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\$744,575.00 Fixed 5.500% Semi-Annual 4/15/2021 10/15/20

Redemption Information: Callable at 100.000% on 4/15/2017 and every coupon date thereafter.

Trade Date: Monday, April 18, 2016 @ 12:00 PM ET

Settle Date: Thursday, April 21, 2016

Minimum Denomination/Increments: \$1,000.00/\$1,000.00 Initial trades settle flat and clear SDFS: DTC Book Entry only

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The Notes will be issued pursuant to the Indenture, dated as of February 16, 2012, as amended and supplemented by that certain Four Hundred Twenty-First Supplemental Indenture dated as of April 21, 2016.

The date from which interest shall accrue on the Notes is Thursday, April 21, 2016. The "Interest Payment Dates" for the Notes shall be April 15 and October 15 of each year, commencing October 15, 2016; the interest payable on any Interest Payment Date, will be paid to the Person in whose name the Notes (or one or more predecessor Notes) is registered at the close of business on the Regular Record Date (as defined in the Indenture) for such interest, which shall be March 1 or September 1, as the case may be, next preceding such Interest Payment Date.

The Notes will be redeemable in whole or in part at any time or from time to time, at the option of Prospect Capital Corporation, on or after April 15, 2017 at a redemption price of \$1,000 per Notes plus accrued and unpaid interest payments otherwise payable for the then-current semi-annual interest period accrued to, but excluding, the date fixed for redemption and upon not less than 30 days nor more that 60 days prior notice to the noteholder and the trustee, as described in the prospectus.

Prospect Capital Corporation is a financial services company that lends to and invests in middle market, privately-held companies. We are organized as an externally-managed, non-diversified closed-end management investment company that has elected to be treated as a business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940. Prospect Capital Management L.P. manages our investments and Prospect Administration LLC provides the administrative services necessary for us to operate.

This pricing supplement relates only to the securities described in the accompanying prospectus supplement and prospectus, is only a summary of changes and should be read together with the accompanying prospectus supplement and prospectus, including among other things the section entitled "Risk Factors" beginning on page S-7 of such prospectus supplement and page 10 of such prospectus. This pricing supplement and the accompanying prospectus supplement and prospectus contain important information you should know before investing in our securities. Please read it before you invest and keep it for future reference. We file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information about us with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or the "SEC." This information is available free of charge by contacting us at 10 East 40th Street, 42nd Floor, New York, NY 10016 or by telephone at (212) 448-0702. The SEC maintains a website at www.sec.gov where such information is available without charge upon written or oral request. Our internet website address is www.prospectstreet.com. Information contained on our website is not incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus and you should not consider information contained on our website to be part of this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus.

Neither the SEC nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed on the adequacy or accuracy of this pricing supplement. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense. Obligations of Prospect Capital Corporation and any subsidiary of Prospect Capital Corporation are not guaranteed by the full faith and credit of the United States of America. Neither Prospect Capital Corporation nor any subsidiary of Prospect Capital Corporation is a government-sponsored enterprise or an instrumentality of the United States of America. InterNotes® is a registered trademark of Incapital Holdings LLC.

Recent Developments:

On March 22, 2016 and March 24, 2016, United Sporting Company, Inc. partially repaid the \$17.4 million loan receivable to us.

On March 28, 2016, we repurchased \$0.5 million of the 5.375% convertible notes that mature on October 15, 2017 at a price of 98.25, including commissions.

During the period from February 11, 2016 through April 18, 2016, we received partial repayments from National Property REIT Corp. ("NPRC") of \$24.6 million for our loans previously outstanding and \$5.3 million as a return of capital on our equity investment in NPRC.

On April 1, 2016, we made one follow-on investment in National Property REIT Corp. ("NPRC") totaling \$10.1 million to support the online consumer lending initiative. We invested \$1.5 million of equity through NPH Property Holdings, LLC and \$8.6 million of debt to ACL Loan Holdings, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of NPRC.

During the period from February 11, 2016 through April 18, 2016, we received partial repayments from American Property REIT Corp. of \$20.7 million for our loans previously outstanding.

During the period from March 3, 2016 through April 18, 2016, we issued \$4.7 million in aggregate principal amount of our Prospect Capital InterNotes® for net proceeds of \$4.6 million.

Legal Matters:

In the opinion of Joseph Ferraro, General Counsel of Prospect Administration, administrator for Prospect Capital Corporation, a Maryland corporation (the "Company"), the certificates evidencing the Notes (the "Note Certificates") constitute the valid and binding obligations of the Company, entitled to the benefits of the Indenture and enforceable against the Company in accordance with their terms under the laws of the State of New York subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency and similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally, concepts of reasonableness and equitable principles of general applicability (including, without limitation, concepts of good faith, fair dealing and the lack of bad faith), provided that such counsel expresses no opinion as to the effect of fraudulent conveyance, fraudulent transfer or similar provision of applicable law on the conclusions expressed above. This opinion is given as of the date hereof and is limited to the law of the State of New York as in effect on the date hereof. In addition, this opinion is subject to the same assumptions and qualifications stated in the letter of Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom, LLP dated March 8, 2012, filed as Exhibit (1)(5) to the Company's registration statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-176637) and to the further assumptions that (i) the Note Certificates have been duly authorized by all requisite corporate action on the part of the Company and duly executed by the Company under Maryland law, and (ii) they were duly authenticated by the Trustee and issued and delivered by the Company against payment therefor in accordance with the terms of the Fifth Amended and Restated Selling Agent Agreement and the Indenture. Capitalized terms used in this paragraph without definition have the meanings ascribed to them in the accompanying prospectus supplement.

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In the opinion of Venable LLP, as Maryland counsel to the Company, (i) the execution and delivery by the Company of the Indenture, dated as of February 16, 2012, as amended and as supplemented through the Four Hundred Twenty-First Supplemental Indenture, between the Company and U.S Bank National Association, and the global notes representing the Notes issued pursuant to such Supplemental Indenture, and the performance by the Company of its obligations thereunder, have been duly authorized by the Company and (ii) the issuance of the Notes has been duly authorized by the Company. This opinion is given to the Company as of April 18, 2016 and is limited to the laws of the State of Maryland as in effect on April 18, 2016. In addition, this opinion is subject to the same assumptions, qualifications and limitations stated in the opinion letter to the Company of Venable LLP, dated March 8, 2012, filed as Exhibit (1)(4) to the Company's Registration Statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-176637). Capitalized terms used in this paragraph without definition have the meanings ascribed to them in the accompanying prospectus supplement. Very truly yours,

/s/ Venable LLP

PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT

(To Prospectus dated November 3, 2015)

Prospect Capital Corporation

Prospect Capital InterNotes®

We may offer to sell our Prospect Capital InterNotes[®] from time to time. The specific terms of the notes will be set prior to the time of sale and described in a pricing supplement. You should read this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus and the applicable pricing supplement carefully before you invest. We may offer other debt securities from time to time other than the notes under our Registration Statement or in private placements. We may offer the notes to or through agents for resale. The applicable pricing supplement will specify the purchase price, agent discounts and net proceeds of any particular offering of notes. The agents are not required to sell any specific amount of notes but will use their reasonable best efforts to sell the notes. We also may offer the notes directly. We have not set a date for termination of our offering.

The agents have advised us that from time to time they may purchase and sell notes in the secondary market, but they are not obligated to make a market in the notes and may suspend or completely stop that activity at any time. Unless otherwise specified in the applicable pricing supplement, we do not intend to list the notes on any stock exchange. Investing in the notes involves certain risks, including those described in the "Risk Factors" section beginning on page S-7 of this prospectus supplement and page 10 of the accompanying prospectus.

This prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus contain important information you should know before investing in our securities. Please read it before you invest and keep it for future reference. We file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information about us with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or the "SEC." This information is available free of charge by contacting us at 10 East 40Street, 42nd Floor, New York, NY 10016 or by telephone at (212) 448-0702. The SEC maintains a website at www.sec.gov where such information is available without charge upon written or oral request. Our internet website address is www.prospectstreet.com. Information contained on our website is not incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus and you should not consider information contained on our website to be part of this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus.

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We may sell the notes to or through one or more agents or dealers, including the agents listed below.

Incapital LLC BofA Merrill Lynch Citigroup RBC Capital Markets

Prospectus Supplement dated February 11, 2016.

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FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus may contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the "Exchange Act," which involve substantial 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 not historical facts, but rather are based on current expectations, estimates and projections about our industry, our beliefs, and our assumptions. Words such as "intends," "intended," "goal," "estimate," "expects," "expects," "expected," "projected," "proje "seeks," "anticipates," "anticipated," "should," "could," "may," "will," "designed to," "foreseeable future," "believe," "believe," "scheduled" and variations of these words and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. 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 undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. These statements are not guarantees of future performance and are subject to risks, uncertainties, and other factors, some of which are beyond our control and difficult to predict and could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or forecasted in the forward-looking statements, including without limitation:

our future operating results,

our business prospects and the prospects of our portfolio companies,

the impact of investments that we expect to make,

our contractual arrangements and relationships with third parties,

the dependence of our future success on the general economy and its impact on the industries in which we invest, the ability of our portfolio companies to achieve their objectives,

difficulty in obtaining financing or raising capital, especially in the current credit and equity environment, the level and volatility of prevailing interest rates and credit spreads, magnified by the current turmoil in the credit markets,

adverse developments in the availability of desirable loan and investment opportunities whether they are due to competition, regulation or otherwise,

a compression of the yield on our investments and the cost of our liabilities, as well as the level of leverage available

our regulatory structure and tax treatment, including our ability to operate as a business development company and a regulated investment company,

the adequacy of our cash resources and working capital,

the timing of cash flows, if any, from the operations of our portfolio companies,

the ability of our investment adviser to locate suitable investments for us and to monitor and administer our investments,

authoritative generally accepted accounting principles or policy changes from such standard-setting bodies as the Financial Accounting Standards Board, the SEC, Internal Revenue Service, the NASDAQ Global Select Market, and other authorities that we are subject to, as well as their counterparts in any foreign jurisdictions where we might do business, and

the risks, uncertainties and other factors we identify in "Risk Factors" and elsewhere in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus and in our filings with the SEC.

Although we believe that the assumptions on which these forward-looking statements are based are reasonable, any of those assumptions could prove to be inaccurate, and as a result, the forward-looking statements based on those assumptions also could be inaccurate. Important assumptions include our ability to originate new loans and investments, ability to obtain certain margins and levels of profitability and the availability of additional capital. In light of these and other uncertainties, the inclusion of a projection or forward-looking statement in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, respectively, should not be regarded as a representation by us that our plans and objectives will be achieved. These risks and uncertainties include those described or identified in "Risk Factors" and elsewhere in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, respectively. You should not

place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which apply

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only as of the date of this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus, as applicable. These forward-looking statements do not meet the safe harbor for forward-looking statements pursuant to Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the "Securities Act."

You should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus supplement, including any pricing supplement included hereto, and the accompanying prospectus. We have not, and the agent(s) or dealer(s) has not, authorized any other person to provide you with information that is different from that contained in this prospectus supplement, including any pricing supplement included hereto, or the accompanying prospectus. If anyone provides you with different or inconsistent information, you should not rely on it. We are not, and the agents are not, making an offer of these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer is not permitted. You should assume that the information appearing in this prospectus supplement, including any pricing supplement included hereto, and the accompanying prospectus is accurate only as of their respective dates and we assume no obligation to update any such information. Our business, financial condition and results of operations may have changed since those dates. Although we undertake no obligation to revise or update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, you are advised to consult any additional disclosures that we may make directly to you or through reports that we have filed with the SEC, including annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q and current reports on Form 8-K.

This prospectus supplement, including any pricing supplement included hereto, supersedes the accompanying prospectus to the extent it contains information that is different from or in addition to the information in that prospectus.

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PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

This section summarizes the legal and financial terms of the notes that are described in more detail in "Description of Notes" beginning on page S-11. Final terms of any particular notes will be determined at the time of sale and will be contained in the pricing supplement, which will be included with this prospectus supplement, relating to those notes. The terms in that pricing supplement may vary from and supersede the terms contained in this summary and in "Description of Notes." In addition, you should read the more detailed information appearing elsewhere in this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus and in that pricing supplement.

The terms "we," "us," "our" and "Company" refer to Prospect Capital Corporation; "Prospect Capital Management," "Investm Adviser" and "PCM" refer to Prospect Capital Management L.P., formerly Prospect Capital Management LLC; and "Prospect Administration" and the "Administrator" refer to Prospect Administration LLC.

The Company

Prospect Capital Corporation is a financial services company that primarily lends to and invests in middle market privately-held companies. We are a closed-end investment company incorporated in Maryland. We have elected to be regulated as a business development company ("BDC") under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "1940 Act"). As a BDC, we have elected to be treated as a regulated investment company ("RIC") under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the "Code"). We were organized on April 13, 2004 and were funded in an initial public offering completed on July 27, 2004. We are one of the largest BDCs with approximately \$6.3 billion of total assets as of December 31, 2015.

We are externally managed by our investment adviser, Prospect Capital Management. Prospect Administration provides administrative services and facilities necessary for us to operate.

On May 15, 2007, we formed a wholly-owned subsidiary Prospect Capital Funding LLC ("PCF"), a Delaware limited liability company and a bankruptcy remote special purpose entity, which holds certain of our portfolio loan investments that are used as collateral for the revolving credit facility at PCF. Our wholly-owned subsidiary Prospect Small Business Lending, LLC ("PSBL") was formed on January 27, 2014 and purchases small business whole loans on a recurring basis from online small business loan originators, including On Deck Capital, Inc. ("OnDeck") and Direct Capital Corporation. On September 30, 2014, we formed a wholly-owned subsidiary Prospect Yield Corporation, LLC ("Prospect Yield") and effective October 23, 2014, Prospect Yield holds our investments in collateralized loan obligations ("CLOs"). Each of these subsidiaries have been consolidated since operations commenced. We currently have nine origination strategies in which we make investments: (1) lending in private equity sponsored transactions, (2) lending directly to companies not owned by private equity firms, (3) control investments in corporate operating companies, (4) control investments in financial companies, (5) investments in structured credit, (6) real estate investments, (7) investments in syndicated debt, (8) aircraft leasing and (9) online lending. We continue to evaluate other origination strategies in the ordinary course of business with no specific tops-down allocation to any single origination strategy.

Lending in Private Equity Sponsored Transactions – We make loans to companies which are controlled by leading private equity firms. This debt can take the form of first lien, second lien, unitranche or unsecured loans. In making these investments, we look for a diversified customer base, recurring demand for the product or service, barriers to entry, strong historical cash flow and experienced management teams. These loans typically have significant equity subordinate to our loan position. Historically, this strategy has comprised approximately 50%-60% of our business, but more recently it is less than 50% of our business.

Lending Directly to Companies – We provide debt financing to companies owned by non-private equity firms, the company founder, a management team or a family. Here, in addition to the strengths we look for in a sponsored transaction, we also look for the alignment with the management team with significant invested capital. This strategy often has less competition than the private equity sponsor strategy because such company financing needs are not easily addressed by banks and often require more diligence preparation. Direct lending can result in higher returns and lower leverage than sponsor transactions and may include warrants or equity to us. Historically, this strategy has comprised approximately 5%-15% of our business, but more recently it is less than 5% of our business. Control Investments in Corporate Operating Companies – This strategy involves acquiring controlling stakes in non-financial operating companies. Our investments in these companies are generally structured as a combination of yield-producing debt and equity. We provide enhanced certainty of closure to our counterparties, give the seller

personal liquidity and generally look for management to continue on in their current roles. This strategy has comprised approximately 10%-15% of our business.

Control Investments in Financial Companies – This strategy involves acquiring controlling stakes in financial companies, including consumer direct lending, sub-prime auto lending and other strategies. Our investments in these companies are generally structured as a combination of yield-producing debt and equity. These investments are often structured in a tax-efficient RIC-compliant partnership, enhancing returns. This strategy has comprised approximately 5%-15% of our business.

Investments in Structured Credit – We make investments in CLOs, generally taking a significant position in the subordinated interests (equity) of the CLOs. The CLOs include a diversified portfolio of broadly syndicated loans and do not have direct exposure to real estate, mortgages, debt or consumer based debt. The CLOs in which we invest are managed by top-tier collateral managers that have been thoroughly diligenced prior to investment. This strategy has comprised approximately 10%-20% of our business.

Real Estate Investments – We make investments in real estate through our three wholly-owned tax-efficient real estate investment trusts ("REITs"), American Property REIT Corp. ("APRC"), National Property REIT Corp. ("NPRC") and United Property REIT Corp. ("UPRC" and collectively with APRC and NPRC, "our REITs"). Our real estate investments are in various classes of fully developed and occupied real estate properties that generate current yields. We seek to identify properties that have historically high occupancy and steady cash flow generation. Our REITs co-invest with established and experienced property managers that manage such properties after acquisition. This investment strategy has comprised approximately 5%-10% of our business.

Investments in Syndicated Debt – On an opportunistic basis, we make investments in loans and high yield bonds that have been sold to a syndicate of buyers. Here we look for investments with attractive risk-adjusted returns after we have completed a fundamental credit analysis. These investments are purchased with a long term, buy-and-hold outlook and we look to provide significant structuring input by providing anchoring orders. This strategy has comprised approximately 5%-10% of our business.

Aircraft Leasing – We invest debt as well as equity in aircraft assets subject to commercial leases to credit-worthy airlines across the globe. These investments present attractive return opportunities due to cash flow consistency from long-lived assets coupled with hard asset collateral. We seek to deliver risk-adjusted returns with strong downside protection by analyzing relative value characteristics across the spectrum of aircraft types of all vintages. Our target portfolio includes both in-production and out-of-production jet and turboprop aircraft and engines, operated by airlines across the globe. This strategy comprised approximately 1% of our business in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015 and approximately 1% as of December 31, 2015.

Online Lending – We make investments in loans originated by certain consumer loan and small and medium sized business ("SME") aggregators. We purchase each loan in its entirety (i.e., a "whole loan"). The borrowers are consumers and SMEs. The loans are typically serviced by the aggregators of the loans. This strategy comprised approximately 5% of our business in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015 and approximately 5% as of December 31, 2015. We invest primarily in first and second lien secured loans and unsecured debt, which in some cases includes an equity component. First and second lien secured loans generally are senior debt instruments that rank ahead of unsecured debt of a given portfolio company. These loans have the benefit of security interests on the assets of the portfolio company, which may rank ahead of or junior to other security interests. Our investments in CLOs are subordinated to senior loans and are generally unsecured. We invest in debt and equity positions of CLOs which are a form of securitization in which the cash flows of a portfolio of loans are pooled and distributed to different classes of owners in the form of various tranches. Our CLO investments are derived from portfolios of corporate debt securities which are generally risk rated from BB to B.

We hold many of our control investments in a two-tier structure consisting of a holding company and one or more related operating companies for tax purposes. These holding companies serve various business purposes including concentration of management teams, optimization of third party borrowing costs, improvement of supplier, customer, and insurance terms, and enhancement of co-investments by the management teams. In these cases, our investment in the holding company, generally as equity, the holding company's equity investment in the operating company and along with any debt from us directly to the operating company structure represents our total exposure for the investment. As of December 31, 2015, as shown in our Consolidated Schedule of Investments, the cost basis and fair value of our investments in controlled companies was \$2.0 billion. This structure gives rise to several of the risks described in our public documents and highlighted elsewhere in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying

prospectus. On July 1, 2014, we began consolidating all wholly-owned and substantially wholly-owned holding companies formed by us for the purpose of holding our controlled investments in operating companies. There were no significant effects of consolidating these holding companies as they hold minimal assets other than their investments in the controlled operating companies. Investment company accounting prohibits the consolidation of any operating companies.

As of December 31, 2015, we had investments in 130 portfolio companies. The aggregate fair value as of December 31, 2015 of investments in these portfolio companies held on that date is approximately \$6.2 billion. Our portfolio across all our performing interest-bearing investments had an annualized current yield of 13.3% as of December 31, 2015.

Recent Developments

Investment Transactions

On January 21, 2016, we sold 100% of our CIFC Funding 2011-I, Ltd. Class E and Class D notes with a cost basis of \$28.9 million. We realized a gain of \$4.0 million on the sale.

During the period from January 1, 2016 through February 10, 2016, we made two follow-on investments in NPRC totaling \$2.4 million to support the online consumer lending initiative and to fund capital expenditures for existing properties. We invested \$0.7 million of equity through NPH Property Holdings, LLC and \$1.7 million of debt directly to NPRC. On January 20, 2016, NPRC partially repaid \$6.8 million of its outstanding loan.

During the period from January 1, 2016 through February 10, 2016, our wholly-owned subsidiary PSBL purchased \$7.6 million of small business whole loans from OnDeck.

During the period from January 1, 2016 through February 10, 2016, we issued \$2.7 million aggregate principal amount of Prospect Capital InterNotes® for net proceeds of \$2.7 million.

Dividends

On February 9, 2016, we announced the declaration of monthly dividends in the following amounts and with the following dates:

\$0.08333 per share for February 2016 to holders of record on February 29, 2016 with a payment date of March 24, 2016;

\$0.08333 per share for March 2016 to holders of record on March 31, 2016 with a payment date of April 21, 2016; and

\$0.08333 per share for April 2016 to holders of record on April 29, 2016 with a payment date of May 19, 2016.

The Offering

Issuer Prospect Capital Corporation

Purchasing Agent Incapital LLC

Agents Citigroup Global Markets Inc., Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated and RBC Capital Markets, LLC. From time to time, we may sell the notes to or through

additional agents.

Title of Notes Prospect Capital InterNotes®

We may issue notes from time to time in various offerings up to \$1.5 billion, the aggregate principal amount authorized by our board of directors for notes. As of February 10, 2016, \$1.0 billion aggregate principal amount of notes has been issued. We have, from time to time, repurchased certain notes and, therefore, as of February 10, 2016, \$896.6 million aggregate principal amount of notes were outstanding. There are no limitations on our ability to issue additional indebtedness in the form of Prospect Capital InterNotes® or otherwise other than under the 1940 Act and the marginally more restrictive 175% asset coverage requirement under our credit facility.

The notes will be issued and sold in denominations of \$1,000 and multiples of \$1,000 (unless otherwise stated in the pricing supplement).

The notes will be our direct unsecured senior obligations and will rank equally in right of payment with all of our other unsecured senior indebtedness from time to time outstanding.

Each note will mature 12 months or more from its date of original issuance.

Notes may be issued with a fixed or floating interest rate; a floating interest rate note will be based on the London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR"). Interest on each fixed or floating interest rate note will be payable either monthly, quarterly, semi-annually or annually on each interest payment date and on the stated maturity date. Interest also will be paid on the date of redemption or repayment if a note is redeemed or repaid prior to its stated maturity in accordance with its terms. Interest on the notes will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months, often referred to as the 30/360 (ISDA) day count convention.

The principal amount of each note will be payable on its stated maturity date at the corporate trust office of the paying agent or at any other place we may designate.

Unless otherwise stated in the applicable pricing supplement, a note will not be redeemable at our option or be repayable at the option of the holder prior to its stated maturity date. The notes will not be subject to any sinking fund.

Specific notes may contain a provision permitting the optional repayment of those notes prior to stated maturity, if requested by the authorized representative of the beneficial owner of those notes, following the death of the beneficial owner of the notes, so long as the notes were owned by the beneficial owner or his or her estate at least six months prior to the request. This feature is referred to as a "Survivor's Option." Your notes will not be repaid in this manner unless the pricing supplement for your notes provides for the

Amount

Denominations

Status

Maturities

Interest

Principal

Redemption and Repayment

Survivor's Option

Survivor's Option. If the pricing supplement for your notes provides for the Survivor's Option, your right to exercise the Survivor's Option will be subject to limits set by us on (1) the permitted dollar amount of total exercises by all holders of notes in any calendar year, and (2) the permitted dollar amount of an individual exercise by a holder of a note in any calendar year. Additional details on the Survivor's Option are described in the section entitled "Description of Notes—Survivor's Option."

Sale and Clearance

We will sell notes in the United States only. Notes will be issued in book-entry only form and will clear through The Depository Trust Company. We do not intend to issue notes in certificated form.

Trustee

The trustee for the notes is U.S. Bank National Association, under an indenture dated as of February 16, 2012, as amended and as supplemented from time to time.

Selling Group

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The agents and dealers comprising the selling group are broker-dealers and securities firms. Each of the Purchasing Agent, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, Citigroup Global Markets Inc. and RBC Capital Markets, LLC entered into a Fifth Amended and Restated Selling Agent Agreement with us dated November 6, 2015 (as amended, the "Selling Agent Agreement"). Additional agents appointed by us from time to time in connection with the offering of the notes contemplated by this prospectus supplement will become parties to the Selling Agent Agreement. Dealers who are members of the selling group have executed a Master Selected Dealer Agreement with the Purchasing Agent. The agents and the dealers have agreed to market and sell the notes in accordance with the terms of those respective agreements and all other applicable laws and regulations. You may contact the Purchasing Agent at info@incapital.com for a list of selling group members.

SELECTED CONDENSED FINANCIAL DATA

Data:

You should read the condensed consolidated financial information below with the Consolidated Financial Statements and notes thereto included in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. Financial information below for the years ended June 30, 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012 and 2011 has been derived from the financial statements that were audited by our independent registered public accounting firm. The selected consolidated financial data at and for the three and six month periods ended December 31, 2015 and 2014 has been derived from unaudited financial data. Interim results for the three and six month periods ended December 31, 2015 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending June 30, 2016. Certain reclassifications have been made to the prior period financial information to conform to the current period presentation. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" starting on page S-20 for more information.

	For the Three		For the Siz	For the Six					
	Months Ended		Months Er	Months Ended		For the Year Ended June 30,			
	December 31,		December	December 31,		,			
	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	(in thousands except data relating to shares, per share and number of portfolio companies)								
Performance				_		_	_		
Data:									
Interest	¢ 106 502	¢100 011	¢277 906	¢272.054	\$748,974	¢612.741	¢ 125 155	¢210.526	¢ 124
income	\$186,503	\$188,814	\$377,806	\$372,954	ð 140,914	\$613,741	\$435,455	\$219,536	\$134,
Dividend	10 516	2.011	16761	4 226	7.662	26 927	92 705	<i>CA</i> 001	15.00
income	13,546	2,011	16,761	4,236	7,663	26,837	82,705	64,881	15,09
Other	0.142	0.050	14075	22.714	24 447	71 712	50 176	26 402	10.02
income	9,142	8,058	14,875	23,714	34,447	71,713	58,176	36,493	19,93
Total									
investment	209,191	198,883	409,442	400,904	791,084	712,291	576,336	320,910	169,4
income									
Interest and									
credit facility	(42,205) (42,244) (84,162) (85,158) (170,660) (130,103) (76,341) (38,534)) (17,59
expenses	,	, , ,		, , ,	, , ,	, , ,	, , ,	, , , , , ,	, , ,
Investment									ļ
advisory	(57,005) (56,865) (112,769) (113,646) (225,277) (198,296) (151,031) (82,507)) (46,0
expense	()) (/	, (,	, (,	, (,	, (- ,	, (- ,	, (- ,	, , , ,
Other	:= 222								
expenses	(9,088) (8,449) (20,376) (16,312) (32,400) (26,669) (24,040) (13,185)	(11,60
Total									
expenses	(108,298) (107,558) (217,307) (215,116) (428,337) (355,068) (251,412) (134,226)) (75,2
Net									
investment	100,893	91,325	192,135	185,788	362,747	357,223	324,924	186,684	94,22
income	100,075	71,525	1,2,100	105,700	502,,	551,225	521,521	100,00.	, ·, - -
Realized and									
unrealized	(196,013) (5,355) (259,438) (15,710) (16,408) (38,203) (104,068) 4,220	24,01
(losses) gains) (3,333) (23),133) (13,710) (10,100) (30,203) (10-1,000) 7,220	۷٦,01
Net									
(decrease)									ļ
increase in									
net assets	\$(95,120) \$85,970	\$(67,303) \$170,078	\$346,339	\$319,020	\$220,856	\$190,904	\$118,
from									ļ
									ļ
operations									
Per Share									ļ

Net increase (decrease) in net assets from operations(1)	\$(0.27) \$0.24	\$(0.19) \$0.49	\$0.98	\$1.06	\$1.07	\$1.67	\$1.38
Distributions									
declared per	\$(0.25	\$(0.33)	\$(0.50	\$(0.66)	\$(1.19)	\$(1.32)	\$(1.28)	\$(1.22)) \$(1.2
share									
Average									
weighted									
shares	355.241.104	354,100,179	356,101,673	3 348,729,620	353,648,522	2 300,283,941	207.069.971	114,394,5	55485,97
outstanding	,				, ,		,, , , , , , , ,		
for the									
period									
Assets and									
Liabilities									
Data:									
Investments	\$6,179,670	\$6,523,723	\$6,179,670	\$6,523,723	\$6,609,558	\$6,253,739	\$4,172,852		