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FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

☑ **QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15 (d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2013

or

o **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 1-8923

HEALTH CARE REIT, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	**34-1096634**
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
4500 Dorr Street, Toledo, Ohio	**43615**
(Address of principal executive office)	(Zip Code)

(419) 247-2800
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

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 the filing requirements for at least the past 90 days. Yes ☑ No o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes ☑ No o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, 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.

Large accelerated filer ☑	Accelerated filer o	Non-accelerated filer o (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)	Smaller reporting company o

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

As of October 31, 2013, the registrant had 288,670,688 shares of common stock outstanding.

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PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. ***Financial Statements***

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
HEALTH CARE REIT, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
(In thousands)

	September 30, 2013 (Unaudited)	December 31, 2012 (Note)
Assets:		
Real estate investments:		
Real property owned:		
Land and land improvements	$ 1,869,234	$ 1,365,391
Buildings and improvements	20,387,577	15,635,127
Acquired lease intangibles	1,050,542	673,684
Real property held for sale, net of accumulated depreciation	2,141	245,213
Construction in progress	158,006	162,984
Gross real property owned	23,467,500	18,082,399
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	(2,168,334)	(1,555,055)
Net real property owned	21,299,166	16,527,344
Real estate loans receivable	307,377	895,665
Net real estate investments	21,606,543	17,423,009
Other assets:		
Equity investments	475,574	438,936
Goodwill	68,321	68,321
Deferred loan expenses	68,569	66,327
Cash and cash equivalents	164,838	1,033,764
Restricted cash	80,890	107,657
Receivables and other assets	585,070	411,095
Total other assets	1,443,262	2,126,100
Total assets	$ 23,049,805	$ 19,549,109
Liabilities and equity		
Liabilities:		
Borrowings under unsecured line of credit arrangement	$ 847,670	$ 0
Senior unsecured notes	6,395,638	6,114,151
Secured debt	3,115,862	2,336,196
Capital lease obligations	84,069	81,552
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	660,441	462,099
Total liabilities	11,103,680	8,993,998
Redeemable noncontrolling interests	31,706	34,592
Equity:		
Preferred stock	1,022,917	1,022,917
Common stock	288,249	260,396
Capital in excess of par value	12,349,678	10,543,690
Treasury stock	(21,263)	(17,875)
Cumulative net income	2,301,869	2,184,819
Cumulative dividends	(4,363,376)	(3,694,579)
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(23,475)	(11,028)
Other equity	5,864	6,461
Total Health Care REIT, Inc. stockholders’ equity	11,560,463	10,294,801
Noncontrolling interests	353,956	225,718
Total equity	11,914,419	10,520,519
Total liabilities and equity	$ 23,049,805	$ 19,549,109

NOTE: The consolidated balance sheet at December 31, 2012 has been derived from the audited financial statements at that date but does not include all of the information and footnotes required by U.S. generally accepted accounting principles for complete financial statements.

See notes to unaudited consolidated financial statements

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (UNAUDITED)
HEALTH CARE REIT, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
(In thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
Revenues:				
Rental income	$ 311,731	$ 277,919	$ 909,659	$ 789,748
Resident fees and services	466,127	174,464	1,164,446	498,295
Interest income	7,629	8,111	24,325	24,131
Other income	1,443	1,339	3,168	4,505
Total revenues	786,930	461,833	2,101,598	1,316,679
Expenses:				
Interest expense	116,530	91,915	336,585	271,223
Property operating expenses	342,730	144,417	874,960	409,236
Depreciation and amortization	242,668	127,844	628,700	373,344
General and administrative	28,718	23,679	79,799	77,302
Transaction costs	23,591	8,264	117,707	42,535
Loss (gain) on derivatives, net	4,872	409	4,465	(1,712)
Loss (gain) on extinguishment of debt, net	(4,068)	215	(4,376)	791
Provision for loan losses	0	27,008	0	27,008
Total expenses	755,041	423,751	2,037,840	1,199,727
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes and income from unconsolidated entities	31,889	38,082	63,758	116,952
Income tax (expense) benefit	(3,077)	(836)	(7,055)	(3,754)
Income (loss) from unconsolidated entities	(331)	(739)	(3,529)	2,250
Income (loss) from continuing operations	28,481	36,507	53,174	115,448
Discontinued operations:				
Gain (loss) on sales of properties, net	4,707	12,827	57,202	46,046
Impairment of assets	0	(6,952)	0	(6,952)
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net	417	11,124	2,212	33,294
Discontinued operations, net	5,124	16,999	59,414	72,388
Net income	33,605	53,506	112,588	187,836
Less: Preferred stock dividends	16,602	16,602	49,805	52,527
Less: Preferred stock redemption charge	0	0	0	6,242
Less: Net income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interests(1)	(3,688)	(365)	(4,462)	(2,241)
Net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders	$ 20,691	$ 37,269	$ 67,245	$ 131,308
Average number of common shares outstanding:				
Basic	286,020	224,391	273,148	212,592
Diluted	288,029	226,258	275,247	214,075
Earnings per share:				
Basic:				
Income (loss) from continuing operations attributable to common stockholders	$ 0.05	$ 0.09	$ 0.03	$ 0.28
Discontinued operations, net	0.02	0.08	0.22	0.34
Net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders*	$ 0.07	$ 0.17	$ 0.25	$ 0.62
Diluted:				
Income (loss) from continuing operations attributable to common stockholders	$ 0.05	$ 0.09	$ 0.03	$ 0.28
Discontinued operations, net	0.02	0.08	0.22	0.34
Net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders*	$ 0.07	$ 0.16	$ 0.24	$ 0.61
Dividends declared and paid per common share	$ 0.765	$ 0.74	$ 2.295	$ 2.22

* Amounts may not sum due to rounding
(1) Includes amounts attributable to redeemable noncontrolling interests.

See notes to unaudited consolidated financial statements

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (CONTINUED)
HEALTH CARE REIT, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
(In thousands)

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
Net income	$ 33,605	$ 53,506	$ 112,588	$ 187,836
Other comprehensive income (loss):				
Unrecognized gain (loss) on equity investments	(260)	230	(346)	192
Change in net unrealized gains (losses) on cash flow hedges:				
Unrealized gain (loss)	473	414	1,416	1,138
Foreign currency translation gain (loss)	25,693	2,514	(18,164)	166
Total other comprehensive income (loss)	25,906	3,158	(17,094)	1,496
Total comprehensive income (loss)	59,511	56,664	95,494	189,332
Less: Total comprehensive income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interests[(1)]	(3,881)	(365)	(9,109)	(2,241)
Total comprehensive income (loss) attributable to common stockholders	$ 63,392	$ 57,029	$ 104,603	$ 191,573

(1) Includes amounts attributable to redeemable noncontrolling interests.

See notes to unaudited consolidated financial statements

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EQUITY (UNAUDITED)
HEALTH CARE REIT, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
(In thousands)

	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013									
	Preferred Stock	Common Stock	Capital in Excess of Par Value	Treasury Stock	Cumulative Net Income	Cumulative Dividends	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Other Equity	Noncontrolling Interests	Total
Balances at beginning of period	$ 1,022,917	$ 260,396	$ 10,543,690	$ (17,875)	$ 2,184,819	$ (3,694,579)	$ (11,028)	$ 6,461	$ 225,718	$ 10,520,519
Comprehensive income:										
Net income (loss)					117,050				(2,345)	114,705
Other comprehensive income							(12,447)		(4,647)	(17,094)
Total comprehensive income										97,611
Net change in noncontrolling interests		1,109	23,410						135,230	159,749
Amounts related to issuance of common stock from dividend reinvestment and stock incentive plans, net of forfeitures		2,756	176,840	(3,388)				(1,448)		174,760
Proceeds from issuance of common stock		23,000	1,607,281							1,630,281
Equity component of convertible debt		988	(1,543)							(555)
Option compensation expense								851		851
Cash dividends paid:										
Common stock cash dividends						(618,992)				(618,992)
Preferred stock cash dividends						(49,805)				(49,805)
Balances at end of period	$ 1,022,917	$ 288,249	$ 12,349,678	$ (21,263)	$ 2,301,869	$ (4,363,376)	$ (23,475)	$ 5,864	$ 353,956	$ 11,914,419

	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2012									
	Preferred Stock	Common Stock	Capital in Excess of Par Value	Treasury Stock	Cumulative Net Income	Cumulative Dividends	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Other Equity	Noncontrolling Interests	Total
Balances at beginning of period	$ 1,010,417	$ 192,299	$ 7,019,714	$ (13,535)	$ 1,893,806	$ (2,972,129)	$ (11,928)	$ 6,120	$ 153,883	$ 7,278,647
Comprehensive income:										
Net income (loss)					190,077				(1,272)	188,805
Other comprehensive income							1,496			1,496
Total comprehensive income										190,301
Net change in noncontrolling interests			(1,529)						13,767	12,238
Amounts related to issuance of common stock from dividend reinvestment and stock incentive plans, net of forfeitures		1,784	102,238	(3,996)				(1,046)		98,980
Proceeds from issuance of common stock		64,400	3,383,008							3,447,408
Proceeds from issuance of preferred stock	287,500		(9,813)							277,687
Redemption of preferred stock	(275,000)		6,202		(6,242)					(275,040)
Equity component of convertible debt		1,039	2,237							3,276
Option compensation expense								2,371		2,371
Cash dividends paid:										
Common stock cash dividends						(460,936)				(460,936)
Preferred stock cash dividends						(52,527)				(52,527)
Balances at end of period	$ 1,022,917	$ 259,522	$ 10,502,057	$ (17,531)	$ 2,077,641	$ (3,485,592)	$ (10,432)	$ 7,445	$ 166,378	$ 10,522,405

See notes to unaudited consolidated financial statements

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED)
HEALTH CARE REIT, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
(In thousands)

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2013	2012
Operating activities:		
Net income	$ 112,588	$ 187,836
Adjustments to reconcile net income to		
net cash provided from (used in) operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	630,579	393,243
Other amortization expenses	6,662	11,702
Provision for loan losses	0	27,008
Impairment of assets	0	6,952
Stock-based compensation expense	16,650	16,229
Loss (gain) on derivatives, net	4,465	(1,712)
Loss (gain) on extinguishment of debt, net	(4,376)	791
Loss (income) from unconsolidated entities	3,529	(2,250)
Rental income in excess of cash received	(31,226)	(32,069)
Amortization related to above (below) market leases, net	313	767
Loss (gain) on sales of properties, net	(57,202)	(46,046)
Distributions by unconsolidated entities	0	3,920
Increase (decrease) in accrued expenses and other liabilities	9,646	16,417
Decrease (increase) in receivables and other assets	(65,721)	(19,318)
Net cash provided from (used in) operating activities	625,907	563,470
Investing activities:		
Investment in real property, net of cash acquired	(3,354,716)	(2,119,796)
Capitalized interest	(4,698)	(7,113)
Investment in real estate loans receivable	(77,336)	(35,894)
Other investments, net of payments	(16,589)	26,752
Principal collected on real estate loans receivable	85,555	16,577
Contributions to unconsolidated entities	(381,667)	(227,735)
Distributions by unconsolidated entities	31,699	12,592
Proceeds from (payments on) derivatives	60,909	4,435
Decrease (increase) in restricted cash	68,796	(69,809)
Proceeds from sales of real property	385,493	302,377
Net cash provided from (used in) investing activities	(3,202,554)	(2,097,614)
Financing activities:		
Net increase (decrease) under unsecured lines of credit arrangements	834,050	(610,000)
Proceeds from issuance of senior unsecured notes	497,862	842,323
Payments to extinguish senior unsecured notes	(217,615)	(370,524)
Net proceeds from the issuance of secured debt	85,140	145,713
Payments on secured debt	(575,373)	(272,399)
Net proceeds from the issuance of common stock	1,792,552	3,536,232
Net proceeds from the issuance of preferred stock	0	277,687
Redemption of preferred stock	0	(275,000)
Decrease (increase) in deferred loan expenses	(12,398)	(5,119)
Contributions by noncontrolling interests[(1)]	5,350	12,106
Distributions to noncontrolling interests[(1)]	(22,502)	(15,283)
Acquisitions of noncontrolling interests	(23,247)	0
Cash distributions to stockholders	(668,797)	(513,463)
Other financing activities	(1,710)	641
Net cash provided from (used in) financing activities	1,693,312	2,752,914
Effect of foreign currency translation on cash and cash equivalents	14,409	0
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(868,926)	1,218,770
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	1,033,764	163,482
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	$ 164,838	$ 1,382,252
Supplemental cash flow information:		
Interest paid	$ 342,739	$ 275,246
Income taxes paid	5,146	3,012

(1) Includes amounts attributable to redeemable noncontrolling interests.

See notes to unaudited consolidated financial statements

1. Business

Health Care REIT, Inc., an S&P 500 company with headquarters in Toledo, Ohio, is an equity real estate investment trust ("REIT") that invests in seniors housing and health care real estate. Our full service platform offers property management and development services to our customers. As of September 30, 2013, our diversified portfolio consisted of 1,197 properties in 46 states, the United Kingdom, and Canada. Founded in 1970, we were the first real estate investment trust to invest exclusively in health care facilities.

2. Accounting Policies and Related Matters

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("U.S. GAAP") for interim financial information and with instructions to Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by U.S. GAAP for complete financial statements. In the opinion of management, all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring accruals) considered necessary for a fair presentation have been included. Operating results for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 are not necessarily an indication of the results that may be expected for the year ending December 31, 2013. For further information, refer to the financial statements and notes thereto included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012, as updated by our Current Report on Form 8-K filed on August 6, 2013.

New Accounting Standards

In February 2013, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2013-02, "Comprehensive Income (Topic 220): Reporting of Amounts Reclassified Out of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income," which requires companies to provide information about the amounts that are reclassified out of accumulated other comprehensive income by component and by the respective line items of net income. The amendment to authoritative guidance associated with comprehensive income was effective for us on January 1, 2013. The adoption of this guidance did not have a material impact on our unaudited consolidated financial statements.

3. Real Property Acquisitions and Development

The total purchase price for all properties acquired has been allocated to the tangible and identifiable intangible assets, liabilities and noncontrolling interests based upon their respective fair values in accordance with our accounting policies. The results of operations for these acquisitions have been included in our consolidated results of operations since the date of acquisition and are a component of the appropriate segments. Transaction costs primarily represent costs incurred with property acquisitions, including due diligence costs, fees for legal and valuation services and termination of pre-existing relationships computed based on the fair value of the assets acquired, lease termination fees and other acquisition-related costs.

Seniors Housing Triple-net Activity

	Nine Months Ended	
(In thousands)	September 30, 2013[(1)]	September 30, 2012
Land and land improvements	$ 56,665	$ 79,325
Buildings and improvements	211,903	935,036
Total assets acquired	268,568	1,014,361
Secured debt	-	(86,186)
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	-	(3,340)
Total liabilities assumed	-	(89,526)
Capital in excess of par	-	1,024
Noncontrolling interests	-	(16,826)
Non-cash acquisition related activity	-	(310)
Cash disbursed for acquisitions	268,568	908,723
Construction in progress additions	103,951	131,579
Less: Capitalized interest	(3,337)	(4,228)
Cash disbursed for construction in progress	100,614	127,351
Capital improvements to existing properties	27,819	48,450
Total cash invested in real property, net of cash acquired	$ 397,001	$ 1,084,524

(1) Includes acquisitions with an aggregate purchase price of $268,568,000 for which the allocation of the purchase price consideration is preliminary and subject to change.

Seniors Housing Operating Activity

Acquisitions of seniors housing operating properties are structured under RIDEA, which is described in Note 18. This structure results in the inclusion of all resident revenues and related property operating expenses from the operation of these qualified health care properties in our consolidated statements of comprehensive income. Certain of our subsidiaries' functional currencies are the local currencies of their respective countries. See Note 2 to the financial statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012, as updated by our Current Report on Form 8-K filed on August 6, 2013, for information regarding our foreign currency policies.

	Nine Months Ended	
(In thousands)	September 30, 2013[1]	September 30, 2012
Land and land improvements	$ 437,046	$ 46,391
Building and improvements	4,214,254	450,255
Acquired lease intangibles	377,929	39,875
Restricted cash	41,524	-
Receivables and other assets	81,546	2,247
Total assets acquired[2]	5,152,299	538,768
Secured debt	(1,261,093)	(8,684)
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	(86,412)	(5,480)
Total liabilities assumed	(1,347,505)	(14,164)
Noncontrolling interests	(230,441)	(2,054)
Non-cash acquisition related activity[3]	(856,103)	-
Cash disbursed for acquisitions	2,718,250	522,550
Construction in progress additions	1,521	-
Less: Capitalized interest	(18)	-
Cash disbursed for construction in progress	1,503	-
Capital improvements to existing properties	36,813	13,325
Total cash invested in real property, net of cash acquired	$ 2,756,566	$ 535,875

(1) Includes acquisitions with an aggregate purchase price of $5,152,299,000 for which the allocation of the purchase price consideration is preliminary and subject to change.

(2) Excludes $87,406,000 and $4,369,000 of cash acquired during the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

(3) Represents Sunrise loan and noncontrolling interests acquisitions.

Sunrise Merger

In August 2012, we entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger (the "Merger Agreement") with Sunrise Senior Living, Inc. ("Sunrise"), pursuant to which we agreed to acquire Sunrise in an all-cash merger (the "Merger") in which Sunrise stockholders would receive $14.50 in cash for each share of Sunrise common stock. On January 9, 2013, we completed our acquisition of the Sunrise property portfolio. The Sunrise Merger advances our strategic vision to own higher-end, private pay properties located in major metropolitan markets. On July 1, 2013, we acquired the remaining interests in 49 previously unconsolidated properties. As of September 30, 2013, 120 properties are wholly owned and 5 properties are held in unconsolidated entities (see Note 7 for additional information). The total estimated purchase price of approximately $4,155,052,000, including approximately $2,456,011,000 of cash consideration, has been allocated on a preliminary basis to the tangible and identifiable intangible assets and liabilities in the table above based on respective fair values in accordance with our accounting policies. We funded the cash consideration and other associated costs of the acquisition from cash on-hand as well as draws on our primary unsecured line of credit and unsecured term loan (see Notes 9 and 10 for additional information).

We recognized $201,941,000 and $443,221,000 of revenues and $65,942,000 and $145,264,000 of net operating income from continuing operations related to the consolidated Sunrise portfolio during the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2013, respectively. In addition, we incurred $72,337,000 of transaction costs, which include advisory fees, due diligence costs, severances, and fees for legal and valuation services during the nine month period ended September 30, 2013. These amounts are included in the seniors housing operating results reflected in Note 17.

The following unaudited pro forma consolidated results of operation have been prepared as if the Sunrise Merger had occurred as of January 1, 2012 based on the preliminary purchase price allocations discussed above. Amounts are in thousands, except per share data:

	Nine Months Ended	
	September 30, 2013	September 30, 2012
Revenues	$ 2,268,062	$ 1,828,395
Income (loss) from continuing operations attributable to common stockholders	$ (2,079)	$ (59,769)
Income (loss) from continuing operations attributable to common stockholders per share:		
Basic	$ (0.01)	$ (0.28)
Diluted	$ (0.01)	$ (0.28)

Medical Facilities Activity

(In thousands)	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013[1]	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2012
Land and land improvements	$ -	$ 53,493
Buildings and improvements	144,708	487,255
Acquired lease intangibles	-	93,392
Restricted cash	505	975
Receivables and other assets	151	4,311
Total assets acquired	145,364	639,426
Secured debt	(26,300)	(238,589)
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	(479)	(18,075)
Total liabilities assumed	(26,779)	(256,664)
Non-cash acquisition activity	(12,056)[2]	(880)
Cash disbursed for acquisitions	106,529	381,882
Construction in progress additions	87,882	94,462
Less: Capitalized interest	(1,343)	(2,885)
Accruals[3]	(9,806)	(4,567)
Cash disbursed for construction in progress	76,733	87,010
Capital improvements to existing properties	17,887	30,505
Total cash invested in real property	$ 201,149	$ 499,397

(1) Includes acquisitions with an aggregate purchase price of $145,364,000 for which the allocation of purchase price consideration is preliminary and subject to change.

(2) Represents non-cash consideration exchanged in an asset swap transaction. Please see Note 5 for additional information.

(3) Represents non-cash accruals for amounts to be paid in future periods relating to properties that converted in the periods noted above.

Construction Activity

The following is a summary of the construction projects that were placed into service and began generating revenues during the periods presented (in thousands):

	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2012
Development projects:		
Seniors housing triple-net	$ 105,265	$ 84,271
Medical facilities	78,839	111,327
Total development projects	184,104	195,598
Expansion projects	14,229	240
Total construction in progress conversions	$ 198,333	$ 195,838

4. Real Estate Intangibles

The following is a summary of our real estate intangibles, excluding those classified as held for sale, as of the dates indicated (dollars in thousands):

	September 30, 2013	December 31, 2012
Assets:		
In place lease intangibles	$ 918,507	$ 541,729
Above market tenant leases	54,091	56,086
Below market ground leases	61,461	61,450
Lease commissions	16,483	14,419
Gross historical cost	1,050,542	673,684
Accumulated amortization	(472,389)	(257,242)
Net book value	$ 578,153	$ 416,442
Weighted-average amortization period in years	17.1	16.4
Liabilities:		
Below market tenant leases	$ 76,239	$ 77,036
Above market ground leases	9,490	9,490
Gross historical cost	85,729	86,526
Accumulated amortization	(32,894)	(27,753)
Net book value	$ 52,835	$ 58,773
Weighted-average amortization period in years	14.3	14.3

The following is a summary of real estate intangible amortization for the periods presented (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
Rental income related to above/below market tenant leases, net	$ 235	$ (972)	$ 596	$ 452
Property operating expenses related to above/below market ground leases, net	(303)	(555)	(909)	(1,219)
Depreciation and amortization related to in place lease intangibles and lease commissions	(78,782)	(22,271)	(168,441)	(78,114)

The future estimated aggregate amortization of intangible assets and liabilities is as follows for the periods presented (in thousands):

	Assets	Liabilities
2013	$ 93,415	$ 1,730
2014	207,606	6,583
2015	58,816	5,623
2016	25,985	5,185
2017	26,825	4,894
Thereafter	165,506	28,820
Totals	$ 578,153	$ 52,835

5. Dispositions, Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations

The following is a summary of our real property disposition activity for the periods presented (in thousands):

	Nine Months Ended	
	September 30, 2013	September 30, 2012
Real property dispositions:		
Seniors housing triple-net	$ 138,650	$ 149,984
Medical facilities	201,845	106,347
Total dispositions	340,495	256,331
Gain (loss) on sales of real property, net	57,202	46,046
Non-cash disposition activity[1]	(12,204)	0
Proceeds from real property sales	$ 385,493	$ 302,377

(1) Represents non-cash consideration surrendered in an asset swap transaction. Please see Note 3 for additional information.

We have reclassified the income and expenses attributable to all properties sold prior to or held for sale at September 30, 2013 to discontinued operations. Expenses include an allocation of interest expense based on property carrying values and our weighted-average cost of debt. The following illustrates the reclassification impact as a result of classifying properties as discontinued operations for the periods presented (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
Revenues:				
Rental income	$ 810	$ 20,747	$ 5,972	$ 70,166
Expenses:				
Interest expense	12	4,328	1,535	15,504
Property operating expenses	68	281	346	1,469
Provision for depreciation	313	5,014	1,879	19,899
Total expenses	393	9,623	3,760	36,872
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net	$ 417	$ 11,124	$ 2,212	$ 33,294

6. Real Estate Loans Receivable

The following is a summary of our real estate loan activity for the periods presented (in thousands):

	Nine Months Ended					
	September 30, 2013			September 30, 2012		
	Seniors Housing Triple-net	Medical Facilities	Totals	Seniors Housing Triple-net	Medical Facilities	Totals
Advances on real estate loans receivable:						
Investments in new loans	$ 27,392	$ 4,095	$ 31,487	$ 1,154	$ 0	$ 1,154
Draws on existing loans	42,772	3,077	45,849	33,710	1,030	34,740
Net cash advances on real estate loans	70,164	7,172	77,336	34,864	1,030	35,894
Receipts on real estate loans receivable:						
Loan payoffs	65,768	646	66,414	450	0	450
Principal payments on loans	16,972	2,169	19,141	14,204	1,923	16,127
Total receipts on real estate loans	82,740	2,815	85,555	14,654	1,923	16,577
Net cash advances (receipts) on real estate loans	(12,576)	4,357	(8,219)	20,210	(893)	19,317
Change in balance due to foreign currency translation	765	0	765	0	0	0
Net change in real estate loans receivable	$ (11,811)	$ 4,357	$ (7,454)	$ 20,210	$ (893)	$ 19,317

We recorded no provision for loan losses during the nine months ended September 30, 2013. At September 30, 2013, we had real estate loans with outstanding balances of $2,650,000 on non-accrual status with an allowance for loan losses of $0.

7. Investments in Unconsolidated Entities

During the year ended December 31, 2010, we entered into a joint venture investment with Forest City Enterprises Inc. (NYSE:FCE.A and FCE.B). We acquired a 49% interest in a seven-building life science campus located at University Park in Cambridge, Massachusetts, which is immediately adjacent to the campus of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. This investment is recorded as an investment in unconsolidated entities on the balance sheet.

On December 31, 2010, we formed a strategic partnership with a national medical office building company whereby the partnership invested in 17 medical office properties. We own a controlling interest in 11 properties and consolidate them. Consolidation is based on a combination of ownership interest and control of operational decision-making authority. We do not own a controlling interest in six properties and account for them under the equity method. Our investment in the strategic partnership provides us access to health systems and includes development and property management resources.

During the three months ended June 30, 2012, we entered into a joint venture (structured under RIDEA) with Chartwell Retirement Residences (TSX:CSH.UN). The portfolio contains 42 properties in Canada, 39 of which are owned 50% by us and Chartwell, and three of which we wholly own. All properties are managed by Chartwell. Our investment in the 39 properties is recorded as an investment in unconsolidated entities on the balance sheet. The aggregate remaining unamortized basis difference of our investment in this joint venture of $9,488,000 at September 30, 2013 is primarily attributable to transaction costs that will be amortized over the weighted-average useful life of the related properties and included in the reported amount of income from unconsolidated entities.

In conjunction with the Sunrise Merger, we acquired joint venture interests in 54 properties and a 20% interest in a newly formed Sunrise management company, which manages the entire property portfolio. On July 1, 2013, we acquired the remaining interests in 49 of the properties. Our original investment of $49,759,000 relating to the five remaining unconsolidated properties and the management company is recorded as an investment in unconsolidated entities on the balance sheet. See Note 3 for additional information.

The results of operations for those investments accounted for under the equity method have been included in our consolidated results of operations from the date of acquisition by the joint ventures and are reflected in our statements of comprehensive income as income or loss from unconsolidated entities. The following is a summary of our income from and investments in unconsolidated entities (dollars in thousands):

	September 30, 2013		Nine Months Ended September 30,		Assets as of	
	Percentage Ownership	Properties	2013 Income (loss)	2012 Income (loss)	September 30, 2013	December 31, 2012
Seniors housing triple-net[1]	10% to 49%	-	$ 3,680	$ 26	$ 29,107	$ 34,618
Seniors housing operating	33% to 50%	44	(13,946)	(4,090)	257,232	217,701
Medical facilities	36% to 49%	13	6,737	6,314	189,235	186,617
Total			$ (3,529)	$ 2,250	$ 475,574	$ 438,936

(1) Asset amounts include an available-for-sale equity investment. See Note 16 for additional information.

8. Credit Concentration

The following table summarizes certain information about our credit concentration as of September 30, 2013 (dollars in thousands):

Concentration by investment:[1]	Number of Properties[2]	Total Investment[2]	Percent of Investment[3]
Sunrise Senior Living	120	$ 4,060,818	19%
Genesis HealthCare	177	2,662,196	12%
Revera	47	1,221,148	6%
Belmont Village	19	859,797	4%
Benchmark	37	852,960	4%
Remaining portfolio	740	11,949,624	55%
Totals	1,140	$ 21,606,543	100%

(1) Genesis is in our seniors housing triple-net segment. Sunrise, Revera, and Belmont Village are in our seniors housing operating segment. Benchmark is in both our seniors housing triple-net and seniors housing operating segments.
(2) Excludes our share of investments in unconsolidated entities. Please see Note 7 for additional information.
(3) Investments with our top five relationships comprised 37% of total investments at December 31, 2012.

9. Borrowings Under Line of Credit Arrangements and Related Items

At September 30, 2013, we had a $2,250,000,000 unsecured line of credit arrangement with a consortium of 29 banks. We have an option to upsize the facility by up to an additional $1,000,000,000 through an accordion feature, allowing for the aggregate commitment of up to $3,250,000,000. The arrangement also allows us to borrow up to $500,000,000 in alternate currencies. At September 30, 2013, we had $595,000,000 outstanding at 1.36%, and the U.S. dollar equivalent of $242,670,000 outstanding in Pound Sterling at 1.67%. The revolving credit facility is scheduled to expire March 31, 2017, but can be extended for an additional year at our option. Borrowings under the revolver are subject to interest payable in periods no longer than three months at either the agent bank's prime rate of interest or the applicable margin over LIBOR interest rate, at our option (1.35% at September 30, 2013). The applicable margin is based on certain of our debt ratings and was 1.175% at September 30, 2013. In addition, we pay a facility fee annually to each bank based on the bank's commitment amount. The facility fee depends on certain of our debt ratings and was 0.225% at September 30, 2013. Principal is due upon expiration of the agreement. In addition, at September 30, 2013, we had $10,000,000 outstanding in unsecured revolving demand notes bearing interest at a blended rate of 1.11%.

The following information relates to aggregate borrowings under the unsecured line of credit arrangements for the periods presented (dollars in thousands):

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
Balance outstanding at quarter end	$ 847,670	$ 0	$ 847,670	$ 0
Maximum amount outstanding at any month end	$ 1,019,050	$ 145,000	$ 1,019,050	$ 897,000
Average amount outstanding (total of daily principal balances divided by days in period)	$ 562,978	$ 165,000	$ 527,890	$ 255,639
Weighted average interest rate (actual interest expense divided by average borrowings outstanding)	1.51%	2.30%	1.43%	1.79%

10. Senior Unsecured Notes and Secured Debt

We may repurchase, redeem or refinance convertible and non-convertible senior unsecured notes from time to time, taking advantage of favorable market conditions when available. We may purchase senior notes for cash through open market purchases, privately negotiated transactions, a tender offer or, in some cases, through the early redemption of such securities pursuant to their terms. The non-convertible senior unsecured notes are redeemable at our option, at any time in whole or from time to time in part, at a redemption price equal to the sum of (1) the principal amount of the notes (or portion of such notes) being redeemed plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon up to the redemption date and (2) any "make-whole" amount due under the terms of the notes in connection with early redemptions. Redemptions and repurchases of debt, if any, will depend on prevailing market conditions, our liquidity requirements, contractual restrictions and other factors. At September 30, 2013, the annual principal payments due on these debt obligations were as follows (in thousands):

	Senior Unsecured Notes[1,2]	Secured Debt [1,3]	Totals
2013	$ 300,000	$ 75,866	$ 375,866
2014	0	326,307	326,307
2015[4]	493,072	403,268	896,340
2016	1,200,000	384,127	1,584,127
2017	450,000	341,845	791,845
Thereafter	3,975,118	1,534,510	5,509,628
Totals	$ 6,418,190	$ 3,065,923	$ 9,484,113

(1) Amounts represent principal amounts due and do not include unamortized premiums/discounts or other fair value adjustments as reflected on the balance sheet.

(2) Annual interest rates range from 2.25% to 6.5%, excluding the Canadian denominated unsecured term loan discussed in footnote 4 and the $500,000,000 unsecured term loan discussed below.

(3) Annual interest rates range from 1.0% to 9.1%. Carrying value of the properties securing the debt totaled $6,336,955,000 at September 30, 2013.

(4) On July 30, 2012, we completed funding on a $250,000,000 Canadian denominated unsecured term loan (approximately $243,072,000 USD at exchange rates on September 30, 2013). The loan matures July 27, 2015 (with an option to extend for an additional year at our discretion) and bears interest at the Canadian Dealer Offered Rate plus 145 basis points (2.67% at September 30, 2013).

During the nine months ended September 30, 2013, we borrowed on a $500,000,000 unsecured term loan entered into as part of our unsecured line of credit arrangement. The loan matures on March 31, 2016, but can be extended up to two years at our option and bears interest at LIBOR plus 1.35% (1.53% at September 30, 2013).

The following is a summary of our senior unsecured note activity, excluding the Canadian denominated unsecured term loan, during the periods presented (dollars in thousands):

	Nine Months Ended			
	September 30, 2013		September 30, 2012	
	Amount	Weighted Avg. Interest Rate	Amount	Weighted Avg. Interest Rate
Beginning balance	$ 5,894,403	4.675%	$ 4,464,927	5.133%
Debt issued	500,000	1.552%	600,000	4.125%
Debt extinguished	-	0.000%	(76,853)	8.000%
Debt redeemed	(219,285)	3.000%	(293,671)	4.750%
Ending balance	$ 6,175,118	4.480%	$ 4,694,403	5.030%

The following is a summary of our secured debt principal activity for the periods presented (dollars in thousands):

	Nine Months Ended			
	September 30, 2013		September 30, 2012	
	Amount	Weighted Avg. Interest Rate	Amount	Weighted Avg. Interest Rate
Beginning balance	$ 2,311,586	5.14%	$ 2,108,373	5.34%
Debt issued	85,140	5.05%	145,713	4.13%
Debt assumed	1,241,898	4.11%	311,653	5.71%
Debt extinguished	(535,367)	3.52%	(237,259)	4.29%
Principal payments	(40,006)	5.27%	(28,247)	5.35%
Foreign currency	2,672	4.04%	288	5.62%
Ending balance	$ 3,065,923	5.08%	$ 2,300,521	5.42%

Our debt agreements contain various covenants, restrictions and events of default. Certain agreements require us to maintain certain financial ratios and minimum net worth and impose certain limits on our ability to incur indebtedness, create liens and make investments or acquisitions. As of September 30, 2013, we were in compliance with all of the covenants under our debt agreements.

11. Derivative Instruments

We are exposed to various market risks, including the potential loss arising from adverse changes in interest rates. We may elect to use financial derivative instruments to hedge interest rate exposure. These decisions are principally based on our policy to manage the general trend in interest rates at the applicable dates and our perception of the future volatility of interest rates. In addition, non-U.S. investments expose us to the potential losses associated with adverse changes in foreign currency to U.S. Dollar exchange rates. We may elect to manage this risk through the use of forward exchange contracts and issuing debt in foreign currencies.

I nterest Rate Swap Contracts Designated as Cash Flow Hedges

For instruments that are designated and qualify as a cash flow hedge, the effective portion of the gain or loss on the derivative is reported as a component of other comprehensive income ("OCI"), and reclassified into earnings in the same period, or periods, during which the hedged transaction affects earnings. Gains and losses on the derivative representing either hedge ineffectiveness or hedge components excluded from the assessment of effectiveness are recognized in earnings. As of September 30, 2013, we had one interest rate swap for a total aggregate notional amount of $11,692,000. The swap hedges interest payments associated with long-term LIBOR based borrowings and matures on December 31, 2013. Approximately $1,910,000 of losses, which are included in accumulated other comprehensive income ("AOCI"), are expected to be reclassified into earnings in the next 12 months.

Foreign Currency Hedges

For instruments that are designated and qualify as net investment hedges, the variability in the foreign currency to U.S. dollar of the instrument is recorded as a cumulative translation adjustment component of OCI. The balance of the cumulative translation adjustment will be reclassified to earnings when the hedged investment is sold or substantially liquidated. On February 15, 2012, we entered into a forward exchange contract to purchase $250,000,000 Canadian Dollars at a fixed rate in the future. The forward contract was used to limit exposure to fluctuations in the Canadian Dollar to U.S. Dollar exchange rate associated with our initial cash investment funded for the Chartwell transaction. On May 3, 2012, this forward exchange contract was settled for a gain of $2,772,000, which was reflected on the consolidated statement of comprehensive income, and the proceeds were used to fund our investment. On May 3, 2012, we also entered into a forward contract to sell $250,000,000 Canadian Dollars at a fixed rate on July 31, 2012 to hedge our net investment. We settled the forward contract on July 31, 2012 with the net loss reflected in OCI. Upon settlement of the forward contract we entered into a $250,000,000 Canadian Dollar term loan, which has been designated as a net investment hedge of our Chartwell investment, and changes in fair value are reported in OCI as no ineffectiveness is anticipated.

On August 30, 2012, we entered into two cross currency swaps to purchase £125,000,000. The swaps were used to limit exposure to fluctuations in the Pound Sterling to U.S. Dollar exchange rate associated with our initial cash investment funded for the Sunrise transaction. The cross currency swaps have been designated as a net investment hedge, and changes in fair value are reported in OCI as no ineffectiveness is anticipated.

On September 17, 2012, we entered into two forward exchange contracts to purchase $14,000,000 Canadian Dollars and £23,000,000 at a fixed rate in the future. The forward contracts were used to limit exposure to fluctuations in foreign currency associated with future international transactions. These forward contacts were settled on March 22, 2013 for a realized loss of $2,309,000.

On January 14, 2013 and January 15, 2013, we entered into three forward exchange contracts to sell £675,000,000 at a fixed rate in the future. The forward exchange contracts were used to hedge a portion of our investment in the United Kingdom at a fixed Pound Sterling rate in U.S. dollars and were settled on July 12, 2013. We received proceeds of $63,514,000. The forward exchange contracts were designated as net investment hedges and the change in fair value is reported in OCI.

On April 4, 2013, we entered into three forward exchange contracts to purchase $600,000,000 Canadian Dollars at a fixed rate in the future and three forward exchange contracts to sell $600,000,000 Canadian Dollars at a fixed rate in the future. The forward contracts were used to limit exposure to fluctuations in the Canadian Dollar to U.S. Dollar exchange rate associated with our initial cash investment funded for an acquisition in Canada. On May 22, 2013, the three forward exchange purchase contracts were settled for a realized loss of $10,355,000, which was reflected on the consolidated statement of comprehensive income, and the proceeds were used to fund our investment. On May 22, 2013, we designated the three forward exchange sell contracts as net investment hedges, and changes in fair value are reported in OCI as no ineffectiveness is anticipated. Prior to designating the three forward exchange sell contracts as net investments, they were marked to fair value and an unrealized gain of $13,071,000 was reflected on the consolidated statement of comprehensive income.

On July 1, 2013, we entered into two forward exchange contracts to purchase £144,411,000 at a fixed rate in the future. The forward contracts were used to limit exposure to fluctuations in the Pound Sterling to U.S. Dollar exchange rate associated with our initial cash investment for an acquisition in the United Kingdom. In July 2013, these forward contracts were settled for a realized loss of $4,872,000, which was reflected on the consolidated statement of comprehensive income, and the proceeds were used to fund our investment.

On July 12, 2013, we entered into three forward exchange contracts to sell £675,000,000 at a fixed rate in the future. The forward exchange contracts were used to hedge a portion of our investment in the United Kingdom at a fixed Pound Sterling rate in U.S. dollars and mature on December 31, 2013. The forward exchange contracts are designated as net investment hedges and changes in fair value are reported in OCI as no ineffectiveness is expected.

The following presents the impact of derivative instruments on the statement of comprehensive income and OCI for the periods presented (in thousands):

		Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	Location	2013	2012	2013	2012
Gain (loss) on interest rate swap recognized in OCI (effective portion)	OCI	$ (4)	$ 797	$ (12)	$ 2,342
Gain (loss) on interest rate swaps reclassified from AOCI into income (effective portion)	Interest expense	(477)	383	(1,428)	1,204
Gain (loss) on interest rate swaps recognized in income	Gain (loss) on derivatives, net	0	0	0	(96)
Gain (loss) on foreign exchange contracts recognized in income	Gain (loss) on derivatives, net	(4,872)	(409)	(4,465)	1,808
Gain (loss) on foreign exchange contracts and term loans designated as net investment hedge recognized in OCI	OCI	(110,404)	(12,663)	(19,867)	(5,747)

12. Commitments and Contingencies

At September 30, 2013, we had six outstanding letter of credit obligations totaling $5,658,000 and expiring between 2013 and 2015. At September 30, 2013, we had outstanding construction in process of $158,006,000 for leased properties and were committed to providing additional funds of approximately $261,625,000 to complete construction. At September 30, 2013, we had contingent purchase obligations totaling $59,561,000. These contingent purchase obligations relate to unfunded capital improvement obligations and contingent obligations on acquisitions. Rents due from the tenant are increased to reflect the additional investment in the property.

We evaluate our leases for operating versus capital lease treatment in accordance with Accounting Standards Codification (“ASC”) Topic 840 “Leases.” A lease is classified as a capital lease if it provides for transfer of ownership of the leased asset at the end of the lease term, contains a bargain purchase option, has a lease term greater than 75% of the economic life of the leased asset, or if the net present value of the future minimum lease payments are in excess of 90% of the fair value of the leased asset. Certain leases contain bargain purchase options and have been classified as capital leases. At September 30, 2013, we had operating lease obligations of $882,088,000 relating to certain ground leases and company office space and capital lease obligations of $118,463,000 relating to certain investment properties. We incurred rental expense relating to company office space of $410,000 and $1,217,000 for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2013, respectively, as compared to $330,000 and $931,000 for the same periods in 2012. Regarding ground leases, we have sublease agreements with certain of our operators that require the operators to reimburse us for our monthly operating lease obligations. At September 30, 2013, aggregate future minimum rentals to be received under these noncancelable subleases totaled $44,987,000.

13. Stockholders' Equity

The following is a summary of our stockholders' equity capital accounts as of the dates indicated:

	September 30, 2013	December 31, 2012
Preferred Stock:		
Authorized shares	50,000,000	50,000,000
Issued shares	26,224,854	26,224,854
Outstanding shares	26,224,854	26,224,854
Common Stock, $1.00 par value:		
Authorized shares	400,000,000	400,000,000
Issued shares	288,821,107	260,780,109
Outstanding shares	288,360,031	260,373,754

Preferred Stock. The following is a summary of our preferred stock activity during the periods indicated:

	Nine Months Ended			
	September 30, 2013		September 30, 2012	
	Shares	Weighted Avg. Dividend Rate	Shares	Weighted Avg. Dividend Rate
Beginning balance	26,224,854	6.493%	25,724,854	7.013%
Shares issued	-	0.000%	11,500,000	6.500%
Shares redeemed	-	0.000%	(11,000,000)	7.716%
Ending balance	26,224,854	6.493%	26,224,854	6.493%

Common Stock. The following is a summary of our common stock issuances during the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 (dollars in thousands, except per share amounts):

	Shares Issued	Average Price	Gross Proceeds	Net Proceeds
February 2012 public issuance	20,700,000	$ 53.50	$ 1,107,450	$ 1,062,256
August 2012 public issuance	13,800,000	58.75	810,750	778,011
September 2012 public issuance	29,900,000	56.00	1,674,400	1,607,140
2012 Dividend reinvestment plan issuances	1,485,598	55.65	82,678	82,678
2012 Option exercises	155,195	39.61	6,147	6,147
2012 Senior note conversions	1,039,721		0	0
2012 Totals	67,080,514		$ 3,681,425	$ 3,536,232
May 2013 public issuance	23,000,000	$ 73.50	$ 1,690,500	$ 1,630,281
2013 Dividend reinvestment plan issuances	2,379,609	64.62	153,762	153,762
2013 Option exercises	200,467	42.45	8,509	8,509
2013 Senior note conversions	987,967		0	0
2013 Equity issued in acquisition of noncontrolling interest	1,108,917		0	0
2013 Totals	27,676,960		$ 1,852,771	$ 1,792,552

During the three months ended September 30, 2013, we acquired the remaining 20% noncontrolling interest in an existing partnership for $91,000,000 which consisted of $23,247,000 of cash and 1,108,917 shares of common stock. In connection with the acquisition, we incurred $2,732,000 of transaction costs which we have included as a reduction to additional paid in capital.

Dividends. The increase in dividends is primarily attributable to increases in our common shares outstanding as described above. Please refer to Note 18 for information related to federal income tax of dividends. The following is a summary of our dividend payments (in thousands, except per share amounts):

	Nine Months Ended			
	September 30, 2013		September 30, 2012	
	Per Share	Amount	Per Share	Amount
Common Stock	$ 2.2950	$ 618,992	$ 2.2200	$ 460,936
Series D Preferred Stock	-	0	0.5030	2,012
Series F Preferred Stock	-	0	0.4872	3,410
Series H Preferred Stock	2.1438	750	2.1438	750
Series I Preferred Stock	2.4375	35,039	2.4375	35,039
Series J Preferred Stock	1.2189	14,016	0.9841	11,316
Totals		$ 668,797		$ 513,463

Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income. The following is a summary of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) for the periods presented (in thousands):

	Unrecognized gains (losses) related to:				
	Foreign Currency Translation	Equity Investments	Actuarial losses	Cash Flow Hedges	Total
Balance at December 31, 2012	$ (881)	$ (216)	$ (2,974)	$ (6,957)	$ (11,028)
Other comprehensive income before reclassification adjustments	(13,517)	(346)	0	(12)	(13,875)
Reclassification amount to net income	0	0	0	1,428 (1)	1,428
Net current-period other comprehensive income	(13,517)	(346)	0	1,416	(12,447)
Balance at September 30, 2013	$ (14,398)	$ (562)	$ (2,974)	$ (5,541)	$ (23,475)
Balance at December 31, 2011	$ 0	$ (619)	$ (2,748)	$ (8,561)	$ (11,928)
Other comprehensive income before reclassification adjustments	166	192	0	2,342	2,700
Reclassification amount to net income	0	0	0	(1,204) (1)	(1,204)
Net current-period other comprehensive income	166	192	0	1,138	1,496
Balance at September 30, 2012	$ 166	$ (427)	$ (2,748)	$ (7,423)	$ (10,432)

(1) Please see Note 11 for additional information.

14. Stock Incentive Plans

Our Amended and Restated 2005 Long-Term Incentive Plan ("2005 Plan") authorizes up to 6,200,000 shares of common stock to be issued at the discretion of the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors. The 2005 Plan replaced the 1995 Stock Incentive Plan ("1995 Plan") and the Stock Plan for Non-Employee Directors. The options granted to officers and key employees under the 1995 Plan vested through 2010 and expire ten years from the date of grant. Our non-employee directors, officers and key employees are eligible to participate in the 2005 Plan. The 2005 Plan allows for the issuance of, among other things, stock options, restricted stock, deferred stock units and dividend equivalent rights. Vesting periods for options, deferred stock units and restricted shares generally range from three years for non-employee directors to five years for officers and key employees. Options expire ten years from the date of grant. Stock-based compensation expense totaled $3,956,000 and $16,650,000 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, respectively, and $2,592,000 and $16,229,000 for the same periods in 2012.

15. Earnings Per Share

The following table sets forth the computation of basic and diluted earnings per share (in thousands, except per share data):

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
Numerator for basic and diluted earnings per share - net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders	$ 20,691	$ 37,269	$ 67,245	$ 131,308
Denominator for basic earnings per share - weighted average shares	286,020	224,391	273,148	212,592
Effect of dilutive securities:				
Employee stock options	196	238	235	240
Non-vested restricted shares	567	301	417	293
Convertible senior unsecured notes	1,246	1,328	1,447	950
Dilutive potential common shares	2,009	1,867	2,099	1,483
Denominator for diluted earnings per share - adjusted weighted average shares	288,029	226,258	275,247	214,075
Basic earnings per share	$ 0.07	$ 0.17	$ 0.25	$ 0.62
Diluted earnings per share	$ 0.07	$ 0.16	$ 0.24	$ 0.61

The diluted earnings per share calculations exclude the dilutive effect of 0 and 237,000 common stock equivalents for the three months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively, and 0 common stock equivalents for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, because the exercise prices were higher than the average market price. The Series H Cumulative Convertible and Redeemable Preferred Stock and Series I Cumulative Convertible Perpetual Preferred Stock were not included in the calculations as the effect of conversions into common stock was anti-dilutive.

16. Disclosure about Fair Value of Financial Instruments

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.

Mortgage Loans and Other Real Estate Loans Receivable — The fair value of mortgage loans and other real estate loans receivable is generally estimated by using Level 2 and Level 3 inputs such as discounting the estimated future cash flows using the current rates at which similar loans would be made to borrowers with similar credit ratings and for the same remaining maturities.

Cash and Cash Equivalents — The carrying amount approximates fair value.

Available-for-sale Equity Investments — Available-for-sale equity investments are recorded at their fair value based on Level 1 publicly available trading prices.

Borrowings Under Unsecured Line of Credit Arrangements — The carrying amount of the unsecured line of credit arrangements approximates fair value because the borrowings are interest rate adjustable.

Senior Unsecured Notes — The fair value of the senior unsecured notes payable was estimated based on Level 1 publicly available trading prices.

Secured Debt — The fair value of fixed rate secured debt is estimated using Level 2 inputs by discounting the estimated future cash flows using the current rates at which similar loans would be made with similar credit ratings and for the same remaining maturities. The carrying amount of variable rate secured debt approximates fair value because the borrowings are interest rate adjustable.

Interest Rate Swap Agreements — Interest rate swap agreements are recorded in other assets or other liabilities on the balance sheet at fair market value. Fair market value is estimated using Level 2 inputs by utilizing pricing models that consider forward yield curves and discount rates.

Foreign Currency Forward Contracts — Foreign currency forward contracts are recorded in other assets or other liabilities on the balance sheet at fair market value. Fair market value is determined using Level 2 inputs by estimating the future value of the currency pair based on existing exchange rates, comprised of current spot and traded forward points, and calculating a present value of the net amount using a discount factor based on observable traded interest rates.

The carrying amounts and estimated fair values of our financial instruments are as follows (in thousands):

	September 30, 2013		December 31, 2012	
	Carrying Amount	Fair Value	Carrying Amount	Fair Value
Financial assets:				
Mortgage loans receivable	$ 131,138	$ 133,554	$ 87,955	$ 88,975
Other real estate loans receivable	176,239	182,153	807,710	820,195
Available-for-sale equity investments	1,037	1,037	1,384	1,384
Cash and cash equivalents	164,838	164,838	1,033,764	1,033,764
Foreign currency forward contracts	7,669	7,669	0	0
Financial liabilities:				
Borrowings under unsecured line of credit arrangements	$ 847,670	$ 847,670	$ 0	$ 0
Senior unsecured notes	6,395,638	6,806,353	6,114,151	6,793,424
Secured debt	3,115,862	3,262,955	2,336,196	2,515,145
Interest rate swap agreements	68	68	264	264
Foreign currency forward contracts	79,544	79,544	7,247	7,247

U.S. GAAP provides authoritative guidance for measuring and disclosing fair value measurements of assets and liabilities. The guidance defines fair value as the exchange price that would be received for an asset or paid to transfer a liability (an exit price) in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. The guidance also establishes a fair value hierarchy which requires an entity to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs when measuring fair value. The guidance describes three levels of inputs that may be used to measure fair value:

Level 1 - Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2 - Observable inputs other than Level 1 prices such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities; quoted prices in markets that are not active; or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets or liabilities. Please see Note 2 to the financial statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012, as updated by our Current Report on Form 8-K filed on August 6, 2013, for additional information.

Level 3 - Unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market activity and that are significant to the fair value of the assets or liabilities.

Items Measured at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis

The market approach is utilized to measure fair value for our financial assets and liabilities reported at fair value on a recurring basis. The market approach uses prices and other relevant information generated by market transactions involving identical or comparable assets or liabilities. The following summarizes items measured at fair value on a recurring basis (in thousands):

	Fair Value Measurements as of September 30, 2013			
	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Available-for-sale equity investments[1]	$ 1,037	$ 1,037	$ 0	$ 0
Interest rate swap agreements[2]	(68)	0	(68)	0
Foreign currency forward contracts[2]	(71,875)	0	(71,875)	0
Totals	$ (70,906)	$ 1,037	$ (71,943)	$ 0

(1) Unrealized gains or losses on equity investments are recorded in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) at each measurement date.
(2) Please see Note 11 for additional information.

Items Measured at Fair Value on a Nonrecurring Basis

In addition to items that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis, we also have assets and liabilities in our balance sheet that are measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis. As these assets and liabilities are not measured at fair value on a recurring basis, they are not included in the tables above. Assets, liabilities and noncontrolling interests that are measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis include those acquired/assumed in business combinations (see Note 3) and asset impairments (if applicable, see Note 5 for impairments of real property and Note 6 for impairments of loans receivable). We have determined that the fair value measurements included in each of these assets and liabilities rely primarily on company-specific inputs and our assumptions about the use of the assets and settlement of liabilities, as observable inputs are not available. As such, we have determined that each of these fair value measurements generally reside within Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy. We estimate the fair value of real estate and related intangibles using the income approach and unobservable data such as net operating income and estimated capitalization and discount rates. We also consider local and national industry market data including comparable sales, and commonly engage an external real estate appraiser to assist us in our estimation of fair value. We estimate the fair value of assets held for sale based on current sales price expectations or, in the absence of such price expectations, Level 3 inputs described above. We estimate the fair value of secured debt assumed in business combinations using current interest rates at which similar borrowings could be obtained on the transaction date.

17. Segment Reporting

We invest in seniors housing and health care real estate. We evaluate our business and make resource allocations on our five operating segments: seniors housing triple-net, seniors housing operating, medical office buildings, hospitals and life science. Our seniors housing triple-net properties include skilled nursing/post-acute facilities, assisted living facilities, independent living/continuing care retirement communities and combinations thereof. Under the seniors housing triple-net segment, we invest in seniors housing and health care real estate through acquisition and financing of primarily single tenant properties. Properties acquired are primarily leased under triple-net leases and we are not involved in the management of the property. Our seniors housing operating properties include seniors housing communities that are owned and/or operated through RIDEA structures (see Notes 3 and 18).

Our medical facility properties include medical office buildings, hospitals and life science buildings which are aggregated into our medical facilities reportable segment. Our medical office buildings are typically leased to multiple tenants and generally require a certain level of property management. Our hospital investments are leased and we are not involved in the management of the property. Our life science investment represents an investment in an unconsolidated entity (see Note 7).

The accounting policies of the segments are the same as those described in the summary of significant accounting policies (see Note 2 to the financial statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012, as updated by our Current Report on Form 8-K filed on August 6, 2013). The results of operations for all acquisitions described in Note 3 are included in our consolidated results of operations from the acquisition dates and are components of the appropriate segments. There are no intersegment sales or transfers.

We evaluate performance based upon net operating income from continuing operations ("NOI") of each segment. We define NOI as total revenues, including tenant reimbursements, less property level operating expenses. We believe NOI provides investors relevant and useful information because it measures the operating performance of our properties at the property level on an unleveraged basis. We use NOI to make decisions about resource allocations and to assess the property level performance of our properties.

Non-segment revenue consists mainly of interest income on non-real estate investments and other income. Non-segment assets consist of corporate assets including cash, deferred loan expenses and corporate offices and equipment among others. Non-property specific revenues and expenses are not allocated to individual segments in determining NOI.

Summary information for the reportable segments for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 is as follows (in thousands):

Three Months Ended September 30, 2013:	Seniors Housing Triple-net	Seniors Housing Operating	Medical Facilities	Non-segment / Corporate	Total
Rental income	$ 199,408	$ -	$ 112,323	$ -	$ 311,731
Resident fees and services	-	466,127	-	-	466,127
Interest income	5,035	-	2,594	-	7,629
Other income	778	167	466	32	1,443
Total revenues	205,221	466,294	115,383	32	786,930
Property operating expenses	-	(311,575)	(31,155)	-	(342,730)
Net operating income from continuing operations	205,221	154,719	84,228	32	444,200
Reconciling items:					
Interest expense	(5,968)	(24,693)	(9,143)	(76,726)	(116,530)
(Loss) gain on derivatives, net	(4,872)	-	-	-	(4,872)
Depreciation and amortization	(58,148)	(144,578)	(39,942)	-	(242,668)
General and administrative	-	-	-	(28,718)	(28,718)
Transaction costs	(4,026)	(18,882)	(683)	-	(23,591)
(Loss) gain on extinguishment of debt, net	-	5,252	-	(1,184)	4,068
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes and income from unconsolidated entities	$ 132,207	$ (28,182)	$ 34,460	$ (106,596)	$ 31,889
Total assets	$ 9,222,731	$ 9,031,224	$ 4,645,540	$ 150,310	$ 23,049,805

Three Months Ended September 30, 2012:	Seniors Housing Triple-net	Seniors Housing Operating	Medical Facilities	Non-segment / Corporate	Total
Rental income	$ 178,193	$ -	$ 99,726	$ -	$ 277,919
Resident fees and services	-	174,464	-	-	174,464
Interest income	6,116	-	1,995	-	8,111
Other income	662	-	400	277	1,339

	Seniors Housing Triple-net	Seniors Housing Operating	Medical Facilities	Non-segment / Corporate	Total
Total revenues	184,971	174,464	102,121	277	461,833
Property operating expenses	-	(118,369)	(26,048)	-	(144,417)
Net operating income from continuing operations	184,971	56,095	76,073	277	317,416
Reconciling items:					
Interest expense	(347)	(17,474)	(7,940)	(66,154)	(91,915)
(Loss) gain on derivatives, net	-	(409)	-	-	(409)
Depreciation and amortization	(52,294)	(39,591)	(35,959)	-	(127,844)
General and administrative	-	-	-	(23,679)	(23,679)
Transaction costs	(5,590)	(1,966)	(708)	-	(8,264)
(Loss) gain on extinguishment of debt, net	(126)	(89)	-	-	(215)
Provision for loan losses	(27,008)	-	-	-	(27,008)
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes and income from unconsolidated entities	$ 99,606	$ (3,434)	$ 31,466	$ (89,556)	$ 38,082

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013:	Seniors Housing Triple-net	Seniors Housing Operating	Medical Facilities	Non-segment / Corporate	Total
Rental income	$ 573,112	$ -	$ 336,547	$ -	$ 909,659
Resident fees and services	-	1,164,446	-	-	1,164,446
Interest income	16,311	757	7,257	-	24,325
Other income	1,183	169	1,539	277	3,168
Total revenues	590,606	1,165,372	345,343	277	2,101,598
Property operating expenses	-	(785,050)	(89,910)	-	(874,960)
Net operating income from continuing operations	590,606	380,322	255,433	277	1,226,638
Reconciling items:					
Interest expense	(15,841)	(63,175)	(28,441)	(229,128)	(336,585)
(Loss) gain on derivatives, net	(4,872)	407	-	-	(4,465)
Depreciation and amortization	(169,603)	(338,099)	(120,998)	-	(628,700)
General and administrative	-	-	-	(79,799)	(79,799)
Transaction costs	(15,730)	(101,006)	(971)	-	(117,707)
(Loss) gain on extinguishment of debt, net	-	5,560	-	(1,184)	4,376
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes and income from unconsolidated entities	$ 384,560	$ (115,991)	$ 105,023	$ (309,834)	$ 63,758

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2012:	Seniors Housing Triple-net	Seniors Housing Operating	Medical Facilities	Non-segment / Corporate	Total
Rental income	$ 508,004	$ -	$ 281,744	$ -	$ 789,748
Resident fees and services	-	498,295	-	-	498,295
Interest income	17,977	-	6,154	-	24,131
Other income	2,268	-	1,482	755	4,505
Total revenues	528,249	498,295	289,380	755	1,316,679
Property operating expenses	-	(336,952)	(72,284)	-	(409,236)
Net operating income from continuing operations	528,249	161,343	217,096	755	907,443
Reconciling items:					
Interest expense	(602)	(49,537)	(22,338)	(198,746)	(271,223)
(Loss) gain on derivatives, net	(96)	1,808	-	-	1,712
Depreciation and amortization	(147,074)	(123,820)	(102,450)	-	(373,344)
General and administrative	-	-	-	(77,302)	(77,302)

Transaction costs	(30,796)	(6,365)	(5,374)	-	(42,535)
(Loss) gain on extinguishment of debt, net	(2,363)	1,089	483	-	(791)
Provision for loan losses	(27,008)	-	-	-	(27,008)
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes and income from unconsolidated entities	$ 320,310	$ (15,482)	$ 87,417	$ (275,293)	$ 116,952

Our portfolio of properties and other investments are located in the United States, the United Kingdom and Canada. Revenues and assets are attributed to the country in which the property is physically located. The following is a summary of geographic information for our operations for the periods presented (dollars in thousands):

	Three Months Ended						Nine Months Ended					
	September 30, 2013			September 30, 2012			September 30, 2013			September 30, 2012		
Revenues:		Amount	%		Amount	%		Amount	%		Amount	%
United States	$	669,968	85.1%	$	454,742	98.5%	$	1,837,068	87.4%	$	1,307,533	99.3%
International		116,962	14.9%		7,091	1.5%		264,530	12.6%		9,146	0.7%
Total	$	786,930	100.0%	$	461,833	100.0%	$	2,101,598	100.0%	$	1,316,679	100.0%

	As of					
	September 30, 2013			December 31, 2012		
Assets:		Amount	%		Amount	%
United States	$	19,622,576	85.1%	$	18,692,214	95.6%
International		3,427,229	14.9%		856,895	4.4%
Total	$	23,049,805	100.0%	$	19,549,109	100.0%

18. Income Taxes and Distributions

We elected to be taxed as a REIT commencing with our first taxable year. To qualify as a REIT for federal income tax purposes, at least 90% of taxable income (excluding 100% of net capital gains) must be distributed to stockholders. REITs that do not distribute a certain amount of current year taxable income in the current year are also subject to a 4% federal excise tax. The main differences between undistributed net income for federal income tax purposes and financial statement purposes are the recognition of straight-line rent for reporting purposes, basis differences in acquisitions, recording of impairments, differing useful lives and depreciation and amortization methods for real property and the provision for loan losses for reporting purposes versus bad debt expense for tax purposes.

Under the provisions of the REIT Investment Diversification and Empowerment Act of 2007 ("RIDEA"), for taxable years beginning after July 30, 2008, the REIT may lease "qualified health care properties" on an arm's-length basis to a taxable REIT subsidiary ("TRS") if the property is operated on behalf of such subsidiary by a person who qualifies as an "eligible independent contractor." Generally, the rent received from the TRS will meet the related party rent exception and will be treated as "rents from real property." A "qualified health care property" includes real property and any personal property that is, or is necessary or incidental to the use of, a hospital, nursing facility, assisted living facility, congregate care facility, qualified continuing care facility, or other licensed facility which extends medical or nursing or ancillary services to patients. We have entered into various joint ventures that were structured under RIDEA. Resident level rents and related operating expenses for these facilities are reported in the consolidated financial statements and are subject to federal and state income taxes as the operations of such facilities are included in a TRS. Certain net operating loss carryforwards could be utilized to offset taxable income in future years.

Our consolidated provision for income taxes for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 was $7,055,000 and $3,754,000, respectively. Income tax expense reflected in the financial statements primarily represents U.S. federal and state and local income taxes as well as non-U.S. income taxes on certain investments located in jurisdictions outside the U.S. Net deferred tax liabilities with respect to our TRS entities totaled $10,388,000 and $1,419,000 as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively, and related primarily to differences between the financial reporting and tax bases of fixed and intangible assets and to net operating losses.

Generally, given current statutes of limitations, we are subject to audit by the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") for the year ended December 31, 2010 and subsequent years and by state taxing authorities for the year ended December 31, 2009 and subsequent years. We are also subject to audit by the Canada Revenue Agency ("CRA") and provincial authorities generally for periods subsequent to our Chartwell investment in May 2012 related to entities acquired or formed in connection with the investments, and by HM Revenue & Customs for periods subsequent to our Sunrise-related acquisitions in August 2012 related to entities acquired or formed in connection with the acquisitions.

We apply the rules under ASC 740-10 "Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes" for uncertain tax positions using a "more likely than not" recognition threshold for tax positions. Pursuant to these rules, we will initially recognize the financial statement effects of a tax position when it is more likely than not, based on the technical merits of the tax position, that such a position will be sustained upon examination by the relevant tax authorities. If the tax benefit meets the "more likely than not" threshold, the measurement of the tax benefit will be based on our estimate of the ultimate tax benefit to be sustained if audited by the taxing authority.

The balance of our unrecognized tax benefits as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 was $6,327,000 and $6,098,000, respectively. As of September 30, 2013, $5,916,000 (exclusive of accrued interest and penalties) relates to the April 1, 2011 Genesis HealthCare Corporation transaction ("Genesis Acquisition") and is included in accrued expenses and other liabilities on the consolidated balance sheet. As a part of the Genesis Acquisition, we received a full indemnification from FC-GEN Operations Investment, LLC covering income taxes or other taxes as well as interest and penalties relating to tax positions taken by FC-GEN Operations Investment, LLC prior to the acquisition. Accordingly, an offsetting indemnification asset is recorded in receivables and other assets on the consolidated balance sheet. Such indemnification asset is reviewed for collectability periodically. Unrecognized tax benefits, as currently accrued for, have an immaterial impact on the effective tax rate to the extent that they would be recognized. There were insignificant uncertain tax positions as of September 30, 2013 for which it is reasonably possible that the amount of unrecognized tax benefits would decrease during 2013. Interest and penalties totaled $154,000 and $366,000 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, respectively, and are included in income tax expense.

19. Subsequent Events

Debt Activity. On October 7, 2013, we completed the issuance of $400 million of 4.5% senior unsecured notes due 2024, generating approximately $393 million in proceeds.

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Item 2. ***Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations***

The following discussion and analysis is based primarily on the consolidated financial statements of Health Care REIT, Inc. for the periods presented and should be read together with the notes thereto contained in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. Other important factors are identified in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012, as updated by our Current Report on Form 8-K filed on August 6, 2013, including factors identified under the headings "Business," "Risk Factors," and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations." References herein to "we," "us," "our," or the "company" refer to Health Care REIT, Inc. and its subsidiaries unless specifically noted otherwise.

Executive Summary

Company Overview

Health Care REIT, Inc. is a real estate investment trust ("REIT") that has been at the forefront of seniors housing and health care real estate since the company was founded in 1970. We are an S&P 500 company headquartered in Toledo, Ohio. Our portfolio spans the full spectrum of seniors housing and health care real estate, including seniors housing communities, skilled nursing/post-acute facilities, medical office buildings, inpatient and outpatient medical centers and life science facilities. Our capital programs, when combined with comprehensive planning, development and property management services, make us a single-source solution for acquiring, planning, developing, managing, repositioning and monetizing real estate assets. The following table summarizes our consolidated portfolio as of September 30, 2013:

Type of Property	Investments (in thousands)	Percentage of Investments	Number of Properties
Seniors housing triple-net	$ 8,905,928	41.2%	618
Seniors housing operating(1)	8,443,984	39.1%	276
Medical facilities(2)	4,256,631	19.7%	246
Totals	$ 21,606,543	100.0%	1,140

(1) Excludes 44 properties with an investment amount of $405,770,000 that relates to our share of investments in unconsolidated entities with Chartwell and Sunrise. Please see Note 7 to our consolidated financial statements for additional information.
(2) Excludes 13 properties with an investment amount of $367,134,000 that relates to our share of investments in unconsolidated entities with Forest City and a strategic medical partnership. Please see Note 7 to our consolidated financial statements for additional information.

Business Strategy

Our primary objectives are to protect stockholder capital and enhance stockholder value. We seek to pay consistent cash dividends to stockholders and create opportunities to increase dividend payments to stockholders as a result of annual increases in net operating income and portfolio growth. To meet these objectives, we invest across the full spectrum of seniors housing and health care real estate and diversify our investment portfolio by property type, customer and geographic location.

Substantially all of our revenues are derived from operating lease rentals, resident fees and services, and interest earned on outstanding loans receivable. These items represent our primary sources of liquidity to fund distributions and depend upon the continued ability of our obligors to make contractual rent and interest payments to us and the profitability of our operating properties. To the extent that our customers/partners experience operating difficulties and become unable to generate sufficient cash to make payments to us, there could be a material adverse impact on our consolidated results of operations, liquidity and/or financial condition. To mitigate this risk, we monitor our investments through a variety of methods determined by the type of property. Our proactive and comprehensive asset management process for seniors housing properties generally includes review of monthly financial statements and other operating data for each property, review of obligor/partner creditworthiness, property inspections, and review of covenant compliance relating to licensure, real estate taxes, letters of credit and other collateral. Our internal property management division actively manages and monitors the medical office building portfolio with a comprehensive process including tenant relations, lease expirations, the mix of health service providers, hospital/health system relationships, property performance, capital improvement needs, and market conditions among other things. In monitoring our portfolio, our personnel use a proprietary database to collect and analyze property-specific data. Additionally, we conduct extensive research to ascertain industry trends. We evaluate the operating environment in each property's market to determine the likely trend in operating performance of the facility. When we identify unacceptable trends, we seek to mitigate, eliminate or transfer the risk. Through these efforts, we are generally able to intervene at an early stage to address any negative trends, and in so doing, support both the collectability of revenue and the value of our investment.

In addition to our asset management and research efforts, we also structure our investments to help mitigate payment risk. Operating leases and loans are normally credit enhanced by guaranties and/or letters of credit. In addition, operating leases are typically structured as master leases and loans are generally cross-defaulted and cross-collateralized with other real estate loans, operating leases or agreements between us and the obligor and its affiliates.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2013, rental income and resident fees and services represented 43% and 55%, respectively, of total revenues (including discontinued operations). Substantially all of our operating leases are designed with escalating rent structures. Leases with fixed annual rental escalators are generally recognized on a straight-line basis over the initial lease period, subject to a collectability assessment. Rental income related to leases with contingent rental escalators is generally recorded based on the contractual cash rental payments due for the period. Our yield on loans receivable depends upon a number of factors, including the stated interest rate, the average principal amount outstanding during the term of the loan and any interest rate adjustments.

Our primary sources of cash include rent and interest receipts, resident fees and services, borrowings under our primary unsecured line of credit arrangement, public issuances of debt and equity securities, proceeds from investment dispositions and principal payments on loans receivable. Our primary uses of cash include dividend distributions, debt service payments (including principal and interest), real property investments (including acquisitions, capital expenditures, construction advances and transaction costs), loan advances, property operating expenses and general and administrative expenses. Depending upon the availability and cost of external capital, we believe our liquidity is sufficient to fund these uses of cash.

We also continuously evaluate opportunities to finance future investments. New investments are generally funded from temporary borrowings under our primary unsecured line of credit arrangement, internally generated cash and the proceeds from investment dispositions. Our investments generate cash from net operating income and principal payments on loans receivable. Permanent financing for future investments, which replaces funds drawn under our primary unsecured line of credit arrangement, has historically been provided through a combination of the issuance of public debt and equity securities and the incurrence or assumption of secured debt.

Depending upon market conditions, we believe that new investments will be available in the future with spreads over our cost of capital that will generate appropriate returns to our stockholders. It is also possible that investment dispositions may occur in the future. To the extent that investment dispositions exceed new investments, our revenues and cash flows from operations could be adversely affected. We expect to reinvest the proceeds from any investment dispositions in new investments. To the extent that new investment requirements exceed our available cash on-hand, we expect to borrow under our primary unsecured line of credit arrangement. At September 30, 2013, we had $164,838,000 of cash and cash equivalents, $80,890,000 of restricted cash and $1,402,330,000 of available borrowing capacity under our primary unsecured line of credit arrangement.

Capital Market Outlook

We believe the capital markets remain supportive of our investment strategy. For the year ended December 31, 2012, we raised over $6.0 billion in aggregate gross proceeds through the issuance of common and preferred stock, unsecured debt and a Canadian denominated term loan. Through October 7, 2013, we funded a $500 million unsecured term loan, issued $400 million unsecured notes, expanded our primary unsecured line of credit arrangement to $2.25 billion and raised $1.8 billion of common equity. The capital raised, in combination with available cash and borrowing capacity under our line of credit, supported $4.9 billion in gross new investments during 2012 and $5.3 billion year-to-date in 2013. We expect attractive investment opportunities to remain available in the future as we continue to leverage the benefits of our relationship investment strategy.

Key Transactions in 2013

Capital. In January 2013, we closed a $2.75 billion unsecured line of credit arrangement consisting of a $2.25 billion revolver and a $500 million term loan. The facility replaced our existing $2.0 billion unsecured line of credit arrangement. The revolver matures on March 31, 2017, but can be extended for an additional year at our option. The term loan matures on March 31, 2016, but can be extended up to two years at our option. The revolver bears interest at LIBOR plus 117.5 basis points and has an annual facility fee of 22.5 basis points. The term loan bears interest at LIBOR plus 135 basis points. We have an option to upsize the facility by up to an additional $1.0 billion through an accordion feature, allowing for aggregate commitments of up to $3.75 billion. The facility also allows us to borrow up to $500 million in alternate currencies. In May 2013, we completed the public issuance of 23 million shares of common stock for $1.7 billion of gross proceeds. In October 2013, we issued $400 million of 4.5% 10-year senior unsecured notes, generating $393 million of net proceeds. In addition, for the nine months ended September 30, 2013, we raised $154 million through our dividend reinvestment program.

Investments. We completed $5.3 billion of gross investments during the nine months ended September 30, 2013, including 71% from existing relationships. The following summarizes investments made during the nine months ended September 30, 2013 (dollars in thousands):

	Properties		Investment Amount(1)	Capitalization Rates(2)		Book Amount(3)
Acquisitions/JVs:						
Seniors housing triple-net	16	$	268,697	7.0%	$	268,568
Seniors housing operating(4)	164		4,585,817	6.6%		5,202,058
Medical facilities	7		144,705	8.6%		145,364
Total acquisitions/JVs	187		4,999,219	6.7%		5,615,990
Construction in progress			193,354			193,354
Loan advances			77,336			77,336
Total		$	5,269,909		$	5,886,680

(1) Represents stated purchase price including cash and any assumed debt but excludes fair value adjustments pursuant to U.S. GAAP.

(2) Represents annualized contractual or projected income to be received in cash divided by investment amounts.

(3) Represents amounts recorded on our books including fair value adjustments pursuant to U.S. GAAP. See Notes 3, 6 and 7 to our consolidated financial statements for additional information.

(4) Excludes $580,834,000 for the Sunrise loan which was acquired upon merger consummation on January 9, 2013. See Note 21 to the financial statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012, as updated by our Current Report on Form 8-K filed on August 6, 2013, for additional information.

Dispositions. We completed $407 million of dispositions, generating $466 million in proceeds and $57 million in net gains as of September 30, 2013. The following summarizes dispositions made for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 (dollars in thousands):

	Properties		Proceeds(1)	Capitalization Rates(2)		Book Amount(3)
Property sales:						
Seniors housing triple-net	19	$	195,140	10.5%	$	138,650
Medical facilities	12		216,188(4)	6.0%		201,845
Total property sales	31		411,328	8.1%		340,495
Loan payoffs(5)			66,414			66,414
Total dispositions		$	477,742		$	406,909

(1) Represents proceeds received upon disposition including any seller financing. See Notes 5 and 6 to our consolidated financial statements for additional information.

(2) Represents annualized contractual income that was being received in cash at date of disposition divided by disposition proceeds.

(3) Represents carrying value of assets at time of disposition.

(4) Includes non-cash proceeeds attributable to an asset swap that are excluded from the statement of cash flows. See Note 5 to our consolidated financial statements for additional information.

(5) Excludes $580,834,000 for the Sunrise loan which was acquired upon merger consummation on January 9, 2013.

The following additional event occurred during the nine months ended September 30, 2013:

- Our Board of Directors increased the annual cash dividend to $3.06 per common share ($0.765 per share quarterly), as compared to $2.96 per common share for 2012, beginning in February 2013. The dividend declared for the quarter ended September 30, 2013 represents the 170th consecutive quarterly dividend payment.

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Key Performance Indicators, Trends and Uncertainties

We utilize several key performance indicators to evaluate the various aspects of our business. These indicators are discussed below and relate to operating performance, concentration risk and credit strength. Management uses these key performance indicators to facilitate internal and external comparisons to our historical operating results, in making operating decisions and for budget planning purposes.

Operating Performance. We believe that net income attributable to common stockholders (“NICS”) is the most appropriate earnings measure. Other useful supplemental measures of our operating performance include funds from operations (“FFO”), net operating income from continuing operations (“NOI”) and same store cash NOI (“SSCNOI”); however, these supplemental measures are not defined by U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (“U.S. GAAP”). Please refer to the section entitled “Non-GAAP Financial Measures” for further discussion and reconciliations of FFO, NOI and SSCNOI. These earnings measures and their relative per share amounts are widely used by investors and analysts in the valuation, comparison and investment recommendations of companies. The following table reflects the recent historical trends of our operating performance measures for the periods presented (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended						
	March 31, 2012	June 30, 2012	September 30, 2012	December 31, 2012	March 31, 2013	June 30, 2013	September 30, 2013
Net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders	$ 39,307	$ 54,735	$ 37,269	$ 90,576	$ 55,058	$ (8,508)	$ 20,691
Funds from operations	163,857	157,932	170,725	205,047	170,878	230,666	258,263
Net operating income from continuing operations	287,644	302,379	317,416	338,094	379,408	403,028	444,200
Same store cash net operating income	226,624	230,660	231,582	233,759	233,166	238,900	241,124
Per share data (fully diluted):							
Net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders	$ 0.19	$ 0.25	$ 0.16	$ 0.35	$ 0.21	$ (0.03)	$ 0.07
Funds from operations	0.81	0.73	0.75	0.78	0.65	0.83	0.90

Concentration Risk. We evaluate our concentration risk in terms of asset mix, investment mix, relationship mix and geographic mix. Concentration risk is a valuable measure in understanding what portion of our investments could be at risk if certain sectors were to experience downturns. Asset mix measures the portion of our investments that are real property. In order to qualify as an equity REIT, at least 75% of our real estate investments must be real property whereby each property, which includes the land, buildings, improvements, intangibles and related rights, is owned by us. Investment mix measures the portion of our investments that relate to our various property types. Relationship mix measures the portion of our investments that relate to our top five relationships. Geographic mix measures the portion of our investments that relate to our top five states (or international equivalents). The following table reflects our recent historical trends of concentration risk by investment balance for the periods presented:

	March 31, 2012	June 30, 2012	September 30, 2012	December 31, 2012	March 31, 2013	June 30, 2013	September 30, 2013
Asset mix:							
Real property	95%	93%	93%	91%	91%	92%	95%
Real estate loans receivable	2%	2%	2%	5%	1%	1%	1%
Investments in unconsolidated entities	3%	5%	5%	4%	8%	7%	4%
Investment mix:(1)							
Seniors housing triple-net	53%	53%	53%	47%	43%	40%	41%
Seniors housing operating	20%	20%	20%	28%	35%	39%	39%
Medical facilities	27%	27%	27%	25%	22%	21%	20%
Relationship mix:(1)							
Sunrise Senior Living				6%	14%	13%	19%
Genesis HealthCare	18%	18%	17%	15%	14%	13%	12%
Revera						6%	6%
Belmont Village				5%	5%	4%	4%
Benchmark Senior Living	6%	6%	5%	5%	4%		4%
Merrill Gardens	8%	7%	7%	6%	6%	5%	
Brandywine Senior Living	5%	5%	5%				
Senior Living Communities	4%	4%	4%				
Remaining relationships	59%	60%	62%	63%	57%	59%	55%
Geographic mix:(1)							
California	10%	9%	9%	9%	9%	8%	10%
New Jersey	10%	9%	9%	9%	8%	8%	8%
England					8%	7%	8%
Texas	9%	9%	9%	9%	8%	8%	7%
Florida	7%	7%	8%	7%	6%	5%	5%
Pennsylvania	6%	6%	5%	5%			
Remaining geographic areas	58%	60%	60%	61%	61%	64%	62%

(1) Excludes our share of investments in unconsolidated entities.

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Credit Strength. We measure our credit strength both in terms of leverage ratios and coverage ratios. The leverage ratios indicate how much of our balance sheet capitalization is related to long-term debt. The coverage ratios indicate our ability to service interest and fixed charges (interest, secured debt principal amortization and preferred dividends). We expect to maintain capitalization ratios and coverage ratios sufficient to maintain compliance with our debt covenants. The coverage ratios are based on earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization ("EBITDA") which is discussed in further detail, and reconciled to net income, below in "Non-GAAP Financial Measures." Leverage ratios and coverage ratios are widely used by investors, analysts and rating agencies in the valuation, comparison, investment recommendations and rating of companies. The following table reflects the recent historical trends for our credit strength measures for the periods presented:

	Three Months Ended						
	March 31, 2012	June 30, 2012	September 30, 2012	December 31, 2012	March 31, 2013	June 30, 2013	September 30, 2013
Debt to book capitalization ratio	45%	48%	41%	45%	49%	44%	47%
Debt to undepreciated book capitalization ratio	41%	45%	38%	41%	45%	41%	43%
Debt to market capitalization ratio	34%	36%	31%	33%	34%	32%	35%
Interest coverage ratio	3.03x	3.21x	2.94x	3.60x	3.42x	2.88x	3.32x
Fixed charge coverage ratio	2.33x	2.52x	2.30x	2.82x	2.72x	2.27x	2.62x

Lease Expirations. The following table sets forth information regarding lease expirations for certain portions of our portfolio as of September 30, 2013 (dollars in thousands):

	Expiration Year										
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Thereafter
Seniors housing triple-net:											
Properties	1	15	1	0	36	51	0	12	23	42	412
Base rent[(1)]	$ 769	25,947	1,435	0	16,561	37,398	0	14,982	36,372	40,270	676,064
% of base rent	0.1%	3.1%	0.2%	0.0%	1.9%	4.4%	0.0%	1.8%	4.3%	4.7%	79.5%
Hospitals:											
Properties	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31
Base rent[(1)]	$ 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	89,484
% of base rent	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Medical office buildings:											
Square feet	106,148	640,387	707,332	801,814	1,125,709	813,647	682,805	741,685	867,934	1,956,503	3,503,708
Base rent[(1)]	$ 2,365	13,838	15,492	17,438	27,163	18,891	16,505	18,006	21,648	39,706	93,101
% of base rent	0.8%	4.9%	5.5%	6.1%	9.6%	6.6%	5.8%	6.3%	7.6%	14.0%	32.8%

(1) The most recent monthly base rent including straight line for leases with fixed escalators or annual cash rents for leases with contingent escalators. Base rent does not include tenant recoveries or amortization of above and below market lease intangibles.

We evaluate our key performance indicators in conjunction with current expectations to determine if historical trends are indicative of future results. Our expected results may not be achieved and actual results may differ materially from our expectations. Factors that may cause actual results to differ from expected results are described in more detail in "Forward-Looking Statements and Risk Factors" and other sections of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. Management regularly monitors economic and other factors to develop strategic and tactical plans designed to improve performance and maximize our competitive position. Our ability to achieve our financial objectives is dependent upon our ability to effectively execute these plans and to appropriately respond to emerging economic and company-specific trends. Please refer to our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012, as updated by our Current Report on Form 8-K filed on August 6, 2013, under the headings "Business," "Risk Factors" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" for further discussion of these risk factors.

Corporate Governance

Maintaining investor confidence and trust is important in today's business environment. Our Board of Directors and management are strongly committed to policies and procedures that reflect the highest level of ethical business practices. Our corporate governance guidelines provide the framework for our business operations and emphasize our commitment to increase stockholder value while meeting all applicable legal requirements. These guidelines meet the listing standards adopted by the New York Stock Exchange and

are available on the Internet at www.hcreit.com.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Sources and Uses of Cash

Our primary sources of cash include rent and interest receipts, resident fees and services, borrowings under our primary unsecured line of credit arrangement, public issuances of debt and equity securities, proceeds from investment dispositions and principal payments on loans receivable. Our primary uses of cash include dividend distributions, debt service payments (including principal and interest), real property investments (including acquisitions, capital expenditures, construction advances and transaction costs), loan advances, property operating expenses, and general and administrative expenses. These sources and uses of cash are reflected in our Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows and are discussed in further detail below. The following is a summary of our sources and uses of cash flows (dollars in thousands):

	Nine Months Ended		Change	
	September 30, 2013	September 30, 2012	$	%
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	$ 1,033,764	$ 163,482	$ 870,282	532%
Cash provided from (used in):				
Operating activities	625,907	563,470	62,437	11%
Investing activities	(3,202,554)	(2,097,614)	(1,104,940)	53%
Financing activities	1,693,312	2,752,914	(1,059,602)	-38%
Effect of foreign currency translation on cash and cash equivalents	14,409	0	14,409	n/a
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	$ 164,838	$ 1,382,252	$ (1,217,414)	-88%

Operating Activities. The change in net cash provided from operating activities is primarily attributable to increases in NOI, which is primarily due to acquisitions. Please see "Results of Operations" for further discussion. For the nine months ended September 30, 2013, cash distributions to stockholders exceeded cash flow provided from operations. The source of funds for these excess distributions was available cash on-hand, which was $1.0 billion at December 31, 2012 and $165 million at September 30, 2013.

Investing Activities. The changes in net cash used in investing activities are primarily attributable to net changes in real property investments, real estate loans receivable and investments in unconsolidated entities, which are summarized above in "Key Transactions in 2013." Please refer to Notes 3, 6 and 7 of our consolidated financial statements for additional information.

Financing Activities. The changes in net cash provided from financing activities are primarily attributable to changes related to our long-term debt arrangements, the issuance/redemptions of common and preferred stock and dividend payments, which are summarized above in "Key Transactions in 2013." Please refer to Notes 9, 10 and 13 of our consolidated financial statements for additional information.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

At September 30, 2013, we had investments in unconsolidated entities with our ownership ranging from 10% to 50%. Please see Note 7 to our consolidated financial statements for additional information. We use financial derivative instruments to hedge interest rate and foreign currency exchange rate exposure. Please see Note 11 to our consolidated financial statements for additional information. At September 30, 2013, we had six outstanding letter of credit obligations. Please see Note 12 to our consolidated financial statements for additional information.

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Contractual Obligations

The following table summarizes our payment requirements under contractual obligations as of September 30, 2013 (in thousands):

	Payments Due by Period				
Contractual Obligations	Total	2013	2014-2015	2016-2017	Thereafter
Unsecured line of credit arrangements	$ 847,670	$ 10,000	$ 0	$ 837,670	$ 0
Senior unsecured notes[1]	6,418,190	300,000	493,072	1,650,000	3,975,118
Secured debt[1]	3,476,041	86,018	902,135	847,762	1,640,126
Contractual interest obligations	3,535,574	110,773	872,432	670,904	1,881,465
Capital lease obligations	118,463	1,345	18,549	9,464	89,105
Operating lease obligations	882,088	3,497	28,213	30,091	820,287
Purchase obligations	321,186	60,805	260,381	0	0
Other long-term liabilities	6,522	0	1,580	2,463	2,479
Total contractual obligations	$ 15,605,734	$ 572,438	$ 2,576,362	$ 4,048,354	$ 8,408,580

(1) Amounts represent principal amounts due and do not reflect unamortized premiums/discounts or other fair value adjustments as reflected on the balance sheet.

At September 30, 2013, we had an unsecured line of credit arrangement with an aggregate commitment amount of $2,250,000,000. See Note 9 to our unaudited consolidated financial statements for additional information. Total contractual interest obligations on these arrangements totaled $32,051,000 at September 30, 2013, using interest rates in place at that date.

We have $5,675,118,000 of senior unsecured notes principal outstanding with annual fixed interest rates ranging from 2.25% to 6.5%, payable semi-annually. A total of $275,118,000 of our senior unsecured notes are convertible notes that also contain put features. In addition, we have a $250,000,000 Canadian denominated unsecured term loan (approximately $243,072,000 USD at exchange rates on September 30, 2013). The loan matures on July 27, 2015 with an option to extend for an additional year at our discretion. We also have a $500,000,000 unsecured term loan that matures on March 16, 2016 and can be extended for two additional years at our option. See Note 10 to our unaudited consolidated financial statements for more information. Total contractual interest obligations on senior unsecured notes, the Canadian term loan and the $500,000,000 term loan totaled $2,481,111,000 at September 30, 2013.

We have consolidated secured debt with total outstanding principal of $3,065,923,000, collateralized by owned properties, with fixed annual interest rates ranging from 1.0% to 9.1%, payable monthly. The carrying values of the properties securing the debt totaled $6,336,955,000 at September 30, 2013. Total contractual interest obligations on consolidated secured debt totaled $959,989,000 at September 30, 2013. Additionally, our share of non-recourse debt associated with unconsolidated entities (as reflected in the contractual obligations table above) is $410,118,000 at September 30, 2013. Our share of contractual interest obligations on our unconsolidated entities' secured debt is $62,423,000 at September 30, 2013.

At September 30, 2013, we had operating lease obligations of $882,088,000 relating primarily to ground leases at certain of our properties and office space leases and capital lease obligations of $118,463,000 relating to certain leased investment properties that contain bargain purchase options.

Purchase obligations include unfunded construction commitments and contingent purchase obligations. At September 30, 2013, we had outstanding construction financings of $158,006,000 for leased properties and were committed to providing additional financing of approximately $261,625,000 to complete construction. At September 30, 2013, we had contingent purchase obligations totaling $59,561,000. These contingent purchase obligations relate to unfunded capital improvement obligations and contingent obligations on acquisitions. Upon funding, amounts due from the tenant are increased to reflect the additional investment in the property.

Other long-term liabilities relate to our Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan, which is discussed in Note 19 to the financial statement included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012, as updated by our Current Report on Form 8-K filed on August 6, 2013.

Capital Structure

Please refer to "Credit Strength" above for a discussion of our leverage and coverage ratio trends. Our debt agreements contain various covenants, restrictions and events of default. Certain agreements require us to maintain certain financial ratios and minimum net worth and impose certain limits on our ability to incur indebtedness, create liens and make investments or acquisitions. As of September 30, 2013, we were in compliance with all of the covenants under our debt agreements. Please refer to the section entitled "Non-GAAP Financial Measures" for further discussion. None of our debt agreements contain provisions for acceleration which could

be triggered by our debt ratings. However, under our primary unsecured line of credit arrangement, the ratings on our senior unsecured notes are used to determine the fees and interest charged. A summary of certain covenants and our results as of September 30, 2013 is as follows:

	Per Agreement		
Covenant	Unsecured Line of Credit[1]	Senior Unsecured Notes	Actual at September 30, 2013
Total Indebtedness to Book Capitalization Ratio maximum	60%	n/a	47%
Secured Indebtedness to Total Assets Ratio maximum	30%	40%	14%
Total Indebtedness to Total Assets maximum	n/a	60%	45%
Unsecured Debt to Unencumbered Assets maximum	60%	n/a	41%
Adjusted Interest Coverage Ratio minimum	n/a	1.50x	3.33x
Adjusted Fixed Charge Coverage minimum	1.50x	n/a	2.62x

(1) Canadian denominated term loan covenants are the same as those contained in our primary unsecured line of credit agreement.

We plan to manage the company to maintain compliance with our debt covenants and with a capital structure consistent with our current profile. Any downgrades in terms of ratings or outlook by any or all of the rating agencies could have a material adverse impact on our cost and availability of capital, which could in turn have a material adverse impact on our consolidated results of operations, liquidity and/or financial condition.

On May 4, 2012, we filed an open-ended automatic or "universal" shelf registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission covering an indeterminate amount of future offerings of debt securities, common stock, preferred stock, depositary shares, warrants and units. As of October 31, 2013, we had an effective registration statement on file in connection with our enhanced dividend reinvestment plan under which we may issue up to 10,000,000 shares of common stock. As of October 31, 2013, 8,162,812 shares of common stock remained available for issuance under this registration statement. We have entered into separate Equity Distribution Agreements with each of UBS Securities LLC, RBS Securities Inc., KeyBanc Capital Markets Inc. and Credit Agricole Securities (USA) Inc. relating to the offer and sale from time to time of up to $630,015,000 aggregate amount of our common stock ("Equity Shelf Program"). As of October 31, 2013, we had $457,112,000 of remaining capacity under the Equity Shelf Program. Depending upon market conditions, we anticipate issuing securities under our registration statements to invest in additional properties and to repay borrowings under our unsecured line of credit arrangements.

Results of Operations

Summary

Our primary sources of revenue include rent and resident fees and services. Our primary expenses include interest expense, depreciation and amortization, property operating expenses, transaction costs and general and administrative expenses. We evaluate our business and make resource allocations on our three business segments: seniors housing triple-net, seniors housing operating and medical facilities. The primary performance measures for our properties are NOI and SSCNOI, which are discussed below. Please see Note 17 to our consolidated financial statements for additional information. The following is a summary of our results of operations (dollars in thousands, except per share amounts):

	Three Months Ended		Change		Nine Months Ended		Change	
	September 30, 2013	September 30, 2012	Amount	%	September 30, 2013	September 30, 2012	Amount	%
Net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders	$ 20,691	$ 37,269	$ (16,578)	-44%	$ 67,245	$ 131,308	$ (64,063)	-49%
Funds from operations	258,263	170,725	87,538	51%	659,810	492,511	167,299	34%
EBITDA	396,205	283,443	112,762	40%	1,088,342	871,560	216,782	25%
Net operating income from continuing operations (NOI)	444,200	317,416	126,784	40%	1,226,638	907,443	319,195	35%
Same store cash NOI	241,124	231,582	9,542	4%	713,188	688,866	24,322	4%
Per share data (fully diluted):								
Net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders	$ 0.07	$ 0.16	$ (0.09)	-56%	$ 0.24	$ 0.61	$ (0.37)	-61%
Funds from operations	0.90	$ 0.75	$ 0.15	20%	$ 2.40	$ 2.30	$ 0.10	4%
Interest coverage ratio	3.32x	2.94x	0.38x	13%	3.21x	3.06x	0.15x	5%
Fixed charge coverage ratio	2.62x	2.30x	0.32x	14%	2.54x	2.38x	0.16x	7%

Seniors Housing Triple-net

The following is a summary of our NOI for the seniors housing triple-net segment (dollars in thousands):

	Three Months Ended		Change		Nine Months Ended		Change	
	September 30, 2013	September 30, 2012	$	%	September 30, 2013	September 30, 2012	$	%
SSCNOI(1)	$ 142,269	$ 136,889	$ 5,380	4%	$ 421,744	$ 406,894	$ 14,850	4%
Non-cash NOI attributable to same store properties(1)	8,111	8,561	(450)	-5%	24,744	25,007	(263)	-1%
NOI attributable to non same store properties(2)	54,841	39,521	15,320	39%	144,118	96,348	47,770	50%
NOI	$ 205,221	$ 184,971	$ 20,250	11%	$ 590,606	$ 528,249	$ 62,357	12%

(1) Due to increases in cash and non-cash revenues (described below) related to 445 same store properties.
(2) Primarily due to acquisitions of 122 properties and conversions of 16 construction projects into revenue-generating properties subsequent to January 1, 2012.

The following is a summary of our results of operations for the seniors housing triple-net segment (dollars in thousands):

	Three Months Ended		Change		Nine Months Ended		Change	
	September 30, 2013	September 30, 2012	$	%	September 30, 2013	September 30, 2012	$	%
Revenues:								
Rental income	$ 199,408	$ 178,193	$ 21,215	12%	$ 573,112	$ 508,004	$ 65,108	13%
Interest income	5,035	6,116	(1,081)	-18%	16,311	17,977	(1,666)	-9%
Other income	778	662	116	18%	1,183	2,268	(1,085)	-48%
Net operating income from continuing operations (NOI)	205,221	184,971	20,250	11%	590,606	528,249	62,357	12%
Expenses:								
Interest expense	5,968	347	5,621	1620%	15,841	602	15,239	2531%
Loss (gain) on derivatives, net	4,872	0	4,872	n/a	4,872	96	4,776	4975%
Depreciation and amortization	58,148	52,294	5,854	11%	169,603	147,074	22,529	15%
Transaction costs	4,026	5,590	(1,564)	-28%	15,730	30,796	(15,066)	-49%
Loss (gain) on extinguishment of debt, net	0	126	(126)	-100%	0	2,363	(2,363)	-100%
Provision for loan losses	0	27,008	(27,008)	-100%	0	27,008	(27,008)	-100%
	73,014	85,365	(12,351)	-14%	206,046	207,939	(1,893)	-1%
Income from continuing operations before income taxes and income (loss) from unconsolidated entities	132,207	99,606	32,601	33%	384,560	320,310	64,250	20%
Income tax benefit (expense)	(1,582)	(735)	(847)	115%	(2,113)	(1,505)	(608)	40%
Income (loss) from unconsolidated entities	1,200	28	1,172	4186%	3,680	26	3,654	14054%
Income from continuing operations	131,825	98,899	32,926	33%	386,127	318,831	67,296	21%
Discontinued operations:								
Gain (loss) on sales of properties, net	(1,247)	25,348	(26,595)	n/a	49,457	57,710	(8,253)	-14%
Impairment of assets	-	(6,952)	6,952	-100%	-	(6,952)	6,952	-100%
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net	0	9,683	(9,683)	-100%	1,062	30,583	(29,521)	-97%
Discontinued operations, net	(1,247)	28,079	(29,326)	n/a	50,519	81,341	(30,822)	-38%
Net income	130,578	126,978	3,600	3%	436,646	400,172	36,474	9%
Less: Net income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interests	374	101	273	270%	1,113	108	1,005	931%
Net income attributable to common stockholders	$ 130,204	$ 126,877	$ 3,327	3%	$ 435,533	$ 400,064	$ 35,469	9%

The increase in rental income is primarily attributable to the acquisitions of new properties, the conversion of newly constructed seniors housing triple-net properties from which we receive rent and the transition of 38 properties from the seniors housing operating segment on September 1, 2013. Certain of our leases contain annual rental escalators that are contingent upon changes in the Consumer Price Index and/or changes in the gross operating revenues of the tenant's properties. These escalators are not fixed, so no straight-line rent is recorded; however, rental income is recorded based on the contractual cash rental payments due for the period. If gross operating revenues at our facilities and/or the Consumer Price Index do not increase, a portion of our revenues may not continue to increase. Sales of real property would offset revenue increases and, to the extent that they exceed new acquisitions, could result in decreased revenues. Our leases could renew above or below current rent rates, resulting in an increase or decrease in rental income. For the three months ended September 30, 2013, we had no lease renewals but we had 20 leases with rental rate increasers ranging from 0.15% to 0.50% in our seniors housing triple-net portfolio. The decrease in interest income is attributable to loan payoffs (see Note 6 to our consolidated financial statements for additional information).

Interest expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 represents $16,503,000 and $9,645,000, respectively, of secured debt interest expense, which is offset by interest allocated to discontinued operations. The change in secured debt interest expense is due to the net effect and timing of assumptions, extinguishments and principal amortizations. The following is a summary of our seniors housing triple-net property secured debt principal activity (dollars in thousands):

	Three Months Ended				Nine Months Ended			
	September 30, 2013		September 30, 2012		September 30, 2013		September 30, 2012	
	Amount	Wtd. Avg. Interest Rate	Amount	Wtd. Avg. Interest Rate	Amount	Wtd. Avg. Interest Rate	Amount	Wtd. Avg. Interest Rate
Beginning balance	$ 216,421	5.390%	$ 201,901	5.278%	$ 218,741	5.393%	$ 259,000	5.105%
Debt transferred	367,997	5.298%	-	0.000%	367,997	5.298%	-	0.000%
Debt issued	13,800	5.480%	-	0.000%	13,800	5.480%	-	0.000%
Debt assumed	-	0.000%	26,665	6.064%	-	0.000%	83,002	5.304%
Debt extinguished	(13,526)	2.587%	(8,052)	6.055%	(13,526)	2.587%	(119,647)	4.889%
Principal payments	(1,600)	5.637%	(887)	5.422%	(3,920)	5.598%	(2,728)	5.573%
Ending balance	$ 583,092	5.399%	$ 219,627	5.344%	$ 583,092	5.399%	$ 219,627	5.344%
Monthly averages	$ 338,300	5.395%	$ 202,097	5.281%	$ 257,711	5.393%	$ 215,500	5.217%

Depreciation and amortization increased primarily as a result of new property acquisitions, the conversions of newly constructed investment properties and the transition of 38 properties from the seniors housing operating segment on September 1, 2013. To the extent that we acquire or dispose of additional properties in the future, our provision for depreciation and amortization will change accordingly. The change in year to date transaction costs is primarily due to lower transaction volume offset by a lease termination fee recorded in the current year.

Changes in gains on sales of properties are related to property sales, which totaled 19 and 29 for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. The following illustrates the reclassification impact as a result of classifying the properties sold prior to or held for sale at September 30, 2013 as discontinued operations for the periods presented. Please refer to Note 5 to our consolidated financial statements for further discussion.

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
Rental income	$ 0	$ 14,218	$ 2,486	$ 49,614
Expenses:				
Interest expense	0	2,373	662	9,043
Provision for depreciation	0	2,162	762	9,988
Income from discontinued operations, net	$ 0	$ 9,683	$ 1,062	$ 30,583

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Seniors Housing Operating

The following is a summary of our NOI for the seniors housing operating segment (dollars in thousands):

	Three Months Ended		Change		Nine Months Ended		Change	
	September 30, 2013	September 30, 2012	$	%	September 30, 2013	September 30, 2012	$	%
SSCNOI[1]	$ 38,505	$ 35,967	$ 2,538	7%	$ 111,923	$ 106,730	$ 5,193	5%
NOI attributable to non same store properties[2]	116,214	20,128	96,086	477%	268,399	54,613	213,786	391%
NOI	$ 154,719	$ 56,095	$ 98,624	176%	$ 380,322	$ 161,343	$ 218,979	136%

(1) Due to increases in revenues (described below) related to 74 same store properties.

(2) Primarily due to the acquisition of 202 properties subsequent to January 1, 2012 and the transfer of 38 properties to Seniors Housing Triple-net on September 1, 2013.

As discussed in Note 3 to our consolidated financial statements, we completed additional acquisitions within our seniors housing operating segment during the nine months ended September 30, 2013. The results of operations for these properties have been included in our consolidated results of operations from the dates of acquisition. The seniors housing operating acquisitions were structured under RIDEA, which is discussed in Note 18 to our consolidated financial statements. When considering new acquisitions utilizing the RIDEA structure, we look for opportunities with best-in-class operators with a strong seasoned leadership team, high-quality real estate in attractive markets, growth potential above the standard rent escalators in our triple-net lease seniors housing portfolio, and alignment of economic interests with our operating partner. Our seniors housing operating properties offer us the opportunity for external growth because we have the right to fund future seniors housing investment opportunities sourced by our operating partners. The increases in NOI are almost entirely attributable to 202 property acquisitions that have occurred subsequent to January 1, 2012. The following is a summary of our seniors housing operating results of operations (dollars in thousands):

	Three Months Ended		Change		Nine Months Ended		Change	
	September 30, 2013	September 30, 2012	$	%	September 30, 2013	September 30, 2012	$	%
Revenues:								
Resident fees and services	$ 466,127	$ 174,464	$ 291,663	167%	$ 1,164,446	$ 498,295	$ 666,151	134%
Interest income	-	-	-	n/a	757	-	757	n/a
Other income	167	-	167	n/a	169	-	169	n/a
	466,294	174,464	291,830	167%	1,165,372	498,295	667,077	134%
Property operating expenses	311,575	118,369	193,206	163%	785,050	336,952	448,098	133%
Net operating income from continuing operations (NOI)	154,719	56,095	98,624	176%	380,322	161,343	218,979	136%
Other expenses:								
Interest expense	24,693	17,474	7,219	41%	63,175	49,537	13,638	28%
Loss (gain) on derivatives, net	0	409	(409)	-100%	(407)	(1,808)	1,401	-77%
Depreciation and amortization	144,578	39,591	104,987	265%	338,099	123,820	214,279	173%
Transaction costs	18,882	1,966	16,916	860%	101,006	6,365	94,641	1487%
Loss (gain) on extinguishment of debt, net	(5,252)	89	(5,341)	-6001%	(5,560)	(1,089)	(4,471)	411%
	182,901	59,529	123,372	207%	496,313	176,825	319,488	181%
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes and income (loss) from unconsolidated entities	(28,182)	(3,434)	(24,748)	721%	(115,991)	(15,482)	(100,509)	649%
Income tax expense	(372)	265	(637)	-240%	(4,517)	(486)	(4,031)	829%
Income (loss) from unconsolidated entities	(4,391)	(3,162)	(1,229)	39%	(13,946)	(4,090)	(9,856)	241%
Net income (loss)	(32,945)	(6,331)	(26,614)	420%	(134,454)	(20,058)	(114,396)	570%
Less: Net income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interests	(4,167)	(478)	(3,689)	772%	(5,830)	(2,489)	(3,341)	134%
Net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders	$ (28,778)	$ (5,853)	$ (22,925)	392%	$ (128,624)	$ (17,569)	$ (111,055)	632%

Fluctuations in revenues and property operating expenses are primarily a result of acquisitions subsequent to September 30, 2012, offset by the transition of 38 properties to seniors housing triple-net on September 1, 2013. The fluctuations in depreciation and amortization are due to acquisitions and variations in amortization of short-lived intangible assets. To the extent that we acquire or dispose of additional properties in the future, these amounts will change accordingly. Loss from unconsolidated entities during the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2013 is primarily attributable to depreciation and amortization of short-lived intangible assets related to our joint ventures described in Note 7 to our consolidated financial statements. Interest income relates to the Sunrise loan that was acquired upon merger consummation on January 9, 2013.

Interest expense represents secured debt interest expense as well as interest expense related to our unsecured Canadian term loan discussed in Note 10 to our consolidated financial statements. The following is a summary of our seniors housing operating property secured debt principal activity, which excludes the Canadian term loan (dollars in thousands):

	Three Months Ended				Nine Months Ended			
	September 30, 2013		September 30, 2012		September 30, 2013		September 30, 2012	
	Amount	Weighted Avg. Interest Rate	Amount	Weighted Avg. Interest Rate	Amount	Weighted Avg. Interest Rate	Amount	Weighted Avg. Interest Rate
Beginning balance	$ 1,908,250	4.738%	1,377,933	5.203%	$ 1,369,526	4.874%	1,318,647	5.125%
Debt issued	-	0.000%	6,318	2.506%	71,340	4.961%	145,713	4.131%
Debt assumed	678,742	3.925%	-	0.000%	1,215,598	4.055%	8,316	5.624%
Debt extinguished	(472,685)	3.482%	-	0.000%	(521,841)	3.548%	(79,990)	2.644%
Debt transferred	(367,997)	5.298%	-	0.000%	(367,997)	5.298%	-	0.000%
Principal payments	(9,492)	4.575%	(5,445)	4.667%	(22,916)	4.738%	(13,880)	4.701%
Foreign currency	9,564	4.045%	288	5.624%	2,672	4.045%	288	5.624%
Ending balance	$ 1,746,382	4.619%	$ 1,379,094	4.832%	$ 1,746,382	4.619%	$ 1,379,094	4.832%
Monthly averages	$ 2,190,049	4.824%	1,378,980	4.835%	$ 1,719,287	4.870%	1,394,989	4.760%

The increase in gains on debt extinguishment is primarily due to an increased volume of secured debt extinguishments during the three months ended September 30, 2013. The change in net derivative gains is due to foreign currency hedges relating to our international investments which are described in Note 11 to our unaudited consolidated financial statements.

The change in transaction costs is due to both the volume and nature of transactions completed in the current year. The majority of our seniors housing operating properties are formed through partnership interests. Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 represents our partners' share of net income (loss) related to those properties.

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Medical Facilities

The following is a summary of our NOI for the medical facilities segment (dollars in thousands):

	Three Months Ended		Change		Nine Months Ended		Change	
	September 30, 2013	September 30, 2012	$	%	September 30, 2013	September 30, 2012	$	%
SSCNOI[1]	$ 60,350	$ 58,726	$ 1,624	3%	$ 179,521	$ 175,241	$ 4,280	2%
Non-cash NOI attributable to same store properties[1]	1,505	1,650	(145)	-9%	4,789	5,380	(591)	-11%
NOI attributable to non same store properties[2]	22,373	15,697	6,676	43%	71,123	36,475	34,648	95%
NOI	$ 84,228	$ 76,073	$ 8,155	11%	$ 255,433	$ 217,096	$ 38,337	18%

(1) Due to increases in cash and non-cash revenues (described below) related to 169 same store properties.

(2) Primarily due to acquisitions of 41 properties and conversions of construction projects into eight revenue-generating properties subsequent to January 1, 2012.

The following is a summary of our results of operations for the medical facilities segment (dollars in thousands):

	Three Months Ended		Change		Nine Months Ended		Change	
	September 30, 2013	September 30, 2012	$	%	September 30, 2013	September 30, 2012	$	%
Revenues:								
Rental income	$ 112,323	$ 99,726	$ 12,597	13%	$ 336,547	$ 281,744	$ 54,803	19%
Interest income	2,594	1,995	599	30%	7,257	6,154	1,103	18%
Other income	466	400	66	17%	1,539	1,482	57	4%
	115,383	102,121	13,262	13%	345,343	289,380	55,963	19%
Property operating expenses	31,155	26,048	5,107	20%	89,910	72,284	17,626	24%
Net operating income from continuing operations (NOI)	84,228	76,073	8,155	11%	255,433	217,096	38,337	18%
Other expenses:								
Interest expense	9,143	7,940	1,203	15%	28,441	22,338	6,103	27%
Depreciation and amortization	39,942	35,959	3,983	11%	120,998	102,450	18,548	18%
Transaction costs	683	708	(25)	-4%	971	5,374	(4,403)	-82%
Loss (gain) on extinguishment of debt, net	0	0	0	n/a	0	(483)	483	-100%
	49,768	44,607	5,161	12%	150,410	129,679	20,731	16%
Income from continuing operations before income taxes and income from unconsolidated entities	34,460	31,466	2,994	10%	105,023	87,417	17,606	20%
Income tax expense	(1,123)	(143)	(980)	685%	(408)	(316)	(92)	29%
Income from unconsolidated entities	2,860	2,395	465	19%	6,737	6,314	423	7%
Income from continuing operations	36,197	33,718	2,479	7%	111,352	93,415	17,937	19%
Discontinued operations:								
Gain (loss) on sales of properties, net	5,954	(12,521)	18,475	n/a	7,745	(11,664)	19,409	n/a
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net	417	1,441	(1,024)	-71%	1,150	2,711	(1,561)	-58%
Discontinued operations, net	6,371	(11,080)	17,451	n/a	8,895	(8,953)	17,848	n/a
Net income (loss)	42,568	22,638	19,930	88%	120,247	84,462	35,785	42%
Less: Net income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interests	105	12	93	775%	255	140	115	82%
Net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders	$ 42,463	$ 22,626	$ 19,837	88%	$ 119,992	$ 84,322	$ 35,670	42%

The increase in rental income is primarily attributable to the acquisitions of new properties and the construction conversions of medical facilities from which we receive rent. Certain of our leases contain annual rental escalators that are contingent upon changes in the Consumer Price Index. These escalators are not fixed, so no straight-line rent is recorded; however, rental income is recorded based on the contractual cash rental payments due for the period. If the Consumer Price Index does not increase, a portion of our revenues may not continue to increase. Sales of real property would offset revenue increases and, to the extent that they exceed new acquisitions, could result in decreased revenues. Our leases could renew above or below current rent rates, resulting in an increase or decrease in rental income. For the three months ended September 30, 2013, our consolidated medical office building portfolio signed 56,578 square feet of new leases and 187,177 square feet of renewals. The weighted-average term of these leases was five years, with a rate of $22.39 per square foot and tenant improvement and lease commission costs of $14.98 per square foot. Substantially all of these leases during the referenced quarter contain an annual fixed or contingent escalation rent structure ranging from the change in CPI to 3%. For the three months ended September 30, 2013, we had no lease renewals and one lease with a rental rate increaser of 0.27% in our hospital portfolio.

Interest expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 represents $29,314,000 and $28,799,000, respectively, of secured debt interest expense, which is offset by interest allocated to discontinued operations. The change in secured debt interest expense is primarily due to the net effect and timing of assumptions, extinguishments and principal amortizations. The following is a summary of our medical facilities secured debt principal activity (dollars in thousands):

	Three Months Ended				Nine Months Ended			
	September 30, 2013		September 30, 2012		September 30, 2013		September 30, 2012	
	Amount	Weighted Avg. Interest Rate	Amount	Weighted Avg. Interest Rate	Amount	Weighted Avg. Interest Rate	Amount	Weighted Avg. Interest Rate
Beginning balance	$ 705,322	5.947%	$ 695,454	5.947%	$ 713,720	5.950%	$ 520,026	5.981%
Debt assumed	26,300	6.439%	-	0.000%	26,300	6.439%	220,335	5.861%
Debt extinguished	-	0.000%	-	0.000%	0	0.000%	(37,622)	5.858%
Principal payments	(3,905)	6.032%	(3,513)	6.021%	(12,303)	6.132%	(10,798)	6.130%
Ending balance	$ 727,717	5.964%	$ 691,941	5.947%	$ 727,717	5.964%	$ 691,941	5.947%
Monthly averages	$ 709,921	5.952%	$ 693,684	5.947%	$ 710,146	5.950%	$ 661,406	5.953%

The increase in property operating expenses and depreciation and amortization is primarily attributable to acquisitions and construction conversions of new medical facilities for which we incur certain property operating expenses offset by property operating expenses associated with discontinued operations. The change in transaction costs is due primarily to lower transaction volume in the current year. Income from unconsolidated entities includes our share of net income related to our joint venture investment with Forest City Enterprises and certain unconsolidated property investments related to our strategic joint venture relationship with a national medical office building company. See Note 7 to our consolidated financial statements for additional information.

Changes in gains/losses on sales of properties is related to property sales, which totaled twelve and thirteen for the nine months ended September 30, 2013, and 2012, respectively. The following illustrates the reclassification impact as a result of classifying the properties sold prior to or held for sale at September 30, 2013 as discontinued operations for the periods presented. Please refer to Note 5 to our consolidated financial statements for further discussion.

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
Rental income	$ 810	$ 6,529	$ 3,486	$ 20,553
Expenses:				
Interest expense	12	1,955	873	6,461
Property operating expenses	68	281	346	1,469
Provision for depreciation	313	2,852	1,117	9,912
Income from discontinued operations, net	$ 417	$ 1,441	$ 1,150	$ 2,711

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Non-Segment/Corporate

The following is a summary of our results of operations for the non-segment/corporate activities (dollars in thousands):

	Three Months Ended		Change		Nine Months Ended		Change	
	September 30, 2013	September 30, 2012	$	%	September 30, 2013	September 30, 2012	$	%
Revenues:								
Other income	$ 32	$ 277	$ (245)	-88%	$ 277	$ 755	$ (478)	-63%
Expenses:								
Interest expense	76,726	66,154	10,572	16%	229,128	198,746	30,382	15%
General and administrative	28,718	23,679	5,039	21%	79,799	77,302	2,497	3%
Loss on extinguishment of debt, net	1,184	0	1,184	n/a	1,184	0	1,184	n/a
	106,628	89,833	16,795	19%	310,111	276,048	34,063	12%
Loss from continuing operations before income taxes	(106,596)	(89,556)	(17,040)	19%	(309,834)	(275,293)	(34,541)	13%
Income tax (expense) benefit	-	(223)	223	-100%	(17)	(1,447)	1,430	-99%
Loss from continuing operations	(106,596)	(89,779)	(16,817)	19%	(309,851)	(276,740)	(33,111)	12%
Less: Preferred stock dividends	16,602	16,602	-	0%	49,805	52,527	(2,722)	-5%
Less: Preferred stock redemption charge	-	-	-	n/a	-	6,242	(6,242)	-100%
Net loss attributable to common stockholders	$ (123,198)	$ (106,381)	$ (16,817)	16%	$ (359,656)	$ (335,509)	$ (24,147)	7%

Other income primarily represents income from non-real estate activities such as interest earned on temporary investments of cash reserves. The following is a summary of our non-segment/corporate interest expense (dollars in thousands):

	Three Months Ended		Change		Nine Months Ended		Change	
	September 30, 2013	September 30, 2012	$	%	September 30, 2013	September 30, 2012	$	%
Senior unsecured notes	$ 71,533	$ 62,172	$ 9,361	15%	$ 216,688	$ 186,277	$ 30,411	16%
Secured debt	122	138	(16)	-12%	358	402	(44)	-11%
Unsecured lines of credit	4,445	3,078	1,367	44%	11,967	9,717	2,250	23%
Capitalized interest	(1,706)	(2,555)	849	-33%	(4,698)	(7,113)	2,415	-34%
Swap savings	(4)	(12)	8	-67%	(11)	(92)	81	-88%
Loan expense	2,336	3,333	(997)	-30%	4,824	9,555	(4,731)	-50%
Totals	$ 76,726	$ 66,154	$ 10,572	16%	$ 229,128	$ 198,746	$ 30,382	15%

The change in interest expense on senior unsecured notes is due to the net effect of issuances and extinguishments. Please refer to Note 10 of our consolidated financial statements for additional information. We capitalize certain interest costs associated with funds used for the construction of properties owned directly by us. The amount capitalized is based upon the balances outstanding during the construction period using the rate of interest that approximates our cost of financing. Our interest expense is reduced by the amount capitalized. Please see Note 11 to our consolidated financial statements for a discussion of our interest rate swap agreements and their impact on interest expense. Loan expense represents the amortization of deferred loan costs incurred in connection with the issuance and amendments of debt. Loan expense changes are primarily due to amortization of costs incurred for senior unsecured note issuances. The change in interest expense on the unsecured line of credit arrangements is due primarily to the net effect and timing of draws, paydowns and variable interest rate changes. Please refer to Note 9 of our consolidated financial statements for additional information regarding our unsecured line of credit arrangements.

General and administrative expenses as a percentage of consolidated revenues (including revenues from discontinued operations) for the three months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 were 3.65% and 4.99%, respectively. The decline in percent of revenue is primarily related to the increasing revenue base as a result of our acquisitions. The loss on extinguishment of debt is due to the redemption of convertible senior notes. The changes in preferred stock dividends are primarily attributable to the net effect of issuances, redemptions and conversions. Please see Note 13 to our consolidated financial statements for additional information. In

connection with the preferred stock redemptions, we recognized charges of $6,242,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2012.

Non-GAAP Financial Measures

We believe that net income, as defined by U.S. GAAP, is the most appropriate earnings measurement. However, we consider FFO to be a useful supplemental measure of our operating performance. Historical cost accounting for real estate assets in accordance with U.S. GAAP implicitly assumes that the value of real estate assets diminishes predictably over time as evidenced by the provision for depreciation. However, since real estate values have historically risen or fallen with market conditions, many industry investors and analysts have considered presentations of operating results for real estate companies that use historical cost accounting to be insufficient. In response, the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts ("NAREIT") created FFO as a supplemental measure of operating performance for REITs that excludes historical cost depreciation from net income. FFO, as defined by NAREIT, means net income, computed in accordance with U.S. GAAP, excluding gains (or losses) from sales of real estate and impairment of depreciable assets, plus depreciation and amortization, and after adjustments for unconsolidated entities.

Net operating income from continuing operations ("NOI") is used to evaluate the operating performance of our properties. We define NOI as total revenues, including tenant reimbursements, less property level operating expenses. Property operating expenses represent costs associated with managing, maintaining and servicing tenants for our seniors housing operating and medical facility properties. These expenses include, but are not limited to, property-related payroll and benefits, property management fees, marketing, housekeeping, food service, maintenance, utilities, property taxes and insurance. General and administrative expenses represent costs unrelated to property operations or transaction costs. These expenses include, but are not limited to, payroll and benefits, professional services, office expenses and depreciation of corporate fixed assets. Same store cash NOI ("SSCNOI") is used to evaluate the cash-based operating performance of our properties under a consistent population which eliminates changes in the composition of our portfolio. As used herein, same store is generally defined as those revenue-generating properties in the portfolio for the reporting period subsequent to January 1, 2012. Any properties acquired, developed, transitioned or classified in discontinued operations during that period are excluded from the same store amounts. We believe NOI and SSCNOI provide investors relevant and useful information because they measure the operating performance of our properties at the property level on an unleveraged basis. We use NOI and SSCNOI to make decisions about resource allocations and to assess the property level performance of our properties.

EBITDA stands for earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization. We believe that EBITDA, along with net income and cash flow provided from operating activities, is an important supplemental measure because it provides additional information to assess and evaluate the performance of our operations. We primarily utilize EBITDA to measure our interest coverage ratio, which represents EBITDA divided by total interest, and our fixed charge coverage ratio, which represents EBITDA divided by fixed charges. Fixed charges include total interest, secured debt principal amortization and preferred dividends.

A covenant in our primary unsecured line of credit arrangement and Canadian denominated term loan contains a financial ratio based on a definition of EBITDA that is specific to that agreement. Failure to satisfy these covenants could result in an event of default that could have a material adverse impact on our cost and availability of capital, which could in turn have a material adverse impact on our consolidated results of operations, liquidity and/or financial condition. Due to the materiality of these debt agreements and the financial covenants, we have disclosed Adjusted EBITDA, which represents EBITDA as defined above and adjusted for stock-based compensation expense, provision for loan losses and gain/loss on extinguishment of debt. We use Adjusted EBITDA to measure our adjusted fixed charge coverage ratio, which represents Adjusted EBITDA divided by fixed charges on a trailing twelve months basis. Fixed charges include total interest (excluding capitalized interest and non-cash interest expenses), secured debt principal amortization and preferred dividends. Our covenant requires an adjusted fixed charge ratio of at least 1.50 times.

Other than Adjusted EBITDA, our supplemental reporting measures and similarly entitled financial measures are widely used by investors, equity and debt analysts and rating agencies in the valuation, comparison, rating and investment recommendations of companies. Management uses these financial measures to facilitate internal and external comparisons to our historical operating results and in making operating decisions. Additionally, these measures are utilized by the Board of Directors to evaluate management. Adjusted EBITDA is used solely to determine our compliance with a financial covenant in our primary line of credit arrangement and Canadian denominated term loan and is not being presented for use by investors for any other purpose. None of our supplemental measures represent net income or cash flow provided from operating activities as determined in accordance with U.S. GAAP and should not be considered as alternative measures of profitability or liquidity. Finally, the supplemental measures, as defined by us, may not be comparable to similarly entitled items reported by other real estate investment trusts or other companies.

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The table below reflects the reconciliation of FFO to net income attributable to common stockholders, the most directly comparable U.S. GAAP measure, for the periods presented. The provisions for depreciation and amortization include provisions for depreciation and amortization from discontinued operations. Noncontrolling interest amounts represent the noncontrolling interests' share of transaction costs and depreciation and amortization. Unconsolidated entity amounts represent our share of unconsolidated entities' depreciation and amortization. Amounts are in thousands except for per share data.

	Three Months Ended						
FFO Reconciliations:	March 31, 2012	June 30, 2012	September 30, 2012	December 31, 2012	March 31, 2013	June 30, 2013	September 30, 2013
Net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders	$ 39,307	$ 54,735	$ 37,269	$ 90,576	$ 55,058	$ (8,508)	$ 20,691
Depreciation and amortization	127,422	132,963	132,858	140,342	187,122	200,477	242,981
Impairment of assets	0	0	6,952	22,335	0	0	0
Loss (gain) on sales of properties, net	(769)	(32,450)	(12,827)	(54,502)	(82,492)	29,997	(4,707)
Noncontrolling interests	(4,990)	(5,189)	(5,440)	(5,439)	(5,793)	(7,821)	(12,328)
Unconsolidated entities	2,887	7,873	11,913	11,735	16,983	16,521	11,626
Funds from operations	$ 163,857	$ 157,932	$ 170,725	$ 205,047	$ 170,878	$ 230,666	$ 258,263
Average common shares outstanding:							
Basic	199,661	213,498	224,391	259,290	260,036	273,091	286,020
Diluted	201,658	215,138	226,258	261,210	262,525	276,481	288,029
Per share data:							
Net income attributable to common stockholders							
Basic	$ 0.20	$ 0.26	$ 0.17	$ 0.35	$ 0.21	$ (0.03)	$ 0.07
Diluted	0.19	0.25	0.16	0.35	0.21	(0.03)	0.07
Funds from operations							
Basic	$ 0.82	$ 0.74	$ 0.76	$ 0.79	$ 0.66	$ 0.84	$ 0.90
Diluted	0.81	0.73	0.75	0.78	0.65	0.83	0.90

	Nine Months Ended	
FFO Reconciliations:	September 30, 2012	September 30, 2013
Net income attributable to common stockholders	$ 131,308	$ 67,245
Depreciation and amortization	393,243	630,579
Impairment of assets	6,952	0
Loss (gain) on sales of properties, net	(46,046)	(57,202)
Noncontrolling interests	(15,619)	(25,942)
Unconsolidated entities	22,673	45,130
Funds from operations	$ 492,511	$ 659,810
Average common shares outstanding:		
Basic	212,592	273,148
Diluted	214,075	275,247
Per share data:		
Net income attributable to common stockholders		
Basic	$ 0.62	$ 0.25
Diluted	0.61	0.24
Funds from operations		
Basic	$ 2.32	$ 2.42
Diluted	2.30	2.40

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	Three Months Ended						
EBITDA Reconciliations:	March 31, 2012	June 30, 2012	September 30, 2012	December 31, 2012	March 31, 2013	June 30, 2013	September 30, 2013
Net income	$ 57,458	$ 76,875	$ 53,506	$ 107,005	$ 71,799	$ 7,181	$ 33,605
Interest expense	93,722	96,762	96,243	96,573	110,734	110,844	116,542
Income tax expense (benefit)	1,470	1,447	836	3,858	2,763	1,215	3,077
Depreciation and amortization	127,422	132,963	132,858	140,342	187,122	200,477	242,981
EBITDA	$ 280,072	$ 308,047	$ 283,443	$ 347,778	$ 372,418	$ 319,717	$ 396,205
Interest Coverage Ratio:							
Interest expense	$ 93,722	$ 96,762	$ 96,243	$ 96,573	$ 110,734	$ 110,844	$ 116,542
Non-cash interest expense	(3,693)	(2,849)	(2,241)	(2,612)	(3,494)	(1,237)	951
Capitalized interest	2,420	2,140	2,556	2,664	1,606	1,386	1,706
Total interest	92,449	96,053	96,558	96,625	108,846	110,993	119,199
EBITDA	$ 280,072	$ 308,047	$ 283,443	$ 347,778	$ 372,418	$ 319,717	$ 396,205
Interest coverage ratio	3.03x	3.21x	2.94x	3.60x	3.42x	2.88x	3.32x
Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio:							
Total interest	$ 92,449	$ 96,053	$ 96,558	$ 96,625	$ 108,846	$ 110,993	$ 119,199
Secured debt principal payments	8,529	9,567	10,141	10,317	11,319	13,277	15,297
Preferred dividends	19,207	16,719	16,602	16,602	16,602	16,602	16,602
Total fixed charges	120,185	122,339	123,301	123,544	136,767	140,872	151,098
EBITDA	$ 280,072	$ 308,047	$ 283,443	$ 347,778	$ 372,418	$ 319,717	$ 396,205
Fixed charge coverage ratio	2.33x	2.52x	2.30x	2.82x	2.72x	2.27x	2.62x

	Nine Months Ended	
EBITDA Reconciliations:	September 30, 2012	September 30, 2013
Net income	$ 187,836	$ 112,588
Interest expense	286,727	338,120
Income tax expense (benefit)	3,754	7,055
Depreciation and amortization	393,243	630,579
EBITDA	$ 871,560	$ 1,088,342
Interest Coverage Ratio:		
Interest expense	$ 286,727	$ 338,120
Non-cash interest expense	(8,783)	(3,779)
Capitalized interest	7,113	4,698
Total interest	285,057	339,039
EBITDA	$ 871,560	$ 1,088,342
Interest coverage ratio	3.06x	3.21x
Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio:		
Total interest	$ 285,057	$ 339,039
Secured debt principal payments	28,237	39,893
Preferred dividends	52,527	49,805
Total fixed charges	365,821	428,737
EBITDA	$ 871,560	$ 1,088,342
Fixed charge coverage ratio	2.38x	2.54x

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	Twelve Months Ended						
Adjusted EBITDA Reconciliations:	March 31, 2012	June 30, 2012	September 30, 2012	December 31, 2012	March 31, 2013	June 30, 2013	September 30, 2013
Net income	$ 238,363	$ 229,029	$ 230,181	$ 294,841	$ 309,183	$ 239,491	$ 219,590
Interest expense	356,390	368,379	376,811	383,300	400,312	414,394	434,693
Income tax expense (benefit)	2,729	3,965	4,578	7,611	8,904	8,672	10,913
Depreciation and amortization	476,259	498,169	515,387	533,585	593,285	660,799	770,922
Stock-based compensation expense	16,552	16,177	17,003	18,521	17,728	17,607	18,971
Provision for loan losses	1,762	1,595	28,471	27,008	27,008	27,008	0
Loss (gain) on extinguishment of debt, net	(979)	(403)	(188)	(775)	(1,083)	(1,659)	(5,942)
Adjusted EBITDA	$ 1,091,076	$ 1,116,911	$ 1,172,243	$ 1,264,091	$ 1,355,337	$ 1,366,312	$ 1,449,147
Adjusted Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio:							
Interest expense	$ 356,390	$ 368,379	$ 376,811	$ 383,300	$ 400,312	$ 414,394	$ 434,693
Capitalized interest	10,919	10,745	10,190	9,777	8,964	8,211	7,362
Non-cash interest expense	(13,882)	(14,033)	(12,560)	(11,395)	(11,196)	(9,584)	(6,392)
Total interest	353,427	365,091	374,441	381,682	398,080	413,021	435,663
Adjusted EBITDA	$ 1,091,076	$ 1,116,911	$ 1,172,243	$ 1,264,091	$ 1,355,337	$ 1,366,312	$ 1,449,147
Adjusted interest coverage ratio	3.09x	3.06x	3.13x	3.31x	3.40x	3.31x	3.33x
Total interest	$ 353,427	$ 365,091	$ 374,441	$ 381,682	$ 398,080	$ 413,021	$ 435,663
Secured debt principal payments	30,427	32,983	35,920	38,554	41,344	45,054	50,210
Preferred dividends	71,028	70,394	69,762	69,129	66,525	66,408	66,408
Total fixed charges	454,882	468,468	480,123	489,365	505,949	524,483	552,281
Adjusted EBITDA	$ 1,091,076	$ 1,116,911	$ 1,172,243	$ 1,264,091	$ 1,355,337	$ 1,366,312	$ 1,449,147
Adjusted fixed charge coverage ratio	2.40x	2.38x	2.44x	2.58x	2.68x	2.61x	2.62x

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	Three Months Ended						
NOI Reconciliations:	March 31, 2012	June 30, 2012	September 30, 2012	December 31, 2012	March 31, 2013	June 30, 2013	September 30, 2013
Total revenues:							
Seniors housing triple-net	$ 167,621	$ 175,656	$ 184,971	$ 187,269	$ 190,813	$ 194,573	$ 205,221
Seniors housing operating	158,174	165,654	174,464	205,470	328,081	370,995	466,294
Medical facilities	90,509	96,751	102,121	106,821	113,980	115,980	115,383
Non-segment/corporate	235	243	277	158	81	164	32
Total revenues	416,539	438,304	461,833	499,718	632,955	681,712	786,930
Property operating expenses:							
Seniors housing operating	107,243	111,340	118,369	134,726	224,503	248,972	311,575
Medical facilities	21,652	24,585	26,048	26,898	29,044	29,712	31,155
Total property operating expenses	128,895	135,925	144,417	161,624	253,547	278,684	342,730
Net operating income:							
Seniors housing triple-net	167,621	175,656	184,971	187,269	190,813	194,573	205,221
Seniors housing operating	50,931	54,314	56,095	70,744	103,578	122,023	154,719
Medical facilities	68,857	72,166	76,073	79,923	84,936	86,268	84,228
Non-segment/corporate	235	243	277	158	81	164	32
Net operating income from continuing operations (NOI)	287,644	302,379	317,416	338,094	379,408	403,028	444,200
Reconciling items:							
Interest expense	(88,247)	(91,061)	(91,915)	(93,514)	(109,571)	(110,483)	(116,530)
Loss (gain) on derivatives, net	(555)	2,676	(409)	113	(2,309)	2,716	(4,872)
Depreciation and amortization	(119,219)	(126,281)	(127,844)	(137,041)	(186,332)	(199,701)	(242,668)
General and administrative	(27,751)	(25,870)	(23,679)	(20,039)	(27,179)	(23,902)	(28,718)
Transaction costs	(5,579)	(28,691)	(8,264)	(19,074)	(65,980)	(28,136)	(23,591)
Loss (gain) on extinguishment of debt, net	-	(576)	(215)	1,566	308	-	4,068
Provision for loan losses	-	-	(27,008)	-	-	-	-
Income tax benefit (expense)	(1,470)	(1,447)	(836)	(3,858)	(2,763)	(1,215)	(3,077)
Income (loss) from unconsolidated entities	1,532	1,456	(739)	232	2,262	(5,461)	(331)
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net	11,103	44,290	16,999	40,525	83,955	(29,665)	5,124
Preferred dividends	(19,207)	(16,719)	(16,602)	(16,602)	(16,602)	(16,602)	(16,602)
Preferred stock redemption charge	-	(6,242)	-	-	-	-	-
Loss (income) attributable to noncontrolling interests	1,056	821	365	174	(139)	913	3,688
	(248,337)	(247,644)	(280,147)	(247,518)	(324,350)	(411,536)	(423,509)
Net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders	$ 39,307	$ 54,735	$ 37,269	$ 90,576	$ 55,058	$ (8,508)	$ 20,691

	Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,	September 30,
NOI Reconciliations:	2012	2013
Total revenues:		
Seniors housing triple-net	$ 528,249	$ 590,606
Seniors housing operating	498,295	1,165,372
Medical facilities	289,380	345,343
Non-segment/corporate	755	277
Total revenues	1,316,679	2,101,598
Property operating expenses:		
Seniors housing operating	336,952	785,050
Medical facilities	72,284	89,910
Total property operating expenses	409,236	874,960
Net operating income:		
Seniors housing triple-net	528,249	590,606
Seniors housing operating	161,343	380,322
Medical facilities	217,096	255,433
Non-segment/corporate	755	277
Net operating income from continuing operations	907,443	1,226,638
Reconciling items:		

Interest expense	(271,223)	(336,585)
Loss (gain) on derivatives, net	1,712	(4,465)
Depreciation and amortization	(373,344)	(628,700)
General and administrative	(77,302)	(79,799)
Transaction costs	(42,535)	(117,707)
Loss (gain) on extinguishment of debt, net	(791)	4,376
Provision for loan losses	(27,008)	-
Income tax benefit (expense)	(3,754)	(7,055)
Income (loss) from unconsolidated entities	2,250	(3,529)
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net	72,388	59,414
Preferred dividends	(52,527)	(49,805)
Preferred stock redemption charge	(6,242)	-
Loss (income) attributable to noncontrolling interests	2,241	4,462
	(776,135)	(1,159,393)
Net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders	$ 131,308	$ 67,245

		Three Months Ended						
		March 31,	June 30,	September 30,	December 31,	March 31,	June 30,	September 30,
Same Store Cash NOI Reconciliations:		2012	2012	2012	2012	2013	2013	2013
Net operating income from continuing operations:								
Seniors housing triple-net		$ 167,621	$ 175,656	$ 184,971	$ 187,269	$ 190,813	$ 194,573	$ 205,221
Seniors housing operating		50,931	54,314	56,095	70,744	103,578	122,023	154,719
Medical facilities		68,857	72,166	76,073	79,923	84,936	86,268	84,228
Total		287,409	302,136	317,139	337,936	379,327	402,864	444,168
Adjustments:								
Seniors housing triple-net:								
Non-cash NOI on same store properties		(8,384)	(8,062)	(8,561)	(8,737)	(8,779)	(7,855)	(8,111)
NOI attributable to non same store properties		(25,968)	(30,858)	(39,521)	(41,485)	(43,484)	(45,792)	(54,841)
Subtotal		(34,352)	(38,920)	(48,082)	(50,222)	(52,263)	(53,647)	(62,952)
Seniors housing operating:								
NOI attributable to non same store properties		(15,928)	(18,553)	(20,128)	(33,216)	(68,401)	(83,781)	(116,214)
Subtotal		(15,928)	(18,553)	(20,128)	(33,216)	(68,401)	(83,781)	(116,214)
Medical facilities:								
Non-cash NOI on same store properties		(2,061)	(1,669)	(1,650)	(1,649)	(1,601)	(1,684)	(1,505)
NOI attributable to non same store properties		(8,444)	(12,334)	(15,697)	(19,090)	(23,896)	(24,852)	(22,373)
Subtotal		(10,505)	(14,003)	(17,347)	(20,739)	(25,497)	(26,536)	(23,878)
Same store cash net operating income:	Properties							
Seniors housing triple-net	445	133,269	136,736	136,889	137,047	138,550	140,926	142,269
Seniors housing operating	74	35,003	35,761	35,967	37,528	35,177	38,242	38,505
Medical facilities	169	58,352	58,163	58,726	59,184	59,439	59,732	60,350
Total	688	$ 226,624	$ 230,660	$ 231,582	$ 233,759	233,166	$ 238,900	$ 241,124

		Nine Months Ended	
Same Store Cash NOI Reconciliations:		September 30, 2012	September 30, 2013
Net operating income from continuing operations:			
Seniors housing triple-net		$ 528,249	$ 590,606
Seniors housing operating		161,343	380,322
Medical facilities		217,096	255,433
Total		906,688	1,226,361
Adjustments:			
Seniors housing triple-net:			
Non-cash NOI on same store properties		(25,007)	(24,744)
NOI attributable to non same store properties		(96,348)	(144,118)
Subtotal		(121,355)	(168,862)
Seniors housing operating:			
Non-cash NOI on same store properties		-	-
NOI attributable to non same store properties		(54,613)	(268,399)
Subtotal		(54,613)	(268,399)
Medical facilities:			
Non-cash NOI on same store properties		(5,380)	(4,789)
NOI attributable to non same store properties		(36,475)	(71,123)
Subtotal		(41,855)	(75,912)
Same store cash net operating income:	Properties		
Seniors housing triple-net	445	406,894	421,744
Seniors housing operating	74	106,730	111,923
Medical facilities	169	175,241	179,521
Total	688	$ 688,865	$ 713,188

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Other Disclosures

Health Care Reimbursements

Policy and legislative changes that increase or decrease government reimbursement may impact our operators and tenants that participate in Medicare, Medicaid or other government programs. To the extent that policy or legislative changes decrease government reimbursement to our operators and tenants, our revenue and operations may be indirectly adversely affected.

On July 31, 2013 the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services ("CMS") issued a final rule for the skilled nursing prospective payment system that sets forth payment rate changes for the 2014 fiscal year, which began on October 1, 2013. Under the final rule, skilled nursing facilities ("SNFs") will receive a net payment increase of 1.3%, which is based on a 2.3% increase in the SNF market basket, less a 0.5% forecast error adjustment, and less a 0.5% multi-factor productivity adjustment. CMS is implementing a forecast error adjustment because the forecasted fiscal year 2012 market basket percentage change exceeded the actual SNF market basket percentage change by 0.51%, a figure that is in excess of the 0.5% threshold adopted by the agency for determining when a forecast error adjustment will be applied.

On November 21, 2011, the Joint Select Committee on Deficit Reduction, which was created by the Budget Control Act of 2011, concluded its work and issued a statement that it was not able to make a bipartisan agreement, thus triggering the sequestration process. On January 2, 2013, President Obama signed into law the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012 ("Taxpayer Relief Act"), which delayed the sequestration process until March 1, 2013. While the sequester went into effect March 1, 2013, effective April 1, 2013, provider payments under Medicare Parts A and B, Medicare Advantage, and Medicare Part D, will be reduced up to 2% annually. However, Medicaid spending and most of the spending on subsidies is exempt from reduction.

The Balanced Budget Act of 1997 mandated caps on Medicare reimbursement for certain therapy services. However, Congress imposed various waivers on the implementation of those caps. The Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012 ("Job Creation Act") made a number of changes effective on October 1, 2012, including applying the therapy caps to outpatient hospitals, creating two new threshold amounts of $3,700 (one for each therapy cap amount), and requiring a manual medical review process of claims over these new thresholds. CMS announced on March 1, 2013 that, until the agency provides further guidance, all therapy claims that are suspended for Manual Medical Review of Therapy Services above the $3,700 threshold will be subject to prepayment medical review. On July 9, 2013, CMS released an advanced copy of its proposed calendar year 2014 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule, which proposes to extend the therapy cap limitation to services provided at critical access hospitals. The Taxpayer Relief Act extended the Job Creation Act provisions related to payment for Medicare outpatient therapy services and extended the historical therapy cap waiver and exceptions process through December 31, 2013. The Taxpayer Relief Act also increased the multiple procedure discount for Medicare Part B therapy services from 25% to 50% effective April 1, 2013, which will lower revenues for certain operators or tenants.

CMS annually adjusts the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule payment rates based on an update formula that includes application of the Sustainable Growth Rate ("SGR"), which is an annual growth rate established by CMS and is intended to control growth in aggregate Medicare expenditures for physicians' services and the allowed and actual expenditures for physicians' services. On November 1, 2012, CMS published the calendar year 2013 Physician Fee Schedule final rule that called for a negative 26.5% update under the statutory SGR formula. The Taxpayer Relief Act provided for a zero percent update, blocking this cut through December 31, 2013. In March 2013, CMS estimated a negative 24.4% update under the statutory SGR formula for calendar year 2014. Additionally, in late July 2013, the House Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means Committee approved H.R. 2810, a proposal to replace the SGR updates with a quality measure system by a bipartisan vote of 51-0, but House lawmakers have yet to formally adopt the proposal. According to a recent estimate by the Congressional Budget Office, the House bill would cost $175 billion over 10 years, through 2023. The Senate Finance Committee is also moving forward on its own version of a bill to replace the SGR.

Medicaid is a major payor source for residents in our SNFs and hospitals. The federal and state government share responsibility for financing Medicaid. President Obama's proposed fiscal year budget for 2013 included several proposals that were not implemented that would have lowered federal spending for Medicaid, potentially impacting provider Medicaid reimbursement rates. The proposals included new limits on state provider taxes, phasing down the existing Medicaid provider tax, and blending the Federal matching rate for state Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program. Although the President's proposed fiscal year budget for 2014 did not include these proposals, provider tax reductions continue to be discussed as a potential cost savings measure. The President's 2014 budget called for an overall reduction in federal health care spending by $401 billion over ten years, with savings stemming from several cost-saving proposals including reduced Medicare payments for long-term care hospitals, SNFs, and other post-acute care providers. In June 2013, leaders of the House Ways and Means and Senate Finance committees solicited input from stakeholders on proposals to reform Medicare payment for post-acute services, requesting comments by August 19 on proposals by

the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission, the Obama administration, the Bipartisan Policy Center, and the Simpson-Bowles Commission for market-basket cuts, site-neutral payment, SNF readmission penalties, and bundled payments.

On August 2, 2013, CMS issued a final rule for the Medicare Inpatient Prospective Payment System, which sets forth acute care and long-term care hospital payment rate changes for the 2014 fiscal year, which began on October 1, 2013. Under the final rule, the Medicare rates for inpatient services at acute care hospitals will increase by 0.7% and rates for long-term care hospitals will increase by 0.4%, accounting for adjustments, such as the multifactor productivity adjustment and the second year adjustment for a three-year phase-in of a one-time 3.75% budget neutrality adjustment to the long-term care hospital rate. CMS finalized its proposal to let expire the one-year extension of the existing moratorium on the 25% threshold policy, a policy that imposes lower Medicare payments, in certain circumstances, on those long-term care hospitals that admit more than 25% of their patients from a single acute care hospital. The expiration of the moratorium on the 25% threshold policy impacts cost reporting periods that began on or after October 1, 2013. Under the final rule, CMS also finalized a number of changes to comply with the Health Reform Laws. Beginning in fiscal year 2014, hospitals that rank among the lowest-performing 25% with regard to hospital-acquired conditions will see a 1% reduction in Medicare payment rates. CMS will also increase the maximum payment reduction under the Hospital Readmissions Reduction program, which began on October 1, 2012, to 2% of payment amounts in fiscal year 2014. For fiscal year 2014, CMS is increasing the applicable percentage reduction, the portion of Medicare payments available to fund the Value-Based Purchasing Program's value-based incentive payments, to 1.25%, as required by statute.

On July 31, 2013, CMS issued a final rule for the Medicare Inpatient Rehabilitation Facilities Prospective Payment System that sets forth payment rate changes for the 2014 fiscal year, which began on October 1, 2013. Under the final rule for fiscal year 2014, the Medicare rates for inpatient rehabilitation facilities will increase by 1.8%, which includes a 2.6% market basket increase factor, reduced by a 0.5% multi-factor productivity adjustment and an additional 0.3% point reduction as required by the Health Reform Laws.

A number of additional rules recently proposed by CMS could have further implications on the reimbursement for our operators and tenants if finalized. For example, on March 18, 2013, CMS published a proposed rule that would allow Medicare to pay for additional hospital inpatient services under Medicare Part B. Specifically, the proposed rule would allow additional Part B payment when a Medicare Part A claim is denied because the beneficiary should have been treated as an outpatient, rather than being admitted to the hospital as an inpatient.

On September 18, 2013, CMS published a final rule that sets forth the annual reductions for Medicaid disproportionate share hospital ("DSH") payments for fiscal years 2014 and 2015, which were mandated by the Health Reform Laws, based on the assumption that the number of uninsured people will fall sharply beginning in 2014. Although the Health Reform Laws mandated reductions in Medicaid DSH spending from 2014 through 2020, the final rule addresses only DHS reductions for 2014 and 2015. In the final rule, CMS explained that, while the President's FY 2014 budget proposed to delay these reductions until 2015, the Department of Health and Human Services has no flexibility to institute a delay without congressional action.

On September 18, 2013, the Commission on Long-Term Care, a 15-member federal, bipartisan advisory commission created by the 2012 American Taxpayer Relief Act, issued a pre-publication version of its report to Congress outlining its recommendations for long-term care service delivery, workforce, and financing. With regard to financing, such commission was unable to agree on an approach and, instead, offered two contrasting approaches – one focused on using private options for long-term care, the other focused on strengthening long-term care options, primarily though changes to Medicare. If adopted by Congress, certain of such commission's recommendations may decrease revenues for our operators and tenants, while other recommendations may increase revenues.

The House Ways and Means Committee is currently reviewing public comments on draft legislation to significantly reform Medicare post-acute care policy, which incorporates input from stakeholders, including, the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission, the Obama administration, the Bipartisan Policy Center, and the Simpson-Bowles Commission. The draft legislation calls for market-basket cuts, site-neutral payment, modification criteria for IRF status, the establishment of a SNF readmissions program, and bundled payments.

Other Related Laws

All health care providers are subject to a number of federal and state health care fraud and abuse laws, including, but not limited to, the Federal Anti-Kickback Statute ("AKS"), which generally prohibits persons from offering, providing, soliciting, or receiving remuneration to induce either the referral of an individual or the furnishing of a good or service for which payment may be made under a federal health care program, such as Medicare or Medicaid. On April 17, 2013, the Department of Health and Human

Services' ("HHS") Office of Inspector General ("OIG"), which is the agency charged with enforcement of the AKS, released a revised provider self-disclosure protocol ("SDP"). The SDP establishes a process for providers to voluntarily identify and disclose potential cases of fraud involving federal health care programs. The SDP notes that damages calculations will begin at 1.5 times the amount actually paid by federal health care programs and that disclosing entities should expect minimum settlement amounts of $50,000 for kickback-related submissions and $10,000 for all other matters eligible for disclosure under the SDP. Such settlements could have an adverse effect on a property operator's liquidity and financial condition, which could negatively impact the operator's ability to make payments.

Certain provisions in the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA") require health care providers to utilize federally mandated standards for certain electronic transactions and maintain the privacy and security of medical records and other protected health information about individuals. Operators may face significant financial and criminal liability if they fail to maintain the privacy and security of medical records and other protected health information or otherwise abide by applicable requirements. The Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health ("HITECH") Act, passed in February 2009, strengthened the HHS Secretary's authority to impose civil money penalties for HIPAA violations occurring after February 18, 2009. In October 2009, the Office for Civil Rights ("OCR") issued an interim Final Rule which conformed HIPAA enforcement regulations to the HITECH Act, increasing the maximum penalty for multiple violations of a single requirement or prohibition in a calendar year to $1.5 million. Additionally, on January 25, 2013, OCR promulgated a final rule, which expands the applicability of HIPAA and HITECH and strengthens the government's ability to enforce these laws. The changes also strengthen the HITECH breach notification requirements by clarifying when breaches of unsecured health information must be reported to HHS. Generally, covered entities and business associates must come into compliance with the final rule by September 23, 2013, though some exceptions exist (*e.g.*, a later deadline for modification of certain business associate agreements).

Critical Accounting Policies

Our consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP, which requires us to make estimates and assumptions. Management considers an accounting estimate or assumption critical if:

- the nature of the estimates or assumptions is material due to the levels of subjectivity and judgment necessary to account for highly uncertain matters or the susceptibility of such matters to change; and
- the impact of the estimates and assumptions on financial condition or operating performance is material.

Management has discussed the development and selection of its critical accounting policies with the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors. Management believes the current assumptions and other considerations used to estimate amounts reflected in our consolidated financial statements are appropriate and are not reasonably likely to change in the future. However, since these estimates require assumptions to be made that were uncertain at the time the estimate was made, they bear the risk of change. If actual experience differs from the assumptions and other considerations used in estimating amounts reflected in our consolidated financial statements, the resulting changes could have a material adverse effect on our consolidated results of operations, liquidity and/or financial condition. Please refer to Note 2 to the financial statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012, as updated by our Current Report on Form 8-K filed on August 6, 2013, for further information regarding significant accounting policies that impact us. There have been no material changes to these policies in 2013.

Forward-Looking Statements and Risk Factors

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q may contain "forward-looking" statements as defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements concern and are based upon, among other things, the possible expansion of the company's portfolio; the sale of facilities; the performance of its operators/tenants and facilities; its ability to enter into agreements with viable new tenants for vacant space or for facilities that the company takes back from financially troubled tenants, if any; its occupancy rates; its ability to acquire, develop and/or manage facilities; its ability to make distributions to stockholders; its policies and plans regarding investments, financings and other matters; its ability to manage the risks associated with international expansion and operations; its tax status as a real estate investment trust; its critical accounting policies; its ability to appropriately balance the use of debt and equity; its ability to access capital markets or other sources of funds; and its ability to meet its earnings guidance. When the company uses words such as "may," "will," "intend," "should," "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "project," "estimate" or similar expressions, it is making forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve risks and uncertainties. The company's expected results may not be achieved, and actual results may differ materially from expectations. This may be a result of various factors, including, but not limited to: the status of the economy; the status of capital markets, including availability and cost of capital; issues facing the health care industry, including compliance with, and changes to, regulations and payment policies, responding to government investigations and punitive settlements and operators'/tenants' difficulty in cost-effectively obtaining and maintaining adequate liability and other insurance; changes in financing terms; competition within the health care, seniors housing and life science industries; negative developments in the operating results or financial condition of

operators/tenants, including, but not limited to, their ability to pay rent and repay loans; the company's ability to transition or sell facilities with profitable results; the failure to make new investments as and when anticipated; acts of God affecting the company's facilities; the company's ability to re-lease space at similar rates as vacancies occur; the company's ability to timely reinvest sale proceeds at similar rates to assets sold; operator/tenant or joint venture partner bankruptcies or insolvencies; the cooperation of joint venture partners; government regulations affecting Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement rates and operational requirements; regulatory approval and market acceptance of the products and technologies of life science tenants; liability or contract claims by or against operators/tenants; unanticipated difficulties and/or expenditures relating to future acquisitions; environmental laws affecting the company's facilities; changes in rules or practices governing the company's financial reporting; the movement of foreign currency exchange rates; and legal and operational matters, including real estate investment trust qualification and key management personnel recruitment and retention. Other important factors are identified in the company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012, as updated by our Current Report on Form 8-K filed on August 6, 2013, including factors identified under the headings "Business," "Risk Factors" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations." Finally, the company assumes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements or to update the reasons why actual results could differ from those projected in any forward-looking statements.

Item 3. ***Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk***

We are exposed to various market risks, including the potential loss arising from adverse changes in interest rates and foreign currency exchange rates. We seek to mitigate the effects of fluctuations in interest rates by matching the terms of new investments with new long-term fixed rate borrowings to the extent possible. We may or may not elect to use financial derivative instruments to hedge interest rate exposure. These decisions are principally based on our policy to match our variable rate investments with comparable borrowings, but are also based on the general trend in interest rates at the applicable dates and our perception of the future volatility of interest rates. This section is presented to provide a discussion of the risks associated with potential fluctuations in interest rates.

We historically borrow on our primary unsecured line of credit arrangement to acquire, construct or make loans relating to health care and seniors housing properties. Then, as market conditions dictate, we will issue equity or long-term fixed rate debt to repay the borrowings under the unsecured line of credit arrangements.

A change in interest rates will not affect the interest expense associated with our fixed rate debt. Interest rate changes, however, will affect the fair value of our fixed rate debt. Changes in the interest rate environment upon maturity of this fixed rate debt could have an effect on our future cash flows and earnings, depending on whether the debt is replaced with other fixed rate debt, variable rate debt or equity or repaid by the sale of assets. To illustrate the impact of changes in the interest rate markets, we performed a sensitivity analysis on our fixed rate debt instruments whereby we modeled the change in net present values arising from a hypothetical 1% increase in interest rates to determine the instruments' change in fair value. The following table summarizes the analysis performed as of the dates indicated (in thousands):

	September 30, 2013		December 31, 2012	
	Principal balance	Change in fair value	Principal balance	Change in fair value
Senior unsecured notes	$ 6,418,190	$ (368,667)	$ 6,145,457	$ (451,478)
Secured debt	2,809,721	(108,124)	2,024,454	(96,290)
Totals	$ 9,227,911	$ (476,791)	$ 8,169,911	$ (547,768)

Our variable rate debt, including our unsecured line of credit arrangements, is reflected at fair value. At September 30, 2013, we had $847,670,000 outstanding related to our variable rate lines of credit and $256,202,000 outstanding related to our variable rate secured debt. Assuming no changes in outstanding balances, a 1% increase in interest rates would result in increased annual interest expense of $11,039,000. At December 31, 2012, we had no amounts outstanding under our variable rate lines of credit and $223,270,000 outstanding related to our variable rate secured debt. Assuming no changes in outstanding balances, a 1% increase in interest rates would have resulted in increased annual interest expense of $2,233,000.

We are subject to risks associated with debt financing, including the risk that existing indebtedness may not be refinanced or that the terms of refinancing may not be as favorable as the terms of current indebtedness. The majority of our borrowings were completed under indentures or contractual agreements that limit the amount of indebtedness we may incur. Accordingly, in the event that we are unable to raise additional equity or borrow money because of these limitations, our ability to acquire additional properties may be limited.

We are subject to currency fluctuations that may, from time to time, affect our financial condition and results of operations. Increases or decreases in the value of the Canadian Dollar or Pounds Sterling relative to the U.S. Dollar impacts the amount of net income we earn from our investments in Canada and the United Kingdom. We seek to mitigate these underlying foreign currency exposures with gains and losses on derivative contracts hedging these exposures. If we increase our international presence through investments in, or acquisitions or development of, seniors housing properties outside the United States, we may also decide to transact additional business or borrow funds in currencies other than U.S. Dollar, Canadian Dollars or Pounds Sterling.

For additional information regarding fair values of financial instruments, see "Item 2 — Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations — Critical Accounting Policies" and Notes 11 and 16 to our unaudited consolidated financial statements.

Item 4. ***Controls and Procedures***

Our management, under the supervision and with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, has evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act")) as of the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. Based on that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures are effective in providing reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed by us in the reports we file with or submit to the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms. No changes in our internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) under the Exchange Act) occurred during the fiscal quarter covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. ***Legal Proceedings***

From time to time, there are various legal proceedings pending to which we are a party or to which some of our properties are subject arising in the normal course of business. We do not believe that the ultimate resolution of these proceedings will have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial position or results of operations.

Item 1A. ***Risk Factors***

Except as provided in "Item 2 — Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations — Forward Looking Statements and Risk Factors," there have been no material changes from the risk factors identified under the heading "Risk Factors" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012, as updated by our Current Report on Form 8-K filed on August 6, 2013.

Item 2. ***Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds***

On September 3, 2013, we issued 1,108,917 shares of our common stock to a joint venture partner in connection with our acquisition of such joint venture partner's noncontrolling interest in the joint venture. These shares were issued without registration in reliance upon the federal statutory exemption of Section 4(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

On September 27, 2013, we issued 9,867 shares of our common stock to a national medical office partner pursuant to the terms of our strategic partnership. These shares were issued without registration in reliance upon the federal statutory exemption of Section 4(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, upon such partnership earning success fees in connection with the development of new projects.

Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

Period	Total Number of Shares Purchased[1]	Average Price Paid Per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs[2]	Maximum Number of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs
July 1, 2013 through July 31, 2013	-	$ -		
August 1, 2013 through August 31, 2013	247	61.28		
September 1, 2013 through September 30, 2013	-	-		
Totals	247	$ 61.28		

(1) During the three months ended September 30, 2013, the company acquired shares of common stock held by employees who tendered owned shares to satisfy tax withholding obligations.

(2) No shares were purchased as part of publicly announced plans or programs.

Item 5. ***Other Information***

None.

Item 6. ***Exhibits***

2.1	Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of August 21, 2012, by and among Sunrise Senior Living, Inc., Brewer Holdco, Inc., Brewer Holdco Sub, Inc., the company and Red Fox, Inc. (the exhibits and schedules to the Agreement and Plan of Merger have been omitted pursuant to Item 601(b)(2) of Regulation S-K) (filed with the SEC as Exhibit 2.1 to the company's Form 8-K filed August 22, 2012 (File No. 001-08923), and incorporated herein by reference thereto).
3.1	Certificate of Elimination of 7 7/8% Series D Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock of the company (filed with the SEC as Exhibit 3.1 to the company's Form 10-Q filed August 6, 2013 (File No. 001-08923), and incorporated herein by reference thereto).
3.2	Certificate of Elimination of 7 5/8% Series F Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock of the company (filed with the SEC as Exhibit 3.2 to the company's Form 10-Q filed August 6, 2013 (File No. 001-08923), and incorporated herein by reference thereto).
10.1	Sixth Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, dated July 16, 2013, by and between the company and George L. Chapman (filed with the SEC as Exhibit 10.1 to the company's Form 8-K filed July 17, 2013 (File No. 001-08923), and incorporated herein by reference thereto).
12	Statement Regarding Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges and Ratio of Earnings to Combined Fixed Charges and Preferred Stock Dividends (Unaudited)
31.1	Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certification of Chief Executive Officer.
31.2	Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certification of Chief Financial Officer.
32.1	Certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 by Chief Executive Officer.
32.2	Certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 by Chief Financial Officer.
101.INS	XBRL Instance Document*
101.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document*
101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document*
101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document*
101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document*
101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document*

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* Attached as Exhibit 101 to this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q are the following materials, formatted in XBRL (eXtensible Business Reporting Language): (i) the Consolidated Balance Sheets at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, (ii) the Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, (iii) the Consolidated Statements of Equity for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, (iv) the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 and (v) the Notes to Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

	HEALTH CARE REIT, INC.
Date: November 5, 2013	By: /s/ GEORGE L. CHAPMAN George L. Chapman, Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and President (Principal Executive Officer)
Date: November 5, 2013	By: /s/ SCOTT A. ESTES Scott A. Estes, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)
Date: November 5, 2013	By: /s/ PAUL D. NUNGESTER, JR. Paul D. Nungester, Jr., Senior Vice President and Controller (Principal Accounting Officer)

EXHIBIT 12

STATEMENT REGARDING COMPUTATION OF RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES AND RATIO OF EARNINGS TO COMBINED FIXED CHARGES AND PREFERRED STOCK DIVIDENDS (UNAUDITED)

	Year Ended December 31,					Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2012	2013
	(dollars in thousands)						
Earnings:							
Pretax income from continuing operations before adjustment for income or loss from equity investees[1]	$ 90,596	$ 103,478	$ 34,122	$ 113,505	$ 187,056	$ 116,952	$ 63,758
Fixed charges	112,147	107,260	137,635	293,364	363,119	269,553	337,504
Capitalized interest	(25,029)	(41,170)	(20,792)	(13,164)	(9,777)	(7,113)	(4,698)
Amortized premiums, discounts and capitalized expenses related to indebtedness	11,231	11,898	13,945	13,905	11,395	8,783	3,779
Noncontrolling interest in pre-tax income of subsidiaries that have not incurred fixed charges	(126)	342	(357)	4,894	2,415	2,241	4,462
Earnings	$ 188,819	$ 181,808	$ 164,553	$ 412,504	$ 554,208	$ 390,416	$ 404,805
Fixed charges:							
Interest expense[1]	$ 98,349	$ 77,988	$ 130,788	$ 294,105	$ 364,737	$ 271,223	$ 336,585
Capitalized interest	25,029	41,170	20,792	13,164	9,777	7,113	4,698
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Fixed charges	$ 112,147	$ 107,260	$ 137,635	$ 293,364	$ 363,119	$ 269,553	$ 337,504
Consolidated ratio of earnings to fixed charges	1.68	1.70	1.20	1.41	1.53	1.45	1.20
Earnings:							
Pretax income from continuing operations before adjustment for income or loss from equity investees[1]	$ 90,596	$ 103,478	$ 34,122	$ 113,505	$ 187,056	$ 116,952	$ 63,758
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Fixed charges	112,147	107,260	137,635	293,364	363,119	269,553	337,504
Preferred stock dividends	23,201	22,079	21,645	60,502	69,129	52,527	49,805
Combined fixed charges and preferred stock dividends	$ 135,348	$ 129,339	$ 159,280	$ 353,866	$ 432,248	$ 322,080	$ 387,309
Consolidated ratio of earnings to combined fixed charges and preferred stock dividends	1.40	1.41	1.03	1.17	1.28	1.21	1.05

(1) We have reclassified the income and expenses attributable to the properties sold prior to or held for sale at September 30, 2013 to discontinued operations.

EXHIBIT 31.1

CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

I, **George L. Chapman**, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Health Care REIT, Inc.;

2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;

3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;

4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:

   (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;

   (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, 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;

   (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and

   (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and

5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):

   (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and

   (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 5, 2013

/s/ GEORGE L. CHAPMAN
George L. Chapman,
Chief Executive Officer

EXHIBIT 31.2

CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

I, **Scott A. Estes**, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Health Care REIT, Inc.;

2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;

3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;

4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:

   (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;

   (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, 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;

   (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and

   (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and

5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):

   (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and

   (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 5, 2013

/s/ SCOTT A. ESTES

Scott A. Estes,

Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT 32.1

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350

I, George L. Chapman, the Chief Executive Officer of Health Care REIT, Inc. (the "Company"), certify, pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (18 U.S.C. Section 1350), that (i) the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the Company for the quarter ended September 30, 2013 (the "Report"), fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and (ii) the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

/s/ GEORGE L. CHAPMAN
George L. Chapman,
Chief Executive Officer
Date: November 5, 2013

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to the Company and will be retained by the Company and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.

EXHIBIT 32.2

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350

I, Scott A. Estes, the Chief Financial Officer of Health Care REIT, Inc. (the "Company"), certify, pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (18 U.S.C. Section 1350), that (i) the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the Company for the quarter ended September 30, 2013 (the "Report"), fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and (ii) the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

/s/ SCOTT A. ESTES
Scott A. Estes,
Chief Financial Officer
Date: November 5, 2013

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to the Company and will be retained by the Company and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.