign countries with the United States and government policies against investments by foreigners;
  - changes in foreign regulations;
- •hostility from local populations, potential instability of foreign governments and risks of insurrections, terrorist attacks, war or other military action;
  - fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates;
  - changes in social, political, legal, taxation and other conditions affecting our international investment;
- •logistical barriers to our timely receiving the financial information relating to our international investments that may need to be included in our periodic reporting obligations as a public company; and
- •lack of uniform accounting standards (including availability of information in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles).

Unfavorable legal, regulatory, economic or political changes such as those described above could adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.

We may from time to time invest a portion of our assets in non-U.S. investments or in instruments denominated in non-U.S. currencies, the prices of which will be determined with reference to currencies other than the U.S. dollar. We may hedge our foreign currency exposure. To the extent unhedged, the value of our non-U.S. assets will fluctuate with U.S. dollar exchange rates as well as the price changes of our investments in the various local markets and currencies. Among the factors that may affect currency values are trade balances, the level of short-term interest rates, differences

in relative values of similar assets in different currencies, long-term opportunities for investment and capital appreciation and political developments. An increase in the value of the U.S. dollar compared to the other currencies in which we make our investments will reduce the effect of increases and magnify the effect of decreases in the prices of our securities in their local markets. We could realize a net loss on an investment, even if there were a gain on the underlying investment before currency losses were taken into account. We may seek to hedge currency risks by investing in currencies, currency futures contracts and options on currency futures contracts, forward currency exchange contracts, swaps, options or any combination thereof (whether or not exchange traded), but there can be no assurance that these strategies will be effective, and such techniques entail costs and additional risks.

There are increased risks involved with construction lending activities.

We originate loans for the construction of commercial and residential use properties. Construction lending generally is considered to involve a higher degree of risk than other types of lending due to a variety of factors, including generally larger loan balances, the dependency on successful completion of a project, the dependency upon the successful operation of the project (such as achieving satisfactory occupancy and rental rates) for repayment, the difficulties in estimating construction costs and loan terms which often do not require full amortization of the loan over its term and, instead, provide for a balloon payment at stated maturity.

Some of our investments and investment opportunities may be in synthetic form.

Synthetic investments are contracts between parties whereby payments are exchanged based upon the performance of an underlying obligation. In addition to the risks associated with the performance of the obligation, these synthetic interests carry the risk of the counterparty not performing its contractual obligations. Market standards, GAAP accounting methodology and tax regulations related to these investments are evolving, and we cannot be certain that their evolution will not adversely impact the value or sustainability of these investments. Furthermore, our ability to invest in synthetic investments, other than through taxable REIT subsidiaries, may be severely limited by the REIT qualification requirements because synthetic investment contracts generally are not qualifying assets and do not produce qualifying income for purposes of the REIT asset and income tests.

Risks Related to Our Investment Management Business and Management of CDOs

Our recent balance sheet restructuring may adversely impact our investment management business.

In large part, our ability to raise capital and garner other investment management and advisory business is dependent upon our reputation as a balance sheet manager and credit underwriter, as well as the ability to demonstrate that we have the resources to execute mandates. Our recent restructuring will likely negatively impact our abilities in this regard.

We are subject to risks and uncertainties associated with operating our investment management business, and we may not achieve the investment returns that we expect.

We will encounter risks and difficulties as we operate our investment management business. In order to achieve our goals as an investment manager, we must:

- manage our investment management vehicles successfully by investing their capital in suitable investments that meet their respective investment criteria;
  - actively manage the assets in our portfolios in order to realize targeted performance;
- create incentives for our management and professional staff to develop and operate the investment management business; and
- structure, sponsor and capitalize future investment management vehicles that provide investors with attractive investment opportunities.

If we do not successfully operate our investment management business to achieve the investment returns that we or the market anticipates, our results of operations may be adversely impacted.

We may expand our investment management business to involve other investment classes where we do not have prior investment experience. We may find it difficult to attract third party investors without a performance track record involving such investments. Even if we attract third party capital, there can be no assurance that we will be successful in deploying the capital to achieve targeted returns on the investments.

We face substantial competition from established participants in the private equity market as we offer investment management vehicles to third party investors.

We face significant competition from large financial and other institutions that have proven track records in marketing and managing vehicles and otherwise have a competitive advantage over us because they have access to pre-existing third party investor networks into which they can channel competing investment opportunities. If our competitors offer investment products that are competitive with products offered by us, we will find it more difficult to attract investors and to capitalize our investment management vehicles.

Our investment management vehicles are subject to the risk of defaults by third party investors on their capital commitments.

The capital commitments made by third party investors to our investment management vehicles represent unsecured promises by those investors to contribute cash to the investment management vehicles from time to time as investments are made by the investment management vehicles. Accordingly, we are subject to general credit risks that the investors may default on their capital commitments. If defaults occur, we may not be able to close loans and investments we have identified and negotiated which could materially and adversely affect the investment management vehicles' investment program or make us liable for breach of contract, in either case to the detriment of our franchise in the private equity market.

CTIMCO's role as collateral manager for our CDOs and investment manager for our funds may expose us to liabilities to investors.

We are subject to potential liabilities to investors as a result of CTIMCO's role as collateral manager for our CDOs and our investment management business generally. In serving in such roles, we could be subject to claims by CDO investors and investors in our funds that we did not act in accordance with our duties under our CDO and investment fund documentation or that we were negligent in taking or refraining from taking actions with respect to the underlying collateral in our CDOs or in making investments. In particular, the discretion that we exercise in managing the collateral for our CDOs and the investments in our investment management business could result in liability due to the current negative conditions in the commercial real estate market and the inherent uncertainties surrounding the course of action that will result in the best long term results with respect to such collateral and investments. This risk could be increased due to the affiliated nature of our roles. If we were found liable for our actions as collateral manager or investment manager and we were required to pay significant damages to our CDO and investment advisory investors, our financial condition could be materially adversely effected.

#### Risks Related to Our Company

We are dependent upon our senior management team to develop and operate our business.

Our ability to develop and operate our business depends to a substantial extent upon the experience, relationships and expertise of our senior management and key employees. We cannot assure you that these individuals will remain in our employ. The employment agreements with our chief executive officer, John R. Klopp, and our chief credit officer, Thomas C. Ruffing, were scheduled to expire on December 31, 2008, unless further extended, but prior to that date we entered in agreements with them committing the parties to determine whether or not to extend or renew their respective employment agreements and, if so extended or renewed, to execute amended employment agreements reflecting such change in the first quarter of 2009. The employment agreement with our chief operating officer, Stephen D. Plavin, would have expired on December 28, 2008, had we not exercised our option to extend for an additional twelve months. The employment agreement with our chief financial officer, Geoffrey G. Jervis, expires on December 31, 2009 (subject to our option to extend for an additional twelve months), unless further extended. There can be no assurance that Messrs. Klopp and Ruffing will enter into amended employment agreements extending their employment with us. In addition, the departure of both Mr. Klopp and Mr. Plavin from their employment with us constitutes an event of default under our restructured debt obligations unless a suitable replacement acceptable to the lenders is hired by us.

Our ability to compensate our employees is limited by our restructured debt obligations.

Our restructured debt obligations limit the aggregate cash compensation we are able to pay our employees (excluding our chief executive officer, chief operating officer and chief financial officer), to 2008 aggregate compensation levels. In the case of our chief executive officer, chief operating officer and chief financial officer, salaries are frozen at 2008 levels and cash bonus compensation must be approved by our lenders. This may impact our ability to retain our employees or attract new employees.

There may be conflicts between the interests of our investment management vehicles and us.

We are subject to a number of potential conflicts between our interests and the interests of our investment management vehicles. We are subject to potential conflicts of interest in the allocation of investment opportunities between our balance sheet once our balance sheet investment activity resumes and our investment management vehicles. In addition, we may make investments that are senior or junior to, participations in, or have rights and interests different from or adverse to, the investments made by our investment management vehicles. Our interests in such investments may conflict with the interests of our investment management vehicles in related investments at the time of origination or in the event of a default or restructuring of the investment. Finally, our officers and employees may have conflicts in allocating their time and services among us and our investment management vehicles.

We must manage our portfolio in a manner that allows us to rely on an exclusion from registration under the Investment Company Act of 1940 in order to avoid the consequences of regulation under that Act.

We rely on an exclusion from registration as an investment company afforded by Section 3(c)(5)(C) of the Investment Company Act of 1940. Under this exclusion, we are required to maintain, on the basis of positions taken by the SEC staff in interpretive and no-action letters, a minimum of 55% of the value of the total assets of our portfolio in "mortgages and other liens on and interests in real estate," which we refer to as "Qualifying Interests," and a minimum of 80% in Qualifying Interests and real estate related assets. Because registration as an investment company would significantly affect our ability to engage in certain transactions or to organize ourselves in the manner we are currently organized, we intend to maintain our qualification for this exclusion from registration. In the past, when required due to the mix of assets in our balance sheet portfolio, we have purchased all of the outstanding interests in pools of whole residential mortgage loans, which we treat as Qualifying Interests based on SEC staff positions. Investments in such pools of whole residential mortgage loans may not represent an optimum use of our investable capital when compared to the available investments we target pursuant to our investment strategy. These investments present additional risks to us, and these risks are compounded by our inexperience with such investments. We continue to analyze our investments and may acquire other pools of whole loan residential mortgage backed securities when and if required for compliance purposes.

We treat our investments in CMBS, B Notes and mezzanine loans as Qualifying Interests for purposes of determining our eligibility for the exclusion provided by Section 3(c)(5)(C) to the extent such treatment is consistent with guidance provided by the SEC or its staff. In the absence of such guidance that otherwise supports the treatment of these investments as Qualifying Interests, we will treat them, for purposes of determining our eligibility for the exclusion provided by Section 3(c)(5)(C), as real estate related assets or miscellaneous assets, as appropriate.

If our portfolio does not comply with the requirements of the exclusion we rely upon, we could be forced to alter our portfolio by selling or otherwise disposing of a substantial portion of the assets that are not Qualifying Interests or by acquiring a significant position in assets that are Qualifying Interests. Altering our portfolio in this manner may have an adverse effect on our investments if we are forced to dispose of or acquire assets in an unfavorable market and may adversely affect our stock price.

If it were established that we were an unregistered investment company, there would be a risk that we would be subject to monetary penalties and injunctive relief in an action brought by the SEC, that we would be unable to enforce contracts with third parties and that third parties could seek to obtain rescission of transactions undertaken during the period it was established that we were an unregistered investment company and limitations on corporate leverage that would have an adverse impact on our investment returns.

Risks Relating to Our Class A Common Stock

Sales or other dilution of our equity may adversely affect the market price of our class A common stock.

In connection with restructuring our debt obligations, we issued, or irrevocably committed to issue, warrants to purchase 3,479,691 shares of our class A common stock, which represents approximately 16% of our outstanding class A common stock as of March 16, 2009. The market price of our class A common stock could decline as a result of sales of a large number of shares of class A common stock acquired upon exercise of the warrants in the market. If the warrants are exercised, the issuance of additional shares of class A common stock would dilute the ownership interest of our existing shareholders.

Because a limited number of shareholders, including members of our management team, own a substantial number of our shares, they may make decisions or take actions that may be detrimental to your interests.

Our executive officers and directors, along with vehicles for the benefit of their families, collectively own and control 2,602,476 shares of our class A common stock representing approximately 11.9% of our outstanding class A common stock as of February 28, 2009. W. R. Berkley Corporation, or WRBC, which employs one of our directors, owns 3,843,413 shares of our class A common stock, which represents 17.6% of our outstanding class A common stock as of February 28, 2009. By virtue of their voting power, these shareholders have the power to significantly influence our affairs and are able to influence the outcome of matters required to be submitted to shareholders for approval, including the election of our directors, amendments to our charter, mergers, sales of assets and other acquisitions or sales. The influence exerted by these shareholders over our affairs might not be consistent with the interests of some or all of our other shareholders. In addition, the concentration of ownership in our officers or directors or shareholders associated with them may have the effect of delaying or preventing a change in control of our company, including transactions in which you might otherwise receive a premium for your class A common stock, and might negatively affect the market price of our class A common stock.

Some provisions of our charter and bylaws and Maryland law may deter takeover attempts, which may limit the opportunity of our shareholders to sell their shares at a favorable price.

Some of the provisions of our charter and bylaws and Maryland law discussed below could make it more difficult for a third party to acquire us, even if doing so might be beneficial to our shareholders by providing them with the opportunity to sell their shares at a premium to the then current market price.

Issuance of Preferred Stock Without Shareholder Approval. Our charter authorizes our board of directors to authorize the issuance of up to 100,000,000 shares of preferred stock and up to 100,000,000 shares of class A common stock. Our charter also authorizes our board of directors, without shareholder approval, to classify or reclassify any unissued shares of our class A common stock and preferred stock into other classes or series of stock and to amend our charter to increase or decrease the aggregate number of shares of stock of any class or series that may be issued. Our board of directors, therefore, can exercise its power to reclassify our stock to increase the number of shares of preferred stock we may issue without shareholder approval. Preferred stock may be issued in one or more series, the terms of which may be determined without further action by shareholders. These terms may include preferences, conversion or other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends or other distributions, qualifications or terms or conditions of redemption. The issuance of any preferred stock, however, could materially adversely affect the rights of holders of our class A common stock and, therefore, could reduce the value of the class A common stock. In addition, specific rights granted to future holders of our preferred stock could be used to restrict our ability to merge with, or sell assets to, a third party. The power of our board of directors to issue preferred stock could make it more difficult, delay, discourage, prevent or make it more costly to acquire or effect a change in control, thereby preserving the current shareholders' control.

Advance Notice Bylaw. Our bylaws contain advance notice procedures for the introduction of business and the nomination of directors. These provisions could discourage proxy contests and make it more difficult for you and other shareholders to elect shareholder-nominated directors and to propose and approve shareholder proposals opposed by management.

Maryland Takeover Statutes. We are subject to the Maryland Business Combination Act which could delay or prevent an unsolicited takeover of us. The statute substantially restricts the ability of third parties who acquire, or seek to acquire, control of us to complete mergers and other business combinations without the approval of our board of directors even if such transaction would be beneficial to shareholders. "Business combinations" between such a third party acquirer or its affiliate and us are prohibited for five years after the most recent date on which the acquirer or its affiliate becomes an "interested shareholder." An "interested shareholder" is defined as any person who beneficially owns 10 percent or more of our shareholder voting power or an affiliate or associate of ours who, at any time within the two-year period prior to the date interested shareholder status is determined, was the beneficial owner of 10 percent or more of our shareholder voting power. If our board of directors approved in advance the transaction that would otherwise give rise to the acquirer or its affiliate attaining such status, such as the issuance of shares of our class A common stock to WRBC, the acquirer or its affiliate would not become an interested shareholder and, as a result, it could enter into a business combination with us. Our board of directors could choose not to negotiate with an acquirer if the board determined in its business judgment that considering such an acquisition was not in our strategic interests. Even after the lapse of the five-year prohibition period, any business combination with an interested shareholder must be recommended by our board of directors and approved by the affirmative vote of at least:

- 80% of the votes entitled to be cast by shareholders; and
- •two-thirds of the votes entitled to be cast by shareholders other than the interested shareholder and affiliates and associates thereof.

The super-majority vote requirements do not apply if the transaction complies with a minimum price requirement prescribed by the statute.

The statute permits various exemptions from its provisions, including business combinations that are exempted by the board of directors prior to the time that an interested shareholder becomes an interested shareholder. Our board of directors has exempted any business combination involving family partnerships controlled separately by John R. Klopp and Craig M. Hatkoff, and a limited liability company indirectly controlled by a trust for the benefit of Samuel Zell and his family. As a result, these persons and WRBC may enter into business combinations with us without compliance with the super-majority vote requirements and the other provisions of the statute.

We are subject to the Maryland Control Share Acquisition Act. With certain exceptions, the Maryland General Corporation Law provides that "control shares" of a Maryland corporation acquired in a control share acquisition have no voting rights except to the extent approved by a vote of two-thirds of the votes entitled to be cast on the matter, excluding shares owned by the acquiring person or by our officers or by our directors who are our employees, and may be redeemed by us. "Control shares" are voting shares which, if aggregated with all other shares owned or voted by the acquirer, would entitle the acquirer to exercise voting power in electing directors within one of the specified ranges of voting power. A person who has made or proposes to make a control share acquisition, upon satisfaction of certain conditions, including an undertaking to pay expenses, may compel our board to call a special meeting of shareholders to be held within 50 days of demand to consider the voting rights of the "control shares" in question. If no request for a meeting is made, we may present the question at any shareholders' meeting.

If voting rights are not approved at the shareholders' meeting or if the acquiring person does not deliver the statement required by Maryland law, then, subject to certain conditions and limitations, we may redeem for fair value any or all of the control shares, except those for which voting rights have previously been approved. If voting rights for control shares are approved at a shareholders' meeting and the acquirer may then vote a majority of the shares entitled to vote, then all other shareholders may exercise appraisal rights. The fair value of the shares for purposes of these appraisal rights may not be less than the highest price per share paid by the acquirer in the control share acquisition. The control share acquisition statute does not apply to shares acquired in a merger, consolidation or share exchange if we are not a party to the transaction, nor does it apply to acquisitions approved or exempted by our charter or bylaws. Our bylaws

contain a provision exempting certain holders identified in our bylaws from this statute, including WRBC, family partnerships controlled separately by John R. Klopp and Craig M. Hatkoff, and a limited liability company indirectly controlled by a trust for the benefit of Samuel Zell and his family.

We are also subject to the Maryland Unsolicited Takeovers Act which permits our board of directors, among other things and notwithstanding any provision in our charter or bylaws, to elect on our behalf to stagger the terms of directors and to increase the shareholder vote required to remove a director. Such an election would significantly restrict the ability of third parties to wage a proxy fight for control of our board of directors as a means of advancing a takeover offer. If an acquirer was discouraged from offering to acquire us, or prevented from successfully completing a hostile acquisition, you could lose the opportunity to sell your shares at a favorable price.

The price of our class A common stock may be impacted by many factors.

As with any public company, a number of factors may impact the trading price of our class A common stock, many of which are beyond our control. These factors include, in addition to other risk factors mentioned in this section:

the level of institutional interest in us;

- the perception of REITs generally and REITs with portfolios similar to ours, in particular, by market professionals;
  - the attractiveness of securities of REITs in comparison to other companies;
  - the market's perception of our ability to successfully manage our portfolio and our recent restructuring; and;
    - the general economic environment and the commercial real estate property and capital markets.

Our restructured debt obligations restrict us from paying cash dividends, which reduces the attractiveness of an investment in our class A common stock.

The restrictions on our inability to pay cash dividends, except in a limited manner, will reduce the current dividend yield on our class A common stock and this can negatively impact the price of our class A common stock as investors seeking current income pursue alternative investments.

Your ability to sell a substantial number of shares of our class A common stock may be restricted by the low trading volume historically experienced by our class A common stock.

Although our class A common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, the daily trading volume of our shares of class A common stock has historically been lower than the trading volume for certain other companies. As a result, the ability of a holder to sell a substantial number of shares of our class A common stock in a timely manner without causing a substantial decline in the market value of the shares, especially by means of a large block trade, may be restricted by the limited trading volume of the shares of our class A common stock.

Risks Related to our REIT Status and Certain Other Tax Items

Our charter does not permit any individual to own more than 9.9% of our class A common stock, and attempts to acquire our class A common stock in excess of the 9.9% limit would be void without the prior approval of our board of directors.

For the purpose of preserving our qualification as a REIT for federal income tax purposes, our charter prohibits direct or constructive ownership by any individual of more than a certain percentage, currently 9.9%, of the lesser of the total number or value of the outstanding shares of our class A common stock as a means of preventing ownership of more than 50% of our class A common stock by five or fewer individuals. The charter's constructive ownership rules are complex and may cause the outstanding class A common stock owned by a group of related individuals or entities to be deemed to be constructively owned by one individual. As a result, the acquisition of less than 9.9% of our outstanding class A common stock by an individual or entity could cause an individual to own constructively in excess of 9.9% of our outstanding class A common stock, and thus be subject to the charter's ownership limit. There can be no assurance that our board of directors, as permitted in the charter, will increase, or will not decrease, this ownership limit in the future. Any attempt to own or transfer shares of our class A common stock in excess of the ownership limit without the consent of our board of directors will be void, and will result in the shares being transferred by operation of the charter to a charitable trust, and the person who acquired such excess shares will not be entitled to any distributions thereon or to vote such excess shares.

The 9.9% ownership limit may have the effect of precluding a change in control of us by a third party without the consent of our board of directors, even if such change in control would be in the interest of our shareholders or would result in a premium to the price of our class A common stock (and even if such change in control would not reasonably jeopardize our REIT status). The ownership limit exemptions and the reset limits granted to date would limit our board of directors' ability to reset limits in the future and at the same time maintain compliance with the REIT qualification requirement prohibiting ownership of more than 50% of our class A common stock by five or fewer individuals.

There are no assurances that we will be able to pay dividends in the future.

We expect in the future when we generate taxable income to pay quarterly dividends and to make distributions to our shareholders in amounts so that all or substantially all of our taxable income in each year, subject to certain adjustments, is distributed. This, along with our compliance with other requirements, should enable us to qualify for the tax benefits accorded to a REIT under the Internal Revenue Code. All distributions will be made at the discretion of our board of directors and will depend on our earnings, our financial condition, maintenance of our REIT status and such other factors as our board of directors may deem relevant from time to time. There are no assurances that we will be able to pay dividends in the future. In addition, some of our distributions may include a return of capital, which would reduce the amount of capital available to operate our business. There have been recent changes to the Internal Revenue Code that would allow us to pay required dividends in the form of additional shares of common stock equal in value up to 90% of the required dividend. We expect that as we undertake efforts to conserve cash and enhance our liquidity and comply with our restructured debt obligations covenants, future required dividends on our class A common stock will be paid in the form of class A common stock to the fullest extent permitted. There can be no assurance as to when we will no longer be subject to debt obligation covenants or will cease our efforts to conserve cash and enhance liquidity to an extent we believe positions us to resume the payment of dividends completely or substantially in cash.

We will be dependent on external sources of capital to finance our growth.

As with other REITs, but unlike corporations generally, our ability to finance our growth must largely be funded by external sources of capital because we generally will have to distribute to our shareholders 90% of our taxable income in order to qualify as a REIT, including taxable income where we do not receive corresponding cash. Our access to external capital will depend upon a number of factors, including general market conditions, the market's perception of our growth potential, our current and potential future earnings, cash distributions and the market price of our class A common stock.

If we do not maintain our qualification as a REIT, we will be subject to tax as a regular corporation and face a substantial tax liability. Our taxable REIT subsidiaries will be subject to income tax.

We expect to continue to operate so as to qualify as a REIT under the Internal Revenue Code. However, qualification as a REIT involves the application of highly technical and complex Internal Revenue Code provisions for which only a limited number of judicial or administrative interpretations exist. Notwithstanding the availability of cure provisions in the tax code, various compliance requirements could be failed and could jeopardize our REIT status. Furthermore, new tax legislation, administrative guidance or court decisions, in each instance potentially with retroactive effect, could make it more difficult or impossible for us to qualify as a REIT. If we fail to qualify as a REIT in any tax year, then:

• we would be taxed as a regular domestic corporation, which under current laws, among other things, means being unable to deduct distributions to shareholders in computing taxable income and being subject to federal income tax on our taxable income at regular corporate rates;

- any resulting tax liability could be substantial, could have a material adverse effect on our book value and would reduce the amount of cash available for distribution to shareholders;
- •unless we were entitled to relief under applicable statutory provisions, we would be required to pay taxes, and thus, our cash available for distribution to shareholders would be reduced for each of the years during which we did not qualify as a REIT; and
  - we generally would not be eligible to requalify as a REIT for four full taxable years.

Fee income from our investment management business is expected to be realized by one of our taxable REIT subsidiaries, and, accordingly, will be subject to income tax.

Complying with REIT requirements may cause us to forego otherwise attractive opportunities and limit our expansion opportunities.

In order to qualify as a REIT for federal income tax purposes, we must continually satisfy tests concerning, among other things, our sources of income, the nature of our investments in commercial real estate and related assets, the amounts we distribute to our shareholders and the ownership of our stock. We may also be required to make distributions to shareholders at disadvantageous times or when we do not have funds readily available for distribution. Thus, compliance with REIT requirements may hinder our ability to operate solely on the basis of maximizing profits.

Complying with REIT requirements may force us to liquidate or restructure otherwise attractive investments.

In order to qualify as a REIT, we must also ensure that at the end of each calendar quarter, at least 75% of the value of our assets consists of cash, cash items, government securities and qualified REIT real estate assets. The remainder of our investments in securities cannot include more than 10% of the outstanding voting securities of any one issuer or 10% of the total value of the outstanding securities of any one issuer unless we and such issuer jointly elect for such issuer to be treated as a "taxable REIT subsidiary" under the Internal Revenue Code. The total value of all of our investments in taxable REIT subsidiaries cannot exceed 20% of the value of our total assets. In addition, no more than 5% of the value of our assets can consist of the securities of any one issuer. If we fail to comply with these requirements, we must dispose of a portion of our assets within 30 days after the end of the calendar quarter in order to avoid losing our REIT status and suffering adverse tax consequences.

Complying with REIT requirements may force us to borrow to make distributions to shareholders.

From time to time, our taxable income may be greater than our cash flow available for distribution to shareholders. If we do not have other funds available in these situations, we may be unable to distribute substantially all of our taxable income as required by the REIT provisions of the Internal Revenue Code. Thus, we could be required to borrow funds, sell a portion of our assets at disadvantageous prices or find another alternative. These options could increase our costs or reduce our equity. Our restructured debt obligations may cause us to recognize taxable income without any corresponding cash income and we may be required to distribute additional dividends in cash and/or class A common stock.

Item 1B.	Unresolved Staff Comments	
None.		
Item 2.	Properties	
leased at 410 Park Avenue, New Y	distrative offices are located in approximately 15,000 square feet of office sprork, New York 10022. Our telephone number is (212) 655-0220 and our webom. Our lease for office space expires in October 2018.	
Item 3.	Legal Proceedings	
	itigation or legal proceedings, or, to the best of our knowledge, any threatech, in our opinion, individually or in the aggregate, would have a material adversimancial condition.	
Item 4.	Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders	
We did not submit any matters to a	vote of security holders during the fourth quarter of 2008.	
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#### **PART II**

Item 5. Market for the Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

Our class A common stock is listed for trading on the New York Stock Exchange, or NYSE, under the symbol "CT." The table below sets forth, for the calendar quarters indicated, the reported high and low sale prices for the class A common stock as reported on the NYSE composite transaction tape and the per share cash dividends declared on the class A common stock.

	High	Low	Dividend
2008	_		
Fourth quarter	\$13.17	\$3.42	\$0.00
Third quarter	19.76	9.78	0.60
Second quarter	29.98	18.71	0.80
First quarter	30.38	24.30	0.80
2007			
Fourth quarter	\$38.17	\$26.91	\$2.70(1)
Third quarter	37.37	30.65	0.80
Second quarter	47.39	34.14	0.80
First quarter	55.27	43.70	0.80
2006			
Fourth quarter	\$50.62	\$39.70	\$1.40(2)
Third quarter	42.97	33.89	0.75
Second quarter	35.62	29.69	0.70
First quarter	34.32	29.60	0.60

- (1) Comprised of a regular quarterly dividend of \$0.80 per share and a special dividend of \$1.90 per share.
- (2) Comprised of a regular quarterly dividend of \$0.75 per share and a special dividend of \$0.65 per share.

The last reported sale price of the class A common stock on February 28, 2009 as reported on the NYSE composite transaction tape was \$1.67. As of February 28, 2009, there were 498 holders of record of the class A common stock. By including persons holding shares in broker accounts under street names, however, we estimate our shareholder base to be approximately 9,858

We generally intend to distribute each year substantially all of our taxable income (which does not necessarily equal net income as calculated in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles) to our shareholders so as to comply with the REIT provisions of the Internal Revenue Code. If necessary for REIT qualification purposes, we may need to distribute any taxable income remaining after giving effect to the distribution of the final regular quarterly dividend each year, together with the first regular quarterly dividend payment of the following taxable year or, at our discretion, in a separate dividend distributed prior thereto. We refer to these dividends as special dividends. As required by covenants in our restructured debt obligations, our cash dividend distributions are restricted to the minimum amount necessary to maintain our status as a REIT. Moreover, such covenants, taking into consideration the recent IRS ruling, "Revenue Procedure 2008-68", which allow REITs to distribute up to 90% of their dividends in the form of stock for tax years ending on or before December 31, 2009, require us to make any distribution in stock to the extent permitted.

In addition to the foregoing restrictions, our dividend policy remains subject to revision at the discretion of our board of directors. All distributions will be made at the discretion of our board of directors and will depend upon our taxable income, our financial condition, our maintenance of REIT status and other factors that our board of directors deems relevant. In accordance with Internal Revenue Service guidance, we are required to report the amount of excess inclusion income earned by the Company. In 2008, we calculated excess inclusion income to be de minimis.

# Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

The following table provides information regarding purchases of shares of our common stock made by or on our behalf during the three months ended December 31, 2008.

			(c) Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part	(d) Maximun Number (or Approximate Dollar Value of Shares that May	<b>.</b>
				Yet Be	
			of Publicly		
	(a) Total	(b) Average	Announced	Purchased	
	Number	Price	Plans	Under the	
	of Shares	Paid per	or	Plans or	
Period	Purchased(1)	Share	Programs	Programs	
October 1-31, 2008	_	_ \$-		_	
November 1-30, 2008	_			_	
December 1-31, 2008	6,240	3.60	_	_	
Total	6,240	\$3.60	_	_	_

(1) All purchases were made pursuant to elections by incentive plan participants to satisfy tax withholding obligations through the surrender of shares equal in value to the amount of the withholding obligation incurred upon the vesting of restricted stock.

#### **Equity Compensation Plan Information**

The following table summarizes information, as of December 31, 2008, relating to our equity compensation plans pursuant to which shares of our common stock or other equity securities may be granted from time to time.

			(c)
	(a)	(b)	Number of securities remaining available
	Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of	Weighted average exercise price of	for future issuance under equity compensation plans (excluding securities
Plan category	outstanding options	outstanding options	reflected in column (a))
Equity compensation			
plans approved by			
security holders(1)	170,477	\$15.62	577,376
Equity compensation			
plans not approved by			
security holders (2)	<del></del>		<del></del>
Total	170,477	\$15.62	577,376

(1) The number of securities remaining for future issuance consists of 577,376 shares issuable under our 2007 long-term incentive plan which was approved by our shareholders. Awards under the plan may include restricted stock, unrestricted stock, stock options, stock units, stock appreciation rights, performance shares, performance units, deferred share units or other equity-based awards, as the board of directors may determine.

(2) All of our equity compensation plans have been approved by security holders.

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#### Selected Financial Data

The following table sets forth selected consolidated financial data, which was derived from our historical consolidated financial statements included in our Annual Reports on Form 10-K, for the years ended 2004 through 2008.

Certain reclassifications have been made to all periods presented prior to 2005 to reflect the application of Financial Accounting Standards Board Interpretation No. 46(R) on January 1, 2004.

You should read the following information together with "Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and the consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto included in "Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data."

	Years ended December 31,									
		2008		2007		2006		2005		2004
			(iı	n thousands	s, ex	cept for pe	er sh	are data)		
STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS DATA:										
REVENUES:										
Interest and related income	\$	196,215	\$	254,505	\$	176,758	\$	86,753	\$	46,639
Management fees		13,308		10,330		4,407		13,124		7,863
Total revenues		209,523		264,835		181,165		99,877		54,502
OPERATING EXPENSES:										
Interest expense		129,665		162,377		104,607		37,229		20,141
General and administrative expenses		24,957		29,956		23,075		21,939		15,229
Depreciation and amortization		179		1,810		3,049		1,114		1,100
Impairments		2,917		_	_	_	_	_	_	5,886
Provision for/(recapture of) possible credit										
losses		63,577		_	_	_	_	-	_	(6,672)
Valuation allowance on loans held-for-sale		48,259		_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Total operating expenses		269,554		194,143		130,731		60,282		35,684
Gain on sale of investments		374		15,077		-	_	4,951		300
Gain on extinguishment of debt		6,000		_	_	_	_	_	_	_
(Loss)/income from equity investments		(1,988)		(2,109)		898		(222)		2,407
(Loss)/income before income taxes		(55,645)		83,660		51,332		44,324		21,525
Provision/(benefit) for income taxes		1,893		(706)		(2,735)		213		(451)
NET (LOSS)/INCOME ALLOCABLE TO										
COMMON STOCK:	\$	(57,538)	\$	84,366	\$	54,067	\$	44,111	\$	21,976
PER SHARE INFORMATION:										
Net (loss)/income per share of common stock:										
Basic	\$	(2.73)		4.80	\$	3.43	\$	2.91	\$	2.17
Diluted	\$	(2.73)	\$	4.77	\$	3.40	\$	2.88	\$	2.14
Dividends declared per share of common										
stock	\$	2.20	\$	5.10	\$	3.45	\$	2.45	\$	1.85
Weighted average shares of common stock										
outstanding:										
Basic		21,099		17,570		15,755		15,181		10,141
Diluted		21,099		17,690		15,923		15,336		10,277

Years ended December 31,

	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
BALANCE SHEET DATA:					
Total assets	\$ 2,838,627	\$ 3,211,482	\$ 2,648,564	\$ 1,557,642	\$ 877,766
Total liabilities	2,437,183	2,803,245	2,222,292	1,218,792	561,269
Shareholders' equity	401,444	408,237	426,272	338,850	316,497
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# Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operation

References herein to "we," "us" or "our" refer to Capital Trust, Inc. and its subsidiaries unless the context specifically requires otherwise.

#### Introduction

Our business model is designed to produce a mix of net interest margin from our balance sheet investments and fee income plus co-investment income from our investment management operations. In managing our operations, we focus on originating investments, managing our portfolios and capitalizing our businesses.

#### **Current Market Conditions**

During 2008, the general economic environment deteriorated precipitously, leaving the U.S economy and many economies around the world in a state of severe economic recession. In addition, the global capital markets continued to be in a severe state of crisis. The impact on commercial real estate has been a combination of: (i) decreased, and expected further decreases, in property level cash flows and (ii) lack of capital, both debt and equity, to allow for markets to function in an orderly manner. Transaction volume has declined significantly, credit spreads for all forms of mortgage debt reached all-time highs, issuance levels of commercial mortgage backed securities, or CMBS, ground to a halt, and other forms of financing from the debt markets have been dramatically curtailed. Financial institutions still hold significant inventories of unsold loans and CMBS, creating a further overhang on the markets. These factors have combined to create significant decreases in property values and have and will continue to impact the performance of our existing portfolio of assets. Furthermore, the volatility in the capital markets has caused severe stress to all financial institutions and our business is dependent upon these counterparties for, among other things, financing and interest rate derivatives.

#### Restructuring of Our Debt Obligations

On March 16, 2009, we consummated a restructuring of substantially all of our recourse debt obligations with certain of our secured and unsecured creditors pursuant to the amended terms of our secured credit facilities, our senior unsecured credit agreement, and certain of our trust preferred securities.

#### Secured Credit Facilities

In connection with the restructuring, we amended our secured, recourse credit facilities with: (i) JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., JPMorgan Chase Funding Inc. and J.P. Morgan Securities Inc., or collectively JPMorgan, (ii) Morgan Stanley Bank, N.A., or Morgan Stanley, and (iii) Citigroup Financial Products Inc. and Citigroup Global Markets Inc., or collectively Citigroup. We collectively refer to JPMorgan, Morgan Stanley and Citigroup as the participating secured lenders. Further, as part of the restructuring, we also entered into an agreement to terminate our secured, recourse facility with Goldman Sachs Mortgage Company, or Goldman Sachs. We had previously, on February 25, 2009, terminated our secured financing with UBS Real Estate Securities Inc., or UBS.

Specifically, on March 16, 2009, we entered into separate amendments to the respective master repurchase agreements with JPMorgan, Morgan Stanley and Citigroup. Pursuant to the terms of each such agreement, we repaid the balance outstanding with each participating secured lender by an amount equal to three percent (3%) of the current outstanding principal amount due under its existing secured, recourse credit facility, \$17.7 million in the aggregate, and further amended the terms of each such facility, without any change to the collateral pool securing the debt owed to each participating secured lender, to provide the following:

- •Maturity dates were modified to one year from the March 16, 2009 effective date of each respective agreement, which maturity dates may be extended further for two one-year periods. The first one-year extension option is exercisable by us so long as the outstanding balance as of the first extension date is less than or equal to a certain amount, which is a reduction of twenty percent (20%), including the upfront payment described above, of the outstanding principal amount from the date of the amendments, and no other defaults or events of default have occurred and are continuing, or would be caused by such extension. The second one-year extension option is exercisable by each participating secured lender in its sole discretion.
- •We agreed to pay each participating secured lender periodic amortization as follows: (i) mandatory payments, payable monthly in arrears, in an amount equal to sixty-five (65%) (subject to adjustment in the second year) of the net interest income generated by each such lender's collateral pool, and (ii) one hundred percent (100%) of the principal proceeds received from the repayment of assets in each such lender's collateral pool. In addition, under the terms of the amendment with Citigroup, we agreed to pay Citigroup an additional quarterly amortization payment equal to the lesser of: (x) Citigroup's then outstanding senior secured credit facility balance or (y) the product of (i) the total cash paid (including both principal and interest) during the period to our senior unsecured credit facility in excess of an amount equivalent to LIBOR plus 1.75% based upon a \$100.0 million facility amount, and (ii) a fraction, the numerator of which is Citigroup's then outstanding senior secured credit facility balance and the denominator is the total outstanding secured indebtedness of the participating secured lenders.
- We further agreed to amortize each participating secured lender's secured debt at the end of each calendar quarter on a pro rata basis until we have repaid our secured, recourse credit facilities and thereafter our senior unsecured credit facility in an amount equal to any unrestricted cash in excess of the sum of (i) \$25.0 million, and (ii) any unfunded loan and co-investment commitments.
- Each participating secured lender was relieved of its obligation to make future advances with respect to unfunded commitments arising under investments in its collateral pool.
- •We received the right to sell or refinance collateral assets as long as we apply one hundred percent (100%) of the proceeds to pay down the related secured credit facility balance subject to minimum release price mechanics.
- •We eliminated the cash margin call provisions and amended the mark-to-market provisions so that future changes in collateral value will be determined based upon changes in the performance of the underlying real estate collateral in lieu of the previous provisions which were based on market spreads. Beginning six months after the date of execution of the agreements, each collateral pool will be valued monthly on this basis. If the ratio of a participating secured lender's total outstanding secured credit facility balance to total collateral value exceeds 1.15x the ratio calculated as of the effective date of the amended agreements, we will be required to liquidate collateral in order to return to compliance with the prescribed loan to collateral value ratio or post other collateral to bring the ratio back into compliance.

In each master repurchase agreement amendment and the amendment to our senior unsecured credit agreement described in greater detail below, which we collectively refer to as our restructured debt obligations, we also replaced all existing financial covenants with the following uniform covenants which:

- •prohibit new balance sheet investments except, subject to certain limitations, co-investments in our investment management vehicles or protective investments to defend existing collateral assets on our balance sheet;
  - prohibit the incurrence of any additional indebtedness except in limited circumstances;

- limit the total cash compensation to all employees and, specifically with respect to our chief executive officer, chief operating officer and chief financial officer, freeze their base salaries at 2008 levels, and require cash bonuses to any of them to be approved by a committee comprised of one representative designated by the secured lenders, the administrative agent under the senior unsecured credit facility and the chairman of our board of directors;
- prohibit the payment of cash dividends to our common shareholders except to the minimum extent necessary to maintain our REIT status;
- •require us to maintain a minimum amount of liquidity, as defined, of \$7.0 million in 2009 and \$5.0 million thereafter:
- •trigger an event of default if both our chief executive officer and chief operating officer cease their current employment with us during the term of the agreement and we fail to hire a replacement acceptable to the lenders; and
- •trigger an event of default, if any event or condition occurs which causes any obligation or liability of more than \$1.0 million to become due prior to its scheduled maturity or any monetary default under our restructured debt obligations if the amount of such obligation is at least \$1.0 million.

Pursuant to the restructuring, the interest rates on our secured borrowings will remain the same as those in effect as of December 31, 2008. In exchange for maintenance of these historic rates, on March 16, 2009 we issued, or irrevocably committed to issue as of such date, JPMorgan, Morgan Stanley and Citigroup warrants to purchase 3,479,691 shares of our class A common stock at an exercise price of \$1.79 per share, which is equal to the closing bid price on the New York Stock Exchange on March 13, 2009. The warrants will become exercisable on March 16, 2012 and expire on March 16, 2019, and may be exercised through a cashless exercise.

The warrants were issued, or irrevocably committed to be issued, in reliance upon the exemption provided in Section 4(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the safe harbor of Rule 506 under Regulation D. Any certificates representing such securities will contain restrictive legends preventing sale, transfer or other disposition, unless registered under the Securities Act of 1933. No form of general solicitation or general advertising was conducted in connection with the issuance.

The foregoing descriptions of the amendments to the secured credit facilities with the participating secured lenders, the amendment to the senior unsecured credit facility and the warrant agreement with respect to the warrants are qualified in their entirety by reference to Exhibits 10.49b, 10.46d and 10.69, respectively, to this Form 10-K.

On March 16, 2009, we also entered into an agreement to terminate the master repurchase agreement with Goldman Sachs, pursuant to which we satisfied the indebtedness due under the Goldman Sachs secured credit facility. Specifically, we: (i) pre-funded certain required advances of approximately \$2.4 million under one loan in the collateral pool, (ii) paid Goldman Sachs \$2.6 million to effect a full release to us of another loan, and (iii) transferred all of the other assets that served as collateral for Goldman Sachs to Goldman Sachs for a purchase price of \$85.7 million as payment in full for the balance remaining under the secured credit facility. Goldman Sachs agreed to release us from any further obligation under the secured credit facility. The foregoing description is qualified in its entirety by reference to Exhibit 10.47e to this Form 10-K.

Previously, on February 25, 2009, we entered into a satisfaction, termination and release agreement with UBS pursuant to which the parties terminated their right, title, interest in, to and under a master repurchase agreement. We consented to the transfer to UBS, and UBS unconditionally accepted and retained all of our rights, title and interest in a loan financed under the master repurchase agreement in complete satisfaction of all of our obligations, including all amounts due thereunder. The foregoing description is qualified in its entirety by reference to Exhibit 10.71 to this

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We are currently in negotiations with Lehman Brothers to resolve the \$18.0 million outstanding balance under our secured, recourse credit facility with such firm, which finances a single asset.

# Senior Unsecured Credit Agreement

On March 16, 2009, we entered into an amended and restated senior unsecured credit agreement governing our \$100.0 million term loan from WestLB AG, New York Branch, participant and administrative agent, Fortis Capital Corp., Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., Morgan Stanley Bank, N.A. and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, which we collectively refer to as the senior unsecured lenders. Pursuant to the amended and restated senior unsecured credit agreement, we and the senior unsecured lenders agreed to:

- •Extend the maturity date of the senior unsecured credit agreement to be co-terminus with the maturity date of the secured credit facilities with the participating secured lenders (as they may be further extended until March 16, 2012, as described above);
- Increase the cash interest rate under the senior unsecured credit agreement to LIBOR plus 3.0% per annum (from LIBOR plus 1.75%), plus an accrual rate of 7.20% per annum less the cash interest rate;
- Initiate quarterly amortization equal to the greater of: (i) \$5.0 million per annum and (ii) 25% of the annual cash flow received from our currently unencumbered collateralized debt obligation interests;
- Pledge our unencumbered collateralized debt obligation interests and provide a negative pledge with respect to certain other assets; and
- Replace all existing financial covenants with substantially identical covenants and default provisions to those described above in the participating secured credit facilities.

The foregoing description is qualified in its entirety by reference to the amended and restated credit agreement filed as Exhibit 10.70 to this Form 10-K.

#### **Trust Preferred Securities**

On March 16, 2009, we reached an agreement with Taberna Preferred Funding V, Ltd., Taberna Preferred Funding VI, Ltd., Taberna Preferred Funding VIII, Ltd. and Taberna Preferred Funding IX, Ltd., or collectively Taberna, to issue new junior subordinated notes in exchange for \$50.0 million face amount of trust preferred securities issued through our statutory trust subsidiary CT Preferred Trust I held by affiliates of Taberna, which we refer to as the Trust I Securities, and \$53.1 million face amount of trust preferred securities issued through our statutory trust subsidiary CT Preferred Trust II held by affiliates of Taberna, which we refer to as the Trust II Securities. We refer to the Trust I Securities and the Trust II Securities together as the Trust Securities. The Trust Securities were backed by and recorded as junior subordinated debentures issued by us with terms that mirror the Trust Securities.

Pursuant to the exchange agreement dated March 16, 2009, by and among us and Taberna, we issued \$118.6 million aggregate principal amount of new junior subordinated notes due on April 30, 2036 (an amount equal to 115% of the current aggregate face amount of the Trust Securities being exchanged). The interest rate payable under the new subordinated notes is 1% per annum from March 16, 2009, through and including April 29, 2012, which we refer to as the modification period. After the modification period, the interest rate will revert to a blended rate equal to that which was previously payable under the notes underlying the Trust Securities, a fixed rate of 7.23% per annum through and including April 29, 2016 and thereafter a floating rate, reset quarterly, equal to three month LIBOR plus 2.44% until maturity. The new junior subordinated notes will be contractually senior to the remaining trust preferred securities, will mature on April 12, 2036 and will be freely redeemable by us at par at any time. The new junior subordinated notes contain a covenant that through April 30, 2012, subject to certain exceptions, we may not declare or pay dividends or distributions on, or redeem, purchase or acquire any of our equity interests (other than remaining trust preferred securities not exchanged) except to the extent necessary to maintain our status as a REIT. Except for the foregoing, the new junior subordinated notes contain substantially similar provisions as the Trust Securities. The foregoing description is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Exchange Agreement filed as Exhibit 10.72 to this Form 10-K.

As part of the agreement with Taberna, we also agreed to pay \$750,000 to cover third party fees and costs incurred in connection with the exchange transaction.

**Current Period Financial Statement Impact** 

While the restructuring of our debt obligations was finalized subsequent to December 31, 2008 and the amendments to the respective agreements and termination of our facility with UBS were executed in the first quarter of 2009, certain elements of the transaction require us to amend the presentation of certain items in our consolidated financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008. Specifically, the aggregate \$140.4 million (face value) of loans sold to Goldman Sachs and UBS have been reclassified under the consolidated balance sheet classification, loans held-for-sale, and a valuation allowance of \$48.3 million, reflecting the difference between the carrying value of the loans and the sale price, was recorded on the consolidated statement of operations.

#### Originations

We have historically allocated opportunities between our balance sheet and investment management vehicles based upon our assessment of the availability and relative cost of capital, the risk and return profiles of each investment and applicable regulatory requirements. The restructuring of our obligations due our secured and unsecured lenders has consequences for our historical business in that the new covenants we agreed to require us to effectively cease our balance sheet investment activities and not to incur any further indebtedness unless used to retire the debt due our lenders. Going forward, until these covenants are eliminated through the repayment or refinancing of the restructured debt obligations, we will continue to carry out investment activities for our investment management vehicles, consistent with our previous strategies and investment mandates for each respective vehicle.

Notwithstanding the combined capabilities of our platform in 2008, we decided to continue a defensive posture with respect to investment originations in light of the continued market volatility. The table below summarizes our gross originations and the allocation of opportunities between our balance sheet and the investment management business for the years ended December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007.

Originations(1)		
(in millions)	Year ended	Year ended
	December 31,	December 31,
	2008	2007
Balance sheet(2)	\$48	\$1,454
Investment	426	1,011
management		
Total originations	\$474	\$2,465

- (1) Includes total commitments, both funded and unfunded, net of any related purchase discounts.
- (2) Includes \$0 and \$315 million of participations sold recorded on our balance sheet relating to participations that we sold to CT Large Loan 2006, Inc. for the years ended December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007, respectively.

Our balance sheet investments include CMBS and commercial real estate debt and related instruments, or Loans, which we collectively refer to as our Interest Earning Assets.

Originations of Interest Earning Assets for our balance sheet for the years ended December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007 are detailed in the table below:

Balance Shee (in	t Originations					
millions)	Year ended De	cember 31,	2008	Year ended De	cember 31,	2007
			Rating /			Rating /
	Originations(1)	Yield(2)	LTV(3)	Originations(1)	Yield(2)	LTV(3)
CMBS	\$1	41.39%	BB+	\$111	8.92%	BB
Loans(4)	47	9.16%	53.3%	1,343	7.67%	64.4%
Total /						
Weighted						
Average	\$48	9.70%		\$1,454	7.77%	
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(1) Includes total commitments, both funded and unfunded.

- (2) Yield on floating rate originations assumes LIBOR at December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007, of 0.44% and 4.60%, respectively.
- (3) Weighted average ratings at origination are based on the lowest rating published by Fitch Ratings, Standard & Poor's or Moody's Investors Service for each security and exclude \$36.4 million of unrated equity investments in collateralized debt obligations originated in 2007. No unrated securities were originated in 2008. Loan to Value (LTV) is based on third party appraisals received by us when each loan was originated.
- (4) Includes \$0 and \$315 million of participations sold recorded on our balance sheet relating to participations that we sold to CT Large Loan 2006, Inc. for the year ended December 31, 2008 and the year ended December 31, 2007, respectively.

The table below shows our Interest Earning Assets as of December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007. In any period, the ending balance of Interest Earning Assets will be impacted not only by new balance sheet originations, but also by repayments, advances, sales and losses, if any.

Interest Earning A	Assets			
(in				
millions)	Decembe	r 31, 2008	Decembe	er 31, 2007
	Book		Book	
	Value	Yield(1)	Value	Yield(1)
CMBS	\$852	6.87%	\$877	7.35%
Loans	1,791	4.09%	2,258	7.80%
Total / Weighted				
Average	\$2,643	4.99%	\$3,135	7.67%

(1) Yield on floating rate assets assumes LIBOR at December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007, of 0.44% and 4.60%, respectively. For \$37.9 million face value (\$37.5 million book value) of CMBS investments, calculations use an effective rate based on cash received.

In some cases our loan originations are not fully funded at closing, creating an obligation for us to make future fundings, which we refer to as Unfunded Loan Commitments. Typically, Unfunded Loan Commitments are part of construction and transitional loans. As of December 31, 2008, we had nine Unfunded Loan Commitments totaling \$54.2 million. Of the total gross Unfunded Loan Commitments, \$44.0 million will only be funded when and/or if the borrower meets certain performance hurdles with respect to the underlying collateral. As a result of the restructuring of our debt obligations described in Note 22 to the consolidated financial statements, one loan with an Unfunded Loan Commitment of \$30.6 million as of December 31, 2008 was sold on March 16, 2009, in conjunction with the termination of one of our repurchase agreements. After giving effect to the settlement of this transaction, we have Unfunded Loan Commitments of \$23.6 million. Although generally provided for in the terms of our restructured debt obligations, our ability to fund these remaining Unfunded Loan Commitments will be contingent upon our having sufficient liquidity available to us after required payments to our creditors. In the past, we were able to rely on our lenders to fund a portion of these commitments, and, subject to the recent restructuring, we no longer have that ability.

In addition to our investments in Interest Earning Assets, we have two equity investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries as of December 31, 2008. These represent our equity co-investments in private equity funds that we manage, CT Mezzanine Partners III, Inc., or Fund III, and CT Opportunity Partners I, LP, or CTOPI. The table below details the carrying value of those investments, as well as related capitalized costs.

Equity Investments		
(in thousands)	December 31,	December 31,
	2008	2007
Fund III	\$597	\$923
CTOPI	1,782	(60 )
Capitalized costs/other	4	114
Total	\$2,383	\$977

#### Asset Management

We actively manage our balance sheet portfolio and the assets held by our investment management vehicles. While our investments are primarily in the form of debt, which generally means that we have limited influence over the

operations of the collateral securing our portfolios, we are aggressive in exercising the rights afforded to us as a lender. These rights may include collateral level budget approvals, lease approvals, loan covenant enforcement, escrow/reserve management/collection, collateral release approvals and other rights that we may negotiate.

During the fourth quarter of 2008, one loan with an outstanding balance of \$45.0 million was fully repaid. In addition, four loans with an aggregate outstanding balance of \$60.1 million as of year end were extended on modified terms at current market interest rates on existing principal balances, and twelve loans with an aggregate outstanding balance of \$344.5 million were extended pursuant to the terms of their corresponding loan agreements.

The table below details our loss experience with balance sheet Interest Earning Assets for the years ended December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007, and the percentage of non-performing loans as of December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007. Non-performing loans include loans which are on non-accrual status as well as those where we have foreclosed upon the underlying collateral and therefore own an equity interest in real estate. Commencing in the fourth quarter of 2008, we classified certain of our loans as Watch List Loans. These investments are currently performing loans that we actively monitor and manage to mitigate the risk of potential future non-performance.

Portfolio Performance(1)		
(in millions, except for number of investments)	December 31, 2008	December 31, 2007
Interest earning assets	\$2,643	\$3,135
Losses		
Principal balance	\$10	\$—
Percentage of interest earning assets	0.4%	_
Non performing loans		
Non-accrual loans, net(2)	\$24	\$6
Number of investments	5	1
Percentage of interest earning assets	0.9%	0.2%
Real estate owned, net(3)	\$10	\$—
Number of investments	1	_
Percentage of interest earning assets	0.4%	_
Watch List Loans		
Principal balance	\$377	N/A
Percentage of interest earning assets	14.3%	N/A

- (1) Portfolio statistics exclude loans classified as held-for-sale.
- (2) As of December 31, 2008, includes five loans with an aggregate principal balance of \$82 million, against which we have recorded a \$58 million reserve. As of December 31, 2007, includes one loan with a principal balance of \$10 million, against which we recorded a \$4 million reserve.
- (3) As of December 31, 2008, includes one loan which has been transferred to Real estate held-for-sale with a gross asset balance of \$12 million, against which we have recorded a \$2 million impairment.

As of December 31, 2008, we had five loans with an aggregate net book value of \$24.5 million (\$82.1 million principal balance, net of \$57.6 million of reserves) that were classified as non-accrual. These include two loans with an aggregate principal balance of \$20.0 million which are current in their interest payments, against which we have recorded a \$7.6 million reserve, as well as three loans which are delinquent on contractual payments with an aggregate principal balance of \$62.0 million, against which we have recorded a \$50.0 million reserve. We also had 15 loans with an aggregate principal balance of \$376.8 million on Watch List status.

During the fourth quarter of 2008, the Company and its co-lender foreclosed on a loan secured by a multifamily property, and took title to the collateral securing the original loan. At the time the foreclosure occurred, the loan had a book balance of \$11.9 million which was reclassified as Real estate held-for-sale (also referred to as Real Estate Owned) on our consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2008 to reflect our ownership interest in the property. We have recorded a \$2.0 million impairment to reflect the property at fair value.

As of December 31, 2007, we had one non-performing loan which was on non-accrual status with a principal balance of \$10.0 million, against which we had recorded a \$4.0 million reserve. During the second quarter of 2008, this loan was deemed unrecoverable and we wrote off the entire \$10.0 million principal balance and reversed the pre-existing reserve. Simultaneously, \$6.0 million of non-recourse financing on the asset was forgiven by the lender.

In addition to our investments in loans receivable, which are a component of our interest earning assets, we also held four investments in loans which were classified as held-for-sale as of December 31, 2008. These loans had an aggregate carrying value of \$92.2 million, net of a valuation allowance of \$48.3 million as of December 31, 2008. These loans were classified as held-for-sale as a result of the restructuring of our debt obligations, as discussed in Note 22 to the consolidated financial statements.

We actively manage our CMBS investments using a combination of quantitative tools and loan/property level analysis in order to monitor the performance of the securities and their collateral versus our original expectations. Securities are analyzed on a monthly basis for delinquency, transfers to special servicing, and changes to the servicer's watch list population. Realized losses on underlying loans are tracked on a monthly basis and compared to our original loss expectations. On a periodic basis, individual loans of concern are also re-underwritten. Updated collateral loss projections are then compared to our original loss expectations to determine how each investment is performing. Based on our review of the portfolio, under the guidance of EITF 99-20, "Recognition of Interest Income and Impairment of Purchased and Retained Beneficial Interests in Securitized Financial Assets", as amended by FASB Staff Position EITF 99-20-1, "Amendments to the Impairment Guidance of EITF Issue No. 99-20", we concluded that a \$900,000 other-than-temporary impairment was warranted on one of our CMBS investments, which had a net book value of \$3.5 million as of December 31, 2008.

At year end, there were significant differences between the estimated fair value and the book value of some of our CMBS investments. We believe these differences to be related to the disruption in the capital markets and the general negative bias against structured financial products and not reflective of a change in cash flow expectations from these securities. Accordingly, we have recorded no additional other-than-temporary impairments on our CMBS portfolio.

The ratings performance of our CMBS portfolio over the years ended December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007 is detailed below:

Activity(1)	
Year ended	Year ended
December	December
31, 2008	31, 2007
6	20
13	3
	Year ended December 31, 2008

(1) Represents activity from any of Fitch Ratings, Standard & Poor's and/or Moody's Investors Service.

Three trends in asset performance that we foresee into 2009 that are likely to lead to further downgrades are (i) borrowers faced with maturities will have a more difficult time refinancing their properties in light of the volatility and lack of liquidity in the financial markets, (ii) real estate fundamentals will weaken as the U.S. economy continues to deteriorate and (iii) capitalization rates for commercial real estate will continue to increase with corresponding reductions in values. These trends may result in negotiated extensions or modifications of the terms of our investments or the exercise of foreclosure and other remedies, the effect of which on the performance and value of our investments cannot be predicted.

#### Capitalization

While our balance sheet investment activities are currently prohibited by our restructured debt obligations, if they are resumed, such activities, as well as those of our investment management business, 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 sources, which we collectively refer to as Interest Bearing Liabilities, currently include repurchase agreements and secured debt, CDOs, a senior unsecured credit facility and junior subordinated debentures (which we also refer to as trust preferred securities). Our equity capital is currently comprised entirely of common equity.

Subsequent to December 31, 2008, certain of our Interest Bearing Liabilities including repurchase agreements and secured debt, our senior unsecured credit facility and our junior subordinated debentures were restructured, terminated, or otherwise satisfied pursuant to the transactions described in Note 22 to the consolidated financial statements. In addition, we are subject to certain covenants under our restructured debt obligations which, among other things, restrict our ability to incur additional indebtedness for the foreseeable future.

The table below shows our capitalization mix as of December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007:

Capital Structure(1)						
(in millions)	December 31, 2008	December 31, 2007				
Repurchase obligations and secured						
debt	\$699	\$912				
Collateralized debt obligations	1,156	1,192				
Senior unsecured credit facility	100	75				
Junior subordinated debentures	129	129				
Total interest bearing liabilities	\$2,084	\$2,308				
Weighted average effective cost of						
debt(2)	3.48 %	5.75 %				
Shareholders' equity	\$401	\$408				
Ratio of interest bearing liabilities to	5.2:1	5.7:1				
shareholders' equity						
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- (1) Excludes participations sold.
- (2) Floating rate debt obligations assume LIBOR at December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007, of 0.44% and 4.60%, respectively. Includes the effective cost of interest rate swaps of 1.01% and 0.09% as of December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007, respectively.

A summary of selected structural features of our debt as of December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007 is detailed in the table below:

Intoroct	Dagmag	Liabilities
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	December	December
	31, 2008	31, 2007
Weighted average life	4.2 yrs.	4.1 yrs.
% Recourse	44.5%	48.1%
% Subject to	33.5%	39.5%
mark-to-market provisions		

Our CDO liabilities as of December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007 are described below:

# Collateralized Debt Obligations

(in millions)			December	December 31, 2008		December 31, 2007	
	Issuance		Book	All-in	Book	All-in	
	Date	Type	Value	Cost(1)	Value	Cost(1)	
CDO I(2)	7/20/04	Static	\$252	1.52%	\$253	5.67%	
CDO II (2)	3/15/05	Reinvesting	299	1.18	299	5.32	
CDO III	8/04/05	Static	257	5.27	261	5.37	
CDO IV(2)	3/15/06	Static	348	1.15	379	5.11	
Total			\$1,156	2.15%	\$1,192	5.34%	

- (1) Includes amortization of premiums/discounts and issuance costs.
- (2) Floating rate CDO liabilities assume LIBOR at December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007, of 0.44% and 4.60%, respectively.

The table below summarizes our repurchase agreements and secured debt liabilities as of December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007:

Repurchase Agreements and Secured Debt									
(\$ in millions)	December 31,	December 31,							
	2008	2007							
Repurchase facility and secured									
debt amounts	\$1,114	\$1,600							
Counterparties	6	7							
Outstanding repurchase borrowings									
and secured debt	\$699	\$912							
All-in cost	L + 1.66%	L + 1.20%							

The most subordinated components of our debt capital structure are junior subordinated debentures that back trust preferred securities issued to third parties. These securities represent long-term, subordinated, unsecured financing and generally carry limited operational covenants. As of December 31, 2008, we had issued \$129 million of junior subordinated debentures that back \$125 million of trust preferred securities sold to third parties in two separate issuances. On a combined basis, the junior subordinated debentures provide us with financing at 7.20% and an all-in effective rate of 7.35%.

On March 16, 2009 we issued new junior subordinate debentures to holders of a majority of our trust preferred securities reflecting modified terms, as detailed in Note 22 to the consolidated financial statements.

Our capital raising activities included the issuance of common stock in the first quarter of 2008. On March 28, 2008, we issued 4,000,000 shares of class A common stock in a public offering underwritten by Morgan Stanley & Co. Inc. Gross proceeds were \$28.75 per share and total net proceeds were \$113 million. Changes in the number of shares also resulted from option exercises, restricted stock grants and vesting, stock unit grants, and the issuance of shares under our dividend reinvestment plan and direct stock purchase plan.

Shareholders' Equity		
	December	December 31,
	31, 2008	2007
Book value (in	\$401	\$408
millions)		
Shares		
Class A	21,740,152	17,165,528
common stock		
Restricted stock	331,197	423,931
Stock units	215,451	94,587
Options(1)		84,743
Total	22,286,800	17,768,789
Book value per		
share	\$18.01	\$22.97

(1) Dilutive shares issuable upon the exercise of outstanding options assuming a December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007 stock price, respectively, and the treasury stock method.

As of December 31, 2008, we had 22,071,349 of our class A common stock and restricted stock outstanding.

#### Other Balance Sheet Items

Participations sold represent participations in loans that we originated and sold to CT Large Loan 2006, Inc. and third parties. We present these sold interests as both assets and liabilities (in equal amounts) in conformity with GAAP on the basis that these arrangements do not qualify as sales under FASB Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 140, "Accounting for Transfers and Servicing of Financial Assets and Extinguishment of Liabilities", or FAS 140. As of December 31, 2008, we had five such participations sold with a total book balance of \$292.7 million at a weighted average yield of LIBOR plus 3.27% (3.71% at December 31, 2008). As of December 31, 2007, we had seven such participations sold with a total book balance of \$408.4 million at a weighted average yield of LIBOR plus 3.41% (8.01% at December 31, 2008). The income earned on the loans is recorded as interest income and an identical amount is recorded as interest expense on the consolidated statements of operations.

In 2007, the Company sub-participated a \$73.4 million participation in a loan to CT Large Loan 2006, Inc. The Company recorded the sub-participation as a secured borrowing as it did not meet at least one of the criteria under FAS No. 140. In July 2008, the Company and CT Large Loan 2006, Inc. agreed to terminate the sub-participation agreement and release themselves from any further obligation to each other with respect to such sub-participation agreement. As a result of this transaction, loans receivable and participations sold decreased by \$73.4 million during the third quarter of 2008.

## Interest Rate Exposure

We endeavor to manage a book of assets and liabilities that are generally matched with respect to interest rates, typically financing floating rate assets with floating rate liabilities and fixed rate assets with fixed rate liabilities. In some cases, we finance fixed rate assets with floating rate liabilities and, in those cases, we may use interest rate derivatives, such as swaps, to effectively convert the floating rate debt to fixed rate debt. In such instances, the equity we have invested in fixed rate assets is not typically swapped, leaving a portion of our equity capital exposed to changes in value of the fixed rate assets due to interest rate fluctuations. The balance of our assets earn interest at floating rates and are financed with floating rate liabilities, leaving a portion of our equity capital exposed to cash flow variability from fluctuations in rates. Generally, these assets and liabilities earn interest at rates indexed to one month LIBOR.

Our counterparties in these transactions are large financial institutions and we are dependent upon the health of these counterparties and a functioning interest rate derivative market in order to effectively execute our hedging strategy.

The table below details our interest rate exposure as of December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007:

Interest Rate Exposure		
(in millions)	December 31, 2008	December 31, 2007
Value exposure to interest rates(1)		
Fixed rate assets	\$880	\$948
Fixed rate liabilities	(395)	(403)
Interest rate swaps	(466)	(513)
Net fixed rate exposure	\$19	\$32
Weighted average life (fixed rate assets)	4.9 yrs	5.6 yrs
Weighted average coupon (fixed rate assets)	6.90%	7.10%
Cash flow exposure to interest rates(1)		
Floating rate assets	\$1,949	\$2,235
Floating rate debt less cash	(1,931)	(2,286)
Interest rate swaps	466	513
Net floating rate exposure	\$484	\$462
Weighted average life (floating rate assets)	2.9 yrs	3.4 yrs
Weighted average coupon (floating rate assets) (2)	3.52%	7.65%
Net income impact from 100 bps change in LIBOR	\$4.8	\$4.7

- (1) All values are in terms of face or notional amounts, and include loans classified as held-for-sale.
- (2) Weighted average coupon assumes LIBOR at December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007 of 0.44% and 4.60%, respectively. For \$37.9 million face value (\$37.5 million book value) of CMBS investments, calculations use an effective rate based on cash received.

## **Investment Management Overview**

In addition to our balance sheet investment activities, we act as an investment manager for third parties. We have developed our investment management business to leverage our platform, generate fee revenue from investing third party capital and, in certain instances, earn co-investment income. Our active investment management mandates are described below:

- •CT High Grade II, held its initial closing in June 2008 with \$667 million of commitments from two institutional investors. The fund targets senior debt opportunities in the commercial real estate debt sector and does not employ leverage. We earn a 0.40% per annum management fee on invested capital.
- •CTOPI is a multi-investor private equity fund designed to invest in commercial real estate debt and equity, specifically taking advantage of the current dislocation in the commercial real estate capital markets. On July 14, 2008, CTOPI held its final closing completing its capital raise with \$540 million total equity commitments. We have committed to invest \$25 million in the vehicle and entities controlled by our chairman have committed to invest \$20 million. The fund's investment period expires in December 2010, and we earn base management fees as the investment manager to CTOPI (1.60% per annum of total equity commitments during the investment period and of invested capital thereafter). In addition, we earn gross incentive management fees of 20% of profits after a 9% preferred return and a 100% return of capital.
- •CT High Grade closed in November 2006, with a single, related party investor committing \$250 million. This separate account targets lower risk subordinate debt investments and does not utilize leverage and we earn management fees of 0.25% per annum on invested assets. In July 2007, we upsized the account by \$100 million to \$350 million and extended the investment period to July 2008.
- •CT Large Loan closed in May 2006 with total equity commitments of \$325 million from eight third party investors. The fund employs leverage and we earn management fees of 0.75% per annum of invested assets (capped at 1.5% on invested equity). The investment period ended in May 2008.
- •CTX Fund I, L.P., or CTX Fund, is a single investor fund designed to invest in collateralized debt obligations, or CDOs, sponsored, but not issued, by us. We do not earn fees on the CTX Fund, however, we earn CDO management fees from the CDOs in which the CTX Fund invests. We sponsored one such CDO in 2007, a \$500 million CDO secured primarily by credit default swaps referencing CMBS.
- Fund III is a vehicle we co-sponsored with a joint venture partner that had an investment period that ran from 2003 to 2005. The fund is currently liquidating in the ordinary course. We have a co-investment in the fund, earn 100% of base management fees and we split incentive management fees with our partner, who receives 37.5% of Fund III's incentive management fees.

As of December 31, 2008, we managed five private equity funds and one separate account through our wholly-owned, taxable, investment management subsidiary, CT Investment Management Co., LLC, or CTIMCO.

Investment Management Mandates, as of December 31, 2008 (in millions)

(in millions)		,	,				Ianagement ee
		Total	Total Capital	Co-	Base	Company	Employee
				Investment			
	Type	Investments(1)	Commitments	%	Management Fee	%	%
Investing:							
CT High Grade II	Fund	\$148	\$667		0.40% (Assets)	N/A	N/A
CTOPI	Fund	286	540	4.63%(2)	1.60% (Equity)	100%(3)	100%(4)
Liquidating:							
CT High Grade	Fund	344	350		0.25% (Assets)	N/A	N/A
CT Large Loan	Fund	275	325	—(5)	)0.75% (Assets)(6)	N/A	N/A
CTX Fund	Fund	8	10(7)	—(5)	)0.75% (Assets)(8)	100%(8)	0%(8)
Fund III	Sep.	44	425	4.71%	1.42% (Equity)	57%(9)	43%(4)

- Represents total investments, on a cash basis, as of period-end (1)
- We have committed to invest \$25 million in CTOPI.

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- (3) CTIMCO earns gross incentive management fees of 20% of profits after a 9% preferred return on capital and a 100% return of capital, subject to a catch-up.
- (4) Portions of the Fund III incentive management fees received by us have been allocated to our employees as long-term performance awards. We have not allocated any of the CTOPI incentive management fee to employees as of December 31, 2008.
- (5) We co-invest on a pari passu, asset by asset basis with CT Large Loan and CTX Fund.
- (6) Capped at 1.5% of equity.
- (7) In 2008, we reduced the total capital commitment in the CTX Fund to \$10 million.
- (8) CTIMCO serves as collateral manager of the CDOs in which the CTX Fund invests and CTIMCO earns base and incentive management fees as CDO collateral manager. As of December 31, 2008 we manage one such \$500 million CDO and earn base management fees of 0.15% of assets and have the potential to earn incentive management fees.
- (9) CTIMCO earns gross incentive management fees of 20% of profits after a 10% preferred return on capital and a 100% return of capital, subject to a catch-up.

We expect to continue to grow our investment management business, sponsoring additional investment management vehicles consistent with the strategy of developing mandates that are complementary to our balance sheet activities.

## Taxes

We account for our operations using accounting principles generally accepted in the United States, or GAAP. The accompanying consolidated financial statements are presented using the methods prescribed in GAAP. Below, we reconcile the differences between our GAAP reporting and the equivalent amounts prepared on an income tax basis.

Our operations are conducted in two separate taxable entities, Capital Trust, Inc. (a real estate investment trust, or REIT) and CTIMCO (a wholly owned taxable REIT subsidiary, or TRS, of the REIT). From a GAAP standpoint, these two entities are consolidated, and our GAAP results reflect the combination of the two operations. The chart below shows consolidated GAAP net loss, as well as the contributions from each of the REIT and the TRS on a GAAP presentation basis:

## **GAAP** Net Income

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Detail	
(in thousands)	Year
	Ended
	December
	31,
	2008
REIT GAAP net	(\$57,281)
loss	
TRS GAAP net loss	(257)
Consolidated GAAP	(\$57,538)
net loss	

## REIT (Capital Trust, Inc.)

We have made a tax election to be treated as a REIT. The primary benefit from this election is that we are able to deduct from the calculation of taxable income (shown as REIT Taxable Income in the chart below), dividends paid to our shareholders, effectively eliminating corporate taxes on the operations of the REIT. In order to qualify as a REIT, our activities must focus on real estate investments and we must meet certain asset, income, ownership and distribution requirements. If we fail to maintain qualification as a REIT, we may be subject to material penalties and potentially subject to past and future taxes. The chart below reconciles the differences between GAAP loss and taxable income for the REIT:

REIT GAAP to Tax Reconciliation	
(in thousands)	Year
	Ended
	December
	31,
	2008
REIT GAAP net	(\$57,281)
loss	
GAAP to tax	
differences:	
Gains, losses and reserves on	64,379
investments(1)	
Equity investments(2)	1,949
General and administrative(3)	553
Deferred income	(3,576)
Other	256
Subtotal	63,561
REIT taxable income (pre-dividend)	\$6,280

- (1) Gains, losses and reserves not recognized for tax in 2008.
- (2) GAAP to tax differences relating to our investments in CTOPI and Fund III.
- (3) Primarily differences associated with stock based compensation to our directors and employees.

For tax year 2008, we do not expect to pay any taxes at the REIT, as we have paid dividends to our shareholders at least equal to REIT taxable income (pre-dividend).

#### TRS (CTIMCO)

CTIMCO is a wholly owned subsidiary of ours that operates our investment management business (including the management of Capital Trust, Inc.) and holds certain of our assets. As a TRS, CTIMCO is subject to corporate taxation.

The chart below reconciles GAAP loss to taxable income for the TRS:

TRS GAAP to Tax Reconciliation	
(in thousands)	Year Ended
	December 31,
	2008
TRS GAAP net loss	(\$257)
TRS provision for income taxes	1,893
TRS GAAP net income (pre GAAP	1,636
tax provision)	
GAAP to tax differences:	
General and administrative(1)	845
Intangible assets	(2,212)
Other	136
Subtotal	(1,231)
TRS taxable income (pre-NOL)	\$405

(1) Primarily differences associated with stock based compensation to our employees.

For tax year 2008, we do not expect to pay any significant taxes at the TRS, as the TRS is expected to be able to utilize net operating loss, or NOL, carryforwards to offset its taxable income.

#### **GAAP Tax Provision**

During 2008, in our GAAP-basis consolidated financial statements, we recorded a tax provision of \$1.9 million, which is primarily due to GAAP to tax differences related to stock-based compensation to our employees.

#### Dividends

In 2008, we paid dividends of \$2.20 per share to holders of our class A common stock.

See Part II, Item 5 for details on dividend taxation.

## Results of Operations

Comparison of Results of Operations: Year Ended December 31, 2008 vs. December 31, 2007 (in thousands, except per share data)

	2008	2007	\$ Change	% Change
Income from loans and other investments:				
Interest and related income	\$ 194,649	\$ 253,422	\$ (58,773)	(23.2%)
Interest and related expenses	129,665	162,377	(32,712)	(20.1)
Income from loans and other investments,				
net	64,984	91,045	(26,061)	(28.6)
Other revenues:				
Management fees	12,941	3,499	9,442	269.8
Incentive management fees	_	6,208	(6,208)	(100.0)
Servicing fees	367	623	(256)	(41.1)
Other interest income	1,566	1,083	483	44.6
Total other revenues	14,874	11,413	3,461	30.3
Other expenses:				
General and administrative	24,957	29,956	(4,999)	(16.7)
Depreciation and amortization	179	1,810	(1,631)	(90.1)
Total other expenses	25,136	31,766	(6,630)	(20.9)
Gain on extinguishment of debt	6,000	_	6,000	N/A
Impairments	(2,917)		(2,917)	N/A
Provision for possible credit losses	(63,577)	_	(63,577)	N/A
Valuation allowance on loans held-for-sale	(48,259)		(48,259)	N/A
Gain on sale of investments	374	15,077	(14,703)	(97.5)
Loss from equity investments	(1,988)	(2,109)	121	(5.7)
Provision/(benefit) for income taxes	1,893	(706)	2,599	(368.1)
Net (loss)/income	\$ (57,538)	\$ 84,366	\$ (141,904)	(168.2%)
Net (loss)/income per share - diluted	\$ (2.73)	\$ 4.77	\$ (7.50)	(157.2%)
Dividend per share	\$ 2.20	\$ 5.10	\$ (2.90)	(56.9%)
Average LIBOR	2.69%	5.25%	(2.6%)	(48.8%)

#### Income from loans and other investments, net

A decrease in the principal balance of Interest Earning Assets and loans classified as held-for sale (\$298.5 million or 11% from December 31, 2007 to December 31, 2008) along with a 49% decrease in average LIBOR, drove a \$58.8 million (23%) decrease in interest income between 2007 and 2008. These same factors, combined with generally lower levels of leverage in 2008, resulted in a \$32.7 million (20%) decrease in interest expense for the same period. On a net basis, net interest income decreased by \$26.1 million (29%).

#### Management fees

Base management fees from our investment management business increased in 2008 by \$9.4 million (270%) due primarily to fees associated with our two newest investment management vehicles, CTOPI and CT High Grade II.

#### Incentive management fees

We received no incentive management fees in 2008. In 2007, incentive fees received from Fund III totaled \$5.2 million composed primarily of a catch-up payment from incentive management fees earned but not paid from the inception of Fund III in 2003 through 2007. We also received a final incentive management fee distribution from Fund II of \$962,000 in March 2007, as Fund II's final remaining investment repaid and Fund II was liquidated.

#### Servicing fees

Servicing fee income for 2008 was \$367,000, compared with \$623,000 in 2007. In December 2008, we conveyed our interest in our healthcare origination platform to its original owner and expensed the unamortized intangible assets related to that transaction, which resulted in the majority of the \$256,000 decline from 2007.

#### General and administrative expenses

General and administrative expenses include compensation and benefits for our employees, operating expenses and professional fees. Total general and administrative expenses decreased 17% between 2008 and 2007 as a result of lower compensation costs and the payment of \$2.6 million in 2007 of employee performance compensation associated with our receipt of Fund II and Fund III incentive management fees. The decrease in compensation costs more than offset the modest increases in operating expenses. Net of the impact of incentive management fees, general and administrative expenses decreased \$2.5 million (9%) from 2007.

#### Depreciation and amortization

Depreciation and amortization decreased by \$1.6 million between 2007 and 2008 due primarily to the expensing of \$1.3 million of capitalized costs related to the liquidation of Fund II and the expensing of capitalized costs from Fund III and Bracor Investimentos Imobiliarios Ltda., or Bracor, all in 2007. Net of these one-time transactions, depreciation and amortization remained flat from 2007 to 2008.

#### Gain on extinguishment of debt

\$6.0 million of debt forgiveness by a creditor was recorded as a gain on extinguishment of debt in 2008. We recorded no such gains for the year ended December 31, 2007.

#### **Impairments**

In 2008, we recorded an other-than-temporary impairment of \$900,000 on one of our CMBS investments due to an adverse change in our expectation of future cash flows from that security. We also recorded a \$2.0 million impairment on our Real estate held-for-sale to reflect potential losses to our position upon a sale of the property.

#### Provision for possible credit losses

During 2008, we recorded an aggregate \$63.6 million provision for possible credit loss against four loans that we classified as non-performing. One of the loans, against which we had recorded a \$6.0 million provision in the first quarter of 2008, was written-off during the second quarter and the \$6.0 million liability collateralized by the loan was forgiven by the creditor.

In the second quarter of 2007, we recorded a \$4.0 million recovery related to the successful resolution of a non-performing loan. We received net proceeds of \$10.9 million that resulted in the following: (a) reduced the carrying value of the loan from \$2.6 million to zero (b) recorded a \$4.0 million recovery of a provision for losses and (c) recorded \$4.3 million of interest income. In the fourth quarter of 2007 we recorded a \$4.0 million provision for loss against one second mortgage loan with a principal balance of \$10.0 million. This resulted in a net zero provision for possible credit losses on the 2007 consolidated statement of operations.

#### Valuation allowance on loans held-for-sale

As of December 31, 2008, we recorded a \$48.3 million valuation allowance against our four loans classified as held-for-sale to reflect these assets at fair value. No loans were classified as held-for-sale as of December 31, 2007.

## Gain on sale of investments

As of December 31, 2007, we had one CMBS investment that we designated and accounted for as available-for-sale with a face value of \$7.7 million. The security earned interest at a weighted average coupon of 8.34% at December 31, 2007. During the second quarter of 2008 the security was sold for a gain of \$374,000. In the fourth quarter of 2007, we sold our investment in Bracor and realized a gain of \$15.1 million that included a \$2.5 million currency translation adjustment. Our ownership interest was purchased by four investors on the same terms, including W. R. Berkley Corporation, or WRBC. WRBC beneficially owns approximately 17.6% of our outstanding class A common stock as of February 28, 2009 and a member of our board of directors is an employee of WRBC.

#### Loss from equity investments

The loss from equity investments for 2008 resulted primarily from our share of operating losses at CTOPI and Fund III. Our loss from CTOPI for 2008 was \$1.6 million, which primarily represents net unrealized losses due to the fair value adjustments on CTOPI investments, and our loss from Fund III was \$326,000. Our loss from equity investments in 2007 was derived primarily from the operations of Bracor, Fund II and Fund III. In 2007, our Bracor investment generated a net loss of \$1.2 million. In 2007, our Fund II investment generated a net loss of \$690,000 which included an operating loss \$306,000 and the amortization of \$384,000 of capitalized costs passed through to us from the general partner of Fund II. In 2007, our Fund III investment generated a net loss of \$119,000.

#### Provision/(benefit) for income taxes

In 2008, we recorded an income tax provision of \$1.9 million. The income tax provision was a result of changes to our deferred tax asset resulting from GAAP to tax differences relating to restricted stock compensation and net operating losses, partially offset by a refund due to the overpayment of taxes. In 2007, we recorded an income tax benefit of \$706,000, a result of changes to our deferred tax asset of \$50,000 and the reversal of tax liability reserves at Capital Trust, Inc. and CTIMCO of \$254,000 and \$402,000, respectively.

#### Net (loss) income

Net income decreased by \$141.9 million from 2007 to 2008, based in large part upon an increase of \$63.6 million in provision for possible credit losses, a \$48.3 million valuation allowance on loans held-for-sale and a \$26.1 million decrease in net interest income, partially offset by a \$9.4 million increase in management fees and a \$6.0 million gain on the forgiveness of debt. In 2007, we also recorded \$8.3 million of income from the successful resolution of a non-performing loan and a \$15.1 million gain from the sale of our investment in Bracor. On a diluted per share basis, net (loss)/income was (\$2.73) and \$4.77 in 2008 and 2007, respectively.

#### Dividends

Our regular dividends for 2008 and 2007 were \$2.20 per share and \$3.20 per share, respectively. In 2007 we also paid a special dividend of \$1.90 per share. Total dividends per share in 2008 and 2007 were \$2.20 and \$5.10, respectively, representing a decrease of \$2.90 per share.

Comparison of Results of Operations: Year Ended December 31, 2007 vs. December 31, 2006 (in thousands, except per share data)

(in thousands, except per share data)	2007		2006		\$ Change	% Change
Income from loans and other investments:					, and the second	Ū
Interest and related income	\$ 253,422	\$	175,404	\$	78,018	44.5%
Interest and related expenses	162,377		104,607		57,770	55.2
Income from loans and other investments,						
net	91,045		70,797		20,248	28.6
Other revenues:						
Management fees	3,499		2,650		849	32.0
Incentive management fees	6,208		1,652		4,556	275.8
Servicing fees	623		105		518	493.3
Other interest income	1,083		1,354		(271)	(20.0)
Total other revenues	11,413		5,761		5,652	98.1
Other expenses:						
General and administrative	29,956		23,075		6,881	29.8
Depreciation and amortization	1,810		3,049		(1,239)	(40.6)
Total other expenses	31,766		26,124		5,642	21.6
(Provision)/recovery for possible credit						
losses	_	-	_		_	N/A
Gain on sale of investments	15,077			-	15,077	N/A
(Loss)/income from equity investments	(2,109)		898		(3,007)	(334.9)
Income tax benefit	(706)		(2,735)		2,029	(74.2)
Net income	\$ 84,366	\$	54,067	\$	30,299	56.0%
Net income per share - diluted	\$ 4.77	\$	3.40	\$	1.37	40.3%
Dividend per share	\$ 5.10	\$	3.45	\$	1.65	47.8%
Average LIBOR	5.25%		5.10%		0.15%	2.9%

#### Income from loans and other investments

Growth in Interest Earning Assets (\$570 million or 22% from December 31, 2006 to December 31, 2007) and \$4.3 million of interest revenue from the successful resolution of a non-performing loan, along with an increase in average LIBOR, drove a \$78.0 million (45%) increase in interest income between 2006 and 2007. These same factors, combined with generally higher levels of leverage, resulted in a \$57.8 million (55%) increase in interest expense for the same period. On a net basis, net interest income increased by \$20.2 million (29%), which was the primary driver of net income growth.

#### Management fees

Base management fees from our investment management business increased in 2007 by \$849,000 (32%) as base management fees from CT Large Loan, CT High Grade, CTX Fund and CTOPI offset the decrease in these fees at CT Mezzanine Partners II, LP, or Fund II, and Fund III as these vehicles liquidated in the normal course. Fund II paid its final base management fee to us during the first quarter of 2007.

## Incentive management fees

Incentive management fees increased substantially during 2007, primarily due to incentive fees received from Fund III. Total incentive management fees from Fund III totaled \$5.2 million in 2007 composed primarily of a catch up payment from incentive management fees earned but not paid from the inception of Fund III in 2003 through 2007. We received a final incentive management fee distribution from Fund II of \$962,000 in March 2007 as the Fund II's last investment repaid and Fund II was liquidated. In 2006, we received \$1.7 million of Fund II incentive management fees.

#### Servicing fees

Servicing fee income for 2007 was \$623,000, compared with \$105,000 in 2006 as we recognized revenue relating to the servicing contracts acquired as part of our purchase of a healthcare origination platform in June 2007.

#### General and administrative expenses

General and administrative expenses include compensation and benefits for our employees, operating expenses and professional fees. Total general and administrative expenses increased 30% between 2007 and 2006 primarily as a result of the payment of \$2.6 million in 2007 of employee performance compensation associated with our receipt of Fund II and Fund III incentive management fees. Net of the impact of incentive management fees, general and administrative expenses increased \$4.3 million (19%) from 2006 primarily as a result of the additional employee compensation expense associated with our acquisition of a healthcare lending platform in 2007.

## Depreciation and amortization

Depreciation and amortization decreased by \$1.2 million between 2006 and 2007 due primarily to the write-off of \$1.8 million of capitalized costs in the third quarter of 2006, as we expensed all of the capitalized costs relating to an investment management joint venture. This was partially offset by the write-off of \$1.3 million of capitalized costs related to the liquidation of Fund II in the first quarter of 2007. Net of the Fund II and investment management write-offs, depreciation and amortization in 2007 decreased \$739,000 to \$510,000 from \$1.2 million in 2006.

#### (Provision)/recovery for possible credit losses

In the second quarter of 2007 we recorded a \$4.0 million recovery related to the successful resolution of a non-performing loan. We received net proceeds of \$10.9 million that resulted in the following: (a) reduced the carrying value of the loan from \$2.6 million to zero (b) recorded a \$4.0 million recovery of a provision for losses and (c) recorded \$4.3 million of interest income. In the fourth quarter of 2007 we recorded a \$4.0 million provision for loss against one second mortgage loan with a principal balance of \$10.0 million.

#### Gain on sale of investments

In the fourth quarter of 2007 we sold our investment in Bracor and realized a gain of \$15.1 million that included a \$2.5 million currency translation adjustment. Our ownership interest was purchased by four investors on the same terms, including WRBC. WRBC beneficially owns approximately 17.8% of our outstanding class A common stock as of March 4, 2008 and a member of our board of directors is an employee of WRBC. We did not sell any of our equity investments in 2006.

#### (Loss)/income from equity investments

Our loss from equity investments was derived primarily from our recording our share of losses from the operations of Bracor, Fund II and Fund III. In 2007 and 2006, our Bracor investment generated a net loss of \$1.2 million and \$132,000, respectively. In 2007, our Fund II investment generated a net loss of \$690,000 which included an operating loss \$306,000 and the amortization of \$384,000 of capitalized costs passed through to us from the general partner of Fund II. In 2007, our Fund III investment generated a net loss of \$119,000. During 2006, income from equity investments was primarily comprised of co-investment income from Fund II and Fund III.

#### Income tax benefit

We did not pay any taxes at the REIT level in either 2007 or 2006. However, CTIMCO, our investment management subsidiary, is a taxable REIT subsidiary and subject to taxes on its earnings. In 2007, CTIMCO recorded an operating loss before income taxes of \$2.0 million, which resulted in an income tax benefit of \$833,000, \$783,000 of which we reserved and \$50,000 of which we recorded. In 2006, CTIMCO recorded an operating loss before income taxes of \$6.7 million, which resulted in an income tax benefit of \$2.7 million, none of which we reserved and the entire \$2.7 million of which we recorded. In addition to the benefit we recorded in 2007 as a result of operations at CTIMCO, we reversed tax liability reserves at Capital Trust, Inc. and CTIMCO of \$254,000 and \$402,000, respectively.

#### Net income

Net income grew by \$30.3 million (56%) from 2006 to 2007, based in large part upon increased net interest income generated by a higher level of Interest Earning Assets, \$8.3 million of income from the successful resolution of a non-performing loan, and a \$15.1 million gain from the sale of our investment in Bracor. On a diluted per share basis, net income was \$4.77 and \$3.40 in 2007 and 2006, respectively, representing an increase of 40%.

#### Dividends

Our regular dividends for 2007 and 2006 were \$3.20 per share and \$2.80 per share, respectively, representing growth of 14% in recurring income from our operations. In both 2007 and 2006, we also paid a special dividend of \$1.90 per share and \$0.65 per share, respectively. Total dividends per share in 2007 and 2006 were \$5.10 and \$3.45, respectively, representing as increase of \$1.65, or 48%.

#### Liquidity and Capital Resources

Sources of liquidity as of December 31, 2008 include unrestricted cash (\$45.4 million), restricted cash (\$18.8 million available for reinvestment in CDO II), operating income as well as principal payments and disposition proceeds from loans and CMBS. Uses of liquidity include loan fundings (\$54.2 million of unfunded commitments), capital contributions to our managed funds (\$21.5 million of unfunded commitments), REIT dividends and debt repayments.

Going forward, our liquidity and capital resources outlook will be significantly impacted by the restructuring of our debt obligations as detailed in Note 22 to the consolidated financial statements.

#### Cash Flows

We experienced a net increase in cash of \$19.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, compared to a net decrease of \$313,000 for the year ended December 31, 2007.

Cash provided by operating activities during the year ended December 31, 2008 was \$54.1 million, compared to cash provided by operating activities of \$86.7 million during the same period of 2007. The change was primarily due to lower levels of income from loans and other investments, net.

For the year ended December 31, 2008, cash provided by investing activities was \$154.6 million, compared to \$358.3 million used in investing activities during the same period in 2007. The change was primarily due to a decrease in originations, acquisitions, and additional fundings of \$1.0 billion during the year ended December 31, 2008 compared to the year ended December 31, 2007, offset by a decrease in principal repayments of \$493 million for the same periods. In 2007 we also received \$44 million in proceeds from our investment in Bracor.

For the year ended December 31, 2008, cash used by financing activities was \$189.1 million, compared to \$271.2 million provided by financing activities during the same period in 2007. The change was primarily due to dramatic changes in proceeds from and repayments of repurchase obligations, proceeds from the sale of class A common stock during 2008 and the issuance of junior subordinated debentures and activity on other debt in the year ended December 31, 2007, and is indicative of our overall deleveraging in 2008.

#### Capitalization

Our authorized capital stock consists of 100,000,000 shares of \$0.01 par value class A common stock, of which 22,071,349 shares were issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2008 and 100,000,000 shares of preferred stock, none of which were outstanding as of December 31, 2008.

On January 15, 2008, we issued 53,192 shares of class A common stock under our dividend reinvestment plan. Net proceeds totaled approximately \$1.5 million.

On March 4, 2008, we declared a dividend of \$0.80 per share of class A common stock applicable to the three-month period ended March 31, 2008, which was paid on April 15, 2008 to shareholders of record on March 31, 2008.

On March 28, 2008, we closed a public offering of 4,000,000 shares of class A common stock. We received net proceeds of approximately \$113.0 million. Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated acted as the sole underwriter of the offering.

On April 15, 2008, we issued 28,426 shares of class A common stock under our dividend reinvestment plan. Net proceeds totaled approximately \$799,000.

In June 2008, we issued 401,577 shares of class A common stock under our direct stock purchase plan. Net proceeds totaled approximately \$10.5 million.

On June 16, 2008, we declared a dividend of \$0.80 per share of class A common stock applicable to the three-month period ended June 30, 2008, which was paid on July 16, 2008 to shareholders of record on June 30, 2008.

On September 16, 2008, we declared a dividend of \$0.60 per share of class A common stock applicable to the three-month period ended September 30, 2008, which was paid on October 15, 2008 to shareholders of record on September 30, 2008.

On October 15, 2008, we issued 5,368 shares of class A common stock under our dividend reinvestment plan. Net proceeds totaled approximately \$47,000.

Subsequent to December 31, 2008, in connection with the restructuring of our debt obligations detailed in Note 22 to the consolidated financial statements, we issued, or irrevocably committed to issue, 3,479,691 warrants to purchase our class A common stock.

#### Repurchase Obligations and Secured Debt

As of December 31, 2008, we were party to four master repurchase agreements with four counterparties, and aggregate total outstanding borrowings of \$671.3 million. We were also a party to an asset specific repurchase obligation and a secured loan agreement. As of December 31, 2008, these asset specific borrowings totaled \$27.7 million. Our total borrowings as of December 31, 2008 under master repurchase agreements, asset specific repurchase arrangements and our secured loan agreement were \$699.1 million. Loans and CMBS with a carrying value of \$1.2 billion are pledged as collateral for our repurchase agreements.

The terms of these agreements are described in Note 9 to the consolidated financial statements. Subsequent to December 31, 2008, certain of our repurchase obligations and secured debt have been restructured, terminated or otherwise satisfied pursuant to the restructuring of our debt obligations as detailed in Note 22 to the consolidated financial statements.

#### Collateralized Debt Obligations

As of December 31, 2008, we had CDOs outstanding from four separate issuances with a total face value of \$1.2 billion. Our CDOs are financing vehicles for our assets and, as such, are consolidated on our balance sheet representing the amortized sales price of the securities we sold to third parties. Our one reinvesting CDO provides us with \$298.9 million of debt financing at a cash cost of LIBOR plus 0.49% (0.93% at December 31, 2008) and an all-in effective interest rate (including the amortization of issuance costs) of LIBOR plus 0.74% (1.18% at December 31, 2008). Our three static CDOs provide us with \$857.1 million of financing with a cash cost of 2.30% and an all-in effective interest rate of 2.50% at December 31, 2008. On a combined basis, our CDOs provide us with \$1.2 billion of non-recourse, non-mark-to-market, index matched financing at a weighted average cash cost of 0.53% over the applicable indices (1.95% at December 31, 2008) and a weighted average all-in cost of 0.73% over the applicable indices (2.15% at December 31, 2008). Additional liquidity will be generated when assets that are currently pledged under repurchase obligations are contributed to our reinvesting CDO as the difference between the repurchase price under our repurchase agreements is generally less than the leverage available to us in our CDOs. As of December 31, 2008, we had additional liquidity of \$18.8 million in our CDOs in the form of restricted cash.

CDO I and CDO II each have interest coverage and overcollateralization tests, which if breached provide for hyper-amortization of the senior notes sold by a redirection of cash flow that would otherwise have been paid to the subordinate classes, some of which are owned by the Company. If such tests are in breach for six consecutive months, the reinvesting feature of the CDO is suspended. The hyper-amortization would cease once the test is back in compliance. The overcollateralization tests are a function of impairments to the CDO collateral. Furthermore, all four of our CDOs provide for the re-classification of interest proceeds from impaired collateral as principal proceeds. Subsequent to December 31, 2008, we were informed by our CDO trustee of impairments due to rating agency downgrades of certain of the CMBS collateral interests in all of our CDOs. The impairments resulted in a breach of the CDO II overcollateralization test and the reclassification of interest proceeds from certain CMBS collateral as principal proceeds in all four of our CDOs.

#### Senior Unsecured Credit Facility

In March 2007, we closed a \$50.0 million senior unsecured revolving credit facility with WestLB AG, which was amended in September 2007 to increase the size to \$100.0 million and add new lenders to the syndicate. In March 2008, we exercised our term-out option under the agreement, extending the maturity date of the \$100.0 million principal balance outstanding to March 2009 as a non-revolving term loan. The loan bears interest at a cost of LIBOR plus 1.75% (LIBOR plus 2.07% on an all-in basis).

Subsequent to December 31, 2008, our senior unsecured credit facility has been restructured, as discussed in Note 22 to the consolidated financial statements.

#### Junior Subordinated Debentures

As of December 31, 2008, we had a total of \$129 million of junior subordinated debentures outstanding (securing \$125 million of trust preferred securities sold to third parties). Junior subordinated debentures are comprised of two issuances of debentures, \$77 million of debentures (securing \$75 million of trust preferred securities) issued in March 2007 and \$52 million of debentures (securing \$50 million of trust preferred securities) issued in 2006. On a combined basis the securities provide us with \$125 million of financing at a cash cost of 7.20% and an all-in effective rate of 7.35%.

On March 16, 2009 we issued new junior subordinate debentures to holders of a majority of our trust preferred securities reflecting modified terms in exchange for the securities held by them, as detailed in Note 22 to the consolidated financial statements.

The following table sets forth information about certain of our contractual obligations as of December 31, 2008:

Contractual Obligations(1)(2) (in millions)

Payments due by period						
	More than 5					
Total	year	1-3 years	3-5 years	years		
\$600	¢271	¢410	¢10	¢		
	\$2/1	\$410	\$10	1 155		
				1,155		
	100	_	_			
129	_	_	_	129		
2,083	371	410	18	1,284		
54	_	15	39	_		
22	_	22	_	_		
76		37	39	_		
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\$2,173	\$372	\$450	\$60	\$1,291		
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- (1) We are also subject to interest rate swaps for which we cannot estimate future payments due.
- (2) Contractual obligations detailed above are as of December 31, 2008, and do not give effect to the subsequent events described in Note 22 to the consolidated financial statements.

#### **Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

We have no off-balance sheet arrangements.

#### Critical Accounting Policies

Our discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations is based upon our consolidated financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The preparation of these financial statements requires our management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenue and expenses, and related disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Our accounting policies affect our more significant judgments and estimates used in the preparation of our consolidated financial statements. Actual results could differ from these estimates. During 2008, management reviewed and evaluated its critical accounting policies and believes them to be appropriate. Our accounting policies are described in Note 2 to our consolidated financial statements. The following is a summary of our accounting policies that we believe are the most affected by management judgments, estimates and assumptions:

#### Principles of Consolidation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include, on a consolidated basis, our accounts, the accounts of our wholly-owned subsidiaries and our interests in variable interest entities in which we are the primary beneficiary. All significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. Our interests in CT Preferred Trust I and CT Preferred Trust II, the issuers of trust securities backed by our junior subordinated debentures, are accounted for using the equity method and their assets and liabilities are not consolidated into our financial statements due to our determination that CT Preferred Trust I and CT Preferred Trust II are variable interest entities in which we are not the primary beneficiary under Financial Accounting Standards Board, or FASB, Interpretation No. 46(R) "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities", or FIN 46(R). We account for our co-investment interest in the private equity funds we manage, CT Mezzanine Partners III, Inc., or Fund III, and CT Opportunity Partners I, LP, or CTOPI, under the equity method of accounting. We also accounted for our investment in Bracor Investimentos Imobiliarios Ltda., or Bracor, under the equity method of accounting until we sold our investment in December 2007. As such, we report a percentage of the earnings or losses of the companies in which we have such investments equal to our ownership percentage on a single line item in the consolidated statements of operations as income/(loss) from equity investments. CTOPI is an investment company (under the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants Investment Company Guide) and therefore it maintains its financial records at fair value. We have applied such accounting relative to our investment in CTOPI pursuant to the Emerging Issues Task Force, or EITF, Issue No. 85-12 "Retention of Specialized Accounting for Investments in Consolidation."

## Revenue Recognition

Interest income from our loans receivable is recognized over the life of the investment using the effective interest method and is recorded on the accrual basis. Fees, premiums, discounts and direct costs in connection with these investments are deferred until the loan is advanced and are then recognized over the term of the loan as an adjustment to yield. Fees on commitments that expire unused are recognized at expiration. For loans where we have unfunded commitments, we amortize the appropriate items on a straight line basis. Income recognition is generally suspended for loans at the earlier of the date at which payments become 90 days past due or when, in the opinion of management, a full recovery of income and principal becomes doubtful. Income recognition is resumed when the loan becomes contractually current and performance is demonstrated to be resumed.

Fees from special servicing and asset management services are recognized as services are rendered. We account for incentive fees we earn from our investment management business in accordance with Method 1 of EITF D-96, "Accounting for Management Fees Based on a Formula". Under Method 1, no incentive income is recorded until all contingencies have been eliminated.

#### Commercial Mortgage Backed Securities

We classify our commercial mortgage backed securities, or CMBS, pursuant to FASB Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 115, "Accounting for Certain Investments in Debt and Equity Securities", or FAS 115, on the date of acquisition of the investment. On August 4, 2005, we decided to change the accounting classification of our CMBS investments from available-for-sale to held-to-maturity. Held-to-maturity investments are stated at cost adjusted for the amortization of any premiums or discounts, which are amortized through the consolidated statements of operations using the effective interest method. Other than in the instance of an other-than-temporary impairment (as discussed below), these held-to-maturity investments are shown in our financial statements at their adjusted values pursuant to the methodology described above.

We may also invest in CMBS and certain other securities which may be classified as available-for-sale. Available-for-sale securities are carried at estimated fair value with the net unrealized gains or losses reported as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income/(loss) in shareholders' equity. Many of these investments are

relatively illiquid and management must estimate their values. In making these estimates, management utilizes market prices provided by dealers who make markets in these securities, but may, under certain circumstances, adjust these valuations based on management's judgment. Changes in the valuations do not affect our reported income or cash flows, but impact shareholders' equity and, accordingly, book value per share.

We account for CMBS under EITF 99-20, "Recognition of Interest Income and Impairment on Purchased and Retained Beneficial Interests in Securitized Financial Assets", as amended by FASB Staff Position EITF 99-20-1, "Amendments to the Impairment Guidance of EITF Issue No. 99-20", or EITF 99-20. Under EITF 99-20, income is recognized using a level yield with any purchase premium or discount accreted through income over the life of the security. This yield is calculated using estimated cash flows which are based on a number of assumptions on the underlying loans. Examples include, among other things, the rate and timing of principal payments, including prepayments, repurchases, defaults and liquidations, the pass-through or coupon rate and interest rates. Additional factors that may affect our reported interest income on our CMBS include interest payment shortfalls due to delinquencies on the underlying mortgage loans and the timing and magnitude of credit losses on the mortgage loans underlying the securities that are impacted by, among other things, the general condition of the real estate market, including competition for tenants and their related credit quality, and changes in market rental rates. These uncertainties and contingencies are difficult to predict and are subject to future events that may alter the assumptions.

Further, under the guidance of EITF 99-20, when, based on current information and events, it is probable that there has been an adverse change in estimated cash flows from those originally estimated, an other-than-temporary impairment is deemed to have occurred. A change in estimated cash flows is considered adverse under the guidance of EITF 99-20 if the present value of the revised cash flows (taking into consideration both the timing and amount of estimated future cash flows) using the current expected yield is less than the present value of the originally estimated remaining cash flows, adjusted for cash receipts during the intervening period. Should an other-than-temporary impairment be deemed to have occurred, the security is written down to fair value with the resulting charge included in the statement of operations and a new cost basis established. The revised yield is then applied prospectively to recognize interest income. Management must also assess whether unrealized losses on securities reflect a decline in value that is other-than-temporary, and, accordingly, write down the impaired security to its fair value, through a charge to income.

From time to time we purchase CMBS and other investments in which we have a level of control over the issuing entity; we refer to these investments as controlling class investments. The presentation of controlling class investments in our consolidated financial statements is governed in part by FIN 46(R), which could require that certain controlling class investments be presented on a consolidated basis. Based upon the specific circumstances of certain of our CMBS investments that are controlling class investments and our interpretation of FIN 46(R), specifically the exemption for qualifying special purpose entities as defined under FASB Statements of Financial Accounting Standard No. 140, "Accounting for Transfers and Servicing of Financial Assets and Extinguishments of Liabilities", or FAS 140, we have concluded that the entities that have issued the controlling class investments should not be presented on a consolidated basis. In 2008, the FASB issued Staff Position No. FAS 140-4 and FIN 46(R)-8, "Disclosures by Public Entities (Enterprises) about Transfers of Financial Assets and Interests in Variable Interest Entities", or FSP 140-4, which requires additional disclosures for certain of our investments effective as of December 15, 2008. These disclosures are included in Note 3 to the consolidated financial statements.

Loans Receivable, Provision for Possible Credit Losses, Loans Held-for-Sale and Related Allowance

We purchase and originate commercial real estate debt and related instruments, or Loans, generally to be held as long-term investments at amortized cost. Management must periodically evaluate each of these Loans for possible impairment. Impairment is indicated when it is deemed probable that we will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the contractual terms of the Loan. If a Loan were determined to be permanently impaired, we would write down the Loan through a charge to the provision for possible credit losses. Given the nature of our Loan portfolio and the underlying commercial real estate collateral, significant judgment on the part of management is required in determining permanent impairment and the resulting charge to the provision, which includes but is not limited to making assumptions regarding the value of the real estate that secures the loan. Each Loan in our portfolio is evaluated at least quarterly using our loan risk rating system which considers loan-to-value, debt yield, cash flow stability, exit plan, loan sponsorship, loan structure and other factors deemed necessary by management to assess the likelihood of delinquency or default. If we believe there is a potential for delinquency or default, a downside analysis is prepared to estimate the value of the collateral underlying our Loan, and a provision is recorded taking into consideration both the likelihood of delinquency or default and the estimated value of the underlying collateral. Actual losses, if any, could ultimately differ from these estimates.

Loans held-for-sale are carried at the lower of our amortized cost basis and market value. A reduction in market value of loans held-for-sale is recorded as a charge to the Company's consolidated statement of operations under the valuation allowance on loans held-for-sale.

#### Repurchase Obligations

In certain circumstances, we have financed the purchase of investments from a counterparty through a repurchase agreement with that same counterparty. We currently record these investments in the same manner as other investments financed with repurchase agreements, with the investment recorded as an asset and the related borrowing under any repurchase agreement as a liability on our consolidated balance sheets. Interest income earned on the investments and interest expense incurred on the repurchase obligations are reported separately on the consolidated statements of operations. In February 2008, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position 140-3, "Accounting for Transfers of Financial Assets and Repurchase Financing Transactions", or FSP 140-3, which provides guidance on accounting for transfers of financial assets and repurchase financings. FSP 140-3 presumes that an initial transfer of a financial asset and a repurchase financing shall not be evaluated as a linked transaction and shall be evaluated separately under FAS 140. If the linked transaction does not meet the requirements for sale accounting, the linked transaction shall generally be accounted for as a forward contract, as opposed to the current presentation, where the purchased asset and the repurchase liability are reflected separately on the balance sheet.

FSP 140-3 is effective on a prospective basis for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2008, with earlier application not permitted. Given that FSP 140-3 is to be applied prospectively, the adoption of FSP 140-3 did not have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements with respect to our existing transactions. New transactions entered into after December 31, 2008, which are subject to FSP 140-3 may be presented differently on our consolidated financial statements.

#### Interest Rate Derivative Financial Instruments

In the normal course of business, we use interest rate derivative financial instruments to manage, or hedge, cash flow variability caused by interest rate fluctuations. Specifically, we currently use interest rate swaps to effectively convert variable rate liabilities that are financing fixed rate assets, to fixed rate liabilities. The differential to be paid or received on these agreements is recognized on the accrual basis as an adjustment to the interest expense related to the attendant liability. The interest rate swap agreements are generally accounted for on a held-to-maturity basis, and, in cases where they are terminated early, any gain or loss is generally amortized over the remaining life of the hedged item. These swap agreements must be effective in reducing the variability of cash flows of the hedged items in order to qualify for the aforementioned hedge accounting treatment. Changes in value of effective cash flow hedges are reflected in our consolidated financial statements through accumulated other comprehensive income/(loss) and do not affect our net income. To the extent a derivative does not qualify for hedge accounting, and is deemed a non-hedge derivative, the changes in its value are included in net income.

To determine the fair value of derivative instruments, we use third parties to periodically value our interests.

#### **Income Taxes**

Our financial results generally do not reflect provisions for current or deferred income taxes on our REIT taxable income. Management believes that we operate in a manner that will continue to allow us to be taxed as a REIT and, as a result, do not expect to pay substantial corporate level taxes (other than taxes payable by our taxable REIT subsidiaries which are accounted for in accordance with FASB Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 109, "Accounting for Income Taxes", or FAS 109). Many of these requirements, however, are highly technical and complex. If we were to fail to meet these requirements, we may be subject to federal, state and local income tax on current and past income, and we may also be subject to penalties.

In September 2006, the FASB issued Interpretation No. 48, "Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes an interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109", or FIN 48. This interpretation clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in income taxes recognized in an enterprise's financial statements in accordance with FAS 109. This interpretation prescribes a recognition threshold and measurement attribute for the financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. FIN 48 also provides guidance on derecognition, classification, interest and penalties, accounting in interim periods, disclosure, and transition. This interpretation was effective January 1, 2007. The adoption of FIN 48 did not have a material impact on our financial results.

#### Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation

We account for stock-based compensation in accordance with FASB Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123(R) "Share Based Payment," or FAS 123(R). Upon adoption of FAS 123(R), as of January 1, 2006, we have elected to utilize the modified prospective method, and there was no impact from this adoption. Compensation expense for time vesting of stock-based compensation grants is recognized on the accelerated attribution method and compensation expense for performance vesting of stock-based compensation grants is recognized on a straight line basis. Compensation expense relating to stock-based compensation is recognized in net income using a fair value measurement method.

## **New Accounting Pronouncements**

In September 2006, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 157, "Fair Value Measurements", or FAS 157. FAS 157 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. FAS 157 applies to reporting periods beginning after November 15, 2007. As discussed above, we report the changes in the value of effective cash flow hedges and our available for sale securities through accumulated other comprehensive income/(loss). We adopted FAS 157 as of January 1, 2008. As a result of the adoption of FAS 157, the fair value of our interest rate hedge liabilities decreased by \$961,000 due to the valuation adjustment related to our credit.

In February 2007, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 159, "The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities", or FAS 159. FAS 159 permits entities to choose to measure many financial instruments, and certain other items, at fair value. FAS 159 also establishes presentation and disclosure requirements designed to facilitate comparisons between entities that choose different measurement attributes for similar types of assets and liabilities. FAS 159 applies to reporting periods beginning after November 15, 2007. We adopted FAS 159 as of January 1, 2008. Adoption of FAS 159 had no impact on the consolidated financial statements as we did not elect to measure any financial instruments at fair value.

In March 2008, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 161, "Disclosures about Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities—an amendment of FASB Statement No. 133", or FAS 161. The use and complexity of derivative instruments and hedging activities have increased significantly over the past several years. Constituents have expressed concerns that the existing disclosure requirements in FASB Statement No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities", do not provide adequate information about how derivative and hedging activities affect an entity's financial position, financial performance, and cash flows. Accordingly, FAS 161 requires enhanced disclosures about an entity's derivative and hedging activities and thereby improves the transparency of financial reporting. FAS 161 is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years and interim periods beginning after November 15, 2008, with early application encouraged. FAS 161 encourages, but does not require, comparative disclosures for earlier periods at initial adoption. We do not expect the adoption of FAS 161 to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

## Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

The principal objective of our asset/liability management activities is to maximize net interest income while minimizing levels of interest rate risk. Net interest income and interest expense are subject to the risk of interest rate fluctuations. In certain instances, to mitigate the impact of fluctuations in interest rates, we use interest rate swaps to effectively convert variable rate liabilities to fixed rate liabilities for proper matching with fixed rate assets. Each derivative used as a hedge is matched with an asset or liability with which it is expected to have a high correlation. The swap agreements are generally held-to-maturity and we do not use interest rate derivative financial instruments for trading purposes. The differential to be paid or received on these agreements is recognized as an adjustment to the interest expense related to debt and is recognized on the accrual basis.

Our loans and investments, including our fund investments, are also subject to credit risk. The ultimate performance and value of our loans and investments depends upon the owner's ability to operate the properties that serve as our collateral so that they produce cash flows adequate to pay interest and principal due to us. To monitor this risk, our asset management team continuously reviews the investment portfolio and in certain instances is in constant contact with our borrowers, monitoring performance of the collateral and enforcing our rights as necessary.

The following table provides information about our financial instruments that are sensitive to changes in interest rates as of December 31, 2008. For financial assets and debt obligations, the table presents cash flows (in certain cases, face adjusted for expected losses) to the expected maturity and weighted average interest rates. For interest rate swaps, the table presents notional amounts and weighted average fixed pay and variable receive interest rates by contractual maturity dates. Notional amounts are used to calculate the contractual cash flows to be exchanged under the contract. Weighted average variable rates are based on rates in effect as of the reporting date.

Assets:	2009 (in thousands)	2010	Expect 2011	cted Maturity 2012	y/Repaymen 2013	t Dates Thereafter	Total	Fair Value
CMBS								
Fixed rate	\$43,665	\$17,803	\$96,927	\$106,555	\$178,437	\$262,552	\$705,939	\$493,283
Interest								
rate(1)	6.59%	7.28%	7.38%	7.03%	6.85%	6.13%	6.68%	¢00.105
Variable	\$9,054	\$29,997	\$18,023	\$78,054	\$29,873	\$9,784	\$174,785	\$89,195
rate Interest								
rate(1)(2)	4.34%	2.29%	2.03%	3.78%	_	_ 2.52%	2.65%	
Tate(1)(2)	7.57 //	2.27 /0	2.03 /0	3.7670		_ 2.5270	2.03 /0	
Loans								
receivable								
Fixed rate	\$17,215	\$1,283	\$27,831	\$1,160	\$1,246	\$121,626	\$170,361	\$162,103
Interest								
rate(1)	8.52%	8.05%	8.46%	7.79%	7.78%	7.59%	7.83%	
Variable	\$51,990	\$138,138	\$847,565	\$577,597	\$847	\$11,358	\$1,627,495	\$1,427,826
rate								
Interest	4.07.07	4.07.07	2.1007	2.770	0.4007	2.400	2.400	
rate(1)	4.27%	4.07%	3.18%	3.77%	2.40%	2.40%	3.49%	
Loans								
held-for-sale								
Variable rate	\$—	\$	- \$-	- \$140,719	\$-	_ \$-	\$140,719	\$92,175
Interest rate(1)				- 2.54%			<b>—</b> 2.54%	
1410(1)	_	_		- 2.34 /0	_	_	— 2.34 /0	
Debt Obligations:								
Repurchase obligations and secured debt	I							
Variable rate	\$210,671	\$424,553	\$-	- \$-	- \$63,830	\$-	— \$699,054	\$699,054
Interest rate(1)	2.26%	1.88%	_		- 1.78%	-	<b>—</b> 1.99%	

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CDOs								
Fixed rate	\$7,677	\$5,136	\$42,200	\$57,804	\$111,589	\$45,100	\$269,506	\$121,328
Interest								
rate(1)	5.41%	5.49%	5.16%	5.16%	5.19%	5.95%	5.32%	
Variable	\$48,775	\$140,287	\$238,758	\$218,501	\$50,646	\$188,031	\$884,998	\$319,917
rate								
Interest								
rate(1)	0.79%	0.76%	0.84%	1.00%	0.89%	1.09%	0.92%	
Senior								
unsecured								
credit facility Fixed rate	\$100,000	\$	- \$—	- \$	- \$-	¢	- \$100,000	\$94,155
Interest	\$100,000	Φ—	-	–	- ŋ—	–	- \$100,000	\$94,133
rate(1)	2.19%						- 2.19%	
Tate(1)	2.1970	_				_	- 2.19/0	
Junior								
subordinated								
debt								
Fixed rate	\$-	- \$	- \$—	- \$	- \$-	- \$128,875	\$128,875	\$80,099
Interest								
rate(1)	_					- 7.20%	7.20%	
Participations sold								
Variable	\$-	- \$	- \$91,220	\$201,515	\$-	_ \$_	- \$292,735	\$258,416
rate	Ψ	Ψ	Ψ71,220	Ψ201,515	Ψ	Ψ	Ψ272,133	Ψ230,410
Interest								
rate(1)	_		- 2.30%	4.34%	_		- 3.70%	

#### Derivative

Financial

Instruments:

Interest rate								
swaps								
Notional	\$48,733	\$13,383	\$46,400	\$81,887	\$39,947	\$235,529	\$465,879	\$(47,974)
amounts								
Fixed pay								
rate(1)	4.77%	5.06%	4.65%	4.98%	4.97%	5.06%	4.97%	
Variable								
receive rate(1)	0.51%	0.52%	0.60%	0.51%	0.51%	0.57%	0.55%	

- (1) Represents weighted average rates where applicable. Expected repayment dates and amounts are as of December 31, 2008, and do not give effect to the subsequent events described in Note 22.
- (2) For \$37.9 million face value (\$37.5 million book value) of CMBS investments, calculations use an effective rate based on cash received.

Item 8.	Financial Statements and Supplementary Data
The financial statements requ	tired by this item and the reports of the independent accountants thereon required by Item
14(a)(2) appear on pages F-2	to F-45. See accompanying Index to the Consolidated Financial Statements on page F-1

The supplementary financial data required by Item 302 of Regulation S-K appears in Note 21 to the consolidated financial statements.

Item 9. Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure

None.

Item 9A. Controls and Procedures

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

An evaluation of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our "disclosure controls and procedures" (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e)) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, as of the end of the period covered by this annual report on Form 10-K was made under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer. Based upon this evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures (a) are effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in reports filed or submitted under the Securities Exchange Act is timely recorded, processed, summarized and reported and (b) include, without limitation, controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in reports filed or submitted under the Securities Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting, which appears on page F-3, is incorporated herein by reference.

Attestation Report of Registered Public Accounting Firm

The effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2008 has been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their report which appears on page F-2, and is incorporated herein by reference.

Changes in Internal Controls

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There have been no significant changes in our "internal control over financial reporting" (as defined in rule 13a-15(f) of the Exchange Act) that occurred during the quarter ended December 31, 2008 that have materially affected or are reasonably likely to materially affect our internal control over financial reporting.

Other Information Item 9B. None.

#### **PART III**

## Item 10. Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance

The information required by Items 401, 405, 406 and 407(c)(3), (d)(4) and (d)(5) of Regulation S-K is incorporated herein by reference to the Company's definitive proxy statement to be filed not later than April 30, 2009 with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Exchange Act.

## Item 11. Executive Compensation

The information required by Item 402 and paragraph (e)(4) and (e)(5) of Item 407 of Regulation S-K is incorporated herein by reference to the Company's definitive proxy statement to be filed not later than April 30, 2009 with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Exchange Act.

Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters

The information required by Items 201(d) and 403 of Regulation S-K is incorporated herein by reference to the Company's definitive proxy statement to be filed not later than April 30, 2009 with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Exchange Act.

Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence

The information required by Items 404 and 407(a) of Regulation S-K is incorporated herein by reference to the Company's definitive proxy statement to be filed not later than April 30, 2009 with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Exchange Act.

#### Item 14. Principal Accounting Fees and Services

The information required by Item 9(e) of Schedule 14A is incorporated herein by reference to the Company's definitive proxy statement to be filed not later than April 30, 2009 with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Exchange Act.

## PART IV

Item 15	Exhibits, Financial Statement Schedules
(a) (1)	Financial Statements
	See the accompanying Index to Financial Statement Schedule on page F-1.
(a) (2)	Consolidated Financial Statement Schedules
	See the accompanying Index to Financial Statement Schedule on page F-1.
(a) (3)	Exhibits
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#### **EXHIBIT INDEX**

## Exhibit Number

#### Description

- 3.1.a Charter of the Capital Trust, Inc. (filed as Exhibit 3.1.a to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on April 2, 2003 and incorporated herein by reference).
- 3.1.b Certificate of Notice (filed as Exhibit 3.1 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on February 27, 2007 and incorporated herein by reference).
- 3.2.a Amended and Restated By-Laws of Capital Trust, Inc. (filed as Exhibit 3.2 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on January 29, 1999 and incorporated herein by reference).
- 3.2.b Second Amended and Restated By-Laws of Capital Trust, Inc. (filed as Exhibit 3.2 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 1-4788) filed on February 27, 2007 and incorporated herein by reference).
  - 3.3 First Amendment to Amended and Restated Bylaws of Capital Trust, Inc. (filed as Exhibit 3.2 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (File No. 1-14788) filed on August 16, 2004 and incorporated herein by reference).
- + 10.1 Capital Trust, Inc. Second Amended and Restated 1997 Long-Term Incentive Stock Plan (the "1997 Plan") (filed as Exhibit 10.1 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on March 10, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference).
- + 10.2 Capital Trust, Inc. Amended and Restated 1997 Non-Employee Director Stock Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.2 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on January 29, 1999 and incorporated herein by reference) (the "1997 Director Plan").
- + 10.3 Capital Trust, Inc. 1998 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.3 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on January 29, 1999 and incorporated herein by reference).
- + 10.4 Capital Trust, Inc. 1998 Non-Employee Stock Purchase Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.4 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on January 29, 1999 and incorporated herein by reference).
- + 10.5 Capital Trust, Inc. Amended and Restated 2004 Long-Term Incentive Plan (the "2004 Plan") (filed as Exhibit 10.5 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on March 10, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference).

- 2007 Amendment to the 2004 Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.6 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on March 5, 2008 and incorporated herein by reference).
- + 10.7 Form of Award Agreement granting Restricted Shares and Performance Units under the 2004 Plan (filed as Exhibit 99.1 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on February 10, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference).
- + 10.8 Form of Award Agreement granting Performance Units under the 2004 Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.7 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on March 10, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference).
- + 10.9 Form of Award Agreement granting Performance Units under the 2004 Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.8 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on March 10, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference).

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Exhibit Number	Description
+ 10.10	Form of Award Agreement granting Performance Units under the 2004 Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.9 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on March 10, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference).
+ 10.11	Form of Stock Option Award Agreement under the 2004 Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.10 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on March 10, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference).
+ 10.12	Form of Restricted Share Award Agreement under the 2004 Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.11 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on March 10, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference).
+ 10.13	Deferral and Distribution Election Form for Restricted Share Award Agreement under the 2004 Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.12 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on March 10, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference).
+ 10.14	Form of Restricted Share Unit Award Agreement under the 2004 Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.13 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on March 10, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference).
+ 10.15	Deferral and Distribution Election Form for Restricted Share Unit Award Agreement under the 2004 Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.14 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on March 10, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference).
+ 10.16	Deferred Share Unit Program Election Forms under the 2004 Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.15 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on March 10, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference).
+ 10.17	Director Retainer Deferral Election Form for Stock Units under the 1997 Plan. (filed as Exhibit 10.16 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on March 10, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference).
+10.18	Form of Award Agreement granting Performance Awards under the Company's Amended and Restated 2004 Long-Term Incentive Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.1 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (File No. 1-14788) filed on May 4, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference).
+10.19	Capital Trust, Inc. 2007 Long-Term Incentive Plan (the "2007 Plan") (filed as Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on June 12, 2007 and incorporated herein by reference).

2007 Amendment to the 2007 Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.20 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on March 5, 2008 and incorporated herein by reference).

+10.21 Form of Award Agreement granting Restricted Shares and Performance Units under the 2007 Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.3 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (File No. 1-14788) filed on November 7, 2007 and incorporated herein by reference).

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Exhibit Number	Description
+10.22	Form of Restricted Share Award Agreement under the 2007 Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.4 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (File No. 1-14788) filed on November 7, 2007 and incorporated herein by reference).
+10.23	Form of Performance Unit and Performance Share Award Agreement under the 2007 Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.5 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (File No. 1-14788) filed on November 7, 2007 and incorporated herein by reference).
+10.24	Form of Stock Option Award Agreement under the 2007 Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.6 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (File No. 1-14788) filed on November 7, 2007 and incorporated herein by reference).
+10.25	Form of SAR Award Agreement under the 2007 Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.7 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (File No. 1-14788) filed on November 7, 2007 and incorporated herein by reference).
+10.26	Form of Restricted Share Unit Award Agreement under the 2007 Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.8 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (File No. 1-14788) filed on November 7, 2007 and incorporated herein by reference).
+10.27	Deferral Election Agreement for Deferred Share Units under the 2007 Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.9 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (File No. 1-14788) filed on November 7, 2007 and incorporated herein by reference).
+10.28	Deferral Election Agreement for Selected Plan Awards, dated as of December 24, 2007, by and between Capital Trust, Inc. and John R. Klopp (filed as Exhibit 10.28 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on March 5, 2008 and incorporated herein by reference).
+10.29	Deferral Election Agreement for Selected Plan Awards, dated as of December 24, 2007, by and between Capital Trust, Inc. and Geoffrey G. Jervis (filed as Exhibit 10.29 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on March 5, 2008 and incorporated herein by reference).
+10.30	Deferral Election Agreement for Selected Plan Awards, dated as of December 24, 2007, by and between Capital Trust, Inc. and Geoffrey G. Jervis (filed as Exhibit 10.30 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on March 5, 2008 and incorporated herein by reference).
+10.31	Deferral Election Agreement for Selected Plan Awards, dated as of December 24, 2007, by and between Capital Trust, Inc. and Geoffrey G. Jervis (filed as Exhibit 10.31 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on March 5, 2008 and incorporated herein by reference).

+10.32 Deferral Election Agreement for Selected Plan Awards, dated as of December 24, 2007, by and between Capital Trust, Inc. and Stephan D. Plavin (filed as Exhibit 10.32 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on March 5, 2008 and incorporated herein by reference).

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Exhibit Number	Description
+10.33	Deferral Election Agreement for Selected Plan Awards, dated as of December 24, 2007, by and between Capital Trust, Inc. and Thomas C. Ruffing (filed as Exhibit 10.33 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on March 5, 2008 and incorporated herein by reference).
+10.34.a	Employment Agreement, dated as of February 24, 2004, by and between Capital Trust, Inc. and CT Investment Management Co., LLC and John R. Klopp (filed as Exhibit 10.1 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (File No. 1-14788) filed on May 12, 2004 and incorporated herein by reference).
•+10.34.b	Letter Agreement, dated as of December 31, 2008, by and among Capital Trust, Inc., CT Investment Management Co., LLC and John R. Klopp.
•+ 10.35	Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, dated as of January 1, 2009, by and between Capital Trust, Inc. and Stephen D. Plavin.
	Employment Agreement, dated as of September 29, 2006, by and among Capital Trust, Inc., CT Investment Management Co., LLC and Geoffrey G. Jervis (filed as Exhibit 10.3 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (File No. 1-14788) filed on October 30, 2006 and incorporated herein by reference).
•+ 10.36.b	Letter Agreement, dated as of December 31, 2008, by and among Capital Trust, Inc., CT Investment Management Co., LLC and Geoffrey Jervis.
+ 10.37.a	Employment Agreement, dated as of August 4, 2006, by and among Capital Trust, Inc., CT Investment Management Co., LLC and Thomas C. Ruffing (filed as Exhibit 10.2 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (File No. 1-14788) filed on August 8, 2006 and incorporated herein by reference).
•+ 10.37.b	Letter Agreement, dated as of December 31, 2008, by and among Capital Trust, Inc., CT Investment Management Co., and Thomas Ruffing.
+10.38	Termination Agreement, dated as of December 29, 2000, by and between Capital Trust, Inc. and Craig M. Hatkoff (filed as Exhibit 10.9 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on April 2, 2001 and incorporated herein by reference).
+ 10.39	Transition Agreement dated May 26, 2005, by and between the Company and Brian H. Oswald (filed as Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on May 27, 2005 and incorporated herein

by reference).

+ 10.40 Consulting Services Agreement, dated as of January 1, 2003, by and between CT Investment Management Co., LLC and Craig M. Hatkoff. (filed as Exhibit 10.1 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (File No. 1-14788) filed on November 6, 2003 and incorporated herein by reference).

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Exhibit Number	Description
+10.41	Summary of Non-Employee Director Compensation (filed as Exhibit 10.51 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on February 28, 2007 and incorporated herein by reference).
+10.42	Summary of Non-Employee Director Compensation (filed as Exhibit 10.51 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on February 28, 2007 and incorporated herein by reference).
10.43	Agreement of Lease dated as of May 3, 2000, between 410 Park Avenue Associates, L.P., owner, and Capital Trust, Inc., tenant (filed as Exhibit 10.11 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on April 2, 2001 and incorporated herein by reference).
10.44	Additional Space, Lease Extension and First Lease Modification Agreement, dated as of May 23, 2007, by and between 410 Park Avenue Associates, L.P. and Capital Trust, Inc. (filed as Exhibit 10.74 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on March 5, 2008 and incorporated herein by reference).
10.45.a	Amended and Restated Master Loan and Security Agreement, dated as of June 27, 2003, between Capital Trust, Inc., CT Mezzanine Partners I LLC and Morgan Stanley Mortgage Capital Inc. (filed as Exhibit 10.4 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (File No. 1-14788) filed on November 6, 2003 and incorporated herein by reference).
10.45.b	Joinder and Amendment, dated as of July 20, 2004, among Capital Trust, Inc., CT Mezzanine Partners I LLC, CT RE CDO 2004-1 Sub, LLC and Morgan Stanley Mortgage Capital Inc. (filed as Exhibit 10.21.b to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on March 10, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference).
10.46.a	Master Repurchase Agreement, dated as of July 29, 2005, by and among the Company, CT RE CDO 2004-1 Sub, LLC, CT RE CDO 2005-1 Sub, LLC and Morgan Stanley Bank (filed as Exhibit 10.2 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (File No. 1-14788) filed on November 1, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference).
10.46.b	Amendment No. 1 to the Master Repurchase Agreement, dated as of November 4, 2005, by and among Capital Trust, Inc., CT RE CDO 2004-1 Sub, LLC, CT RE CDO 2005-1 Sub, LLC and Morgan Stanley Bank (filed as Exhibit 10.1 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K (File

No. 1-14788) filed on November 9, 2005 and incorporated herein by

reference).

Amendment No. 5 to Master Repurchase Agreement, dated as of February 14, 2007, by and among Capital Trust, Inc., CT RE CDO 2004-1 SUB, LLC, CT RE CDO 2005-1 SUB, LLC and Morgan Stanley Bank (filed as Exhibit 10.4 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (File No. 1-14788) filed on May 1, 2007 and incorporated herein by reference).

- •10.46.d Amendment No. 10 to Master Repurchase Agreement, dated as of March 16, 2009, by and among Capital Trust, Inc., CT RE CDO 2004-1 SUB, LLC, CT RE CDO 2005-1 SUB, LLC, CT XLC Holding, LLC and Morgan Stanley Bank, N.A.
- 10.47.a Amended and Restated Master Repurchase Agreement, dated as of August 15, 2006, by and between Goldman Sachs Mortgage Company and Capital Trust, Inc. (filed as Exhibit 10.1.a to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (File No. 1-14788) filed on October 30, 2006 and incorporated herein by reference).

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# Exhibit Number Description

- 10.47.b Annex I to Amended and Restated Master Repurchase Agreement, dated as of August 15, 2006, by and between Goldman Sachs Mortgage Company and Capital Trust, Inc. (filed as Exhibit 10.1.b to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (File No. 1-14788) filed on October 30, 2006 and incorporated herein by reference).
- 10.47.c Letter, dated as of August 15, 2006, by and between Goldman Sachs Mortgage Company and Capital Trust, Inc. (filed as Exhibit 10.1.c to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (File No. 1-14788) filed on October 30, 2006 and incorporated herein by reference).
- 10.47d Amended and Restated Annex I to Amended and Restated Master Repurchase Agreement, dated as of October 30, 2007, by and between Goldman Sachs Mortgage Company and Capital Trust, Inc.
- •10.47e Agreement, dated as of March 16, 2009, by Capital Trust, Inc. and Goldman Sachs Mortgage Company.
- •10.47f Termination of Master Repurchase Agreement, dated as of March 16, 2009, between Capital Trust, Inc. and Goldman Sachs Mortgage Company.
- 10.48 Master Repurchase Agreement, dated as of March 4, 2005, by and among Capital Trust, Inc., Bank of America, N.A. and Banc of America Securities LLC. (filed as Exhibit 10.25 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on March 10, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference).
- •10.49a Master Repurchase Agreement, dated as of October 24, 2008, by and among Capital Trust, Inc., CT BSI Funding Corp. and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. (reflecting JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. as successor to Bear, Stearns Funding, Inc. under the Amended and Restated Master Repurchase Agreement, dated as of February 15, 2006, by and among Bear, Stearns Funding, Inc., Capital Trust, Inc. and CT BSI Funding Corp., as amended by that certain Amendment No. 1, dated as of February 7, 2007, and as amended by that certain Amendment No. 2, dated as of June 30, 2008).
- •10.49b Amendment No. 1 to Master Repurchase Agreement, dated as of March 16, 2009, by and among CT BSI Funding Corp., Capital Trust, Inc., and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.
- •10.50a Master Repurchase Agreement, dated as of November 21, 2008, by and among Capital Trust, Inc., CT BSI Funding Corp. and JPMorgan Chase Funding Inc. (reflecting JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. as successor to Bear, Stearns International Limited under the Amended and Restated Master Repurchase Agreement, dated as of February 15, 2006, by and among Bear, Stearns

- International Limited, Capital Trust, Inc. and CT BSI Funding Corp., as amended by that certain Amendment No. 1, dated as of February 7, 2007, and as amended by that certain Amendment No. 2, dated as of June 30, 2008).
- •10.50b Amendment No. 1 to Master Repurchase Agreement, dated as of March 16, 2009, by and among Capital Trust, Inc., CT BSI Funding Corp. and JP Morgan Chase Funding Inc.
  - 10.51 Limited Liability Company Agreement of CT MP II LLC, by and among Travelers General Real Estate Mezzanine Investments II, LLC and CT-F2-GP, LLC, dated as of March 8, 2000 (filed as Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on March 23, 2000 and incorporated herein by reference).
  - 10.52 Venture Agreement amongst Travelers Limited Real Estate Mezzanine Investments I, LLC, Travelers General Real Estate Mezzanine Investments II, LLC, Travelers Limited Real Estate Mezzanine Investments II, LLC, CT-F1, LLC, CT-F2-GP, LLC, CT-F2-LP, LLC, CT Investment Management Co., LLC and Capital Trust, Inc., dated as of March 8, 2000 (filed as Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on March 23, 2000 and incorporated herein by reference).
  - 10.53 Guaranty of Payment, by Capital Trust, Inc. in favor of Travelers Limited Real Estate Mezzanine Investments I, LLC, Travelers General Real Estate Mezzanine Investments II, LLC and Travelers Limited Real Estate Mezzanine Investments II, LLC, dated as of March 8, 2000 (filed as Exhibit 10.6 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on March 23, 2000 and incorporated herein by reference).

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#### Exhibit Number

#### Description

- 10.54 Guaranty of Payment, by The Travelers Insurance Company in favor of Capital Trust, Inc., CT-F1, LLC, CT-F2-GP, LLC, CT-F2-LP, LLC and CT Investment Management Co., LLC, dated as of March 8, 2000 (filed as Exhibit 10.8 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on March 23, 2000 and incorporated herein by reference).
- 10.55 Amended and Restated Investment Management Agreement, dated as of April 9, 2001, by and among CT Investment Management Co. LLC, CT MP II LLC and CT Mezzanine Partners II LP (filed as Exhibit 10.37 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on March 10, 2006 and incorporated herein by reference).
- 10.56 Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of July 28, 1998, among Capital Trust, Vornado Realty L.P., EOP Limited Partnership, Mellon Bank N.A., as trustee for General Motors Hourly-Rate Employees Pension Trust, and Mellon Bank N.A., as trustee for General Motors Salaried Employees Pension Trust (filed as Exhibit 10.2 to Capital Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 1-8063) filed on August 6, 1998 and incorporated herein by reference).
- 10.57 Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of February 7, 2003, by and between Capital Trust, Inc. and Stichting Pensioenfonds ABP (filed as Exhibit 10.24 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on March 28, 2003 and incorporated herein by reference).
- 10.58 Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of June 18, 2003, by and among Capital Trust, Inc. and the parties named therein (filed as Exhibit 10.2 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (File No. 1-14788) filed on May 12, 2004 and incorporated herein by reference).
- 10.59 Securities Purchase Agreement, dated as of May 11, 2004, by and among Capital Trust, Inc. W. R. Berkley Corporation and certain shareholders of Capital Trust, Inc. (filed as Exhibit 10.1 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on May 11, 2004 and incorporated herein by reference).
- 10.60 Registration Rights Agreement dated as of May 11, 2004, by and among Capital Trust, Inc. and W. R. Berkley Corporation (filed as Exhibit 10.2 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on May 11, 2004 and incorporated herein by reference).
- •10.61 Junior Subordinated Indenture, dated as of March 16, 2009, between Capital Trust, Inc. and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association, as Trustee.
- 10.62 Amended and Restated Trust Agreement, dated February 10, 2006, by and among Capital Trust, Inc., JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A., Chase Bank USA,

N.A. and the Administrative Trustees named therein (filed as Exhibit 10.2 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (File No. 1-14788) filed on May 4, 2006 and incorporated herein by reference).

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Exhibit	
Number	Description
10.6	Investment Management Agreement, dated as of November 9, 2006, by and between Berkley Insurance Company and CT High Grade Mezzanine Manager, LLC (filed as Exhibit 10.48 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on February 28, 2007 and incorporated herein by reference).
10.6	Investment Management Agreement, dated as of November 9, 2006, by and between Berkley Regional Insurance Company and CT High Grade Mezzanine Manager, LLC (filed as Exhibit 10.49 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on February 28, 2007 and incorporated herein by reference).
10.6	Investment Management Agreement, dated as of November 9, 2006, by and between Admiral Insurance Company and CT High Grade Mezzanine Manager, LLC (filed as Exhibit 10.50 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on February 28, 2007 and incorporated herein by reference).
10.6	Junior Subordinated Indenture, dated as of March 29, 2007, by and between Capital Trust, Inc. and The Bank of New York Trust Company, National Association (filed as Exhibit 10.1 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (File No. 1-14788) filed on May 1, 2007 and incorporated herein by reference).
10.6	Amended and Restated Trust Agreement, dated as of March 29, 2007, by and among Capital Trust, Inc., The Bank of New York Trust Company, National Association, The Bank of New York (Delaware) and the Administrative Trustees named therein. (filed as Exhibit 10.2 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (File No. 1-14788) filed on May 1, 2007 and incorporated herein by reference).
10.68	Master Repurchase Agreement, dated as of July 30, 2007, by and among Capital Trust, Inc., Citigroup Global Markets, Inc. and Citigroup Financial Products Inc. (filed as Exhibit 10.1 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (File No. 1-14788) filed on November 7, 2007 and incorporated herein by reference).
•10.69	Amendment No. 3 to Master Repurchase Agreement, dated as of March 16, 2009, by and between Capital Trust, Inc., and Citigroup Global Markets, Inc. and Citigroup Financial Products Inc.

- •10.70 Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of March 16, 2009, among Capital Trust, Inc., the lenders party thereto and WestLB AG, New York Branch.
- •10.71 Satisfaction, Termination and Release Agreement, dated as of February 25, 2009, between UBS Real Estate Securities Inc. and Capital Trust, Inc.
- •10.72 Exchange Agreement, dated as of March 16, 2009, by and among Capital Trust, Inc., Taberna Preferred Funding V, Ltd., Taberna Preferred Funding VI, Ltd., Taberna Preferred Funding VIII, Ltd. and Taberna Preferred Funding IX,

Ltd.

- •10.73 Pledge and Security Agreement, dated as of March 16, 2009, by and between Capital Trust, Inc., and WestLB AG, New York Branch.
  - 11.1 Statements regarding Computation of Earnings per Share (Data required by Statement of Financial Accounting Standard No. 128, Earnings per Share, is provided in Note 12 to the consolidated financial statements contained in this report).
  - 14.1 Capital Trust, Inc. Code of Business Conduct and Ethics (filed as Exhibit 14.1 to Capital Trust, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 1-14788) filed on February 28, 2007 and incorporated herein by reference).

#### **EXHIBIT INDEX**

## Exhibit Number Description • 21.1 Subsidiaries of Capital Trust, Inc. • 23.1 Consent of Ernst & Young LLP • 31.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. • 31.2 Certification of Chief Financial Officer, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. • 32.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. • 32.2 Certification of Chief Financial Officer, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

+ Represents a management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement.

• Filed herewith.

<sup>\*</sup>Portions of this exhibit has been omitted and filed separately with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to a confidential treatment request under Rule 24b-2 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

March 16, 2009 /s/ John R. Klopp Date John R. Klopp

Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

March 16, 2009 /s/ Samuel Zell
Date Samuel Zell

Chairman of the Board of Directors

March 16, 2009 /s/ John R. Klopp Date John R. Klopp

Chief Executive Officer and Director

March 16, 2009 /s/ Geoffrey G. Jervis
Date Geoffrey G. Jervis
Chief Financial Officer

March 16, 2009 /s/ Thomas E. Dobrowski

Date Thomas E. Dobrowski, Director

March 16, 2009 /s/ Martin L. Edelman

Date Martin L. Edelman, Director

March 16, 2009 /s/ Craig M. Hatkoff
Date Craig M. Hatkoff, Director

March 16, 2009 /s/ Edward S. Hyman

Date Edward S. Hyman, Director

March 16, 2009 /s/ Henry N. Nassau

Date Henry N. Nassau, Director

March 16, 2009 /s/ Joshua A. Polan

Date Joshua A. Polan, Director

March 16, 2009 /s/ Lynne B. Sagalyn

Date Lynne B. Sagalyn, Director

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Schedules other than those listed are ommited as they are not applicable or the required or equivalent information has been included in the consolidated financial statements or notes thereto.

#### Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The Board of Directors and Shareholders of Capital Trust, Inc.

We have audited Capital Trust, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2008, based on criteria established in Internal Control—Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (the COSO criteria). Capital Trust, Inc.'s management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting, and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting included in the accompanying Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, Capital Trust, Inc. maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2008, based on the COSO criteria.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated balance sheets of Capital Trust, Inc. as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, and the related consolidated statements of operations, changes in shareholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2008 of Capital Trust, Inc. and our report dated March 16, 2009 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

New York, NY March 16, 2009

# MANAGEMENT'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting, and for performing an assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2008. Internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The Company's system of internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (i) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (ii) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (iii) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

All internal control systems, no matter how well designed, have inherent limitations. Therefore, even those systems determined to be effective can provide only reasonable assurance with respect to financial statement preparation and presentation.

Management performed an assessment of the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2008 based upon criteria in Internal Control-Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission ("COSO"). Based on our assessment, management determined that the Company's internal control over financial reporting was effective as of December 31, 2008 based on the criteria in Internal Control-Integrated Framework issued by COSO.

The effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2008 has been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their report which appears herein.

Dated: March 16, 2009

John R. Klopp Chief Executive Officer Geoffrey G. Jervis Chief Financial Officer

# MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Capital Trust, Inc.'s management is responsible for the integrity and objectivity of all financial information included in this Annual Report. The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The financial statements include amounts that are based on the best estimates and judgments of management. All financial information in this Annual Report is consistent with that in the consolidated financial statements.

Ernst & Young LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, has audited these consolidated financial statements in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) and have expressed herein their unqualified opinion on those financial statements.

The Audit Committee of the Board of Directors, which oversees Capital Trust, Inc.'s financial reporting process on behalf of the Board of Directors, is composed entirely of independent directors (as defined by the New York Stock Exchange). The Audit Committee meets periodically with management, the independent accountants, and the internal auditors to review matters relating to the Company's financial statements and financial reporting process, annual financial statement audit, engagement of independent accountants, internal audit function, system of internal controls, and legal compliance and ethics programs as established by Capital Trust, Inc.'s management and the Board of Directors. The internal auditors and the independent accountants periodically meet alone with the Audit Committee and have access to the Audit Committee at any time.

Dated: March 16, 2009

John R. Klopp Chief Executive Officer

Geoffrey G. Jervis Chief Financial Officer

#### Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The Board of Directors and Shareholders of Capital Trust, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Capital Trust, Inc. and Subsidiaries (the "Company") as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, and the related consolidated statements of operations, changes in shareholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2008. Our audits also included the financial statement schedule listed in the Index to Consolidated Financial Statements and Schedules. These financial statements and schedule are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements and schedule based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of the Company at December 31, 2008 and 2007, and the consolidated results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2008, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Also, in our opinion, the related financial statement schedule, when considered in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole, presents fairly, in all material respects, the information set forth therein.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2008, based on criteria established in Internal Control-Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission and our report dated March 16, 2009 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

New York, New York March 16, 2009

Capital Trust, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Balance Sheets December 31, 2008 and 2007 (in thousands except share data)

Assets	2008	2007
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 45,382	\$ 25,829
Restricted cash	18,821	5,696
Commercial mortgage backed securities	852,211	876,864
Loans receivable, net	1,791,332	2,257,563
Loans held-for-sale, net	92,175	· · —
Equity investment in unconsolidated subsidiaries	2,383	977
Real estate held-for-sale	9,897	_
Deposits and other receivables	1,421	3,927
Accrued interest receivable	6,351	15,091
Deferred income taxes	1,706	3,659
Prepaid expenses and other assets	16,948	21,876
Total assets	\$ 2,838,627	\$ 3,211,482
Liabilities & Shareholders' Equity		
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Liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 10,918	\$ 65,682
Repurchase obligations	699,054	911,857
Collateralized debt obligations	1,156,035	1,192,299
Senior unsecured credit facility	100,000	75,000
Junior subordinated debentures	128,875	128,875
Participations sold	292,669	408,351
Interest rate hedge liabilities	47,974	18,686
Deferred origination fees and other revenue	1,658	2,495
Total liabilities	2,437,183	2,803,245
Shareholders' equity:		
Class A common stock \$0.01 par value 100,000		
shares authorized, 21,740 and 17,166 shares		
issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2008		
and December 31, 2007, respectively ("class A		
common stock")	217	172
Restricted class A common stock \$0.01 par value,		
331 and 424 shares issued and outstanding as of		
December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007,		
respectively ("restricted class A common stock"		
and together with class A common stock,		
"common stock")	3	4
Additional paid-in capital	557,435	426,113
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(41,009)	(8,684)

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Accumulated deficit		(115,202)		(9,368)			
Total shareholders' equity		401,444		408,237			
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$	2,838,627	\$	3,211,482			
See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.							

# Capital Trust, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Operations For the Years Ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006 (in thousands, except share and per share data)

		2008		2007		2006
Income from loans and other						
investments:						
Interest and related income	\$	194,649	\$	253,422	\$	175,404
Less: Interest and related expenses		129,665		162,377		104,607
Income from loans and other						
investments, net		64,984		91,045		70,797
Other revenues:						
Management fees		12,941		3,499		2,650
Incentive management fees		12,741		6,208		1,652
Servicing fees		367		623		105
Other interest income		1,566		1,083		1,354
Total other revenues		14,874		11,413		5,761
Total other revenues		14,074		11,713		3,701
Other expenses:						
General and administrative		24,957		29,956		23,075
Depreciation and amortization		179		1,810		3,049
Total other expenses		25,136		31,766		26,124
Gain on extinguishment of debt		6,000		_		_
Impairments		(2,917)		_		
Provision for possible credit losses		(63,577)		_		_
Valuation allowance on loans						
held-for-sale		(48,259)		_		_
Gain on sale of investments		374		15,077		_
(Loss)/income from equity investments		(1,988)		(2,109)		898
(Loss)/income before income taxes		(55,645)		83,660		51,332
Provision/(benefit) for income						
taxes		1,893		(706)		(2,735)
Net (loss)/income	\$	(57,538)	\$	84,366	\$	54,067
Per share information:						
Net (loss)/earnings per share of common stock:						
Basic	¢	(2.72)	\$	4.80	¢	3.43
	\$ \$	(2.73)	\$ \$		\$ \$	
Diluted	Þ	(2.73)	Ф	4.77	Þ	3.40
Weighted average shares of common						
stock outstanding:						
Basic		21,098,935		17,569,690		15,754,655
Diluted		21,098,935		17,690,266		15,923,397
	\$	2.20	\$	5.10	\$	3.45

Dividends declared per share of common stock

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

## Capital Trust, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity For the Years Ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006 (in thousands)

	Comprehensive Income	Class A CommonC		Additional Paid-In Capital	Accumulated Other ComprehensiveAd Income/(Loss)	ccumulated Deficit	Total
Balance at December 31, 2005		\$ 149	S 4 \$	326,299	\$ 14,879 \$	(2,481) \$	338,850
Net income	\$ 54,067	_	_	_		54,067	54,067
Unrealized loss on derivative financial instruments	(1,401)	_		_	- (1,401)	_	(1,401)
Unrealized loss on	(=,)				(=, : v =)		(=, : = =)
available for sale security	(54)	_	_	_	- (54)	_	(54)
Amortization of unrealized gain on							
securities	(1,640)	_	_	_	- (1,640)	_	(1,640)
Currency translation	•						
adjustments	2	_	_	_	- 2	<del></del>	2
Deferred gain on settlement of swap	1,186	_	_	_	- 1,186	_	1,186
Amortization of deferred gain on							
settlement of swap	(255)	_	_	_	- (255)	_	(255)
Shares of class A common stock issued	(===)				(===)		(===)
in public offering	_	20		86,589	_		86,609
Sale of shares of class A common stock under stock option				20,202			20,002
agreement	<u> </u>	_	_	662	<u>—</u>	_	662
Reimbursement of offering expenses	_	_		124	_	_	124
Restricted class A common stock earned	_	_	_	4,013	_	_	4,013
Restricted class A common stock				,-			,
forfeited upon resignation of holder	_		_	(45)	_		(45)
Issuance of restricted Class A common							
stock	_	_	1	(1)	_	_	_
Dividends declared on common stock	_	_	_	_	_	(55,846)	(55,846)

Balance at December							
31, 2006	\$ 51,905	169	5	417,641	12,717	(4,260)	426,272
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Net income	\$ 84,366			_	_	84,366	84,366
Unrealized loss on							
derivative financial							
instruments	(19,559)	_		<u>—</u>	(19,559)	_	(19,559)
Unrealized gain on							
securities	259	_			259		259
Amortization of							
unrealized gain on	(1.604)				(1.60.1)		(1.60.4)
securities	(1,684)	_		<del>_</del>	(1,684)	_	(1,684)
Deferred loss on	(1.50)				(1.50)		(1.50)
settlement of swaps	(153)			<del>_</del>	(153)	_	(153)
Amortization of							
deferred gains and							
losses on settlement	(2(2)				(2(2)		(2(2)
of swaps	(262)	_	_	<del>-</del>	(262)	_	(262)
Currency translation	2.451				2.451		2.451
adjustment Reclassification to gain on	2,451				2,451		2,451
sale of investments:							
Currency translation adjustment	(2.452)				(2.452)		(2.452)
Issuance of stock	(2,453)	_	_	<del></del> -	(2,453)		(2,453)
relating to business							
purchase				707			707
Sale of shares of class				707		<u> </u>	707
A common stock							
under stock option							
agreement		_		3,159			3,159
Restricted class A				3,137			3,137
common stock earned		3	(1)	4,606			4,608
Dividends declared on			(1)	1,000			1,000
common stock	_	_		_	_	(89,474)	(89,474)
Balance at December						(65,171)	(0), ()
31, 2007	\$ 62,965	172	4	426,113	(8,684)	(9,368)	408,237
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Net loss	\$ (57,538)	_		_	_	(57,538)	(57,538)
Unrealized loss on	, , ,					, , ,	
derivative financial							
instruments	(29,640)	_	_	_	(29,640)	_	(29,640)
Unrealized loss on							
securities	(205)				(205)		(205)
Amortization of							
unrealized gain on							
securities	(1,705)	_	_	<u> </u>	(1,705)	_	(1,705)
Deferred loss on							
settlement of swaps	(611)				(611)		(611)
	(164)	_	_	_	(164)	_	(164)

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Amortization of									
deferred gains and losses on settlement									
of swaps									
Shares of class A									
common stock issued			10		110.565				110 (07
in public offering	_		40	_	112,567		<u> </u>	_	112,607
Sale of class A									
common stock under									
dividend reinvestment									
plan and stock									
purchase plan	_		4	_	12,882		<del></del>	_	12,886
Sale of shares of class									
A common stock									
under stock option									
agreement	_				180				180
Restricted class A									
common stock earned,									
net of shares deferred	_		1	(1)	3,419		_	_	3,419
Deferred directors'									
compensation	_				2,274				2,274
Dividends declared on									
common stock	_			_	_	_		(48,296)	(48,296)
Balance at December									, , ,
31, 2008	\$ (89,863)	\$ 2	17 \$	3	\$ 557,435	\$	(41,009) \$	(115,202)	\$ 401,444
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See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

# Capital Trust, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows For the Years Ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006 (in thousands)

Cash flows from operating activities:		2008		2007		2006
Net (loss)/income	\$	(57,538)	\$	84,366	\$	54,067
Adjustments to reconcile net	Ψ	(67,666)	Ψ	0 1,0 00	Ψ	2 1,007
(loss)/income to net cash provided by						
operating activities:						
Depreciation and amortization		179		1,810		3,048
Gain on extinguishment of debt		(6,000)				, <u> </u>
Provision for possible credit losses		63,577		4,000		_
Valuation allowance on loans		·		·		
held-for-sale		48,259				
Impairments		2,917		_		
Gain on sale of investment		(374)		(15,077)		
Deferred directors compensation		525		525		210
Loss from equity investments		1,988		2,109		(898)
Distributions of income from						
unconsolidated subsidiaries		_		56		1,373
Employee stock-based compensation		3,478		4,606		3,968
Settlement of interest rate hedges		(352)		_		_
Amortization of premiums and discounts						
on loans, CMBS, and debt, net		(11,505)		(2,685)		(2,029)
Amortization of deferred gains on interest						
rate hedges		(164)		(262)		(255)
Amortization of deferred financing costs		5,168		5,247		3,504
Changes in assets and liabilities, net:						
Deposits and other receivables		3,551		1,772		2,568
Accrued interest receivable		4,341		(204)		(5,451)
Deferred income taxes		1,953		(50)		370
Prepaid expenses and other assets		180		(1,333)		(784)
Deferred origination fees and other						
revenue		(589)		(2,129)		4,397
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		(5,524)		3,983		736
Net cash provided by operating activities		54,070		86,734		64,824
Cash flows from investing activities:						
Purchases of commercial						
mortgage-backed securities		(660)		(110,550)		(392,732)
Principal collections on and proceeds						
from commercial mortgage-backed				=		
securities		30,552		44,761		69,375
Origination and purchase of loans		(100.471)		(1.050.060)		(1, 100, 017)
receivable		(129,471)		(1,058,968)		(1,423,917)
Principal collections on loans receivable		270,802		749,145		582,519
Contributions to unconsolidated		(2.472)		(04.100)		(5.045)
subsidiaries		(3,473)		(24,122)		(5,845)

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Return of capital distributions from			
unconsolidated subsidiaries		2,314	5,240
Proceeds from sale of equity investment	_	43,638	_
Purchase of total return swaps	_	_	(4,138)
Proceeds from total return swaps	_	1,815	6,323
Purchase of equipment and leasehold			
improvements	(35)	(342)	_
Payments for business purchased	_	(1,853)	_
Payment of capitalized costs	_	(126)	_
Increase in restricted cash	(13,125)	(3,989)	(443)
Net cash provided by/(used in) investing			
activities	154,590	(358,277)	(1,163,618)
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Borrowings under repurchase obligations	185,133	1,503,568	1,508,970
Repayments under repurchase obligations	(391,936)	(1,296,154)	(1,174,277)
Borrowings under credit facilities	25,000	150,000	<u> </u>
Repayments under credit facilities	_	(75,000)	_
Issuance of junior subordinated			
debentures	_	77,325	51,550
Purchase of common equity in CT		·	·
Preferred Trust I & CT Preferred Trust II	_	(2,325)	(1,550)
Proceeds from issuance of collateralized		` ' '	
debt obligations	_	_	429,398
Repayment of collateralized debt			,
obligations	(35,945)	(19,892)	(40,643)
Proceeds from participations sold	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	287,102
Settlement of interest rate hedges	(611)	(153)	1,186
Payment of deferred financing costs	(577)	(2,936)	(5,483)
Sale of class A common stock upon stock	· · ·		
option exercise	121	3,251	662
Dividends paid on common stock	(95,786)	(66,362)	(43,686)
Proceeds from sale of shares of class A			
common stock	112,608		86,609
Proceeds from dividend reinvestment plan			
and stock purchase plan	12,886	_	_
(Payment)/reimbursement of offering			
expenses	_	(92)	124
Net cash (used in)/provided by financing			
activities	(189,107)	271,230	1,099,962
		·	
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash			
equivalents	19,553	(313)	1,168
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of		. ,	
period	25,829	26,142	24,974
Cash and cash equivalents at end of			
period	\$ 45,382	\$ 25,829	\$ 26,142

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

Capital Trust, Inc. and Subsidiaries

#### Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

#### 1. Organization

References herein to "we," "us" or "our" refer to Capital Trust, Inc. and its subsidiaries unless the context specifically requires otherwise.

We are a fully integrated, self-managed finance and investment management company that specializes in credit-sensitive structured financial products. To date, our investment programs have focused on loans and securities backed by commercial real estate assets. We invest for our own account directly on our balance sheet and for third parties through a series of investment management vehicles. From the commencement of our finance business in 1997 through December 31, 2008, we have completed over \$11.0 billion of investments in the commercial real estate debt arena. We conduct our operations as a real estate investment trust, or REIT, for federal income tax purposes and we are headquartered in New York City.

#### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### Principles of Consolidation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include, on a consolidated basis, our accounts, the accounts of our wholly-owned subsidiaries and our interests in variable interest entities in which we are the primary beneficiary, prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States, or GAAP. All significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. Our interests in CT Preferred Trust I and CT Preferred Trust II, the issuers of trust securities backed by our junior subordinated debentures, are accounted for using the equity method and their assets and liabilities are not consolidated into our financial statements due to our determination that CT Preferred Trust I and CT Preferred Trust II are variable interest entities in which we are not the primary beneficiary under Financial Accounting Standards Board, or FASB, Interpretation No. 46(R) "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities", or FIN 46(R). We account for our co-investment interest in the private equity funds we manage, CT Mezzanine Partners III, Inc., or Fund III, and CT Opportunity Partners I, LP, or CTOPI, under the equity method of accounting. We also accounted for our investment in Bracor Investimentos Imobiliarios Ltda., or Bracor, under the equity method of accounting until we sold our investment in December 2007. As such, we report a percentage of the earnings or losses of the companies in which we have such investments equal to our ownership percentage on a single line item in the consolidated statement of operations as income/(loss) from equity investments. CTOPI is an investment company (under the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants Audit and Accounting Guide for Investment Companies) and therefore it maintains its financial records at fair value. We have applied such accounting relative to our investment in CTOPI pursuant to the Emerging Issues Task Force, or EITF, Issue No. 85-12 "Retention of Specialized Accounting for Investments in Consolidation."

#### Revenue Recognition

Interest income from our loans receivable is recognized over the life of the investment using the effective interest method and is recorded on the accrual basis. Fees, premiums, discounts and direct costs in connection with these investments are deferred until the loan is advanced and are then recognized over the term of the loan as an adjustment to yield. Fees on commitments that expire unused are recognized at expiration. For loans where we have unfunded commitments, we amortize the appropriate items on a straight line basis. Income recognition is generally suspended for loans at the earlier of the date at which payments become 90 days past due or when, in the opinion of management, a full recovery of income and principal becomes doubtful. Income recognition is resumed when the loan becomes contractually current and performance is demonstrated to be resumed.

Fees from special servicing and asset management services are recognized as services are rendered. We account for incentive fees we earn from our investment management business in accordance with Method 1 of EITF D-96, "Accounting for Management Fees Based on a Formula". Under Method 1, no incentive income is recorded until all contingencies have been eliminated.

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#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

We classify highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of purchase as cash equivalents. The Company places its cash and cash equivalents with high credit quality institutions to minimize credit risk exposure. As of, and for the periods ended, December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007, we had bank balances in excess of federally insured amounts. We have not experienced any losses on our demand deposits, commercial paper or money market investments.

#### Restricted Cash

Restricted cash as of December 31, 2008 was comprised of \$18.8 million that is on deposit with the trustee for our collateralized debt obligations, or CDOs, and is expected to be used to pay contractual interest and principal and to purchase replacement collateral for our reinvesting CDO during the duration of its reinvestment period. Restricted cash as of December 31, 2007 was \$5.7 million.

#### Commercial Mortgage Backed Securities

We classify our commercial mortgage backed securities, or CMBS, pursuant to FASB Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 115, "Accounting for Certain Investments in Debt and Equity Securities", or FAS 115, on the date of acquisition of the investment. On August 4, 2005, we decided to change the accounting classification of our CMBS investments from available-for-sale to held-to-maturity. Held-to-maturity investments are stated at cost adjusted for the amortization of any premiums or discounts, which are amortized through the consolidated statements of operations using the effective interest method. Other than in the instance of an other-than-temporary impairment (as discussed below), these held-to-maturity investments are shown in our consolidated financial statements at their adjusted values pursuant to the methodology described above.

We may also invest in CMBS and certain other securities which may be classified as available-for-sale. Available-for-sale securities are carried at estimated fair value with the net unrealized gains or losses reported as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income/(loss) in shareholders' equity. Many of these investments are relatively illiquid and management must estimate their values. In making these estimates, management utilizes market prices provided by dealers who make markets in these securities, but may, under certain circumstances, adjust these valuations based on management's judgment. Changes in the valuations do not affect our reported income or cash flows, but impact shareholders' equity and, accordingly, book value per share.

We account for CMBS under EITF 99-20, "Recognition of Interest Income and Impairment on Purchased and Retained Beneficial Interests in Securitized Financial Assets", as amended by FASB Staff Position EITF 99-20-1, "Amendments to the Impairment Guidance of EITF Issue No. 99-20", or EITF 99-20. Under EITF 99-20, income is recognized using a level yield with any purchase premium or discount accreted through income over the life of the security. This yield is calculated using estimated cash flows which are based on a number of assumptions on the underlying loans. Examples include, among other things, the rate and timing of principal payments, including prepayments, repurchases, defaults and liquidations, the pass-through or coupon rate and interest rates. Additional factors that may affect our reported interest income on our CMBS include interest payment shortfalls due to delinquencies on the underlying mortgage loans and the timing and magnitude of credit losses on the mortgage loans underlying the securities that are impacted by, among other things, the general condition of the real estate market, including competition for tenants and their related credit quality, and changes in market rental rates. These uncertainties and contingencies are difficult to predict and are subject to future events that may alter the assumptions.

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Further, under the guidance of EITF 99-20, when, based on current information and events, it is probable that there has been an adverse change in estimated cash flows from those originally estimated, an other-than-temporary impairment is deemed to have occurred. A change in estimated cash flows is considered adverse under the guidance of EITF 99-20 if the present value of the revised cash flows (taking into consideration both the timing and amount of estimated future cash flows) using the current expected yield is less than the present value of the originally estimated remaining cash flows, adjusted for cash receipts during the intervening period. Should an other-than-temporary impairment be deemed to have occurred, the security is written down to fair value with the resulting charge included in the statement of operations and a new cost basis established. The revised yield is then applied prospectively to recognize interest income. Management must also assess whether unrealized losses on securities reflect a decline in value that is other-than-temporary, and, accordingly, write down the impaired security to its fair value, through a charge to income.

From time to time we purchase CMBS and other investments in which we have a level of control over the issuing entity; we refer to these investments as controlling class investments. The presentation of controlling class investments in our consolidated financial statements is governed in part by FIN 46(R), which could require that certain controlling class investments be presented on a consolidated basis. Based upon the specific circumstances of certain of our CMBS investments that are controlling class investments and our interpretation of FIN 46(R), specifically the exemption for qualifying special purpose entities as defined under FASB Statements of Financial Accounting Standard No. 140, "Accounting for Transfers and Servicing of Financial Assets and Extinguishments of Liabilities", or FAS 140, we have concluded that the entities that have issued the controlling class investments should not be presented on a consolidated basis. In 2008, the FASB issued Staff Position No. FAS 140-4 and FIN 46(R)-8, "Disclosures by Public Entities (Enterprises) about Transfers of Financial Assets and Interests in Variable Interest Entities", or FSP 140-4, which requires additional disclosures for certain of our investments effective as of December 15, 2008. These disclosures are included in Note 3 to the consolidated financial statements.

Loans Receivable, Provision for Possible Credit Losses, Loans Held-for-Sale and Related Allowance

We purchase and originate commercial real estate debt and related instruments, or Loans, generally to be held as long-term investments at amortized cost. Management must periodically evaluate each of these Loans for possible impairment. Impairment is indicated when it is deemed probable that we will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the contractual terms of the Loan. If a Loan were determined to be permanently impaired, we would write down the Loan through a charge to the provision for possible credit losses. Given the nature of our Loan portfolio and the underlying commercial real estate collateral, significant judgment on the part of management is required in determining permanent impairment and the resulting charge to the provision, which includes but is not limited to making assumptions regarding the value of the real estate that secures the loan. Each Loan in our portfolio is evaluated at least quarterly using our loan risk rating system which considers loan-to-value, debt yield, cash flow stability, exit plan, loan sponsorship, loan structure and other factors deemed necessary by management to assess the likelihood of delinquency or default. If we believe there is a potential for delinquency or default, a downside analysis is prepared to estimate the value of the collateral underlying our Loan, and a provision is recorded taking into consideration both the likelihood of delinquency or default and the estimated value of the underlying collateral. Actual losses, if any, could ultimately differ from these estimates.

Loans held-for-sale are carried at the lower of our amortized cost basis and market value. A reduction in market value of loans held-for-sale is recorded as a charge to the Company's consolidated statement of operations under the valuation allowance on loans held-for-sale.

## **Deferred Financing Costs**

The deferred financing costs which are included in prepaid expenses and other assets on our consolidated balance sheets include issuance costs related to our debt and are amortized using the effective interest method or a method that approximates the effective interest method.

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### Repurchase Obligations

In certain circumstances, we have financed the purchase of investments from a counterparty through a repurchase agreement with that same counterparty. We currently record these investments in the same manner as other investments financed with repurchase agreements, with the investment recorded as an asset and the related borrowing under any repurchase agreement as a liability on our consolidated balance sheets. Interest income earned on the investments and interest expense incurred on the repurchase obligations are reported separately on the consolidated statements of operations. In February 2008, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position 140-3, "Accounting for Transfers of Financial Assets and Repurchase Financing Transactions", or FSP 140-3, which provides guidance on accounting for transfers of financial assets and repurchase financings. FSP 140-3 presumes that an initial transfer of a financial asset and a repurchase financing shall not be evaluated as a linked transaction and shall be evaluated separately under FAS 140. If the linked transaction does not meet the requirements for sale accounting, the linked transaction shall generally be accounted for as a forward contract, as opposed to the current presentation, where the purchased asset and the repurchase liability are reflected separately on the balance sheet.

FSP 140-3 is effective on a prospective basis for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2008, with earlier application not permitted. Given that FSP 140-3 is to be applied prospectively, the adoption of FSP 140-3 did not have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements with respect to our existing transactions. New transactions entered into after December 31, 2008 that are subject to FSP 140-3 may be presented differently on our consolidated financial statements.

### Interest Rate Derivative Financial Instruments

In the normal course of business, we use interest rate derivative financial instruments to manage, or hedge, cash flow variability caused by interest rate fluctuations. Specifically, we currently use interest rate swaps to effectively convert variable rate liabilities that are financing fixed rate assets, to fixed rate liabilities. The differential to be paid or received on these agreements is recognized on the accrual basis as an adjustment to the interest expense related to the attendant liability. The interest rate swap agreements are generally accounted for on a held-to-maturity basis, and, in cases where they are terminated early, any gain or loss is generally amortized over the remaining life of the hedged item. These swap agreements must be effective in reducing the variability of cash flows of the hedged items in order to qualify for the aforementioned hedge accounting treatment. Changes in value of effective cash flow hedges are reflected in our consolidated financial statements through accumulated other comprehensive income/(loss) and do not affect our net income. To the extent a derivative does not qualify for hedge accounting, and is deemed a non-hedge derivative, the changes in its value are included in net income.

To determine the fair value of derivative instruments, we use third parties to periodically value our interests.

#### **Income Taxes**

Our financial results generally do not reflect provisions for current or deferred income taxes on our REIT taxable income. Management believes that we operate in a manner that will continue to allow us to be taxed as a REIT and, as a result, do not expect to pay substantial corporate level taxes (other than taxes payable by our taxable REIT subsidiaries which are accounted for in accordance with FASB Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 109, "Accounting for Income Taxes", or FAS 109). Many of these requirements, however, are highly technical and complex. If we were to fail to meet these requirements, we may be subject to federal, state and local income tax on current and past income, and we may also be subject to penalties.

In September 2006, the FASB issued Interpretation No. 48, "Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes an interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109", or FIN 48. This interpretation clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in income taxes recognized in an enterprise's financial statements in accordance with FAS 109. This interpretation prescribes a recognition threshold and measurement attribute for the financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. FIN 48 also provides guidance on derecognition, classification, interest and penalties, accounting in interim periods, disclosure, and transition. This interpretation was effective January 1, 2007. The adoption of FIN 48 did not have a material impact on our financial results.

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### Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation

We account for stock-based compensation in accordance with FASB Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123(R) "Share Based Payment," or FAS 123(R). Upon adoption of FAS 123(R), as of January 1, 2006, we have elected to utilize the modified prospective method, and there was no impact from this adoption. Compensation expense for the time vesting of stock-based compensation grants is recognized on the accelerated attribution method and compensation expense for performance vesting of stock-based compensation grants is recognized on a straight line basis. Compensation expense relating to stock-based compensation is recognized in net income using a fair value measurement method.

### Comprehensive Income

We comply with the provisions of the FASB Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 130, "Reporting Comprehensive Income", or FAS 130, in reporting comprehensive income and its components in the full set of general purpose financial statements. Total comprehensive income/(loss) was (\$41.6) million, \$63.0 million and \$51.9 million, for the periods ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively. The primary components of comprehensive income/(loss) other than net income/(loss) are the unrealized gain/(loss) on derivative financial instruments and the amortization of unrealized gain/(loss) on CMBS which were previously classified as available-for-sale. As of December 31, 2008, accumulated other comprehensive loss was \$41.0 million, comprised of net unrealized gains on CMBS of \$6.6 million, net unrealized losses on cash flow swaps of \$48.0 million, and \$400,000 of deferred realized gains on the settlement of cash flow swaps.

#### Earnings per Share of Common Stock

Earnings per share of common stock are presented based on the requirements of the FASB Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 128, "Earnings per Share", or FAS 128. Basic EPS is computed based on the net earnings applicable to common stock and stock units divided by the weighted average number of shares of common stock and stock units outstanding during the period. Diluted EPS is based on the net earnings allocable to common stock and stock units, divided by the weighted average number of shares of common stock and stock units and potentially dilutive common stock options.

### Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results may ultimately differ from those estimates.

### Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications have been made in the presentation of the prior periods consolidated financial statements to conform to the December 31, 2008 presentation.

### **Segment Reporting**

We operate in two reportable segments. We have an internal information system that produces performance and asset data for the two segments along service lines.

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The "Balance Sheet Investment" segment includes our portfolio of interest earning assets (including our co-investments in investment management vehicles) and the financing thereof.

The "Investment Management" segment includes the investment management activities of our wholly-owned investment management subsidiary, CT Investment Management Co. LLC, or CTIMCO, and its subsidiaries. CTIMCO is a taxable REIT subsidiary and serves as the investment manager of Capital Trust, Inc., all of our investment management vehicles and all of our CDOs and serves as senior servicer and special servicer on certain of our investments and for third parties. In addition, CTIMCO owns certain of the assets included on the accompanying consolidated balance sheets.

### Goodwill

Goodwill represents the excess of acquisition costs over the fair value of net assets of businesses acquired. Under the guidance of FASB Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets", or FAS 142, goodwill is reviewed, at least annually, in the fourth quarter to determine if there is an impairment at a reporting unit level, or more frequently if an indication of impairment exists. No impairment charges for goodwill were recorded during the year ended December 31, 2008.

### **New Accounting Pronouncements**

In September 2006, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 157, "Fair Value Measurements", or FAS 157. FAS 157 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. FAS 157 applies to reporting periods beginning after November 15, 2007. As discussed above, we report the changes in the value of effective cash flow hedges and our available for sale securities through accumulated other comprehensive income/(loss). We adopted FAS 157 as of January 1, 2008. As a result of the adoption of FAS 157, the fair value of our interest rate hedge liabilities decreased by \$961,000 due to the valuation adjustment related to our credit.

In February 2007, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 159, "The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities", or FAS 159. FAS 159 permits entities to choose to measure many financial instruments, and certain other items, at fair value. FAS 159 also establishes presentation and disclosure requirements designed to facilitate comparisons between entities that choose different measurement attributes for similar types of assets and liabilities. FAS 159 applies to reporting periods beginning after November 15, 2007. We adopted FAS 159 as of January 1, 2008. Adoption of FAS 159 had no impact on the consolidated financial statements as we did not elect to measure any financial instruments at fair value.

In March 2008, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 161, "Disclosures about Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities—an amendment of FASB Statement No. 133", or FAS 161. The use and complexity of derivative instruments and hedging activities have increased significantly over the past several years. Constituents have expressed concerns that the existing disclosure requirements in FASB Statement No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities", do not provide adequate information about how derivative and hedging activities affect an entity's financial position, financial performance, and cash flows. Accordingly, FAS 161 requires enhanced disclosures about an entity's derivative and hedging activities and thereby improves the transparency of financial reporting. FAS 161 is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years and interim periods beginning after November 15, 2008, with early application encouraged. FAS 161 encourages, but does not require, comparative disclosures for earlier periods at initial adoption. We do not expect the adoption of FAS 161 to

have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

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## 3. Commercial Mortgage Backed Securities

Activity relating to our CMBS investments for the year ended December 31, 2008 was as follows (in thousands):

	Gross Book Value		Than-Tempe Impairment	•	t Book Value
December 31, 2007	\$878,190	\$	(1,326)	\$	876,864
Originations	660				660
Principal paydowns	(7,794)				(7,794)
Satisfactions (1)	(22,920)		_		(22,920)
Discount/premium					
amortization & other (2)	6,317		_		6,317
Other-than-temporary					
impairments	_	_	(917)		(917)
December 31, 2008	\$ 854,453	\$	(2,243)	\$	852,210

- (1) Includes final maturities and full repayments, as well as one security which was sold for \$7.7 million at a gain of approximately \$374,000.
- (2) Includes market-to-market adjustments on any available for sale securities, the impact of premium and discount amortization and losses, if any.

The following table details overall statistics for our CMBS investments as of December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007:

	December 31, 2008	December 31, 2007
Number of		
securities	77	79
Number of		
issues	55	56
Rating (1) (2)	BB	BB+
Coupon (1) (3)	6.23%	6.97%
Yield (1) (3)	6.87%	7.35%
Maturity (years)		
(1) (4)	4.6	5.4

- (1) Represents a weighted average as of December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007, respectively.
- (2) Weighted average ratings are based on the lowest rating published by Fitch Ratings, Standard & Poor's or Moody's Investors Service for each security and exclude \$37.9 million face value (\$37.5 million book value) of unrated equity investments in collateralized debt obligations.

(3)

- Calculations based on LIBOR of 0.44% and 4.60% as of December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007, respectively. For \$37.9 million face value (\$37.5 million book value) of CMBS investments, calculations use an effective rate based on cash received.
- (4) Weighted average life is based on the timing and amount of future expected principal payments through the maturity of each respective investment assuming all extension options are executed.

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The tables below detail the ratings, vintage, property type and geographic distribution of the collateral securing our CMBS as of December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007 (in thousands):

		December	31, 2008	Decembe	er 31, 2007
Ratings		Book Value	Percentage	Book Value	Percentage
AAA	\$	163,263	19%	\$ 106,732	12%
AA		24,879	3	49,650	6
A		157,705	19	194,455	22
BBB		205,991	23	238,768	27
BB		142,033	17	158,116	18
В		62,860	7	62,154	7
CCC		4,488	1	6,790	1
CC		5,144	1	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
D		48,376	6	23,842	3
NR		37,472	4	36,357	4
Total	\$	852,211	100%	\$ 876,864	100%
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Vintage		Book Value	Percentage	Book Value	Percentage
2007	\$	110,421	13%	\$ 109,619	13%
2006		48,897	6	48,803	6
2005		62,012	7	61,627	7
2004		88,159	10	96,475	11
2003		29,725	3	29,367	3
2002		19,954	2	19,558	2
2001		19,105	2	18,984	2
2000		40,602	5	41,463	5
1999		30,320	4	30,231	3
1998		303,875	36	311,620	36
1997		73,356	9	75,650	8
1996		25,785	3	33,467	4
Total	\$	852,211	100%	\$ 876,864	100%
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Property Type		Book Value	Percentage	Book Value	Percentage
Retail	\$	271,067	32%	\$ 244,788	28%
Office		190,975	22	198,056	23
Hotel		137,062	16	170,914	19
Multifamily		95,448	11	124,067	14
Other		68,743	9	65,126	8
Healthcare		44,251	5	38,990	4
Industrial		44,665	5	34,923	4
Total	\$	852,211	100%	\$ 876,864	100%
Geographic					
Location	В	ook Value	Percentage	Book Value	Percentage
Southeast	\$	232,391	27%	\$ 224,774	26%
Northeast		195,674	23	238,682	27

West	145,043	17	146,213	17
Southwest	128,389	15	118,311	13
Midwest	115,845	14	116,462	13
Northwest	19,410	2	22,329	3
Other	15,459	2	10,093	1
Total	\$ 852,211	100%	\$ 876,864	100%
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As detailed in Note 2, on August 4, 2005, pursuant to the provisions of FAS 115, we decided to change the accounting classification of our then portfolio of CMBS investments from available-for-sale to held-to-maturity.

While we typically account for our CMBS investments on a held-to-maturity basis, under certain circumstances we will account for CMBS on an available-for-sale basis. As of December 31, 2007, we had one CMBS investment that we designated and accounted for on an available-for-sale basis with a face value of \$7.7 million. The security earned interest at a coupon of 8.34% as of December 31, 2007. During the second quarter of 2008 we sold the security for gross proceeds of \$7.7 million and recorded a gain of \$374,000. Consequently, we have no securities classified as available-for-sale as of December 31, 2008.

Quarterly, we reevaluate our CMBS portfolio to determine if there has been an other-than-temporary impairment based upon our assessment of future cash flow receipts. As a result of this evaluation, under the guidance of EITF 99-20, we believe that there has been an adverse change in estimated cash flows for one of the securities in our CMBS portfolio and, therefore, recognized an other-than-temporary impairment of \$900,000 as of December 31, 2008. Significant judgment of management is required in this analysis that includes, but is not limited to, making assumptions regarding the collectability of principal and interest, net of related expenses, on the underlying loans. The Company utilized Level 3 inputs to determine the other-than-temporary impairment on its CMBS, as defined under FAS 157.

Certain of our CMBS investments are carried at values in excess of their market values. This difference can be caused by, among other things, changes in interest rates, changes in credit spreads, realized/unrealized losses in the underlying securities and general market conditions. As of December 31, 2008, 71 CMBS investments with an aggregate carrying value of \$816.5 million were carried at values in excess of their market values. Market value for these CMBS investments was \$541.4 million as of December 31, 2008. In total, we had 77 CMBS investments with an aggregate carrying value of \$852.2 million that have an estimated market value of \$582.5 million (this valuation does not include the value of interest rate swaps entered into in conjunction with the purchase/financing of these investments). We determine fair values using third party dealer assessments of value, supplemented in certain cases with our own internal estimations of fair value. We regularly examine our CMBS portfolio and have determined that, despite these changes in fair value, our expectations of estimated future cash flows have only changed adversely for one security in our CMBS portfolio since our last financial report. As noted above, we have therefore recognized an other-than-temporary impairment of \$900,000 for this asset.

Our estimation of cash flows expected to be generated by our CMBS portfolio is based upon an internal review of the underlying mortgage loans securing our investments both on an absolute basis and compared to our initial underwriting for each investment. Our efforts are supplemented by third party research reports, third party market assessments and our dialogue with market participants. Our assessment of cash flows combined with our ability and intent to hold our CMBS investments to maturity (at which point we expect to recover book value plus amortized discounts/premiums, which may be at maturity), is the basis for our conclusion that these investments are not impaired despite the differences between estimated fair value and book value. We attribute the difference between book value and estimated fair value to the current market dislocation and a general negative bias against structured financial products such as CMBS and CDOs.

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The following table shows the gross unrealized losses and fair value of our CMBS with unrealized losses as of December 31, 2008 that are not deemed to be other-than-temporarily impaired (in millions):

	Less Than	12 Months Grea			Greater Tha	an 1	2 Months	Total			
	Estimated Fair Value	1	Gross Unrealized Loss		Estimated Fair Value		Gross Unrealized Loss	Estimated Fair Value		Gross Unrealized Loss	
Floating Rate	\$ 0.2	\$	(0.6)	\$	89.0	\$	(82.0)	\$ 89.2	\$	(82.6)	
Fixed Rate	183.8		(36.1)		268.4		(156.4)	452.2		(192.5)	
Total	\$ 184.0	\$	(36.7)	\$	357.4	\$	(238.4)	\$ 541.4	\$	(275.1)	

Our CMBS portfolio includes investments in three entities that are or could potentially be construed to be variable interest entities (or VIEs) as defined in FIN 46(R). In each of these three cases, we own less than 50% of the variable interest, are not the primary beneficiary as defined in FIN 46(R) and, therefore, do not consolidate the operations of the entity in our consolidated financial statements.

As of December 31, 2008, the aggregate carrying value of these three assets recorded on our balance sheet under CMBS was \$75.8 million. These entities have direct and synthetic exposure to real estate debt and securities in the aggregate amount of \$1.7 billion that is financed by the issuance of CDOs to third parties. We have limited involvement in the operation of these entities and have not provided, nor are obligated to provide any financial support to any of these entities. One of the above mentioned three entities was sponsored by the Company.

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### 4. Loans Receivable

Activity relating to our loans receivable for the year ended December 31, 2008 was as follows (in thousands):

	Gross Book Value	Provision for Possible Credit Losses	Net Book Value
December 31, 2007	\$2,261,563	(\$4,000)	\$2,257,563
Originations	47,128	_	- 47,128
Additional fundings (1)	89,773		- 89,773
Satisfactions (2)	(178,043)	_	- (178,043)
Loans sold (3)	(134,444)	_	- (134,444)
Principal paydowns	(77,233)	_	- (77,233)
Discount/premium amortization &	(9,150)	_	- (9,150)
other(4)			
Provision for possible credit losses	_	- (63,577)	(63,577)
Realized loan losses	(10,000)	10,000	_
Reclassification to loans held-for-sale	(140,685)	_	- (140,685)
December 31, 2008	\$1,848,909	(\$57,577)	\$1,791,332

- (1) Additional fundings includes capitalized interest of \$7.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2008.
- (2) Includes final maturities and full repayments.
- (3) Includes loan participations sold to both related and unrelated parties. During the year ended December 31, 2008, two such participating interests were sold for an aggregate \$134.4 million. Both loans were sold at cost with no gain or loss recognized.
- (4) Includes the impact of premium and discount amortization and losses, if any, as well as transfers to Real estate held-for-sale.

The following table details overall statistics for our loans receivable portfolio as of December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007:

	December	December
	31, 2008	31, 2007
Number of		
investments	73	81
Coupon (1) (2)	3.90%	7.69%
Yield (1) (2)	4.09%	7.80%
Maturity (years)		
(1) (3)	3.3	3.9

- Represents a weighted average as of December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007, respectively.
- (2) Calculations based on LIBOR of 0.44% as of December 31, 2008 and LIBOR of 4.60% as of December 31, 2007.
- (3) Represents the maturity of the investment assuming all extension options are executed.

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The tables below detail the property type and geographic distribution of the properties securing our loans receivable as of December 31, 2008 (in thousands).

	Decembe	December	r 31, 2007		
Property Type	Book Value	Percentage		Book Value	Percentage
Office	\$ 661,761	37%	\$	963,558	42%
Hotel	688,332	38		712,145	31
Healthcare	147,397	8		147,883	7
Multifamily	123,492	7		174,490	8
Retail	67,385	4		85,072	4
Other	102,965	6		174,415	8
Total	\$ 1,791,332	100%	\$	2,257,563	100%
Geographic					
Location	Book Value	Percentage		Book Value	Percentage
Northeast	\$ 560,071	31%	\$	993,069	44%
Southeast	387,500	22	·	318,463	14
Southwest	295,490	16		394,359	17
West	235,386	13		265,899	12
Northwest	91,600	5		111,002	5
Midwest	28,408	2		48,497	2
International	122,387	7		67,205	3
Diversified	70,490	4		59,069	3
Total	\$ 1,791,332	100%	\$	2,257,563	100%

Quarterly, management reevaluates the provision for possible credit losses based upon our current portfolio of loans. Each loan in our portfolio is evaluated using our loan risk rating system which considers loan-to-value, debt yield, cash flow stability, exit plan, loan sponsorship, loan structure and other factors necessary to assess the likelihood of delinquency or default. If we believe that there is a potential for delinquency or default, a downside analysis is prepared to estimate the value of the collateral underlying our loan, and a provision is recorded taking into consideration both the likelihood of delinquency or default and the estimated value of the underlying collateral.

As of December 31, 2008, we had five loans with an aggregate net book balance of \$24.5 million (\$82.1 million principal balance, net of \$57.6 million of reserves) that were classified as non-accrual. These include two loans with an aggregate principal balance of \$20.0 million which are making current interest payments, against which we have recorded a \$7.6 million reserve, as well as three loans which are delinquent on interest payments with an aggregate principal balance of \$62.0 million against which we have recorded a \$50.0 million reserve.

During the fourth quarter of 2008, the Company and its co-lender foreclosed on a loan secured by a multifamily property, and took title to the collateral securing the original loan. At the time the foreclosure occurred, the loan had a book balance of \$11.9 million which was reclassified as Real estate held-for-sale on the consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2008 to reflect our ownership interest in the property. We have recorded a \$2.0 million impairment to reflect the property at fair value, less expected sales costs. The Company utilized Level 3 inputs to determine the impairment on Real estate held-for-sale, as defined under FAS 157.

As of December 31, 2007, we had one non-performing loan which was on non-accrual status with a principal balance of \$10.0 million, against which we had recorded a \$4.0 million reserve. During the second quarter of 2008, this loan was deemed unrecoverable and we wrote-off the entire \$10.0 million principal balance and reversed the pre-existing reserve. Simultaneously, \$6.0 million of non-recourse financing on the asset was forgiven by the lender.

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In some cases our loan originations are not fully funded at closing, creating an obligation for us to make future fundings, which we refer to as Unfunded Loan Commitments. Typically, Unfunded Loan Commitments are part of construction and transitional loans. As of December 31, 2008, our nine Unfunded Loan Commitments totaled \$54.2 million. Of the total gross Unfunded Loan Commitments, \$44.0 million will only be funded when and/or if the borrower meets certain performance hurdles with respect to the underlying collateral. As a result of the restructuring of our debt obligations described in Note 22 to the consolidated financial statements, one loan with an Unfunded Loan Commitment of \$30.6 million has been sold subsequent to December 31, 2008, in conjunction with the termination of one of our repurchase agreements. After giving effect to the settlement of this transaction, we have Unfunded Loan Commitments of \$23.6 million.

As of December 31, 2007, our eleven Unfunded Loan Commitments totaled \$177.0 million.

There are no loans to a single borrower or to related groups of borrowers that exceeded 10% of total assets. Approximately 21% of all performing loans are secured by properties in New York state.

### 5. Loans Held-for-Sale

As of December 31, 2008, we have four loans with an aggregate gross carrying value of \$140.4 million and a net carrying value of \$92.2 million classified as held-for-sale.

The following table details overall statistics for our loans held-for-sale as of December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007:

	December 31, 2008	December 31, 2007
Number of	4	
investments		
Coupon (1) (2)	2.54%	N/A
Yield (1) (2)	2.62%	N/A
Maturity (years)	3.2	N/A
(1) (3)		

- (1) Represents a weighted average as of December 31, 2008 based on gross carrying value, before any valuation allowance.
- (2) Calculations based on LIBOR of 0.44% as of December 31, 2008.
- (3) Represents the maturity of the investment assuming all extension options are executed.

Loans held-for-sale are carried at the lower of our amortized cost basis and market value. As of December 31, 2008, we recorded a valuation allowance of \$48.3 million against these loans. The Company determined the valuation allowance on loans held-for-sale based upon the transactions which have occurred subsequent to December 31, 2008, as described in Note 22. Although not a quoted market price, the Company believes this determination is analogous to a Level 1 input, as defined under FAS 157.

## 6. Total Return Swaps

Total return swaps are derivative contracts in which one party agrees to make payments that replicate the total return of a defined underlying asset, typically in return for another party agreeing to bear the risk of performance of the defined underlying asset. Under total return swaps, we bear the risk of performance of the underlying asset and receive payments from our counterparty as compensation. In effect, these total return swaps allow us to receive the leveraged economic benefits of asset ownership without our acquiring, or our counterparty selling, the actual underlying asset. Our total return swaps reference commercial real estate loans and contain a put provision whereby our counterparty has the right to require us to buy the entire reference loan at its par value under certain reference loan performance scenarios. The put obligation imbedded in these arrangements constitutes a recourse obligation for us to perform under the terms of the contract.

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Activity relating to our total return swaps for the year ended December 31, 2008 was as follows (in thousands):

					Weighte	ed Average
	Fair Market Value	Cash	Reference/Loan	Number of		Maturity
	(Book Value)	Collateral	Participation	Investments	Yield	(Years)
December 31, 2007	_		\$20,000	1	_	_
Originations	_		_	_		_
Repayments	_	_	20,000	1	_	_
December 31, 2008	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —			_

The total return swaps are treated as non-hedge derivatives for accounting purposes and, as such, changes in their market value are recorded through the consolidated statements of operations. As of December 31, 2008, the reference/loan participation was satisfied.

### 7. Equity Investment in Unconsolidated Subsidiaries

Our equity investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries consist primarily of our co-investments in investment management vehicles that we sponsor and manage. As of December 31, 2008, we had co-investments in two such vehicles, Fund III, in which we have a 4.7% investment, and CTOPI, in which we have a 4.6% investment. In addition to our co-investments, we record capitalized costs associated with these vehicles in equity investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries. Activity relating to our equity investment in unconsolidated subsidiaries for the year ended December 31, 2008 was as follows (in thousands):

	Fund III	CTOPI	Other	Total
Equity Investment				
Beginning balance	\$ 923	\$ (60)	\$ 35	\$ 898
Contributions		3,473		3,473
Loss from equity investments	(326)	(1,631)	(31)	(1,988)
Ending balance	\$ 597	\$ 1,782	\$ 4	\$ 2,383
Capitalized Costs				
Beginning balance	\$ 79	\$ _	\$ _	\$ 79
Amortization of capitalized costs	(79)	_	_	(79)
Ending balance	\$ _	\$ _	\$ _	\$ _
-				
Total balance	\$ 597	\$ 1,782	\$ 4	\$ 2,383

In accordance with the management agreements with Fund III and CTOPI, CTIMCO may earn incentive compensation when certain returns are achieved for the shareholders/partners of Fund III and CTOPI, which will be accrued if and when earned. During the years ended December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007 we recorded \$0 and \$5.2 million of incentive compensation from these investments, respectively.

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Activity relating to our equity investment in unconsolidated subsidiaries for the year ended December 31, 2007 was as follows (in thousands):

	Fund II I	Fund III	Bracor	C	TOPI	Other	Total
Equity Investment							
Beginning balance	\$ 635 \$	2,929 \$	5,675 (1)	\$	— \$	573 \$	9,812
Contributions		_	24,122		_	_	24,122
Loss from equity investments	(152)	(119)	(1,237)		(60)	(538)	(2,106)
Sales proceeds		_	(43,637)			_	(43,637)
Gain on sales	_	_	15,077		_	_	15,077
Distributions	(483)	(1,887)	_			_	(2,370)
Ending balance	\$ —\$	923 \$	<del></del>	\$	(60) \$	35 \$	898
Capitalized Costs							
Beginning balance	\$ 1,264 \$	368 \$	41	\$	—\$	— \$	1,673
Capitalized costs	<u> </u>	_	(41)		_	_	(41)
Amortization of capitalized costs	(1,264)	(289)			_		(1,553)
Ending balance	\$ — \$	79 \$	<u> </u>	\$	—\$	— \$	79
Total balance	\$ —\$	1,002 \$		\$	(60) \$	35 \$	977

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes \$258,000 of additional basis that represents a difference between our share of net assets at Bracor and our carrying value.

## 8. Prepaid Expenses and Other Assets

Prepaid expenses and other assets consists of the following as of December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007 (in thousands):

	December 31, 2008	D	December 31, 2007		
Deferred financing costs,					
net	\$ 8,342	\$	12,934		
Common equity - CT					
Preferred Trust	3,875		3,875		
Goodwill	2,235		2,235		
Prepaid rent/security					
deposit	928		925		
Prepaid expenses	1,044		1,355		
Other assets	524		552		
	\$ 16,948	\$	21,876		

Deferred financing costs include costs related to our debt obligations and are amortized using the effective interest method or a method that approximates the effective interest method, as applicable, over the life of the related debt obligations. As of December 31, 2008 deferred financing costs were \$8.3 million, net of accumulated amortization.

Our ownership interests in CT Preferred Trust I and CT Preferred Trust II, the statutory trust issuers of trust securities backed by our junior subordinated debentures, are accounted for using the equity method due to our determination that they are variable interest entities in which we are not the primary beneficiary under FIN 46(R).

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In June, 2007, we purchased a healthcare loan origination platform for \$2.6 million (\$1.9 million in cash and \$700,000 in common stock) and recorded \$2.2 million of goodwill in connection with the acquisition. In December, 2008, we transferred the ownership interest in the healthcare loan origination platform back to its original owners. Under the guidance of FASB Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets", or FAS 142, we determined the applicable reporting unit for goodwill to be our investment management segment. As of December 31, 2008, we reviewed goodwill and determined that no impairment exists at the reporting unit.

### 9. Debt Obligations

Subsequent to December 31, 2008, certain of our debt obligations have been restructured, terminated or otherwise satisfied, as discussed in Note 22.

As of December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007, we had \$2.1 billion and \$2.3 billion of total debt outstanding, respectively. The balances of each category of debt, their respective coupons and all-in effective costs, including the amortization of fees and expenses were as follows (in thousands):

Debt Obligation	31, 200 Bo	08	31, 200 Bo	07	Coupon(1)	All-In (Ø)t(1)(2)	Maturi <b>f</b> y Date(2) <b>(</b>	acility Mount(2)
Repurchase obligations and secured debt							October	
							23,	
JPMorgan	\$	336,271	\$	582,664	1.93%	1.99%	2010 \$	336,271
Ç		ŕ		·			August 6,	ŕ
Morgan Stanley(4)		182,937		142,495	2.33	2.35	2009	300,000
							June 29,	
Goldman Sachs		88,282		92,796	1.66	2.13	2009	200,000
							February 7,	
Citigroup(5)		63,830		55,708	1.77	2.01	2011	250,000
		10.014		6.000	1.04	1.04	June 11,	10.014
Lehman Brothers		18,014		6,000	1.94	1.94	2013	18,014
							October 29,	
UBS		9,720		10,944	1.69	1.73	2010	9,720
Bank of America		-	_	21,250	_	_	N/A	_
Total repurchase obligations and secured							June 2,	
debt	\$	699,054	\$	911,857	1.98%	2.10%	2010 \$	1,114,005

Collateralized Debt Obligations (CDOs)

condicionated Debt Congutions (CDCs)									
							April 20,		
CDO I	\$	252,045	\$	252,778	1.05%	1.52%	2011	\$	252,045
							April		
							17,		
CDO II		298,913		298,913	0.93	1.18	2012		298,913
						I	Decembe	r	
							10,		
CDO III		257,515		261,654	5.24	5.27	2012		255,984
						1	Novembe	r	
							30,		
CDO IV(6)		347,562		378,954	1.04	1.15	2012		347,562
							May		
							29,		
Total CDO's	\$	1,156,035	\$	1,192,299	1.95%	2.15%	2012	\$	1,154,504
							March		
							21,		
Senior unsecured credit facility - WestLB	\$	100,000	\$	75,000	2.19%	2.51%	2009	\$	100,000
						-	<b>&gt;</b> 1		
						ı	Decembe	r	
I'	ф	120 075	Φ	120 075	7.200	7.250	5,	φ	120 075
Junior subordinated debentures(7)	\$	128,875	\$	128,875	7.20%	7.35%	2036	Э	128,875
							Cohmican		
							February		
Total/Weighted Average	Φ	2,083,964	<b>\$</b>	2,308,031	2.29%	3 180%(8)	7,	Ф	2,497,384
Total Weighted Average	ψ	4,003,904	φ	2,300,031	4.49.70	3.4070(0)	, 2013	φ	4,471,304

<sup>(1)</sup> Floating rate debt obligations assume LIBOR at December 31, 2008 of 0.44%.

<sup>(2)</sup> Information is as of December 31, 2008 and does not give effect to the subsequent events described in Note 22.

<sup>(3)</sup> Maturity dates for CDOs represent a weighted average of expected principal repayments to the respective bondholders.

<sup>(4)</sup> Comprised of \$155 million in obligations maturing in July 2009 and \$28 million in obligations maturing in December 2009.

<sup>(5)</sup> Comprised of \$36 million in obligations maturing in July 2010 and \$28 million in obligations maturing in October 2011.

<sup>(6)</sup> Comprised of \$334 million of floating rate notes sold and \$14 million of fixed rate notes sold at December 31, 2008.

<sup>(7)</sup> Comprised of \$77 million of trust preferred securities maturing in April 2037 and \$52 million of trust preferred securities maturing in April 2036.

<sup>(8)</sup> Includes the effective cost of interest rate swaps of 1.01% as of December 31, 2008.

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### Repurchase Obligations and Secured Debt

Our total borrowings as of December 31, 2008 under master repurchase agreements, asset specific repurchase arrangements and our loan and security agreement were \$699.1 million. Loans and CMBS with a carrying value of \$1.2 billion are pledged as collateral for our repurchase agreements.

In April 2008, we terminated the \$6.0 million loan-specific repurchase agreement with Lehman Brothers related to the SunCal loan, eliminating our obligation thereunder. According to the termination agreement, Lehman Brothers retained possession of the loan and we extinguished the debt for no further consideration. As a result of this transaction we recorded a \$6.0 million gain on extinguishment of debt on the consolidated statements of operations.

In May 2008, we entered into a new loan and security agreement with Lehman Brothers. The agreement provides for an \$18.0 million loan to us with a maturity date in September 2013. The loan is designed to finance an individual asset on a recourse basis at LIBOR plus 1.50%.

In June 2008, we amended our master repurchase agreements with the former Bear Stearns entities by extending the termination date of each obligation to October 2008, making them concurrent with the existing termination date under our master repurchase agreement with JPMorgan. Furthermore, in October 2008, we extended \$355 million of master repurchase agreements with JP Morgan (and the legacy Bear Stearns subsidiaries) to October 23, 2010. The weighted average advance rate under the agreements is 79% and pricing is LIBOR plus 1.49% on a blended basis. In connection with the extension, we eliminated the excess availability under these agreements and agreed to reduce the outstanding borrowings by \$30 million in return for cushion from future margin calls.

In June 2008, we terminated our master repurchase agreement with Bank of America, which was originally designed to finance, on a recourse basis, assets designated for our second CDO. We had no obligations outstanding under the agreement at the time of termination and the termination eliminated the payment of unused fees associated with the line.

In July 2008, we extended the availability period under our \$250 million master repurchase agreement with Citigroup to July 28, 2009. As part of the extension agreement, the repurchase dates for certain outstanding borrowings were extended to July 29, 2010 with the remainder retaining their October 11, 2011 final maturities. The weighted average maturity of our repurchase obligations with Citigroup is February 7, 2011.

In July 2008, we extended the purchase period of our \$300 million master repurchase agreement with Morgan Stanley to July 29, 2009. We also terminated an un-utilized \$50 million master repurchase facility with Morgan Stanley which was originally designed to warehouse finance CDO-eligible assets. The weighted average maturity of our repurchase obligations with Morgan Stanley is August 6, 2009.

Subsequent to December 31, 2008, certain of our repurchase obligations and secured debt have been restructured, terminated or otherwise satisfied, as discussed in Note 22.

## Collateralized Debt Obligations

As of December 31, 2008, we had CDOs outstanding from four separate issuances with a total face value of \$1.2 billion. Our CDOs are financing vehicles for our assets and, as such, are consolidated on our balance sheet representing the amortized sales price of the securities we sold to third parties. Our one reinvesting CDO provides us

with \$298.9 million of debt financing at a cash cost of LIBOR plus 0.49% (0.93% at December 31, 2008) and an all-in effective interest rate (including the amortization of issuance costs) of LIBOR plus 0.74% (1.18% at December 31, 2008). Our three static CDOs provide us with \$857.1 million of financing with a cash cost of 2.30% and an all-in effective interest rate of 2.50% at December 31, 2008. On a combined basis, our CDOs provide us with \$1.2 billion of non-recourse, non-mark-to-market, index matched financing at a weighted average cash cost of 0.53% over the applicable indices (1.95% at December 31, 2008) and a weighted average all-in cost of 0.73% over the applicable indices (2.15% at December 31, 2008). During the year, we received two upgrades to classes of our second CDO, CT CDO III.

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CDO I and CDO II each have interest coverage and overcollateralization tests, which if breached provide for hyper-amortization of the senior notes sold by a redirection of cash flow that would otherwise have been paid to the subordinate classes, some of which are owned by the Company. If such tests are in breach for six consecutive months, the reinvesting feature of the CDO is suspended. The hyper-amortization would cease once the test is back in compliance. The overcollateralization tests are a function of impairments to the CDO collateral. Furthermore, all four of our CDOs provide for the re-classification of interest proceeds from impaired collateral as principal proceeds. Subsequent to December 31, 2008, we were informed by our CDO trustee of impairments due to rating agency downgrades of certain of the CMBS collateral interests in all of our CDOs. The impairments resulted in a breach of the CDO II overcollateralization test and the reclassification of interest proceeds from certain CMBS collateral as principal proceeds in all four of our CDOs.

### Senior Unsecured Credit Facility

In March 2007, we closed a \$50.0 million senior unsecured revolving credit facility with WestLB AG, which was amended in September 2007 to increase the size to \$100.0 million and add new lenders to the syndicate. In March 2008, we exercised our term-out option under the agreement, extending the maturity date of the \$100 million principal balance outstanding to March 2009 as a non-revolving term loan. The loan bears interest at a cost of LIBOR plus 1.75% (LIBOR plus 2.07% on an all-in basis).

Subsequent to December 31, 2008, our senior unsecured credit facility has been restructured as described in Note 22.

### Junior Subordinated Debentures

As of December 31, 2008, we had a total of \$128.9 million of junior subordinated debentures outstanding (securing \$125 million of trust preferred securities sold to third parties). Junior subordinated debentures are comprised of two issuances of debentures, \$77 million of debentures (securing \$75 million of trust preferred securities) issued in March 2007 and \$52 million of debentures (securing \$50 million of trust preferred securities) issued in 2006. On a combined basis the securities provide us with \$125 million of financing at a cash cost of 7.20% and an all-in effective rate of 7.35%.

Our interests in the two statutory trust issuers, CT Preferred Trust I and CT Preferred Trust II, are accounted for using the equity method and the assets and liabilities are not consolidated into our financial statements due to our determination that CT Preferred Trust I and CT Preferred Trust II are variable interest entities under FIN 46(R) and that we are not the primary beneficiary of the entities. Interest on the junior subordinated debentures is included in interest and related expenses on our consolidated statements of operations while the junior subordinated debentures are presented as a separate item in our consolidated balance sheet.

On March 16, 2009 we issued new junior subordinated debentures to holders of a majority of our trust preferred securities at modified terms in exchange for their securities, as detailed in Note 22 to the consolidated financial statements.

## 10. Participations Sold

Participations sold represent interests in certain loans that we originated and subsequently sold to CT Large Loan 2006, Inc. (a fund that we manage) and third parties. We present these sold interests as both assets and liabilities (in equal amounts) in conformity with GAAP on the basis that these arrangements do not qualify as sales under FAS 140.

As of December 31, 2008, we had five such participations sold with a total book balance of \$292.7 million at a weighted average coupon of LIBOR plus 3.27% (3.71% at December 31, 2008) and a weighted average yield of LIBOR plus 3.27% (3.71% at December 31, 2008). The income earned on the loans is recorded as interest income and an identical amount is recorded as interest expense on the consolidated statements of operations.

In 2007, the Company sub-participated a \$73.4 million participation in a loan to CT Large Loan 2006, Inc. The Company recorded the sub-participation as a secured borrowing as it did not meet at least one of the criteria under FAS No. 140, Accounting for Transfers and Servicing of Financial Assets and Extinguishments of Liabilities. In July 2008, the Company and CT Large Loan 2006, Inc. agreed to terminate the sub-participation agreement and release themselves from any further obligation to each other with respect to such sub-participation agreement. As a result of this transaction, loans receivable and participations sold decreased by \$73.4 million during the third quarter of 2008.

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As of December 31, 2007, we had seven such participations sold with a total book balance of \$408.4 million at a weighted average coupon of LIBOR plus 3.38% (7.98% at December 31, 2007) and a weighted average yield of LIBOR plus 3.41% (8.01% at December 31, 2007).

### 11. Derivative Financial Instruments

To manage interest rate risk, we typically employ interest rate swaps or other arrangements, to convert a portion of our floating rate debt to fixed rate debt in order to index match our assets and liabilities. The net payments due under these swap contracts are recognized as interest expense over the life of the contracts.

The following table summarizes the notional and fair values of our derivative financial instruments as of December 31, 2008. The notional value provides an indication of the extent of our involvement in the instruments at that time, but does not represent exposure to credit or interest rate risk (in thousands):

			Notional			
Hedge	Type	Counterparty	Amount	Interest Rate	Maturity	Fair Value
	Cash Flow					
Swap	Hedge	Swiss RE Financial	\$ 279,681	5.10%	2015 (	\$29,383)
	Cash Flow					
Swap	Hedge	Bank of America	73,626	4.58	2014	(4,526)
	Cash Flow					
Swap	Hedge	Morgan Stanley	18,439	3.95	2011	(1,053)
	Cash Flow					
Swap	Hedge	JP Morgan Chase	18,091	5.14	2014	(2,867)
_	Cash Flow					
Swap	Hedge	JP Morgan Chase	16,894	4.83	2014	(2,550)
_	Cash Flow					
Swap	Hedge	JP Morgan Chase	16,377	5.52	2018	(3,827)
_	Cash Flow					
Swap	Hedge	JP Morgan Chase	12,310	5.02	2009	(302)
-	Cash Flow					
Swap	Hedge	Bank of America	11,365	5.05	2016	(1,366)
	Cash Flow					
Swap	Hedge	JP Morgan Chase	7,062	5.11	2016	(706)
•	Cash Flow	C				
Swap	Hedge	Bank of America	5,104	4.12	2016	(430)
•	Cash Flow					
Swap	Hedge	JP Morgan Chase	3,293	5.45	2015	(663)
-	Cash Flow	_				
Swap	Hedge	JP Morgan Chase	2,856	5.08	2011	(241)
•	Cash Flow	Ū				
Swap	Hedge	Morgan Stanley	780	5.31	2011	(60)
Total/Weighted						. ,
Average			\$ 465,878	4.97%	2015 (	\$47,974)

As of December 31, 2008, the derivative financial instruments were reported at their fair value of \$48.0 million as interest rate hedge liabilities. Income and expense associated with these instruments is recorded as interest expense on our consolidated statements of operations. The amount of hedge ineffectiveness was not material during any of the periods presented.

Our counterparties in these transactions are financial institutions and we are dependent upon the health of these counterparties and a functioning interest rate derivative market in order to effectively execute our hedging strategy.

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The following table details the fair value measurements of our derivative financial instruments as of December 31, 2008 in accordance with FAS 157 (in thousands):

### Fair Value Measurements at Reporting Date Using

			-	oted Prices in tive Markets			S	ignificant
	F	air Value at		for ntical Assets	_	nificant Other servable Inputs	Ur	nobservable Inputs
Description		ember 31, 2008		(Level 1)		(Level 2)		(Level 3)
Interest rate hedge								
liabilities	\$	(47,974)	\$	_	\$	(47,974)	\$	_
Total	\$	(47,974)	\$		\$	(47,974)	\$	

### 12. Shareholders' Equity

### **Authorized Capital**

We have the authority to issue up to 200,000,000 shares of stock, consisting of (i) 100,000,000 shares of class A common stock and (ii) 100,000,000 shares of preferred stock. The board of directors is generally authorized to issue additional shares of authorized stock without shareholder approval.

#### Common Stock

Class A common stock are voting shares entitled to vote on all matters presented to a vote of shareholders, except as provided by law or subject to the voting rights of any outstanding preferred stock. Holders of record of shares of class A common stock on the record date fixed by our board of directors are entitled to receive such dividends as may be declared by the board of directors subject to the rights of the holders of any outstanding preferred stock. A total of 22,071,349 shares of common stock were issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2008.

We did not repurchase any of our common stock during the years ended December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007 other than the 10,103 shares we acquired pursuant to elections by incentive plan participants to satisfy tax withholding obligations through the surrender of shares equal in value to the amount of the withholding obligation incurred upon the vesting of restricted stock.

Subsequent to December 31, 2008, in connection with the restructuring of our debt obligations described in Note 22, we issued, or irrevocably committed to issue, 3,479,691 million warrants to purchase our class A common stock.

### Preferred Stock

We have 100,000,000 shares of preferred stock authorized and have not issued any shares of preferred stock since we repurchased all of the previously issued and outstanding preferred stock in 2001.

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### Dividends

We generally intend to distribute each year substantially all of our taxable income (which does not necessarily equal net income as calculated in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles) to our shareholders so as to comply with the REIT provisions of the Internal Revenue Code. If necessary for REIT qualification purposes, we may need to distribute any taxable income remaining after giving effect to the distribution of the final regular quarterly dividend each year, together with the first regular quarterly dividend payment of the following taxable year or, at our discretion, in a separate dividend distributed prior thereto. We refer to these dividends as special dividends. As required by covenants in our restructured debt obligations, our cash dividend distributions are restricted to the minimum amount necessary to maintain our status as a REIT. Moreover, such covenants, taking into consideration the recent IRS ruling, "Revenue Procedure 2008-68", which allow REITs to distribute up to 90% of their dividends in the form of stock for tax years ending on or before December 31, 2009, require us to make any distribution in stock to the extent permitted.

In addition to the foregoing restrictions, our dividend policy remains subject to revision at the discretion of our board of directors. All distributions will be made at the discretion of our board of directors and will depend upon our taxable income, our financial condition, our maintenance of REIT status and other factors as our board of directors deems relevant. Of the total \$2.20 of dividends declared in 2008, \$0.28 represents ordinary income, \$0.01 represents qualified dividends, and \$1.91 represents a return of capital. All dividends declared in 2007 were ordinary income.

#### Earnings Per Share

The following table sets forth the calculation of Basic and Diluted EPS for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007 (in thousands, except share and per share data):

		Year ended		Year ended				
	Dec	ember 31, 200	08	December 31, 2007				
	Net		Per Share	Net		Per Share		
	Loss	Shares	Amount	Income	Shares	Amount		
Basic EPS:								
Net (loss)/earnings allocable								
to common stock	\$ (57,538)	21,098,935	\$ (2.73)	\$ 84,366	17,569,690	\$ 4.80		
Effect of Dilutive Securities:								
Options outstanding for the								
purchase of common stock	_	_	_		120,576			
Diluted EPS:								
Net (loss)/earnings per share of common								
stock and assumed conversions	\$ (57,538)	21,098,935	\$ (2.73)	\$ 84,366	17,690,266	\$ 4.77		

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The following table sets forth the calculation of Basic and Diluted EPS for the year ended December 31, 2006 (in thousands, except share and per share data):

	Year ended December 31, 2006					
	Net Income	Shares	Per Share Amount			
Basic EPS:						
Net earnings allocable to common stock	\$54,067	15,754,655	\$3.43			
Effect of Dilutive Securities:						
Options outstanding for the purchase of						
common stock	_	168,742				
Diluted EPS:						
Net earnings per share of common stock and	d					
assumed conversions	\$54,067	15,923,397	\$3.40			

## 13. General and Administrative Expenses

General and administrative expenses for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006 consisted of (in thousands):

	Years ended December 31,				
	2008	2007	2006		
Salaries and benefits	\$12,603	\$14,480	\$11,450		
Employee stock based compensation	3,478	4,606	3,961		
Operating and other costs	3,501	3,212	2,487		
Professional services	5,297	5,094	4,779		
Employee promote compensation	78	2,564	398		
Total	\$24,957	\$29,956	\$23,075		

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### 14. Income Taxes

We made an election to be taxed as a REIT under Section 856(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, commencing with the tax year ending December 31, 2003. As a REIT, we generally are not subject to federal, state, and local income taxes except for the operations of our taxable REIT subsidiary, CTIMCO. To maintain qualification as a REIT, we must distribute at least 90% of our REIT taxable income to our shareholders and meet certain other requirements. If we fail to qualify as a REIT, we may be subject to material penalties such as federal, state and local income tax on our taxable income at regular corporate rates. As of December 31, 2008 and 2007, we were in compliance with all REIT requirements.

In 2008 and 2007, CTIMCO paid no federal taxes and paid small amounts of state and local taxes. As of December 31, 2008, we have net operating losses, or NOLs, available to be carried forward and utilized in future periods.

Deferred income taxes reflect the net tax effects of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for tax reporting purposes.

The significant components of deferred tax assets and liabilities were as follows:

	Years ended						
	December 31,						
	2008 2007						
NOL carryforwards	\$	2,431	\$	1,722			
Stock-based compensation expense		321		4,125			
Intangible assets		(1,025)					
Other		482		716			
Deferred tax asset		2,209		6,563			
Valuation allowance		(503)		(2,904)			
Net deferred tax asset	\$	1,706	\$	3,659			

## 15. Employee Benefit Plans

Employee 401(k) and Profit Sharing Plan

We sponsor a 401(k) and profit sharing plan that allows eligible employees to contribute up to 15% of their salary into the plan on a pre-tax basis, subject to annual limits. We have committed to make contributions to the plan equal to 3% of all eligible employees' compensation subject to annual limits and may make additional contributions based upon earnings. Our contribution expense for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, was \$228,000, \$198,000, and \$118,000, respectively.

### **Equity Incentive Plans**

We had four benefit plans in effect as of December 31, 2008: (1) the second amended and restated 1997 long-term incentive stock plan, or 1997 Employee Plan, (2) the amended and restated 1997 non-employee director stock plan, or 1997 Director Plan, (3) the amended and restated 2004 long-term incentive plan, or 2004 Plan, and (4) the 2007 long-term incentive plan, or 2007 Plan. The 1997 plans expired in 2007 and no new awards may be issued under them and no further grants will be made under the 2004 Plan. Under the 2007 Plan, a maximum of 700,000 shares of class

A common stock may be issued. As of December 31, 2008, there were 577,367 shares available under the 2007 Plan.

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Activity under these four plans for the year ended December 31, 2008 is summarized in the table below in share and share equivalents:

Benefit Type	1997 Employee Plan			2007 Plan	Total
Options(1)					
Beginning Balance	223,811	16,667	_	_	240,478
Expired	(53,334)	(16,667)	_	_	(70,001)
Ending Balance	170,477	_	_	_	170,477
Restricted Stock(2)					
Beginning Balance	_	_	423,931	_	423,931
Granted	_	_	_	44,550	44,550
Vested	_	_	(133,384)	_	(133,384)
Forfeited	_	_	(910)	(2,990)	(3,900)
Ending Balance	_	_	289,637	41,560	331,197
Stock Units(3)					
Beginning Balance	_	80,017	_	14,570	94,587
Granted/deferred	_	_	_	120,864	120,864
Ending Balance	_	80,017	_	135,434	215,451
Total Outstanding	170,477	80,017	289,637		
Shares				176,994	717,125

(1) All options are fully vested as of December 31, 2008.

The following table summarizes the outstanding options as of December 31, 2008:

Exercise Price per			We	eighted Ave	rage E	xercise	Weighted Ave	rage	
Share	Options Outstanding			ce per Share	e		Remaining Life (in Years)		
		1997		1997		1997	1997	1997	
	1997 Employee	Director	E	Employee	D	irector	Employee	Director	
	Plan	Plan		Plan		Plan	Plan	Plan	
\$10.00 - \$15.00	43,530	_	\$	13.41	\$	_	2.26		
\$15.00 - \$20.00	126,947			16.38			2.77		
Total/Weighted									
Average	170,477	<u>—</u>	\$	15.62	\$	_	2.64		

In addition to the equity interests detailed above, we have granted percentage interests in the incentive compensation received by us from the private equity funds. As of December 31, 2008, we had granted, net of forfeitures, 43% of the Fund III incentive compensation received by us.

<sup>(2)</sup> Comprised of both performance based awards that vest upon the attainment of certain common equity return thresholds and time based awards that vest based upon an employee's continued employment on vesting dates.

<sup>(3)</sup> Stock units are granted to certain members of our board of directors in lieu of cash compensation for services and in lieu of dividends earned on previously granted stock units.

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A summary of the unvested restricted shares as of and for the year ended December 31, 2008 was as follows:

	Restricted Shares						
	Shares	Grant Date Fair Value					
Unvested at January 1, 2008	423,931	\$30.96					
Granted	44,550	27.44					
Vested	(133,384)	various					
Forfeited	(3,900)	various					
Unvested at December 31,	331,197	\$30.61					
2008							

A summary of the unvested restricted shares as of and for the year ended December 31, 2007 was as follows:

	Restricted Shares							
	Shares	Grant Date Fair Value						
Unvested at January 1, 2007	480,967	\$29.56						
Granted	23,015	51.25						
Vested	(80,051)	28.38						
Forfeited	_	<u> </u>						
Unvested at December 31,	423,931	\$30.96						
2007								

The total fair value of restricted shares which vested during the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007 was \$2.2 million and \$3.3 million, respectively.

#### 16. Fair Values of Financial Instruments

The FASB Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 107, "Disclosures about Fair Value of Financial Instruments", or FAS 107, requires disclosure of fair value information about financial instruments, whether or not recognized in the statement of financial position, for which it is practicable to estimate that value. In cases where quoted market prices are not available, fair values are based upon estimates using present value or other valuation techniques. Those techniques are significantly affected by the assumptions used, including the discount rate and the estimated future cash flows. In that regard, the derived fair value estimates cannot be substantiated by comparison to independent markets and, in many cases, could not be realized in immediate settlement of the instrument. FAS 107 excludes certain financial instruments and all non-financial instruments from our disclosure requirements. Accordingly, the aggregate fair value amounts do not represent the underlying value of the Company.

The following methods and assumptions were used to estimate the fair value of each class of financial instruments for which it is practicable to estimate that value:

Cash and cash equivalents: The carrying amount of cash on hand and money market funds is considered to be a reasonable estimate of fair value.

Commercial mortgage backed securities: These investments are presented on a held-to-maturity basis and not at fair value. The fair values were obtained from a securities dealer or are based on cash flow or other valuation models for securities where management considers the market to be severely dislocated and not indicative of fair value.

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Loans receivable, net: These instruments are presented at the lower of cost or market value and not at fair value. The fair values were estimated by using current institutional purchaser yield requirements for loans with similar credit characteristics.

Loans held-for-sale: Loans which have been reclassified as held-for-sale are carried at fair value.

Interest rate swap agreements: These instruments are presented at fair value. The fair value was obtained from a third party valuation.

Repurchase obligations: The repurchase obligations bear interest at rates that may or may not be available in the market currently. Given, most importantly, the short term nature of these investments, the carrying value is a reasonable estimate of fair value.

Collateralized debt obligations: These obligations are presented on the basis of proceeds received at issuance and not at fair value. The fair value was estimated based upon the amount at which similar placed financial instruments would be valued today.

Senior unsecured credit facility: This instrument is presented on the basis of total cash proceeds borrowed, and not at fair value. The fair value was estimated based on the interest rate that is currently available in the market for similar credit facilities.

Junior subordinated debentures: These instruments bear interest at fixed rates. The fair value was obtained by calculating the present value based on current market interest rates.

The carrying amounts of all other assets and liabilities approximate the fair value except as follows (in thousands):

		December 31, 200	8		7		
	Carrying	Face	Fair	Carrying	Fair		
	Amount	Value	Value	Amount	Value	Value	
Financial assets:							
CMBS	\$ 852,211	\$ 883,958	\$ 582,478	\$ 876,864	\$ 916,410	\$ 830,411	
Loans receivable	1,791,332	1,855,432	1,589,929	2,257,563	2,266,184	2,226,445	
Financial							
liabilities:							
Repurchase							
obligations	699,054	699,054	699,054	911,857	911,857	911,857	
CDOs	1,156,035	1,154,504	441,245	1,192,299	1,190,448	1,067,513	
Sr. unsecured							
credit facility	100,000	100,000	94,155	75,000	75,000	75,000	
Jr. subordinated							
debentures	128,875	128,875	80,099	128,875	128,875	98,863	
Participations							
sold	292,669	292,734	258,416	408,351	408,434	396,900	

17. Supplemental Disclosures for Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

Interest paid on our outstanding debt for 2008, 2007 and 2006 was \$110.8 million, \$161.2 million and \$102.0 million, respectively. Income taxes recovered by us in 2008, 2007 and 2006 were \$702,000, \$1.5 million and \$583,000, respectively. Non-cash investing and financing activity of \$(115.7) million and \$198.9 million for 2008 and 2007, respectively, resulted from paydowns on the loans we classify as participations sold.

#### 18. Transactions with Related Parties

On November 9, 2006, we commenced our CT High Grade MezzanineSM investment management initiative and entered into three separate account agreements with affiliates of W. R. Berkley Corporation, or WRBC, for an aggregate of \$250 million. On July 25, 2007, we amended the agreements to increase the aggregate commitment of the WRBC affiliates to \$350 million. Pursuant to these agreements, we invest, on a discretionary basis, capital on behalf of WRBC in low risk commercial real estate mortgages, mezzanine loans and participations therein. The separate accounts are entirely funded with committed capital from WRBC and are managed by a subsidiary of CTIMCO. CTIMCO earns a management fee equal to 0.25% per annum on invested assets.

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On April 27, 2007, we purchased a \$20 million subordinated interest in a mortgage from a dealer. Proceeds from the mortgage financing provide for the construction and leasing of an office building in Washington, D.C. that is owned by a joint venture. WRBC has a substantial economic interest in one of the joint venture partners.

WRBC beneficially owned approximately 17.6% of our outstanding class A common stock as of February 28, 2009, and a member of our board of directors is an employee of WRBC.

On March 28, 2008 we announced the closing of our public offering of 4,000,000 shares of our class A common stock. We received net proceeds of approximately \$113 million. Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated acted as the sole underwriter of the offering. Affiliates of Samuel Zell, our chairman of the board, and WRBC purchased a number of shares in the offering sufficient to maintain their pro rata ownership interests in the company.

Until 2007, we paid Equity Group Investments, L.L.C. and Equity Risk Services, Inc., affiliates under common control of the chairman of the board of directors, for certain corporate services provided to us. These services include consulting on insurance matters, risk management, and investor relations. During the year ended December 31, 2006 we incurred \$45,000 of expenses in connection with these services. In July 2008, CTOPI, a private equity fund that we manage, held its final closing completing capital raise with \$540 million total equity commitments. EGI-Private Equity II, L.L.C., an affiliate under common control of the chairman of the board of directors, owns a 3.7% limited partner interest in CTOPI. In 2008 we recorded \$8.9 million in fees from CTOPI, \$351,000 of which were attributable to EGI Private Equity II, L.L.C.

During the year ended December 31, 2008, CTOPI purchased \$37.1 million face value of our CDO debt in the open market for \$21.1 million.

Affiliates of Samuel Zell own interests in Fund III and CTOPI, two investment management vehicles that we manage and within which we also have ownership interests.

We believe that the terms of the foregoing transactions are no less favorable than could be obtained by us from unrelated parties on an arm's length basis.

## 19. Commitments and Contingencies

#### Leases

We lease our corporate office under operating lease expiring in 2018. Minimum annual rental payments at December 31, 2008 are as follows (in thousands):

Years ending Dec	
2009	\$1,377
2010	1,377
2011	1,377
2012	1,377
2013	1,423
Thereafter	7,020
	\$13,951

GAAP rent expense for office space amounted to \$1.6 million, \$1.4 million and \$990,000 for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

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## Future Distribution Requirements

In 1999, we acquired a portfolio of CMBS from a dealer at a discount. For purposes of GAAP income recognition, we amortize the discount as interest income over the expected life of the securities using the effective interest method, as we do for all of our securities purchased at a discount. For income tax purposes, specifically with respect to this portfolio, we elected to defer the recognition of the purchase discount until we receive principal as the securities are sold, amortize or mature. In the future, assuming principal collection as anticipated, as these securities mature, we will recognize the purchase discount as income for tax purposes and, as a REIT, those amounts will be factored into our distribution requirements. For the securities not in our CDOs, we will receive cash payments as these securities are sold, amortize or mature. For the securities in our CDOs, the cash flow waterfalls are designed to repay senior indebtedness with principal repayments, resulting in a situation where we may not receive cash as these securities are sold, amortize or mature. In these cases, we may have a distribution requirement without receipt of the cash to service the requirement, requiring us to fund these distribution requirements from other sources of liquidity. As of December 31, 2008, the securities in question have a face value of \$189.1 million and were purchased at a discount of \$58.3 million. \$184.1 million of these securities are in our CDOs and these securities were purchased at a discount of \$56.0 million. Our current expectation is for the securities in the entire portfolio to mature between 2011 and 2021 and for us to recognize, for tax purposes, income of \$7.9 million, \$4.5 million, \$9.5 million, \$3.7 million, \$28.5 million, \$178,000, and \$22,000 for the years 2009-2015, respectively.

### Litigation

In the normal course of business, we are subject to various legal proceedings and claims, the resolution of which, in management's opinion, will not have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial position or our results of operations.

#### **Employment Agreements**

As of December 31, 2008, the employment agreements with John R. Klopp, who serves as our chief executive officer and president, and Thomas C. Ruffing, who serves as our chief credit officer and head of asset management, both expired. These officers currently remain at-will employees of the Company. The two employment agreements in effect as of December 31, 2008 are summarized below.

Effective December 28, 2005, we entered into an employment agreement with Stephen D. Plavin, pursuant to which Mr. Plavin will serve as our chief operating officer through December 31, 2008 (subject to our option to extend the agreement for an additional twelve months, which we have exercised). Pursuant to the employment agreement, Mr. Plavin receives a base salary and is eligible to receive annual performance compensation awards of cash. The agreement is subject to termination under certain circumstances and provides for severance payments under certain of these circumstances and contains provisions relating to non-competition during the term of employment, protection of our confidential information and intellectual property, and non-solicitation of our employees.

Effective September 29, 2006, we entered into an employment agreement with Geoffrey G. Jervis, pursuant to which Mr. Jervis will serve as our chief financial officer through December 31, 2009 (subject to our option to extend the agreement for an additional twelve months). Pursuant to the employment agreement, Mr. Jervis receives a base salary and is eligible to receive annual performance compensation awards of cash. The agreement is subject to termination under certain circumstances and provides for severance payments under certain of these circumstances and contains provisions relating to non-competition during the term of employment, protection of our confidential information and

intellectual property, and non-solicitation of our employees.

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#### Restructured Debt Obligations

Pursuant to the terms of our restructured debt obligations, as detailed in Note 22, we are required to make certain principal payments to our creditors during the first year following the debt restructuring in order to exercise a one-year extension option. By March 16, 2010, payments must be made to our secured creditors participating in the restructure plan equal to approximately 17% (or \$100.5 million) of the respective outstanding balances as of March 16, 2009, and a minimum of \$5.0 million must be repaid under our senior unsecured credit facility.

## 20. Segment Reporting

We have two reportable segments. We have an internal information system that produces performance and asset data for our two segments along service lines.

The Balance Sheet Investment segment includes all of our activities related to direct loan and investment activities (including direct investments in Funds) and the financing thereof.

The Investment Management segment includes all of our activities related to investment management services provided to us and third party funds under management and includes our taxable REIT subsidiary, CT Investment Management Co., LLC and its subsidiaries.

The following table details each segment's contribution to our overall profitability and the identified assets attributable to each such segment for the year ended, and as of, December 31, 2008 (in thousands):

		Balance Sheet Investment	Investment Management		I	nter-Segment Activities	Total
Income from loans and other		mvestment		Wanagement		retivities	Total
investments:							
Interest and related income	\$	194,649	\$	_	\$	— \$	194,649
Less: Interest and related expenses		129,665		_		_	129,665
Income from loans and other							
investments, net		64,984		_		_	64,984
Other revenues:							
Management fees		_		20,045		(7,104)	12,941
Servicing fees		_		367		_	367
Other interest income		1,646		28		(108)	1,566
Total other revenues		1,646		20,440		(7,212)	14,874
Other expenses							
General and administrative		11,232		20,829		(7,104)	24,957
Other interest expense		_		108		(108)	_
Depreciation and amortization				179		_	179
Total other expenses		11,232		21,116		(7,212)	25,136
Gain on extinguishment of debt		6,000		_		_	6,000
Impairments		(2,917)		_		_	(2,917)
Provision for possible credit losses		(63,577)		_		_	(63,577)
Valuation allowance on loans							
held-for-sale		(48,259)				_	(48,259)
Gain on sale of investments		374		<u> </u>		_	374
Loss from equity investments		(1,924)		(64)		_	(1,988)
Loss before income taxes		(54,905)		(740)		_	(55,645)
Provision for income taxes				1,893			1,893
Net loss	\$	(54,905)	\$	(2,633)	\$	— \$	(57,538)
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Total assets	\$	2,830,172	\$	9,818	\$	(1,363) \$	2,838,627

All revenues were generated from external sources within the United States. The Investment Management segment earned fees of \$7.1 million for management of the Balance Sheet Investment segment and was charged \$108,000 for inter-segment interest for the year ended December 31, 2008, which is reflected as offsetting adjustments to other revenues and other expenses in the Inter-Segment Activities column in the table above.

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The following table details each segment's contribution to our overall profitability and the identified assets attributable to each such segment for the year ended, and as of, December 31, 2007 (in thousands):

		Balance Sheet		Investment		Inter-Segment Activities		Total
Income from loans and other		Investment		Management		Activities		Total
investments:								
Interest and related income	\$	253,422	\$	_	\$	_	\$	253,422
Less: Interest and related expenses	Ψ	162,377	Ψ	<u></u>	Ψ		Ψ	162,377
Income from loans and other		102,577						102,577
investments, net		91,045		<u></u>		<u></u>		91,045
investments, net		71,013						71,015
Other revenues:								
Management fees		_		16,282		(12,783)		3,499
Incentive management fees				6,208				6,208
Servicing fees		_		623		_		623
Other interest income		1,548		65		(530)		1,083
Total other revenues		1,548		23,178		(13,313)		11,413
Other expenses								
General and administrative		17,058		25,681		(12,783)		29,956
Other interest expense		_		530		(530)		_
Depreciation and amortization		1,430		380		<u>—</u>		1,810
Total other expenses		18,488		26,591		(13,313)		31,766
Provision for possible credit losses				_		_		
Gain on sale of investments		15,077		_		_		15,077
Loss from equity investments		(1,570)		(539)		_		(2,109)
Income/(loss) before income taxes		87,612		(3,952)		_		83,660
Income taxe benefit		(254)		(452)		_		(706)
Net income/(loss) common stock	\$	87,866	\$	(3,500)	\$	_	\$	84,366
Total assets	\$	3,212,069	\$	7,837	\$	(8,424)	\$	3,211,482

All revenues, except for \$4.3 million included in interest and related income and \$15.1 million included in gain on sale of investments, were generated from external sources within the United States. The Investment Management segment earned fees of \$12.8 million for management of the Balance Sheet Investment segment and was charged \$530,000 for inter-segment interest for the year ended December 31, 2007, which is reflected as offsetting adjustments to other revenues and other expenses in the Inter-Segment Activities column in the table above.

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The following table details each segment's contribution to our overall profitability and the identified assets attributable to each such segment for the year ended, and as of, December 31, 2006 (in thousands):

	Balance Sheet			Inter-Segment			Total
Income from loans and other	Investment		Management		Activities		Total
investments:							
Interest and related income	\$ 175,404	\$	_	\$	_	\$	175,404
Less: Interest and related expenses	104,607						104,607
Income from loans and other							
investments, net	70,797		<u> </u>		_		70,797
Other revenues:			40.50		<i>(</i> <b></b> )		
Management fees	_		10,387		(7,737)		2,650
Incentive management fees			1,652		_		1,652
Servicing fees	40		65				105
Other interest income	1,426		43		(115)		1,354
Total other revenues	1,466		12,147		(7,852)		5,761
Other expenses							
General and administrative	12,458		18,354		(7,737)		23,075
Other interest expense	_		115		(115)		_
Depreciation and amortization	2,792		257		_		3,049
Total other expenses	15,250		18,726		(7,852)		26,124
Income/(loss) from equity							
investments	1,016		(118)		_		898
Income before income taxes	58,029		(6,697)		_		51,332
Income tax benefit	_		(2,735)		_		(2,735)
Net income	\$ 58,029	\$	(3,962)	\$	_	\$	54,067
Total assets	\$ 2,649,866	\$	4,720	\$	(6,022)	\$	2,648,564

All revenues were generated from external sources within the United States. The Investment Management segment earned fees of \$7.7 million for management of the Balance Sheet Investment segment and \$115,000 for inter-segment interest for the year ended December 31, 2006, which is reflected as offsetting adjustments to other revenues and other expenses in the Inter-Segment Activities column in the table above.

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#### 21. Summary of Quarterly Results of Operations (Unaudited)

The following is a summary of the unaudited quarterly results of operations for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006 (in thousands except per share data):

	1	March 31	1 June 30		September 30			December 31
2008						•		
Revenues	\$	59,117	\$	53,866	\$	48,217	\$	48,323
Net income	\$	14,773	\$	(34,818)	\$	13,667	\$	(51,160)
Net income per share of								
common stock:								
Basic	\$	0.82	\$	(1.59)	\$	0.61	\$	(2.57)
Diluted	\$	0.82	\$	(1.59)	\$	0.61	\$	(2.57)
2007								
Revenues	\$	59,538	\$	69,696	\$	66,173	\$	69,428
Net income	\$	14,849	\$	25,382	\$	15,497	\$	28,638
Net income per share of								
common stock:								
Basic	\$	0.85	\$	1.45	\$	0.88	\$	1.63
Diluted	\$	0.84	\$	1.43	\$	0.87	\$	1.62
2006								
Revenues	\$	32,600	\$	47,050	\$	47,199	\$	54,316
Net income	\$	10,949	\$	14,192	\$	13,437	\$	15,489
Net income per share of								
common stock:								
Basic	\$	0.72	\$	0.93	\$	0.88	\$	0.92
Diluted	\$	0.71	\$	0.91	\$	0.86	\$	0.91

Basic and diluted earnings per share are computed independently for each of the periods. Accordingly, the sum of the quarterly earnings per share amounts may not agree to the total for the year.

#### 22. Subsequent Events

#### 1. Restructuring of Our Debt Obligations

On March 16, 2009, we consummated a restructuring of substantially all of our recourse debt obligations with certain of our secured and unsecured creditors pursuant to the amended terms of our secured credit facilities, our senior unsecured credit agreement, and certain of our trust preferred securities.

#### Secured Credit Facilities

In connection with the restructuring, we amended our secured, recourse credit facilities with: (i) JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., JPMorgan Chase Funding Inc. and J.P. Morgan Securities Inc., or collectively JPMorgan, (ii) Morgan Stanley Bank, N.A., or Morgan Stanley, and (iii) Citigroup Financial Products Inc. and Citigroup Global Markets Inc., or collectively Citigroup. We collectively refer to JPMorgan, Morgan Stanley and Citigroup as the participating secured lenders. Further, as part of the restructuring, we also entered into an agreement to terminate our secured,

recourse facility with Goldman Sachs Mortgage Company, or Goldman Sachs. We had previously, on February 25, 2009, terminated our secured financing with UBS Real Estate Securities Inc., or UBS.

Specifically, on March 16, 2009, we entered into separate amendments to the respective master repurchase agreements with JPMorgan, Morgan Stanley and Citigroup. Pursuant to the terms of each such agreement, we repaid the balance outstanding with each participating secured lender by an amount equal to three percent (3%) of the current outstanding principal amount due under its existing secured, recourse credit facility, \$17.7 million in the aggregate, and further amended the terms of each such facility, without any change to the collateral pool securing the debt owed to each participating secured lender, to provide the following:

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- Maturity dates were modified to one year from the March 16, 2009 effective date of each respective agreement, which maturity dates may be extended further for two one-year periods. The first one-year extension option is exercisable by us so long as the outstanding balance as of the first extension date is less than or equal to a certain amount, which is a reduction of twenty percent (20%), including the upfront payment described above, of the outstanding principal amount from the date of the amendments, and no other defaults or events of default have occurred and are continuing, or would be caused by such extension. The second one-year extension option is exercisable by each participating secured lender in its sole discretion.
- •We agreed to pay each participating secured lender periodic amortization as follows: (i) mandatory payments, payable monthly in arrears, in an amount equal to sixty-five (65%) (subject to adjustment in the second year) of the net interest income generated by each such lender's collateral pool, and (ii) one hundred percent (100%) of the principal proceeds received from the repayment of assets in each such lender's collateral pool. In addition, under the terms of the amendment with Citigroup, we agreed to pay Citigroup an additional quarterly amortization payment equal to the lesser of: (x) Citigroup's then outstanding senior secured credit facility balance or (y) the product of (i) the total cash paid (including both principal and interest) during the period to our senior unsecured credit facility in excess of an amount equivalent to LIBOR plus 1.75% based upon a \$100.0 million facility amount, and (ii) a fraction, the numerator of which is Citigroup's then outstanding senior secured credit facility balance and the denominator is the total outstanding secured indebtedness of the participating secured lenders.
- We further agreed to amortize each participating secured lender's secured debt at the end of each calendar quarter on a pro rata basis until we have repaid our secured, recourse credit facilities and thereafter our senior unsecured credit facility in an amount equal to any unrestricted cash in excess of the sum of (i) \$25.0 million, and (ii) any unfunded loan and co-investment commitments.
- Each participating secured lender was relieved of its obligation to make future advances with respect to unfunded commitments arising under investments in its collateral pool.
- We received the right to sell or refinance collateral assets as long as we apply one hundred percent (100%) of the proceeds to pay down the related secured credit facility balance subject to minimum release price mechanics.
- •We eliminated the cash margin call provisions and amended the mark-to-market provisions so that future changes in collateral value will be determined based upon changes in the performance of the underlying real estate collateral in lieu of the previous provisions which were based on market spreads. Beginning six months after the date of execution of the agreements, each collateral pool will be valued monthly on this basis. If the ratio of a participating secured lender's total outstanding secured credit facility balance to total collateral value exceeds 1.15x the ratio calculated as of the effective date of the amended agreements, we will be required to liquidate collateral in order to return to compliance with the prescribed loan to collateral value ratio or post other collateral to bring the ratio back into compliance.

In each master repurchase agreement amendment and the amendment to our senior unsecured credit agreement described in greater detail below, which we collectively refer to as our restructured debt obligations, we also replaced all existing financial covenants with the following uniform covenants which:

• prohibit new balance sheet investments except, subject to certain limitations, co-investments in our investment management vehicles or protective investments to defend existing collateral assets on our balance sheet;

- prohibit the incurrence of any additional indebtedness except in limited circumstances;
- limit the total cash compensation to all employees and, specifically with respect to our chief executive officer, chief operating officer and chief financial officer, freeze their base salaries at 2008 levels, and require cash bonuses to any of them to be approved by a committee comprised of one representative designated by the secured lenders, the administrative agent under the senior unsecured credit facility and the chairman of our board of directors;

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- •prohibit the payment of cash dividends to our common shareholders except to the minimum extent necessary to maintain our REIT status;
- •require us to maintain a minimum amount of liquidity, as defined, of \$7.0 million in 2009 and \$5.0 million thereafter;
- •trigger an event of default if both our chief executive officer and chief operating officer cease their current employment with us during the term of the agreement and we fail to hire a replacement acceptable to the lenders; and
- •trigger an event of default, if any event or condition occurs which causes any obligation or liability of more than \$1.0 million to become due prior to its scheduled maturity or any monetary default under our restructured debt obligations if the amount of such obligation is at least \$1.0 million.

Pursuant to the restructuring, the interest rates on our secured borrowings will remain the same as those in effect as of December 31, 2008. In exchange for maintenance of these historic rates, on March 16, 2009 we issued, or irrevocably committed to issue as of such date, JPMorgan, Morgan Stanley and Citigroup warrants to purchase 3,479,691 shares of our class A common stock at an exercise price of \$1.79 per share, which is equal to the closing bid price on the New York Stock Exchange on March 13, 2009. The warrants will become exercisable on March 16, 2012 and expire on March 16, 2019, and may be exercised through a cashless exercise.

The warrants were issued, or irrevocably committed to be issued, in reliance upon the exemption provided in Section 4(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the safe harbor of Rule 506 under Regulation D. Any certificates representing such securities will contain restrictive legends preventing sale, transfer or other disposition, unless registered under the Securities Act of 1933. No form of general solicitation or general advertising was conducted in connection with the issuance.

On March 16, 2009, we also entered into an agreement to terminate the master repurchase agreement with Goldman Sachs, pursuant to which we satisfied the indebtedness due under the Goldman Sachs secured credit facility. Specifically, we: (i) pre-funded certain required advances of approximately \$2.4 million under one loan in the collateral pool, (ii) paid Goldman Sachs \$2.6 million to effect a full release to us of another loan, and (iii) transferred all of the other assets that served as collateral for Goldman Sachs to Goldman Sachs for a purchase price of \$85.7 million as payment in full for the balance remaining under the secured credit facility. Goldman Sachs agreed to release us from any further obligation under the secured credit facility.

Previously, on February 25, 2009, we entered into a satisfaction, termination and release agreement with UBS pursuant to which the parties terminated their right, title, interest in, to and under a master repurchase agreement. We consented to the transfer to UBS, and UBS unconditionally accepted and retained all of our rights, title and interest in a loan financed under the master repurchase agreement in complete satisfaction of all of our obligations, including all amounts due thereunder.

We are currently in negotiations with Lehman Brothers to resolve the \$18.0 million outstanding balance under our secured, recourse credit facility with such firm, which finances a single asset.

Senior Unsecured Credit Agreement

On March 16, 2009, we entered into an amended and restated senior unsecured credit agreement governing our \$100.0 million term loan from WestLB AG, New York Branch, participant and administrative agent, Fortis Capital Corp., Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., Morgan Stanley Bank, N.A. and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, which we collectively refer to as the senior unsecured lenders. Pursuant to the amended and restated senior unsecured credit agreement, we and the senior unsecured lenders agreed to:

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- •Extend the maturity date of the senior unsecured credit agreement to be co-terminus with the maturity date of the secured credit facilities with the participating secured lenders (as they may be further extended until March 16, 2012, as described above);
- •Increase the cash interest rate under the senior unsecured credit agreement to LIBOR plus 3.0% per annum (from LIBOR plus 1.75%), plus an accrual rate of 7.20% per annum less the cash interest rate;
- Initiate quarterly amortization equal to the greater of: (i) \$5.0 million per annum and (ii) 25% of the annual cash flow received from our currently unencumbered collateralized debt obligation interests;
- Pledge our unencumbered collateralized debt obligation interests and provide a negative pledge with respect to certain other assets; and
- Replace all existing financial covenants with substantially identical covenants and default provisions to those described above in the participating secured credit facilities.

#### **Trust Preferred Securities**

On March 16, 2009, we reached an agreement with Taberna Preferred Funding V, Ltd., Taberna Preferred Funding VI, Ltd., Taberna Preferred Funding VIII, Ltd. and Taberna Preferred Funding IX, Ltd., or collectively Taberna, to issue new junior subordinated notes in exchange for \$50.0 million face amount of trust preferred securities issued through our statutory trust subsidiary CT Preferred Trust I held by affiliates of Taberna, which we refer to as the Trust I Securities, and \$53.1 million face amount of trust preferred securities issued through our statutory trust subsidiary CT Preferred Trust II held by affiliates of Taberna, which we refer to as the Trust II Securities. We refer to the Trust I Securities and the Trust II Securities together as the Trust Securities. The Trust Securities were backed by and recorded as junior subordinated debentures issued by us with terms that mirror the Trust Securities.

Pursuant to the exchange agreement dated March 16, 2009, by and among us and Taberna, we issued \$118.6 million aggregate principal amount of new junior subordinated notes due on April 30, 2036 (an amount equal to 115% of the current aggregate face amount of the Trust Securities being exchanged). The interest rate payable under the new subordinated notes is 1% per annum from March 16, 2009, through and including April 29, 2012, which we refer to as the modification period. After the modification period, the interest rate will revert to a blended rate equal to that which was previously payable under the notes underlying the Trust Securities, a fixed rate of 7.23% per annum through and including April 29, 2016 and thereafter a floating rate, reset quarterly, equal to three month LIBOR plus 2.44% until maturity. The new junior subordinated notes will be contractually senior to the remaining trust preferred securities, will mature on April 12, 2036 and will be freely redeemable by us at par at any time. The new junior subordinated notes contain a covenant that through April 30, 2012, subject to certain exceptions, we may not declare or pay dividends or distributions on, or redeem, purchase or acquire any of our equity interests (other than remaining trust preferred securities not exchanged) except to the extent necessary to maintain our status as a REIT. Except for the foregoing, the new junior subordinated notes contain substantially similar provisions as the Trust Securities.

As part of the agreement with Taberna, we also agreed to pay \$750,000 to cover third party fees and costs incurred in connection with the exchange transaction.

#### Current Period Financial Statement Impact

While the restructuring of our debt obligations was finalized subsequent to December 31, 2008 and the amendments to the respective agreements and termination of our facility with UBS were executed in the first quarter of 2009, certain elements of the transaction require us to amend the presentation of certain items in our consolidated financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008. Specifically, the aggregate \$140.4 million (face value) of loans sold to Goldman Sachs and UBS have been reclassified under the consolidated balance sheet classification, loans held-for-sale, and a valuation allowance of \$48.3 million, reflecting the difference between the carrying value of the loans and the sale price, was recorded on the consolidated statement of operations.

#### 2. CDO Collateral Impairment

In March 2009, we were informed by our CDO trustee of impairments due to rating agency downgrades of certain of the CMBS collateral interests in all of our CDOs. The impairments resulted in a breach of the CDO II overcollateralization test and the reclassification of interest proceeds from certain CMBS collateral as principal proceeds in all four of our CDOs.

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## Schedule IV—Mortgage Loans on Real Estate

## As of December 31, 2008

(in thousands)

Type of Loan/Borrower(1)	Decription/ Location	Interest Payment Rates	Final Maturity Date	Periodic Payment Terms(2)	Prior Liens(3)	Face Amount of Loans(4)	Carrying Amount of Loans
Mortgage Loans:							
Borrower A	Office/ Florida	LIBOR + 2.75%	1/21/2011	I/O	\$	\$89,058	\$89,058
Borrower B	Assisted Living/ Florida	LIBOR + 4.50%	4/20/2012	I/O		61,542	61,449
All other mortgage loans individually less than 3%					476,610	367,092	330,338
Total mortgage loans:					476,610	517,692	480,845
Mezzanine Loans:	TT 1.1 /	LIDOD					
Borrower C	Healthcare/ Various	LIBOR + 12.65%	5/9/2011	I/O	1,275,430	85,948	85,948
Borrower D	Hotel/ Various	LIBOR + 3.65%	5/9/2012	I/O	1,782,388	152,289	152,300
Borrower E	Hotel/ Various	LIBOR + 4.00%	5/9/2012	I/O	2,595,300	125,000	125,016
All other mezzanine loans individually less							
than 3%					12,415,964	· ·	473,717
Total mezzanine loans:					18,069,082	902,653	836,981
Subordinate							
Morgage Interests:							
Borrower F	Hotel/ Various	LIBOR + 1.60%	11/7/2011	I/O	220,000	65,000	65,000
All other subordinate mortgage interests individually less							
than 3%					3,522,898	510,774	500,681
Total subordinate morgage interests:					3,742,898	575,774	565,681

Total loans: \$22,288,590 \$1,996,119 \$1,883,507

(1) All amounts include both loans receivable and loan held-for-sale.

- (2) I/O = interest only.
- (3) Represents only third party liens.
- (4) Does not include Unfunded Commitments.

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