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- ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For The Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2008

OR

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

Commission File No. 0-22832

ALLIED CAPITAL CORPORATION
(Exact Name of Registrant as specified in its Charter)

Maryland
(State or Other Jurisdiction of
Incorporation)

52-1081052
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

1919 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, D.C.
(Address of Principal Executive Office)

20006
(Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (202) 721-6100

Securities Registered Pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of Each Class	Name of Each Exchange On Which Registered
Common Stock, \$0.0001 par value	New York Stock Exchange Nasdaq Global Select Market

Securities Registered Pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:

NONE

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

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. YES NO

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

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

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. (Check one):

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

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

The aggregate market value of the registrant's common stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant as of June 30, 2008, was approximately \$2.4 billion based upon the last sale price for the registrant's common stock on that date. As of February 27, 2009, there were 178,691,875 shares of the registrant's common stock outstanding.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of the registrant's definitive Proxy Statement for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held on May 13, 2009, are incorporated by reference into Part III of this Report.

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PART I

Item 1. *Business.*

General

We are a business development company, or BDC, in the private equity business and we are internally managed. Specifically, we invest in primarily private middle market companies in a variety of industries through long-term debt and equity capital instruments. As a BDC, we were created to be a source of capital to small and growing businesses in the United States. We have participated in the private equity business since we were founded in 1958. Since then through December 31, 2008, we have invested more than \$14 billion in thousands of companies nationwide. We primarily invest in the American entrepreneurial economy, helping to build middle market businesses and support American jobs. At December 31, 2008, our private finance portfolio included investments in 138 companies that generate aggregate annual revenues of over \$13 billion and employ more than 90,000 people. We generally invest in established companies with adequate cash flow for debt service.

Our investment objective is to achieve current income and capital gains. In order to achieve this objective, we have primarily invested in debt and equity securities of private companies in a variety of industries. However, from time to time, we have invested in companies that are public but lack access to additional public capital.

We are internally managed by our management team of senior officers and managing directors. At February 27, 2009, we had 130 employees. We are headquartered in Washington, DC, with offices in New York, NY and Arlington, VA.

Current Economic and Market Environment

The United States and the global economies are in a state of severe economic recession, which has had a far-reaching impact on the financial services industry. The U.S. capital markets have been experiencing extreme volatility and a lack of liquidity. Like many other financial firms, our current business focus has changed from expanding our portfolio to harvesting capital from our portfolio in order to generate capital to repay our indebtedness and de-lever our balance sheet. Our investing activities, as a result, have been sharply reduced. We believe that accumulating capital in order to pay down our indebtedness is a prudent strategy in this market environment.

We experienced a significant reduction in our net worth during the second half of 2008, primarily resulting from net unrealized depreciation on our portfolio, which reflects market conditions. As a result, on December 30, 2008, we entered into amendments relating to our private notes and revolving line of credit, including amendments which added new covenants. The amendments are more fully described below. See *Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations - Financial Condition, Liquidity and Capital Resources - Amendments to Revolving Line of Credit and Privately Issued Unsecured Notes Payable.*

In January 2009 we re-opened discussions with the revolving line of credit lenders and the private noteholders to seek relief under certain terms of both the revolving credit facility and the private notes due to a then-expected covenant default. It was subsequently determined that, at December 31, 2008, our asset coverage was less than the 200% required by the revolving credit facility and the private notes. Asset coverage generally refers to the percentage resulting from assets less accounts payable and other liabilities, divided by total debt. These discussions are continuing and we have expanded the discussions to encompass a more comprehensive restructuring of these debt agreements to provide long-term operational flexibility. As a result of these more comprehensive discussions, we have not completed the documents contemplated by the December 30, 2008 amendments to the revolving credit facility and

private notes, which were to include a grant of a first lien security interest on substantially all of our assets. Consequently, the administrative agent for the revolving credit facility has notified us that an event of default has occurred pursuant to the revolving credit facility. Events of default under the revolving credit facility constitute events of default under the private notes.

Pursuant to the Investment Company Act of 1940, or the 1940 Act, we are not permitted to issue indebtedness unless immediately after such issuance we have asset coverage of all outstanding indebtedness of at least 200%. Our publicly issued notes require us to comply with this provision of the 1940 Act. At December 31, 2008, our asset coverage ratio was 188%, which is less than the 200% requirement. As a result under the publicly issued unsecured notes payable, we will not be able to issue indebtedness until such time as our asset coverage returns to at least 200%. We have not experienced any default or cross default with respect to the publicly issued unsecured notes payable.

The existence of an event of default under the revolving line of credit and private notes restricts us from borrowing or obtaining letters of credit under our revolving credit facility, and from declaring dividends or other distributions to our shareholders. Pursuant to the terms of the revolving credit facility, during the continuance of an event of default, the applicable spread on any borrowings outstanding and fees on any letters of credit outstanding under the revolving credit facility increase by up to 200 basis points. Pursuant to the terms of the private notes, during the continuance of an event of default, the rate of interest borne by the private notes increases by 200 basis points.

Neither the lenders nor the noteholders have accelerated repayment of our obligations; however, the occurrence of an event of default permits the administrative agent for the lenders, or the holders of more than 51% of the commitments under the revolving credit facility, to accelerate repayment of all amounts due, to terminate commitments thereunder, and to require us to provide cash collateral equal to the face amount of all outstanding letters of credit. Pursuant to the terms of the private notes, the occurrence of an event of default permits the holders of 51% or more of any issue of outstanding private notes to accelerate repayment of all amounts due thereunder.

Our consolidated financial statements have been prepared assuming that we will continue as a going concern. We do not have available cash resources sufficient to satisfy all of the obligations under these debt agreements should the lenders accelerate these obligations. These factors raise substantial doubt about our ability to continue as a going concern. We continue to seek a comprehensive restructuring of these debt agreements to provide long-term operational flexibility. In addition, we continue to sell assets to generate capital to repay debt. There can be no assurance that our plans will be successful in addressing the liquidity uncertainties discussed above. In the event there is an acceleration of the amounts outstanding under the revolving credit facility or any issue of the private notes, it would cause us to evaluate other alternatives and would have a material adverse effect on our operations. The consolidated financial statements included in Item 8 herein do not include any adjustments that might result from these uncertainties.

Our balance sheet remains capitalized with significant equity capital and, relative to many other financial institutions, we use only a modest level of debt capital. Our asset coverage ratio, however, was less than 200% at December 31, 2008, and we are actively working to de-lever our balance sheet to increase our asset coverage ratio. Our debt to equity ratio at December 31, 2008 was 1.13 to 1.

Dividends

We have elected to be taxed as a regulated investment company under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the Code). As a regulated investment company, we are required to distribute substantially all of our investment company taxable income to shareholders through the payment of dividends. In certain circumstances, we are restricted in our ability to pay dividends. Each of our private notes and our revolving credit facility contain provisions that limit the amount of dividends we can pay and have a covenant that requires a minimum 200% asset coverage ratio at all

times, and at December 31,

2008, we were in default of that covenant. During the continuance of an event of default, we are precluded from declaring dividends or other distributions to our shareholders. In addition, pursuant to the 1940 Act, we may be precluded from declaring dividends or other distributions to our shareholders unless our asset coverage is at least 200%.

As of December 31, 2008, we estimate that we have met our dividend distribution requirements for the 2008 tax year. We intend to retain capital in 2009 in order to comply with the 200% asset coverage requirements of the 1940 Act and our debt agreements. We would be able to carry forward any 2009 taxable income for distribution in 2010. We currently qualify as a regulated investment company. However, there can be no assurance that we will be able to achieve 200% asset coverage or reach agreement with our lenders with respect to the payment of dividends; therefore, we may not be able to comply with the regulated investment company requirements to distribute income for 2009 and other future years and we may be required to pay a corporate level income tax. See Certain Government Regulations Regulated Investment Company Status.

Private Equity Investing

As a private equity investor, our portfolio primarily consists of long-term investments in the debt and equity of primarily private middle market companies. These investments generally are long-term in nature and privately negotiated, and no readily available market exists for them. This makes our investments highly illiquid and, as a result, we cannot readily trade them. When we make an investment, we enter into a long-term arrangement where our ultimate exit from that investment may be three to ten years in the future.

We have focused on investments in the debt of primarily private middle market companies because they have been structured to provide recurring cash flow to us as the investor. In addition to earning interest income, we may earn income from management, consulting, diligence, structuring or other fees. We may also enhance our total return with capital gains realized from investments in equity instruments or from equity features, such as nominal cost warrants.

Historically, we have competed for investments with a large number of private equity funds and mezzanine funds, other business development companies, hedge funds, investment banks, other equity and non-equity based investment funds, and other sources of financing, including specialty finance companies and traditional financial services companies such as commercial banks. However, we have primarily competed with other providers of long-term debt and equity capital to middle market companies, including private equity funds and other business development companies.

Private Finance Portfolio. Our private finance portfolio primarily is composed of debt and equity investments. Debt investments include senior loans, unitranche debt (an instrument that combines both senior and subordinated financing, generally in a first lien position), or subordinated debt (with or without equity features). The junior debt that we have in the portfolio is lower in repayment priority than senior debt and is also known as mezzanine debt. Our portfolio contains equity investments for a minority equity stake in portfolio companies, and includes equity features, such as nominal cost warrants, received in conjunction with our debt investments.

Senior loans carry a fixed rate of interest or a floating rate of interest, set as a spread over prime or LIBOR, and generally require payments of both principal and interest throughout the life of the loan. Senior loans generally have contractual maturities of three to six years and interest is generally paid to us monthly or quarterly. Unitranche debt generally carries a fixed rate of interest. Unitranche debt generally requires payments of both principal and interest throughout the life of the loan. Unitranche debt generally has contractual maturities of five to six years and interest generally is paid to us quarterly. Subordinated debt generally carries a fixed rate of interest generally with contractual maturities of five to ten years and generally has interest-only payments in the early years and payments of both principal and interest in the

later years, although maturities and principal amortization schedules may vary. Interest on subordinated debt generally is paid to us quarterly.

From time to time, we underwrite or arrange senior loans related to our portfolio investments, or for other companies that are not in our portfolio. At closing, all or a portion of the underwritten commitment may be funded by us, pending sale of the loan to other investors at closing. We generally earn a fee on the senior loans we underwrite or arrange whether or not we fund the underwritten commitment. After completion of the loan sales, we may or may not retain a position in these senior loans. Principal collections include repayments of senior debt funded by us that was subsequently sold by us or refinanced or repaid by the portfolio companies. These transactions may include loan sales to other portfolio companies controlled by us, or funds affiliated with or managed by us. See Asset Management below.

We also have invested in the bonds and preferred shares/income notes of collateralized loan obligations (CLOs) or collateralized debt obligations (CDOs), where the underlying collateral pool consists primarily of senior loans. Certain of the CLOs and CDOs in which we have invested may be managed by us or Callidus Capital Management, a portfolio company controlled by us.

Our portfolio includes buyout transactions in which we hold investments in senior debt, subordinated debt and equity (preferred and/or voting or non-voting common) where our equity ownership represents a significant portion of the equity, but may or may not represent a controlling interest. If we invest in non-voting equity in a buyout investment, we generally have an option to acquire a controlling stake in the voting securities of the portfolio company at fair market value. Historically, we have structured our buyout investments such that we seek to earn a blended current return on our total capital invested through a combination of interest income on our loans and debt securities, dividends on our preferred and common equity, and management, consulting, or transaction services fees to compensate us for the managerial assistance that we may provide to the portfolio company.

The structure of each debt and equity security includes many terms governing interest rate, repayment terms, prepayment penalties, financial covenants, operating covenants, ownership parameters, dilution parameters, liquidation preferences, voting rights, and put or call rights. Our senior loans and unitranche debt are generally in a first lien position, however in a liquidation scenario, the collateral, if any, may not be sufficient to support our outstanding investment. Our junior or mezzanine loans are generally unsecured. Our investments may be subject to certain restrictions on resale and generally have no established trading market.

At December 31, 2008, 34.9% of the private finance investments at value were in companies more than 25% owned, 10.4% were in companies 5% to 25% owned, and 54.7% were in companies less than 5% owned.

Our ten largest investments at value at December 31, 2008, were as follows:

(\$ in millions)		At December 31, 2008 Unrealized			Percentage of Total Assets
Portfolio	Company Information	Cost	(Depreciation)	Value	
Advantage Sales & Marketing, Inc.	Sales and marketing agency providing outsourced sales, merchandising, and marketing services to the consumer packaged goods industry.	\$ 158.1	\$ (18.1)	\$ 140.0	3.8%
BenefitMall, Inc.	Insurance general agency providing brokers with products, tools, and services that make selling employee benefits to small businesses more efficient.	\$ 79.5	\$ 51.9	\$ 131.4	3.5%
Unitranche Fund LLC	A fund that generally invests in first lien unitranche loans to middle market companies which is co-managed by us and an affiliate of GE Capital Corporation.	\$ 125.4	\$	\$ 125.4	3.4%
Ciena Capital LLC	Primarily services real estate secured small business loans, including SBA 7(a) loans, conventional small business loans and small investment real estate loans.	\$ 547.8	\$ (442.9)	\$ 104.9	2.8%
The Step2 Company, LLC	Manufacturer of branded plastic children's and home products manufactured through a rotational molding process.	\$ 97.0	\$ (5.4)	\$ 91.6	2.5%
Driven Brands, Inc.	A holding company established to manage franchise concepts in the automotive after market. Current subsidiaries include: (i) Meineke Car Care Centers [®] Inc.; (ii) MAACO Enterprises, Inc. [®] , and (iii) Econo Lube N Tune, Inc. [®] .	\$ 93.2	\$ (4.6)	\$ 88.6	2.4%
Woodstream Corporation	Manufactures and markets poison free pest control and pet and wildlife caring control products.	\$ 96.6	(10.8)	\$ 85.8	2.3%
Cook Inlet Alternative Risk, LLC	Administers workers' compensation coverage and trusts in New York, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Texas.	\$ 90.2	\$ (7.4)	\$ 82.8	2.2%
		\$ 76.8	\$ 3.6	\$ 80.4	2.2%

Higginbotham Insurance Agency, Inc.	A regional retail insurance brokerage firm specializing in property and casualty, employee benefits and other financial services products.				
Huddle House, Inc.	Franchisor of value-priced, full service family dining restaurants primarily in the Southeast.	\$ 92.9	\$ (14.9)	\$ 78.0	2.1%

We monitor the portfolio to maintain diversity within the industries in which we invest. We may or may not concentrate in any industry or group of industries in the future. The industry composition of the private finance portfolio at value at December 31, 2008 and 2007, was as follows:

	2008	2007
Industry		
Business services	36%	37%
Consumer products	24	25
CLO/CDO ⁽¹⁾	8	6
Financial services	6	6
Industrial products	5	10
Consumer services	5	4
Retail	5	4
Private debt funds	5	1
Healthcare services	2	3
Other	4	4
Total	100%	100%

⁽¹⁾ These funds primarily invest in senior corporate loans. Certain of these funds are managed by Callidus, a portfolio company of Allied Capital.

Commercial Real Estate Finance Portfolio. We also have participated in commercial real estate finance over our history. Over the past several years, we have not actively participated in commercial real estate finance as we believed that the market for commercial real estate had become too aggressive and that investment opportunities were not priced appropriately. As a result, our commercial real estate finance portfolio totaled \$93.9 million at value, or 2.5% of our total assets, at December 31, 2008, and contained primarily commercial mortgage loans and real estate properties.

Asset Management

In addition to managing our own assets, we manage certain funds that also invest in the debt and equity securities of primarily private middle market companies in a variety of industries. At December 31, 2008, we had five separate funds under our management (together, the Managed Funds) for which we may earn management or other fees for our services. We may invest in the equity of these funds, along with other third parties, from which we may earn a current return and/or a future incentive allocation.

At December 31, 2008, the funds that we manage had total assets of approximately \$2.1 billion. Our responsibilities to the Managed Funds may include investment origination, underwriting, and portfolio monitoring services. Each of the Managed Funds may separately invest in the debt or equity of companies in our portfolio, and these investments may be senior, pari passu or junior to the debt and equity investments held by us. We may or may not participate in investments made by the Managed Funds. We intend to grow our managed capital base over time. By growing our privately managed capital base, we seek to diversify our sources of capital, leverage our core investment expertise and increase fees and other income from asset management activities.

The assets of the funds under management, at December 31, 2008, were:

(\$ in millions)	Total Assets
Name of Fund	Under Management
Unitranche Fund LLC	\$ 790
Allied Capital Senior Debt Fund, L.P.	413
Knightsbridge CLO 2007-1 Ltd.	501
Knightsbridge CLO 2008-1 Ltd.	305
AGILE Fund I, LLC	99
Total	\$ 2,108

We have agreed to purchase the management contracts of three additional funds for approximately \$10 million plus an earnout not to exceed \$1.5 million, and certain transaction costs. The aggregate assets held by these funds total approximately \$1.2 billion. We expect to begin managing these funds in early 2009. For additional discussion of the Managed Funds, see Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Portfolio and Investment Activity Asset Management .

Business Processes

Business Development. Over the years, we believe we have developed and maintained a strong and extensive network of relationships. This network includes private equity investors, investment banks, business brokers, merger and acquisition advisors, financial services companies, banks, law firms and accountants. We are well known in the private equity industry, and through these relationships, we have been able to source investment opportunities for our portfolio and our Managed Funds.

New Deal Underwriting and Investment Execution. In a typical transaction, we review, analyze, and substantiate through due diligence, the business plan and operations of the potential portfolio company. We perform financial due diligence, perform operational due diligence, study the industry and competitive landscape, and conduct reference checks with company management or other employees, customers, suppliers, and competitors, as necessary. We may work with external consultants, including accounting firms and industry or operational consultants, in performing due diligence and in monitoring our portfolio investments.

Once a prospective portfolio company is determined to be suitable for investment, we work with the management and the other capital providers, including senior, junior, and equity capital providers, to structure a transaction. Our investments are tailored to the facts and circumstances of each deal. The specific structure is designed to protect our rights and manage our risk in the transaction. We generally structure the debt instrument to require restrictive affirmative and negative covenants, default penalties, or other protective provisions. In addition, each debt investment is individually priced to achieve a return that reflects our rights and priorities in the portfolio company's capital structure, the structure of the debt instrument, and our perceived risk of the investment. Our loans and debt securities have an annual stated interest rate; however, that interest rate is only one factor in pricing the investment. The annual stated interest rate may include some component of contractual payment-in-kind interest, which represents contractual interest accrued and added to the loan balance that generally becomes due at maturity or upon prepayment. In addition to the interest earned on loans and debt securities, our debt investments may include equity features, such as nominal cost warrants or options to buy a minority interest in the portfolio company.

In a buyout transaction where our equity investment represents a significant portion of the equity, our equity ownership may or may not represent a controlling interest. If non-voting equity is invested in a buyout, we generally have an option to acquire a controlling stake in the voting securities of the portfolio company at fair market value.

We have a centralized, credit-based approval process for our investments. The key steps in our investment process are:

Initial investment screening;

Initial investment approval;

Due diligence, structuring and negotiation;

Internal review of diligence results, including peer review;

Final investment approval;

Approval by the Investment Review Committee of the Board of Directors for all debt investments that represent a commitment equal to or greater than \$20 million and every buyout transaction; and

Funding of the investment.

Portfolio Monitoring and Development. Middle market companies often lack the management expertise and experience found in larger companies. As a BDC, we are required by the 1940 Act to make available significant managerial assistance to our portfolio companies. Our senior level professionals work with portfolio company management teams to assist them in building their businesses. Managerial assistance includes, but is not limited to, management and consulting services related to corporate finance, marketing, human resources, personnel and board member recruiting, business operations, corporate governance, risk management and other general business matters. Our corporate finance assistance includes supporting our portfolio companies' efforts to structure and attract additional capital. We believe our extensive network of industry relationships and our internal resources help make us a collaborative partner in the development of our portfolio companies.

Our team of investment professionals regularly monitors the status and performance of each investment. This portfolio company monitoring process generally includes review of the portfolio company's financial performance against its business plan, review of current financial statements and compliance with financial covenants, evaluation of significant current developments and assessment of future exit strategies. For debt investments we may have board observation rights that allow us to attend portfolio company board meetings. For buyout investments, we generally

hold a majority of the seats on

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the board of directors where we own a controlling interest in the portfolio company and we have board observation rights where we do not own a controlling interest in the portfolio company.

Portfolio Valuation

We determine the value of each investment in our portfolio on a quarterly basis, and changes in value result in unrealized appreciation or depreciation being recognized in our statement of operations. Value, as defined in Section 2(a)(41) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (1940 Act), is (i) the market price for those securities for which a market quotation is readily available and (ii) for all other securities and assets, fair value is as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors. Since there is typically no readily available market value for the investments in our portfolio, we value substantially all of our portfolio investments at fair value as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors in accordance with our valuation policy and the provisions of the 1940 Act and FASB Statement No. 157, *Fair Value Measurements* (SFAS 157 or the Statement). We determine fair value to be the price that would be received for an investment in a current sale, which assumes an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. At December 31, 2008, portfolio investments recorded at fair value using level 3 inputs (as defined under the Statement) were approximately 94% of our total assets. Because of the inherent uncertainty of determining the fair value of investments that do not have a readily available market quotation in an active market, the fair value of our investments determined in good faith by the Board of Directors may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had a ready market existed for the investments, and the differences could be material.

There is no single approach for determining fair value in good faith. As a result, determining fair value requires that judgment be applied to the specific facts and circumstances of each portfolio investment while employing a consistently applied valuation process for the types of investments we make. Unlike banks, we are not permitted to provide a general reserve for anticipated loan losses. Instead, we are required to specifically value each individual investment on a quarterly basis. We will record unrealized depreciation on investments when we determine that the fair value of a security is less than its cost basis, and we will record unrealized appreciation when we determine that the fair value is greater than its cost basis. Changes in fair value are recorded in the statement of operations as net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation. See Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Results of Operations Change in Unrealized Appreciation or Depreciation for a discussion of our valuation methodology.

Valuation Process. The portfolio valuation process is managed by our Chief Valuation Officer (CVO). The CVO works with the investment professionals responsible for each investment. The following is an overview of the steps we take each quarter to determine the value of our portfolio.

Our valuation process begins with each portfolio company or investment being initially valued by the investment professionals, led by the Managing Director or senior officer who is responsible for the portfolio company relationship (the Deal Team).

The CVO, members of the valuation team and third-party valuation consultants, as applicable (see below), review the preliminary valuation documentation as prepared by the Deal Team.

The CVO, members of the valuation team, and third-party consultants (see below), as applicable, meet with each Managing Director or responsible senior officer to discuss the preliminary valuation determined and documented by the Deal Team for each of their respective investments.

The CEO, COO, CFO and the Managing Directors meet with the CVO to discuss the preliminary valuation results.

Valuation documentation is distributed to the members of the Board of Directors.

The Audit Committee of the Board of Directors meets separately from the full Board of Directors with the third-party consultants (see below) to discuss the assistance provided and results. The CVO attends this meeting.

The CVO discusses and reviews the valuations with the Board of Directors.

To the extent there are changes or if additional information is deemed necessary, a follow-up Board meeting may take place.

The Board of Directors determines the fair value of the portfolio in good faith.

In connection with our valuation process to determine the fair value of a private finance investment, we work with third-party consultants to obtain assistance and advice as additional support in the preparation of our internal valuation analysis for a portion of the portfolio each quarter. In addition, we may receive other third-party assessments of a particular private finance portfolio company's value in the ordinary course of business, most often in the context of a prospective sale transaction or in the context of a bankruptcy process.

The valuation analysis prepared by management is submitted to our Board of Directors who is ultimately responsible for the determination of fair value of the portfolio in good faith. Valuation assistance from Duff & Phelps, LLC (Duff & Phelps) for our private finance portfolio consisted of certain limited procedures (the Procedures) we identified and requested them to perform. Based upon the performance of the Procedures on a selection of our final portfolio company valuations, Duff & Phelps concluded that the fair value of those portfolio companies subjected to the Procedures did not appear unreasonable. In addition, we also received third-party valuation assistance from other third-party consultants for certain private finance portfolio companies.

We currently intend to continue to work with third-party consultants to obtain valuation assistance for a portion of the private finance portfolio each quarter. We currently anticipate that we will generally obtain valuation assistance for all companies in the portfolio where we own more than 50% of the outstanding voting equity securities on a quarterly basis and that we will generally obtain assistance for companies where we own equal to or less than 50% of the outstanding voting equity securities at least once during the course of the calendar year. Valuation assistance may or may not be obtained for new companies that enter the portfolio after June 30 of any calendar year during that year or for investments with a cost and value less than \$250,000. For the quarter ended December 31, 2008, we received valuation assistance for 97 portfolio companies, which represented 91.6% of the private finance portfolio at value. See Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations below.

Corporate Structure and Offices

We are a Maryland corporation and a closed-end, non-diversified management investment company that has elected to be regulated as a business development company under the 1940 Act. We have a real estate investment trust subsidiary, Allied Capital REIT, Inc., and several subsidiaries that are single-member limited liability companies established for specific purposes, including holding real estate property. We also have a subsidiary, A.C. Corporation, that generally provides diligence and structuring services, as well as transaction, management, consulting, and other services, including underwriting and arranging senior loans, to Allied Capital and our portfolio companies. A.C. Corporation also provides fund management services to certain funds managed by us.

Our executive offices are located at 1919 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20006-3434 and our telephone number is (202) 721-6100. In addition, we have offices in New York, NY and Arlington, VA.

Available Information

Our Internet address is www.alliedcapital.com. We make available free of charge on our website our annual report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K and amendments to those reports as soon as reasonably practicable after we electronically file such material with, or furnish it to, the SEC. Information contained on our website is not incorporated by reference into this annual report on Form 10-K and you should not consider information contained on our website to be part of this annual report on Form 10-K.

Employees

On February 27, 2009, we employed 130 individuals, including investment and portfolio management professionals, operations professionals and administrative staff. The majority of our employees are located in our Washington, DC office.

Certain Government Regulations

We operate in a highly regulated environment. The following discussion generally summarizes certain government regulations that we are subject to.

Business Development Company. A business development company is defined and regulated by the 1940 Act. A business development company must be organized in the United States for the purpose of investing in or lending to primarily private companies and making managerial assistance available to them. A business development company may use capital provided by public shareholders and from other sources to invest in long-term, private investments in businesses.

As a business development company, we may not acquire any asset other than qualifying assets unless, at the time we make the acquisition, the value of our qualifying assets represent at least 70% of the value of our total assets. The principal categories of qualifying assets relevant to our business are:

- Securities purchased in transactions not involving any public offering, the issuer of which is an eligible portfolio company;

- Securities received in exchange for or distributed with respect to securities described in the bullet above or pursuant to the exercise of options, warrants or rights relating to such securities; and

- Cash, cash items, government securities or high quality debt securities (within the meaning of the 1940 Act), maturing in one year or less from the time of investment.

An eligible portfolio company is generally a domestic company that is not an investment company and that:

- does not have a class of securities with respect to which a broker may extend margin credit at the time the acquisition is made;

- is controlled by the business development company and has an affiliate of a business development company on its board of directors;

- does not have any class of securities listed on a national securities exchange;

public companies that list their securities on a national securities exchange with a market capitalization of less than \$250 million; or

meets such other criteria as may be established by the SEC.

Control, as defined by the 1940 Act, is presumed to exist where a business development company beneficially owns more than 25% of the outstanding voting securities of the portfolio company.

We do not intend to acquire securities issued by any investment company that exceed the limits imposed by the 1940 Act. Under these limits, we generally cannot acquire more than 3% of the voting stock of any investment company (as defined in the 1940 Act), invest more than 5% of the value of our total assets in the securities of one such investment company or invest more than 10% of the value of our total assets in the securities of such investment companies in the aggregate. With regard to that portion of our portfolio invested in securities issued by investment companies, it should be noted that such investments might subject our stockholders to additional expenses.

To include certain securities described above as qualifying assets for the purpose of the 70% test, a business development company must make available to the issuer of those securities significant managerial assistance such as providing significant guidance and counsel concerning the management, operations, or business objectives and policies of a portfolio company. We offer to provide significant managerial assistance to our portfolio companies.

As a business development company, we are entitled to issue senior securities in the form of stock or senior securities representing indebtedness, including debt securities and preferred stock, as long as each class of senior security has an asset coverage of at least 200% immediately after each such issuance. In addition, while any senior securities remain outstanding, we must make provisions to prohibit any distribution to our shareholders or repurchase of our common stock unless we meet the applicable asset coverage ratio at the time of the distribution.

We are not generally able to issue and sell our common stock at a price below net asset value per share. We may, however, sell our common stock, at a price below the current net asset value of the common stock, or sell warrants, options or rights to acquire such common stock, at a price below the current net asset value of the common stock if our Board of Directors determines that such sale is in the best interests of the company and our stockholders, and our stockholders approve our policy and practice of making such sales. In any such case, the price at which our securities are to be issued and sold may not be less than a price which, in the determination of our Board of Directors, closely approximates the market value of such securities (less any distributing commission or discount).

We are also limited in the amount of stock options that may be issued and outstanding at any point in time. The 1940 Act provides that the amount of a business development company's voting securities that would result from the exercise of all outstanding warrants, options and rights at the time of issuance may not exceed 25% of the business development company's outstanding voting securities, except that if the amount of voting securities that would result from the exercise of all outstanding warrants, options, and rights issued to the business development company's directors, officers, and employees pursuant to any executive compensation plan would exceed 15% of the business development company's outstanding voting securities, then the amount of voting securities that would result from the exercise of all outstanding warrants, options, and rights at the time of issuance shall not exceed 20% of the outstanding voting securities of the business development company.

We have applied for an exemptive order of the SEC to permit us to issue restricted shares of our common stock as part of the compensation packages for certain of our employees and directors. There can be no assurance that the SEC will grant an exemptive order to allow the granting of restricted stock. In addition, the issuance of restricted shares of our common stock will require the approval of our stockholders.

We may also be prohibited under the 1940 Act from knowingly participating in certain transactions with our affiliates without the prior approval of the members of our Board of Directors who are not interested persons and, in some cases, prior approval by the SEC. We have been granted an exemptive order by the SEC permitting us to engage in certain transactions that would be permitted if we and our

subsidiaries were one company and permitting certain transactions among our subsidiaries, subject to certain conditions and limitations.

We have designated a chief compliance officer and established a compliance program pursuant to the requirements of the 1940 Act. We are periodically examined by the SEC for compliance with the 1940 Act.

As with other companies regulated by the 1940 Act, a business development company must adhere to certain substantive regulatory requirements. A majority of our directors must be persons who are not interested persons, as that term is defined in the 1940 Act. Additionally, we are required to provide and maintain a bond issued by a reputable fidelity insurance company to protect us against larceny and embezzlement. Furthermore, as a business development company, we are prohibited from protecting any director or officer against any liability to us or our shareholders arising from willful misfeasance, bad faith, gross negligence or reckless disregard of the duties involved in the conduct of such person's office.

We maintain a code of ethics that establishes procedures for personal investment and restricts certain transactions by our personnel. Our code of ethics generally does not permit investment by our employees in securities that have been or are contemplated to be purchased or held by us. Our code of ethics is posted on our website at www.alliedcapital.com and is also filed as an exhibit to our registration statement which is on file with the SEC. You may read and copy the code of ethics at the SEC's Public Reference Room in Washington, D.C. You may obtain information on operations of the Public Reference Room by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. In addition, the code of ethics is available on the EDGAR database on the SEC Internet site at <http://www.sec.gov>. You may obtain copies of the code of ethics, after paying a duplicating fee, by electronic request at the following email address: publicinfo@sec.gov, or by writing to the SEC's Public Reference Section, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 20549.

We may not change the nature of our business so as to cease to be, or withdraw our election as, a business development company unless authorized by vote of a majority of the outstanding voting securities, as defined in the 1940 Act. A majority of the outstanding voting securities of a company is defined under the 1940 Act as the lesser of: (i) 67% or more of such company's shares present at a meeting if more than 50% of the outstanding shares of such company are present and represented by proxy or (ii) more than 50% of the outstanding shares of such company.

Regulated Investment Company Status. We have elected to be taxed as a regulated investment company (RIC) under Subchapter M of the Code. In order to maintain our status as a regulated investment company and obtain regulated investment company tax benefits, we must, in general, (1) continue to qualify as a business development company; (2) derive at least 90% of our gross income from dividends, interest, gains from the sale of securities and other specified types of income; (3) meet asset diversification requirements as defined in the Code; and (4) timely distribute to shareholders at least 90% of our annual investment company taxable income as defined in the Code. We currently qualify as a regulated investment company. However, there can be no assurance that we will continue to qualify for such treatment in future years. See Item 1A. Risk Factors - Risks Related to Liquidity.

As long as we qualify as a regulated investment company, we are not taxed on our investment company taxable income or realized net capital gains, to the extent that such taxable income or gains are distributed, or deemed to be distributed, to shareholders on a timely basis. Taxable income includes our taxable interest, dividend and fee income, as well as taxable net capital gains. Taxable income generally differs from net income for financial reporting purposes due to temporary and permanent differences in the recognition of income and expenses, and generally excludes net unrealized appreciation or depreciation, as gains or losses generally are not included in taxable income until they are realized. In addition, gains realized for financial reporting purposes may differ from gains included in taxable income as a result of our election to recognize gains using installment sale treatment, which generally results in the deferment of gains for tax purposes until notes or other amounts, including amounts held in escrow, received as consideration from the sale of investments are collected in cash. Taxable income includes

non-cash income, such as payment-in-kind interest and dividends and the amortization of discounts and fees. Cash collections of income resulting from contractual payment-in-kind interest or the amortization of discounts and fees generally occur upon the repayment of the loans or debt securities that include such items. Non-cash taxable income is reduced by non-cash expenses, such as realized losses and depreciation and amortization expense.

Taxable income available for distribution includes investment company taxable income and, to the extent not deemed to be distributed or retained, net long-term capital gains. To the extent that annual taxable income available for distribution exceeds dividends paid or deemed distributed from such taxable income for the year, we may carry over the excess taxable income into the next year and such excess income will be available for distribution in the next year as permitted under the Code. Such excess income will be treated under the Code as having been distributed during the prior year for purposes of our qualification for RIC tax treatment for such year. The maximum amount of excess taxable income that we may carry over for distribution in the next year under the Code is the total amount of dividends paid in the following year, subject to certain declaration and payment guidelines. Excess taxable income carried over and paid out in the next year is generally subject to a nondeductible 4% excise tax.

Compliance with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. The Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (the Sarbanes-Oxley Act) imposes a wide variety of regulatory requirements on publicly held companies and their insiders. Many of these requirements apply to us, including:

Our Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Accounting Officer certify the financial statements contained in our periodic reports through the filing of Section 302 certifications;

Our periodic reports disclose our conclusions about the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures;

Our annual report on Form 10-K contains a report from our management on internal control over financial reporting, including a statement that our management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting as well as our management's assessment of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting, and an attestation report on the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting issued by our independent registered public accounting firm;

Our periodic reports disclose whether there were significant changes in our internal control over financial reporting or in other factors that could significantly affect our internal control over financial reporting subsequent to the date of their evaluation, including any corrective actions with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses; and

We may not make any loan to any director or executive officer and we may not materially modify any existing loans.

We have adopted procedures to comply with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and the regulations promulgated thereunder. We will continue to monitor our compliance with all future regulations that are adopted under the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and will take actions necessary to ensure that we are in compliance therewith.

We have adopted certain policies and procedures to comply with the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) corporate governance rules. In accordance with the NYSE procedures, shortly after our 2008 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, we submitted the required CEO certification to the NYSE pursuant to Section 303A.12(a) of the listed company manual. Our common stock is also listed on the Nasdaq Global Select Market.

Item 1A. Risk Factors.

Investing in Allied Capital involves a number of significant risks relating to our business and investment objective. As a result, there can be no assurance that we will achieve our investment objective.

Risks Related to Liquidity

Certain events of default have occurred under our revolving credit facility and our private notes and, as a result, these lenders are permitted to accelerate repayment of the outstanding obligations thereunder. Certain events of default have occurred under our revolving credit facility and our private notes. The occurrence of an event of default permits the administrative agent for the lenders under the revolving credit facility, or the holders of more than 51% of the commitments under the revolving credit facility, to accelerate repayment of all amounts due, to terminate commitments thereunder, and to require us to provide cash collateral equal to the face amount of all outstanding letters of credit. Pursuant to the terms of the private notes, the occurrence of an event of default permits the holders of 51% or more of any issue of outstanding private notes to accelerate repayment of all amounts due thereunder.

As of December 31, 2008, we had \$50 million in outstanding borrowings and \$122.3 million in outstanding letters of credit issued under the revolving credit facility, and \$1.0 billion in outstanding private notes. Neither the lenders nor the noteholders have accelerated repayment of our obligations; however, there can be no assurance that they will not accelerate repayment in the future. We do not have sufficient cash resources to repay these obligations should the lenders or noteholders accelerate these obligations. Acceleration of the amounts outstanding under the revolving credit facility or any issue of the private notes could have a material adverse impact on our liquidity, financial condition and operations.

The existence of an event of default restricts us from borrowing or obtaining letters of credit under our revolving credit facility, and from declaring dividends or other distributions to our shareholders.

We are currently in discussions with our lenders and noteholders to seek relief under certain terms of both our revolving credit facility and our private notes due to the events of default. We have expanded the discussions to encompass a more comprehensive restructuring of these debt agreements to provide long-term operational flexibility. There can be no assurance that these discussions with our lenders and noteholders will be successful.

Our independent registered public accounting firm has expressed substantial doubt about our ability to continue as a going concern. In its audit report on our financial statements for our fiscal year ended December 31, 2008, our independent registered public accounting firm included an explanatory paragraph indicating that our consolidated financial statements have been prepared assuming that we will continue as a going concern. Certain events of default have occurred under our revolving credit facility and our private notes. These events of default provide the respective lenders the right to declare immediately due and payable unpaid amounts approximating \$1.1 billion at December 31, 2008. We do not have available cash resources to satisfy all of the obligations under these debt agreements should the lenders accelerate these obligations. These factors raise substantial doubt about our ability to continue as a going concern. The consolidated financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from the outcome of these uncertainties.

Our use of leverage magnifies the potential for gain or loss on amounts invested and may increase the risk of investing in us. Borrowings, also known as leverage, magnify the potential for gain or loss on amounts invested and, therefore, increase the risks associated with investing in our securities. We borrow from and issue senior debt securities to banks, insurance companies, and other

lenders or investors. Holders of these senior securities have fixed dollar claims on our consolidated assets that are superior to the claims of our common shareholders. If the value of our consolidated assets increases, then leveraging would cause the net asset value attributable to our common stock to increase more sharply than it would have had we not leveraged. Conversely, if the value of our consolidated assets decreases, leveraging would cause net asset value to decline more sharply than it otherwise would have had we not leveraged. Similarly, any increase in our consolidated income in excess of consolidated interest payable on the borrowed funds would cause our net income to increase more than it would without the leverage, while any decrease in our consolidated income would cause net income to decline more sharply than it would have had we not borrowed. Leverage is generally considered a speculative investment technique. We and, indirectly, our stockholders will bear the cost associated with our leverage activity. Our revolving line of credit and notes payable contain financial and operating covenants that could restrict our business activities, including our ability to declare dividends if we default under certain provisions. Breach of any of those covenants could cause a default under those instruments. Such a default, if not cured or waived, could have a material adverse effect on us.

At December 31, 2008, we had \$1.9 billion of outstanding indebtedness bearing a weighted average annual interest cost of 7.7% and a debt to equity ratio of 1.13 to 1.00. If our portfolio of investments fails to produce adequate returns, we may be unable to make interest or principal payments on our indebtedness when they are due. In order for us to cover annual interest payments on indebtedness, we must achieve annual returns on our assets of at least 4.0% as of December 31, 2008, which returns were achieved.

Regulations governing our operation as a BDC affect our ability to, and the way in which we, raise additional debt and equity capital. We will continue to need capital to fund growth in our investments. Under the 1940 Act, we are not permitted to issue indebtedness unless immediately after such borrowing we have an asset coverage for total borrowings of at least 200%. As of December 31, 2008, our asset coverage was 188%. There can be no assurance as to when we will be able to satisfy the asset coverage requirements of the 1940 Act, if at all, and our failure to do so would have a material adverse impact on our liquidity, financial condition, results of operations, and ability to pay dividends.

We generally are not able to issue and sell our common stock at a price below net asset value per share. We may, however, sell our common stock, warrants, options, or rights to acquire our common stock at a price below the current net asset value per share of the common stock if our Board of Directors determines that such sale is in our best interests and the best interests of our stockholders and, in certain instances, our stockholders approve such sale. In any such case, the price at which our securities are to be issued and sold may not be less than the price which, in the determination of our Board of Directors, closely approximates the market value of such securities (less any commission or discount). If our common stock continues to trade at a discount to net asset value, this restriction could adversely affect our ability to raise capital. Shares of business development companies, including shares of our common stock, have been trading at discounts to their net asset values. As of December 31, 2008, our net asset value per share was \$9.62. The closing price of our shares on the NYSE at December 31, 2008 was \$2.69. If our common stock trades below net asset value, the higher cost of equity capital may result in it being unattractive to raise new equity, which may limit our ability to grow. The risk of trading below net asset value is separate and distinct from the risk that our net asset value per share may decline.

Our credit ratings may change and may not reflect all risks of an investment in the debt securities. Our long-term debt carries a non-investment grade credit rating of Ba2 by Moody's Investors Service, BB+ by Standard & Poor's, and BB by FitchRatings. Our credit ratings are an assessment of our ability to pay our obligations. Consequently, real or anticipated changes in our credit ratings will generally affect the market value of the publicly issued debt securities. There can be no assurance that the long-term debt ratings will be maintained.

Risks Related to Current Economic and Market Conditions

We are currently in a period of capital markets disruption and severe recession and we do not expect these conditions to improve in the near future. These market conditions have materially and adversely affected the debt and equity capital markets in the United States, which has had and could continue to have a negative impact on our business and operations. The U.S. capital markets have been experiencing extreme volatility and disruption for more than 12 months as evidenced by a lack of liquidity in the debt capital markets, significant write-offs in the financial services sector, the repricing of credit risk in the broadly syndicated credit market and the failure of major financial institutions. These events have contributed to worsening general economic conditions that are materially and adversely impacting the broader financial and credit markets and reducing the availability of credit and equity capital for the markets as a whole and financial services firms in particular. We believe that the U.S. economy has entered into a period of severe recession, and forecasts for 2009 generally call for a weakening economy in the United States, with the continuation of the economic recession and possibly an economic depression. As a result, we believe these conditions may continue for a prolonged period of time or worsen in the future. A prolonged period of market illiquidity will continue to have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition, and results of operations. Unfavorable economic conditions also could increase our funding costs, limit our access to the capital markets or result in a decision by lenders not to extend credit to us. Equity capital may be difficult to raise because, subject to some limited exceptions, we generally are not able to issue and sell our common stock at a price below net asset value per share. In addition, the debt capital that will be available, if at all, may be at a higher cost and on less favorable terms and conditions. These events and the inability to raise capital has significantly limited our investment originations, limited our ability to grow and negatively impacted our operating results.

Economic recessions, including the current global recession, could impair our portfolio companies and harm our operating results. Many of the companies in which we have made or will make investments are susceptible to economic slowdowns or recessions. An economic recession, including the current and any future recessions or economic slowdowns, may affect the ability of a company to repay our loans or engage in a liquidity event such as a sale, recapitalization, or initial public offering. Our nonperforming assets are likely to increase and the value of our portfolio is likely to decrease during these periods. Current adverse economic conditions also have decreased the value of any collateral securing our loans, if any, and a prolonged recession or depression may further decrease such value. These conditions are contributing to and if prolonged could lead to further losses of value in our portfolio and a decrease in our revenues, net income, assets and net worth.

Risks Related to Asset Values

Declining asset values and illiquidity in the corporate debt markets have adversely affected, and may continue to adversely affect, the fair value of our portfolio investments, reducing the value of our assets. As a BDC, we are required to carry our investments at market value or, if no market value is ascertainable, at fair market value as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors. Decreases in the values of our investments are recorded as unrealized depreciation. The continuing unprecedented declines in asset values and liquidity in the corporate debt markets have resulted in significant net unrealized depreciation in our portfolio. As of December 31, 2008, conditions in the debt and equity markets had continued to deteriorate and pricing levels continued to decline. As a result, we have incurred and, depending on market conditions, we may incur further unrealized depreciation in future periods, which could have a material adverse impact on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Substantially all of our portfolio investments, which are generally illiquid, are recorded at fair value as determined in good faith by our Board of Directors and, as a result, there is uncertainty

regarding the value of our portfolio investments. At December 31, 2008, portfolio investments recorded at fair value were 94% of our total assets. Pursuant to the requirements of the 1940 Act, we value substantially all of our investments at fair value as determined in good faith by our Board of Directors on a quarterly basis. Since there is typically no market quotation in an active market for the investments in our portfolio, our Board of Directors determines in good faith the fair value of these investments pursuant to a valuation policy and a consistently applied valuation process.

There is no single approach for determining fair value in good faith. As a result, determining fair value requires that judgment be applied to the specific facts and circumstances of each portfolio investment while employing a consistently applied valuation process for the types of investments we make. In determining fair value in good faith, we generally obtain financial and other information from portfolio companies, which may represent unaudited, projected or pro forma financial information. Unlike banks, we are not permitted to provide a general reserve for anticipated loan losses; we are instead required by the 1940 Act to specifically value each individual investment on a quarterly basis. We will record unrealized depreciation on investments when we determine that the fair value of a security is less than its cost basis, and unrealized appreciation when we determine that the fair value of a security is greater than its cost basis. Without a market quotation in an active market and because of the inherent uncertainty of valuation, the fair value of our investments determined in good faith by the Board of Directors may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had a ready market existed for the investments, and the differences could be material. Our net asset value could be affected if our determination of the fair value of our investments is materially different than the value that we ultimately realize.

We adjust quarterly the valuation of our portfolio to reflect the Board of Directors' determination of the fair value of each investment in our portfolio. Any changes in fair value are recorded in our statement of operations as net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation. See Note 2, "Summary of Significant Accounting Policies" from our Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in Item 8.

Risks Related to Our Portfolio

Our portfolio of investments is illiquid. We generally acquire our investments directly from the issuer in privately negotiated transactions. The majority of the investments in our portfolio are subject to certain restrictions on resale or otherwise have no established trading market. We typically exit our investments when the portfolio company has a liquidity event such as a sale, recapitalization, or initial public offering of the company. The illiquidity of our investments may adversely affect our ability to dispose of debt and equity securities at times when we may need to or when it may be otherwise advantageous for us to liquidate such investments. In addition, if we were forced to immediately liquidate some or all of the investments in the portfolio, the proceeds of such liquidation could be significantly less than the current value of such investments.

Our business of making private equity investments and positioning them for liquidity events also may be affected by current and future market conditions. Current economic and capital markets conditions in the U.S. have severely reduced capital availability, senior lending activity and middle market merger and acquisition activity. The absence of an active senior lending environment and the slowdown or stalling in middle market merger and acquisition activity has slowed the amount of private equity investment activity generally. As a result, the pace of our investment activity has also slowed. In addition, significant changes in the capital markets, including the recent extreme volatility and disruption, has had and may continue to have a negative effect on the valuations of our investments, and on the potential for liquidity events involving such investments. This could affect the timing of exit events in our portfolio, reduce the level of net realized gains from exit events in a given year, and could negatively affect the amount of gains or losses upon exit.

Investing in private companies involves a high degree of risk. Our portfolio primarily consists of long-term loans to and investments in middle market private companies. Investments in private businesses involve a high degree of business and financial risk, which can result in substantial losses for us in those investments and accordingly should be considered speculative. There is generally no publicly available information about the companies in which we invest, and we rely significantly on the diligence of our employees and agents to obtain information in connection with our investment decisions. If we are unable to identify all material information about these companies, among other factors, we may fail to receive the expected return on our investment or lose some or all of the money invested in these companies. In addition, these businesses may have shorter operating histories, narrower product lines, smaller market shares and less experienced management than their competition and may be more vulnerable to customer preferences, market conditions, loss of key personnel, or economic downturns, which may adversely affect the return on, or the recovery of, our investment in such businesses. As an investor, we are subject to the risk that a portfolio company may make a business decision that does not serve our interest, which could decrease the value of our investment. Deterioration in a portfolio company's financial condition and prospects may be accompanied by deterioration in the collateral for a loan, if any.

Our borrowers may default on their payments, which may have a negative effect on our financial performance. We make long-term loans and invest in equity securities primarily in private middle market companies, which may involve a higher degree of repayment risk. We primarily invest in companies that may have limited financial resources, may be highly leveraged and may be unable to obtain financing from traditional sources. Numerous factors may affect a borrower's ability to repay its loan, including the failure to meet its business plan, a downturn in its industry, or negative economic conditions. A portfolio company's failure to satisfy financial or operating covenants imposed by us or other lenders could lead to defaults and, potentially, termination of its loans or foreclosure on its secured assets, which could trigger cross defaults under other agreements and jeopardize our portfolio company's ability to meet its obligations under the loans or debt securities that we hold. In addition, our portfolio companies may have, or may be permitted to incur, other debt that ranks senior to or equally with our securities. This means that payments on such senior-ranking securities may have to be made before we receive any payments on our subordinated loans or debt securities. Deterioration in a borrower's financial condition and prospects may be accompanied by deterioration in any related collateral and may have a negative effect on our financial results.

We may be unable to fund our commitments to our portfolio companies as they become due, which may have a material adverse effect on our business. We have outstanding investment commitments that at December 31, 2008 totaled \$682.1 million. In addition, at December 31, 2008, we had standby letters of credit issued under our revolving line of credit and certain guarantees related to portfolio companies of \$141.5 million. We are currently in default under the terms of our revolving line of credit and private notes, and in addition our asset coverage is less than the 200% required by the 1940 Act for us to issue new debt. As a result, we are currently unable to borrow money to fund these commitments. In addition, because our common stock trades at a price that is less than our net asset value per share, we may not be able to raise funds through additional equity offerings in order to fund these commitments. To the extent we are unable to fund these commitments, it could have a material adverse effect on our portfolio companies, and as a result, have a material adverse effect on our results of operations.

Our private finance investments may not produce current returns or capital gains. Our private finance portfolio includes loans and debt securities that require the payment of interest currently and equity securities such as conversion rights, warrants, or options, minority equity co-investments, or more significant equity investments in the case of buyout transactions. Our private finance debt investments are generally structured to generate interest income from the time they are made and our equity investments may also produce a realized gain. We cannot be sure that our portfolio will generate a current return or capital gains.

Our financial results could be negatively affected if a significant portfolio investment fails to perform as expected. Our total investment in companies may be significant individually or in the aggregate. As a result, if a significant investment in one or more companies fails to perform as expected, our financial results could be more negatively affected and the magnitude of the loss could be more significant than if we had made smaller investments in more companies.

At December 31, 2008, our investment in Ciena Capital LLC (Ciena) totaled \$547.8 million at cost and \$104.9 million at value, after the effect of unrealized depreciation of \$442.9 million. Other assets includes additional amounts receivable from or related to Ciena totaling \$15.4 million, which have a value of \$2.1 million at December 31, 2008. In addition, we have provided standby letters of credit, issued in connection with term securitization transactions completed by Ciena, that totaled \$102.6 million at December 31, 2008, and we issued performance guarantees in connection with two non-recourse warehouse facilities. On September 30, 2008, Ciena voluntarily filed for bankruptcy.

Ciena has been a participant in the SBA's 7(a) Guaranteed Loan Program and its wholly-owned subsidiary is licensed by the SBA as a Small Business Lending Company (SBLC). Ciena remains subject to SBA rules and regulations. The Office of the Inspector General of the SBA (OIG) and the United States Secret Service are conducting ongoing investigations of allegedly fraudulently obtained SBA-guaranteed loans issued by Ciena. Ciena is also subject to other SBA and OIG audits, investigations, and reviews. In addition, the Office of the Inspector General of the U.S. Department of Agriculture is conducting an investigation of Ciena's lending practices under the Business and Industry Loan program. The OIG and the U.S. Department of Justice are also conducting a civil investigation of Ciena's lending practices in various jurisdictions. These investigations, audits, and reviews are ongoing. These investigations, audits, and reviews have had and may continue to have a material adverse impact on Ciena and, as a result, could negatively affect our financial results. See Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations—Private Finance, Ciena Capital LLC, and Valuation of Ciena Capital LLC.

We operate in a competitive market for investment opportunities. We compete for investments with a large number of private equity funds and mezzanine funds, other business development companies, investment banks, other equity and non-equity based investment funds, and other sources of financing, including specialty finance companies and traditional financial services companies such as commercial banks. Some of our competitors may have greater resources than we do. Increased competition would make it more difficult for us to purchase or originate investments at attractive prices. As a result of this competition, sometimes we may be precluded from making otherwise attractive investments.

Risks Related to Regulation as a Business Development Company and Regulated Investment Company

Loss of regulated investment company tax treatment could negatively impact our ability to service our debt and pay dividends. We have operated so as to qualify as a regulated investment company under Subchapter M of the Code. If we meet source of income, asset diversification, and distribution requirements, we generally will not be subject to corporate-level income taxation on income we timely distribute, or deem to distribute, to our shareholders as dividends. We would cease to qualify for such tax treatment if we were unable to comply with these requirements. In addition, we may have difficulty meeting the requirement to make distributions to our shareholders because in certain cases we may recognize income before or without receiving cash representing such income. If we fail to qualify as a regulated investment company, we will have to pay corporate-level taxes on all of our income whether or not we distribute it, which could negatively impact our ability to service our debt and pay dividends to our shareholders. Even if we qualify as a regulated investment company, we generally will be subject to a corporate-level income tax on the income we do not distribute. If we do not distribute at least 98% of our annual taxable income (excluding net long-term capital gains retained or deemed to be distributed) in

the year earned, we generally will be required to pay an excise tax on amounts carried over and distributed to shareholders in the next year equal to 4% of the amount by which 98% of our annual taxable income available for distribution exceeds the distributions from such income for the current year.

Failure to invest a sufficient portion of our assets in qualifying assets could preclude us from investing in accordance with our current business strategy. As a business development company, we may not acquire any assets other than qualifying assets unless, at the time of and after giving effect to such acquisition, at least 70% of our total assets are qualifying assets. Therefore, we may be precluded from investing in what we believe are attractive investments if such investments are not qualifying assets for purposes of the 1940 Act. If we do not invest a sufficient portion of our assets in qualifying assets, we could lose our status as a business development company, which would have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. Similarly, these rules could prevent us from making additional investments in existing portfolio companies, which could result in the dilution of our position, or could require us to dispose of investments at inopportune times in order to comply with the 1940 Act. If we were forced to sell nonqualifying investments in the portfolio for compliance purposes, the proceeds from such sale could be significantly less than the current value of such investments.

Changes in the law or regulations that govern us could have a material impact on us or our operations. We are regulated by the SEC. In addition, changes in the laws or regulations that govern business development companies, regulated investment companies, asset managers, and real estate investment trusts may significantly affect our business. There are proposals being considered by the current administration to change the regulation of financial institutions that may affect, possibly adversely, investment managers or investment funds. Any change in the law or regulations that govern our business could have a material impact on us or our operations. Laws and regulations may be changed from time to time, and the interpretations of the relevant laws and regulations also are subject to change, which may have a material effect on our operations.

Risks Related to Our Ability to Pay Dividends to Our Shareholders

There is a risk that our common stockholders may not receive dividends or distributions. We may not be able to achieve operating results that will allow us to make distributions at a specific level or to increase the amount of these distributions from time to time. In addition, due to the asset coverage test applicable to us as a business development company, we may be precluded from making distributions. Also, certain of our credit facilities limit our ability to declare dividends if we default under certain provisions. As of December 31, 2008 we had an asset coverage of 188%. Therefore, we may be precluded from declaring dividends or other distributions to our shareholders unless our asset coverage is at least 200%.

If we do not meet the distribution requirements for regulated investment companies, we will suffer adverse tax consequences. In addition, in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles and tax regulations, we include in income certain amounts that we have not yet received in cash, such as contractual payment-in-kind interest, which represents contractual interest added to the loan balance that becomes due at the end of the loan term, or the accrual of original issue discount. The increases in loan balances as a result of contractual payment-in-kind arrangements are included in income in advance of receiving cash payment and are separately included in payment-in-kind interest and dividends, net of cash collections in our consolidated statement of cash flows. Since we may recognize income before or without receiving cash representing such income, we may have difficulty meeting the requirement to distribute at least 90% of our investment company taxable income to obtain tax benefits as a regulated investment company.

Risks Related to Changes in Interest Rates

Changes in interest rates may affect our cost of capital and net investment income. Because we borrow money to make investments, our net investment income is dependent upon the difference between the rate at which we borrow funds and the rate at which we invest these funds. As a result, there can be no assurance that a significant change in market interest rates will not have a material adverse effect on our net investment income. In periods of rising interest rates, our cost of funds would increase, which would reduce our net investment income. In addition, defaults under our borrowing arrangements may result in higher interest costs during the continuance of an event of default. We use a combination of long-term and short-term borrowings and equity capital to finance our investing activities. Our long-term fixed-rate investments are financed primarily with long-term fixed-rate debt and equity. We may use interest rate risk management techniques in an effort to limit our exposure to interest rate fluctuations. Such techniques may include various interest rate hedging activities to the extent permitted by the 1940 Act.

Risks Related to Asset Management Activities

There are potential conflicts of interest between us and the funds managed by us. Certain of our officers serve or may serve in an investment management capacity to funds managed by us. As a result, investment professionals may allocate such time and attention as is deemed appropriate and necessary to carry out the operations of the managed funds. In this respect, they may experience diversions of their attention from us and potential conflicts of interest between their work for us and their work for the managed funds in the event that the interests of the managed funds run counter to our interests.

Although managed funds may have a different primary investment objective than we do, the managed funds may, from time to time, invest in the same or similar asset classes that we target. In addition, more than one fund managed by us may invest in the same or similar asset classes. These investments may be made at the direction of the same individuals acting in their capacity on behalf of us and one or more of the managed funds. As a result, there may be conflicts in the allocation of investment opportunities between us and the managed funds or among the managed funds. We may or may not participate in investments made by investment funds managed by us or one of our affiliates. See Management's Discussion and Analysis and Results of Operations Managed Funds.

We have sold assets to certain managed funds and, as part of our investment strategy, we may offer to sell additional assets to managed funds or we may purchase assets from managed funds. In addition, funds managed by us may offer assets to or may purchase assets from one another. While assets may be sold or purchased at prices that are consistent with those that could be obtained from third parties in the marketplace, there is an inherent conflict of interest in such transactions between us and funds we manage.

Other Risks

Our business depends on our key personnel. We depend on the continued services of our executive officers and other key management personnel. If we were to lose certain of these officers or other management personnel, such a loss could result in inefficiencies in our operations and lost business opportunities, which could have a negative effect on our business.

Results may fluctuate and may not be indicative of future performance. Our operating results may fluctuate and, therefore, you should not rely on current or historical period results to be indicative of our performance in future reporting periods. Factors that could cause operating results to fluctuate include, but are not limited to, variations in the investment origination volume and fee income earned, changes in the accrual status of our loans and debt securities, variations in timing of prepayments,

variations in and the timing of the recognition of net realized gains or losses and changes in unrealized appreciation or depreciation, the level of our expenses, the degree to which we encounter competition in our markets, and general economic conditions.

Our common stock price may be volatile. The trading price of our common stock may fluctuate substantially. The capital and credit markets have been experiencing extreme volatility and disruption for more than 12 months, reaching unprecedented levels. We have experienced significant stock price volatility. In general, the price of the common stock may be higher or lower than the price paid by stockholders, depending on many factors, some of which are beyond our control and may not be directly related to our operating performance. These factors include, but are not limited to, the following:

price and volume fluctuations in the overall stock market from time to time;

significant volatility in the market price and trading volume of securities of business development companies or other financial services companies;

volatility resulting from trading in derivative securities related to our common stock including puts, calls, long-term equity anticipation securities, or LEAPs, or short trading positions;

the financial performance of the specific industries in which we invest on a recurring basis;

changes in laws or regulatory policies or tax guidelines with respect to business development companies or regulated investment companies;

actual or anticipated changes in our earnings or fluctuations in our operating results or changes in the expectations of securities analysts;

general economic conditions and trends;

loss of a major funding source; or

departures of key personnel.

The trading market or market value of our publicly issued debt securities may be volatile. Our publicly issued debt securities may or may not have an established trading market. We cannot assure that a trading market for our publicly issued debt securities will ever develop or be maintained if developed. In addition to our creditworthiness, many factors may materially adversely affect the trading market for, and market value of, our publicly issued debt securities. These factors include, but are not limited to, the following:

the time remaining to the maturity of these debt securities;

the outstanding principal amount of debt securities with terms identical to these debt securities;

the ratings assigned by national statistical ratings agencies;

the general economic environment;

the supply of debt securities trading in the secondary market, if any;

the redemption or repayment features, if any, of these debt securities;

the level, direction and volatility of market interest rates generally; and

market rates of interest higher or lower than rates borne by the debt securities.

There also may be a limited number of buyers for our debt securities. This too may materially adversely affect the market value of the debt securities or the trading market for the debt securities.

Our common stock could be delisted from the New York Stock Exchange if we continue to trade below \$1.00 or if we fail to meet other listing criteria. In order to maintain our listing on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE), we must continue to meet the NYSE minimum share price listing rule, the minimum market capitalization rule and other continued listing criteria. On February 26, 2009, the NYSE submitted to the SEC an immediately effective rule filing which suspends the NYSE's \$1.00 minimum price requirement on a temporary basis, initially through June 30, 2009. Absent the NYSE's rule filing, under the NYSE continued listing criteria, the average closing price of our common stock must not be below \$1.00 per share for 30 or more consecutive trading days. In the event that the average closing price of our common stock is below \$1.00 per share over a consecutive 30-day trading period, we would have a six-month cure period to attain both a \$1.00 share price and a \$1.00 average share price over 30 trading days.

If our common stock were delisted, it could (i) reduce the liquidity and market price of our common stock; (ii) negatively impact our ability to raise equity financing and access the public capital markets; and (iii) materially adversely impact our results of operations and financial condition.

Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments

Not applicable.

Item 2. Properties.

Our principal offices are located at 1919 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20006-3434. Our lease for approximately 56,000 square feet of office space at that location expires in December 2010 with an option to renew until 2015. The office is equipped with an integrated network of computers for word processing, financial analysis, accounting and loan servicing. We believe our office space is suitable for our needs for the foreseeable future. We also maintain offices in New York, NY and Arlington, VA.

Item 3. Legal Proceedings.

On June 23, 2004, we were notified by the SEC that they were conducting an informal investigation of us. The investigation related to the valuation of securities in our private finance portfolio and other matters. On June 20, 2007, we announced that we entered into a settlement with the SEC that resolved the SEC's informal investigation. As part of the settlement and without admitting or denying the SEC's allegations, we agreed to the entry of an administrative order. In the order the SEC alleged that, between June 30, 2001, and March 31, 2003, we did not maintain books, records and accounts which, in reasonable detail, supported or accurately and fairly reflected valuations of certain securities in our private finance portfolio and, as a result, did not meet certain recordkeeping and internal controls provisions of the federal securities laws. In the administrative order, the SEC ordered us to continue to maintain certain of our current valuation-related controls. Specifically, for a period of two years, we have undertaken to: (1) continue to employ a Chief Valuation Officer, or a similarly structured officer-level employee, to oversee our quarterly valuation processes; and (2) continue to employ third-party valuation consultants to assist in our quarterly valuation processes.

On December 22, 2004, we received letters from the U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia requesting the preservation and production of information regarding us and Business Loan Express, LLC (currently known as Ciena Capital LLC) in connection with a criminal investigation relating to matters similar to those investigated by and settled with the SEC as discussed above. We produced materials in response to the requests from the U.S. Attorney's office and certain current and former employees were interviewed by the U.S. Attorney's Office. We have voluntarily cooperated with the investigation.

In late December 2006, we received a subpoena from the U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia requesting, among other things, the production of records regarding the use of private investigators by us or our agents. The Board established a committee, which was advised by its own counsel, to review this matter. In the course of gathering documents responsive to the subpoena, we became aware that an agent of Allied Capital obtained what were represented to be telephone records of David Einhorn and which purport to be records of calls from Greenlight Capital during a period of time in 2005. Also, while we were gathering documents responsive to the subpoena, allegations were made that our management had authorized the acquisition of these records and that management was subsequently advised that these records had been obtained. Our management has stated that these allegations are not true. We have cooperated fully with the inquiry by the U.S. Attorney's Office.

On February 26, 2007, Dana Ross filed a class action complaint in the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia in which she alleges that Allied Capital Corporation and certain members of management violated Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 thereunder. Thereafter, the court appointed new lead counsel and approved new lead plaintiffs. On July 30, 2007, plaintiffs served an amended complaint. Plaintiffs claim that, between November 7, 2005, and January 22, 2007, Allied Capital either failed to disclose or misrepresented information about our portfolio company, Business Loan Express, LLC. Plaintiffs seek unspecified compensatory and other damages, as well as other relief. We believe the lawsuit is without merit, and a motion to dismiss the lawsuit is pending.

On October 6, 2008, Rena Nadoff filed a shareholder derivative action in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, captioned *Rena Nadoff v. Walton, et al.*, 2008 CA 007108, seeking unspecified compensatory and other damages, as well as equitable relief on behalf of Allied Capital Corporation. Ms. Nadoff's suit is substantially similar to a derivative action she filed in February 2007, which the Court dismissed in July 2007. Ms. Nadoff sent a letter to our Board of Directors on October 5, 2007 reciting substantially the same claims and requesting that the Board of Directors investigate her allegations and take appropriate action. The Board of Directors subsequently established a committee, which engaged and was advised by its own counsel, to review the matter. The Board's committee evaluated the allegations in Ms. Nadoff's October 5 letter and recommended that the Board take no further action. After considering both Ms. Nadoff's request and the committee's recommendation, the Board accepted the recommendation. On November 26, 2008, we filed a motion to dismiss the second Nadoff lawsuit. On February 3, 2009, the Court denied the motion to dismiss but ordered Ms. Nadoff to file an amended complaint that clearly identifies and sets forth the breaches of fiduciary duty, if any, that are alleged to have occurred after the filing (or dismissal) of the first Nadoff derivative lawsuit. On February 17, 2009, the plaintiff filed an amended complaint as ordered by the Court. The complaint alleges various breaches of fiduciary duty by the Board of Directors. We intend to file a motion to dismiss.

In addition to the above matters, we are party to certain lawsuits in the normal course of business. Furthermore, third parties may try to seek to impose liability on us in connection with the activities of our portfolio companies. For a discussion of civil investigations being conducted regarding the lending practices of Ciena Capital LLC, one of our portfolio companies, see Note 3, *Portfolio Ciena Capital LLC* from our Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in Item 8.

While the outcome of any of the open legal proceedings described above cannot at this time be predicted with certainty, we do not expect these matters will materially affect our financial condition or results of operations; however, there can be no assurance whether any pending legal proceedings will have a material adverse effect on our financial condition or results of operations in any future reporting period.

Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

No matters were submitted to a vote of stockholders during the fourth quarter of 2008.

PART II**Item 5. Market For Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities.**

Our common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the trading symbol ALD as its primary listing and is also traded on the Nasdaq Global Select Market. There are approximately 3,700 shareholders of record and approximately 152,000 beneficial shareholders of the Company. The quarterly stock prices quoted below represent interdealer quotations and do not include markups, markdowns, or commissions and may not necessarily represent actual transactions.

Quarterly Stock Prices for 2008 and 2007

	2008				2007			
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
High	\$ 23.26	\$ 21.52	\$ 15.97	\$ 10.00	\$ 32.98	\$ 32.96	\$ 32.87	\$ 30.90
Low	\$ 18.38	\$ 13.89	\$ 10.80	\$ 1.59	\$ 28.05	\$ 28.90	\$ 27.10	\$ 21.15
Close	\$ 18.43	\$ 13.89	\$ 10.80	\$ 2.69	\$ 28.81	\$ 30.96	\$ 29.39	\$ 21.50

Dividend Declarations

The following table summarizes our dividends declared during 2008 and 2007:

Date Declared	Record Date	Payment Date	Amount
February 1, 2008	March 12, 2008	March 27, 2008	\$ 0.65
April 25, 2008	June 13, 2008	June 27, 2008	\$ 0.65
July 8, 2008	September 12, 2008	September 26, 2008	\$ 0.65
July 8, 2008	December 12, 2008	December 26, 2008	\$ 0.65
Total declared for 2008			\$ 2.60
February 2, 2007	March 16, 2007	March 28, 2007	\$ 0.63
April 24, 2007	June 15, 2007	June 27, 2007	\$ 0.64
July 27, 2007	September 14, 2007	September 26, 2007	\$ 0.65
July 27, 2007	December 14, 2007	December 26, 2007	\$ 0.65
September 14, 2007	December 14, 2007	December 27, 2007	\$ 0.07
Total declared for 2007			\$ 2.64

See Item 1. Business Dividends, Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Other Matters and Dividends and Distributions and Note 10, Dividends and Distributions and Taxes from our Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in Item 8. For 2008, we paid \$456.5 million or \$2.60 per share in dividends to shareholders. Dividends for 2008 were paid primarily from taxable income carried forward from 2007 for distribution in 2008.

We have elected to be taxed as a regulated investment company under Subchapter M of the Code. As a regulated investment company, we are required to distribute substantially all of our investment company taxable income to shareholders through the payment of dividends. In certain circumstances, we are restricted in our ability to pay dividends. Each of our private notes and our revolving credit facility contain provisions that limit the amount of dividends we can pay and have a covenant that requires a minimum 200% asset coverage ratio at all times, and at December 31, 2008, we were in default of that covenant. During the continuance of an event of default, we are precluded from declaring dividends or other distributions to our shareholders. In addition, pursuant to the 1940 Act, we may be precluded from declaring dividends or other distributions to our shareholders unless our asset coverage is at least 200%.

As of December 31, 2008, we estimate that we have met our dividend distribution requirements for the 2008 tax year. We intend to retain capital in 2009 in order to comply with the 200% asset coverage requirements of the 1940 Act and our debt agreements. We would be able to carry forward any 2009 taxable income for distribution in 2010. We currently qualify as a regulated investment company. However there can be no assurance that we will be able to achieve 200% asset coverage or reach agreement with our lenders with respect to the payment of dividends; therefore, we may not be able to comply with the regulated investment company requirements to distribute income for 2009 or other future years and we may be required to pay a corporate level income tax. See Certain Government Regulations Regulated Investment Company Status.

Performance Graph

This graph compares the return on our common stock with that of the Standard & Poor's 500 Stock Index and the Russell 1000 Financial Index, for the years 2004 through 2008. The graph assumes that, on December 31, 2003, a person invested \$100 in each of our common stock, the S&P 500 Stock Index, and the Russell 1000 Financial Index. The graph measures total shareholder return, which takes into account both changes in stock price and dividends. It assumes that dividends paid are reinvested in like securities.

Shareholder Return Performance Graph Five-Year Cumulative Total Return⁽¹⁾ (Through December 31, 2008)

⁽¹⁾ Total return includes reinvestment of dividends through December 31, 2008.

Sales of Unregistered Securities

During 2008, we issued 192,482 shares of common stock pursuant to our dividend reinvestment plan in lieu of cash distributions. This plan is not registered and relies on an exemption from registration under the Securities Act of 1933. See Note 6, Shareholders' Equity from our Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in Item 8.

Item 6. Selected Financial Data.**SELECTED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL DATA**

You should read the condensed consolidated financial information below with the Consolidated Financial Statements and Notes thereto included herein. The financial information below has been derived from our financial statements that were audited by KPMG LLP.

(in thousands, except per share data)	Year Ended December 31,				
	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Operating Data:					
Interest and related portfolio income:					
Interest and dividends	\$ 457,418	\$ 417,576	\$ 386,427	\$ 317,153	\$ 319,642
Fees and other income	44,826	44,129	66,131	56,999	47,448
Total interest and related portfolio income	502,244	461,705	452,558	374,152	367,090
Expenses:					
Interest	148,930	132,080	100,600	77,352	75,650
Employee	76,429	89,155	92,902	78,300	53,739
Employee stock options ⁽¹⁾	11,781	35,233	15,599		
Administrative	49,424	50,580	39,005	69,713	34,686
Total operating expenses	286,564	307,048	248,106	225,365	164,075
Net investment income before income taxes	215,680	154,657	204,452	148,787	203,015
Income tax expense (benefit), including excise tax	2,506	13,624	15,221	11,561	2,057
Net investment income	213,174	141,033	189,231	137,226	200,958
Net realized and unrealized gains (losses):					
Net realized gains (losses)	(129,418)	268,513	533,301	273,496	117,240
Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation	(1,123,762)	(256,243)	(477,409)	462,092	(68,712)
Total net gains (losses)	(1,253,180)	12,270	55,892	735,588	48,528
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations	\$ (1,040,006)	\$ 153,303	\$ 245,123	\$ 872,814	\$ 249,486
Per Share:					
	\$ (6.01)	\$ 0.99	\$ 1.68	\$ 6.36	\$ 1.88

Diluted earnings (loss) per common share						
Net investment income plus net realized gains (losses) per share ⁽²⁾	\$	0.48	\$	2.65	\$	4.96
Dividends per common share ⁽²⁾	\$	2.60	\$	2.64	\$	2.47
Weighted average common shares outstanding						
		172,996		154,687		145,599
						137,274
						132,458

(in thousands, except per share data)	At December 31,				
	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Balance Sheet Data:					
Portfolio at value	\$ 3,492,950	\$ 4,780,521	\$ 4,496,084	\$ 3,606,355	\$ 3,013,411
Total assets	3,722,186	5,214,576	4,887,505	4,025,880	3,260,998
Total debt outstanding ⁽³⁾	1,945,000	2,289,470	1,899,144	1,284,790	1,176,568
Undistributed (distributions in excess of) earnings	184,715	535,853	502,163	112,252	12,084
Shareholders' equity	1,718,400	2,771,847	2,841,244	2,620,546	1,979,778
Shareholders' equity per common share (net asset value) ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 9.62	\$ 17.54	\$ 19.12	\$ 19.17	\$ 14.87
Common shares outstanding at end of year	178,692	158,002	148,575	136,697	133,099

	Year Ended December 31,				
	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Other Data:					
Investments funded	\$ 1,078,171	\$ 1,845,973	\$ 2,437,828	\$ 1,675,773	\$ 1,524,523
Principal collections related to investment repayments or sales	1,037,348	1,211,550	1,055,347	1,503,388	909,189
Realized gains	150,468	400,510	557,470	343,061	267,702
Realized losses	(279,886)	(131,997)	(24,169)	(69,565)	(150,462)

(in thousands, except per share data)	2008				2007			
	Qtr 4	Qtr 3	Qtr 2	Qtr 1	Qtr 4	Qtr 3	Qtr 2	Qtr 1
Quarterly Data (unaudited):								
Total interest and related portfolio income	\$ 102,060	\$ 120,662	\$ 134,578	\$ 144,944	\$ 117,709	\$ 118,368	\$ 117,676	\$ 107,950
Net investment income	34,175	45,595	63,855	69,549	58,040	18,318	25,175	39,500
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations	(578,829)	(318,262)	(102,203)	(40,712)	27,527	(96,468)	89,158	133,080
Adjusted earnings (loss) per common share	\$ (3.24)	\$ (1.78)	\$ (0.59)	\$ (0.25)	\$ 0.18	\$ (0.63)	\$ 0.57	\$ 0.80
Dividends declared per common share ⁽⁵⁾	0.65	0.65	0.65	0.65	0.72	0.65	0.64	0.60
Net asset value per common share ⁽⁴⁾	9.62	13.51	15.93	16.99	17.54	17.90	19.59	19.50

(1) Effective January 1, 2006, we adopted the provisions of Statement No. 123 (Revised 2004), *Share-Based Payment*. See Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations below.

- (2) Dividends are based on taxable income, which differs from income for financial reporting purposes. Net investment income and net realized gains (losses) are the most significant components of our annual taxable income. Dividends paid in 2008 primarily were paid from taxable income earned in 2007 that was carried over for distribution in 2008. See Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations below.
- (3) See Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations for more information regarding our level of indebtedness.
- (4) We determine net asset value per common share as of the last day of the period presented. The net asset values shown are based on outstanding shares at the end of each period presented.
- (5) Dividends declared per common share for the fourth quarter of 2007 included the regular quarterly dividend of \$0.65 per common share and an extra dividend of \$0.07 per common share. Dividends paid in 2008 primarily were paid from taxable income earned in 2007 that was carried over for distribution in 2008. See Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations below.

Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

The information contained in this section should be read in conjunction with our Consolidated Financial Statements and the Notes thereto. In addition, this annual report on Form 10-K contains certain forward-looking statements. These statements include the plans and objectives of management for future operations and financial objectives and can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as *may, will, expect, intend, anticipate, estimate, or continue* or the negative thereof or other variations thereon or comparable terminology. These forward-looking statements are subject to the inherent uncertainties in predicting future results and conditions. Certain factors that could cause actual results and conditions to differ materially from those projected in these forward-looking statements are set forth in *Risk Factors* above. Other factors that could cause actual results to differ materially include:

changes in the economy, including economic downturns or recessions;

risks associated with possible disruption in our operations due to terrorism;

future changes in laws or regulations or changes in accounting principles; and

other risks and uncertainties as may be detailed from time to time in our public announcements and SEC filings.

Financial or other information presented for private finance portfolio companies has been obtained from the portfolio companies, and this financial information presented may represent unaudited, projected or pro forma financial information, and therefore may not be indicative of actual results. In addition, the private equity industry uses financial measures such as EBITDA or EBITDAM (Earnings Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation, Amortization and, in some instances, Management fees) in order to assess a portfolio company's financial performance and to value a portfolio company. EBITDA and EBITDAM are not intended to represent cash flow from operations as defined by U.S. generally accepted accounting principles and such information should not be considered as an alternative to net income, cash flow from operations or any other measure of performance prescribed by U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

OVERVIEW

We are a business development company, or BDC, in the private equity business and we are internally managed. Specifically, we primarily invest in private middle market companies in a variety of industries through long-term debt and equity capital instruments. Our financing generally is used to fund buyouts, acquisitions, growth, recapitalizations, note purchases, and other types of financings. Our investment objective is to achieve current income and capital gains.

Our portfolio composition at December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, was as follows:

	2008	2007	2006
Private finance	97%	97%	97%
Commercial real estate finance	3%	3%	3%

Our earnings depend primarily on the level of interest and dividend income, fee and other income, and net realized and unrealized gains or losses on our investment portfolio after deducting interest expense on borrowed capital, operating expenses and income taxes, including excise tax. Interest income primarily results from the stated interest rate earned on a loan or debt security and the amortization of loan origination fees and discounts. The level of interest income is directly related to the balance of the interest-bearing investment portfolio outstanding during the year multiplied by the weighted average

yield. Our ability to generate interest income is dependent on economic, regulatory, and competitive factors that influence new investment activity, interest rates on the types of loans we make, the level of repayments in the portfolio, the amount of loans and debt securities for which interest is not accruing and our ability to secure debt and equity capital for our investment activities. The level of fee income is primarily related to the level of new investment activity and the level of fees earned from portfolio companies and managed funds. The level of investment activity can vary substantially from year to year depending on many factors, including the amount of debt and equity capital available to middle market companies, the level of merger and acquisition activity for such companies, the general economic environment, the competitive environment for the types of investments we make and our ability to secure debt and equity capital for our investment activities.

The United States and the global economies are in a state of severe economic recession, which has had a far-reaching impact on the financial services industry. The U.S. capital markets have been experiencing extreme volatility and a lack of liquidity. Like many other financial firms, our current business focus has changed from expanding our portfolio to harvesting capital from our portfolio in order to generate capital to repay our indebtedness and de-lever our balance sheet. Our investing activities, as a result, have been sharply reduced. We believe that accumulating capital in order to pay down our indebtedness is a prudent strategy in this market environment.

In addition to managing our own assets, we manage certain funds that also invest in the debt and equity securities of primarily private middle market companies in a variety of industries. At December 31, 2008, we had five separate funds under our management (together, the Managed Funds) for which we earn management or other fees for our services. We may invest in the equity of these funds, along with other third parties, from which we may earn a current return and/or a future incentive allocation. At December 31, 2008, the funds that we manage had total assets of approximately \$2.1 billion. See **Managed Funds** below for further discussion.

In aggregate, including the total assets on our balance sheet and capital committed to our Managed Funds, we had \$8.4 billion in managed capital at December 31, 2008.

In addition to the funds we already manage or co-manage, we are pursuing additional managed fund opportunities including the potential acquisition of asset managers. These potential funds are focused on all levels of a middle market company's capital structure, from senior debt through equity capital. By growing our privately managed capital base, we seek to diversify our sources of capital, leverage our core investment expertise and increase fees and other income from asset management activities. There can be no assurance that these new fund raising initiatives will result in additional funds under management.

PORTFOLIO AND INVESTMENT ACTIVITY

The total portfolio at value, investment activity, and the yield on interest-bearing investments at and for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, were as follows:

(\$ in millions)	At and for the Years Ended December 31,		
	2008	2007	2006
Portfolio at value	\$ 3,493.0	\$ 4,780.5	\$ 4,496.1
Investments funded	\$ 1,078.2	\$ 1,846.0	\$ 2,437.8
Payment-in-kind interest and dividends, net of cash collections	\$ 53.4	\$ 12.0	\$ 4.1
Principal collections related to investment repayments or sales ⁽¹⁾	\$ 1,037.3	\$ 1,211.6	\$ 1,055.3
Yield on interest-bearing investments ⁽²⁾	12.1%	12.1%	11.9%

- (1) Principal collections related to investment repayments or sales for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, included collections of \$216.3 million and \$221.9 million, respectively, related to the sale of loans to certain of our Managed Funds. See [Managed Funds](#) below for further discussion.

- (2) The weighted average yield on interest-bearing investments is computed as the (a) annual stated interest on accruing loans and debt securities plus the annual amortization of loan origination fees, original issue discount, and market discount on accruing loans and debt securities less the annual amortization of loan origination costs, plus the effective interest yield on the preferred shares/income notes of CLOs, plus the annual stated interest on the subordinated certificates in the Unitranche Fund LLC divided by (b) total interest-bearing investments at value. The weighted average yield is computed as of the balance sheet date.

Private Finance

The private finance portfolio at value, investment activity, and the yield on interest-bearing investments at and for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, were as follows:

(\$ in millions)	At and for the Years Ended December 31,					
	2008		2007		2006	
	Value	Yield ⁽¹⁾	Value	Yield ⁽¹⁾	Value	Yield ⁽¹⁾
Portfolio at value:						
Loans and debt securities:						
Senior loans	\$ 306.3	5.6%	\$ 344.3	7.7%	\$ 405.2	8.4%
Unitranche debt	456.4	12.0%	653.9	11.5%	799.2	11.2%
Subordinated debt	1,829.1	12.9%	2,416.4	12.8%	1,980.8	12.9%
Total loans and debt securities	2,591.8	11.9%	3,414.6	12.1%	3,185.2	11.9%
Equity securities:						
Preferred shares/income notes of CLOs ⁽²⁾	179.2	16.4%	203.0	14.6%	97.2	15.5%
Subordinated certificates in Unitranche Fund LLC ⁽²⁾	125.4	12.0%	0.7	12.4%		
Other equity securities	502.7		1,041.0		1,095.5	
Total equity securities	807.3		1,244.7		1,192.7	
Total portfolio	\$ 3,399.1		\$ 4,659.3		\$ 4,377.9	
Investments funded ⁽³⁾	\$ 1,068.1		\$ 1,828.0		\$ 2,423.4	
Payment-in-kind interest and dividends, net of cash collections	\$ 53.2		\$ 12.7		\$ 3.4	
Principal collections related to investment repayments or sales ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 1,020.5		\$ 1,188.2		\$ 1,015.4	

- (1) The weighted average yield on loan and debt securities is computed as the (a) annual stated interest on accruing loans and debt securities plus the annual amortization of loan origination fees, original issue discount, and market discount on accruing loans and debt securities less the annual amortization of loan origination costs, divided by (b) total loans and debt securities at value. The weighted average yield on the preferred shares/income notes of CLOs is calculated as the (a) effective interest yield on the preferred shares/income notes of CLOs, divided by (b) preferred shares/income notes of CLOs at value. The weighted average yield on the subordinated certificates in the Unitranche Fund LLC is computed as the (a) annual stated interest divided by (b) total investment at value. The weighted average yields are computed as of the balance sheet date. See Results of Operations Total Interest

and Related Portfolio Income below for discussion of the portfolio yield.

- (2) Investments in the preferred shares/income notes of CLOs and the subordinated certificates in the Unitranche Fund LLC earn a current return that is included in interest income in the consolidated statement of operations.
- (3) Investments funded for the year ended December 31, 2006, included debt investments in certain portfolio companies received in conjunction with the sale of such companies. See Private Finance - Investments Funded below.
- (4) Includes collections from the sale or repayment of senior loans totaling \$285.3 million, \$393.4 million and \$322.7 million for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively.

Our private finance portfolio primarily is composed of debt and equity investments. Debt investments include senior loans, unitranche debt (an instrument that combines both senior and subordinated financing, generally in a first lien position), or subordinated debt (with or without equity features). The junior debt that we have in the portfolio is lower in repayment priority than senior debt and is also known as mezzanine debt. Our portfolio contains equity investments for a minority equity stake in portfolio companies and includes equity features such as nominal cost warrants received in conjunction with our debt investments. In a buyout transaction, we generally invest in senior and/or subordinated debt and equity (preferred and/or voting or non-voting common) where our equity ownership represents a significant portion of the equity, but may or may not represent a controlling interest.

Investment Activity. Investments funded and the weighted average yield on interest-bearing investments funded for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, consisted of the following:

(\$ in millions)	2008 Investments Funded					
	Debt Investments		Buyout Investments		Total	
	Amount	Weighted Average Yield ⁽¹⁾	Amount	Weighted Average Yield ⁽¹⁾	Amount	Weighted Average Yield ⁽¹⁾
Loans and debt securities:						
Senior loans	\$ 175.9	7.4%	\$ 13.9	5.4%	\$ 189.8	7.2%
Senior secured loan to Ciena Capital LLC			319.0	0.0% ⁽²⁾	319.0	0.0% ⁽²⁾
Unitranche debt ⁽³⁾	15.3	10.5%	0.5	6.6%	15.8	10.4%
Subordinated debt	246.4 ⁽⁵⁾	12.6%	54.8	15.4%	301.2	13.1%
Total loans and debt securities	437.6	10.4%	388.2	2.4%	825.8	6.6% ⁽⁸⁾
Preferred shares/income notes of CLOs ⁽⁶⁾	35.6	18.6%			35.6	18.6%
Subordinated certificates in Unitranche Fund LLC	124.7	10.9%			124.7	10.9%
Equity	40.5		41.5		82.0	
Total	\$ 638.4		\$ 429.7		\$ 1,068.1	
(\$ in millions)	2007 Investments Funded					
	Debt Investments		Buyout Investments		Total	
	Amount	Weighted Average Yield ⁽¹⁾	Amount	Weighted Average Yield ⁽¹⁾	Amount	Weighted Average Yield ⁽¹⁾
Loans and debt securities:						
Senior loans	\$ 249.0	9.2%	\$ 63.1	8.8%	\$ 312.1	9.1%
Unitranche debt ⁽³⁾	109.1	10.8%	74.9	13.0%	184.0	11.7%
Subordinated debt	719.4 ⁽⁵⁾	12.8%	197.6	12.1%	917.0	12.6%
Total loans and debt securities	1,077.5	11.7%	335.6	11.7%	1,413.1	11.7%
Preferred shares/income notes of CLOs ⁽⁶⁾	116.2	16.4%			116.2	16.4%
Subordinated certificates in Unitranche Fund LLC	0.7	12.4%			0.7	12.4%
Equity	152.0 ⁽⁷⁾		146.0		298.0	
Total	\$ 1,346.4		\$ 481.6		\$ 1,828.0	
(\$ in millions)	2006 Investments Funded					
	Debt Investments		Buyout Investments		Total	

(\$ in millions)	Amount	Weighted Average Yield (1)	Amount	Weighted Average Yield (1)	Amount	Weighted Average Yield (1)
Loans and debt securities:						
Senior loans	\$ 245.4	9.4%	\$ 239.8	8.9%	\$ 485.2	9.2%
Unitranche debt ⁽³⁾	471.7	10.7%	146.5	12.9%	618.2	11.3%
Subordinated debt ⁽⁴⁾	510.7	13.0%	423.8	14.4%	934.5	13.6%
Total loans and debt securities	1,227.8	11.4%	810.1	12.5%	2,037.9	11.9%
Preferred shares/income notes of CLOs ⁽⁶⁾	26.1	14.8%			26.1	14.8%
Equity	65.3		294.1		359.4	
Total	\$ 1,319.2		\$ 1,104.2		\$ 2,423.4	

- (1) The weighted average yield on interest-bearing investments is computed as the (a) annual stated interest or effective interest yield on accruing loans and debt securities, divided by (b) total loans and debt securities, funded. The weighted average yield on the preferred shares/income notes of CLOs is calculated as the (a) effective interest yield on the preferred shares/income notes of CLOs, divided by (b) preferred shares/income notes of CLOs funded. The weighted average yield on the subordinated certificates in the Unitranche Fund LLC is computed as the (a) annual stated interest divided by (b) total investments funded. The weighted average yield is calculated using yields as of the date an investment is funded.
- (2) The senior secured loan to Ciena acquired on September 30, 2008, was placed on non-accrual status on the purchase date.
- (3) Unitranche debt is an investment that combines both senior and subordinated financing, generally in a first lien position. The yield on a unitranche investment reflects the blended yield of senior and subordinated debt.
- (4) Debt investments funded for the year ended December 31, 2006, included a \$150 million subordinated debt investment in Advantage Sales & Marketing, Inc. received in conjunction with the sale of Advantage and a \$30 million subordinated debt investment in STS Operating, Inc. received in conjunction with the sale of STS.

- (5) Subordinated debt investments for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, included \$43.8 million and \$45.3 million, respectively, in investments in the bonds of collateralized loan obligations (CLOs). Certain of these CLOs are managed by Callidus Capital Corporation (Callidus), a portfolio company controlled by us. These CLOs primarily invest in senior corporate loans.
- (6) CLO equity investments included preferred shares/income notes of CLOs that primarily invest in senior corporate loans. Certain of these CLOs are managed by us or by Callidus.
- (7) Equity investments for the year ended December 31, 2007, included \$31.8 million invested in the Allied Capital Senior Debt Fund, L.P. See *Managed Funds* below.
- (8) Excluding the senior secured loan to Ciena, the weighted average yield on new investments for the year ended December 31, 2008, was 10.8%.

For the year ended December 31, 2008, we made private finance investments totaling \$1.1 billion, including \$319.0 million related to our investment in Ciena. Excluding the investment in Ciena, our focus for investments in 2008 generally was on higher return junior debt capital investments. Senior loans (except for the Ciena senior secured loan) funded by us generally were funded with the intent to sell the loan or for the portfolio company to refinance the loan at some point in the future as discussed below. We made fewer direct unitranche debt investments in 2008 as a result of the establishment of the Unitranche Fund LLC (Unitranche Fund) in the fourth quarter of 2007. Unitranche loans sourced by us generally are referred to the Unitranche Fund. For the year ended December 31, 2008, we invested \$124.7 million in the Unitranche Fund, which supported its closing of investments totaling \$789.3 million. The 12.0% yield on the subordinated certificates in the Unitranche Fund at December 31, 2008 represents the contractual coupon on the subordinated certificates and excludes any return from potential future excess cash flows from portfolio earnings available to the subordinated certificate holders and from related structuring fees and management and sourcing fees. See *Managed Funds* *Unitranche Fund LLC* below.

We generally fund new investments using cash. In addition, we may acquire securities in exchange for our common equity. Also, we may acquire new securities through the reinvestment of previously accrued interest and dividends in debt or equity securities, or the current reinvestment of interest and dividend income through the receipt of a debt or equity security (payment-in-kind income). From time to time we may opt to reinvest accrued interest receivable in a new debt or equity security in lieu of receiving such interest in cash.

We may underwrite or arrange senior loans related to our portfolio investments or for other companies that are not in our portfolio. When we underwrite or arrange senior loans, we may earn a fee for such activities. Senior loans underwritten or arranged by us may be funded by us at closing. When these senior loans are closed, we may fund all or a portion of the underwritten commitment pending sale of the loan to other investors, which may include loan sales to Callidus Capital Corporation (Callidus), a portfolio company controlled by us, or funds managed by Callidus or by us. After completing loan sales, we may retain a position in these senior loans. We generally earn a fee on the senior loans we underwrite or arrange whether or not we fund the underwritten commitment. In addition, we may fund most or all of the debt and equity capital upon the closing of certain buyout transactions, which may include investments in lower-yielding senior debt. Subsequent to the closing, the portfolio company may refinance all or a portion of the lower-yielding senior debt, which would reduce our investment.

Principal collections related to private finance investment repayments or sales were \$1.0 billion for the year ended December 31, 2008, which included \$216.3 million sold to *Managed Funds*. Principal collections include repayments of senior debt funded by us that was subsequently sold by us or refinanced or repaid by the portfolio companies.

Outstanding Investment Commitments. As discussed above, given that our current business focus has changed from expanding our portfolio to harvesting capital from our portfolio in order to generate capital to repay our indebtedness and de-lever our balance sheet, we expect that our new investing activities for 2009 will be sharply reduced and that our investing activities will be primarily focused on funding existing outstanding investment commitments.

At December 31, 2008, we had outstanding private finance investment commitments as follows:

(\$ in millions)	Companies	Companies	Companies	Total
	More Than 25% Owned ⁽¹⁾	5% to 25% Owned	Less Than 5% Owned	
Senior loans	\$ 8.1	\$ 12.7	\$ 86.0	\$ 106.8 ⁽²⁾
Unitranche debt	3.0		33.6	36.6
Subordinated debt	14.2	4.3	3.0	21.5
Total loans and debt securities	25.3	17.0	122.6	164.9
Unitranche Fund	399.6			399.6
Equity securities	34.0	10.3	39.9	84.2 ⁽³⁾
Total	\$ 458.9	\$ 27.3	\$ 162.5	\$ 648.7

(1) Includes a \$3.9 million revolving line of credit commitment for working capital to Callidus Capital Corporation (Callidus), a portfolio company controlled by us, which owns 100% of Callidus Capital Management, LLC, an asset management company that structures and manages collateralized loan obligations (CLOs), collateralized debt obligations (CDOs), and other related investments.

(2) Includes \$104.5 million in the form of revolving senior debt facilities to 27 companies.

(3) Includes \$49.1 million to 11 private equity and venture capital funds, including \$3.3 million in co-investment commitments to one private equity fund. These fund commitments are generally drawn over a multi-year period of time as the funds make investments.

Total commitments were \$648.7 million at December 31, 2008, which included \$399.6 million in commitments to the Unitranche Fund (see *Managed Funds* Unitranche Fund LLC). Investments made by the Unitranche Fund must be approved by the investment committee of the Unitranche Fund, which includes a representative from us and GE. Therefore, our commitment to the Unitranche Fund cannot be drawn without our approval.

In addition to these outstanding investment commitments at December 31, 2008, we may be required to fund additional amounts under earn-out arrangements primarily related to buyout transactions in the future if those companies meet agreed-upon performance targets. We also had commitments to private finance portfolio companies in the form of standby letters of credit and guarantees. See *Financial Condition, Liquidity and Capital Resources* below. We intend to fund these commitments with existing cash and through cash flows from operations before new investments, although there can be no assurance that we will generate sufficient cash flows to satisfy these commitments.

Investments in Collateralized Loan Obligations and Collateralized Debt Obligations (CLO/CDO Assets). At December 31, 2008, we had investments in CLO issuances and a CDO bond, which totaled as follows:

(\$ in millions)	2008			2007		
	Cost	Value	Yield ⁽¹⁾	Cost	Value	Yield ⁽¹⁾
CLO/CDO bonds ⁽²⁾	\$ 127.7	\$ 86.1	18.5%	\$ 90.7	\$ 89.9	13.3%
Preferred shares/income notes of CLOs	248.2	179.2	16.4%	218.3	203.0	14.6%
Total	\$ 375.9	\$ 265.3		\$ 309.0	\$ 292.9	
Percentage of total assets		7.1%			5.6%	

⁽¹⁾ The weighted average yield is calculated as the (a) annual stated interest or the effective interest yield on the accruing bonds or the effective interest yield on the preferred shares/income notes, divided by (b) CLO and CDO assets at value. The market yield used in the valuation of the CLO and CDO assets may be different than the interest yields shown above. See discussion below.

⁽²⁾ Included in private finance subordinated debt.

The CLO and CDO issuances in which we have invested are primarily invested in senior corporate loans. Certain of these funds are managed by Callidus Capital, our portfolio company, and certain of these funds are managed by us. See also Note 3, Portfolio from our Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in Item 8.

The initial yields on the cost basis of the CLO preferred shares and income notes are based on the estimated future cash flows expected to be paid to these CLO classes from the underlying collateral assets. As each CLO preferred share or income note ages, the estimated future cash flows are updated based on the estimated performance of the underlying collateral assets, and the respective yield on the cost basis is adjusted as necessary. As future cash flows are subject to uncertainties and contingencies that are difficult to predict and are subject to future events that may alter current assumptions, no assurance can be given that the anticipated yields to maturity will be achieved.

The CLO/CDO assets in which we have invested are junior in priority for payment of interest and principal to the more senior notes issued by the CLOs and CDO. Cash flow from the underlying collateral assets in the CLOs and CDO generally is allocated first to the senior bonds in order of priority, then any remaining cash flow generally is distributed to the preferred shareholders and income note holders. To the extent there are ratings downgrades, defaults, and unrecoverable losses on the underlying collateral assets that result in reduced cash flows, the preferred shares/income notes will bear this loss first and then the subordinated bonds would bear any loss after the preferred shares/income notes. At both December 31, 2008 and 2007, the face value of the CLO and CDO assets held by us was subordinate to as much as 94% of the face value of the securities outstanding in these CLOs and CDO.

At December 31, 2008 and 2007, based on information provided by the collateral managers the underlying collateral assets of these CLO and CDO issuances, consisting primarily of senior corporate loans, were issued by 658 issuers and 671 issuers, respectively, and had principal balances as follows:

(\$ in millions)	2008	2007
Bonds	\$ 268.3	\$ 288.5
Syndicated loans	4,477.3	4,122.7

Cash ⁽¹⁾	89.6	104.4
Total underlying collateral assets ⁽²⁾	\$ 4,835.2	\$ 4,515.6

(1) Includes undrawn liability amounts.

(2) At December 31, 2008 and 2007, the total face value of defaulted obligations was \$95.0 million and \$18.4 million, respectively, or approximately 2.0% and 0.4%, respectively, of the total underlying collateral assets.

Throughout 2008, market yields for CLO securities increased. As the market yields for our investments in CLO preferred shares/income notes increased, the fair value of certain of our investments in these assets decreased. At December 31, 2008, the market yield used to value our preferred shares/income notes was 27.5% with the exception of the income notes in one CLO with a cost and value of \$21.3 million where we used a market yield of 23.1% due to the characteristics of this issuance. In the current economic environment, we expect ratings downgrades, defaults and losses to increase, and we have also considered this in our valuation analysis. Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation for the year ended December 31, 2008, included a net decrease of \$94.7 million related to our investments in CLO/CDO Assets. We received third-party valuation assistance for our investments in the CLO/CDO Assets in each quarter of 2008. See Results of Operations Valuation Methodology Private Finance below for further discussion of the third-party valuation assistance we received.

As the debt capital markets show significant volatility, yield spreads may widen further. As a result, if the market yields for our investments in CLOs continue to increase or should the performance of the underlying assets in the CLOs decrease, the fair value of our investments may decrease further.

Ciena Capital LLC. Ciena Capital LLC (Ciena) has provided loans to commercial real estate owners and operators. Ciena has been a participant in the SBA s 7(a) Guaranteed Loan Program, and its wholly-owned subsidiary is licensed by the SBA as a Small Business Lending Company (SBLC). Ciena remains subject to SBA rules and regulations. Ciena is headquartered in New York, NY.

At December 31, 2008 and 2007, our investment in Ciena was as follows:

(\$ in millions)	2008		2007	
	Cost	Value	Cost	Value
Senior Loan	\$ 319.0	\$ 104.9	\$	\$
Class A Equity Interests			99.0	68.6
Class B Equity Interests ⁽¹⁾	119.5		119.5	
Class C Equity Interests ⁽¹⁾	109.3		109.3	
Total	\$ 547.8	\$ 104.9	\$ 327.8	\$ 68.6

⁽¹⁾ At December 31, 2008 and 2007, we held 100% of the Class B equity interests and 94.9% of the Class C equity interests

At December 31, 2008 and 2007, other assets includes amounts receivable from or related to Ciena totaling \$15.4 million and \$5.4 million at cost and \$2.1 million and \$5.4 million at value, respectively. During the fourth quarter of 2008, we sold our Class A Equity Interests in Ciena for nominal consideration to affiliates of AllBridge Financial, LLC, and realized a loss of \$98.9 million. Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation for the year ended December 31, 2008, included a decrease in our investment in Ciena totaling \$296.0 million and the reversal of unrealized depreciation of \$99.0 million associated with the realized loss on the sale of our Class A equity interests. Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation included a net decrease in our investment in Ciena of \$174.5 million and \$142.3 million for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively. See Valuation of Ciena Capital LLC below.

In addition, at December 31, 2008, we had standby letters of credit issued under our line of credit of \$102.6 million in connection with term securitization transactions completed by Ciena. Due to the economic environment, the term

securitizations have experienced increasing defaults and the financial institution that has issued these letters of credit has experienced a ratings downgrade; therefore, some of these letters of credit may be drawn beginning in 2009. Because our asset coverage ratio is currently less than 200%, an event of default has occurred under our line of credit and we may need to fund these letter of credit draws with cash in lieu of a borrowing under our line of credit. We have considered any

funding under the letters of credit in the valuation of Ciena at December 31, 2008. See Financial Condition, Liquidity and Capital Resources below.

Ciena has continued to experience significant deterioration in the value of its assets primarily as a result of an increase in borrower defaults in the current economic environment and decreasing values for financial assets. On September 30, 2008, Ciena voluntarily filed for bankruptcy protection under Chapter 11 of Title 11 of the United States Code (the Bankruptcy Code) in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the Court). Ciena continues to operate its servicing business and manage its assets as a debtor-in-possession under the jurisdiction of the Court and in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code and the orders of the Court. Ciena believes that by filing for bankruptcy protection it will be able to proceed with an orderly sale of its assets over time in more favorable market conditions in the future and thereby maximize the value of its assets and reduce costs in order to repay its debts.

As a result of Ciena's decision to file for bankruptcy protection, our unconditional guaranty of the obligations outstanding under Ciena's revolving credit facility became due, and, in lieu of paying under our guaranty, we purchased the positions of the senior lenders under Ciena's revolving credit facility except for a \$5 million position held by Citibank, N.A. We paid \$325.4 million to fund the purchase, which included \$319.0 million of principal, \$1.4 million of interest, and \$5.0 million of other payments related to the revolving credit facility and the bankruptcy. As of December 31, 2008, the senior secured loan had a cost basis of \$319.0 million and a value of \$104.9 million. We continue to guarantee the remaining principal balance of \$5 million, plus related interest, fees and expenses payable to Citibank. In connection with our continuing guaranty of the amounts held by Citibank, we have agreed with Citibank that the amounts owing to Citibank under the Ciena revolving credit facility will be paid before any of the secured obligations of Ciena now owed to us.

Total interest and related portfolio income earned from our investment in Ciena for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, was as follows:

(\$ in millions)	2008	2007	2006
Interest income on subordinated debt and Class A equity interests	\$	\$	\$ 11.9
Fees and other income		5.4	7.8
Total interest and related portfolio income	\$	\$ 5.4	\$ 19.7

In the fourth quarter of 2006, we placed our investment in Ciena's 25% Class A equity interests on non-accrual status. As a result, there was no interest income from our investment in Ciena for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007. In consideration for providing a guaranty on Ciena's revolving credit facility and standby letters of credit (discussed below), we earned fees of \$5.4 million and \$6.1 million for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively, which were included in fees and other income. Ciena has not yet paid the \$5.4 million in such fees earned by us in 2007 and at December 31, 2008 and 2007, such fees were included as a receivable in other assets with a carrying amount, net of depreciation, of zero and \$5.4 million, respectively. We considered these outstanding receivables in our valuation of Ciena at December 31, 2008 and 2007. The remaining fees and other income in 2006 relate to management fees from Ciena. We did not accrue the fees earned from Ciena for providing the guaranty and standby letters of credit for the nine months ended September 30, 2008. Subsequent to September 30, 2008, we will not earn any fees from Ciena for continuing to provide the guaranty or letters of credit.

At December 31, 2008, Ciena had two non-recourse securitization warehouse facilities, both of which have matured. In order to pay down debt under the conventional loan warehouse facility, Ciena is in the process of selling loans on behalf of the conventional loan warehouse facility providers. Ciena is also working with the providers of the SBA loan warehouse facility with regard to the prepayment of that

facility. We have issued performance guaranties whereby we agreed to indemnify the warehouse providers for any damages, losses, liabilities and related costs and expenses that they may incur as a result of Ciena's failure to perform any of its obligations as loan originator, loan seller or loan servicer under the warehouse securitizations.

The Office of the Inspector General of the SBA (OIG) and the United States Secret Service are conducting ongoing investigations of allegedly fraudulently obtained SBA guaranteed loans issued by Ciena. Specifically, on or about January 9, 2007, Ciena became aware of an indictment captioned as the United States v. Harrington, No. 2:06-CR-20662 pending in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan. The indictment alleged that a former Ciena employee in the Detroit office engaged in the fraudulent origination of loans guaranteed, in substantial part, by the SBA. We understand that Ciena is working cooperatively with the U.S. Attorney's Office and the investigating agencies with respect to this matter. On October 1, 2007, the former Ciena employee pled guilty to one count of conspiracy to fraudulently originate SBA-guaranteed loans and one count of making a false statement before a grand jury. The former Ciena employee was sentenced on November 13, 2008 to ten years imprisonment and was ordered to pay restitution of \$30 million to Ciena, \$2.9 million to a commercial bank, and \$800,000 to the SBA.

On March 6, 2007, Ciena entered into an agreement with the SBA. According to the agreement, Ciena would remain a preferred lender in the SBA 7(a) Guaranteed Loan Program and would retain the ability to sell loans into the secondary market. As part of this agreement, Ciena immediately paid approximately \$10 million to the SBA to cover amounts paid by the SBA with respect to some of the SBA-guaranteed loans that have been the subject of the charges by the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Michigan against Mr. Harrington. The agreement provided that, during its term, an independent third party selected by the SBA would review loans originated by Ciena before they could be sold into the secondary market and would review defaulted loans repurchased from the secondary market by Ciena before the SBA would reimburse Ciena. The March 6 agreement has expired. Ciena also entered into an escrow agreement with the SBA pursuant to which Ciena deposited \$10 million with the escrow agent for any additional payments Ciena may be obligated to pay to the SBA in the future under the agreement.

Ciena is also subject to other SBA and OIG audits, investigations, and reviews. In addition, the Office of the Inspector General of the U.S. Department of Agriculture is conducting an investigation of Ciena's lending practices under the Business and Industry Loan (B&I) program. The OIG and the U.S. Department of Justice are also conducting a civil investigation of Ciena's lending practices in various jurisdictions. We are unable to predict the outcome of these inquiries, and it is possible that third parties could try to seek to impose liability against us in connection with certain defaulted loans in Ciena's portfolio. These investigations, audits and reviews are ongoing.

On or about January 16, 2007, Ciena (f/k/a Business Loan Express LLC) and its subsidiary Business Loan Center LLC (BLC) became aware of a lawsuit titled, United States, ex rel James R. Brickman and Greenlight Capital, Inc. v. Business Loan Express LLC f/k/a Business Loan Express, Inc.; Business Loan Center LLC f/k/a Business Loan Center, Inc.; Robert Tannenhauser; Matthew McGee; and George Harrigan, 05-CV-3147 (JEC). The complaint includes allegations arising under the False Claims Act and relating to alleged fraud in connection with SBA guarantees on shrimp vessel loans. On December 18, 2007, the United States District Court for the Northern District of Georgia dismissed all claims in this matter. The plaintiffs appealed the dismissal. Ciena's bankruptcy filing automatically stayed the appeal; however, pursuant to Ciena's request, the Court lifted the automatic stay to permit the appeal to proceed. Oral arguments took place on February 3, 2009 before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 11th Circuit and the District Court's decision dismissing all claims by the 11th Circuit was affirmed on February 5, 2009. On February 23, 2009, the plaintiff/appellants filed a Petition for Rehearing En Banc, which is now pending.

These investigations, audits, reviews, and litigation have had and may continue to have a material adverse impact on Ciena and, as a result, could continue to negatively affect our financial results. We have considered Ciena's voluntary filing for bankruptcy protection, current regulatory issues, ongoing investigations and litigation in performing the valuation of Ciena at December 31, 2008.

Mercury Air Centers, Inc. At December 31, 2006, our investment in Mercury Air Centers, Inc. (Mercury) totaled \$84.3 million at cost and \$244.2 million at value, or 5.0% of our total assets, which included unrealized appreciation of \$159.9 million. We completed the purchase of a majority ownership in Mercury in April 2004. In August 2007, we completed the sale of our majority equity interest in Mercury. For the year ended December 31, 2007, we realized a gain of \$262.4 million, subject to post-closing adjustments. For the year ended December 31, 2008, we realized an additional gain of \$6.0 million resulting from these post-closing adjustments. In addition, we were repaid approximately \$51 million of subordinated debt outstanding to Mercury at closing.

Mercury owned and operated fixed base operations generally under long-term leases from local airport authorities, which consisted of terminal and hangar complexes that serviced the needs of the general aviation community. Mercury was headquartered in Richmond Heights, OH.

Total interest and related portfolio income earned from our investment in Mercury for the years ended December 31, 2007, and 2006 was as follows:

(\$ in millions)	2007	2006
Interest income	\$ 5.1	\$ 9.3
Fees and other income	0.2	0.6
Total interest and related portfolio income	\$ 5.3	\$ 9.9

Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation for the year ended December 31, 2007, included an increase in unrealized appreciation totaling \$74.9 million for the first half of 2007 and the reversal of \$234.8 million associated with the sale of our majority equity interest in the third quarter of 2007. Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation included a net increase in unrealized appreciation on our investment in Mercury of \$106.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2006.

Advantage Sales & Marketing, Inc. At December 31, 2005, our investment in Advantage totaled \$257.7 million at cost and \$660.4 million at value, which included unrealized appreciation of \$402.7 million. Advantage is a sales and marketing agency providing outsourced sales, merchandising, and marketing services to the consumer packaged goods industry. Advantage has offices across the United States and is headquartered in Irvine, CA. We completed the purchase of a majority ownership in Advantage in June 2004.

On March 29, 2006, we sold our majority equity interest in Advantage. We were repaid our \$184 million in subordinated debt outstanding at closing. For the year ended December 31, 2006, we realized a gain on the sale of our equity investment of \$434.4 million, subject to post-closing adjustments and excluding any earn-out amounts. We realized additional gains in 2008 and 2007 resulting from post-closing adjustments and an earn-out payment totaling \$1.9 million and \$3.4 million, respectively, subject to additional post-closing adjustments.

As consideration for the common stock sold in the transaction, we received a \$150 million subordinated note, with the balance of the consideration paid in cash. In addition, a portion of our cash proceeds from the sale of the common

stock were placed in escrow, subject to certain holdback provisions. At December 31, 2008, the amount of the escrow included in other assets on our consolidated balance sheet was approximately \$23.3 million. For tax purposes, the receipt of the \$150 million subordinated note as part of our consideration for the common stock sold and the hold back of certain

proceeds in escrow will generally allow us, through installment treatment, to defer the recognition of taxable income for a portion of our realized gain until the note or other amounts are collected.

Total interest and related portfolio income earned from our investment in Advantage while we held a majority equity interest was \$14.1 million (which included a prepayment premium of \$5.0 million) for the year ended December 31, 2006. In addition, we earned structuring fees of \$2.3 million on our new \$150 million subordinated debt investment in Advantage upon the closing of the sale transaction in 2006. Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation for the year ended December 31, 2006, included the reversal of \$389.7 million of previously recorded unrealized appreciation associated with the realization of a gain on the sale of our majority equity interest in Advantage.

In connection with the sale transaction, we retained an equity investment as a minority shareholder in the business valued at \$15 million at closing. During the fourth quarter of 2006, Advantage made a distribution on this minority equity investment, which resulted in a realized gain of \$4.8 million.

Our investment in Advantage at December 31, 2008, which was composed of subordinated debt and a minority equity interest, totaled \$158.1 million at cost and \$140.0 million at value, which included unrealized depreciation of \$18.1 million.

Commercial Real Estate Finance

The commercial real estate finance portfolio at value, investment activity, and the yield on interest-bearing investments at and for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, were as follows:

(\$ in millions)	At and for the Years Ended December 31,					
	2008		2007		2006	
	Value	Yield ⁽¹⁾	Value	Yield ⁽¹⁾	Value	Yield ⁽¹⁾
Portfolio at value:						
Commercial mortgage loans	\$ 53.5	7.4%	\$ 65.4	6.8%	\$ 71.9	7.5%
Real estate owned	20.8		21.3		19.6	
Equity interests	19.6		34.5		26.7	
Total portfolio	\$ 93.9		\$ 121.2		\$ 118.2	
Investments funded	\$ 10.1		\$ 18.0		\$ 14.4	
Payment-in-kind interest, net of cash collections	\$ 0.2		\$ (0.7)		\$ 0.7	
Principal collections related to investment repayments or sales	\$ 16.8		\$ 23.4		\$ 39.9	

⁽¹⁾ The weighted average yield on the interest-bearing investments is computed as the (a) annual stated interest on accruing loans plus the annual amortization of loan origination fees, original issue discount, and market discount on accruing interest-bearing investments less the annual amortization of origination costs, divided by (b) total interest-bearing investments at value. The weighted average yield is computed as of the balance sheet date. Interest-bearing investments for the commercial real estate finance portfolio include all investments except for real estate owned and equity interests.

At December 31, 2008, we had outstanding funding commitments related to commercial mortgage loans and equity interests of \$33.4 million, and commitments in the form of standby letters of credit and guarantees related to equity interests of \$7.5 million.

Managed Funds

In addition to managing our own assets, we manage certain funds that also invest in the debt and equity securities of primarily private middle market companies in a variety of industries. At December 31, 2008, we had five separate funds under our management (together, the Managed Funds) for which we may earn management or other fees for our services. We may invest in the equity of these funds, along with other third parties, from which we may earn a current return and/or a future incentive allocation.

At December 31, 2008, the funds that we manage had total assets of approximately \$2.1 billion. Our responsibilities to the Managed Funds may include investment origination, underwriting, and portfolio monitoring services. Each of the Managed Funds may separately invest in the debt or equity of companies in our portfolio, and these investments may be senior, pari passu or junior to the debt and equity investments held by us. We may or may not participate in investments made by the Managed Funds. We intend to grow our managed capital base over time. By growing our privately managed capital base, we seek to diversify our sources of capital, leverage our core investment expertise and increase fees and other income from asset management activities. We have agreed to purchase the management contracts of three additional funds for approximately \$10 million plus an earnout not to exceed \$1.5 million, and certain transaction costs. The aggregate assets held by these funds total approximately \$1.2 billion. We expect to begin managing these funds in early 2009. See Risk Factors There are potential conflicts of interest between us and the funds managed by us under Item 1A.

Unitranche Fund LLC. In December 2007, we formed the Unitranche Fund LLC (Unitranche Fund), which we co-manage with an affiliate of General Electric Capital Corporation (GE). At December 31, 2008, the Unitranche Fund had total assets of \$789.8 million, and our investment in the Unitranche Fund totaled \$125.4 million at cost and at value.

The Unitranche Fund is a private fund that generally focuses on making first lien unitranche loans to middle market companies with EBITDA of at least \$15 million. The Unitranche Fund may invest up to \$270 million for a single borrower. For financing needs greater than \$270 million, we and GE may jointly underwrite additional financing for a total unitranche financing of up to \$500 million. Allied Capital, GE and the Unitranche Fund may co-invest in a single borrower, with the Unitranche Fund holding at least a majority of the issuance. We may hold the portion of a unitranche loan underwritten by us. GE has committed \$3.075 billion to the Unitranche Fund consisting of \$3.0 billion of senior notes and \$0.075 billion of subordinated certificates, and we have committed \$525.0 million of subordinated certificates. The Unitranche Fund will be capitalized as transactions are completed. Investments made by the Unitranche Fund must be approved by the investment committee of the Unitranche Fund, which includes a representative from us and GE. Therefore, our commitment to the Unitranche Fund cannot be drawn without our approval. The level of investments made by the Unitranche Fund will be dependent on market conditions, the Unitranche Fund's ability to identify attractive investment opportunities, and our ability to fund our commitment to the Unitranche Fund. We earn a management and sourcing fee totaling 0.375% per annum of managed assets. In addition to the management and sourcing fee, we earn structuring fees on investments made by the Unitranche Fund.

The Unitranche Fund is governed by an investment committee with equal representation from Allied Capital and GE and both Allied Capital and GE provide origination, underwriting and portfolio management services to the Unitranche Fund and its affiliates. We will earn a management and sourcing fee totaling 0.375% per annum of managed assets. In addition to the management and sourcing fee, we earn structuring fees on investments made by the Unitranche Fund. See Results of Operations Total Interest and Related Portfolio Income below.

Allied Capital Senior Debt Fund, L.P. The Allied Capital Senior Debt Fund, L.P. (ACSDF) is a private fund that generally invests in senior, unitranche and second lien debt. ACSDF had total assets of \$412.9 million at December 31, 2008. AC Corp, our wholly-owned subsidiary, is the investment manager and Callidus acts as special manager to ACSDF. A subsidiary of AC Corp is the general partner of ACSDF, and AC Corp serves as collateral manager to a warehouse financing vehicle associated with ACSDF. AC Corp will earn a management fee of up to 2% per annum of the net asset value of ACSDF and will pay Callidus 25% of that management fee to compensate Callidus for its role as special manager.

We are a special limited partner in ACSDF, which is a portfolio investment, and have committed and funded \$31.8 million to ACSDF. At December 31, 2008, our investment in ACSDF totaled

\$31.8 million at cost and at value. As a special limited partner, we may earn an incentive allocation to the extent of 20% of ACSDF's annual net income earned in excess of a specified minimum return, subject to certain performance benchmarks. There can be no assurance that this incentive allocation will be earned, particularly given the current economic environment. The value of our investment in ACSDF is based on the net asset value of ACSDF, which reflects the capital invested plus our allocation of the net earnings of ACSDF, including the incentive allocation.

We may offer to sell loans to ACSDF or the warehouse financing vehicle. ACSDF or the warehouse financing vehicle may purchase loans from us. In connection with ACSDF's formation in June 2007 and during the second half of 2007, we sold \$224.2 million of seasoned assets with a weighted average yield of 10.0% to a warehouse financing vehicle associated with ACSDF. For the year ended December 31, 2008, we sold \$72.3 million of seasoned assets with a weighted average yield of 9.2% to the warehouse financing vehicle. ACSDF has also purchased loans from other third parties. Due to the lack of liquidity in the securitization markets, ACSDF is not currently purchasing loans and at December 31, 2008, the ACSDF warehouse financing vehicle has completed its reinvestment period and any investment repayments are used to repay outstanding balances under the warehouse facility.

Knightsbridge CLO 2007-1 Ltd. On March 31, 2008, we assumed, through a wholly-owned subsidiary, the management of Knightsbridge CLO 2007-1 Ltd. (Knightsbridge 2007), which invests primarily in middle market senior loans.

At December 31, 2008, Knightsbridge 2007 had total assets of \$500.6 million and our investment in this CLO totaled \$59.6 million at cost and \$50.1 million at value. We earn a management fee of up to 0.6% per annum of the assets of Knightsbridge 2007, up to 7.5% of which is paid to an unaffiliated third party in its capacity as special equity holder. In addition, Callidus assists us in the management of Knightsbridge 2007 and we pay Callidus a fee for this assistance.

We may offer to sell loans to Knightsbridge 2007 and Knightsbridge 2007 may purchase loans from us or from other third parties. During the year ended December 31, 2008, we sold loans totaling \$95.4 million with a weighted average yield of 8.5% to Knightsbridge 2007.

Knightsbridge CLO 2008-1 Ltd. In June 2008, we formed Knightsbridge 2008-1 Ltd. (Knightsbridge 2008). Upon its formation, Knightsbridge 2008 completed its initial purchase of assets from a third party. We manage Knightsbridge 2008 through a wholly-owned subsidiary. Knightsbridge 2008 invests primarily in middle market senior loans.

At December 31, 2008, Knightsbridge 2008 had total assets of \$304.7 million and our investment in this CLO totaled \$52.7 million at cost and at value. We earn a management fee of up to 0.6% per annum of the assets of Knightsbridge 2008, up to 10% of which is paid to an unaffiliated third party in its capacity as special equity holder. In addition, Callidus assists us in the management of Knightsbridge 2008 and we pay Callidus a fee for this assistance.

We may offer to sell loans to Knightsbridge 2008 and Knightsbridge 2008 may purchase loans from us or from other third parties. During the year ended December 31, 2008, we sold loans totaling \$48.6 million with a weighted average yield of 9.3% to Knightsbridge 2008.

AGILE Fund I, LLC. In January 2008, we entered into an investment agreement with the Goldman Sachs Private Equity Group, part of Goldman Sachs Asset Management (Goldman Sachs). As part of the investment agreement, we agreed to sell a pro-rata strip of private equity and debt investments to AGILE Fund I, LLC (AGILE), a private fund in which a fund managed by Goldman Sachs owns substantially all of the interests, for a total transaction value of approximately \$167 million. The sales of the assets closed in the first quarter of 2008.

The sale to AGILE included 13.7% of our equity investments in 23 of our buyout portfolio companies and 36 of our minority equity portfolio companies for a total purchase price of \$104 million which resulted in a net realized gain of \$8.3 million (subsequent to post-closing adjustments) and dividend income of \$6.4 million. In addition, we sold approximately \$63 million in debt investments, which represented 7.3% of our unitranche, second lien and subordinated debt investments in the buyout investments included in the equity sale. AGILE generally has the right to co-invest in its proportional share of any future follow-on investment opportunities presented by the companies in its portfolio.

We are the managing member of AGILE, and are entitled to an incentive allocation subject to certain performance benchmarks. There can be no assurance that this incentive allocation will be earned, particularly given the current economic environment. We own the remaining interests in AGILE not held by Goldman Sachs. At December 31, 2008, AGILE had total assets of \$99.3 million and our investment in AGILE totaled \$0.7 million at cost and \$0.5 million at value.

As part of this transaction, we sold ten venture capital and private equity limited partnership investments for approximately \$28 million to a fund managed by Goldman Sachs, which assumed the \$5.3 million of unfunded commitments related to these limited partnership investments. The sales of these limited partnership investments closed in the first half of 2008, and resulted in a net realized loss of \$7.0 million (subsequent to post-closing adjustments) for the year ended December 31, 2008.

In aggregate, including capital committed to our managed funds and our balance sheet, we had approximately \$8.4 billion in managed capital at December 31, 2008.

PORTFOLIO ASSET QUALITY

Loans and Debt Securities on Non-Accrual Status. In general, interest is not accrued on loans and debt securities if we have doubt about interest collection or where the enterprise value of the portfolio company may not support further accrual. In addition, interest may not accrue on loans to portfolio companies that are more than 50% owned by us depending on such company's capital requirements. To the extent interest payments are received on a loan that is not accruing interest, we may use such payments to reduce our cost basis in the investment in lieu of recognizing interest income.

At December 31, 2008 and 2007, loans and debt securities at value not accruing interest for the total investment portfolio were as follows:

(\$ in millions)	2008	2007
Loans and debt securities in workout status		
Private finance		
Companies more than 25% owned	\$ 136.8	\$ 114.1
Companies 5% to 25% owned		11.7
Companies less than 5% owned	74.6	23.8
Commercial real estate finance	1.4	12.4
Loans and debt securities not in workout status		
Private finance		
Companies more than 25% owned	39.3	21.4
Companies 5% to 25% owned		13.4
Companies less than 5% owned	77.2	13.3

Commercial real estate finance	6.3	1.9
Total	\$ 335.6	\$ 212.0
Percentage of total portfolio	9.6%	4.4%

At December 31, 2008, private finance non-accruals included our senior secured debt in Ciena, which was \$104.9 million or 3.0% of the total portfolio at value. At December 31, 2007, private finance non-accruals included our Class A equity interest in Ciena, which was \$68.6 million or 1.4% of total

portfolio at value. The increase in loans and debt securities not accruing interest primarily was related to the acquisition of the Ciena senior secured loan in the third quarter of 2008, which was placed on non-accrual status upon its purchase. See Private Finance Ciena Capital LLC above.

Loans and Debt Securities Over 90 Days Delinquent. Loans and debt securities greater than 90 days delinquent at value at December 31, 2008 and 2007, were as follows:

(\$ in millions)	2008	2007
Private finance	\$106.6	\$139.9
Commercial mortgage loans	1.4	9.2
Total	\$108.0	\$149.1
Percentage of total portfolio	3.1%	3.1%

At December 31, 2008, loans and debt securities over 90 days delinquent included our senior secured debt in Ciena, which was \$104.9 million or 3.0% of the total portfolio at value. At December 31, 2007, loans and debt securities over 90 days delinquent included our Class A equity interest in Ciena, which was \$68.6 million or 1.4% of total portfolio at value. See Private Finance Ciena Capital LLC above.

The amount of the portfolio that is on non-accrual status or greater than 90 days delinquent may vary from year to year. Loans and debt securities on non-accrual status and over 90 days delinquent should not be added together as they are two separate measures of portfolio asset quality. Loans and debt securities that are in both categories (i.e., on non-accrual status and over 90 days delinquent) totaled \$108.0 million and \$149.1 million at December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

Given the severity of this economic recession, we would expect that non-accruals and loans over 90 days delinquent may increase in the future.

OTHER ASSETS AND OTHER LIABILITIES

Other assets primarily is composed of fixed assets, prepaid expenses, deferred financing and offering costs, and accounts receivable, which includes amounts received in connection with the sale of portfolio companies, including amounts held in escrow, and other receivables from portfolio companies. At December 31, 2008 and 2007, other assets totaled \$122.9 million and \$157.9 million, respectively. The decrease since December 31, 2007, was primarily the result of the March 2008 distribution of the assets held in deferred compensation trusts, which totaled \$21.1 million at December 31, 2007. See Private Finance above.

Accounts payable and other liabilities primarily is composed of the liabilities related to accrued interest, bonus and taxes, including excise tax. At December 31, 2008 and 2007, accounts payable and other liabilities totaled \$58.8 million and \$153.3 million, respectively. The decrease in accounts payable and other liabilities since year end 2007 was in part the result of the termination of the deferred compensation plans in March 2008, the liability for which totaled \$52.5 million at December 31, 2007. In addition, accounts payable and other liabilities at December 31, 2008, were reduced by the payment of liabilities in 2008 related to accrued 2007 bonuses of \$40.1 million and excise tax of \$16.0 million, offset by an increase in liabilities in 2008 related to accrued bonuses and 2009 performance awards totaling approximately \$12.2 million. Accrued interest payable fluctuates from period to period depending on the amount of debt outstanding and the contractual payment dates of the interest on such debt.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**Comparison of the Years Ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006**

The following table summarizes our operating results for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006.

(in millions, except per share amounts)	2008	2007	Change	Percent Change	2007	2006	Change
Operating Income	\$ 457,418	\$ 417,576	\$ 39,842	10%	\$ 417,576	\$ 386,427	\$ 31,149
Other income	44,826	44,129	697	2%	44,129	66,131	(22,002)
Operating and related portfolio income	502,244	461,705	40,539	9%	461,705	452,558	9,147
Provision for doubtful accounts	148,930	132,080	16,850	13%	132,080	100,600	31,480
Stock options	76,429	89,155	(12,726)	(14)%	89,155	92,902	(3,747)
Other	11,781	35,233	(23,452)	(67)%	35,233	15,599	19,634
Other	49,424	50,580	(1,156)	(2)%	50,580	39,005	11,575
Operating expenses	286,564	307,048	(20,484)	(7)%	307,048	248,106	58,942
Operating income before income taxes	215,680	154,657	61,023	39%	154,657	204,452	(49,795)
Income tax expense, including excise tax	2,506	13,624	(11,118)	(82)%	13,624	15,221	(1,597)
Operating income	213,174	141,033	72,141	51%	141,033	189,231	(48,198)
Other and Unrealized Gains (Losses)							
Other gains (losses)	(129,418)	268,513	(397,931)	(148)%	268,513	533,301	(264,788)
Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation	(1,123,762)	(256,243)	(867,519)	*	(256,243)	(477,409)	221,164
Other gains (losses)	(1,253,180)	12,270	(1,265,450)	*	12,270	55,892	(43,622)
Operating income	\$ (1,040,006)	\$ 153,303	\$ (1,193,309)	(778)%	\$ 153,303	\$ 245,123	\$ (91,820)
Operating income per common share	\$ (6.01)	\$ 0.99	\$ (7.00)	(707)%	\$ 0.99	\$ 1.68	\$ (0.69)
Weighted average common shares outstanding	172,996	154,687	18,309	12%	154,687	145,599	9,088

* Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation and net gains (losses) can fluctuate significantly from year to year. As a result, comparisons may not be meaningful.

Total Interest and Related Portfolio Income. Total interest and related portfolio income includes interest and dividend income and fees and other income.

Interest and Dividends. Interest and dividend income for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, was composed of the following:

(\$ in millions)	2008	2007	2006
Interest			
Private finance loans and debt securities	\$ 393.3	\$ 376.1	\$ 348.4
Preferred shares/income notes of CLOs	34.1	18.0	11.5
Subordinated certificates in Unitranche Fund LLC	8.3		
Commercial mortgage loans	4.1	6.4	8.3
Cash, U.S. Treasury bills, money market and other securities	4.4	15.1	14.0
Total interest	444.2	415.6	382.2
Dividends	13.2	2.0	4.2
Total interest and dividends	\$ 457.4	\$ 417.6	\$ 386.4

The level of interest income, which includes interest paid in cash and in kind, is directly related to the balance of the interest-bearing investment portfolio outstanding during the year multiplied by the weighted average yield. The interest-bearing investments in the portfolio at value and the yield on the interest-bearing investments in the portfolio at December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, were as follows:

(\$ in millions)	2008		2007		2006	
	Value	Yield ⁽¹⁾	Value	Yield ⁽¹⁾	Value	Yield ⁽¹⁾
Private finance:						
Loans and debt securities:						
Senior loans	\$ 306.3	5.6%	\$ 344.3	7.7%	\$ 405.2	8.4%
Unitranche debt	456.4	12.0%	653.9	11.5%	799.2	11.2%
Subordinated debt	1,829.1	12.9%	2,416.4	12.8%	1,980.8	12.9%
Equity securities:						
Preferred shares/income notes of CLOs	179.2	16.4%	203.0	14.6%	97.2	15.5%
Subordinated certificates in Unitranche Fund LLC	125.4	12.0%	0.7	12.4%		
Commercial real estate:						
Commercial mortgage loans	53.5	7.4%	65.4	6.8%	71.9	7.5%
Total interest-bearing investments	\$ 2,949.9	12.1%	\$ 3,683.7	12.1%	\$ 3,354.3	11.9%

⁽¹⁾ The weighted average yield on loans and debt securities is computed as the (a) annual stated interest on accruing loans and debt securities plus the annual amortization of loan origination fees, original issue discount,

and market discount on accruing loans and debt securities less the annual amortization of loan origination costs, divided by (b) total interest-bearing investments at value. The weighted average yield on the preferred shares/income notes of CLOs is calculated as the (a) effective interest yield on the preferred shares/income notes of CLOs, divided by (b) preferred shares/income notes of CLOs at value. The weighted average yield on the subordinated certificates in the Unitranche Fund LLC is computed as the (a) annual stated interest divided by (b) total investment at value. This yield excludes any return from the potential future excess cash flows from portfolio earnings available to the subordinated certificate holders and from related structuring fees and management and sourcing fees. See Fees and Other Income below. The weighted average yields are computed as of the balance sheet date.

Interest income has increased over the 2006 through 2008 period as a result of increases in the interest-bearing portfolio as a percent of the total portfolio. Interest-bearing investments represented 84%, 77% and 75% of the total portfolio at value at December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively. The weighted average yield varies from period to period based on the current stated interest on interest-bearing investments, the yield on interest-bearing investments funded, the yield on amounts repaid, the amount of interest-bearing investments for which interest is not accruing, changes in value of interest-bearing investments and the mix of interest-bearing investments in the portfolio, including the amount of lower-yielding senior or unitranche debt in the portfolio at the end of the period. We currently intend to exit several interest-bearing investments in order to accumulate capital for repayment of debt. As a result, we expect that income from our interest-bearing investments will decrease in 2009.

Dividend income results from the dividend yield on preferred equity interests, if any, or the declaration of dividends by a portfolio company on preferred or common equity interests. Dividend income for the year ended December 31, 2008, was \$13.2 million as compared to \$2.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2007. Dividend income for 2008 includes a \$3.1 million dividend received in connection with the recapitalization of Norwesco, Inc., and \$6.4 million of dividends received in connection with the sale to AGILE Fund I, LLC. See *Portfolio and Investment Activity Managed Funds* above. Dividend income will vary from period to period depending upon the timing and amount of dividends that are declared or paid by a portfolio company on preferred or common equity interests.

Fees and Other Income. Fees and other income primarily include fees related to financial structuring, diligence, transaction services, management and consulting services to portfolio companies, commitments, guarantees, and other services and loan prepayment premiums. As a business development company, we are required to make significant managerial assistance available to the companies in our investment portfolio. Managerial assistance includes, but is not limited to, management and consulting services related to corporate finance, marketing, human resources, personnel and board member recruiting, business operations, corporate governance, risk management and other general business matters.

Fees and other income for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, included fees relating to the following:

(\$ in millions)	2008	2007	2006
Structuring and diligence	\$ 19.2	\$ 20.7	\$ 37.3
Management, consulting and other services provided to portfolio companies ⁽¹⁾	11.4	9.6	11.1
Commitment, guaranty and other fees from portfolio companies ⁽²⁾	6.3	9.3	8.8
Fund management fees ⁽³⁾	6.1	0.5	
Loan prepayment premiums	0.6	3.7	8.8
Gain on prepayment of notes payable ⁽⁴⁾	1.1		
Other income	0.1	0.3	0.1
Total fees and other income	\$ 44.8	\$ 44.1	\$ 66.1

(1) 2006 includes \$1.8 million in management fees from Advantage prior to its sale on March 29, 2006. See *Portfolio and Investment Activity* above for further discussion. 2006 included management fees from Ciena of \$1.7 million. We did not charge Ciena management fees in 2008, 2007 or in the fourth quarter of 2006. See *Private Finance Ciena Capital LLC* above.

(2) Includes guaranty and other fees from Ciena of \$0, \$5.4 million and \$6.1 million for 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively. See *Private Finance Ciena Capital LLC* above.

(3) See *Portfolio and Investment Activity Managed Funds* above.

(4) In December 2008, we prepaid private notes at a discount, which resulted in a net gain of \$1.1 million. See *Financial Condition, Liquidity and Capital Resources* below.

Fees and other income generally are related to specific transactions or services and therefore may vary substantially from year to year depending on the level of investment activity and the types of services provided and the level of assets in Managed Funds for which we earn management or other fees. We added two new Managed Funds in 2008

which resulted in an increase in fund management fees. Given our outlook for future investment activity for our balance sheet as well as for certain Managed Funds, we expect that fee income in the future will reflect lower new investment levels. Loan origination fees that represent yield enhancement on a loan are capitalized and amortized into interest income over the life of the loan.

Structuring and diligence fees for the year ended December 31, 2008, included \$10.4 million earned by us in connection with investments made by the Unitranche Fund, LLC. See *Managed Funds* above. The remainder of the structuring and diligence fees primarily relate to the level of new investment originations, which were lower in 2008 than 2007. Private finance investments funded were \$1.1 billion for the year ended December 31, 2008, as compared to \$1.8 billion and \$2.4 billion for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively. Because we expect a significant reduction in new investment activity, we expect structuring and diligence fees to be lower in 2009.

Loan prepayment premiums for the year ended December 31, 2006, included \$5.0 million related to the repayment of our subordinated debt in connection with the sale of our majority equity interest in Advantage in 2006. See [Portfolio and Investment Activity](#) above for further discussion. While the scheduled maturities of private finance and commercial real estate loans generally range from five to ten years, it is not unusual for our borrowers to refinance or pay off their debts to us ahead of schedule. Therefore, we generally structure our loans to require a prepayment premium for the first three to five years of the loan. Accordingly, the amount of prepayment premiums will vary depending on the level of repayments and the age of the loans at the time of repayment. In the current economic environment we would expect loan prepayment premiums to be negligible.

See [Portfolio and Investment Activity](#) above for further information regarding our total interest and related portfolio income for Ciena, Mercury, and Advantage.

Operating Expenses. Operating expenses include interest, employee, employee stock options, and administrative expenses.

Interest Expense. The fluctuations in interest expense during the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, primarily were attributable to changes in the level of our borrowings under various notes payable and our revolving line of credit as well as an increase in our weighted average cost of debt capital. Our borrowing activity and weighted average cost of debt, including fees and debt financing costs, at and for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, were as follows:

(\$ in millions)	2008	2007	2006
Total outstanding debt	\$ 1,945.0	\$ 2,289.5	\$ 1,899.1
Average outstanding debt	\$ 2,091.6	\$ 1,924.2	\$ 1,491.0
Weighted average cost ⁽¹⁾	7.7%	6.5%	6.5%

⁽¹⁾ The weighted average annual interest cost is computed as the (a) annual stated interest rate on the debt plus the annual amortization of commitment fees, other facility fees and debt financing costs that are recognized into interest expense over the contractual life of the respective borrowings, divided by (b) debt outstanding on the balance sheet date.

At the end of the fourth quarter of 2008, we amended our private notes and revolving line of credit, which increased the stated interest rate on those obligations by 100 basis points. Subsequent to this amendment, events of default have occurred on these instruments. Pursuant to the terms of the revolving credit facility, during the continuance of an event of default, the applicable spread on any borrowings outstanding and fees on any letters of credit outstanding under the revolving credit facility increase by up to an additional 200 basis points. Pursuant to the private notes, during the continuance of an event of default, the rate of interest borne by the private notes increases by an additional 200 basis points. We are in discussions with these lenders regarding a more comprehensive restructuring of these debt agreements to provide us long-term operational flexibility in this difficult economy. See [Financial Condition, Liquidity and Capital Resources](#) below.

In addition, interest expense included interest paid to the Internal Revenue Service related to installment sale gains totaling \$7.7 million, \$5.8 million, and \$0.9 million for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively. See [Dividends and Distributions](#) below.

Employee Expense. Employee expenses for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, were as follows:

(\$ in millions)	2008	2007	2006
Salaries and employee benefits	\$ 63.2	\$ 83.9	\$ 73.8
Individual performance award (IPA)	8.5	9.8	8.1
IPA mark to market expense (benefit)	(4.1)	(14.0)	2.9
Individual performance bonus (IPB)	8.8	9.5	8.1
Total employee expense ⁽¹⁾	\$ 76.4	\$ 89.2	\$ 92.9
Number of employees at end of period	152	177	170

⁽¹⁾ Excludes stock options expense. See below.

During the third quarter of 2008, we consolidated our investment execution activities to our Washington, DC headquarters and our office in New York in an effort to improve our operating efficiencies. As we transitioned and consolidated our operations, we reduced our headcount by approximately 30 employees in the third quarter of 2008. In January 2009, we terminated an additional 20 employees and further consolidated our operations. As a result of these headcount reductions, we incurred severance expense of \$9.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2008. Severance expense is included in salaries and employee benefits. During 2008, we substantially decreased our bonus pool from \$40.1 million in 2007 to \$1.0 million in 2008. In addition, we accrued \$11.2 million in performance awards in 2008 which are included in salaries and employee benefits expense. In lieu of paying these amounts as a 2008 bonus, we will pay these amounts in four quarterly installments ending on January 15, 2010. An employee must be employed on the quarterly payment dates in order to receive the quarterly payment. Our Chief Executive Officer, Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer received no bonus or performance award for 2008. Primarily as a result of the reductions in employee headcount and bonus pool, salaries and employee benefits decreased in 2008 as compared to 2007.

The IPA and IPB are part of an incentive compensation program for certain officers and are generally determined annually at the beginning of each year but may be adjusted throughout the year. In 2008, IPAs were paid in cash in two equal installments during the year. Through December 31, 2007, the IPA amounts were contributed into a trust and invested in our common stock. The IPB was distributed in cash to award recipients throughout the year (beginning in February of each respective year) as long as the recipient remained employed by us. We currently have not established an IPA or IPB for 2009; however, depending upon our need to retain and motivate our employees, we may determine in conjunction with the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors that some form of 2009 retention compensation or individual performance compensation may be in the best interests of the company.

The trusts for the IPA payments were consolidated with our accounts. The common stock was classified as common stock held in deferred compensation trust in the accompanying financial statements and the deferred compensation obligation, which represented the amount owed to the employees, was included in other liabilities. Changes in the value of our common stock held in the deferred compensation trust were not recognized. However, the liability was marked to market with a corresponding charge or credit to employee compensation expense. On December 14, 2007, our Board of Directors made a determination that it was in Allied Capital's best interest to terminate our deferred compensation arrangements. The Board of Directors' decision primarily was in response to increased complexity resulting from recent changes in the regulation of deferred compensation arrangements. The Board of Directors resolved that the accounts under these Plans would be distributed to participants in full on March 18, 2008, the termination and distribution date, or as soon as was reasonably practicable thereafter, in accordance with the provisions of each of these Plans.

The accounts under the deferred compensation arrangements totaled \$52.5 million at December 31, 2007. The balances on the termination date were distributed to participants in March 2008 subsequent to the termination date, in accordance with the transition rule for payment elections under Section 409A of the Code. Distributions from the plans were made in cash or shares of our common stock, net of required withholding taxes. The distribution of the accounts under the deferred compensation arrangements will result in a tax deduction for 2008, subject to the limitations set by Section 162(m) of the Code for persons subject to such section.

Stock Options Expense. The stock option expense for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, was as follows:

(\$ in millions)	2008	2007	2006
Employee Stock Option Expense:			
Options granted:			
Previously awarded, unvested options as of January 1, 2006	\$ 3.9	\$ 10.1	\$ 13.2
Options granted on or after January 1, 2006	7.9	10.7	2.4
Total options granted	11.8	20.8	15.6
Options cancelled in connection with tender offer (see below)		14.4	
Total employee stock option expense	\$ 11.8	\$ 35.2	\$ 15.6

In addition to employee stock option expense, administrative expense included \$0.1 million, \$0.2 million and \$0.2 million for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively, for options granted to non-officer directors. Options granted to non-officer directors vest on the grant date and therefore, the full expense is recorded on the grant date.

We estimate that the employee-related stock option expense will be approximately \$3.5 million, \$3.9 million and \$3.7 million for the years ended December 31, 2009, 2010 and 2011, respectively. This estimate does not include any expense related to stock option grants after December 31, 2008, as the fair value of those stock options will be determined at the time of grant. This estimate may change if our assumptions related to future option forfeitures change.

Options Cancelled in Connection with Tender Offer. On July 18, 2007, we completed a tender offer to our optionees who held vested in-the-money stock options as of June 20, 2007, where optionees received an option cancellation payment (OCP), equal to the in-the-money value of the stock options cancelled determined using a Weighted Average Market Price of \$31.75 paid one-half in cash and one-half in unregistered shares of our common stock. We accepted for cancellation 10.3 million vested options held by employees and non-officer directors, which in the aggregate had a weighted average exercise price of \$21.50. This resulted in a total option cancellation payment of approximately \$105.6 million, of which \$52.8 million was paid in cash and \$52.8 million was paid through the issuance of 1.7 million unregistered shares of the Company's common stock. Our stockholders approved the issuance of the shares of our common stock in exchange for the cancellation of vested in-the-money stock options at our 2006 Annual Meeting of Stockholders. Cash payments to employee optionees were paid net of required payroll and income tax withholdings.

In accordance with the terms of the tender offer, the Weighted Average Market Price represented the volume weighted average price of our common stock over the fifteen trading days preceding the first day of the offer period, or June 20, 2007. Because the Weighted Average Market Price at the commencement of the tender offer on June 20, 2007, was higher than the market price of our common stock at the close of the offer on July 18, 2007, SFAS 123R required us to record a non-cash employee-related stock option expense of \$14.4 million and administrative expense related to stock options cancelled that were held by non-officer directors of \$0.4 million. The same amounts were recorded as an increase to additional paid-in capital and, therefore, had no effect on our net asset value. The portion of the OCP paid in cash of \$52.8 million reduced our additional paid-in capital and therefore reduced our net asset value. For income tax purposes, our tax deduction resulting from the OCP will be similar to the tax deduction that would have resulted

from an exercise of stock options in the market. Any tax deduction resulting from the OCP or an exercise of stock options in the market is limited by Section 162(m) of the Code.

Administrative Expense. Administrative expenses include legal and accounting fees, valuation assistance fees, insurance premiums, the cost of leases for our headquarters in Washington, DC, and our

regional offices, portfolio origination and development expenses, travel costs, stock record expenses, directors' fees and related stock options expense, and various other expenses.

(\$ in millions)	2008	2007	2006
Administrative expenses	\$ 48.3	\$ 44.8	\$ 34.0
Investigation and litigation costs	1.1	5.8	5.0
Total	\$ 49.4	\$ 50.6	\$ 39.0

Administrative expenses for 2008 were \$48.3 million, as compared to administrative expenses of \$44.8 million for 2007. Administrative expenses in 2007 included costs of \$1.4 million incurred to engage a third party to conduct a review of Ciena's internal control systems. See [Private Finance, Ciena Capital LLC](#) above. In addition, administrative expenses included \$2.5 million in placement fees related to securing equity commitments to the Allied Capital Senior Debt Fund, L.P. in the second quarter of 2007. See [Managed Funds Allied Capital Senior Debt Fund, L.P.](#) above. Excluding these costs, administrative expenses for 2007 were \$40.9 million. The increase from 2007 excluding these costs was \$7.4 million, which was primarily related to an increase in corporate legal costs of \$2.5 million, loss on disposal of fixed assets of \$0.9 million, and an increase in costs related to investor relations and proxy solicitation of \$0.6 million.

Administrative expenses, excluding certain costs outlined above, were \$40.9 million for 2007 as compared to \$34.0 million for 2006. The \$6.9 million increase from 2006 primarily was due to increased expenses related to directors' fees of \$1.6 million, an increase in stock record expenses of \$0.7 million due to the increase in our shareholder base, an increase in rent expense of \$0.7 million, and an increase in costs related to evaluating potential new investments of \$0.7 million.

Investigation and litigation costs are difficult to predict and may vary from year to year. See [Item 3. Legal Proceedings](#).

Income Tax Expense, Including Excise Tax. Income tax expense for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, was as follows:

(\$ in millions)	2008	2007	2006
Income tax expense (benefit)	\$ 3.1	\$ (2.7)	\$ 0.1
Excise tax expense (benefit) ⁽¹⁾	(0.6)	16.3	15.1
Income tax expense, including excise tax	\$ 2.5	\$ 13.6	\$ 15.2

⁽¹⁾ While excise tax expense is presented in the Consolidated Statement of Operations as a reduction to net investment income, excise tax relates to both net investment income and net realized gains.

Our wholly-owned subsidiary, A.C. Corporation, is a corporation subject to federal and state income taxes and records a benefit or expense for income taxes as appropriate based on its operating results in a given period.

As of December 31, 2008 we estimate we have met our dividend distribution requirements for the 2008 tax year, therefore, we have not recorded an excise tax for the year ended December 31, 2008.

In June 2006, the FASB issued Interpretation No. 48, *Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes*, which clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in income taxes recognized in an enterprise's financial statements in accordance with FASB Statement No. 109, *Accounting for Income Taxes*. This interpretation is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2006. The adoption of this interpretation did not have a significant effect on our consolidated financial position or our results of operations.

Realized Gains and Losses. Net realized gains or losses primarily result from the sale of equity securities associated with certain private finance investments and the realization of unamortized discount resulting from the sale and early repayment of private finance loans and commercial mortgage loans, offset by losses on investments. Net realized gains (losses) for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, were as follows:

(\$ in millions)	2008	2007	2006
Realized gains	\$ 150.5	\$ 400.5	\$ 557.5
Realized losses	(279.9)	(132.0)	(24.2)
Net realized gains (losses)	\$ (129.4)	\$ 268.5	\$ 533.3

When we exit an investment and realize a gain or loss, we make an accounting entry to reverse any unrealized appreciation or depreciation, respectively, we had previously recorded to reflect the appreciated or depreciated value of the investment. For the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, we reversed previously recorded unrealized appreciation or depreciation when gains or losses were realized as follows:

(\$ in millions)	2008	2007	2006
Reversal of previously recorded net unrealized appreciation associated with realized gains	\$ (119.6)	\$ (332.6)	\$ (501.5)
Reversal of previously recorded net unrealized appreciation associated with dividends received	(11.5)	(1.1)	
Reversal of previously recorded net unrealized depreciation associated with realized losses	249.9	140.9	22.5
Total reversal	\$ 118.8	\$ (192.8)	\$ (479.0)

Realized gains for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, were as follows:

(\$ in millions)

Portfolio Company	2008	Amount
Private Finance:		
Norwesco, Inc.		\$ 104.9
BI Incorporated		7.9
BenefitMall, Inc.		4.9
Mercury Air Centers, Inc.		6.0
Advantage Sales and Marketing, Inc ⁽³⁾ .		3.4
Financial Pacific Company		3.1
Passport Health Communications, Inc.		1.8
Service Champ, Inc.		1.7
HMT, Inc.		1.6

Coverall North America, Inc.		1.4
Penn Detroit Diesel Allison, LLC		1.4
Avborne Heavy Maintenance		1.2
MedAssets, Inc.		1.3
Legacy Partners Group, Inc.		1.3
Other		8.2
Total Private Finance		150.1
Commercial Real Estate:		
Other		0.4
Total Commercial Real Estate		0.4
Total realized gains	\$	150.5

2007

Portfolio Company		Amount
Private Finance:		
Mercury Air Centers, Inc.	\$	262.4
HMT, Inc.		39.9
Healthy Pet Corp.		36.6
Palm Coast Data, LLC		20.0
Woodstream Corporation		14.6
Wear Me Apparel Corporation		6.1
Mogas Energy, LLC		5.7
Tradesmen International, Inc.		3.8
ForeSite Towers, LLC		3.8
Advantage Sales & Marketing, Inc.		3.4
Geotrace Technologies, Inc.		1.1
Other		3.0
Total private finance		400.4
Commercial Real Estate:		
Other		0.1
Total commercial real estate		0.1
Total realized gains	\$	400.5

2006

Portfolio Company		Amount
Private Finance:		
Advantage Sales & Marketing, Inc. ⁽¹⁾	\$	434.4
STS Operating, Inc.		94.8

Oriental Trading Company, Inc.	8.9
Advantage Sales & Marketing, Inc. ⁽²⁾	4.8
United Site Services, Inc.	3.3
Component Hardware Group, Inc.	2.8
Opinion Research Corporation	1.9
Nobel Learning Communities, Inc.	1.5
MHF Logistical Solutions, Inc.	1.2
The Debt Exchange, Inc.	1.1
Other	1.5
Total private finance	556.2
Commercial Real Estate:	
Other	1.3
Total commercial real estate	1.3
Total realized gains	\$ 557.5

⁽¹⁾ Represents the realized gain on our majority equity investment only. See Private Finance above.

- (2) Represents a realized gain on our minority equity investment only. See Private Finance above.
- (3) Includes an additional realized gain of \$1.9 million related to the release of escrowed funds from the sale of our majority equity investment in 2006.

Realized losses for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, were as follows:

(\$ in millions)

Portfolio Company	2008	Amount
Private Finance:		
Ciena Capital LLC	\$	98.9
Alaris Consulting, LLC		36.0
Pendum, Inc.		34.0
Line-X, Inc.		23.3
Creative Group, Inc.		15.6
Driven Brands, Inc.		10.8
Triview Investments, Inc.		8.6
MedBridge Healthcare LLC		7.6
Garden Ridge Corporation		5.4
Mid-Atlantic Venture Fund IV, L.P.		5.2
WMA Equity Corporation (and Affiliates)		4.5
Legacy Partners Group, Inc.		4.3
Direct Capital Corporation		1.7
EarthColor, Inc.		1.7
Crescent Equity Corp. Longview Cable & Data, LLC		1.6
Summit Energy Services, Inc.		1.6
Sweet Traditions, Inc.		1.6
Walker Investment Fund II, LLLP		1.4
United Road Towing		1.3
Other		10.2
Total Private Finance		275.3
Commercial Real Estate:		
Other		4.6
Total commercial real estate		4.6
Total realized losses	\$	279.9
	2007	Amount
Private Finance:		
Global Communications, LLC	\$	34.3
Jakel, Inc.		24.8

Startec Global Communications, Inc.		20.2
Gordian Group, Inc.		19.3
Powell Plant Farms, Inc.		11.6
Universal Environmental Services, LLC		8.6
PresAir, LLC		6.0
Legacy Partners Group, LLC		5.8
Alaris Consulting, LLC		1.0
Other		0.4
Total realized losses	\$	132.0

2006

Portfolio Company		Amount
Private Finance:		
Staffing Partners Holding Company, Inc.	\$	10.6
Acme Paging, L.P.		4.7
Cooper Natural Resources, Inc.		2.2
Aspen Pet Products, Inc.		1.6
Nobel Learning Communities, Inc.		1.4
Other		1.6
Total private finance		22.1
Commercial Real Estate:		
Other		2.1
Total commercial real estate		2.1
Total realized losses	\$	24.2

Realized gains and losses for the year ended December 31, 2008, include a net realized gain totaling \$8.3 million (subsequent to post-closing adjustments) from the sale of certain investments to AGILE Fund I, LLC in the first quarter of 2008. In addition, realized losses for the year ended December 31, 2008, include \$7.0 million (subsequent to post-closing adjustments) related to the sale of certain venture capital and private equity limited partnership investments to a fund managed by Goldman Sachs. For the year ended December 31, 2008, net realized losses also include net realized losses totaling \$7.3 million resulting from the sale of loans and debt securities totaling \$216.3 million to the Allied Capital Senior Debt Fund, L.P., Knightsbridge CLO 2007-1 Ltd. and Knightsbridge CLO 2008-1 Ltd. For the year ended December 31, 2007, net realized gains also include net realized gains totaling \$1.0 million resulting from the sale of loans and debt securities totaling \$224.2 million to the Allied Capital Senior Debt Fund, L.P. See *Managed Funds* above.

Change in Unrealized Appreciation or Depreciation. We determine the value of each investment in our portfolio on a quarterly basis, and changes in value result in unrealized appreciation or depreciation being recognized in our statement of operations. Value, as defined in Section 2(a)(41) of the

Investment Company Act of 1940, is (i) the market price for those securities for which a market quotation is readily available and (ii) for all other securities and assets, fair value is as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors. Since there is typically no readily available market value for the investments in our portfolio, we value substantially all of our portfolio investments at fair value as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors in accordance with our valuation policy and the provisions of the 1940 Act and FASB Statement No. 157, *Fair Value Measurements* (SFAS 157 or the Statement). We determine fair value to be the price that would be received for an investment in a current sale, which assumes an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. At December 31, 2008, portfolio investments recorded at fair value using level 3 inputs (as defined under the Statement) were approximately 94% of our total assets. Because of the inherent uncertainty of determining the fair value of investments that do not have a readily available market quotation in an active market, the fair value of our investments determined in good faith by the Board of Directors may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had a ready market existed for the investments, and the differences could be material.

There is no single standard for determining fair value in good faith. As a result, determining fair value requires that judgment be applied to the specific facts and circumstances of each portfolio investment while employing a consistently applied valuation process for the types of investments we make. Unlike banks, we are not permitted to provide a general reserve for anticipated loan losses. Instead, we are required to specifically value each individual investment on a quarterly basis. We will record unrealized depreciation on investments when we determine that the fair value of a security is less than its cost basis, and we will record unrealized appreciation when we determine that the fair value is greater than its cost basis. Changes in fair value are recorded in the statement of operations as net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation.

As a business development company, we invest in illiquid securities including debt and equity securities of portfolio companies, CLO bonds and preferred shares/income notes, CDO bonds and investment funds. The structure of each debt and equity security is specifically negotiated to enable us to protect our investment and maximize our returns. We include many terms governing interest rate, repayment terms, prepayment penalties, financial covenants, operating covenants, ownership parameters, dilution parameters, liquidation preferences, voting rights, and put or call rights. Our investments may be subject to certain restrictions on resale and generally have no established trading market.

Because of the type of investments that we make and the nature of our business, our valuation process requires an analysis of various factors. Our fair value methodology includes the examination of, among other things, the underlying investment performance, financial condition, and market changing events that impact valuation.

Valuation Methodology. We adopted SFAS 157 on a prospective basis in the first quarter of 2008. SFAS 157 requires us to assume that the portfolio investment is to be sold in the principal market to market participants, or in the absence of a principal market, the most advantageous market, which may be a hypothetical market. Market participants are defined as buyers and sellers in the principal or most advantageous market that are independent, knowledgeable, and willing and able to transact. In accordance with the Statement, we have considered our principal market, or the market in which we exit our portfolio investments with the greatest volume and level of activity.

We have determined that for our buyout investments, where we have control or could gain control through an option or warrant security, both the debt and equity securities of the portfolio investment would exit in the merger and acquisition (M&A) market as the principal market generally through a sale or recapitalization of the portfolio company. We believe that the in-use premise of value (as defined in SFAS 157), which assumes the debt and equity securities are sold together, is appropriate as this would provide maximum proceeds to the seller. As a result, we will continue to use the enterprise value methodology to determine the fair value of these investments under SFAS 157. Enterprise value means

the entire value of the company to a market participant, including the sum of the values of debt and equity securities used to capitalize the enterprise at a point in time. Enterprise value is determined using various factors, including cash flow from operations of the portfolio company, multiples at which private companies are bought and sold, and other pertinent factors, such as recent offers to purchase a portfolio company, recent transactions involving the purchase or sale of the portfolio company's equity securities, liquidation events, or other events. We allocate the enterprise value to these securities in order of the legal priority of the securities.

There is no one methodology to determine enterprise value and, in fact, for any one portfolio company, enterprise value is best expressed as a range of fair values. However, we must derive a single estimate of enterprise value. To determine the enterprise value of a portfolio company, we analyze its historical and projected financial results. This financial and other information is generally obtained from the portfolio companies, and may represent unaudited, projected or pro forma financial information. We generally require portfolio companies to provide annual audited and quarterly unaudited financial statements, as well as annual projections for the upcoming fiscal year. Typically in the private equity business, companies are bought and sold based on multiples of EBITDA, cash flow, net income, revenues or, in limited instances, book value. The private equity industry uses financial measures such as EBITDA or EBITDAM (Earnings Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation, Amortization and, in some instances, Management fees) in order to assess a portfolio company's financial performance and to value a portfolio company. EBITDA and EBITDAM are not intended to represent cash flow from operations as defined by U.S. generally accepted accounting principles and such information should not be considered as an alternative to net income, cash flow from operations, or any other measure of performance prescribed by U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. When using EBITDA to determine enterprise value, we may adjust EBITDA for non-recurring items. Such adjustments are intended to normalize EBITDA to reflect the portfolio company's earnings power. Adjustments to EBITDA may include compensation to previous owners, acquisition, recapitalization, or restructuring related items or one-time non-recurring income or expense items.

In determining a multiple to use for valuation purposes, we generally look to private merger and acquisition statistics, the entry multiple for the transaction, discounted public trading multiples or industry practices. In estimating a reasonable multiple, we consider not only the fact that our portfolio company may be a private company relative to a peer group of public comparables, but we also consider the size and scope of our portfolio company and its specific strengths and weaknesses. In some cases, the best valuation methodology may be a discounted cash flow analysis based on future projections. If a portfolio company is distressed, a liquidation analysis may provide the best indication of enterprise value.

While we typically exit our securities upon the sale or recapitalization of the portfolio company in the M&A market, for investments in portfolio companies where we do not have control or the ability to gain control through an option or warrant security, we cannot typically control the exit of our investment into the principal market (the M&A market). As a result, in accordance with SFAS 157, we are required to determine the fair value of these investments assuming a sale of the individual investment (the in-exchange premise of value) in a hypothetical market to a hypothetical market participant. We continue to perform an enterprise value analysis for investments in this category to assess the credit risk of the loan or debt security and to determine the fair value of our equity investment in these portfolio companies. The determined equity values are generally discounted when we have a minority ownership position, restrictions on resale, specific concerns about the receptivity of the capital markets to a specific company at a certain time, or other factors, which we believe would lead a market participant to discount such securities. For loan and debt securities, we perform a yield analysis assuming a hypothetical current sale of the investment. The yield analysis requires us to estimate the expected repayment date of the instrument and a market participant's required yield. Our estimate of the expected repayment date of a loan or debt security is generally shorter than the legal maturity of the instruments as our loans have historically been repaid prior to the maturity date. The yield analysis considers changes in interest rates

and changes in leverage levels of the loan or debt security as compared to our estimates of market interest rates and leverage levels at the balance sheet date. Assuming the credit quality of the loan or debt security remains stable, we will use the value determined by the yield analysis as the fair value for that security. A change in the assumptions that we use to estimate the fair value of our loans and debt securities using the yield analysis could have a material impact on the determination of fair value. If there is deterioration in credit quality or a loan or debt security is in workout status, we may consider other factors in determining the fair value of a loan or debt security, including the value attributable to the loan or debt security from the enterprise value of the portfolio company or the proceeds that would be received in a liquidation analysis.

Our equity investments in private debt and equity funds are generally valued at such fund's net asset value, unless other factors lead to a determination of fair value at a different amount. The value of our equity securities in public companies for which quoted prices in an active market are readily available is based on the closing public market price on the measurement date.

The fair value of our CLO/CDO Assets is generally based on a discounted cash flow model that utilizes prepayment, re-investment and loss assumptions based on historical experience and projected performance, economic factors, the characteristics of the underlying cash flow and comparable yields for similar bonds and preferred shares/income notes, when available. We recognize unrealized appreciation or depreciation on our CLO/CDO Assets as comparable yields in the market change and/or based on changes in estimated cash flows resulting from changes in prepayment, re-investment or loss assumptions in the underlying collateral pool, or changes in redemption assumptions for the CLO/CDO Assets, if applicable. We determine the fair value of our CLO/CDO Assets on an individual security-by-security basis. If we were to sell a group of these CLO/CDO Assets in a pool in one or more transactions, the total value received for that pool may be different than the sum of the fair values of the individual assets.

We will record unrealized depreciation on investments when we determine that the fair value of a security is less than its cost basis, and will record unrealized appreciation when we determine that the fair value is greater than its cost basis. Because of the inherent uncertainty of valuation, the values determined at the measurement date may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had a ready market existed for the investments, and the differences could be material. Additionally, changes in the market environment and other events that may occur over the life of the investments may cause the gains or losses ultimately realized on these investments to be different than the values determined at the measurement date.

As a participant in the private equity business, we primarily invest in private middle market companies for which there is generally no publicly available information. Because of the private nature of these businesses, there is a need to maintain the confidentiality of the financial and other information that we have for the private companies in our portfolio. We believe that maintaining this confidence is important, as disclosure of such information could disadvantage our portfolio companies and could put us at a disadvantage in attracting new investments. Therefore, we do not intend to disclose financial or other information about our portfolio companies, unless required, because we believe doing so may put them at an economic or competitive disadvantage, regardless of our level of ownership or control.

We work with third-party consultants to obtain assistance in determining fair value for a portion of the private finance portfolio each quarter. We work with these consultants to obtain assistance as additional support in the preparation of our internal valuation analysis. In addition, we may receive third-party assessments of a particular private finance portfolio company's value in the ordinary course of business, most often in the context of a prospective sale transaction or in the context of a bankruptcy process.

The valuation analysis prepared by management is submitted to our Board of Directors who is ultimately responsible for the determination of fair value of the portfolio in good faith. Valuation assistance from Duff & Phelps, LLC

(Duff & Phelps) for our private finance portfolio consisted of

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certain limited procedures (the Procedures) we identified and requested them to perform. Based upon the performance of the Procedures on a selection of our final portfolio company valuations, Duff & Phelps concluded that the fair value of those portfolio companies subjected to the Procedures did not appear unreasonable. In addition, we also received third-party valuation assistance from other third-party consultants for certain private finance portfolio companies. For the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, we received third-party valuation assistance as follows:

	2008			
	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
Number of private finance portfolio companies reviewed	97	128	119	124
Percentage of private finance portfolio reviewed at value	91.6%	97.2%	94.9%	94.0%
	2007			
	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
Number of private finance portfolio companies reviewed	112	135	92	88
Percentage of private finance portfolio reviewed at value	91.1%	92.1%	92.1%	91.8%
	2006			
	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
Number of private finance portfolio companies reviewed	81	105	78	78
Percentage of private finance portfolio reviewed at value	82.9%	86.5%	89.6%	87.0%

Professional fees for third-party valuation assistance for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, were \$1.9 million, \$1.8 million, and \$1.5 million, respectively.

Net Change in Unrealized Appreciation or Depreciation. Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, consisted of the following:

(\$ in millions)	2008⁽¹⁾	2007⁽¹⁾	2006⁽¹⁾
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) ⁽²⁾	\$ (1,242.6)	\$ (63.4)	\$ 1.6
Reversal of previously recorded unrealized appreciation associated with realized gains	(119.6)	(332.6)	(501.5)
Reversal of previously recorded net unrealized appreciation associated with dividends received	(11.5)	(1.1)	
Reversal of previously recorded unrealized depreciation associated with realized losses	249.9	140.9	22.5
Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation	\$ (1,123.8)	\$ (256.2)	\$ (477.4)

⁽¹⁾ The net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation can fluctuate significantly from year to year. As a result, annual comparisons may not be meaningful.

- (2) The sale of certain of our portfolio investments to Goldman Sachs that occurred in the first quarter of 2008 provided transaction values for 59 portfolio investments that were used in the December 31, 2007, valuation process.

The primary drivers of the net unrealized depreciation of \$1.2 billion related to changes in portfolio value for the year ended December 31, 2008, were (i) additional depreciation of \$296.0 million related to our investment in Ciena resulting from the decline in value of their residual interest assets and other financial assets as discussed below, (ii) depreciation on non-buyout debt investments totaling \$87.2 million primarily as a result of using a yield analysis, (iii) depreciation of \$278.7 million on six companies in the consumer products and retail industries, (iv) depreciation in our other financial services and asset management portfolio companies and our CLO/CDO investments, which totaled \$254.0 million, (v) depreciation of \$110.1 million on four companies in the automotive/RV parts and services industry, and (vi) decreased enterprise values as a result of the decline in market benchmarks and, in some cases, lower EBITDA generally driven by current economic conditions, including rising oil and food prices.

In the current economic environment, the values of financial assets have declined significantly and it is difficult to predict when the values for financial assets will cease to decrease in value. As a result, we may continue to experience further net unrealized depreciation in our portfolio due to declining asset values. In addition, we may continue to experience further net unrealized depreciation in our portfolio due to declining values or due to decreased operating performance of our portfolio companies in this difficult economy. Also we may choose to sell assets for proceeds totaling less than fair value in order to generate capital to repay debt.

Valuation of Ciena Capital LLC. Our investment in Ciena totaled \$547.8 million at cost and \$104.9 million at value, which included unrealized depreciation of \$442.9 million, at December 31, 2008, and \$327.8 million at cost and \$68.6 million at value, which included unrealized depreciation of \$259.2 million, at December 31, 2007. Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation for the year ended December 31, 2008, included a decrease in our investment in Ciena totaling \$296.0 million and the reversal of unrealized depreciation of \$99.0 million associated with the realized loss on the sale of our Class A equity interests. Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation related to our investment in Ciena included a net decrease of \$174.5 million and \$142.3 million for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively. To value our investment at December 31, 2008, we continued to consider the effect of Ciena's voluntary filing for bankruptcy protection. See Private Finance, Ciena Capital LLC above.

Ciena's origination platform has been discontinued, and we continue to attribute no value to Ciena's enterprise due to the state of the securitization markets, among other factors. We valued our investment in Ciena at December 31, 2008, solely based on the estimated net realizable value of Ciena's assets, including the estimated net realizable value of the cash flows generated from Ciena's retained interests in its current servicing portfolio, which includes portfolio servicing fees as well as cash flows from Ciena's equity investments in its securitizations and its interest only strip. The decrease in value primarily is a result of the continued decline in the fair value of the assets supporting Ciena's retained interests and assets held on Ciena's balance sheet. This decrease primarily is a result of an increase in borrower defaults in the current economic environment and decreasing values for assets. We also continued to consider Ciena's current regulatory issues and ongoing investigations and litigation in performing the valuation analysis at December 31, 2008. See Private Finance, Ciena Capital LLC above.

At December 31, 2008, we had standby letters of credit issued under our line of credit of \$102.6 million in connection with term securitization transactions completed by Ciena. Due to the economic environment, the term securitizations have experienced increasing defaults and the financial institution that has issued these letters of credit has experienced a ratings downgrade; therefore, some of these letters of credit may be drawn beginning in 2009. Because our asset coverage ratio is currently less than 200%, an event of default has occurred under our line of credit and we may need to fund these letter of credit draws with cash in lieu of a borrowing under our line of credit. We have considered any funding under the letters of credit in the valuation of Ciena at December 31, 2008. See Financial Condition, Liquidity and Capital Resources below.

We received valuation assistance from Duff & Phelps for our investment in Ciena at December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006. See Valuation Methodology Private Finance above for further discussion of the third-party valuation assistance we received.

Per Share Amounts. All per share amounts included in the Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations section have been computed using the weighted average common shares used to compute diluted earnings per share, which were 173.0 million, 154.7 million, and 145.6 million for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively.

OTHER MATTERS

Regulated Investment Company Status. We have elected to be taxed as a regulated investment company under Subchapter M of the Code. In order to maintain our status as a regulated investment company and obtain regulated investment company tax benefits, we must, in general, (1) continue to qualify as a business development company; (2) derive at least 90% of our gross income from dividends, interest, gains from the sale of securities and other specified types of income; (3) meet asset diversification requirements as defined in the Code; and (4) timely distribute to shareholders at least 90% of our annual investment company taxable income (i.e., net ordinary investment income) as defined in the Code. With respect to taxable realized net long-term capital gains, we may choose to (i) distribute, (ii) deem to distribute, or (iii) retain and pay corporate level tax on such gains. We currently qualify as a regulated investment company. However, there can be no assurance that we will continue to qualify for such treatment in future years.

As long as we qualify as a regulated investment company, we are not taxed on our investment company taxable income or realized net capital gains, to the extent that such taxable income or gains are distributed, or deemed to be distributed, to shareholders on a timely basis. Taxable income includes our taxable interest, dividend and fee income, as well as taxable net capital gains. Taxable income generally differs from net income for financial reporting purposes due to temporary and permanent differences in the recognition of income and expenses, and generally excludes net unrealized appreciation or depreciation, as gains or losses are not included in taxable income until they are realized. In addition, gains realized for financial reporting purposes may differ from gains included in taxable income as a result of our election to recognize gains using installment sale treatment, which generally results in the deferment of gains for tax purposes until notes or other amounts, including amounts held in escrow, received as consideration from the sale of investments are collected in cash. Taxable income includes non-cash income, such as payment-in-kind interest and dividends and the amortization of discounts and fees. Cash collections of income resulting from contractual payment-in-kind interest or the amortization of discounts and fees generally occur upon the repayment of the loans or debt securities that include such items. Non-cash taxable income is reduced by non-cash expenses, such as realized losses and depreciation and amortization expense.

Taxable income available for distribution includes investment company taxable income and, to the extent not deemed to be distributed or retained, net long-term capital gains. To the extent that annual taxable income available for distribution exceeds dividends paid or deemed distributed from such taxable income for the year, we may carry over the excess taxable income into the next year and such excess income will be available for distribution in the next year as permitted under the Code (see discussion below). Such excess income will be treated under the Code as having been distributed during the prior year for purposes of our qualification for RIC tax treatment for such year. The maximum amount of excess taxable income that we may carry over for distribution in the next year under the Code is the total amount of dividends paid in the following year, subject to certain declaration and payment guidelines. Excess taxable income carried over and paid out in the next year is generally subject to a nondeductible 4% excise tax.

DIVIDENDS AND DISTRIBUTIONS

We have elected to be taxed as a regulated investment company under Subchapter M of the Code. As a regulated investment company, we are required to distribute substantially all of our investment company taxable income to shareholders through the payment of dividends. In certain circumstances, we are restricted in our ability to pay dividends. Each of our private notes and our revolving credit facility contain provisions that limit the amount of dividends we can pay and have a covenant that requires a minimum 200% asset coverage ratio at all times, and at December 31, 2008, we were in default of that covenant. During the continuance of an event of default, we are precluded from declaring dividends or other distributions to our shareholders. In addition, pursuant to the 1940 Act, we may be precluded from declaring dividends or other distributions to our shareholders unless our asset coverage is at least 200%.

As of December 31, 2008, we estimate that we have met our dividend distribution requirements for the 2008 tax year. We intend to retain capital in 2009 in order to comply with the 200% asset coverage requirements of the 1940 Act and our debt agreements and therefore, would be able to carry forward any 2009 taxable income for distribution in 2010. We currently qualify as a regulated investment company. However there can be no assurance that we will be able to achieve 200% asset coverage or reach agreement with our lenders with respect to the payment of dividends; therefore, we may not be able to comply with the regulated investment company requirements to distribute income for 2009 and other future years and we may be required to pay a corporate level income tax.

Total dividends to common shareholders were \$2.60, \$2.57, and \$2.42, per common share for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively. An extra cash dividend of \$0.07 and \$0.05, per common share was declared during each of 2007 and 2006, and was paid to shareholders on December 27, 2007 and January 19, 2007, respectively.

The summary of our taxable income and distributions of such taxable income for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, is as follows:

(\$ in millions)	2008 (ESTIMATED) ⁽¹⁾	2007	2006
Taxable income ⁽²⁾	\$ 33.5	\$ 397.8	\$ 601.2
Taxable income earned in prior year and carried forward and distributed in current year	393.3	402.8	156.5
Taxable income earned in current year and carried forward for distribution in next year		(393.3)	(402.8)
Distributions from accumulated earnings	29.7		
Total dividends to common shareholders	\$ 456.5	\$ 407.3	\$ 354.9

(1) Our taxable income for 2008 is an estimate and will not be finally determined until we file our 2008 tax return in September 2009. See Risk Factors under Item 1A and Note 10, Dividends and Distributions and Taxes of our Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in Item 8.

(2) See Note 10, Dividends and Distributions and Taxes of our Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in Item 8 for further information on the differences between net income for book purposes and taxable income.

We currently estimate that we have cumulative deferred taxable income related to installment sale gains of approximately \$217.4 million as of December 31, 2008. These gains have been recognized for financial reporting purposes in the respective years they were realized, but will be deferred for tax purposes until the notes or other amounts received from the sale of the related investments are collected in cash. These installment sale gains as of December 31, 2008 are estimates and will not be determined finally until we file our 2008 tax return in September 2009. See Other Matters Regulated Investment Company Status above.

To the extent that installment sale gains are deferred for recognition in taxable income, we pay interest to the Internal Revenue Service. Installment-related interest expense for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, was \$7.7 million, \$5.8 million, and \$0.9 million, respectively. This interest is included in interest expense in our Consolidated Statement of Operations.

FINANCIAL CONDITION, LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Events of Default, Liquidity and Operations. We experienced a significant reduction in our net worth during the second half of 2008, primarily resulting from net unrealized depreciation on our portfolio, which reflects market conditions. As a result, on December 30, 2008, we entered into amendments relating to our private notes and revolving line of credit, including amendments which added new covenants. The amendments are more fully described in Note 4, Debt from our Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in Item 8.

In January 2009 we re-opened discussions with the revolving line of credit lenders and the private noteholders to seek relief under certain terms of both the revolving credit facility and the private notes

due to a then-expected covenant default. It was subsequently determined that at December 31, 2008 our asset coverage was less than the 200% required by the revolving credit facility and the private notes. Asset coverage generally refers to the percentage resulting from assets less accounts payable and other liabilities, divided by total debt. These discussions are continuing and we have expanded the discussions to encompass a more comprehensive restructuring of these debt agreements to provide long-term operational flexibility. As a result of these more comprehensive discussions, we have not completed the documents contemplated by the December 30, 2008 amendments to the revolving credit facility and private notes, which were to include a grant of a first lien security interest on substantially all of our assets. Consequently, the administrative agent for the revolving credit facility has notified us that an event of default has occurred pursuant to the revolving credit facility. Events of default under the revolving credit facility constitute events of default under the private notes.

Pursuant to the 1940 Act, we are not permitted to issue indebtedness unless immediately after such issuance we have asset coverage of all outstanding indebtedness of at least 200%. Our publicly issued notes require us to comply with this provision of the 1940 Act. At December 31, 2008, our asset coverage ratio was 188%, which is less than the 200% requirement. As a result, under the publicly issued unsecured notes payable, we will not be able to issue indebtedness until such time as our asset coverage returns to at least 200%. We have not experienced any default or cross default with respect to the publicly issued unsecured notes payable.

The existence of an event of default under the revolving line of credit and private notes restricts us from borrowing or obtaining letters of credit under our revolving credit facility, and from declaring dividends or other distributions to our shareholders. Pursuant to the terms of the revolving credit facility, during the continuance of an event of default, the applicable spread on any borrowings outstanding and fees on any letters of credit outstanding under the revolving credit facility increase by up to 200 basis points. Pursuant to the terms of the private notes, during the continuance of an event of default, the rate of interest borne by the private notes increases by 200 basis points.

Neither the lenders nor the noteholders have accelerated repayment of our obligations; however, the occurrence of an event of default permits the administrative agent for the lenders, or the holders of more than 51% of the commitments under the revolving credit facility, to accelerate repayment of all amounts due, to terminate commitments thereunder, and to require us to provide cash collateral equal to the face amount of all outstanding letters of credit. Pursuant to the terms of the private notes, the occurrence of an event of default permits the holders of 51% or more of any issue of outstanding private notes to accelerate repayment of all amounts due thereunder.

Our consolidated financial statements have been prepared assuming that we will continue as a going concern. We do not have available cash resources sufficient to satisfy all of the obligations under these debt agreements should the lenders accelerate these obligations. These factors raise substantial doubt about our ability to continue as a going concern. We continue to seek a comprehensive restructuring of these debt agreements to provide long-term operational flexibility. In addition, we continue to sell assets to generate capital to repay debt. There can be no assurance that our plans will be successful in addressing the liquidity uncertainties discussed above. In the event there is an acceleration of the amounts outstanding under the revolving credit facility or any issue of the private notes, it would cause us to evaluate other alternatives and would have a material adverse effect on our operations. The consolidated financial statements included in Item 8 herein do not include any adjustments that might result from these uncertainties.

At December 31, 2008 and 2007, our cash and investments in money market and other securities, total assets, total debt outstanding, total shareholders equity, debt to equity ratio and asset coverage for senior indebtedness were as follows:

(\$ in millions)	2008	2007
Cash and investments in money market and other securities (including money market and other securities: 2008-\$0.3, 2007-\$201.2)	\$ 50.7	\$ 204.8
Total assets	\$ 3,722.2	\$ 5,214.6
Total debt outstanding	\$ 1,945.0	\$ 2,289.5
Total shareholders equity	\$ 1,718.4	\$ 2,771.8
Debt to equity ratio	1.13	0.83
Asset coverage ratio ⁽¹⁾	188%	221%

(1) As a business development company, we generally are required to maintain a minimum ratio of 200% of total assets to total borrowings.

Also pursuant to the 1940 Act, we may be precluded from declaring dividends or other distributions to our shareholders, or repurchasing shares of our common stock until such time as our asset coverage would be at least 200%. At December 31, 2008, our asset coverage ratio was 188% and, as a result, we are currently unable to declare dividends or other distributions to our shareholders, or repurchase shares of our common stock. In addition, we are not generally able to issue and sell our common stock at a price below net asset value per share. Our common stock is currently trading at a price below our net asset value of \$9.62 per share.

During the fourth quarter of 2008 in order to improve our asset coverage ratio, we used cash on hand and cash generated from asset sales to repay \$186 million of outstanding debt. We may continue to engage in a variety of activities in a means to improve our asset coverage ratio and net asset value, which may include but are not limited to: continuing to sell assets to generate capital to retire debt; refinancing or repurchasing, at par or at a discount, our outstanding debt; foregoing or limiting dividend payments in order to retain capital; and purchasing our common stock in the market to the extent permitted under the 1940 Act. We also plan to continue to carefully manage our employee and administrative expenses. There can be no assurance that we will be able to increase our asset coverage ratio or net asset value.

Cash generated from the portfolio includes cash flow from net investment income and net realized gains and principal collections related to investment repayments or sales. Cash flow provided by our operating activities before new investment activity for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, was as follows:

(\$ in millions)	2008	2007	2006
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$ 456.2	\$ (112.2)	\$ (597.5)
Add: portfolio investments funded	1,070.1	1,846.0	2,257.8
Total cash provided by operating activities before new investments	\$ 1,526.3	\$ 1,733.8	\$ 1,660.3

We have generated a substantial amount of cash from our operating activities before new portfolio investments, which includes principal collections from investment repayments and exits, over the past three years. Given the severe

economic recession we are experiencing in the U.S., we believe that our cash flows from investment exits for 2009 will be lower than prior years when we were in a more robust economy. We believe, however, that we will generate sufficient cash flow to fund our operations and meet our scheduled debt service requirements, although there can be no assurance that we will generate sufficient cash flow.

At December 31, 2008 and 2007, the value and yield of the cash and investments in money market and other securities were as follows:

(\$ in millions)	2008		2007	
	Value	Yield	Value	Yield
Money market and other securities	\$ 0.3	1.7%	\$ 201.2	4.6%
Cash	50.4	0.1%	3.6	2.9%
Total	\$ 50.7	0.1%	\$ 204.8	4.6%

We invest otherwise uninvested cash in U.S. government- or agency-issued or guaranteed securities that are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, or in high quality, short-term securities. We place our cash with financial institutions and, at times, cash held in checking accounts in financial institutions may be in excess of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation insured limit.

We employ an asset-liability management approach that focuses on matching the estimated maturities of our investment portfolio to the estimated maturities of our borrowings. We evaluate our interest rate exposure on an ongoing basis. Generally, we seek to fund our primarily fixed-rate debt portfolio and our equity portfolio with fixed-rate debt or equity capital. To the extent deemed necessary, we may hedge variable and short-term interest rate exposure through interest rate swaps or other techniques.

During the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, we sold new equity of \$402.5 million, \$171.3 million and \$295.8 million, respectively, in public offerings. In addition, shareholders' equity increased by \$5.4 million, \$31.5 million, and \$27.7 million through the exercise of stock options, the collection of notes receivable from the sale of common stock, and the issuance of shares through our dividend reinvestment plan during the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively. Shareholders' equity also increased by \$26.4 million during the year ended December 31, 2008, as a result of the distribution of the common stock held in deferred compensation trusts. For the year ended December 31, 2007, shareholders' equity decreased by \$52.8 million for the cash portion of the option cancellation payment made in connection with our tender offer. See Results of Operations, Stock Option Expense, Options Cancelled in Connection with Tender Offer. See Note 8, Employee Compensation Plans. and Note 13, Financial Highlights from our Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements, included in Item 8, for further detail on the change in shareholders' equity for the periods.

At December 31, 2008 and 2007, we had outstanding debt as follows:

(\$ in millions)	2008			2007		
	Facility Amount	Amount Outstanding	Annual Interest Cost ⁽¹⁾	Facility Amount	Amount Outstanding	Annual Interest Cost ⁽¹⁾
Notes payable and debentures:						
Privately issued unsecured notes payable	\$ 1,015.0	\$ 1,015.0	7.8%	\$ 1,042.2	\$ 1,042.2	6.1%
Publicly issued unsecured notes payable	880.0	880.0	6.7%	880.0	880.0	6.7%

Total notes payable and debentures	1,895.0	1,895.0	7.3%	1,922.2	1,922.2	6.4%
Revolving line of credit ⁽²⁾	632.5	50.0	4.3% ⁽³⁾	922.5	367.3	5.9% ⁽³⁾
Total debt	\$ 2,527.5	\$ 1,945.0	7.7% ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 2,844.7	\$ 2,289.5	6.5% ⁽⁴⁾

(1) The weighted average annual interest cost is computed as the (a) annual stated interest on the debt plus the annual amortization of commitment fees, other facility fees and the amortization of debt financing costs that are recognized into interest expense over the contractual life of the respective borrowings, divided by (b) debt outstanding on the balance sheet date.

(2) At December 31, 2008 and 2007, \$460.2 million and \$496.7 million, respectively, remained unused on the revolving line of credit, net of amounts committed for standby letters of credit of \$122.3 million and \$58.5 million, respectively, issued under the credit facility.

- (3) The annual interest cost reflects the interest rate payable for borrowings under the revolving line of credit. In addition to the current interest rate payable, annual costs of commitment fees, other facility fees and amortization of debt financing costs related to the revolving line of credit are \$8.5 million and \$3.7 million at December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively.
- (4) The annual interest cost for total debt includes the annual cost of commitment fees and the amortization of debt financing costs on the revolving line of credit and other facility fees regardless of the amount outstanding on the facility as of the balance sheet date.

Revolving Line of Credit. We have a three-year unsecured revolving line of credit with total commitments of \$632.5 million that expires on April 11, 2011. At December 31, 2007, we had an unsecured revolving line of credit with a committed amount of \$922.5 million that was scheduled to expire on September 30, 2008. At December 31, 2008, there was \$50.0 million outstanding under our revolving line of credit and standby letters of credit of \$122.3 million were issued under the credit facility.

Borrowings under the revolving line of credit generally bear interest at a rate per annum equal to (i) LIBOR (for the period selected by us) plus 3.00% or (ii) the higher of (a) the Federal Funds rate plus 1.50% or (b) the Bank of America N.A. prime rate plus 1.00%. The revolving line of credit requires the payment of an annual commitment fee equal to 0.50% of the committed amount (whether used or unused). The revolving line of credit generally requires payments of interest at the end of each LIBOR interest period, but no less frequently than quarterly, on LIBOR-based loans, and monthly payments of interest on other loans. All principal is due upon maturity.

The revolving credit facility provides for a swingline sub-facility. The swingline sub-facility bears interest at the Bank of America N.A. cost of funds plus 2.00%. The revolving credit facility also provides for a sub-facility for the issuance of letters of credit for up to an aggregate amount of \$175 million. The letter of credit fee is 3.00% per annum on letters of credit issued, which is payable quarterly.

Events of default have occurred which have increased the interest rate and fees on letters of credit by up to 2.00% during the continuance of such events of default. See *Events of Default, Liquidity and Operations* above.

Privately Issued Unsecured Notes Payable. We have privately issued notes (the private notes) to institutional investors, primarily insurance companies. The private notes have five- or seven-year maturities and stated fixed rates of interest ranging from 6.53% to 9.14% at December 31, 2008. Events of default have occurred, which has increased these interest rates by 2.00% during the continuance of such events of default. See *Events of Default, Liquidity and Operations* above. The private notes generally require payment of interest only semi-annually, and all principal is due upon maturity. At December 31, 2008, the private notes had maturities from November 2009 to June 2015. The private notes may be prepaid in whole or in part, together with an interest premium, if any, as stipulated in the private note agreements.

In June 2008, we issued \$140.5 million of five-year notes and \$52.5 million of seven-year notes. The debt matures in June 2013 and June 2015, respectively.

In May 2008, we repaid \$153.0 million of notes that matured and had a fixed interest rate of 5.45%. In December 2008, we prepaid notes denominated in Euros and Sterling for a total U.S. dollar equivalent of \$16 million, with an interest rate of 5.9%. In December 2008, we also prepaid private notes with an outstanding balance of \$50 million at a discount. The net gain on the discounted payoff was \$1.1 million, which is included in other income in our Consolidated Statement of Operations. These notes had a fixed interest rate of 6.75%.

The revolving line of credit and the private notes have similar financial and operating covenants. These covenants require us to maintain certain financial ratios, including asset coverage, debt to equity and interest coverage, and a

minimum net worth. These debt agreements provide for customary events of default, including, but not limited to, payment defaults, breach of representations or covenants, cross-defaults, bankruptcy events, failure to pay judgments, attachment of our assets, change of control and the issuance of an order of dissolution. Certain of these events of default are subject to notice and cure

periods or materiality thresholds. These debt agreements limit our ability to declare dividends or repurchase our common stock during the existence of certain defaults and events of default.

Amendments to Revolving Line of Credit and Privately Issued Unsecured Notes Payable. On December 30, 2008, we entered into amendments relating to our private notes and revolving line of credit. The amendments reduced our capital maintenance covenant to the greater of \$1.5 billion and 85% of consolidated adjusted debt, and reduced our interest charges coverage ratio covenant, determined as of the last day of each fiscal quarter for the period of four consecutive fiscal quarters ending on such day, to 1.4 to 1 for the fiscal quarter ending December 31, 2008 and each fiscal quarter thereafter to and including the fiscal quarter ending December 31, 2009, to 1.6 to 1 for the fiscal quarter ending March 31, 2010 and each fiscal quarter thereafter to and including the fiscal quarter ending December 31, 2010, and to 1.7 to 1 for the fiscal quarter ending March 31, 2011 and each fiscal quarter thereafter. The amendments did not modify our obligation to maintain a minimum 200% asset coverage ratio.

The amendments added new covenants that required us to grant to the private noteholders (the noteholders) and the revolving line of credit lenders (the lenders) a first lien security interest on substantially all of our assets no later than January 30, 2009, and to maintain a ratio of consolidated total adjusted assets to secured debt of not less than 2.25 to 1. Also, prior to December 31, 2010, the amendments (i) required us to limit the payment of dividends to a maximum of \$0.20 per share per fiscal quarter (or such greater amount required for us to maintain our regulated investment company status), and (ii) restricted us from purchasing, redeeming or retiring any shares of our common stock or any warrants, rights or options to purchase or acquire any shares of our common stock for an aggregate consideration in excess of \$60 million. In addition, the amendments restricted us from prepaying, redeeming, purchasing or otherwise acquiring any of our currently outstanding public notes prior to their stated maturity. The amendments also made certain other modifications. The amendments increased the rate of interest on the instruments by 100 basis points. In addition, these amendments required a 50 basis point amendment fee.

Publicly Issued Unsecured Notes Payable. At December 31, 2008, we had outstanding publicly issued unsecured notes as follows:

(\$ in millions)	Amount	Maturity Date
6.625% Notes due 2011	\$ 400.0	July 15, 2011
6.000% Notes due 2012	250.0	April 1, 2012
6.875% Notes due 2047	230.0	April 15, 2047
Total	\$ 880.0	

The 6.625% Notes due 2011 and the 6.000% Notes due 2012 require payment of interest only semi-annually, and all principal is due upon maturity. We have the option to redeem these notes in whole or in part, together with a redemption premium, if any, as stipulated in the notes.

In 2007, we issued \$230.0 million of 6.875% Notes due 2047 for net proceeds of \$222.1 million. Net proceeds are net of underwriting discounts and estimated offering expenses. These notes require payment of interest quarterly, and all principal is due upon maturity. These notes are redeemable in whole or in part at any time or from time to time on or after April 15, 2012, at par and upon the occurrence of certain tax events as stipulated in the notes. These notes are listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the trading symbol AFC.

We have certain financial and operating covenants that are required by the publicly issued unsecured notes payable. We are not permitted to issue indebtedness unless immediately after such issuance we have asset coverage of all outstanding indebtedness of at least 200% as required by the 1940 Act, as amended. At December 31, 2008, our asset coverage ratio was 188%, which is less than the 200% requirement. As a result under the publicly issued unsecured notes payable, we will not be able to issue

indebtedness until such time as our asset coverage returns to at least 200%. We have not experienced any default or cross default with respect to the publicly issued unsecured notes payable.

Contractual Obligations. The following table shows our significant contractual obligations for the repayment of debt and payment of other contractual obligations as of December 31, 2008.

(\$ in millions)	Total	Payments Due By Year					After 2013
		2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	
Privately issued unsecured notes payable ⁽¹⁾	\$ 1,015.0	\$ 1,015.0		\$	\$	\$	\$
Publicly issued unsecured notes payable	880.0			400.0	250.0		230.0
Revolving line of credit ⁽²⁾	50.0	50.0					
Operating leases	15.2	4.5	4.4	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.2
Total contractual obligations	\$ 1,960.2	\$ 1,069.5	\$ 4.4	\$ 401.7	\$ 251.7	\$ 1.7	\$ 231.2

(1) The private notes have stated contractual maturities as follows: 2009-\$252.5 million, 2010-\$408.0 million, 2011-\$72.5 million, 2012-\$89.0 million, 2013-\$140.5 million and thereafter-\$52.5 million.

(2) At December 31, 2008, \$50.0 million was outstanding under the revolving line of credit and \$460.2 million remained unused net of amounts committed for standby letters of credit of \$122.3 million issued under the credit facility. This facility expires on April 11, 2011.

As discussed above, events of default have occurred under the revolving line of credit and private notes. Neither the lenders nor noteholders have accelerated repayment; however, if the administrative agent for the lenders under the revolving line of credit or the required percentage of lenders under the revolving line of credit or noteholders under the private notes, respectively, were to accelerate repayment, these obligations would become immediately due and payable. Therefore, in the table above, the private notes and revolving line of credit are shown as payable in 2009.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

In the ordinary course of business, we have issued guarantees and have extended standby letters of credit through financial intermediaries on behalf of certain portfolio companies. We generally have issued guarantees and have obtained standby letters of credit under our revolving line of credit for the benefit of counterparties to certain portfolio companies. Under these arrangements, we would be required to make payments to third parties if the portfolio companies were to default on their related payment obligations or if the expiration date of the letters of credit is not extended. The following table shows our guarantees and standby letters of credit that may have the effect of creating, increasing, or accelerating our liabilities as of December 31, 2008.

(\$ in millions)	Total	Amount of Commitment Expiration Per Year					After 2013
		2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	

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Guarantees	\$ 19.2	\$ 7.5	\$ 6.4	\$ 4.4	\$ 0.1	\$	\$ 0.8
Standby letters of credit	122.3	122.3					
Total commitments	\$ 141.5	\$ 129.8	\$ 6.4	\$ 4.4	\$ 0.1	\$	\$ 0.8

Standby letters of credit have been issued under our revolving line of credit. Because our asset coverage ratio is currently less than 200%, an event of default has occurred under our line of credit and we are precluded from borrowing under our line of credit to fund these standby letters of credit and we may need to fund these letter of credit draws with cash in lieu of a borrowing. During the existence of an event of default, the administrative agent is permitted to require us to provide cash collateral equal to the face amount of all outstanding standby letters of credit. As a result, in the table above we have assumed

that these standby letters of credit may not be able to be extended and may mature in 2009. There can be no assurance that we will have cash resources sufficient to satisfy these commitments should the standby letters of credit not be extended.

In addition, we had outstanding commitments to fund investments totaling \$682.1 million at December 31, 2008, including \$648.7 million related to private finance investments and \$33.4 million related to commercial real estate finance investments. Outstanding commitments related to private finance investments included \$399.6 million to the Unitranche Fund LLC. Investments made by the Unitranche Fund must be approved by the investment committee of the Unitranche Fund, which includes a representative from us and GE. Therefore, our commitment to the Unitranche Fund cannot be drawn without our approval. See Portfolio and Investment Activity Outstanding Commitments above.

We intend to fund these commitments with existing cash and through cash flow from operations before new investments although there can be no assurance that we will generate sufficient cash flow to satisfy these commitments. Should we not be able to satisfy these commitments, there could be a material adverse effect on our financial condition, liquidity and results of operations.

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The consolidated financial statements are based on the selection and application of critical accounting policies, which require management to make significant estimates and assumptions. Critical accounting policies are those that are both important to the presentation of our financial condition and results of operations and require management's most difficult, complex, or subjective judgments. Our critical accounting policies are those applicable to the valuation of investments, certain revenue recognition matters and certain tax matters as discussed below.

Valuation of Portfolio Investments. We, as a BDC, have invested in illiquid securities including debt and equity securities of portfolio companies, CLO bonds and preferred shares/income notes, CDO bonds and investment funds. Our investments may be subject to certain restrictions on resale and generally have no established trading market. We value substantially all of our investments at fair value as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors in accordance with our valuation policy and the provisions of the Investment Company Act of 1940 and FASB Statement No. 157, *Fair Value Measurements* (SFAS 157 or the Statement). We determine fair value to be the price that would be received for an investment in a current sale, which assumes an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. Our valuation policy considers the fact that no ready market exists for substantially all of the securities in which we invest and that fair value for our investments must typically be determined using unobservable inputs. Our valuation policy is intended to provide a consistent basis for determining the fair value of the portfolio.

We adopted SFAS 157 on a prospective basis in the first quarter of 2008. SFAS 157 requires us to assume that the portfolio investment is to be sold in the principal market to market participants, or in the absence of a principal market, the most advantageous market, which may be a hypothetical market. Market participants are defined as buyers and sellers in the principal or most advantageous market that are independent, knowledgeable, and willing and able to transact. In accordance with the Statement, we have considered our principal market, or the market in which we exit our portfolio investments with the greatest volume and level of activity.

We have determined that for our buyout investments, where we have control or could gain control through an option or warrant security, both the debt and equity securities of the portfolio investment would exit in the merger and acquisition (M&A) market as the principal market generally through a sale or recapitalization of the portfolio company. We believe that the in-use premise of value (as defined in SFAS 157), which assumes the debt and equity securities are sold together, is appropriate as this would provide maximum proceeds to the seller. As a result, we will continue to use the enterprise value methodology to determine the fair value of these investments under SFAS 157.

Enterprise value means the entire value of the company to a market participant, including the sum of the values of debt and

equity securities used to capitalize the enterprise at a point in time. Enterprise value is determined using various factors, including cash flow from operations of the portfolio company, multiples at which private companies are bought and sold, and other pertinent factors, such as recent offers to purchase a portfolio company, recent transactions involving the purchase or sale of the portfolio company's equity securities, liquidation events, or other events. We allocate the enterprise value to these securities in order of the legal priority of the securities.

While we typically exit our securities upon the sale or recapitalization of the portfolio company in the M&A market, for investments in portfolio companies where we do not have control or the ability to gain control through an option or warrant security, we cannot typically control the exit of our investment into our principal market (the M&A market). As a result, in accordance with SFAS 157, we are required to determine the fair value of these investments assuming a sale of the individual investment (the in-exchange premise of value) in a hypothetical market to a hypothetical market participant. We continue to perform an enterprise value analysis for the investments in this category to assess the credit risk of the loan or debt security and to determine the fair value of our equity investment in these portfolio companies. The determined equity values are generally discounted when we have a minority ownership position, restrictions on resale, specific concerns about the receptivity of the capital markets to a specific company at a certain time, or other factors, which we believe would lead a market participant to discount such securities. For loan and debt securities, we perform a yield analysis assuming a hypothetical current sale of the investment. The yield analysis requires us to estimate the expected repayment date of the instrument and a market participant's required yield. Our estimate of the expected repayment date of a loan or debt security is generally shorter than the legal maturity of the instruments as our loans have historically been repaid prior to the maturity date. The yield analysis considers changes in interest rates and changes in leverage levels of the loan or debt security as compared to our estimates of market interest rates and leverage levels at the balance sheet date. Assuming the credit quality of the loan or debt security remains stable, we will use the value determined by the yield analysis as the fair value for that security. A change in the assumptions that we use to estimate the fair value of our loans and debt securities using the yield analysis could have a material impact on the determination of fair value. If there is deterioration in credit quality or a loan or debt security is in workout status, we may consider other factors in determining the fair value of a loan or debt security, including the value attributable to the loan or debt security from the enterprise value of the portfolio company or the proceeds that would be received in a liquidation analysis.

Our equity investments in private debt and equity funds are generally valued at such fund's net asset value, unless other factors lead to a determination of fair value at a different amount. The value of our equity securities in public companies for which quoted prices in an active market are readily available is based on the closing public market price on the measurement date.

The fair value of our CLO bonds and preferred shares/income notes and CDO bonds (CLO/CDO Assets) is generally based on a discounted cash flow model that utilizes prepayment, re-investment and loss assumptions based on historical experience and projected performance, economic factors, the characteristics of the underlying cash flow, and comparable yields for similar bonds and preferred shares/income notes, when available. We recognize unrealized appreciation or depreciation on our CLO/CDO Assets as comparable yields in the market change and/or based on changes in estimated cash flows resulting from changes in prepayment, re-investment or loss assumptions in the underlying collateral pool, or changes in redemption assumptions for the CLO/CDO Assets, if applicable. We determine the fair value of our CLO/CDO Assets on an individual security-by-security basis.

We will record unrealized depreciation on investments when we determine that the fair value of a security is less than its cost basis, and will record unrealized appreciation when we determine that the fair value is greater than its cost basis. Because of the inherent uncertainty of valuation, the values determined at the measurement date may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had a ready market existed for the investments, and the differences could be material. Additionally, changes in the market environment and other events that may occur over the life of the investments may

cause the gains or losses ultimately realized on these investments to be different than the values determined at the measurement date.

See **Results of Operations** **Change in Unrealized Appreciation or Depreciation** above for more discussion on portfolio valuation.

Net Realized Gains or Losses and Net Change in Unrealized Appreciation or Depreciation. Realized gains or losses are measured by the difference between the net proceeds from the repayment or sale and the cost basis of the investment without regard to unrealized appreciation or depreciation previously recognized, and include investments charged off during the period, net of recoveries. Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation primarily reflects the change in portfolio investment values during the reporting period, including the reversal of previously recorded unrealized appreciation or depreciation when gains or losses are realized. Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation also reflects the change in the value of U.S. Treasury bills, when applicable, and depreciation on accrued interest and dividends receivable and other assets where collection is doubtful.

Interest and Dividend Income. Interest income is recorded on an accrual basis to the extent that such amounts are expected to be collected. For loans and debt securities with contractual payment-in-kind interest, which represents contractual interest accrued and added to the loan balance that generally becomes due at maturity, we will not accrue payment-in-kind interest if the portfolio company valuation indicates that the payment-in-kind interest is not collectible. In general, interest is not accrued on loans and debt securities if we have doubt about interest collection or where the enterprise value of the portfolio company may not support further accrual. Loans in workout status generally do not accrue interest. In addition, interest may not accrue on loans or debt securities to portfolio companies that are more than 50% owned by us depending on such company's capital requirements.

When we receive nominal cost warrants or free equity securities (nominal cost equity), we allocate our cost basis in our investment between debt securities and nominal cost equity at the time of origination. At that time, the original issue discount basis of the nominal cost equity is recorded by increasing the cost basis in the equity and decreasing the cost basis in the related debt securities. Loan origination fees, original issue discount, and market discount are capitalized and then amortized into interest income using a method that approximates the effective interest method. Upon the prepayment of a loan or debt security, any unamortized loan origination fees are recorded as interest income and any unamortized original issue discount or market discount is recorded as a realized gain.

We recognize interest income on the CLO preferred shares/income notes using the effective interest method, based on the anticipated yield that is determined using the estimated cash flows over the projected life of the investment. Yields are revised when there are changes in actual or estimated cash flows due to changes in prepayments and/or re-investments, credit losses or asset pricing. Changes in estimated yield are recognized as an adjustment to the estimated yield over the remaining life of the preferred shares/income notes from the date the estimated yield was changed. CLO and CDO bonds have stated interest rates. The weighted average yield on the CLO/CDO Assets is calculated as the (a) annual stated interest or the effective interest yield on the accruing bonds or the effective yield on the preferred shares/income notes, divided by (b) CLO/CDO Assets at value. The weighted average yields are computed as of the balance sheet date.

Dividend income on preferred equity securities is recorded as dividend income on an accrual basis to the extent that such amounts are expected to be collected and to the extent that we have the option to receive the dividend in cash. Dividend income on common equity securities is recorded on the record date for private companies or on the ex-dividend date for publicly traded companies.

Fee Income. Fee income includes fees for loan prepayment premiums, guarantees, commitments, and services rendered by us to portfolio companies and other third parties such as diligence, structuring, transaction services,

management and consulting services, and other services. Loan prepayment premiums are recognized at the time of prepayment. Guaranty and commitment fees are generally recognized as income over the related period of the guaranty or commitment, respectively. Diligence, structuring, and transaction services fees are generally recognized as income when services are rendered or when the

related transactions are completed. Management, consulting and other services fees, including fund management fees, are generally recognized as income as the services are rendered. Fees are not accrued if we have doubt about collection of those fees.

Federal and State Income Taxes and Excise Tax. We intend to comply with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code that are applicable to regulated investment companies (RIC) and real estate investment trusts (REIT). We and any of our subsidiaries that qualify as a RIC or a REIT intend to distribute or retain through a deemed distribution all of our current year taxable income to shareholders; therefore, we have made no provision for income taxes exclusive of excise taxes for these entities.

If we do not distribute or treat as a deemed distribution at least 98% of our annual taxable income available for distribution in the year earned, we will generally be required to pay an excise tax equal to 4% of the amount by which 98% of our annual taxable income exceeds the distributions from such taxable income during the year earned. To the extent that we determine that our estimated current year annual taxable income will be in excess of estimated current year dividend distributions, including deemed distributions, from such taxable income, we accrue excise taxes on estimated excess taxable income as taxable income is earned using an annual effective excise tax rate. The annual effective excise tax rate is determined by dividing the estimated annual excise tax by the estimated annual taxable income.

Income taxes for AC Corp are accounted for under the asset and liability method. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases as well as operating loss and tax credit carryforwards. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements. In September 2006, the FASB issued Statement No. 157, *Fair Value Measurements*. This statement defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in generally accepted accounting principles, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. We have adopted this statement on a prospective basis beginning in the quarter ended March 31, 2008. The initial adoption of this statement did not have a material effect on our consolidated financial statements.

Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosure about Market Risk.

Our business activities contain elements of risk. We consider the principal types of market risk to be fluctuations in interest rates. We consider the management of risk essential to conducting our businesses. Accordingly, our risk management systems and procedures are designed to identify and analyze our risks, to set appropriate policies and limits and to continually monitor these risks and limits by means of reliable administrative and information systems and other policies and programs.

Because we borrow money to make investments, our net investment income is dependent upon the difference between the rate at which we borrow funds and the rate at which we invest these funds. As a result, there can be no assurance that a significant change in market interest rates will not have a material adverse effect on our net investment income. In periods of rising interest rates, our cost of funds would increase, which would reduce our net investment income. We use a combination of long-term and short-term borrowings and equity capital to finance our investing activities. We utilize our revolving line of credit as a means to bridge to long-term financing. Our long-term fixed-rate investments are financed primarily with long-term fixed-rate debt and equity. We may use interest rate risk management techniques in an effort to limit our exposure to interest rate fluctuations. Such techniques may include various interest rate hedging activities to the extent permitted by the 1940 Act. We have analyzed the potential impact of changes in interest rates on interest income net of interest expense.

At December 31, 2008, 85% of our private finance loans and debt securities carried a fixed rate of interest and 15% carried a floating rate of interest. The mix of fixed and variable rate loans and debt

securities in the portfolio may vary depending on the level of floating rate senior loans or unitranche debt in the portfolio at a given time.

Assuming that the balance sheet as of December 31, 2008, were to remain constant and no actions were taken to alter the existing interest rate sensitivity, a hypothetical immediate 1% change in interest rates would have affected net income by approximately \$7.6 million over a one year horizon. Although management believes that this measure is indicative of our sensitivity to interest rate changes, it does not adjust for potential changes in credit quality, size and composition of the assets on the balance sheet and other business developments that could affect net increase in net assets resulting from operations, or net income. Accordingly, no assurances can be given that actual results would not differ materially from the potential outcome simulated by this estimate.

In addition, we may have risk regarding portfolio valuation. See Item 1. Business Portfolio Valuation above.

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Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

The management of Allied Capital Corporation and subsidiaries (the Company) is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting, as such term is defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f). Under the supervision and with the participation of management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, the Company conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on the criteria established in *Internal Control - Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). Based on the Company's evaluation under the framework in *Internal Control - Integrated Framework*, management concluded that the Company's internal control over financial reporting was effective as of December 31, 2008. KPMG LLP, our independent registered public accounting firm, has issued an attestation report on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2008, as stated in its report which is included herein.

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The Board of Directors and Shareholders

Allied Capital Corporation:

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

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

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

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

In our opinion, Allied Capital Corporation maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2008, based on criteria established in *Internal Control – Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated balance sheet of Allied Capital Corporation and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, including the consolidated statements of investments as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, and the related consolidated statements of operations, changes in net assets and cash flows, and the financial highlights (included in Note 13), for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2008, and our report dated March 2, 2009, expressed an unqualified opinion on those consolidated financial statements.

Washington, D.C.
March 2, 2009

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The Board of Directors and Shareholders Allied Capital Corporation:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheet of Allied Capital Corporation and subsidiaries (the Company) as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, including the consolidated statements of investments as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, and the related consolidated statements of operations, changes in net assets and cash flows, and the financial highlights (included in Note 13), for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2008. These consolidated financial statements and financial highlights are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements and financial highlights based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements and financial highlights are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our procedures included physical inspection or confirmation of securities owned as of December 31, 2008 and 2007. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements and financial highlights referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Allied Capital Corporation and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, and the results of their operations, their cash flows, changes in their net assets, and financial highlights for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2008, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been prepared assuming that the Company will continue as a going concern. As discussed in Note 1 to the consolidated financial statements, the Company is in default on provisions of certain credit agreements. The credit agreement defaults provide the respective lenders the right to declare immediately due and payable unpaid amounts approximating \$1.1 billion at December 31, 2008. These conditions raise substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. Management's plans in regard to these matters are described in Note 1. The consolidated financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from the outcome of this uncertainty.

As discussed in Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements, the Company changed its method of accounting for share based payments in 2006 due to the adoption of Financial Accounting Standards Board Interpretation No. 123 (Revised 2004), *Share Based Payment*. Also, as discussed in Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements, the Company modified its method of determining the fair value of portfolio investments in 2008 due to the adoption of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 157, *Fair Value Measurements*.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), Allied Capital Corporation's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2008, based on criteria established in *Internal Control - Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO), and our report dated March 2, 2009, expressed an unqualified opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

Washington, D.C.
March 2, 2009

ALLIED CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

(in thousands, except per share amounts)	December 31,	
	2008	2007
ASSETS		
Portfolio at value:		
Private finance		
Companies more than 25% owned (cost: 2008-\$2,167,020; 2007-\$1,622,094)	\$ 1,187,722	\$ 1,279,080
Companies 5% to 25% owned (cost: 2008-\$392,516; 2007-\$426,908)	352,760	389,509
Companies less than 5% owned (cost: 2008-\$2,317,856; 2007-\$2,994,880)	1,858,581	2,990,732
Total private finance (cost: 2008-\$4,877,392; 2007-\$5,043,882)	3,399,063	4,659,321
Commercial real estate finance (cost: 2008-\$85,503; 2007-\$96,942)	93,887	121,200
Total portfolio at value (cost: 2008-\$4,962,895; 2007-\$5,140,824)	3,492,950	4,780,521
Accrued interest and dividends receivable	55,638	71,429
Other assets	122,909	157,864
Investments in money market and other securities	287	201,222
Cash	50,402	3,540
Total assets	\$ 3,722,186	\$ 5,214,576
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY		
Liabilities:		
Notes payable (maturing or subject to acceleration within one year: 2008-\$1,015,000; 2007-\$153,000)	\$ 1,895,000	\$ 1,922,220
Revolving line of credit	50,000	367,250
Accounts payable and other liabilities	58,786	153,259
Total liabilities	2,003,786	2,442,729
Commitments and contingencies		
Shareholders equity:		
Common stock, \$0.0001 par value, 400,000 shares authorized; 178,692 and 158,002 shares issued and outstanding at December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively	18	16
Additional paid-in capital	3,037,845	2,657,939
Common stock held in deferred compensation trust		(39,942)
Notes receivable from sale of common stock	(1,089)	(2,692)
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation)	(1,503,089)	(379,327)
Undistributed earnings	184,715	535,853
Total shareholders equity	1,718,400	2,771,847

Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 3,722,186	\$ 5,214,576
Net asset value per common share	\$ 9.62	\$ 17.54

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

ALLIED CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

(in thousands, except per share amounts)	For the Years Ended December 31,		
	2008	2007	2006
Interest and Related Portfolio Income:			
Interest and dividends			
Companies more than 25% owned	\$ 111,188	\$ 105,634	\$ 102,636
Companies 5% to 25% owned	42,376	41,577	39,754
Companies less than 5% owned	303,854	270,365	244,037
Total interest and dividends	457,418	417,576	386,427
Fees and other income			
Companies more than 25% owned	28,278	18,505	29,606
Companies 5% to 25% owned	2,619	810	4,447
Companies less than 5% owned	13,929	24,814	32,078
Total fees and other income	44,826	44,129	66,131
Total interest and related portfolio income	502,244	461,705	452,558
Expenses:			
Interest			
Employee	148,930	132,080	100,600
Employee stock options	76,429	89,155	92,902
Administrative	11,781	35,233	15,599
	49,424	50,580	39,005
Total operating expenses	286,564	307,048	248,106
Net investment income before income taxes	215,680	154,657	204,452
Income tax expense, including excise tax	2,506	13,624	15,221
Net investment income	213,174	141,033	189,231
Net Realized and Unrealized Gains (Losses):			
Net realized gains (losses)			
Companies more than 25% owned	(131,440)	226,437	513,314
Companies 5% to 25% owned	(14,120)	(10,046)	4,467
Companies less than 5% owned	16,142	52,122	15,520
Total net realized gains (losses)	(129,418)	268,513	533,301
Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation	(1,123,762)	(256,243)	(477,409)
Total net gains (losses)	(1,253,180)	12,270	55,892
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations	\$ (1,040,006)	\$ 153,303	\$ 245,123

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Basic earnings (loss) per common share	\$	(6.01)	\$	1.00	\$	1.72
Diluted earnings (loss) per common share	\$	(6.01)	\$	0.99	\$	1.68
Weighted average common shares outstanding	basic	172,996	152,876	142,405		
Weighted average common shares outstanding	diluted	172,996	154,687	145,599		

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ALLIED CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

(in thousands, except per share amounts)	For the Years Ended December 31,		
	2008	2007	2006
Operations:			
Net investment income	\$ 213,174	\$ 141,033	\$ 189,231
Net realized gains (losses)	(129,418)	268,513	533,301
Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation	(1,123,762)	(256,243)	(477,409)
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations	(1,040,006)	153,303	245,123
Shareholder distributions:			
Common stock dividends	(456,531)	(407,317)	(354,892)
Preferred stock dividends	(10)	(10)	(10)
Net decrease in net assets resulting from shareholder distributions	(456,541)	(407,327)	(354,902)
Capital share transactions:			
Sale of common stock	402,478	171,282	295,769
Issuance of common stock in lieu of cash distributions	3,751	17,095	14,996
Issuance of common stock upon the exercise of stock options		14,251	11,734
Cash portion of option cancellation payment		(52,833)	
Stock option expense	11,906	35,810	15,835
Net decrease in notes receivable from sale of common stock	1,603	158	1,018
Purchase of common stock held in deferred compensation trust	(943)	(12,444)	(9,855)
Distribution of common stock held in deferred compensation trust	27,335	837	980
Other	(3,030)	10,471	
Net increase in net assets resulting from capital share transactions	443,100	184,627	330,477
Total net increase (decrease) in net assets	(1,053,447)	(69,397)	220,698
Net assets at beginning of year	2,771,847	2,841,244	2,620,546
Net assets at end of year	\$ 1,718,400	\$ 2,771,847	\$ 2,841,244
Net asset value per common share	\$ 9.62	\$ 17.54	\$ 19.12
Common shares outstanding at end of year	178,692	158,002	148,575

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ALLIED CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

(in thousands)	For the Years Ended December 31,		
	2008	2007	2006
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations	\$ (1,040,006)	\$ 153,303	\$ 245,123
Adjustments:			
Portfolio investments	(1,070,092)	(1,845,973)	(2,257,828)
Principal collections related to investment repayments or sales	1,037,348	1,211,550	1,055,347
Payment-in-kind interest and dividends, net of cash collections	(53,364)	(11,997)	(4,138)
Change in accrued interest and dividends	14,860	(11,916)	(4,021)
Net collection (amortization) of discounts and fees	(13,083)	(4,101)	1,713
Net redemption of U.S. Treasury bills, money market and other securities	200,935	988	19,757
Stock option expense	11,906	35,810	15,835
Changes in other assets and liabilities	(41,481)	(12,466)	36,418
Depreciation and amortization	913	2,064	1,800
Realized gains from the receipt of notes and other consideration from sale of investments, net of collections	4,574	(17,706)	(209,049)
Realized losses	279,886	131,997	24,169
Net change in unrealized (appreciation) or depreciation	1,123,762	256,243	477,409
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	456,158	(112,204)	(597,465)
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Sale of common stock	402,478	171,282	295,769
Sale of common stock upon the exercise of stock options		14,251	11,734
Collections of notes receivable from sale of common stock	1,603	158	1,018
Borrowings under notes payable	193,000	230,000	700,000
Repayments on notes payable and debentures	(218,212)		(203,500)
Net borrowings under (repayments on) revolving line of credit	(317,250)	159,500	116,000
Cash portion of option cancellation payment		(52,833)	
Purchase of common stock held in deferred compensation trust	(943)	(12,444)	(9,855)
Payment of deferred financing costs and other financing activities	(17,182)	1,798	(6,795)
Common stock dividends and distributions paid	(452,780)	(397,645)	(336,572)
Preferred stock dividends paid	(10)	(10)	(10)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(409,296)	114,057	567,789
Net increase (decrease) in cash	46,862	1,853	(29,676)
Cash at beginning of year	3,540	1,687	31,363
Cash at end of year	\$ 50,402	\$ 3,540	\$ 1,687

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ALLIED CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS

Private Finance Portfolio Company (in thousands, except number of shares) Companies More Than 25% Owned	Investment ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	December 31, 2008		
		Principal	Cost	Value
AGILE Fund I, LLC ⁽⁵⁾	Equity Interests		\$ 694	\$ 497
(Private Equity Fund)	Total Investment		694	497
AllBridgе Financial, LLC	Equity Interests		33,294	10,960
(Asset Management)	Total Investment		33,294	10,960
	Standby Letter of Credit (\$15,000)			
Allied Capital Senior Debt Fund, L.P. ⁽⁵⁾	Equity Interests (See Note 3)		31,800	31,800
(Private Debt Fund)	Total Investment		31,800	31,800
Avborne, Inc. ⁽⁷⁾	Preferred Stock (12,500 shares)			942
(Business Services)	Common Stock (27,500 shares)			
	Total Investment			942
Avborne Heavy Maintenance, Inc. ⁽⁷⁾	Common Stock (2,750 shares)			
(Business Services)	Total Investment			
Aviation Properties Corporation	Common Stock (100 shares)		93	
(Business Services)	Total Investment		93	
	Standby Letters of Credit (\$1,000)			
Border Foods, Inc.	Senior Loan (12.6%, Due 12/09 3/12)	\$ 33,027	26,860	33,027

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(Consumer Products)	Preferred Stock (100,000 shares)		12,721	11,851
	Common Stock (260,467 shares)		3,847	
	Total Investment		43,428	44,878
Calder Capital Partners, LLC ⁽⁵⁾ (Asset Management)	Senior Loan (10.5%, Due 5/09) ⁽⁶⁾	4,496	4,496	953
	Equity Interests		2,453	
	Total Investment		6,949	953
Callidus Capital Corporation (Asset Management)	Subordinated Debt (18.0%, Due 8/13 2/14)	16,068	16,068	16,068
	Common Stock (100 shares)			34,377
	Total Investment		16,068	50,445
	Guaranty (\$6,447)			

- (1) Interest rates represent the weighted average annual stated interest rate on loans and debt securities, which are presented by nature of indebtedness for a single issuer. The maturity dates represent the earliest and the latest maturity dates.
- (2) Common stock, preferred stock, warrants, options, and equity interests are generally non-income producing and restricted.
- (5) Non-registered investment company.
- (6) Loan or debt security is on non-accrual status and therefore is considered non-income producing.
- (7) Avborne, Inc. and Avborne Heavy Maintenance, Inc. are affiliated companies.

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ALLIED CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Private Finance

Portfolio Company

(in thousands, except number of shares)

	Investment ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	December 31, 2008		
		Principal	Cost	Value
Ciena Capital LLC	Senior Loan (5.5%, Due 3/09) ⁽⁶⁾	\$ 319,031	\$ 319,031	\$ 104,883
(Financial Services)	Class B Equity Interests		119,436	
	Class C Equity Interests		109,301	
	Total Investment		547,768	104,883
	Guaranty (\$5,000 See Note 3)			
	Standby Letters of Credit (\$102,600 See Note 3)			
CitiPostal Inc.	Senior Loan (4.0%, Due 12/13)	692	681	681
(Business Services)	Unitranche Debt (12.0%, Due 12/13)	51,758	51,548	51,548
	Subordinated Debt (16.0%, Due 12/15)	9,114	9,114	9,114
	Common Stock (37,024 shares)		12,726	8,616
	Total Investment		74,069	69,959
Coverall North America, Inc.	Unitranche Debt (12.0%, Due 7/11)	32,035	31,948	31,948
(Business Services)	Subordinated Debt (15.0%, Due 7/11)	5,563	5,549	5,549
	Common Stock (763,333 shares)		14,361	17,968
	Total Investment		51,858	55,465
CR Holding, Inc.	Subordinated Debt (16.6%, Due 2/13) ⁽⁶⁾	39,307	39,193	17,360
(Consumer Products)	Common Stock (32,090,696 shares)		28,744	
	Total Investment		67,937	17,360

Crescent Equity Corp. ⁽⁸⁾	Senior Loan (10.0%, Due 1/09)	433	433	433
(Business Services)	Subordinated Debt (11.0%, Due 9/11 6/17)	22,312	22,247	14,283
	Subordinated Debt (11.0%, Due 1/12 9/12) ⁽⁶⁾	10,097	10,072	4,331
	Common Stock (174 shares)		81,255	4,580
	Total Investment		114,007	23,627
	Guaranty (\$900)			
	Standby Letters of Credit (\$200)			
Direct Capital Corporation	Subordinated Debt (16.0%, Due 3/13) ⁽⁶⁾	55,671	55,496	13,530
(Financial Services)	Common Stock (2,317,020 shares)		25,732	
	Total Investment		81,228	13,530
Financial Pacific Company	Subordinated Debt (17.4%, Due 2/12 8/12)	68,967	68,840	62,189
(Financial Services)	Preferred Stock (9,458 shares)		8,865	
	Common Stock (12,711 shares)		12,783	
	Total Investment		90,488	62,189

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- (6) Loan or debt security is on non-accrual status and therefore is considered non-income producing.
- (8) Crescent Equity Corp. holds investments in Crescent Hotels & Resorts, LLC and affiliates.

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ALLIED CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Private Finance

Portfolio Company

(in thousands, except number of shares)

	Investment ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	December 31, 2008		
		Principal	Cost	Value
ForeSite Towers, LLC	Equity Interest		\$	\$ 889
(Tower Leasing)	Total Investment			889
Global Communications, LLC	Senior Loan (10.0%, Due 9/02) ⁽⁶⁾	\$ 1,335	1,335	1,335
(Business Services)	Total Investment		1,335	1,335
Hot Light Brands, Inc. (Retail)	Senior Loan (9.0%, Due 2/11) ⁽⁶⁾ Common Stock (93,500 shares)	30,522	30,522 5,151	13,678
	Total Investment		35,673	13,678
	Standby Letter of Credit (\$105)			
Hot Stuff Foods, LLC (Consumer Products)	Senior Loan (4.0%, Due 2/11-2/12) Subordinated Debt (12.4%, Due 8/12-2/13) ⁽⁶⁾ Common Stock (1,147,453 shares)	53,597 83,692	53,456 83,387 56,187	42,378
	Total Investment		193,030	42,378
Huddle House, Inc. (Retail)	Subordinated Debt (15.0%, Due 12/12) Common Stock (358,428 shares)	57,244	57,067 35,828	57,067 20,922
	Total Investment		92,895	77,989
IAT Equity, LLC and Affiliates d/b/a Industrial Air Tool (Industrial Products)	Subordinated Debt (9.0%, Due 6/14) Equity Interests	6,000	6,000 7,500	6,000 8,860
	Total Investment		13,500	14,860

Impact Innovations Group, LLC	Equity Interests in Affiliate			321
(Business Services)	Total Investment			321
Insight Pharmaceuticals Corporation	Subordinated Debt (15.0%, Due 9/12)	45,827	45,738	45,827
(Consumer Products)	Subordinated Debt (19.0%, Due 9/12) ⁽⁶⁾	16,177	16,126	17,532
	Preferred Stock (25,000 shares)		25,000	4,068
	Common Stock (620,000 shares)		6,325	
	Total Investment		93,189	67,427
Jakel, Inc.	Subordinated Debt (15.5%, Due 3/08) ⁽⁶⁾	748	748	374
(Industrial Products)	Total Investment		748	374
Knightsbridge CLO 2007-1 Ltd. ⁽⁴⁾	Class E Notes (13.8%, Due 1/22)	18,700	18,700	14,866
(CLO)	Income Notes (14.9%) ⁽¹¹⁾		40,914	35,214
	Total Investment		59,614	50,080

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- (4) Non-U.S. company or principal place of business outside the U.S.
- (6) Loan or debt security is on non-accrual status and therefore is considered non-income producing.
- (11) Represents the effective interest yield earned on the cost basis of these preferred equity investments and income notes. The yield is included in interest income in the consolidated statement of operations.

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ALLIED CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Private Finance

Portfolio Company

(in thousands, except number of shares)

Knightsbridge CLO 2008-1 Ltd.⁽⁴⁾

(CLO)

Investment⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾Class C Notes (9.3%, Due
6/18)Class D Notes (10.3%, Due
6/18)Class E Notes (6.8%, Due
6/18)Income Notes (16.6%)⁽¹¹⁾**Total Investment**

December 31, 2008

Principal

Cost

Value

\$ 12,800

\$ 12,800

\$ 12,800

8,000

8,000

8,000

13,200

10,573

10,573

21,315

21,315

52,688**52,688**

MHF Logistical Solutions, Inc.

(Business Services)

Subordinated Debt (13.0%,
Due 6/12 6/13⁹)Preferred Stock
(10,000 shares)Common Stock (20,934
shares)**Total Investment**

49,841

49,633

20,942

70,575

MVL Group, Inc.

(Business Services)

Senior Loan (12.0%, Due
6/09 7/09)Subordinated Debt (14.5%,
Due 6/09 7/09)Subordinated Debt (3.0%,
Due 6/09)⁽⁶⁾Common Stock
(560,716 shares)**Total Investment**

30,674

30,663

30,663

41,074

40,994

40,994

144

139

86

555

72,351**71,743**

Old Orchard Brands, LLC

(Consumer Products)

Subordinated Debt (18.0%,
Due 7/14)

Equity Interests

18,951

18,882

18,882

16,857

27,763

Total Investment**35,739****46,645**

Penn Detroit Diesel Allison, LLC

37,984

37,869

37,869

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(Business Services)	Subordinated Debt (15.5%, Due 8/13) Equity Interests		18,873	21,100
	Total Investment		56,742	58,969
Service Champ, Inc. (Business Services)	Subordinated Debt (15.5%, Due 4/12) Common Stock (55,112 shares)	27,050	26,984	26,984
			11,785	21,156
	Total Investment		38,769	48,140
Stag-Parkway, Inc. (Business Services)	Unitranche Debt (14.0%, Due 7/12) Common Stock (25,000 shares)	17,975	17,920	17,962
			32,686	6,968
	Total Investment		50,606	24,930
Startec Equity, LLC (Telecommunications)	Equity Interests		211	332
	Total Investment		211	332
Unitranche Fund LLC (Private Debt Fund)	Subordinated Certificates (12.0%) Equity Interests		125,423	125,423
			1	1
	Total Investment		125,424	125,424
Worldwide Express Operations, LLC (Business Services)	Subordinated Debt (14.0%, Due 2/14) ⁽⁶⁾ Equity Interests Warrants	2,865	2,722	2,032
			11,384	
			144	
	Total Investment		14,250	2,032
Total companies more than 25% owned			\$ 2,167,020	\$ 1,187,722

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ALLIED CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Private Finance Portfolio Company (in thousands, except number of shares) Companies 5% to 25% Owned	Investment⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	December 31, 2008		
		Principal	Cost	Value
10 th Street, LLC (Business Services)	Subordinated Debt (13.0%, Due 11/14) Equity Interests Option	\$ 21,439	\$ 21,329 422 25	\$ 21,439 975 25
	Total Investment		21,776	22,439
Advantage Sales & Marketing, Inc. (Business Services)	Subordinated Debt (12.0%, Due 3/14) Equity Interests	158,617	158,132	135,000 5,000
	Total Investment		158,132	140,000
Air Medical Group Holdings LLC (Healthcare Services)	Senior Loan (3.3%, Due 3/11) Equity Interests	3,360	3,326 2,993	3,139 10,800
	Total Investment		6,319	13,939
Alpine ESP Holdings, Inc. (Business Services)	Preferred Stock (701 shares) Common Stock (11,657 shares)		701 13	
	Total Investment		714	
Amerex Group, LLC (Consumer Products)	Subordinated Debt (12.3%, Due 1/13) Equity Interests	8,789	8,784 3,508	8,784 9,932
	Total Investment		12,292	18,716
BB&T Capital Partners/Windsor Mezzanine Fund, LLC ⁽⁵⁾ (Private Equity Fund)	Equity Interests		11,789	11,063
	Total Investment		11,789	11,063

Becker Underwood, Inc. (Industrial Products)	Subordinated Debt (14.5%, Due 8/12) Common Stock (4,376 shares)	25,503	25,450 5,014	25,502 2,267
	Total Investment		30,464	27,769
Drew Foam Companies, Inc. (Business Services)	Preferred Stock (622,555 shares) Common Stock (6,286 shares)		623 6	512
	Total Investment		629	512
Driven Brands, Inc. (Consumer Services)	Subordinated Debt (16.5%, Due 7/15) Common Stock (3,772,098 shares)	84,106	83,698 9,516	83,698 4,855
	Total Investment		93,214	88,553
Hilden America, Inc. (Consumer Products)	Common Stock (19 shares)		454	76
	Total Investment		454	76
Lydall Transport, Ltd. (Business Services)	Equity Interests		432	345
	Total Investment		432	345
Multi-Ad Services, Inc. (Business Services)	Unitranche Debt (11.3%, Due 11/11) Equity Interests	3,018	2,995 1,737	2,941 1,782
	Total Investment		4,732	4,723

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Private Finance

Portfolio Company

(in thousands, except number of shares)	Investment ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	December 31, 2008		
		Principal	Cost	Value
Progressive International Corporation (Consumer Products)	Preferred Stock (500 shares)		\$ 500	\$ 1,125
	Common Stock (197 shares)		13	4,600
	Warrants			
	Total Investment		513	5,725
Regency Healthcare Group, LLC (Healthcare Services)	Unitranche Debt (11.1%, Due 6/12)	\$ 10,901	10,855	10,825
	Equity Interests		1,302	2,050
	Total Investment		12,157	12,875
SGT India Private Limited ⁽⁴⁾ (Business Services)	Common Stock (150,596 shares)		4,137	
	Total Investment		4,137	
Soteria Imaging Services, LLC (Healthcare Services)	Subordinated Debt (11.3%, Due 11/10)	4,250	4,167	4,054
	Equity Interests		1,881	1,971
	Total Investment		6,048	6,025
Triax Holdings, LLC (Consumer Products)	Subordinated Debt (21.0%, Due 2/12) ⁽⁶⁾	10,625	10,587	
	Equity Interests		16,528	
	Total Investment		27,115	
Universal Environmental Services, LLC (Business Services)	Equity Interests		1,599	
	Total Investment		1,599	
Total companies 5% to 25% owned			\$ 392,516	\$ 352,760

Companies Less Than 5% Owned

3SI Security Systems, Inc.	Subordinated Debt (14.6%, Due 8/13)	\$ 29,200	\$ 29,118	\$ 28,170
(Consumer Products)	Total Investment		29,118	28,170
Abraxas Corporation	Subordinated Debt (14.6%, Due 4/13)	36,822	36,662	36,170
(Business Services)	Total Investment		36,662	36,170
Augusta Sportswear Group, Inc.	Subordinated Debt (13.0%, Due 1/15)	53,000	52,825	52,406
(Consumer Products)	Common Stock (2,500 shares)		2,500	1,400
	Total Investment		55,325	53,806
Axium Healthcare Pharmacy, Inc.	Senior Loan (14.0%, Due 12/12)	3,750	3,724	3,654
(Healthcare Services)	Unitranche Debt (14.0%, Due 12/12)	8,500	8,471	7,908
	Common Stock (22,860 shares)		2,286	100
	Total Investment		14,481	11,662

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Portfolio Company

(in thousands, except number of shares)	Investment ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	December 31, 2008		
		Principal	Cost	Value
Baird Capital Partners IV Limited ⁽⁵⁾	Limited Partnership Interest		\$ 3,636	\$ 2,978
(Private Equity Fund)	Total Investment		3,636	2,978
BenefitMall Holdings Inc.	Subordinated Debt (18.0%, Due 6/14)	\$ 40,326	40,238	40,238
(Business Services)	Common Stock (39,274,290 shares) ⁽¹²⁾		39,274	91,149
	Warrants ⁽¹²⁾			
	Total Investment		79,512	131,387
Broadcast Electronics, Inc.	Senior Loan (8.8%, Due 11/11) ⁽⁶⁾	4,912	4,884	773
(Business Services)	Preferred Stock (2,044 shares)			
	Total Investment		4,884	773
Bushnell, Inc.	Subordinated Debt (8.0%, Due 2/14)	41,325	40,003	35,794
(Consumer Products)	Total Investment		40,003	35,794
Callidus Debt Partners	Class C Notes (12.9%, Due 12/13)	18,800	18,907	10,116
CDO Fund I, Ltd. ⁽⁴⁾⁽¹⁰⁾	Class D Notes (17.0%, Due 12/13)	9,400	9,454	
(CDO)	Total Investment		28,361	10,116
Callidus Debt Partners	Preferred Shares (23,600,000 shares)		20,138	5,402
CLO Fund III, Ltd. ⁽⁴⁾⁽¹⁰⁾	Total Investment		20,138	5,402
(CLO)				

Callidus Debt Partners	Class D Notes (9.1%, Due 4/20)	3,000	2,045	1,445
CLO Fund IV, Ltd. ⁽⁴⁾⁽¹⁰⁾ (CLO)	Income Notes (13.2%) ⁽¹¹⁾		14,591	10,628
	Total Investment		16,636	12,073
Callidus Debt Partners	Income Notes (16.4%) ⁽¹¹⁾		13,388	10,331
CLO Fund V, Ltd. ⁽⁴⁾⁽¹⁰⁾ (CLO)	Total Investment		13,388	10,331
Callidus Debt Partners	Class D Notes (9.8%, Due 10/21)	9,000	7,144	3,929
CLO Fund VI, Ltd. ⁽⁴⁾⁽¹⁰⁾ (CLO)	Income Notes (17.8%) ⁽¹¹⁾		28,314	23,090
	Total Investment		35,458	27,019
Callidus Debt Partners	Income Notes (11.4%) ⁽¹¹⁾		24,026	15,361
CLO Fund VII, Ltd. ⁽⁴⁾⁽¹⁰⁾ (CLO)	Total Investment		24,026	15,361

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(in thousands, except number of shares)

	Investment ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	December 31, 2008		
		Principal	Cost	Value
Callidus MAPS CLO Fund I LLC ⁽¹⁰⁾ (CLO)	Class E Notes (7.0%, Due 12/17)	\$ 17,000	\$ 17,000	\$ 9,813
	Income Notes (4.0%) ⁽¹¹⁾		45,053	27,678
	Total Investment		62,053	37,491
Callidus MAPS CLO Fund II, Ltd. ⁽⁴⁾⁽¹⁰⁾ (CLO)	Class D Notes (8.8%, Due 7/22)	7,700	3,555	2,948
	Income Notes (13.3%) ⁽¹¹⁾		18,393	12,626
	Total Investment		21,948	15,574
Carlisle Wide Plank Floors, Inc. (Consumer Products)	Senior Loan (6.1%, Due 6/11)	1,000	998	953
	Unitranche Debt (14.5%, Due 6/11)	3,161	3,139	3,047
	Preferred Stock (345,056 Shares)		345	82
	Total Investment		4,482	4,082
Catterton Partners VI, L.P. ⁽⁵⁾ (Private Equity Fund)	Limited Partnership Interest		2,812	2,356
	Total Investment		2,812	2,356
Centre Capital Investors V, L.P. ⁽⁵⁾ (Private Equity Fund)	Limited Partnership Interest		3,049	2,344
	Total Investment		3,049	2,344
CK Franchising, Inc. (Consumer Services)	Subordinated Debt (12.3%, Due 7/12 7/17)	21,000	20,912	20,912
	Preferred Stock (1,281,887 shares)		1,282	1,592
	Common Stock (7,585,549 shares)		7,586	10,600
	Total Investment		29,780	33,104
Commercial Credit Group, Inc.		19,000	18,970	18,970

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	Subordinated Debt (15.0%, Due 6/15)			
(Financial Services)	Preferred Stock (64,679 shares) Warrants		15,543	9,073
	Total Investment		34,513	28,043
Community Education Centers, Inc.	Subordinated Debt (14.5%, Due 11/13)	35,548	35,486	34,056
(Education Services)	Total Investment		35,486	34,056
Component Hardware Group, Inc.	Subordinated Debt (13.5%, Due 1/13)	18,710	18,654	18,261
(Industrial Products)	Total Investment		18,654	18,261
Cook Inlet Alternative Risk, LLC	Unitranche Debt (10.8%, Due 4/13)	90,000	89,619	82,839
(Business Services)	Equity Interests		552	
	Total Investment		90,171	82,839
Cortec Group Fund IV, L.P. ⁽⁵⁾	Limited Partnership Interest		4,647	3,445
(Private Equity)	Total Investment		4,647	3,445

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		Principal	Cost	Value
Diversified Mercury	Senior Loan (4.5%, Due 3/13)	\$ 2,972	\$ 2,958	\$ 2,692
Communications, LLC	Total Investment		2,958	2,692
(Business Services)				
Digital VideoStream, LLC	Unitranche Debt (11.0%, Due 2/12)	14,097	14,032	14,003
(Business Services)	Convertible Subordinated Debt (10.0%, Due 2/16)	4,545	4,533	4,700
	Total Investment		18,565	18,703
DirectBuy Holdings, Inc.	Subordinated Debt (14.5%, Due 5/13)	75,909	75,609	71,703
(Consumer Products)	Equity Interests		8,000	3,200
	Total Investment		83,609	74,903
Distant Lands Trading Co.	Senior Loan (7.5%, Due 11/11)	4,825	4,800	4,501
(Consumer Products)	Unitranche Debt (12.3%, Due 11/11)	43,133	43,022	42,340
	Common Stock (3,451 shares)		3,451	984
	Total Investment		51,273	47,825
Dryden XVIII Leveraged Loan 2007 Limited ⁽⁴⁾	Class B Notes (8.0%, Due 10/19)	9,000	7,728	4,535
	Income Notes (16.0%) ⁽¹¹⁾		22,080	17,477
(CLO)	Total Investment		29,808	22,012
Dynamic India Fund IV ⁽⁴⁾⁽⁵⁾	Equity Interests		9,350	8,966
(Private Equity Fund)	Total Investment		9,350	8,966

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EarthColor, Inc.	Subordinated Debt (15.0%, Due 11/13) ⁽⁶⁾	123,819	123,385	77,243
(Business Services)	Common Stock (63,438 shares) ⁽¹²⁾ Warrants ⁽¹²⁾		63,438	
	Total Investment		186,823	77,243
eCentury Capital Partners, L.P. ⁽⁵⁾	Limited Partnership Interest		7,274	1,431
(Private Equity Fund)	Total Investment		7,274	1,431
eInstruction Corporation	Subordinated Debt (12.6%, Due 7/14-1/15)	33,931	33,795	31,670
(Education Services)	Common Stock (2,406 shares)		2,500	1,700
	Total Investment		36,295	33,370
Farley s & Sathers Candy Company, Inc.	Subordinated Debt (10.1%, Due 3/11)	2,500	2,493	2,365
(Consumer Products)	Total Investment		2,493	2,365

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	Investment ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	December 31, 2008		
		Principal	Cost	Value
FCP-BHI Holdings, LLC	Subordinated Debt (12.0%, Due 9/13)	\$ 27,284	\$ 27,191	\$ 25,640
d/b/a Bojangles	Equity Interests		1,029	1,700
(Retail)	Total Investment		28,220	27,340
Fidus Mezzanine Capital, L.P. ⁽⁵⁾	Limited Partnership Interest		9,597	6,754
(Private Equity Fund)	Total Investment		9,597	6,754
Freedom Financial Network, LLC	Subordinated Debt (13.5%, Due 2/14)	13,000	12,945	12,811
(Financial Services)	Total Investment		12,945	12,811
Geotrace Technologies, Inc.	Warrants		2,027	3,000
(Energy Services)	Total Investment		2,027	3,000
Gilchrist & Soames, Inc. (Consumer Products)	Subordinated Debt (13.4%, Due 10/13)	25,800	25,660	24,692
	Total Investment		25,660	24,692
Havco Wood Products LLC	Equity Interests		910	400
(Industrial Products)	Total Investment		910	400
Higginbotham Insurance Agency, Inc.	Subordinated Debt (13.7%, Due 8/13 8/14)	53,305	53,088	53,088
(Business Services)	Common Stock (23,695 shares) ⁽¹²⁾ Warrant ⁽¹²⁾		23,695	27,335
	Total Investment		76,783	80,423

The Hillman Companies, Inc. ⁽³⁾	Subordinated Debt (10.0%, Due 9/11)	44,580	44,491	44,345
(Consumer Products)	Total Investment		44,491	44,345
The Homax Group, Inc.	Senior Loan (7.2%, Due 10/12)	11,785	11,742	10,689
(Consumer Products)	Subordinated Debt (14.5%, Due 4/14)	14,000	13,371	12,859
	Preferred Stock (76 shares)		76	
	Common Stock (24 shares)		5	
	Warrants		954	
	Total Investment		26,148	23,548
Ideal Snacks Corporation	Senior Loan (5.3%, Due 6/10)	1,496	1,496	1,438
(Consumer Products)	Total Investment		1,496	1,438

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		December 31, 2008		
	Investment ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Principal	Cost	Value
Kodiak Fund LP ⁽⁵⁾	Equity Interests		\$ 9,422	\$ 900
(Private Equity Fund)	Total Investment		9,422	900
Market Track Holdings, LLC	Senior Loan (8.0%, Due 6/14)	\$ 2,500	2,450	2,352
(Business Services)	Subordinated Debt (15.9%, Due 6/14)	24,600	24,488	23,785
	Total Investment		26,938	26,137
NetShape Technologies, Inc.	Senior Loan (5.3%, Due 2/13)	382	382	346
(Industrial Products)	Total Investment		382	346
Network Hardware Resale, Inc.	Unitranche Debt (12.5%, Due 12/11)	18,734	18,809	18,703
(Business Services)	Convertible Subordinated Debt (9.8%, Due 12/15)	14,533	14,585	14,585
	Total Investment		33,394	33,288
Novak Biddle Venture Partners III, L.P. ⁽⁵⁾	Limited Partnership Interest		2,018	1,349
(Private Equity Fund)	Total Investment		2,018	1,349
Oahu Waste Services, Inc.	Stock Appreciation Rights		206	750
(Business Services)	Total Investment		206	750
Pangaea CLO 2007-1 Ltd. ⁽⁴⁾	Class D Notes (9.2%, Due 10/21)	15,000	11,761	7,114
(CLO)	Total Investment		11,761	7,114

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PC Helps Support, LLC	Senior Loan (4.8%, Due 12/13)	8,610	8,520	8,587
(Business Services)	Subordinated Debt (13.3%, Due 12/13)	28,136	28,009	28,974
	Total Investment		36,529	37,561
Performant Financial Corporation	Common Stock (478,816 shares)		734	200
(Business Services)	Total Investment		734	200

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	Investment ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	December 31, 2008		
		Principal	Cost	Value
Peter Brasseler Holdings, LLC	Equity Interests		\$ 3,451	\$ 2,900
(Business Services)	Total Investment		3,451	2,900
PharMEDium Healthcare Corporation	Senior Loan (4.3%, Due 10/13)	\$ 1,910	1,910	1,747
(Healthcare Services)	Total Investment		1,910	1,747
Postle Aluminum Company, LLC	Unitranche Debt (13.0%, Due 10/12) ⁽⁶⁾	58,953	58,744	9,978
(Industrial Products)	Equity Interests		2,174	
	Total Investment		60,918	9,978
Pro Mach, Inc.	Subordinated Debt (12.5%, Due 6/12)	14,616	14,573	14,089
(Industrial Products)	Equity Interests		1,294	1,900
	Total Investment		15,867	15,989
Promo Works, LLC	Unitranche Debt (12.3%, Due 12/11)	23,111	22,954	21,266
(Business Services)	Total Investment		22,954	21,266
Reed Group, Ltd.	Senior Loan (7.6%, Due 12/13)	12,893	12,758	11,502
(Healthcare Services)	Subordinated Debt (13.8%, Due 12/13)	18,543	18,469	16,683
	Equity Interests		1,800	300
	Total Investment		33,027	28,485
S.B. Restaurant Company	Unitranche Debt (9.8%, Due 4/11)	36,501	36,295	34,914
(Retail)	Preferred Stock (46,690 shares)		117	117

	Warrants		534	
	Total Investment		36,946	35,031
	Standby Letters of Credit (\$2,465)			
Snow Phipps Group, L.P. ⁽⁵⁾	Limited Partnership Interest		4,785	4,374
(Private Equity Fund)	Total Investment		4,785	4,374
SPP Mezzanine Funding II, L.P. ⁽⁵⁾	Limited Partnership Interest		9,362	9,269
(Private Equity Fund)	Total Investment		9,362	9,269
STS Operating, Inc.	Subordinated Debt (11.0%, Due 1/13)	30,386	30,296	29,745
(Industrial Products)	Total Investment		30,296	29,745
Summit Energy Services, Inc. (Business Services)	Subordinated Debt (11.6%, Due 8/13)	35,730	35,547	32,113
	Common Stock (415,982 shares)		1,861	1,900
	Total Investment		37,408	34,013
Tank Intermediate Holding Corp. (Industrial Products)	Senior Loan (7.1%, Due 9/14)	30,514	29,539	25,937
	Total Investment		29,539	25,937

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	Investment ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	December 31, 2008		
		Principal	Cost	Value
Tappan Wire & Cable Inc.	Unitranche Debt (15.0%, Due 8/14)	\$ 22,346	\$ 22,248	\$ 15,625
(Business Services)	Common Stock (12,940 shares) ⁽¹²⁾		2,043	
	Warrant ⁽¹²⁾			
	Total Investment		24,291	15,625
The Step2 Company, LLC	Unitranche Debt (11.0%, Due 4/12)	95,083	94,816	90,474
(Consumer Products)	Equity Interests		2,156	1,161
	Total Investment		96,972	91,635
Tradesmen International, Inc.	Subordinated Debt (12.0%, Due 12/12)	40,000	39,586	37,840
(Business Services)	Total Investment		39,586	37,840
TransAmerican Auto Parts, LLC	Subordinated Debt (16.3%, Due 11/12) ⁽⁶⁾	24,561	24,409	
(Consumer Products)	Equity Interests		1,034	
	Total Investment		25,443	
Trover Solutions, Inc.	Subordinated Debt (12.0%, Due 11/12)	60,054	59,847	57,362
(Business Services)	Total Investment		59,847	57,362
United Road Towing, Inc.	Subordinated Debt (12.1%, Due 1/14)	20,000	19,915	20,000
(Consumer Services)	Total Investment		19,915	20,000

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Venturehouse-Cibernet Investors, LLC	Equity Interest			
(Business Services)	Total Investment			
VICORP Restaurants, Inc.	Warrants		33	
(Retail)	Total Investment		33	
WMA Equity Corporation and Affiliates	Subordinated Debt (16.8%, Due 4/13-4/14) ⁽⁶⁾	139,455	138,559	63,823
d/b/a Wear Me Apparel	Common Stock (86 shares)		39,721	
(Consumer Products)	Total Investment		178,280	63,823
Webster Capital II, L.P. ⁽⁵⁾	Limited Partnership Interest		1,702	1,481
(Private Equity Fund)	Total Investment		1,702	1,481
Woodstream Corporation	Subordinated Debt (12.0%, Due 2/15)	90,000	89,633	83,258
(Consumer Products)	Common Stock (6,960 shares)		6,961	2,500
	Total Investment		96,594	85,758
York Insurance Services Group, Inc.	Common Stock (12,939 shares)		1,294	1,700
(Business Services)	Total Investment		1,294	1,700
Other companies	Other debt investments	155	74	72
	Other equity investments		30	8
	Total Investment		104	80
Total companies less than 5% owned			\$ 2,317,856	\$ 1,858,581
Total private finance (138 portfolio investments)			\$ 4,877,392	\$ 3,399,063

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Commercial Real Estate Finance
(in thousands, except number of loans)

			December 31, 2008 (unaudited)	
	Stated Interest Rate Ranges	Number of Loans	Cost	Value
Commercial Mortgage Loans				
	Up to 6.99%	4	\$ 30,999	\$ 30,537
	7.00% 8.99%	1	644	580
	9.00% 10.99%	1	6,465	6,465
	11.00% 12.99%	1	10,469	9,391
	15.00% and above	2	3,970	6,529
Total commercial mortgage loans⁽¹³⁾			\$ 52,547	\$ 53,502
Real Estate Owned			\$ 18,201	\$ 20,823
Equity Interests⁽²⁾ Companies more than 25% owned			\$ 14,755	\$ 19,562
Guarantees (\$6,871)				
Standby Letter of Credit (\$650)				
Total commercial real estate finance			\$ 85,503	\$ 93,887
Total portfolio			\$ 4,962,895	\$ 3,492,950

	Yield	Cost	Value
Investments in Money Market and Other Securities			
SEI Daily Income Tr Prime Obligation Money Market Fund	0.9%	\$ 5	\$ 5
Columbia Treasury Reserves Fund		12	12
Other Money Market Funds		270	270
Total		\$ 287	\$ 287

(2) Common stock, preferred stock, warrants, options, and equity interests are generally non-income producing and restricted.

(13) Commercial mortgage loans totaling \$7.7 million at value were on non-accrual status and therefore were considered non-income producing.

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ALLIED CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS

Private Finance Portfolio Company (in thousands, except number of shares) Companies More Than 25% Owned	Investment ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	December 31, 2007		
		Principal	Cost	Value
Alaris Consulting, LLC (Business Services)	Senior Loan (16.5%, Due 12/05 12/07) ⁽⁹⁾ Equity Interests	\$ 27,055	\$ 26,987	\$
	Total Investment		5,189	
	Guaranty (\$1,100)			
AllBridg Financial, LLC (Asset Management)	Equity Interests		7,800	7,800
	Total Investment		7,800	7,800
	Standby Letter of Credit (\$30,000)			
Allied Capital Senior Debt Fund, L.P. ⁽⁵⁾ (Private Debt Fund)	Equity Interests (See Note 3)		31,800	32,811
	Total Investment		31,800	32,811
Avborne, Inc. ⁽⁷⁾ (Business Services)	Preferred Stock (12,500 shares) Common Stock (27,500 shares)		611	1,633
	Total Investment		611	1,633
Avborne Heavy Maintenance, Inc. ⁽⁷⁾ (Business Services)	Preferred Stock (1,568 shares) Common Stock (2,750 shares)		2,401	2,557 370
	Total Investment		2,401	2,927
	Guaranty (\$2,401)			
Aviation Properties Corporation (Business Services)	Common Stock (100 shares)		65	
	Total Investment		65	
	Standby Letters of Credit (\$1,000)			

Border Foods, Inc.	Preferred Stock (100,000 shares)		12,721	4,648
(Consumer Products)	Common Stock (148,838 shares)		3,847	
	Total Investment		16,568	4,648
Calder Capital Partners, LLC ⁽⁵⁾	Senior Loan (9.4%, Due 5/09) ⁽⁶⁾	2,907	2,907	3,035
(Asset Management)	Equity Interests		2,396	3,559
	Total Investment		5,303	6,594
Callidus Capital Corporation	Subordinated Debt (18.0%, Due 10/08)	6,871	6,871	6,871
(Asset Management)	Common Stock (100 shares)		2,067	44,587
	Total Investment		8,938	51,458
Ciena Capital LLC	Class A Equity Interests(25.0% See Note 3) ⁽⁶⁾	99,044	99,044	68,609
(Financial Services)	Class B Equity Interests		119,436	
	Class C Equity Interests		109,301	
	Total Investment		327,781	68,609
	Guaranty (\$258,707 See Note 3)			
	Standby Letters of Credit (\$18,000 See Note 3)			

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- (7) Avborne, Inc. and Avborne Heavy Maintenance, Inc. are affiliated companies.

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ALLIED CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Private Finance

Portfolio Company

(in thousands, except number of shares)

	Investment ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	December 31, 2007		
		Principal	Cost	Value
CitiPostal Inc. (Business Services)	Senior Loan (8.4%, Due 12/13)	\$ 692	\$ 679	\$ 679
	Unitranche Debt (12.0%, Due 12/13)	50,852	50,597	50,597
	Subordinated Debt (16.0%, Due 12/15)	8,049	8,049	8,049
	Common Stock (37,024 shares)		12,726	12,726
	Total Investment		72,051	72,051
Coverall North America, Inc. (Business Services)	Unitranche Debt (12.0%, Due 7/11)	35,054	34,923	34,923
	Subordinated Debt (15.0%, Due 7/11)	6,000	5,979	5,979
	Common Stock (884,880 shares)		16,648	27,597
	Total Investment		57,550	68,499
CR Holding, Inc. (Consumer Products)	Subordinated Debt (16.6%, Due 2/13)	40,956	40,812	40,812
	Common Stock (37,200,551 shares)		33,321	40,934
	Total Investment		74,133	81,746
Direct Capital Corporation (Financial Services)	Subordinated Debt (16.0%, Due 3/13)	39,184	39,030	39,030
	Common Stock (2,097,234 shares)		19,250	6,906
	Total Investment		58,280	45,936
Financial Pacific Company (Financial Services)	Subordinated Debt (17.4%, Due 2/12 8/12)	73,031	72,850	72,850
	Preferred Stock (10,964 shares)		10,276	19,330
	Common Stock (14,735 shares)		14,819	38,544

	Total Investment		97,945	130,724
ForeSite Towers, LLC (Tower Leasing)	Equity Interest			878
	Total Investment			878
Global Communications, LLC (Business Services)	Senior Loan (10.0%, Due 9/02) ⁽⁶⁾	1,822	1,822	1,822
	Total Investment		1,822	1,822
Hot Stuff Foods, LLC (Consumer Products)	Senior Loan (8.4%, Due 2/11-2/12)	50,940	50,752	50,752
	Subordinated Debt (12.1%, Due 8/12)	30,000	29,907	29,907
	Subordinated Debt (15.4%, Due 2/13) ⁽⁶⁾	52,373	52,150	1,337
	Common Stock (1,147,453 shares)		56,187	
	Total Investment		188,996	81,996
Huddle House, Inc. (Retail)	Subordinated Debt (15.0%, Due 12/12)	59,857	59,618	59,618
	Common Stock (415,328 shares)		41,533	44,154
	Total Investment		101,151	103,772
Impact Innovations Group, LLC (Business Services)	Equity Interests in Affiliate			320
	Total Investment			320

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ALLIED CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Private Finance

Portfolio Company

(in thousands, except number of shares)

	Investment ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	December 31, 2007		
		Principal	Cost	Value
Insight Pharmaceuticals Corporation (Consumer Products)	Subordinated Debt (15.0%, Due 9/12)	\$ 44,257	\$ 44,136	\$ 45,041
	Subordinated Debt (19.0%, Due 9/12) ⁽⁶⁾	16,181	16,130	16,796
	Preferred Stock (25,000 shares)		25,000	1,462
	Common Stock (620,000 shares)		6,325	
	Total Investment		91,591	63,299
Jakel, Inc. (Industrial Products)	Subordinated Debt (15.5%, Due 3/08) ⁽⁶⁾	1,563	1,563	1,563
	Total Investment		1,563	1,563
Legacy Partners Group, Inc. (Business Services)	Senior Loan (14.0%, Due 5/09) ⁽⁶⁾	3,843	3,843	3,843
	Equity Interests		4,261	1,332
	Total Investment		8,104	5,175
Litterer Beteiligungs-GmbH ⁽⁴⁾ (Business Services)	Subordinated Debt (8.0%, Due 12/08)	772	772	772
	Equity Interest		1,809	700
	Total Investment		2,581	1,472
MVL Group, Inc. (Business Services)	Senior Loan (12.0%, Due 6/09 7/09)	30,674	30,639	30,639
	Subordinated Debt (14.5%, Due 6/09 7/09)	40,191	39,943	39,943
	Common Stock (648,661 shares)		643	4,949
	Total Investment		71,225	75,531
Old Orchard Brands, LLC (Consumer Products)	Subordinated Debt (18.0%, Due 7/14)	19,632	19,544	19,544
	Equity Interests		18,767	25,419

	Total Investment		38,311	44,963
Penn Detroit Diesel Allison, LLC	Subordinated Debt (15.5%, Due 8/13)	39,331	39,180	39,180
(Business Services)	Equity Interests		21,128	37,965
	Total Investment		60,308	77,145
Powell Plant Farms, Inc.	Senior Loan (15.0%, Due 12/07) ⁽⁶⁾	1,350	1,350	1,534
(Consumer Products)	Total Investment		1,350	1,534
Service Champ, Inc.	Subordinated Debt (15.5%, Due 4/12)	28,443	28,351	28,351
(Business Services)	Common Stock (63,888 shares)		13,662	26,292
	Total Investment		42,013	54,643
Staffing Partners Holding Company, Inc.	Subordinated Debt (13.5%, Due 1/07) ⁽⁶⁾	509	509	223
(Business Services)	Total Investment		509	223
Startec Equity, LLC	Equity Interests		190	430
(Telecommunications)	Total Investment		190	430
Sweet Traditions, Inc.	Senior Loan (13.0%, Due 9/08 8/11) ⁽⁶⁾	39,692	36,052	35,229
(Retail)	Preferred Stock (961 shares)		950	
	Common Stock (10,000 shares)		50	
	Total Investment		37,052	35,229

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Portfolio Company

(in thousands, except number of shares)

Triview Investments, Inc.⁽⁸⁾

(Broadcasting & Cable/Business

Services/Consumer Products)

Investment⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾

Senior Loan (10.0%, Due 12/07)

Subordinated Debt (12.9%, Due 1/10 6/17)

Subordinated Debt (12.5%, Due 11/07 3/08)⁽⁶⁾

Common Stock (202 shares)

Total InvestmentGuaranty (\$900)
Standby Letter of Credit (\$200)Unitranche Fund LLC
(Private Debt Fund)Subordinated Certificates
Equity Interests**Total Investment**Worldwide Express Operations, LLC
(Business Services)Subordinated Debt (14.0%, Due 2/14)
Equity Interests
Warrants**Total Investment****Total companies more than 25% owned****Companies 5% to 25% Owned**10th Street, LLC

(Business Services)

Subordinated Debt (13.0%, Due 12/14)

Equity Interests

Total Investment

December 31, 2007

Principal

Cost

Value

\$ 433 \$ 433 \$ 433

43,157 42,977 42,977

1,400 1,400 1,583

120,638 83,453

165,448 128,446

744 744

1 1

745 745

2,845 2,670 2,670

12,900 21,516

163 272

15,733 24,458**\$ 1,622,094 \$ 1,279,080**

\$ 20,774 \$ 20,645 \$ 20,645

446 1,100

21,091 21,745

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Advantage Sales & Marketing, Inc. (Business Services)	Subordinated Debt (12.0%, Due 3/14) Equity Interests	155,432	154,854	154,854 10,973
	Total Investment		154,854	165,827
Air Medical Group Holdings LLC (Healthcare Services)	Senior Loan (7.8%, Due 3/11) Equity Interests	3,030	2,980 3,470	2,980 10,800
	Total Investment		6,450	13,780
Alpine ESP Holdings, Inc. (Business Services)	Preferred Stock (622 shares) Common Stock (13,513 shares)		622 14	749 262
	Total Investment		636	1,011
Amerex Group, LLC (Consumer Products)	Subordinated Debt (12.0%, Due 1/13) Equity Interests	8,400	8,400 3,509	8,400 13,713
	Total Investment		11,909	22,113
BB&T Capital Partners/Windsor Mezzanine Fund, LLC ⁽⁵⁾ (Private Equity Fund)	Equity Interests		11,739	11,467
	Total Investment		11,739	11,467

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- (8) Triview Investments, Inc. had a cost basis of \$165.4 million and holds investments in Longview Cable & Data, LLC (Broadcasting & Cable) with a value of \$7.0 million, Triax Holdings, LLC (Consumer Products) with a value of \$62.0 million, and Crescent Hotels & Resorts, LLC and affiliates (Business Services) with a value of \$59.4 million, for a total value of \$128.4 million.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Private Finance

Portfolio Company

(in thousands, except number of shares)	Investment ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	December 31, 2007		
		Principal	Cost	Value
Becker Underwood, Inc.	Subordinated Debt (14.5%, Due 8/12)	\$ 24,865	\$ 24,798	\$ 24,798
(Industrial Products)	Common Stock (5,073 shares)		5,813	4,190
	Total Investment		30,611	28,988
BI Incorporated	Subordinated Debt (13.5%, Due 2/14)	30,615	30,499	30,499
(Business Services)	Common Stock (40,000 shares)		4,000	7,382
	Total Investment		34,499	37,881
Creative Group, Inc.	Subordinated Debt (14.0%, Due 9/13) ⁽⁶⁾	15,000	13,686	6,197
(Business Services)	Common Stock (20,000 shares)			
	Warrant		1,387	
	Total Investment		15,073	6,197
Drew Foam Companies, Inc.	Preferred Stock (722 shares)		722	396
(Business Services)	Common Stock (7,287 shares)		7	
	Total Investment		729	396
MedBridge Healthcare, LLC	Senior Loan (8.0%, Due 8/09) ⁽⁶⁾	7,164	7,164	7,164
(Healthcare Services)	Subordinated Debt (10.0%, Due 8/14) ⁽⁶⁾	5,184	5,184	2,406
	Convertible Subordinated Debt (2.0%, Due 8/14) ⁽⁶⁾	2,970	984	
	Equity Interests		1,416	
	Total Investment		14,748	9,570
MHF Logistical Solutions, Inc.	Subordinated Debt (11.5%, Due 6/12) ⁽⁶⁾	33,600	33,448	9,280

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(Business Services)	Subordinated Debt (18.0%, Due 6/13) ⁽⁶⁾	11,211	11,154	
	Common Stock (20,934 shares) ⁽¹²⁾		20,942	
	Warrants ⁽¹²⁾			
	Total Investment		65,544	9,280
Multi-Ad Services, Inc.	Unitranche Debt (11.3%, Due 11/11)	19,800	19,704	19,704
(Business Services)	Equity Interests		2,000	940
	Total Investment		21,704	20,644
Progressive International Corporation	Subordinated Debt (16.0%, Due 12/09)	1,557	1,545	1,545
(Consumer Products)	Preferred Stock (500 shares)		500	1,038
	Common Stock (197 shares)		13	4,900
	Warrants			
	Total Investment		2,058	7,483
Regency Healthcare Group, LLC	Unitranche Debt (11.1%, Due 6/12)	12,000	11,941	11,941
(Healthcare Services)	Equity Interests		1,500	1,681
	Total Investment		13,441	13,622

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Private Finance

Portfolio Company

(in thousands, except number of shares)

SGT India Private Limited⁽⁴⁾Investment⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾Common Stock
(150,596 shares)

December 31, 2007		
Principal	Cost	Value
	\$ 4,098	\$ 3,075

(Business Services)

Total Investment**4,098****3,075**

Soteria Imaging Services, LLC

Subordinated Debt (12.0%,
Due 11/10)

\$ 14,500

13,744

13,744

(Healthcare Services)

Equity Interests

2,170

2,686

Total Investment**15,914****16,430**

Universal Environmental Services, LLC

Equity Interests

1,810

(Business Services)

Total Investment**1,810****Total companies 5% to 25% owned****\$ 426,908****\$ 389,509**

Companies Less Than 5% Owned

3SI Security Systems, Inc.

Subordinated Debt (14.5%,
Due 8/13)

\$ 27,937

\$ 27,837

\$ 27,837

(Consumer Products)

Total Investment**27,837****27,837**

AgData, L.P.

Senior Loan (10.3%, Due
7/12)

843

815

815

(Consumer Services)

Total Investment**815****815**

Axiom Healthcare Pharmacy, Inc.

Senior Loan (12.5%, Due
12/12)

2,600

2,567

2,567

(Healthcare Services)

Unitranche Debt (12.5%,
Due 12/12)

8,500

8,463

8,463

Common Stock (26,500
shares)

2,650

1,097

	Total Investment		13,680	12,127
Baird Capital Partners IV Limited Partnership ⁽⁵⁾ (Private Equity Fund)	Limited Partnership Interest		2,234	2,114
	Total Investment		2,234	2,114
BenefitMall, Inc. (Business Services)	Subordinated Debt (14.9%, Due 10/13-10/14) Common Stock (45,528,000 shares) ⁽¹²⁾ Warrants ⁽¹²⁾ Standby Letters of Credit (\$3,961)	82,167	81,930 45,528	81,930 82,404
	Total Investment		127,458	164,334
Broadcast Electronics, Inc. (Business Services)	Senior Loan (9.0%, Due 7/12) ⁽⁶⁾	4,913	4,884	3,273
	Total Investment		4,884	3,273
Bushnell, Inc. (Consumer Products)	Subordinated Debt (11.3%, Due 2/14)	41,325	39,821	39,821
	Total Investment		39,821	39,821

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ALLIED CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Private Finance

Portfolio Company

(in thousands, except number of shares)	Investment ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	December 31, 2007		
		Principal	Cost	Value
Callidus Debt Partners CDO Fund I, Ltd. ⁽⁴⁾⁽¹⁰⁾	Class C Notes (12.9%, Due 12/13)	\$ 18,800	\$ 18,929	\$ 18,988
(CDO)	Class D Notes (17.0%, Due 12/13)	9,400	9,465	9,494
	Total Investment		28,394	28,482
Callidus Debt Partners CLO Fund III, Ltd. ⁽⁴⁾⁽¹⁰⁾	Preferred Shares (23,600,000 shares, 12.9%) ⁽¹¹⁾		21,783	19,999
(CLO)	Total Investment		21,783	19,999
Callidus Debt Partners CLO Fund IV, Ltd. ⁽⁴⁾⁽¹⁰⁾	Income Notes (14.8%) ⁽¹¹⁾		12,298	11,290
(CLO)	Total Investment		12,298	11,290
Callidus Debt Partners CLO Fund V, Ltd. ⁽⁴⁾⁽¹⁰⁾	Income Notes (20.3%) ⁽¹¹⁾		13,977	14,658
(CLO)	Total Investment		13,977	14,658
Callidus Debt Partners CLO Fund VI, Ltd. ⁽⁴⁾⁽¹⁰⁾	Class D Notes (11.3%, Due 10/21)	5,000	4,329	4,329
(CLO)	Income Notes (19.3%) ⁽¹¹⁾		26,985	26,985
	Total Investment		31,314	31,314
Callidus Debt Partners ⁽⁴⁾⁽¹⁰⁾ CLO Fund VII, Ltd.	Income Notes (16.6%) ⁽¹¹⁾		22,113	22,113
(CLO)	Total Investment		22,113	22,113

Callidus MAPS CLO Fund I LLC ⁽¹⁰⁾	Class E Notes (10.4%, Due 12/17)	17,000	17,000	16,119
(CLO)	Income Notes (5.6%) ⁽¹¹⁾		49,252	36,085
	Total Investment		66,252	52,204
Callidus MAPS CLO Fund II, Ltd. ⁽⁴⁾⁽¹⁰⁾	Income Notes (14.7%) ⁽¹¹⁾		18,753	18,753
(CLO)	Total Investment		18,753	18,753
Camden Partners Strategic Fund II, L.P. ⁽⁵⁾	Limited Partnership Interest		997	1,350
(Private Equity Fund)	Total Investment		997	1,350
Carlisle Wide Plank Floors, Inc.	Senior Loan (9.8%, Due 6/11)	500	497	497
(Consumer Products)	Unitranche Debt (10.0%, Due 6/11)		3,129	3,129
	Preferred Stock (400,000 Shares)	3,161	400	507
	Total Investment		4,026	4,133
Catterton Partners V, L.P. ⁽⁵⁾	Limited Partnership Interest		3,624	2,952
(Private Equity Fund)	Total Investment		3,624	2,952

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- (5) Non-registered investment company.
- (10) The fund is managed by Callidus Capital, a portfolio company of Allied Capital.
- (11) Represents the effective interest yield earned on the cost basis of these preferred equity investments and income notes. The yield is included in interest income from companies less than 5% owned in the consolidated statement of operations.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Private Finance

Portfolio Company

(in thousands, except number of shares)

Catterton Partners VI, L.P.⁽⁵⁾Investment⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾

Limited Partnership Interest

December 31, 2007		
Principal	Cost	Value
	\$ 2,259	\$ 2,103

(Private Equity Fund)

Total Investment**2,259 2,103**Centre Capital Investors IV, L.P.⁽⁵⁾

Limited Partnership Interest

2,215 2,276

(Private Equity Fund)

Total Investment**2,215 2,276**Centre Capital Investors V, L.P.⁽⁵⁾

Limited Partnership Interest

628 628

(Private Equity Fund)

Total Investment**628 628**CK Franchising, Inc.
(Consumer Services)Senior Loan (8.7%, Due 7/12)
Subordinated Debt (12.3%, Due
7/12 7/17)

\$ 9,000	8,911	8,911
21,000	20,908	20,908

Preferred Stock
(1,486,004 shares)

1,486 1,586

Common Stock
(8,793,408 shares)

8,793 8,654

Total Investment**40,098 40,059**

Commercial Credit Group, Inc.

Subordinated Debt (14.8%, Due
2/11)

12,000 12,023 12,023

(Financial Services)

Preferred Stock (74,978 shares)
Warrants

18,018 19,421

Total Investment**30,041 31,444**

Community Education Centers, Inc.

Subordinated Debt (13.5%, Due
11/13)

35,011 34,936 34,936

(Education Services)

Total Investment**34,936 34,936**

Component Hardware Group, Inc.

18,432 18,363 18,363

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	Subordinated Debt (13.5%, Due 1/13)			
(Industrial Products)	Total Investment		18,363	18,363
Cook Inlet Alternative Risk, LLC	Unitranche Debt (10.8%, Due 4/13)	95,000	94,530	94,530
(Business Services)	Equity Interests		640	1,696
	Total Investment		95,170	96,226
Cortec Group Fund IV, L.P. ⁽⁵⁾	Limited Partnership Interest		3,383	2,922
(Private Equity)	Total Investment		3,383	2,922
Diversified Mercury Communications, LLC	Senior Loan (8.5%, Due 3/13)	233	217	217
(Business Services)	Total Investment		217	217
Digital VideoStream, LLC	Unitranche Debt (11.0%, Due 2/12)	17,213	17,128	17,128
(Business Services)	Convertible Subordinated Debt (10.0%, Due 2/16)	4,118	4,103	5,397
	Total Investment		21,231	22,525
DirectBuy Holdings, Inc.	Subordinated Debt (14.5%, Due 5/13)	75,000	74,631	74,631
(Consumer Products)	Equity Interests		8,000	8,000
	Total Investment		82,631	82,631

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Private Finance

Portfolio Company

(in thousands, except number of shares)

	Investment ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	December 31, 2007		
		Principal	Cost	Value
Distant Lands Trading Co. (Consumer Products)	Senior Loan (10.3%, Due 11/11) Unitranche Debt (11.0%, Due 11/11) Common Stock (4,000 shares)	\$ 10,000 42,375	\$ 9,966 42,226 4,000	\$ 9,966 42,226 2,645
	Total Investment		56,192	54,837
Driven Brands, Inc. d/b/a Meineke and Econo Lube (Consumer Services)	Senior Loan (8.7%, Due 6/11) Subordinated Debt (12.1%, Due 6/12 6/13) Common Stock (11,675,331 shares) ⁽¹²⁾ Warrants ⁽¹²⁾	37,070 83,000	36,951 82,754 29,455	36,951 82,754 15,977
	Total Investment		149,160	135,682
Dryden XVIII Leveraged Loan 2007 Limited ⁽⁴⁾ (CLO)	Subordinated Debt (9.7%, Due 10/19) Income Notes (14.2%) ⁽¹¹⁾	9,000	7,406 21,940	7,406 21,940
	Total Investment		29,346	29,346
Dynamic India Fund IV ⁽⁴⁾⁽⁵⁾ (Private Equity Fund)	Equity Interests		6,050	6,215
	Total Investment		6,050	6,215
EarthColor, Inc. (Business Services)	Subordinated Debt (15.0%, Due 11/13) Common Stock (73,540 shares) ⁽¹²⁾ Warrants ⁽¹²⁾	127,000	126,463 73,540	126,463 62,675
	Total Investment		200,003	189,138

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eCentury Capital Partners, L.P. ⁽⁵⁾	Limited Partnership Interest		6,899	2,176
(Private Equity Fund)	Total Investment		6,899	2,176
eInstruction Corporation	Subordinated Debt (13.5%, Due 7/14-1/15)	47,000	46,765	46,765
(Education Services)	Common Stock (2,406 shares)		2,500	2,500
	Total Investment		49,265	49,265
Farley s & Sathers Candy Company, Inc.	Subordinated Debt (13.7%, Due 3/11)	18,000	17,932	17,932
(Consumer Products)	Total Investment		17,932	17,932
FCP-BHI Holdings, LLC	Subordinated Debt (12.8%, Due 9/13)	24,000	23,887	23,887
d/b/a Bojangles	Equity Interests		1,000	998
(Retail)	Total Investment		24,887	24,885
Fidus Mezzanine Capital, L.P. ⁽⁵⁾	Limited Partnership Interest		6,357	6,357
(Private Equity Fund)	Total Investment		6,357	6,357
Frozen Specialties, Inc.	Warrants		435	229
(Consumer Products)	Total Investment		435	229
Garden Ridge Corporation	Subordinated Debt (7.0%, Due 5/12) ⁽⁶⁾	20,500	20,500	20,500
(Retail)	Total Investment		20,500	20,500

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Private Finance

Portfolio Company

(in thousands, except number of shares)

	Investment ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	December 31, 2007		
		Principal	Cost	Value
Geotrace Technologies, Inc. (Energy Services)	Subordinated Debt (10.0%, Due 6/09) Warrants	\$ 6,772	\$ 6,616 2,350	\$ 6,616 2,993
	Total Investment		8,966	9,609
Gilchrist & Soames, Inc. (Consumer Products)	Senior Loan (9.0%, Due 10/13) Subordinated Debt (13.4%, Due 10/13)	20,000 25,800	19,954 25,676	19,954 25,676
	Total Investment		45,630	45,630
Grotech Partners, VI, L.P. ⁽⁵⁾ (Private Equity Fund)	Limited Partnership Interest		8,808	8,252
	Total Investment		8,808	8,252
Havco Wood Products LLC (Industrial Products)	Senior Loan (9.7%, Due 8/11) Unitranche Debt (11.5%, Due 8/11) Equity Interests	600 5,100	585 4,248 1,055	585 4,248 3,192
	Total Investment		5,888	8,025
Haven Eldercare of New England, LLC (Healthcare Services)	Subordinated Debt (12.0%, Due 8/09) ⁽⁶⁾	1,927	1,927	
	Total Investment		1,927	
Higginbotham Insurance Agency, Inc. (Business Services)	Senior Loan (7.7%, Due 8/12) Subordinated Debt (13.5%, Due 8/13 8/14) Common Stock (23,926 shares) ⁽¹²⁾ Warrant ⁽¹²⁾	15,033 46,356	14,942 46,136 23,926	14,942 46,136 23,868
	Total Investment		85,004	84,946

The Hillman Companies, Inc. ⁽³⁾	Subordinated Debt (10.0%, Due 9/11)	44,580	44,458	44,458
(Consumer Products)	Total Investment		44,458	44,458
The Homax Group, Inc.	Senior Loan (8.7%, Due 10/12)	10,969	10,969	10,969
(Consumer Products)	Subordinated Debt (12.0%, Due 4/14)	14,000	13,244	13,244
	Preferred Stock (89 shares)		89	13
	Common Stock (28 shares)		6	
	Warrants		1,106	194
	Total Investment		25,414	24,420
Ideal Snacks Corporation	Senior Loan (9.0%, Due 6/10)	288	288	288
(Consumer Products)	Total Investment		288	288
Integrity Interactive Corporation	Unitranche Debt (10.5%, Due 2/12)	12,193	12,095	12,095
(Business Services)	Total Investment		12,095	12,095
International Fiber Corporation	Subordinated Debt (14.0%, Due 6/12)	24,572	24,476	24,476
(Industrial Products)	Preferred Stock (25,000 shares)		2,500	2,194
	Total Investment		26,976	26,670

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Private Finance

Portfolio Company

(in thousands, except number of shares)

		December 31, 2007		
	Investment ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Principal	Cost	Value
Jones Stephens Corporation	Senior Loan (8.8%, Due 9/12)	\$ 5,537	\$ 5,525	\$ 5,525
(Consumer Products)	Total Investment		5,525	5,525
Knightsbridge CLO 2007-1 Ltd. ⁽⁴⁾	Subordinated Debt (14.1%, Due 1/22)	22,000	22,000	22,000
(CLO)	Income Notes (15.2%) ⁽¹¹⁾		31,211	31,211
	Total Investment		53,211	53,211
Kodiak Fund LP ⁽⁵⁾	Equity Interests		9,423	2,853
(Private Equity Fund)	Total Investment		9,423	2,853
Line-X, Inc.	Senior Loan (12.0%, Due 8/11)	900	885	885
(Consumer Products)	Unitranche Debt (12.0% Due 8/11)	48,198	48,039	42,784
	Total Investment		48,924	43,669
	Standby Letter of Credit (\$1,500)			
MedAssets, Inc. ⁽³⁾	Common Stock (224,817 shares)		2,049	6,652
(Business Services)	Total Investment		2,049	6,652
Mid-Atlantic Venture Fund IV, L.P. ⁽⁵⁾	Limited Partnership Interest		6,975	1,791
(Private Equity Fund)	Total Investment		6,975	1,791
Milestone AV Technologies, Inc.	Subordinated Debt (11.3%, Due 6/13)	37,500	37,500	36,750

(Business Services)	Total Investment		37,500	36,750
NetShape Technologies, Inc.	Senior Loan (8.6%, Due 2/13)	5,802	5,773	5,773
(Industrial Products)	Total Investment		5,773	5,773
Network Hardware Resale, Inc.	Unitranche Debt (10.5%, Due 12/11)	20,512	20,614	20,614
(Business Services)	Convertible Subordinated Debt (9.8%, Due 12/15)	13,242	13,302	15,586
	Total Investment		33,916	36,200
Norwesco, Inc.	Subordinated Debt (12.7%, Due 1/12 7/12)	82,924	82,674	82,674
(Industrial Products)	Common Stock (559,603 shares) ⁽¹²⁾		38,313	117,831
	Warrants ⁽¹²⁾			
	Total Investment		120,987	200,505
Novak Biddle Venture Partners III, L.P. ⁽⁵⁾	Limited Partnership Interest		1,910	1,256
(Private Equity Fund)	Total Investment		1,910	1,256
Oahu Waste Services, Inc.	Stock Appreciation Rights		239	998
(Business Services)	Total Investment		239	998

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Private Finance

Portfolio Company

(in thousands, except number of shares)	Investment ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	December 31, 2007		
		Principal	Cost	Value
Odyssey Investment Partners Fund III, LP ⁽⁵⁾	Limited Partnership Interest		\$ 2,276	\$ 2,567
(Private Equity Fund)	Total Investment		2,276	2,567
Pangaea CLO 2007-1 Ltd. ⁽⁴⁾	Subordinated Debt (10.2%, Due 10/21)	\$ 15,000	11,570	11,570
(CLO)	Total Investment		11,570	11,570
Passport Health Communications, Inc. (Healthcare Services)	Preferred Stock (651,381 shares) Common Stock (19,680 shares)		2,000 48	2,433 7
	Total Investment		2,048	2,440
PC Helps Support, LLC (Business Services)	Senior Loan (8.9%, Due 12/13) Subordinated Debt (13.3%, Due 12/13)	20,000 30,895	20,000 30,743	20,000 30,743
	Total Investment		50,743	50,743
Pendum, Inc. (Business Services)	Subordinated Debt (17.0%, Due 1/11) ⁽⁶⁾ Preferred Stock (82,715 shares) Warrants	34,028	34,028	
	Total Investment		34,028	
Performant Financial Corporation (Business Services)	Common Stock (478,816 shares)		734	
	Total Investment		734	
PharMEDium Healthcare Corporation (Healthcare Services)	Senior Loan (8.6%, Due 10/13)	19,577	19,577	19,577
	Total Investment		19,577	19,577

Postle Aluminum Company, LLC (Industrial Products)	Unitranche Debt (11.0%, Due 10/12) Equity Interests	61,500	61,252 2,500	61,252 3,092
	Total Investment		63,752	64,344
Pro Mach, Inc. (Industrial Products)	Subordinated Debt (13.0%, Due 6/12) Equity Interests	14,562	14,506 1,500	14,506 1,596
	Total Investment		16,006	16,102
Promo Works, LLC (Business Services)	Unitranche Debt (10.3%, Due 12/11) Guaranty (\$600)	26,215	26,006	26,006
	Total Investment		26,006	26,006
Reed Group, Ltd. (Healthcare Services)	Senior Loan (8.7%, Due 12/13) Subordinated Debt (13.8%, Due 12/13) Equity Interests	21,000 18,000	20,970 17,910 1,800	20,970 17,910 1,800
	Total Investment		40,680	40,680
S.B. Restaurant Company (Retail)	Unitranche Debt (9.8%, Due 4/11) Preferred Stock (54,125 shares) Warrants Standby Letters of Credit (\$2,540)	34,001	33,733 135 619	33,733 135 2,095
	Total Investment		34,487	35,963

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Private Finance Portfolio Company		December 31, 2007		
(in thousands, except number of shares)	Investment⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Principal	Cost	Value
SBBUT, LLC	Equity Interests		\$	\$
(Consumer Products)	Total Investment			
Service Center Metals, LLC	Subordinated Debt (15.5%, Due 9/11)	\$ 5,000	4,981	4,981
(Industrial Products)	Equity Interests		313	343
	Total Investment		5,294	5,324
Snow Phipps Group, L.P. ⁽⁵⁾	Limited Partnership Interest		2,288	2,288
(Private Equity Fund)	Total Investment		2,288	2,288
SPP Mezzanine Funding, L.P. ⁽⁵⁾	Limited Partnership Interest		2,268	1,942
(Private Equity Fund)	Total Investment		2,268	1,942
SPP Mezzanine Funding II, L.P. ⁽⁵⁾	Limited Partnership Interest		4,077	3,731
(Private Equity Fund)	Total Investment		4,077	3,731
Stag-Parkway, Inc.	Unitranche Debt (10.8%, Due 7/12)	51,000	50,810	50,810
(Business Services)	Total Investment		50,810	50,810
STS Operating, Inc.	Subordinated Debt (11.0%, Due 1/13)	30,386	30,273	30,273
(Industrial Products)	Total Investment		30,273	30,273
Summit Energy Services, Inc.	Senior Loan (8.5%, Due 8/13)	24,239	24,239	23,512
(Business Services)		35,765	35,596	35,596

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	Subordinated Debt (11.6%, Due 8/13)			
	Common Stock (89,406 shares)		2,000	1,995
	Total Investment		61,835	61,103
Tappan Wire & Cable Inc. (Business Services)	Unitranche Debt (15.0%, Due 8/14)	24,100	23,975	23,975
	Common Stock (15,000 shares) ⁽¹²⁾		2,250	5,810
	Warrant ⁽¹²⁾			
	Total Investment		26,225	29,785
The Step2 Company, LLC (Consumer Products)	Unitranche Debt (11.0%, Due 4/12)	96,041	95,693	95,693
	Equity Interests		2,483	2,987
	Total Investment		98,176	98,680
Tradesmen International, Inc. (Business Services)	Subordinated Debt (12.0%, Due 12/12)	49,124	48,431	48,431
	Total Investment		48,431	48,431
TransAmerican Auto Parts, LLC (Consumer Products)	Subordinated Debt (14.0%, Due 11/12)	24,076	23,907	23,907
	Equity Interests		1,198	1,014
	Total Investment		25,105	24,921
Trover Solutions, Inc. (Business Services)	Subordinated Debt (12.0%, Due 11/12)	60,000	59,740	59,740
	Total Investment		59,740	59,740
Universal Air Filter Company (Industrial Products)	Subordinated Debt (12.0%, Due 11/12)	14,750	14,688	14,688
	Total Investment		14,688	14,688

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Private Finance

Portfolio Company

(in thousands, except number of shares)	Investment ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Principal	December 31, 2007	
			Cost	Value
Udata Venture Partners II, L.P. ⁽⁵⁾	Limited Partnership Interest		\$ 4,465	\$ 4,306
(Private Equity Fund)	Total Investment		4,465	4,306
Venturehouse-Cibernet Investors, LLC	Equity Interest			54
(Business Services)	Total Investment			54
Venturehouse Group, LLC ⁽⁵⁾	Equity Interest			613
(Private Equity Fund)	Total Investment			613
VICORP Restaurants, Inc.	Warrants		33	
(Retail)	Total Investment		33	
Walker Investment Fund II, LLLP ⁽⁵⁾	Limited Partnership Interest		1,330	
(Private Equity Fund)	Total Investment		1,330	
WMA Equity Corporation and Affiliates	Subordinated Debt (13.6%, Due 4/13)	\$ 125,000	124,010	124,010
d/b/a Wear Me Apparel	Subordinated Debt (9.0%, Due 4/14) ⁽⁶⁾	13,033	13,033	13,302
(Consumer Products)	Common Stock (100 shares)		46,046	13,726
	Total Investment		183,089	151,038
Webster Capital II, L.P. ⁽⁵⁾	Limited Partnership Interest		897	897
(Private Equity Fund)	Total Investment		897	897

Woodstream Corporation (Consumer Products)	Subordinated Debt (12.0%, Due 2/15) Common Stock (7,500 shares)	90,000	89,574 7,500	89,574 7,482
	Total Investment		97,074	97,056
York Insurance Services Group, Inc. (Business Services)	Subordinated Debt (14.5%, Due 1/14) Common Stock (15,000 shares)	45,141	44,966 1,500	44,966 1,995
	Total Investment		46,466	46,961
Other companies	Other debt investments Other equity investments	159	57 8	62
	Total Investment		65	62
Total companies less than 5% owned			\$ 2,994,880	\$ 2,990,732
Total private finance (156 portfolio investments)			\$ 5,043,882	\$ 4,659,321

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Commercial Real Estate Finance
(in thousands, except number of loans)

	Stated Interest Rate Ranges	Number of Loans	December 31, 2007	
			Cost	Value
Commercial Mortgage Loans				
	Up to 6.99%	3	\$ 20,361	\$ 19,842
	7.00% 8.99%	8	22,768	22,768
	9.00% 10.99%	3	8,372	8,372
	11.00% 12.99%	1	10,456	10,456
	15.00% and above	2	3,970	3,970
Total commercial mortgage loans⁽¹³⁾		17	\$ 65,927	\$ 65,408
Real Estate Owned			\$ 15,272	\$ 21,253
Equity Interests⁽²⁾ Companies more than 25% owned			\$ 15,743	\$ 34,539
Guarantees (\$6,871)				
Standby Letter of Credit (\$1,295)				
Total commercial real estate finance			\$ 96,942	\$ 121,200
Total portfolio			\$ 5,140,824	\$ 4,780,521

	Yield	Cost	Value
Investments in Money Market and Other Securities			
American Beacon Money Market Select FD Fund	4.5%	\$ 126,910	\$ 126,910
American Beacon Money Market Fund	4.8%	40,163	40,163
SEI Daily Income Tr Prime Obligation Money Market Fund	4.9%	34,143	34,143
Columbia Money Market Reserves Fund	4.6%	6	6
Total		\$ 201,222	\$ 201,222

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(13) Commercial mortgage loans totaling \$14.3 million at value were on non-accrual status and therefore were considered non-income producing.

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Note 1. Organization and Other Matters

Allied Capital Corporation, a Maryland corporation, is a closed-end, non-diversified management investment company that has elected to be regulated as a business development company (BDC) under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (1940 Act). Allied Capital Corporation (ACC) has a real estate investment trust subsidiary, Allied Capital REIT, Inc. (Allied REIT), and several subsidiaries that are single member limited liability companies established for specific purposes including holding real estate properties. ACC also has a subsidiary, A.C. Corporation (AC Corp), that generally provides diligence and structuring services, as well as transaction, management, consulting, and other services, including underwriting and arranging senior loans, to the Company, its portfolio companies and its managed funds.

ACC and its subsidiaries, collectively, are referred to as the Company. The Company consolidates the results of its subsidiaries for financial reporting purposes.

Pursuant to Article 6 of Regulation S-X, the financial results of the Company's portfolio investments are not consolidated in the Company's financial statements. Portfolio investments are held for purposes of deriving investment income and future capital gains.

The investment objective of the Company is to achieve current income and capital gains. In order to achieve this objective, the Company has primarily invested in debt and equity securities of private companies in a variety of industries.

Events of Default, Liquidity and Operations

The Company experienced a significant reduction in its net worth during the second half of 2008, primarily resulting from net unrealized depreciation on its portfolio, which reflects market conditions. As a result, on December 30, 2008, the Company entered into amendments relating to its private notes and revolving line of credit, including amendments which added new covenants. The amendments are more fully described in Note 4 to the consolidated financial statements.

In January 2009 the Company re-opened discussions with the revolving line of credit lenders (the Lenders) and the private noteholders (the Noteholders) to seek relief under certain terms of both the revolving credit facility and the private notes due to a then-expected covenant default. It was subsequently determined that at December 31, 2008 the Company's asset coverage was less than the 200% required by the revolving credit facility and the private notes. Asset coverage generally refers to the percentage resulting from assets less accounts payable and other liabilities, divided by total debt. These discussions are continuing and the Company has expanded the discussions to encompass a more comprehensive restructuring of these debt agreements to provide long-term operational flexibility. As a result of these more comprehensive discussions, the Company has not completed the documents contemplated by the December 30, 2008 amendments to the revolving credit facility and private notes, which were to include a grant of a first lien security interest on substantially all of the Company's assets. Consequently, the administrative agent for the revolving credit facility has notified the Company that an event of default has occurred pursuant to the revolving credit facility. An event of default under the revolving credit facility constitutes an event of default under the private notes.

Pursuant to the 1940 Act, the Company is not permitted to issue indebtedness unless immediately after such issuance the Company has asset coverage of all outstanding indebtedness of at least 200%. The Company's publicly issued

unsecured notes payable require the Company to comply with this provision of the 1940 Act. At December 31, 2008, the Company's asset coverage ratio was 188%, which

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is less than the 200% requirement. As a result under the publicly issued unsecured notes payable, the Company will not be able to issue indebtedness until such time as its asset coverage returns to at least 200%. The Company has not experienced any default or cross default with respect to the publicly issued unsecured notes payable.

The existence of an event of default under the revolving credit facility and private notes restricts the Company from borrowing or obtaining letters of credit under its revolving credit facility, and from declaring dividends or other distributions to the Company's shareholders. Pursuant to the terms of the revolving credit facility, during the continuance of an event of default, the applicable spread on any borrowings outstanding and fees on any letters of credit outstanding under the revolving credit facility increase by up to 200 basis points. Pursuant to the terms of the private notes, during the continuance of an event of default, the rate of interest borne by the private notes increases by 200 basis points.

Neither the Lenders nor the Noteholders have accelerated repayment of the Company's obligations; however, the occurrence of an event of default permits the administrative agent for the Lenders, or the holders of more than 51% of the commitments under the revolving credit facility, to accelerate repayment of all amounts due, to terminate commitments thereunder, and to require the Company to provide cash collateral equal to the face amount of all outstanding letters of credit. Pursuant to the terms of the private notes, the occurrence of an event of default permits the holders of 51% or more of any issue of outstanding private notes to accelerate repayment of all amounts due thereunder.

The Company's consolidated financial statements have been prepared assuming that the Company will continue as a going concern. The Company does not have available cash resources sufficient to satisfy all of the obligations under these debt agreements should the lenders accelerate these obligations. These factors raise substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. The Company continues to seek a comprehensive restructuring of these debt agreements to provide long-term operational flexibility. In addition, the Company continues to sell assets to generate capital to repay debt. There can be no assurance that the Company's plans will be successful in addressing the liquidity uncertainties discussed above. In the event there is an acceleration of the amounts outstanding under the revolving credit facility or any issue of the private notes, it would cause the Company to evaluate other alternatives and would have a material adverse effect on the Company's operations. The accompanying consolidated financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from these uncertainties.

Note 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Presentation

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of ACC and its subsidiaries. All intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. Certain reclassifications have been made to the 2007 and 2006 balances to conform with the 2008 financial statement presentation.

The private finance portfolio and the interest and related portfolio income and net realized gains (losses) on the private finance portfolio are presented in three categories: companies more than 25% owned, which represent portfolio companies where the Company directly or indirectly owns more than 25% of the outstanding voting securities of such portfolio company or where the Company controls the portfolio company's board of directors and, therefore, are deemed controlled by the Company under the 1940 Act; companies owned 5% to 25%, which represent portfolio companies where the Company

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directly or indirectly owns 5% to 25% of the outstanding voting securities of such portfolio company or where the Company holds one or more seats on the portfolio company's board of directors and, therefore, are deemed to be an affiliated person under the 1940 Act; and companies less than 5% owned which represent portfolio companies where the Company directly or indirectly owns less than 5% of the outstanding voting securities of such portfolio company and where the Company has no other affiliations with such portfolio company. The interest and related portfolio income and net realized gains (losses) from the commercial real estate finance portfolio and other sources, including investments in money market and other securities, are included in the companies less than 5% owned category on the consolidated statement of operations.

In the ordinary course of business, the Company enters into transactions with portfolio companies that may be considered related party transactions.

The Company, as a BDC, has invested in illiquid securities including debt and equity securities of portfolio companies, CLO bonds and preferred shares/income notes, CDO bonds and investment funds. The Company's investments may be subject to certain restrictions on resale and generally have no established trading market. The Company values substantially all of its investments at fair value as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors in accordance with the Company's valuation policy and the provisions of the Investment Company Act of 1940 and FASB Statement No. 157, *Fair Value Measurements* (SFAS 157 or the Statement). The Company determines fair value to be the price that would be received for an investment in a current sale, which assumes an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. The Company's valuation policy considers the fact that no ready market exists for substantially all of the securities in which it invests and that fair value for its investments must typically be determined using unobservable inputs. The Company's valuation policy is intended to provide a consistent basis for determining the fair value of the portfolio.

The Company adopted SFAS 157 on a prospective basis in the first quarter of 2008. SFAS 157 requires the Company to assume that the portfolio investment is to be sold in the principal market to market participants, or in the absence of a principal market, the most advantageous market, which may be a hypothetical market. Market participants are defined as buyers and sellers in the principal or most advantageous market that are independent, knowledgeable, and willing and able to transact. In accordance with the Statement, the Company has considered its principal market, or the market in which the Company exits its portfolio investments with the greatest volume and level of activity.

The Company has determined that for its buyout investments, where the Company has control or could gain control through an option or warrant security, both the debt and equity securities of the portfolio investment would exit in the merger and acquisition (M&A) market as the principal market generally through a sale or recapitalization of the portfolio company. The Company believes that the in-use premise of value (as defined in SFAS 157), which assumes the debt and equity securities are sold together, is appropriate as this would provide maximum proceeds to the seller. As a result, the Company will continue to use the enterprise value methodology to determine the fair value of these investments under SFAS 157. Enterprise value means the entire value of the company to a market participant, including the sum of the values of debt and equity securities used to capitalize the enterprise at a point in time. Enterprise value is determined using various factors, including cash flow from operations of the portfolio company, multiples at which private companies are bought and sold, and other pertinent factors, such as recent offers to purchase a portfolio company, recent transactions involving the purchase or sale

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Note 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, continued

of the portfolio company's equity securities, liquidation events, or other events. The Company allocates the enterprise value to these securities in order of the legal priority of the securities.

While the Company typically exits its securities upon the sale or recapitalization of the portfolio company in the M&A market, for investments in portfolio companies where the Company does not have control or the ability to gain control through an option or warrant security, the Company cannot typically control the exit of its investment into its principal market (the M&A market). As a result, in accordance with SFAS 157, the Company is required to determine the fair value of these investments assuming a sale of the individual investment (the in-exchange premise of value) in a hypothetical market to a hypothetical market participant. The Company continues to perform an enterprise value analysis for the investments in this category to assess the credit risk of the loan or debt security and to determine the fair value of its equity investment in these portfolio companies. The determined equity values are generally discounted when the Company has a minority ownership position, restrictions on resale, specific concerns about the receptivity of the capital markets to a specific company at a certain time, or other factors, which the Company believes would lead a market participant to discount such securities. For loan and debt securities, the Company performs a yield analysis assuming a hypothetical current sale of the investment. The yield analysis requires the Company to estimate the expected repayment date of the instrument and a market participant's required yield. The Company's estimate of the expected repayment date of a loan or debt security is generally shorter than the legal maturity of the instruments as the Company's loans have historically been repaid prior to the maturity date. The yield analysis considers changes in interest rates and changes in leverage levels of the loan or debt security as compared to the Company's estimates of market interest rates and leverage levels at the balance sheet date. Assuming the credit quality of the loan or debt security remains stable, the Company will use the value determined by the yield analysis as the fair value for that security. A change in the assumptions that the Company uses to estimate the fair value of its loans and debt securities using the yield analysis could have a material impact on the determination of fair value. If there is deterioration in credit quality or a loan or debt security is in workout status, the Company may consider other factors in determining the fair value of a loan or debt security, including the value attributable to the loan or debt security from the enterprise value of the portfolio company or the proceeds that would be received in a liquidation analysis.

The Company's equity investments in private debt and equity funds are generally valued at such fund's net asset value, unless other factors lead to a determination of fair value at a different amount. The value of the Company's equity securities in public companies for which quoted prices in an active market are readily available is based on the closing public market price on the measurement date.

The fair value of the Company's CLO bonds and preferred shares/income notes and CDO bonds (CLO/CDO Assets) is generally based on a discounted cash flow model that utilizes prepayment, re-investment and loss assumptions based on historical experience and projected performance, economic factors, the characteristics of the underlying cash flow, and comparable yields for similar bonds and preferred shares/income notes, when available. The Company recognizes unrealized appreciation or depreciation on its CLO/CDO Assets as comparable yields in the market change and/or based on changes in estimated cash flows resulting from changes in prepayment, re-investment or loss assumptions in the underlying collateral pool, or changes in redemption assumptions for the CLO/CDO Assets, if applicable. The Company determines the fair value of its CLO/CDO Assets on an individual security-by-security basis.

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The Company will record unrealized depreciation on investments when it determines that the fair value of a security is less than its cost basis, and will record unrealized appreciation when it determines that the fair value is greater than its cost basis. Because of the inherent uncertainty of valuation, the values determined at the measurement date may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had a ready market existed for the investments, and the differences could be material. Additionally, changes in the market environment and other events that may occur over the life of the investments may cause the gains or losses ultimately realized on these investments to be different than the values determined at the measurement date.

Net Realized Gains or Losses and Net Change in Unrealized Appreciation or Depreciation

Realized gains or losses are measured by the difference between the net proceeds from the repayment or sale and the cost basis of the investment without regard to unrealized appreciation or depreciation previously recognized, and include investments charged off during the period, net of recoveries. Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation primarily reflects the change in portfolio investment values during the reporting period, including the reversal of previously recorded unrealized appreciation or depreciation when gains or losses are realized. Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation also reflects the change in the value of U.S. Treasury bills, when applicable, and depreciation on accrued interest and dividends receivable and other assets where collection is doubtful.

Interest and Dividend Income

Interest income is recorded on an accrual basis to the extent that such amounts are expected to be collected. For loans and debt securities with contractual payment-in-kind interest, which represents contractual interest accrued and added to the loan balance that generally becomes due at maturity, the Company will not accrue payment-in-kind interest if the portfolio company valuation indicates that the payment-in-kind interest is not collectible. In general, interest is not accrued on loans and debt securities if the Company has doubt about interest collection or where the enterprise value of the portfolio company may not support further accrual. Loans in workout status generally do not accrue interest. In addition, interest may not accrue on loans or debt securities to portfolio companies that are more than 50% owned by the Company depending on such company's capital requirements.

When the Company receives nominal cost warrants or free equity securities (nominal cost equity), the Company allocates its cost basis in its investment between its debt securities and its nominal cost equity at the time of origination. At that time, the original issue discount basis of the nominal cost equity is recorded by increasing the cost basis in the equity and decreasing the cost basis in the related debt securities. Loan origination fees, original issue discount, and market discount are capitalized and then amortized into interest income using a method that approximates the effective interest method. Upon the prepayment of a loan or debt security, any unamortized loan origination fees are recorded as interest income and any unamortized original issue discount or market discount is recorded as a realized gain.

The weighted average yield on loans and debt securities is computed as the (a) annual stated interest on accruing loans and debt securities plus the annual amortization of loan origination fees, original issue discount, and market discount on accruing loans and debt securities less the annual amortization of loan origination costs, divided by (b) total loans and debt securities at value. The weighted average yield is computed as of the balance sheet date.

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The Company recognizes interest income on the CLO preferred shares/income notes using the effective interest method, based on the anticipated yield that is determined using the estimated cash flows over the projected life of the investment. Yields are revised when there are changes in actual or estimated cash flows due to changes in prepayments and/or re-investments, credit losses or asset pricing. Changes in estimated yield are recognized as an adjustment to the estimated yield over the remaining life of the preferred shares/income notes from the date the estimated yield was changed. CLO and CDO bonds have stated interest rates. The weighted average yield on the CLO/CDO Assets is calculated as the (a) annual stated interest or the effective interest yield on the accruing bonds or the effective yield on the preferred shares/income notes, divided by (b) CLO/CDO Assets at value. The weighted average yields are computed as of the balance sheet date.

Dividend income on preferred equity securities is recorded as dividend income on an accrual basis to the extent that such amounts are expected to be collected and to the extent that the Company has the option to receive the dividend in cash. Dividend income on common equity securities is recorded on the record date for private companies or on the ex-dividend date for publicly traded companies.

Fee Income

Fee income includes fees for loan prepayment premiums, guarantees, commitments, and services rendered by the Company to portfolio companies and other third parties such as diligence, structuring, transaction services, management and consulting services, and other services. Loan prepayment premiums are recognized at the time of prepayment. Guaranty and commitment fees are generally recognized as income over the related period of the guaranty or commitment, respectively. Diligence, structuring, and transaction services fees are generally recognized as income when services are rendered or when the related transactions are completed. Management, consulting and other services fees are generally recognized as income as the services are rendered. Fees are not accrued if the Company has doubt about the collection of those fees.

Guarantees

Guarantees meeting the characteristics described in FASB Interpretation No. 45, *Guarantor's Accounting and Disclosure Requirements for Guarantees, Including Indirect Guarantees of Indebtedness of Others* and issued or modified after December 31, 2002, are recognized at fair value at inception. Guarantees made on behalf of portfolio companies are considered in determining the fair value of the Company's investments. See Note 5.

Financing Costs

Debt financing costs are based on actual costs incurred in obtaining debt financing and are deferred and amortized as part of interest expense over the term of the related debt instrument using a method that approximates the effective interest method. Costs associated with the issuance of common stock are recorded as a reduction to the proceeds from the sale of common stock. Financing costs generally include underwriting, accounting and legal fees, and printing costs.

Dividends to Shareholders

Dividends to shareholders are recorded on the ex-dividend date.

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Stock Compensation Plans

The Company has a stock-based employee compensation plan. See Note 9. Effective January 1, 2006, the Company adopted the provisions of FASB Statement No. 123 (Revised 2004), *Share-Based Payment* (SFAS 123R). SFAS 123R was adopted using the modified prospective method of application, which required the Company to recognize compensation costs on a prospective basis beginning January 1, 2006. Accordingly, the Company did not restate prior year financial statements. Under this method, the unamortized cost of previously awarded options that were unvested as of January 1, 2006, is recognized over the remaining service period in the statement of operations, using the fair value amounts determined for pro forma disclosure under SFAS 123R. With respect to options granted on or after January 1, 2006, compensation cost based on estimated grant date fair value is recognized over the related service period in the consolidated statement of operations. The stock option expense for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, was as follows:

(\$ in millions, except per share amounts)	2008	2007	2006
Employee Stock Option Expense:			
Options granted:			
Previously awarded, unvested options as of January 1, 2006	\$ 3.9	\$ 10.1	\$ 13.2
Options granted on or after January 1, 2006	7.9	10.7	2.4
Total options granted	11.8	20.8	15.6
Options cancelled in connection with tender offer (see Note 9)		14.4	
Total employee stock option expense	\$ 11.8	\$ 35.2	\$ 15.6
Per basic share	\$ 0.07	\$ 0.23	\$ 0.11
Per diluted share	\$ 0.07	\$ 0.23	\$ 0.11

In addition to the employee stock option expense for options granted, administrative expense included \$0.1 million, \$0.2 million, and \$0.2 million of expense for each of the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively, related to options granted to directors during each year. Options were granted to non-officer directors in the second quarters of 2008, 2007 and 2006. Options granted to non-officer directors vest on the grant date and therefore, the full expense is recorded on the grant date.

Options Granted. The stock option expense shown in the tables above were based on the underlying value of the options granted by the Company. The fair value of each option grant was estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model and expensed over the vesting period. The following weighted average assumptions were used to calculate the fair value of options granted during the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006:

	2008	2007	2006
Expected term (in years)	5.0	5.0	5.0
Risk-free interest rate	2.8%	4.6%	4.8%
Expected volatility	27.8%	26.4%	29.1%
Dividend yield	8.5%	8.9%	9.0%
Weighted average fair value per option	\$ 2.18	\$ 2.96	\$ 3.47

The expected term of the options granted represents the period of time that such options are expected to be outstanding. To determine the expected term of the options, the Company used historical

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data to estimate option exercise time frames, including considering employee terminations. The risk free rate was based on the U.S. Treasury bond yield curve at the date of grant consistent with the expected term. Expected volatilities were determined based on the historical volatility of the Company's common stock over a historical time period consistent with the expected term. The dividend yield was determined based on the Company's historical dividend yield over a historical time period consistent with the expected term.

To determine the stock options expense for options granted, the calculated fair value of the options granted is applied to the options granted, net of assumed future option forfeitures. The Company estimates that the employee-related stock option expense for outstanding unvested options as of December 31, 2008, will be approximately \$3.5 million, \$3.9 million and \$3.7 million for the years ended December 31, 2009, 2010 and 2011, respectively. This estimate does not include any expense related to stock option grants after December 31, 2008, as the fair value of those stock options will be determined at the time of grant. This estimate may change if the Company's assumptions related to future option forfeitures change. The aggregate total stock option expense remaining as of December 31, 2008, is expected to be recognized over an estimated weighted-average period of 1.53 years.

Options Cancelled in Connection with Tender Offer. As discussed in Note 9, the Company completed a tender offer in July 2007, whereby the Company accepted for cancellation 10.3 million vested options held by employees and non-officer directors of the Company in exchange for an option cancellation payment (OCP). The OCP was equal to the in-the-money value of the stock options cancelled, determined using the Weighted Average Market Price of \$31.75, and was paid one-half in cash and one-half in unregistered shares of the Company's common stock. In accordance with the terms of the tender offer, the Weighted Average Market Price represented the volume weighted average price of the Company's common stock over the fifteen trading days preceding the first day of the offer period, or June 20, 2007. Because the Weighted Average Market Price at the commencement of the tender offer on June 20, 2007, was higher than the market price of the Company's common stock at the close of the offer on July 18, 2007, SFAS 123R required the Company to record a non-cash employee-related stock option expense of \$14.4 million and administrative expense related to stock options cancelled that were held by non-officer directors of \$0.4 million. The same amounts were recorded as an increase to additional paid-in capital and, therefore, had no effect on the Company's net asset value. The portion of the OCP paid in cash of \$52.8 million reduced the Company's additional paid-in capital and therefore reduced the Company's net asset value. For income tax purposes, the Company's tax deduction resulting from the OCP will be similar to the tax deduction that would have resulted from an exercise of stock options in the market. Any tax deduction for the Company resulting from the OCP or an exercise of stock options in the market is limited by Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code (Code).

Federal and State Income Taxes and Excise Tax

The Company has complied with the requirements of the Code that are applicable to regulated investment companies (RIC) and real estate investment trusts (REIT). ACC and any subsidiaries that qualify as a RIC or a REIT intend to distribute or retain through a deemed distribution all of their annual taxable income to shareholders; therefore, the Company has made no provision for income taxes exclusive of excise taxes for these entities.

If the Company does not distribute at least 98% of its annual taxable income in the year earned, the Company will generally be required to pay an excise tax equal to 4% of the amount by which 98% of

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the Company's annual taxable income exceeds the distributions from such taxable income during the year earned. To the extent that the Company determines that its estimated current year annual taxable income will be in excess of estimated current year dividend distributions from such taxable income, the Company accrues excise taxes on estimated excess taxable income as taxable income is earned using an annual effective excise tax rate. The annual effective excise tax rate is determined by dividing the estimated annual excise tax by the estimated annual taxable income.

Income taxes for AC Corp are accounted for under the asset and liability method. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases as well as operating loss and tax credit carryforwards. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled.

Per Share Information

Basic earnings per common share is calculated using the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the year presented. Diluted earnings per common share reflects the potential dilution that could occur if options to issue common stock were exercised into common stock. Earnings per share is computed after subtracting dividends on preferred shares, if any.

Use of Estimates in the Preparation of Financial Statements

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

The consolidated financial statements include portfolio investments at value of \$3.5 billion and \$4.8 billion at December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively. At December 31, 2008 and 2007, 94% and 92%, respectively, of the Company's total assets represented portfolio investments whose fair values have been determined by the Board of Directors in good faith in the absence of readily available market values. Because of the inherent uncertainty of valuation, the Board of Directors' determined values may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had a ready market existed for the investments, and the differences could be material.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In June 2006, the FASB issued Interpretation No. 48, *Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes*, which clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in income taxes recognized in an enterprise's financial statements in accordance with FASB Statement No. 109, *Accounting for Income Taxes*. This interpretation is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2006. The adoption of this interpretation did not have a significant effect on the Company's consolidated financial position or its results of operations.

In September 2006, the FASB issued Statement No. 157, *Fair Value Measurements*. This statement defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in generally accepted accounting

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principles, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. This statement is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007, and interim periods within those fiscal years. The Company has adopted this statement on a prospective basis beginning in the quarter ending March 31, 2008. The initial adoption of this statement did not have a material effect on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In February 2007, the FASB issued Statement No. 159, *The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities Including an Amendment of FASB Statement No. 115*. This statement permits an entity to choose to measure many financial instruments and certain other items at fair value. This statement applies to all reporting entities, and contains financial statement presentation and disclosure requirements for assets and liabilities reported at fair value as a consequence of the election. This statement is effective for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007, and interim periods within those fiscal years. The Company did not elect fair value measurement for assets or liabilities other than portfolio investments, which were already required to be measured at fair value, therefore, the adoption of this statement did not impact the Company's consolidated financial position or its results of operations.

In October 2008, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position No. 157-3, *Determining the Fair Value of a Financial Asset When the Market for That Asset Is Not Active*. This FSP applies to financial assets within the scope of accounting pronouncements that require or permit fair value measurements in accordance with Statement 157. This FSP clarifies the application of Statement 157 in a market that is not active and provides an example to illustrate key considerations in determining the fair value. The Company has applied the provisions of this FSP in determining the fair value of its portfolio investments at December 31, 2008. The application of the FSP did not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial position or its results of operations.

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Note 3. Portfolio

Private Finance

At December 31, 2008 and 2007, the private finance portfolio consisted of the following:

(\$ in millions)	Cost	2008 Value	Yield ⁽¹⁾	Cost	2007 Value	Yield ⁽¹⁾
Loans and debt securities:						
Senior loans	\$ 556.9	\$ 306.3	5.6%	\$ 374.1	\$ 344.3	7.7%
Unitranche debt ⁽²⁾	527.5	456.4	12.0%	659.2	653.9	11.5%
Subordinated debt ⁽³⁾	2,300.1	1,829.1	12.9%	2,576.4	2,416.4	12.8%
Total loans and debt securities ⁽⁴⁾	3,384.5	2,591.8	11.9%	3,609.7	3,414.6	12.1%
Equity securities:						
Preferred shares/income notes of CLOs ⁽⁵⁾	248.2	179.2	16.4%	218.3	203.0	14.6%
Subordinated certificates in Unitranche Fund LLC ⁽⁵⁾	125.4	125.4	12.0%	0.7	0.7	12.4%
Other equity securities	1,119.3	502.7		1,215.2	1,041.0	
Total equity securities	1,492.9	807.3		1,434.2	1,244.7	
Total	\$ 4,877.4	\$ 3,399.1		\$ 5,043.9	\$ 4,659.3	

(1) The weighted average yield on loans and debt securities is computed as the (a) annual stated interest on accruing loans and debt securities plus the annual amortization of loan origination fees, original issue discount, and market discount on accruing loans and debt securities less the annual amortization of loan origination costs, divided by (b) total loans and debt securities at value. At December 31, 2007, the cost and value of subordinated debt included the Class A equity interests in Ciena Capital LLC, which were placed on non-accrual status during the fourth quarter of 2006. At December 31, 2008, senior loans included the senior secured loan to Ciena totaling \$319.0 million at cost and \$104.9 million at value, which was placed on non-accrual on the purchase date.

The weighted average yield on the preferred shares/income notes of CLOs is calculated as the (a) effective interest yield on the preferred shares/income notes of CLOs, divided by (b) total preferred shares/income notes of CLOs at value. The weighted average yields are computed as of the balance sheet date. The effective interest yield on the CLO assets represents the yield used for recording interest income. The market yield used in the valuation of the CLO assets may be different than the interest yields.

The weighted average yield on the subordinated certificates in the Unitranche Fund LLC is computed as the (a) annual stated interest divided by (b) total investment at value.

(2) Unitranche debt is an investment that combines both senior and subordinated financing, generally in a first lien position.

(3) Subordinated debt includes bonds in CLOs and in a CDO.

(4)

The total principal balance outstanding on loans and debt securities was \$3,418.0 million and \$3,639.6 million at December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively. The difference between principal and cost primarily represents unamortized loan origination fees and costs, original issue discounts, and market discounts totaling \$33.5 million and \$29.9 million at December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

- (5) Investments in the preferred shares/income notes of CLOs and the subordinated certificates in Unitranche Fund LLC earn a current return that is included in interest income in the accompanying consolidated statement of operations.

The Company's private finance investment activity principally involves providing financing through privately negotiated debt and equity investments. The Company's private finance debt and equity investments generally are issued by private companies and generally are illiquid and may be subject to certain restrictions on resale.

The Company's private finance debt investments generally are structured as loans and debt securities that carry a relatively high fixed rate of interest, which may be combined with equity features, such as conversion privileges, or warrants or options to purchase a portion of the portfolio company's equity at a pre-determined strike price, which generally is a nominal price for warrants or options in a private company. The annual stated interest rate is only one factor in pricing the investment relative to the

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Company's rights and priority in the portfolio company's capital structure, and will vary depending on many factors, including if the Company has received nominal cost equity or other components of investment return, such as loan origination fees or market discount. The stated interest rate may include some component of contractual payment-in-kind interest, which represents contractual interest accrued and added to the loan balance that generally becomes due at maturity.

At December 31, 2008 and 2007, 85% and 86%, respectively of the private finance loans and debt securities had a fixed rate of interest and 15% and 14%, respectively, had a floating rate of interest. Senior loans may carry a fixed rate of interest or a floating rate of interest, set as a spread over prime or LIBOR, and may require payments of both principal and interest throughout the life of the loan. Senior loans generally have contractual maturities of three to six years and interest is generally paid to the Company monthly or quarterly. Unitranche debt generally carries a fixed rate of interest. Unitranche debt generally requires payments of both principal and interest throughout the life of the loan. Unitranche debt generally has contractual maturities of five to six years and interest generally is paid to the Company quarterly. Subordinated debt generally carries a fixed rate of interest generally with contractual maturities of five to ten years and generally has interest-only payments in the early years and payments of both principal and interest in the later years, although maturities and principal amortization schedules may vary. Interest on subordinated debt generally is paid to the Company quarterly.

Equity securities primarily consist of securities issued by private companies and may be subject to certain restrictions on their resale and are generally illiquid. The Company may make equity investments for minority stakes in portfolio companies or may receive equity features, such as nominal cost warrants. The Company also may invest in the equity (preferred and/or voting or non-voting common) of a portfolio company where the Company's equity ownership may represent a significant portion of the equity, but may or may not represent a controlling interest. If the Company invests in non-voting equity in a buyout investment, the Company generally has the option to acquire a controlling stake in the voting securities of the portfolio company at fair market value. The Company may incur costs associated with making buyout investments that will be included in the cost basis of the Company's equity investment. These include costs such as legal, accounting and other professional fees associated with diligence, referral and investment banking fees, and other costs. Equity securities generally do not produce a current return, but are held with the potential for investment appreciation and ultimate gain on sale.

Ciena Capital LLC. Ciena Capital LLC (f/k/a Business Loan Express, LLC) (Ciena) has provided loans to commercial real estate owners and operators. Ciena has been a participant in the Small Business Administration's 7(a) Guaranteed Loan Program and its wholly-owned subsidiary is licensed by the SBA as a Small Business Lending Company (SBLC). Ciena is headquartered in New York, NY.

At December 31, 2008 and 2007, the Company's investment in Ciena was as follows:

(\$ in millions)	2008		2007	
	Cost	Value	Cost	Value
Senior Loan	\$ 319.0	\$ 104.9	\$	\$
Class A Equity Interests			99.0	68.6

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Class B Equity Interests ⁽¹⁾	119.5		119.5	
Class C Equity Interests ⁽¹⁾	109.3		109.3	
Total	\$ 547.8	\$ 104.9	\$ 327.8	\$ 68.6

⁽¹⁾ At December 31, 2008 and 2007, the Company held 100% of the Class B equity interests and 94.9% of the Class C equity interests.

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At December 31, 2008 and 2007, other assets includes amounts receivable from or related to Ciena totaling \$15.4 million and \$5.4 million at cost and \$2.1 million and \$5.4 million at value, respectively. During the fourth quarter of 2008, the Company sold its Class A Equity Interests in Ciena for nominal consideration to affiliates of AllBridge Financial, LLC, and realized a loss of \$98.9 million. Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation for the year ended December 31, 2008, included a decrease in the Company's investment in Ciena totaling \$296.0 million and the reversal of unrealized depreciation of \$99.0 million associated with the realized loss on the sale of the Company's Class A equity interests. Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation included a net decrease in the Company's investment in Ciena of \$174.5 million and \$142.3 million for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

In addition, at December 31, 2008, the Company had standby letters of credit issued under the Company's line of credit of \$102.6 million in connection with term securitization transactions completed by Ciena. Due to the economic environment, the term securitizations have experienced increasing defaults and the financial institution that has issued these letters of credit has experienced a ratings downgrade; therefore, some of these letters of credit may be drawn beginning in 2009. Because the Company's asset coverage ratio is currently less than 200%, an event of default has occurred under the Company's line of credit and the Company may need to fund these letter of credit draws with cash in lieu of a borrowing under the Company's line of credit. The Company has considered any funding under the letters of credit in the valuation of Ciena at December 31, 2008.

Ciena has continued to experience significant deterioration in the value of its assets primarily as a result of an increase in borrower defaults in the current economic environment and decreasing values for financial assets. On September 30, 2008, Ciena voluntarily filed for bankruptcy protection under Chapter 11 of Title 11 of the United States Code (the Bankruptcy Code) in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the Court). Ciena continues to operate its servicing business and manage its assets as a debtor-in-possession under the jurisdiction of the Court and in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code and the orders of the Court. Ciena believes that by filing for bankruptcy protection it will be able to proceed with an orderly sale of its assets over time in more favorable market conditions in the future and thereby maximize the value of its assets and reduce costs in order to repay its debts.

As a result of Ciena's decision to file for bankruptcy protection, the Company's unconditional guaranty of the obligations outstanding under Ciena's revolving credit facility became due, and the Company, in lieu of paying under its guaranty, purchased the positions of the senior lenders under Ciena's revolving credit facility except for a \$5 million position held by Citibank, N.A. The Company paid \$325.4 million to fund the purchase, which included \$319.0 million of principal, \$1.4 million of interest, and \$5.0 million of other payments related to the revolving credit facility and the bankruptcy. As of December 31, 2008, the senior secured loan had a cost basis of \$319.0 million and a value of \$104.9 million. The Company continues to guarantee the remaining principal balance of \$5 million, plus related interest, fees and expenses payable to Citibank. In connection with the Company's continuing guaranty of the amounts held by Citibank, the Company has agreed with Citibank that the amounts owing to Citibank under the Ciena revolving credit facility will be paid before any of the secured obligations of Ciena now owed to the Company.

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Note 3. Portfolio, continued

Total interest and related portfolio income earned from the Company's investment in Ciena for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, was as follows:

(\$ in millions)	2008	2007	2006
Interest income on subordinated debt and Class A equity interests ⁽¹⁾	\$	\$	\$ 11.9
Fees and other income		5.4	7.8
Total interest and related portfolio income	\$	\$ 5.4	\$ 19.7

⁽¹⁾ Interest and dividend income from Ciena for the years ended December 31, 2006, included interest and dividend income of \$5.7 million, which was paid in kind. The interest and dividends paid in kind were paid to the Company through the issuance of additional debt or equity interests.

In the fourth quarter of 2006, the Company placed its investment in Ciena's 25% Class A equity interests on non-accrual status. As a result, there was no interest income from the Company's investment in Ciena for the years ended December 31, 2007, and 2008. In consideration for providing a guaranty on Ciena's revolving credit facility and standby letters of credit, the Company earned fees of \$5.4 million and \$6.1 million for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively, which were included in fees and other income. Ciena has not yet paid the \$5.4 million in such fees earned by the Company in 2007, and at December 31, 2008, and 2007, such fees were included as a receivable in other assets with a carrying amount net of depreciation of zero and \$5.4 million, respectively. The Company considered these outstanding receivables in its valuation of Ciena at December 31, 2008 and 2007. The remaining fees and other income in 2006 relate to management fees from Ciena. The Company did not accrue the fees earned from Ciena for providing the guaranty and standby letters of credit for the nine months ended September 30, 2008. Subsequent to September 30, 2008, the Company will not earn any fees from Ciena for continuing to provide the guaranty or letters of credit.

At December 31, 2008, Ciena had two non-recourse securitization warehouse facilities, both of which have matured. In order to pay down debt under the conventional loan warehouse facility, Ciena is in the process of selling loans on behalf of the conventional loan warehouse facility providers. Ciena is also working with the providers of the SBA loan warehouse facility with regard to the repayment of that facility. The Company has issued performance guaranties whereby the Company agreed to indemnify the warehouse providers for any damages, losses, liabilities and related costs and expenses that they may incur as a result of Ciena's failure to perform any of its obligations as loan originator, loan seller or loan servicer under the warehouse securitizations.

The Office of the Inspector General of the SBA (OIG) and the United States Secret Service are conducting ongoing investigations of allegedly fraudulently obtained SBA-guaranteed loans issued by Ciena. Specifically, on or about January 9, 2007, Ciena became aware of an indictment captioned as the United States v. Harrington, No. 2:06-CR-20662 pending in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan. The indictment alleged that a former Ciena employee in the Detroit office engaged in the fraudulent origination of loans guaranteed,

in substantial part, by the SBA. The Company understands that Ciena is working cooperatively with the U.S. Attorney's Office and the investigating agencies with respect to this matter. On October 1, 2007, the former Ciena employee pled guilty to one count of conspiracy to fraudulently originate SBA-guaranteed loans and one count of making a false statement before a grand jury. The former Ciena employee was sentenced on November 13, 2008 to ten

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Note 3. Portfolio, continued

years imprisonment and was ordered to pay restitution of \$30 million to Ciena, \$2.9 million to a commercial bank, and \$800,000 to the SBA.

On March 6, 2007, Ciena entered into an agreement with the SBA. According to the agreement, Ciena would remain a preferred lender in the SBA 7(a) Guaranteed Loan Program and would retain the ability to sell loans into the secondary market. As part of this agreement, Ciena immediately paid approximately \$10 million to the SBA to cover amounts paid by the SBA with respect to some of the SBA-guaranteed loans that have been the subject of the charges by the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Michigan against Mr. Harrington. The agreement provided that, during its term, an independent third party selected by the SBA would review loans originated by Ciena before they could be sold into the secondary market and would review defaulted loans repurchased from the secondary market by Ciena before the SBA would reimburse Ciena. The March 6 agreement has expired. Ciena also entered into an escrow agreement with the SBA pursuant to which Ciena deposited \$10 million with the escrow agent for any additional payments Ciena may be obligated to pay to the SBA in the future under the agreement.

Ciena is also subject to other SBA and OIG audits, investigations, and reviews. In addition, the Office of the Inspector General of the U.S. Department of Agriculture is conducting an investigation of Ciena's lending practices under the Business and Industry Loan (B&I) program. The OIG and the U.S. Department of Justice are also conducting a civil investigation of Ciena's lending practices in various jurisdictions. The Company is unable to predict the outcome of these inquiries, and it is possible that third parties could try to seek to impose liability against the Company in connection with certain defaulted loans in Ciena's portfolio. These investigations, audits and reviews are ongoing.

On or about January 16, 2007, Ciena and its subsidiary Business Loan Center LLC (BLC) became aware of a lawsuit titled, *United States, ex rel James R. Brickman and Greenlight Capital, Inc. v. Business Loan Express LLC f/k/a Business Loan Express, Inc.; Business Loan Center LLC f/k/a Business Loan Center, Inc.; Robert Tannenhauser; Matthew McGee; and George Harrigan, 05-CV-3147 (JEC)*. The complaint includes allegations arising under the False Claims Act and relating to alleged fraud in connection with SBA guarantees on shrimp vessel loans. On December 18, 2007, the United States District Court for the Northern District of Georgia dismissed all claims in this matter. The plaintiffs appealed the dismissal. Ciena's bankruptcy filing automatically stayed the appeal; however, pursuant to Ciena's request, the Court lifted the automatic stay to permit the appeal to proceed. Oral arguments took place on February 3, 2009 before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 11th Circuit and the District Court's decision dismissing all claims by the 11th Circuit was affirmed on February 5, 2009. On February 23, 2009, the plaintiff/appellant filed a Petition for Rehearing En Banc, which is now pending.

These investigations, audits, reviews, and litigation have had and may continue to have a material adverse impact on Ciena and, as a result, could continue to negatively affect the Company's financial results. The Company has considered Ciena's voluntary filing for bankruptcy protection, current regulatory issues, ongoing investigations, and litigation in performing the valuation of Ciena at December 31, 2008.

Mercury Air Centers, Inc. In April 2004, the Company completed the purchase of a majority ownership in Mercury Air Centers, Inc. (Mercury). At December 31, 2006, the Company's investment in Mercury totaled \$84.3 million at cost and \$244.2 million at value, which included unrealized appreciation of \$159.9 million. In August 2007, the Company completed the sale of its majority equity interest in Mercury. For the year ended December 31, 2007, the Company realized a gain of \$262.4 million, subject to post-closing adjustments. For the year ended December 31,

2008, we realized

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Note 3. Portfolio, continued

an additional gain of \$6.0 million resulting from these post-closing adjustments. In addition, the Company was repaid approximately \$51 million of subordinated debt outstanding to Mercury at closing.

Mercury owned and operated fixed base operations generally under long-term leases from local airport authorities, which consisted of terminal and hangar complexes that serviced the needs of the general aviation community. Mercury was headquartered in Richmond Heights, OH.

Total interest and related portfolio income earned from the Company's investment in Mercury for the years ended December 31, 2007, and 2006, was as follows:

(\$ in millions)	2007	2006
Interest income	\$ 5.1	\$ 9.3
Fees and other income	0.2	0.6
Total interest and related portfolio income	\$ 5.3	\$ 9.9

Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation for the year ended December 31, 2007, included an increase in unrealized appreciation totaling \$74.9 million for the first half of 2007 and the reversal of \$234.8 million associated with the sale of the Company's majority equity interest in the third quarter of 2007. Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation for the year ended December 31, 2006, included an increase in unrealized appreciation of \$106.1 million related to the Company's investment in Mercury.

Advantage Sales and Marketing, Inc. In June 2004, the Company completed the purchase of a majority voting ownership in Advantage Sales and Marketing, Inc. (Advantage). At December 31, 2005, the Company's investment in Advantage totaled \$257.7 million at cost and \$660.4 million at value, which included unrealized appreciation of \$402.7 million. Advantage is a sales and marketing agency providing outsourced sales, merchandising, and marketing services to the consumer packaged goods industry. Advantage has offices across the United States and is headquartered in Irvine, CA.

On March 29, 2006, the Company sold its majority equity interest in Advantage. The Company was repaid its \$184 million in subordinated debt outstanding at closing. For the year ended December 31, 2006, the Company realized a gain on the sale of its equity investment of \$434.4 million, subject to post-closing adjustments and excluding any earn-out amounts. The Company realized additional gains in 2008 and 2007 resulting from post-closing adjustments and an earn-out payment totaling \$1.9 million and \$3.4 million, respectively, subject to additional post-closing adjustments.

As consideration for the common stock sold in the transaction, the Company received a \$150 million subordinated note, with the balance of the consideration paid in cash. In addition, a portion of the Company's cash proceeds from the sale of the common stock were placed in escrow, subject to certain holdback provisions. At December 31, 2008, the amount of the escrow included in other assets in the accompanying consolidated balance sheet was approximately

\$23.3 million. For tax purposes, the receipt of the \$150 million subordinated note as part of the Company's consideration for the common stock sold and the hold back of certain proceeds in escrow generally will allow the Company, through installment treatment, to defer the recognition of taxable income for a portion of the Company's realized gain until the note or other amounts are collected.

Total interest and related portfolio income earned from the Company's investment in Advantage while the Company held a majority equity interest was \$14.1 million (which included a prepayment

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Note 3. Portfolio, continued

premium of \$5.0 million) for the year ended December 31, 2006. In addition, the Company earned structuring fees of \$2.3 million on its new \$150 million subordinated debt investment in Advantage upon the closing of the sale in 2006. Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation for the year ended December 31, 2006, included the reversal of \$389.7 million of previously recorded unrealized appreciation associated with the realization of a gain on the sale of the Company's majority equity interest in Advantage.

In connection with the sale transaction, the Company retained an equity investment in the business valued at \$15 million at closing. During the fourth quarter of 2006, Advantage made a distribution on this minority equity investment, which resulted in a realized gain of \$4.8 million.

The Company's investment in Advantage at December 31, 2008, which was composed of subordinated debt and a minority equity interest, totaled \$158.1 million at cost and \$140.0 million at value which included unrealized depreciation of \$18.1 million. This investment was included in companies 5% to 25% owned in the consolidated financial statements as the Company continues to hold a seat on Advantage's board of directors.

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Note 3. Portfolio, continued

Collateralized Loan Obligations (CLOs) and Collateralized Debt Obligations (CDOs). At December 31, 2008 and 2007, the Company owned bonds and preferred shares/income notes in CLOs and bonds in a CDO as follows:

(\$ in millions)	Cost	2008 Value	Yield ⁽¹⁾	Cost	2007 Value	Yield ⁽¹⁾
<i>Bonds⁽²⁾:</i>						
Callidus Debt Partners CDO Fund I, Ltd.	\$ 28.4	\$ 10.1	39.4%	\$ 28.4	\$ 28.5	14.0%
Callidus Debt Partners CLO Fund IV, Ltd.	2.0	1.4	26.9%			
Callidus Debt Partners CLO Fund VI, Ltd.	7.1	3.9	26.1%	4.3	4.3	13.4%
Callidus MAPS CLO Fund I LLC	17.0	9.8	12.2%	17.0	16.1	11.0%
Callidus MAPS CLO Fund II LLC	3.6	3.0	30.2%			
Dryden XVIII Leveraged Loan 2007 Limited	7.7	4.5	20.5%	7.4	7.4	12.7%
Knightsbridge CLO 2007-1 Ltd. ⁽³⁾	18.7	14.9	17.4%	22.0	22.0	14.1%
Knightsbridge CLO 2008-1 Ltd. ⁽³⁾	31.4	31.4	10.2%			
Pangaea CLO 2007-1 Ltd.	11.8	7.1	25.0%	11.6	11.6	13.9%
Total bonds	127.7	86.1	18.5%	90.7	89.9	13.3%
<i>Preferred Shares/Income Notes:</i>						
Callidus Debt Partners CLO Fund III, Ltd.	20.1	5.4	%	21.8	20.0	14.1%
Callidus Debt Partners CLO Fund IV, Ltd.	14.6	10.6	18.1%	12.3	11.3	16.1%
Callidus Debt Partners CLO Fund V, Ltd.	13.4	10.3	21.3%	14.0	14.7	19.3%
Callidus Debt Partners CLO Fund VI, Ltd.	28.3	23.1	21.8%	27.0	27.0	19.3%
Callidus Debt Partners CLO Fund VII, Ltd.	24.0	15.4	17.9%	22.1	22.1	16.6%
Callidus MAPS CLO Fund I LLC	45.1	27.8	6.5%	49.3	36.1	7.6%
Callidus MAPS CLO Fund II, Ltd.	18.4	12.6	19.3%	18.7	18.7	14.7%
Dryden XVIII Leveraged Loan 2007 Limited	22.1	17.5	20.2%	21.9	21.9	14.2%
Knightsbridge CLO 2007-1 Ltd. ⁽³⁾	40.9	35.2	17.4%	31.2	31.2	15.2%
Knightsbridge CLO 2008-1 Ltd. ⁽³⁾	21.3	21.3	16.6%			
Total preferred shares/income notes	248.2	179.2	16.4%	218.3	203.0	14.6%
Total	\$ 375.9	\$ 265.3		\$ 309.0	\$ 292.9	

(1) The weighted average yield is calculated as the (a) annual stated interest or the effective interest yield on the accruing bonds or the effective interest yield on the preferred shares/income notes, divided by (b) CLO and CDO assets at value. The yield on these debt and equity securities is included in interest income in the accompanying consolidated statement of operations.

The market yield used in the valuation of the CLO and CDO assets may be different than the interest yields shown above.

(2) These securities are included in private finance subordinated debt.

(3) These funds are managed by the Company through a wholly-owned subsidiary.

The initial yields on the cost basis of the CLO preferred shares and income notes are based on the estimated future cash flows expected to be paid to these CLO classes from the underlying collateral assets. As each CLO preferred share or income note ages, the estimated future cash flows are updated based on the estimated performance of the underlying collateral assets, and the respective yield on the cost basis is adjusted as necessary. As future cash flows are subject to uncertainties and contingencies that are difficult to predict and are subject to future events that may alter current assumptions, no assurance can be given that the anticipated yields to maturity will be achieved.

The bonds, preferred shares and income notes of the CLOs and CDO in which the Company has invested are junior in priority for payment of interest and principal to the more senior notes issued by the CLOs and CDO. Cash flow from the underlying collateral assets in the CLOs and CDO generally is allocated first to the senior bonds in order of priority, then any remaining cash flow generally is distributed to the preferred shareholders and income note holders. To the extent there are ratings

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Note 3. Portfolio, continued

downgrades, defaults and unrecoverable losses on the underlying collateral assets that result in reduced cash flows, the preferred shares/income notes will bear this loss first and then the subordinated bonds would bear any loss after the preferred shares/income notes. At both December 31, 2008 and 2007, the face value of the CLO and CDO assets held by the Company was subordinate to as much as 94% of the face value of the securities outstanding in these CLOs and CDO.

At December 31, 2008 and 2007, based on information provided by the collateral managers, the underlying collateral assets of these CLO and CDO issuances, consisting primarily of senior corporate loans, were issued by 658 issuers and 671 issuers, respectively, and had principal balances as follows:

(\$ in millions)	2008	2007
Bonds	\$ 268.3	\$ 288.5
Syndicated loans	4,477.3	4,122.7
Cash ⁽¹⁾	89.6	104.4
Total underlying collateral assets ⁽²⁾	\$ 4,835.2	\$ 4,515.6

⁽¹⁾ Includes undrawn liability amounts.

⁽²⁾ At December 31, 2008 and 2007, the total face value of defaulted obligations was \$95.0 million and \$18.4 million, respectively, or approximately 2.0% and 0.4% respectively, of the total underlying collateral assets.

Loans and Debt Securities on Non-Accrual Status. At December 31, 2008 and 2007, private finance loans and debt securities at value not accruing interest were as follows:

(\$ in millions)	2008	2007
Loans and debt securities in workout status		
Companies more than 25% owned	\$ 136.8	\$ 114.1
Companies 5% to 25% owned		11.7
Companies less than 5% owned	74.6	23.8
Loans and debt securities not in workout status		
Companies more than 25% owned	39.3	21.4
Companies 5% to 25% owned		13.4
Companies less than 5% owned	77.2	13.3
Total	\$ 327.9	\$ 197.7

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Note 3. Portfolio, continued

Industry and Geographic Compositions. The industry and geographic compositions of the private finance portfolio at value at December 31, 2008 and 2007, were as follows:

	2008	2007
Industry		
Business services	36%	37%
Consumer products	24	25
CLO/CDO ⁽¹⁾	8	6
Financial services	6	6
Industrial products	5	10
Consumer services	5	4
Retail	5	4
Private debt funds	5	1
Healthcare services	2	3
Other	4	4
Total	100%	100%
Geographic Region⁽²⁾		
Mid-Atlantic	41%	36%
Midwest	28	32
Southeast	17	17
West	13	14
Northeast	1	1
Total	100%	100%

⁽¹⁾ These funds primarily invest in senior corporate loans. Certain of these funds are managed by Callidus Capital, a portfolio company of Allied Capital.

⁽²⁾ The geographic region for the private finance portfolio depicts the location of the headquarters for the Company's portfolio companies. The portfolio companies may have a number of other locations in other geographic regions.

Commercial Real Estate Finance

At December 31, 2008 and 2007, the commercial real estate finance portfolio consisted of the following:

(\$ in millions)	2008			2007		
	Cost	Value	Yield ⁽¹⁾	Cost	Value	Yield ⁽¹⁾

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Commercial mortgage loans	\$ 52.5	\$ 53.5	7.4%	\$ 65.9	\$ 65.4	6.8%
Real estate owned	18.2	20.8		15.3	21.3	
Equity interests	14.8	19.6		15.7	34.5	
Total	\$ 85.5	\$ 93.9		\$ 96.9	\$ 121.2	

- (1) The weighted average yield on the commercial mortgage loans is computed as the (a) annual stated interest on accruing loans plus the annual amortization of loan origination fees, original issue discount, and market discount on accruing loans less the annual amortization of origination costs, divided by (b) total interest-bearing investments at value. The weighted average yield is computed as of the balance sheet date.

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Note 3. Portfolio, continued

Commercial Mortgage Loans and Equity Interests. The commercial mortgage loan portfolio contains loans that were originated by the Company or were purchased from third-party sellers. At December 31, 2008, approximately 69% and 31% of the Company's commercial mortgage loan portfolio was composed of fixed and adjustable interest rate loans, respectively. At December 31, 2007, approximately 85% and 15% of the Company's commercial mortgage loan portfolio was composed of fixed and adjustable interest rate loans, respectively. At December 31, 2008 and 2007, loans with a value of \$7.7 million and \$14.3 million, respectively, were not accruing interest. Loans greater than 120 days delinquent generally do not accrue interest.

Equity interests consist primarily of equity securities issued by privately owned companies that invest in single real estate properties. These equity interests may be subject to certain restrictions on their resale and are generally illiquid. Equity interests generally do not produce a current return, but are generally held in anticipation of investment appreciation and ultimate realized gain on sale.

The property types and the geographic composition securing the commercial mortgage loans and equity interests at value at December 31, 2008 and 2007, were as follows:

	2008	2007
Property Type		
Hospitality	52%	44%
Recreation	22	15
Office	15	21
Retail	9	18
Other	2	2
Total	100%	100%
Geographic Region		
Southeast	43%	40%
West	26	20
Midwest	22	31
Northeast	9	7
Mid-Atlantic		2
Total	100%	100%

Fair Value Measurements

The Company, as a BDC, has invested in illiquid securities including debt and equity securities of portfolio companies, CLO bonds and preferred shares/income notes, CDO bonds and investment funds. The Company's investments may be subject to certain restrictions on resale and generally have no established trading market. The

Company values substantially all of its investments at fair value as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors in accordance with the Company's valuation policy and the provisions of the Investment Company Act of 1940 and SFAS 157. The Company determines fair value to be the price that would be received for an investment in a current sale, which assumes an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. The Company's valuation policy considers the fact that no ready market exists for substantially all of the securities in which it invests and that fair value for its investments must typically be determined using unobservable inputs.

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Note 3. Portfolio, continued

SFAS 157 establishes a fair value hierarchy that encourages the use of observable inputs, but allows for unobservable inputs when observable inputs do not exist. Inputs are classified into one of three categories:

Level 1 Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets

Level 2 Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable to the market participant for the asset or quoted prices in a market that is not active

Level 3 Unobservable inputs

When there are multiple inputs for determining the fair value of an investment, the Company classifies the investment in total based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

Assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis by level within the fair value hierarchy at December 31, 2008, were as follows:

	Fair Value Measurement as of December 31, 2008	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
(\$ in millions)				
Assets at Fair Value:				
Portfolio				
Private finance	\$ 3,399.1	\$	\$	\$ 3,399.1
Commercial real estate finance	93.9			93.9
Total portfolio	\$ 3,493.0	\$	\$	\$ 3,493.0

The table below sets forth a summary of changes in the Company's assets measured at fair value using level 3 inputs.

	Private Finance	Commercial Real Estate Finance	Total
(\$ in millions)			
Balance at December 31, 2007	\$ 4,652.7	\$ 121.2	\$ 4,773.9

Total gains or losses:			
Net realized gains (losses) ⁽¹⁾	(80.9)	(4.1)	(85.0)
Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation ⁽²⁾	(1,089.2)	(15.9)	(1,105.1)
Purchases, issuances, repayments and exits, net ⁽³⁾	(83.5)	(7.3)	(90.8)
Transfers in and/or out of level 3			
Balance at December 31, 2008	\$ 3,399.1	\$ 93.9	\$ 3,493.0
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) during the period relating to assets still held at the reporting date ⁽²⁾	\$ (1,202.1)	\$ (20.8)	\$ (1,222.9)

(1) Includes net realized gains (losses) (recorded as realized gains or losses in the accompanying consolidated statement of operations) and amortization of discounts and closing points (recorded as interest income in the accompanying consolidated statement of operations).

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Note 3. Portfolio, continued

- (2) Included in change in net unrealized appreciation or depreciation in the accompanying consolidated statement of operations. Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation includes net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) resulting from changes in portfolio investment values during the reporting period and the reversal of previously recorded unrealized appreciation or depreciation when gains or losses are realized.
- (3) Includes interest and dividend income reinvested through the receipt of a debt or equity security (payment-in-kind income) (recorded as interest and dividend income in the accompanying consolidated statement of operations).

Managed Funds

In addition to managing its own assets, the Company manages certain funds that also invest in the debt and equity securities of primarily private middle market companies in a variety of industries. At December 31, 2008, the Company had five separate funds under its management (together, the *Managed Funds*) for which the Company may earn management or other fees for the Company's services. The Company may invest in the equity of these funds, along with other third parties, from which the Company may earn a current return and/or a future incentive allocation.

At December 31, 2008, the funds that the Company manages had total assets of approximately \$2.1 billion. The Company's responsibilities to the *Managed Funds* may include investment origination, underwriting, and portfolio monitoring services. Each of the *Managed Funds* may separately invest in the debt or equity of companies in the Company's portfolio, and these investments may be senior, pari passu or junior to the debt and equity investments held by the Company. The Company may or may not participate in investments made by the *Managed Funds*. In December 2008, the Company agreed to purchase the management contracts of three additional funds for approximately \$10 million plus an earnout not to exceed \$1.5 million, and certain transaction costs. The aggregate assets held by these funds total approximately \$1.2 billion. The Company expects to begin managing these funds in early 2009.

The Company accounts for the sale of securities to funds with which it has continuing involvement as sales pursuant to SFAS No. 140, *Accounting for Transfers and Servicing of Financial Assets and Extinguishments of Liabilities*, a replacement of FASB Statement 125, when the securities have been legally isolated from the Company, the Company has no ability to restrict or constrain the ability of the funds to pledge or exchange the transferred securities, and the Company does not have either the entitlement and the obligation to repurchase the securities or the ability to unilaterally cause the fund to put the securities back to the Company.

Unitranche Fund LLC. In December 2007, the Company formed the Unitranche Fund LLC (*Unitranche Fund*), which the Company co-manages with an affiliate of General Electric Capital Corporation (*GE*). At December 31, 2008, the Unitranche Fund had total assets of \$789.8 million, and the Company's investment in the Unitranche Fund totaled \$125.4 million at cost and at value.

The Unitranche Fund is a private fund that generally focuses on making first lien unitranche loans to middle market companies with Earnings before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation, and Amortization of at least \$15 million. The Unitranche Fund may invest up to \$270 million for a single borrower. For financing needs greater than \$270 million, the Company and GE may jointly underwrite additional financing for a total unitranche financing of up to \$500 million. Allied Capital, GE and the Unitranche Fund may co-invest in a single borrower, with the Unitranche Fund holding at least a majority of the issuance. The Company may hold the portion of a unitranche loan underwritten

by the Company. GE has committed \$3.075 billion to the Unitranche Fund consisting of \$3.0 billion of senior notes and \$0.075 billion of subordinated certificates, and the Company has committed \$525.0 million of subordinated certificates. The Unitranche Fund is capitalized as transactions are completed. Investments made by the Unitranche

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Note 3. Portfolio, continued

Fund must be approved by the investment committee of the Unitranche Fund, which includes a representative from the Company and GE. Therefore, the Company's commitment to the Unitranche Fund cannot be drawn without the Company's approval. The level of investments made by the Unitranche Fund will be dependent on market conditions, the Unitranche Fund's ability to identify attractive investment opportunities, and the Company's ability to fund its commitment to the Unitranche Fund. The Company earns a management and sourcing fee totaling 0.375% per annum of managed assets. In addition to the management and sourcing fee, the Company earns structuring fees on investments made by the Unitranche Fund.

Allied Capital Senior Debt Fund, L.P. The Company is a special limited partner in the Allied Capital Senior Debt Fund, L.P. (ACSDF), a private fund that generally invests in senior, unitranche and second lien debt. The Company has committed and funded \$31.8 million to ACSDF, which is a portfolio company. At December 31, 2008, the Company's investment in ACSDF totaled \$31.8 million at cost and at value, and ACSDF had total assets of \$412.9 million. As a special limited partner, the Company may earn an incentive allocation to the extent of 20% of the annual net income of ACSDF, subject to certain performance benchmarks. There can be no assurance that this incentive allocation will be earned, particularly given the current economic environment. The value of the Company's investment in ACSDF is based on the net asset value of ACSDF, which reflects the capital invested plus the Company's allocation of the net earnings of ACSDF, including the incentive allocation.

AC Corp is the investment manager to ACSDF. Callidus Capital Corporation, a portfolio investment controlled by the Company, acts as special manager to ACSDF. A subsidiary of the Company is the general partner of ACSDF, and AC Corp serves as collateral manager to a warehouse financing vehicle associated with ACSDF. AC Corp will earn a management fee of up to 2% per annum of the net asset value of ACSDF and will pay Callidus 25% of that management fee to compensate Callidus for its role as special manager.

The Company may offer to sell loans to ACSDF or the warehouse financing vehicle. ACSDF or the warehouse financing vehicle may purchase loans from the Company. In connection with ACSDF's formation in June 2007 and during the second half of 2007, the Company sold \$224.2 million of seasoned assets with a weighted average yield of 10.0% to a warehouse financing vehicle associated with ACSDF. During the year ended December 31, 2008, the Company sold \$72.3 million of seasoned assets with a weighted average yield of 9.2% to the warehouse financing vehicle. ACSDF has also purchased loans from other third parties. Due to the lack of liquidity in the securitization markets, ACSDF is not currently purchasing loans and at December 31, 2008, the ACSDF warehouse financing vehicle had completed its reinvestment period and any investment repayments are used to repay outstanding balances under the warehouse facility.

Knightsbridge CLO 2007-1 Ltd. On March 31, 2008, the Company, through a wholly-owned subsidiary, assumed the management of Knightsbridge CLO 2007-1 Ltd. (Knightsbridge 2007), which invests primarily in middle market senior loans.

At December 31, 2008, Knightsbridge 2007 had total assets of \$500.6 million and the Company's investment in this CLO totaled \$59.6 million at cost and \$50.1 million at value. The Company earns a management fee of up to 0.6% per annum of the assets of Knightsbridge 2007, up to 7.5% of which is paid to an unaffiliated third party in its capacity as special equity holder. In addition, Callidus assists the Company in the management of Knightsbridge 2007 and the Company pays Callidus a fee for this assistance.

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Note 3. Portfolio, continued

The Company may offer to sell loans to Knightsbridge 2007 and Knightsbridge 2007 may purchase loans from the Company or from other third parties. During the year ended December 31, 2008, the Company sold loans totaling \$95.4 million with a weighted average yield of 8.5% to Knightsbridge 2007.

Knightsbridge CLO 2008-1 Ltd. In June 2008, the Company formed Knightsbridge 2008-1 Ltd. (Knightsbridge 2008). Upon its formation, Knightsbridge 2008 completed its initial purchase of assets from a third party. The Company manages Knightsbridge 2008 through a wholly-owned subsidiary. Knightsbridge 2008 invests primarily in middle market senior loans.

At December 31, 2008, Knightsbridge 2008 had total assets of \$304.8 million and the Company's investment in this CLO totaled \$52.7 million at cost and at value. The Company earns a management fee of up to 0.6% per annum of the assets of Knightsbridge 2008, up to 10% of which is paid to an unaffiliated third party in its capacity as special equity holder. In addition, Callidus assists the Company in the management of Knightsbridge 2008 and the Company pays Callidus a fee for this assistance.

The Company may offer to sell loans to Knightsbridge 2008 and Knightsbridge 2008 may purchase loans from the Company or from other third parties. During the year ended December 31, 2008, the Company sold loans totaling \$48.6 million with a weighted average yield of 9.3% to Knightsbridge 2008.

AGILE Fund I, LLC. In January 2008, the Company entered into an investment agreement with the Goldman Sachs Private Equity Group, part of Goldman Sachs Asset Management (Goldman Sachs). As part of the investment agreement, the Company agreed to sell a pro-rata strip of private equity and debt investments to AGILE Fund I, LLC (AGILE), a private fund in which a fund managed by Goldman Sachs owns substantially all of the interests, for a total transaction value of \$167 million. The sales of the assets closed in the first quarter of 2008.

The sale to AGILE included 13.7% of the Company's equity investments in 23 of its buyout portfolio companies and 36 of its minority equity portfolio companies for a total purchase price of \$104 million which resulted in a net realized gain of \$8.3 million (subsequent to post-closing adjustments) and dividend income of \$6.4 million. In addition, the Company sold approximately \$63 million in debt investments, which represented 7.3% of its unitranche, second lien and subordinated debt investments in the buyout investments included in the equity sale. AGILE generally has the right to co-invest in its proportional share of any future follow-on investment opportunities presented by the companies in its portfolio.

The Company is the managing member of AGILE, and will be entitled to an incentive allocation subject to certain performance benchmarks. There can be no assurance that this incentive allocation will be earned, particularly given the current economic environment. The Company owns the remaining interests in AGILE not held by Goldman Sachs. At December 31, 2008, AGILE had total assets of \$99.3 million and the Company's investment in AGILE totaled \$0.7 million at cost and \$0.5 million at value.

As part of this transaction, the Company also sold ten venture capital and private equity limited partnership investments for approximately \$28 million to a fund managed by Goldman Sachs, which will assume the \$5.3 million of unfunded commitments related to these limited partnership investments. The sales of these limited partnership investments closed in the first half of 2008 and resulted in a net loss of \$7.0 million (subsequent to post-closing

adjustments) for the year ended December 31, 2008.

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Note 4. Debt

At December 31, 2008 and 2007, the Company had the following debt:

	2008			2007		
	Facility Amount	Amount Drawn	Annual Interest Cost ⁽¹⁾	Facility Amount	Amount Drawn	Annual Interest Cost ⁽¹⁾
(\$ in millions)						
Notes payable:						
Privately issued unsecured notes payable	\$ 1,015.0	\$ 1,015.0	7.8%	\$ 1,042.2	\$ 1,042.2	6.1%
Publicly issued unsecured notes payable	880.0	880.0	6.7%	880.0	880.0	6.7%
Total notes payable and debentures	1,895.0	1,895.0	7.3%	1,922.2	1,922.2	6.4%
Revolving line of credit ⁽⁴⁾	632.5	50.0	4.3% ⁽²⁾	922.5	367.3	5.9% ⁽²⁾
Total debt	\$ 2,527.5	\$ 1,945.0	7.7% ⁽³⁾	\$ 2,844.7	\$ 2,289.5	6.5% ⁽³⁾

(1) The weighted average annual interest cost is computed as the (a) annual stated interest on the debt plus the annual amortization of commitment fees, other facility fees and amortization of debt financing costs that are recognized into interest expense over the contractual life of the respective borrowings, divided by (b) debt outstanding on the balance sheet date.

(2) The annual interest cost reflects the interest rate payable for borrowings under the revolving line of credit. In addition to the current interest payable, there were annual costs of commitment fees, other facility fees and amortization of debt financing costs of \$8.5 million and \$3.7 million at December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

(3) The annual interest cost for total debt includes the annual cost of commitment fees, other facility fees and amortization of debt financing costs on the revolving line of credit regardless of the amount outstanding on the facility as of the balance sheet date. The annual interest cost reflects the facilities in place on the balance sheet date.

(4) At December 31, 2008, \$460.2 million remained unused on the revolving line of credit, net of amounts committed for standby letters of credit of \$122.3 million issued under the credit facility.

Notes Payable and Debentures

Revolving Line of Credit. The Company has a three-year unsecured revolving line of credit with total commitments of \$632.5 million that expires on April 11, 2011 (the Revolving Line of Credit). At December 31, 2007, the Company had an unsecured Revolving Line of Credit with a committed amount of \$922.5 million that was scheduled to expire on September 30, 2008. At December 31, 2008, there was \$50.0 million outstanding under the Company's Revolving Line of Credit and the amount available under the Revolving Line of Credit was \$460.2 million, net of amounts committed for standby letters of credit of \$122.3 million issued under the credit facility.

Borrowings under the Revolving Line of Credit generally bear interest at a rate per annum equal to (i) LIBOR (for the period selected by the Company) plus 3.00% or (ii) the higher of (a) the Federal Funds rate plus 1.50% or (b) the Bank of America N.A. prime rate plus 1.00%. The Revolving Line of Credit requires the payment of an annual commitment fee equal to 0.50% of the committed amount (whether used or unused). The Revolving Line of Credit generally requires payments of interest at the end of each LIBOR interest period, but no less frequently than quarterly, on LIBOR-based loans, and monthly payments of interest on other loans. All principal is due upon maturity.

The Revolving Line of Credit provides for a swingline sub-facility. The swingline sub-facility bears interest at the Bank of America N.A. cost of funds plus 2.00%. The Revolving Line of Credit also provides for a sub-facility for the issuance of letters of credit for up to an aggregate amount of \$175 million. The letter of credit fee is 3.00% per annum on letters of credit issued, which is payable quarterly. Events of default have increased the interest rate and fees on letters of credit by up to 2.00% during the continuance of such events of default. See Note 1.

Privately Issued Unsecured Notes Payable. The Company has privately issued notes (the Private Notes) to institutional investors, primarily insurance companies. The Private Notes have five- or seven-

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Note 4. Debt, continued

year maturities and stated fixed rates of interest ranging from 6.53% to 9.14% at December 31, 2008. Events of default have occurred which has increased these interest rates by 2.00% during the continuance of such events of default. See Note 1. The Private Notes generally require payment of interest only semi-annually, and all principal is due upon maturity. At December 31, 2008, the Private Notes had maturities from November 2009 to June 2015. The Private Notes may be prepaid in whole or in part, together with an interest premium, if any, as stipulated in the private note agreements.

In June 2008, the Company issued \$140.5 million of five-year notes and \$52.5 million of seven-year notes. The debt matures in June 2013 and June 2015, respectively.

In May 2008, the Company repaid \$153.0 million of notes that matured and had a fixed interest rate of 5.45%. In December 2008, the Company prepaid notes denominated in Euros and Sterling for a total U.S. dollar equivalent of \$16 million with an interest rate of 5.9%. In December 2008, the Company also prepaid Private Notes with an outstanding balance of \$50 million at a discount. The net gain on the discounted payoff was \$1.1 million, which is included in fees and other income in the Company's Consolidated Statement of Operations. These notes had a fixed interest rate of 6.75%.

The Revolving Line of Credit and the Private Notes have similar financial and operating covenants. These covenants require the Company to maintain certain financial ratios, including asset coverage, debt to equity and interest coverage, and a minimum net worth. These debt agreements provide for customary events of default, including, but not limited to, payment defaults, breach of representations or covenants, cross-defaults, bankruptcy events, failure to pay judgments, attachment of our assets, change of control and the issuance of an order of dissolution. Certain of these events of default are subject to notice and cure periods or materiality thresholds. These debt agreements limit the Company's ability to declare dividends or repurchase its common stock during the existence of certain defaults and events of default.

Amendments to Revolving Line of Credit and Privately Issued Unsecured Notes Payable On December 30, 2008, the Company entered into amendments relating to the Company's Private Notes and Revolving Line of Credit. The amendments reduced the Company's capital maintenance covenant to the greater of \$1.5 billion and 85% of consolidated adjusted debt, and reduced the Company's interest charges coverage ratio covenant, determined as of the last day of each fiscal quarter for the period of four consecutive fiscal quarters ending on such day, to 1.4 to 1 for the fiscal quarter ending December 31, 2008 and each fiscal quarter thereafter to and including the fiscal quarter ending December 31, 2009, to 1.6 to 1 for the fiscal quarter ending March 31, 2010 and each fiscal quarter thereafter to and including the fiscal quarter ending December 31, 2010, and to 1.7 to 1 for the fiscal quarter ending March 31, 2011 and each fiscal quarter thereafter. The amendments did not modify the Company's obligation to maintain a minimum 200% asset coverage ratio.

The amendments added new covenants that required the Company to grant to the Noteholders and the Lenders a first priority lien on substantially all of the Company's assets no later than January 30, 2009, and to maintain a ratio of consolidated total adjusted assets to secured debt of not less than 2.25 to 1. Also, prior to December 31, 2010, the Company is (i) required to limit the payment of dividends to a maximum of \$0.20 per share per fiscal quarter (or such greater amount required for the Company to maintain its regulated investment company status), and (ii) restricted

from purchasing, redeeming or retiring any shares of the Company's common stock or any warrants, rights or options to purchase or acquire any shares of the Company's common stock for an aggregate consideration in excess of \$60 million. In addition, the amendments restricted the Company from prepaying, redeeming, purchasing

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Note 4. Debt, continued

or otherwise acquiring any of its currently outstanding public notes prior to their stated maturity. The amendments also made certain other modifications. The amendments increased the rate of interest on the instruments by 100 basis points. In addition, these amendments required a 50 basis point amendment fee.

Events of default have occurred under the Revolving Line of Credit and Private Notes. See Note 1.

Publicly Issued Unsecured Notes Payable. At December 31, 2008, the Company had outstanding publicly issued unsecured notes as follows:

(\$ in millions)	Amount	Maturity Date
6.625% Notes due 2011	\$400.0	July 15, 2011
6.000% Notes due 2012	250.0	April 1, 2012
6.875% Notes due 2047	230.0	April 15, 2047
Total	\$880.0	

The 6.625% Notes due 2011 and the 6.000% Notes due 2012 require payment of interest only semi-annually, and all principal is due upon maturity. The Company has the option to redeem these notes in whole or in part, together with a redemption premium, as stipulated in the notes.

In 2007, the Company completed the issuance of \$230.0 million of 6.875% Notes due 2047 for net proceeds of \$222.1 million. Net proceeds are net of underwriting discounts and estimated offering expenses. These notes require payment of interest only quarterly, and all principal is due upon maturity. These notes are redeemable in whole or in part at any time or from time to time on or after April 15, 2012, at par and upon the occurrence of certain tax events as stipulated in the notes.

The Company has certain financial and operating covenants that are required by the publicly issued unsecured notes payable. The Company is not permitted to issue indebtedness unless immediately after such issuance the Company has asset coverage of all outstanding indebtedness of at least 200% as required by the 1940 Act, as amended. At December 31, 2008, the Company's asset coverage ratio was 188%, which is less than the 200% requirement. As a result under the publicly issued unsecured notes payable, the Company will not be able to issue indebtedness until such time as the Company's asset coverage returns to at least 200%. The Company has not experienced any default or cross default with respect to the publicly issued unsecured notes payable.

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Scheduled Maturities. Scheduled future maturities of notes payable at December 31, 2008, were as follows:

(\$ in millions)	Amount Maturing		Total
	Privately Issued Unsecured Notes Payable ⁽¹⁾	Publicly Issued Unsecured Notes Payable	
Year			
2009	\$ 1,015.0	\$	\$ 1,015.0
2010			
2011		400.0	400.0
2012		250.0	250.0
2013			
Thereafter		230.0	230.0
Total	\$ 1,015.0	\$ 880.0	\$ 1,895.0

⁽¹⁾ The private notes have stated contractual maturities as follows: 2009 - \$252.5 million, 2010 - \$408.0 million, 2011 - \$72.5 million, 2012 - \$89.0 million, 2013 - \$140.5 million, and thereafter - \$52.5 million.

As discussed above, events of default have occurred under the revolving line of credit and private notes. Neither the lenders nor noteholders have accelerated repayment; however, if the administrative agent for the lenders under the revolving line of credit or the required percentage of lenders under the revolving line of credit or noteholders under the private notes, respectively, were to accelerate repayment, these obligations would become immediately due and payable. Therefore, in the table above, the private notes are shown as payable in 2009.

Fair Value of Debt

The Company records debt at cost. The fair value of the Company's outstanding debt was approximately \$1.4 billion and \$2.2 billion at December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively. The fair value of the Company's publicly issued 6.875% Notes due 2047 was determined using the market price of the retail notes at December 31, 2008. The fair value of the Company's other debt was determined based on market interest rates for similar instruments as of the balance sheet date.

Note 5. Guarantees and Commitments

In the ordinary course of business, the Company has issued guarantees and has extended standby letters of credit through financial intermediaries on behalf of certain portfolio companies. All standby letters of credit have been issued through Bank of America, N.A. As of December 31, 2008 and 2007, the Company had issued guarantees of debt and rental obligations aggregating \$19.2 million and \$270.6 million, respectively, and had extended standby letters of credit aggregating \$122.3 million and \$58.5 million, respectively. Under these arrangements, the Company would be required to make payments to third parties if the portfolio companies were to default on their related payment obligations. The maximum amount of potential future payments was \$141.5 million and \$329.1 million at December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

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Note 5. Guarantees and Commitments, continued

As of December 31, 2008, the guarantees and standby letters of credit expired as follows:

(in millions)	Total	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	After 2013
Guarantees	\$ 19.2	\$ 7.5	\$ 6.4	\$ 4.4	\$ 0.1	\$	\$ 0.8
Standby letters of credit	122.3	122.3					
Total	\$ 141.5	\$ 129.8	\$ 6.4	\$ 4.4	\$ 0.1	\$	\$ 0.8

Standby letters of credit have been issued under the Revolving Line of Credit. Because the Company's asset coverage ratio is currently less than 200%, an event of default has occurred under the Company's line of credit and the Company is precluded from borrowing under the Revolving Line of Credit to fund these standby letters of credit and the Company may need to fund these letter of credit draws with cash in lieu of a borrowing. During the existence of an event of default, the administrative agent is permitted to require the Company to provide cash collateral equal to the face amount of all outstanding standby letters of credit. As a result, in the table above the Company has assumed that these standby letters of credit may not be able to be extended and may mature in 2009.

In the ordinary course of business, the Company enters into agreements with service providers and other parties that may contain provisions for the Company to indemnify and guaranty certain minimum fees to such parties under certain circumstances.

At December 31, 2008, the Company had outstanding commitments to fund investments totaling \$682.1 million, including \$648.7 million related to private finance investments and \$33.4 million related to commercial real estate finance investments. Total outstanding commitments related to private finance investments included \$399.6 million to the Unitranche Fund LLC. Investments made by the Unitranche Fund must be approved by the investment committee of the Unitranche Fund, which includes a representative from the Company and GE. Therefore, the Company's commitment to the Unitranche Fund cannot be drawn without the Company's approval. See Note 3.

Note 6. Shareholders' Equity

Sales of common stock for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, were as follows:

(in millions)	2008	2007	2006
Number of common shares	20.5	6.6	10.9
Gross proceeds	\$ 417.1	\$ 177.7	\$ 310.2
Less costs, including underwriting fees	(14.6)	(6.4)	(14.4)

Net proceeds	\$ 402.5	\$ 171.3	\$ 295.8
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There were no stock options exercised in the year ended December 31, 2008. The Company issued 0.6 million and 0.5 million shares of common stock upon the exercise of stock options during the years ended December 31, 2007, and 2006, respectively. In addition, in July 2007, the Company issued 1.7 million unregistered shares of common stock upon the cancellation of stock options pursuant to a tender offer. See Note 9.

The Company has a dividend reinvestment plan, whereby the Company may buy shares of its common stock in the open market or issue new shares in order to satisfy dividend reinvestment requests.

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Note 6. Shareholders' Equity, continued

If the Company issues new shares, the issue price is equal to the average of the closing sale prices reported for the Company's common stock for the five consecutive trading days immediately prior to the dividend payment date. The Company cannot issue new shares at a price below net asset value. Dividend reinvestment plan activity for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, was as follows:

	2008	2007	2006
(in millions, except per share amounts)			
Shares issued	0.2	0.6	0.5
Average price per share	\$ 19.49	\$ 27.40	\$ 30.58
Shares purchased by plan agent for shareholders	1.8		
Average price per share	\$ 6.09		

Note 7. Earnings Per Common Share

Earnings per common share for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, were as follows:

	2008	2007	2006
(in millions, except per share amounts)			
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations	\$ (1,040.0)	\$ 153.3	\$ 245.1
Weighted average common shares outstanding - basic	173.0	152.9	142.4
Dilutive options outstanding		1.8	3.2
Weighted average common shares outstanding - diluted	173.0	154.7	145.6
Basic earnings (loss) per common share	\$ (6.01)	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.72
Diluted earnings (loss) per common share	\$ (6.01)	\$ 0.99	\$ 1.68

Note 8. Employee Compensation Plans

The Company accrued bonuses for non-officer employees for 2008 of \$1.0 million which were paid in February 2009. In addition, the Company accrued \$11.2 million in performance awards in 2008 which are included in salaries and employee benefits expense. In lieu of paying these amounts as a 2008 bonus, the Company will pay these amounts in four quarterly installments ending on January 15, 2010. An employee must be employed on the quarterly payment dates in order to receive the quarterly payment.

The Company has an Individual Performance Award plan (IPA), and an Individual Performance Bonus plan (IPB , each individually a Plan, or collectively, the Plans). These Plans generally are determined annually at the beginning of each year but may be adjusted throughout the year. In 2008, the IPA was paid in cash in two equal installments during the year. Through December 31, 2007, the IPA amounts were contributed into a trust and invested in the Company s common stock. The IPB was distributed in cash to award recipients throughout the year (beginning in February of each respective year) as long as the recipient remained employed by the Company. The Company currently has not established an IPA or IPB for 2009; however, depending upon the Company s need to retain and motivate its employees, the Company may determine in conjunction with the Compensation Committee of the

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Note 8. Employee Compensation Plans, continued

Board of Directors that some form of 2009 retention compensation or additional individual performance compensation may be in the best interests of the Company.

The trusts for the IPA payments were consolidated with the Company's accounts. The common stock was classified as common stock held in deferred compensation trust in the accompanying financial statements and the deferred compensation obligation, which represented the amount owed to the employees, was included in other liabilities. Changes in the value of the Company's common stock held in the deferred compensation trust were not recognized. However, the liability was marked to market with a corresponding charge or credit to employee compensation expense.

In December 2007, the Company's Board of Directors made a determination that it was in the best interests of the Company to terminate its deferred compensation arrangements. The Board of Directors' decision primarily was in response to increased complexity resulting from recent changes in the regulation of deferred compensation arrangements. The Board of Directors resolved that the accounts under these Plans would be distributed to participants in full on March 18, 2008, the termination and distribution date, or as soon as was reasonably practicable thereafter, in accordance with the provisions of each of these Plans.

The accounts under the deferred compensation arrangements totaled \$52.5 million at December 31, 2007. The balances on the termination date were distributed to participants in March 2008 subsequent to the termination date in accordance with the transition rule for payment elections under Section 409A of the Code. Distributions from the plans were made in cash or shares of the Company's common stock, net of required withholding taxes.

The IPA and IPB expenses are included in employee expenses and for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, were as follows:

(\$ in millions)	2008	2007	2006
IPA contributions	\$ 8.5	\$ 9.8	\$ 8.1
IPA mark to market expense (benefit)	(4.1)	(14.0)	2.9
Total IPA expense (benefit)	\$ 4.4	\$ (4.2)	\$ 11.0
Total IPB expense	\$ 8.8	\$ 9.5	\$ 8.1

Note 9. Stock Option Plan

The purpose of the stock option plan (Option Plan) is to provide officers and non-officer directors of the Company with additional incentives. Options are exercisable at a price equal to the fair market value of the shares on the day the option is granted. Each option states the period or periods of time within which the option may be exercised by the optionee, which may not exceed ten years from the date the option is granted. The options granted to officers generally vest ratably over up to a three year period. Options granted to non-officer directors vest on the grant date.

All rights to exercise options terminate 60 days after an optionee ceases to be (i) a non-officer director, (ii) both an officer and a director, if such optionee serves in both capacities, or (iii) an officer (if such officer is not also a director) of the Company for any cause other than death or total and permanent

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Note 9. Stock Option Plan, continued

disability. In the event of a change of control of the Company, all outstanding options will become fully vested and exercisable as of the change of control.

At December 31, 2006, there were 32.2 million shares authorized under the Option Plan. On May 15, 2007, the Company's stockholders voted to increase the number of shares of common stock authorized for issuance to 37.2 million shares. At December 31, 2008 and 2007, there were 37.2 million shares authorized under the Option Plan.

On July 18, 2007, the Company completed a tender offer related to the Company's offer to all optionees who held vested in-the-money stock options as of June 20, 2007, the opportunity to receive an option cancellation payment (OCP) equal to the in-the-money value of the stock options cancelled, determined using the Weighted Average Market Price of \$31.75, which would be paid one-half in cash and one-half in unregistered shares of the Company's common stock. The Company accepted for cancellation 10.3 million vested options, which in the aggregate had a weighted average exercise price of \$21.50. This resulted in a total option cancellation payment of approximately \$105.6 million, of which \$52.8 million was paid in cash and \$52.8 million was paid through the issuance of 1.7 million unregistered shares of the Company's common stock, determined using the Weighted Average Market Price of \$31.75. The Weighted Average Market Price represented the volume weighted average price of the Company's common stock over the fifteen trading days preceding the first day of the offer period, or June 20, 2007. See Note 2 Stock Compensation Plans.

At December 31, 2008 and 2007, the number of shares available to be granted under the Option Plan was 9.5 million and 10.7 million, respectively.

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Note 9. Stock Option Plan, continued

Information with respect to options granted, exercised and forfeited under the Option Plan for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, was as follows:

(in millions, except per share amounts)	Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price Per Share	Weighted Average Contractual Remaining Term (Years)	Aggregate Intrinsic Value at December 31, 2008 ⁽¹⁾
Options outstanding at January 1, 2006	22.3	\$ 24.52		
Granted	1.8	\$ 29.88		
Exercised	(0.5)	\$ 22.99		
Forfeited	(0.4)	\$ 27.67		
Options outstanding at December 31, 2006	23.2	\$ 24.92		
Granted	6.7	\$ 29.52		
Exercised	(0.6)	\$ 25.25		
Cancelled in tender offer ⁽²⁾	(10.3)	\$ 21.50		
Forfeited	(0.5)	\$ 28.96		
Options outstanding at December 31, 2007	18.5	\$ 28.36		
Granted	7.7	\$ 22.52		
Exercised		\$		
Forfeited	(6.5)	\$ 26.87		
Options outstanding at December 31, 2008	19.7	\$ 26.56	4.82	\$
Exercisable at December 31, 2008 ⁽³⁾	12.3	\$ 28.14	4.54	\$
Exercisable and expected to be exercisable at December 31, 2008 ⁽⁴⁾	17.0	\$ 27.17	4.51	\$

(1) The market value of the options at December 31, 2008, exceeded the cost for the option holders to exercise the options. Accordingly, there was no aggregate intrinsic value at December 31, 2008.

(2) See description of the tender offer above.

(3) Represents vested options.

(4) The amount of options expected to be exercisable at December 31, 2008, is calculated based on an estimate of expected forfeitures.

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Note 9. Stock Option Plan, continued

The fair value of the shares vested during the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, was \$13.5 million, \$21.6 million, and \$16.1 million, respectively. The total intrinsic value of the options exercised during the years ended December 31, 2007, and 2006, was \$2.7 million, and \$3.6 million, respectively. There were no options exercised during the year ended December 31, 2008.

The following table summarizes information about stock options outstanding at December 31, 2008:

Range of Exercise Prices	Total Number Outstanding (in millions)	Outstanding Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Life (Years)	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Exercisable	
				Total Number Exercisable (in millions)	Weighted Average Exercise Price
\$13.72 \$22.78	1.3	4.34	\$ 19.47	0.7	\$ 21.24
\$22.96	5.2	5.36	\$ 22.96		\$
\$23.59 \$27.38	0.6	4.61	\$ 25.81	0.6	\$ 25.81
\$27.51	3.9	5.18	\$ 27.51	3.9	\$ 27.51
\$28.98 \$29.23	3.6	4.28	\$ 28.99	3.6	\$ 28.99
\$29.58	4.7	4.54	\$ 29.58	3.2	\$ 29.58
\$30.00 \$30.52	0.4	4.23	\$ 30.26	0.3	\$ 30.21
	19.7	4.82	\$ 26.56	12.3	\$ 28.14

Notes Receivable from the Sale of Common Stock

As a business development company under the 1940 Act, the Company is entitled to provide and has provided loans to the Company's officers in connection with the exercise of options. However, as a result of provisions of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, the Company is prohibited from making new loans to its executive officers. The outstanding loans are full recourse, have varying terms not exceeding ten years, bear interest at the applicable federal interest rate in effect at the date of issue and have been recorded as a reduction to shareholders' equity. At December 31, 2008 and 2007, the Company had outstanding loans to officers of \$1.1 million and \$2.7 million, respectively. Officers with outstanding loans repaid principal of \$1.6 million, \$0.2 million, and \$1.0 million, for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively. The Company recognized a nominal amount of interest income from these loans during the year ended December 31, 2008, and recognized \$0.1 million and \$0.2 million during the years ended December 31, 2007, and 2006, respectively. This interest income is included in interest and dividends for companies less than 5% owned.

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Note 10. Dividends and Distributions and Taxes

For the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, the Company's Board of Directors declared the following distributions:

	2008		2007		2006	
	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total
	Amount	Per Share	Amount	Per Share	Amount	Per Share
(in millions, except per share amounts)						
First quarter	\$ 108.1	\$ 0.65	\$ 95.8	\$ 0.63	\$ 82.5	\$ 0.59
Second quarter	116.1	0.65	97.6	0.64	84.1	0.60
Third quarter	116.1	0.65	100.3	0.65	88.8	0.61
Fourth quarter	116.2	0.65	102.6	0.65	92.0	0.62
Extra dividend			11.0	0.07	7.5	0.05
Total distributions to common shareholders	\$ 456.5	\$ 2.60	\$ 407.3	\$ 2.64	\$ 354.9	\$ 2.47

For income tax purposes, distributions for 2008, 2007, and 2006, were composed of the following:

	2008		2007		2006	
	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total
	Amount	Per Share	Amount	Per Share	Amount	Per Share
(in millions, except per share amounts)						
Ordinary income ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	\$ 104.0	\$ 0.59	\$ 126.7	\$ 0.82	\$ 177.4	\$ 1.23
Long-term capital gains	352.5	2.01	280.6	1.82	177.5	1.24
Total distributions to common shareholders	\$ 456.5	\$ 2.60	\$ 407.3	\$ 2.64	\$ 354.9	\$ 2.47

(1) For the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, ordinary income included dividend income of approximately \$0.06, zero, and \$0.04 per share, respectively, that qualified to be taxed at the 15% maximum capital gains rate.

(2) For certain eligible corporate shareholders, dividends eligible for the dividend received deduction for 2008, 2007, and 2006, was \$0.056, zero, and \$0.042 per share, respectively.

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Note 10. Dividends and Distributions and Taxes, continued

The following table summarizes the differences between financial statement net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations and taxable income available for distribution to shareholders for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006:

(\$ in millions)	2008 (ESTIMATED) ⁽¹⁾	2007	2006
Financial statement net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations	\$ (1,040.0)	\$ 153.3	\$ 245.1
Adjustments:			
Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation	1,123.8	256.2	477.4
Interest- and dividend-related items	(2.8)	13.8	10.2
Employee compensation-related items	0.8	0.7	23.1
Nondeductible excise tax	(0.6)	16.3	15.4
Realized gains recognized (deferred) through installment treatment ⁽²⁾	17.9	(13.0)	(182.3)
Other gain or loss related items	(91.2)	(10.2)	15.0
Net income (loss) from partnerships and limited liability companies ⁽³⁾	(4.3)	(22.7)	(4.7)
Net capital loss carryforward	30.6		
Net (income) loss from consolidated subsidiaries, net of tax	(0.7)	2.7	3.9
Other		0.7	(1.9)
Taxable income	\$ 33.5	\$ 397.8	\$ 601.2

(1) The Company's taxable income for 2008 is an estimate and will not be finally determined until the Company files its 2008 tax return in September 2009. Therefore, the final taxable income may be different than this estimate.

(2) 2006 includes the deferral of long-term capital gains through installment treatment related to the Company's sale of its control equity investment in Advantage and certain other portfolio companies.

(3) Includes taxable income (loss) passed through to the Company from Ciena Capital LLC (Ciena) and related entities in excess of interest and related portfolio income from Ciena included in the financial statements totaling (\$1.9) million, (\$22.6) million, and \$3.7 million for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively. See Note 3 for additional related disclosure.

Taxable income generally differs from net income for financial reporting purposes due to temporary and permanent differences in the recognition of income and expenses, and generally excludes net unrealized appreciation or depreciation, as gains or losses are not included in taxable income until they are realized.

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Note 10. Dividends and Distributions and Taxes, continued

The Company must distribute at least 90% of its investment company taxable income to qualify for pass-through tax treatment and maintain its RIC status. The Company has distributed sufficient dividends to eliminate taxable income. Dividends declared and paid by the Company in a year generally differ from taxable income for that year as such dividends may include the distribution of current year taxable income, less amounts carried over into the following year, and the distribution of prior year taxable income carried over into and distributed in the current year. For income tax purposes, distributions for 2008, 2007, and 2006, were made from taxable income as follows:

(\$ in millions)	2008 (ESTIMATED) ⁽¹⁾	2007	2006
Taxable income	\$ 33.5	\$ 397.8	\$ 601.2
Taxable income earned in prior year and carried forward and distributed in current year	393.3	402.8	156.5
Taxable income earned in current year and carried forward for distribution in next year ⁽²⁾		(393.3)	(402.8)
Distributions from accumulated earnings	29.7		
Total distributions to common shareholders	\$ 456.5	\$ 407.3	\$ 354.9

⁽¹⁾ The Company's taxable income for 2008 is an estimate and will not be finally determined until the Company files its 2008 tax return in September 2009.

The Company generally will be required to pay an excise tax equal to 4% of the amount by which 98% of the Company's annual taxable income exceeds the distributions for the year. In 2007 and 2006 annual taxable income was in excess of the Company's dividend distributions from such taxable income in those respective years, and accordingly, the Company had an excise tax expense of \$16.3 million and \$15.1 million, respectively, on the excess taxable income carried forward. As of December 31, 2008 the Company estimates it has met its dividend distribution requirement for the 2008 tax year, therefore, it has not recorded an excise tax for the year ended December 31, 2008. In certain circumstances, the Company is restricted in its ability to pay dividends. Each of the Company's private notes and the Company's revolving credit facility contain provisions that limit the amount of dividends the Company can pay and have a covenant that requires a minimum 200% asset coverage ratio at all times, and at December 31, 2008, the Company was in default of that covenant (see Note 1). During the continuance of an event of default, the Company is precluded from declaring dividends or other distributions to its shareholders. In addition, pursuant to the 1940 Act, the Company may be precluded from declaring dividends or other distributions to its shareholders unless the Company's asset coverage is at least 200%.

The Company currently estimates that it has cumulative deferred taxable income related to installment sale gains of approximately \$217.4 million as of December 31, 2008. These gains have been recognized for financial reporting purposes in the respective years they were realized, but are generally deferred for tax purposes until the notes or other amounts received from the sale of the related investments are collected in cash. The recognition of installment sales gains as of December 31, 2008 are estimates and will not be finally determined until the Company files its 2008 tax

return in September 2009.

The Company's undistributed book earnings of \$184.7 million as of December 31, 2008, resulted from undistributed ordinary income and long-term capital gains. The difference between undistributed book earnings at the end of the year and taxable income carried over from the current year into the next

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Note 10. Dividends and Distributions and Taxes, continued

year relates to a variety of timing and permanent differences in the recognition of income and expenses for book and tax purposes as discussed above.

At December 31, 2008 and 2007, the aggregate gross unrealized appreciation of the Company's investments above cost for federal income tax purposes was \$348.5 million (estimated) and \$609.4 million, respectively. At December 31, 2008 and 2007, the aggregate gross unrealized depreciation of the Company's investments below cost for federal income tax purposes was \$1.4 billion (estimated) and \$630.3 million, respectively. The Company's investments as compared to cost for federal income tax purposes was net unrealized depreciation of \$1.1 billion (estimated) and \$20.9 million at December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively. At December 31, 2008 and 2007, the aggregate cost of securities, for federal income tax purposes was \$4.5 billion (estimated) and \$4.8 billion, respectively.

The Company's consolidated subsidiary, AC Corp, is subject to federal and state income taxes. For the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, AC Corp's income tax expense (benefit) was \$3.1 million, \$(2.7) million, and \$(0.1) million, respectively. For the year ended December 31, 2008, paid in capital was decreased by \$3.0 million primarily for the reduction of the deferred tax asset related to stock options that expired unexercised. For the year ended December 31, 2007, paid in capital was increased for the tax benefit of amounts deducted for tax purposes but not for financial reporting purposes primarily related to stock-based compensation by \$10.9 million.

The net deferred tax asset at December 31, 2008, was \$15.0 million, consisting of deferred tax assets of \$32.2 million and deferred tax liabilities of \$17.2 million. The net deferred tax asset at December 31, 2007, was \$18.4 million, consisting of deferred tax assets of \$26.5 million and deferred tax liabilities of \$8.1 million. At December 31, 2008, the deferred tax assets primarily related to compensation-related items and the deferred tax liabilities primarily related to depreciation. Management believes that the realization of the net deferred tax asset is more likely than not based on expectations as to future taxable income and scheduled reversals of temporary differences. Accordingly, the Company did not record a valuation allowance at December 31, 2008 or 2007.

Note 11. Cash

The Company places its cash with financial institutions and, at times, cash held in checking accounts in financial institutions may be in excess of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation insured limit.

At December 31, 2008 and 2007, cash consisted of the following:

(\$ in millions)	2008	2007
Cash	\$ 51.9	\$ 4.6
Less escrows held	(1.5)	(1.1)
Total cash	\$ 50.4	\$ 3.5

Note 12. Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flow Information

The Company paid interest of \$161.0 million, \$123.5 million, and \$90.6 million, respectively, for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006. The Company paid income taxes, including excise

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Note 12. Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flow Information, continued

taxes (net of refunds), of \$10.1 million, \$18.8 million and \$10.3 million for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

Non-cash operating activities for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, totaled \$117.8 million, \$142.2 million, and \$315.9 million, respectively. Non-cash operating activities include investments funded for the year ended December 31, 2008, which included \$8.1 million in debt investments in a portfolio company received in a subordinated debt exchange. Non-cash operating activities for the year ended December 31, 2006, included a note received as consideration from the sale of the Company's equity investment in Advantage of \$150.0 million and a note received as consideration from the sale of the Company's equity investment in STS Operating, Inc. of \$30.0 million.

Non-cash financing activities included the issuance of common stock in lieu of cash distributions totaling \$3.8 million, \$17.1 million, and \$15.0 million, for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively. Non-cash financing activities for the year ended December 31, 2007, also included the payment of one-half of the value of the option cancellation payment in connection with the tender offer, or \$52.8 million, through the issuance of 1.7 million unregistered shares of the Company's common stock. See Notes 2 and 9.

Note 13. Financial Highlights

	At and for the Years Ended December 31,		
	2008	2007	2006
Per Common Share Data			
Net asset value, beginning of year	\$ 17.54	\$ 19.12	\$ 19.17
Net investment income ⁽¹⁾	1.23	0.91	1.30
Net realized gains (losses) ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	(0.75)	1.74	3.66
Net investment income plus net realized gains (losses) ⁽¹⁾	0.48	2.65	4.96
Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	(6.49)	(1.66)	(3.28)
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations ⁽¹⁾	(6.01)	0.99	1.68
Decrease in net assets from shareholder distributions	(2.60)	(2.64)	(2.47)
Net increase in net assets from capital share transactions ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾	0.69	0.41	0.74
Decrease in net assets from cash portion of the option cancellation payment ⁽¹⁾⁽⁴⁾		(0.34)	
Net asset value, end of year	\$ 9.62	\$ 17.54	\$ 19.12
Market value, end of year	\$ 2.69	\$ 21.50	\$ 32.68
Total return ⁽⁵⁾	(82.5)%	(27.6)%	20.6%

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Note 13. Financial Highlights, continued

	At and for the Years Ended December 31,		
	2008	2007	2006
Ratios and Supplemental Data			
(\$ and shares in millions, except per share amounts)			
Ending net assets	\$ 1,718.4	\$ 2,771.8	\$ 2,841.2
Common shares outstanding at end of year	178.7	158.0	148.6
Diluted weighted average common shares outstanding	173.0	154.7	145.6
Employee, employee stock option and administrative expenses/average net assets	5.47%	6.10%	5.38%
Total operating expenses/average net assets	11.39%	10.70%	9.05%
Income tax expense including excise tax/average net assets	0.10%	0.47%	0.56%
Net investment income/average net assets	8.47%	4.91%	6.90%
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations/average net assets	(41.34)%	5.34%	8.94%
Portfolio turnover rate	24.00%	26.84%	27.05%
Average debt outstanding	\$ 2,091.6	\$ 1,924.2	\$ 1,491.0
Average debt per share ⁽¹⁾	\$ 12.09	\$ 12.44	\$ 10.24

(1) Based on diluted weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the year.

(2) Net realized gains (losses) and net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation can fluctuate significantly from year to year.

(3) Excludes capital share transactions related to the cash portion of the option cancellation payment.

(4) See Notes 2 and 9 to the consolidated financial statements above for further discussion.

(5) Total return assumes the reinvestment of all dividends paid for the years presented.

Note 14. Selected Quarterly Data (Unaudited)

(\$ in millions, except per share amounts)	2008			
	Qtr. 1	Qtr. 2	Qtr. 3	Qtr. 4
Total interest and related portfolio income	\$ 144.9	\$ 134.6	\$ 120.7	\$ 102.1
Net investment income	\$ 69.5	\$ 63.9	\$ 45.6	\$ 34.2
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations	\$ (40.7)	\$ (102.2)	\$ (318.3)	\$ (578.8)
Basic earnings (loss) per common share	\$ (0.25)	\$ (0.59)	\$ (1.78)	\$ (3.24)

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Note 15. Litigation

On June 23, 2004, the Company was notified by the SEC that the SEC was conducting an informal investigation of the Company. The investigation related to the valuation of securities in the Company's private finance portfolio and other matters. On June 20, 2007, the Company announced that it entered into a settlement with the SEC that resolved the SEC's informal investigation. As part of the settlement and without admitting or denying the SEC's allegations, the Company agreed to the entry of an administrative order. In the order the SEC alleged that, between June 30, 2001, and March 31, 2003, the Company did not maintain books, records and accounts which, in reasonable detail, supported or accurately and fairly reflected valuations of certain securities in the Company's private finance portfolio and, as a result, did not meet certain recordkeeping and internal controls provisions of the federal securities laws. In the administrative order, the SEC ordered the Company to continue to maintain certain of its current valuation-related controls. Specifically, for a period of two years, the Company has undertaken to: (1) continue to employ a Chief Valuation Officer, or a similarly structured officer-level employee, to oversee its quarterly valuation processes; and (2) continue to employ third-party valuation consultants to assist in its quarterly valuation processes.

On December 22, 2004, the Company received letters from the U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia requesting the preservation and production of information regarding the Company and Business Loan Express, LLC (currently known as Ciena Capital LLC) in connection with a criminal investigation relating to matters similar to those investigated by and settled with the SEC as discussed above. The Company produced materials in response to the requests from the U.S. Attorney's office and certain current and former employees were interviewed by the U.S. Attorney's Office. The Company has voluntarily cooperated with the investigation.

In late December 2006, the Company received a subpoena from the U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia requesting, among other things, the production of records regarding the use of private investigators by the Company or its agents. The Board established a committee, which was advised by its own counsel, to review this matter. In the course of gathering documents responsive to the subpoena, the Company became aware that an agent of the Company obtained what were represented to be telephone records of David Einhorn and which purport to be records of calls from Greenlight Capital during a period of time in 2005. Also, while the Company was gathering documents responsive to the subpoena, allegations were made that the Company's management had authorized the acquisition of these records and that management was subsequently advised that these records had been obtained. The Company's management has stated that these allegations are not true. The Company has cooperated fully with the inquiry by the U.S. Attorney's Office.

On February 26, 2007, Dana Ross filed a class action complaint in the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia in which she alleges that Allied Capital Corporation and certain members of management violated Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 thereunder. Thereafter, the court appointed new lead counsel and approved new lead plaintiffs. On July 30, 2007, plaintiffs served an amended complaint. Plaintiffs claim that, between November 7, 2005, and January 22, 2007, Allied Capital either failed to disclose or misrepresented information about its portfolio company, Business Loan Express, LLC. Plaintiffs seek unspecified compensatory and other damages, as well as other relief. The Company believes the lawsuit is without merit, and intends to defend the lawsuit vigorously. On September 13, 2007, the Company filed a motion to dismiss the lawsuit. The motion is pending.

On October 6, 2008, Rena Nadoff filed a shareholder derivative action in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, captioned Rena Nadoff v. Walton, et al., 2008 CA 007108, seeking unspecified compensatory and other

damages, as well as equitable relief on behalf of Allied Capital Corporation.

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Note 15. Litigation, continued

Ms. Nadoff's suit is substantially similar to a derivative action she filed in February 2007, which the Court dismissed in July 2007. Ms. Nadoff sent a letter to the Company's Board of Directors on October 5, 2007, reciting substantially the same claims and requesting that the Board of Directors investigate her allegations and take appropriate action. The Board of Directors subsequently established a committee, which engaged and was advised by its own counsel, to review the matter. The Board's committee evaluated the allegations in Ms. Nadoff's October 5 letter and recommended that the Board take no further action. After considering both Ms. Nadoff's request and the committee's recommendation, the Board accepted the recommendation. On November 26, 2008, the Company filed a motion to dismiss the second Nadoff lawsuit. On February 3, 2009, the Court denied the motion to dismiss but ordered Ms. Nadoff to file an amended complaint that clearly identifies and sets forth the breaches of fiduciary duty, if any, that are alleged to have occurred after the filing (or dismissal) of the first Nadoff derivative lawsuit. On February 17, 2009, the plaintiff filed an amended complaint as ordered by the Court. The complaint alleges breaches of fiduciary duty by the Board of Directors. The Company intends to file a motion to dismiss.

In addition, the Company is party to certain lawsuits in the normal course of business. Furthermore, third parties may try to seek to impose liability on the Company in connection with the activities of its portfolio companies. For a discussion of civil investigations being conducted regarding the lending practice of Ciena Capital LLC, a portfolio company of the Company, see Note 3, Portfolio Ciena Capital LLC.

While the outcome of any of the open legal proceedings described above cannot at this time be predicted with certainty, the Company does not expect these matters will materially affect its financial condition or results of operations.

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

None.

Item 9A. Controls and Procedures.

(a) ***Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures.*** As of the end of the year covered by this annual report on Form 10-K, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer conducted an evaluation of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934). Based upon this evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures are effective to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure of any material information relating to us that is required to be disclosed by us in the reports we file or submit under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

(b) ***Management's Annual Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting.*** Our Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting, as such term is defined in Rule 13a-15(f) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and for the assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting. Management's report on internal control over financial reporting is set forth above under the heading Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting in Item 8.

(c) ***Attestation Report of the Registered Public Accounting Firm.*** Our independent registered public accounting firm, KPMG LLP, has issued an attestation report on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting, which is set forth above under the heading Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm in Item 8.

(d) ***Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting.*** There have been no changes in our internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) that occurred during our most recently completed fiscal quarter, that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

Item 9B. Other Information.

On February 26, 2009, the Board of Directors of the Company separated the roles of Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board of Directors, effective March 3, 2009. William L. Walton, who has served as the Company's Chairman of the Board, Chief Executive Officer and President since 1997 and a member of the Company's Board of Directors since 1986, will continue to serve full time as executive Chairman of the Board of Directors. In this capacity, Mr. Walton will be an executive officer of the Company responsible for the overall strategic direction of the Company.

The Board of Directors named John M. Scheurer as Chief Executive Officer and President of the Company. In this capacity, Mr. Scheurer will assume responsibility for the executive management of the Company. Mr. Scheurer, age 56, has been employed by Allied Capital since 1991 and has served as a Managing Director of the Company since 1997 and as the Company's Head of Commercial Real Estate Finance since 2008. Mr. Scheurer also served as President of Allied Capital Commercial Corporation, a predecessor to the Company, from 1993 until 1997. In connection with his promotion to Chief Executive Officer and President, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors increased Mr. Scheurer's base salary to \$1.1 million.

In connection with the separation of the Chief Executive Officer and Chairman roles, Mr. Walton entered into an amendment to his employment agreement with the Company. Under that amendment Mr. Walton agreed to serve as a full time Chairman of the Board Directors with a base salary of \$1.1 million. In addition, Mr. Walton waived any

claims he may have had under his employment

agreement to resign for good reason upon no longer serving as the Company's Chief Executive Officer because the change to Mr. Walton's position had been made at his request.

In addition, on February 26, 2009, the Company's Board of Directors adopted certain amendments to the Company's Amended and Restated Bylaws to reflect the separation of the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer roles.

PART III

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

Information in response to this Item is incorporated by reference to the identification of directors and nominees contained in the Proposal 1. Election of Directors section, and the subsections Proposal 1. Election of Directors Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance, Corporate Governance Committees of the Board of Directors and Corporate Governance Information about Executive Officers of our definitive proxy statement in connection with its 2009 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, scheduled to be held on May 13, 2009, (the 2009 Proxy Statement).

We have adopted a Code of Business Conduct for all of our directors and employees, including our Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Accounting Officer. We have posted a copy of our Code of Business Conduct on our website at www.alliedcapital.com. We will provide you a copy of our Code of Business Conduct without charge upon request. To obtain a copy of our Code of Business Conduct, please send your written request to Allied Capital Corporation, 1919 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20006, Attn: Corporate Secretary.

Any waivers of the Code of Business Conduct must be approved, in advance, by our Board of Directors. Any amendments to, or waivers from, the Code of Business Conduct that apply to our executive officers and directors will be posted on our website located at www.alliedcapital.com.

Our common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) as its primary listing. The NYSE requires the Chief Executive Officer of each listed company to certify to the NYSE annually, after the company's annual meeting of stockholders, that the company is in compliance with the NYSE's corporate governance listing standards. In accordance with the NYSE's procedures, shortly after the 2008 annual meeting of stockholders, William L. Walton, our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, certified to the NYSE that he was unaware of any violation of the NYSE's corporate governance listing standards.

Item 11. *Executive Compensation.*

Information in response to this Item is incorporated by reference to subsections Proposal 1. Election of Directors Director Compensation, Executive Compensation and Corporate Governance Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation of the 2009 Proxy Statement.

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

Information in response to this Item is incorporated by reference to the subsections Proxy Statement Security Ownership of Management and Certain Beneficial Owners and Executive Compensation Equity Compensation Plan Information of the 2009 Proxy Statement.

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

Information in response to this Item is incorporated by reference to the section Corporate Governance Certain Relationships and Related Transactions and Corporate Governance Director Independence of the 2009 Proxy Statement.

Item 14. *Principal Accountant Fees and Services.*

Information in response to this Item is incorporated by reference to the subsections Proposal 2. Ratification of Selection of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm Fees Paid to KPMG LLP for 2008 and 2007 and Proposal 2. Ratification of Selection of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm Report of the Audit Committee of the 2009 Proxy Statement.

PART IV

Item 15. *Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules*

(a) Documents filed as part of this Report:

1. The following financial statements are filed herewith under Item 8:

Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Reports of the Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

Consolidated Balance Sheet December 31, 2008 and 2007

Consolidated Statement of Operations For the Years Ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006

Consolidated Statement of Changes in Net Assets For the Years Ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows For the Years Ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006

Consolidated Statement of Investments December 31, 2008

Consolidated Statement of Investments December 31, 2007

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

2. The following financial statement schedules are filed herewith:

Schedule 12-14 of Investments in and Advances to Affiliates.

In addition, there may be additional information not provided in a schedule because (i) such information is not required or (ii) the information required has been presented in the aforementioned financial statements.

3. The following exhibits are filed herewith or incorporated by reference as set forth below:

Exhibit Number	Description
3.1	Restated Articles of Incorporation. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit a.2 filed with Allied Capital's Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to registration statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-141847) filed on June 1, 2007).</i>
3.2*	Amended and Restated Bylaws.
4.1	Specimen Certificate of Allied Capital's Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit d. filed with Allied Capital's registration statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-51899) filed on May 6, 1998).</i>
4.3	Form of Note under the Indenture relating to the issuance of debt securities. <i>(Contained in Exhibit 4.4). (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit d.1 filed with Allied Capital's registration statement on Form N-2/A (File No. 333-133755) filed on June 21, 2006).</i>
4.4	Indenture by and between Allied Capital Corporation and The Bank of New York, dated June 16, 2006. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit d.2 filed with Allied Capital's registration statement on Form N-2/A (File No. 333-133755) filed on June 21, 2006).</i>
4.5	Statement of Eligibility of Trustee on Form T-1. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit d.3 filed with Allied Capital's registration statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-133755) filed on May 3, 2006).</i>
4.6	Form of First Supplemental Indenture by and between Allied Capital Corporation and the Bank of New York, dated as of July 25, 2006. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit d.4 filed with Allied Capital's Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the registration statement on Form N-2/A (File No. 333-133755) filed on July 25, 2006).</i>
4.7	Form of 6.625% Note due 2011. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit d.5 filed with Allied Capital's Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the registration statement on Form N-2/A (File No. 333-133755) filed on July 25, 2006).</i>
4.8	Form of Second Supplemental Indenture by and between Allied Capital Corporation and The Bank of New York, dated as of December 8, 2006. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit d.6 filed with Allied Capital's Post-Effective Amendment No. 2 to the registration statement on Form N-2/A (File No. 333-133755) filed on December 8, 2006).</i>
4.9	Form of 6.000% Notes due 2012. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit d.7 filed with Allied Capital's Post-Effective Amendment No. 2 to the registration statement on Form N-2/A (File No. 333-133755) filed on December 8, 2006).</i>
4.10	Form of Third Supplemental Indenture by and between Allied Capital Corporation and The Bank of New York, dated as of March 28, 2007. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit d.8 filed with Allied Capital's Post-Effective Amendment No. 3 to the registration statement on Form N-2/A (File No. 333-133755) filed on March 28, 2007).</i>
4.11	Form of 6.875% Notes due 2047. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit d.9 filed with Allied Capital's Post-Effective Amendment No. 3 to the registration statement on Form N-2/A (File No. 333-133755) filed on March 28, 2007).</i>
4.11(a)	Form of 6.875% Notes due 2047. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit d.9(a) filed with Allied Capital's Post-Effective Amendment No. 4 to the registration statement on Form N-2/A (File No. 333-133755) filed on April 2, 2007).</i>

- 10.1 Dividend Reinvestment Plan, as amended. *(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit e. filed with Allied Capital's registration statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-87862) filed on May 8, 2002).*
- 10.2 Credit Agreement, dated April 9, 2008. *(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 filed with Allied Capital's Form 8-K on April 10, 2008).*

Exhibit Number	Description
10.2(a)	First Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated December 30, 2008. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 filed with Allied Capital's Form 8-K on December 31, 2008).</i>
10.3	Note Agreement, dated October 13, 2005. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 filed with Allied Capital's Form 8-K on October 14, 2005).</i>
10.3(a)	Amendment dated February 29, 2008, to Note Agreement dated as of October 13, 2005. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit f.3(a) filed with Allied Capital's Form N-2 (File No. 333-150006) filed on April 1, 2008).</i>
10.4	Note Agreement, dated May 1, 2006. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 filed with Allied Capital's Form 8-K on May 1, 2006).</i>
10.4(a)	Amendment dated February 29, 2008, to Note Agreement dated as of May 1, 2006. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit f.11(a) filed with Allied Capital's Form N-2 (File No. 333-150006) filed on April 1, 2008).</i>
10.15	Second Amended and Restated Control Investor Guaranty, dated as of January 30, 2008, between Allied Capital and CitiBank, N.A., as Administrative Agent. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 filed with Allied Capital's Form 8-K filed on February 5, 2008).</i>
10.17	The 2005 Allied Capital Corporation Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation Plan II. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 filed with Allied Capital's Form 8-K filed on December 21, 2005).</i>
10.17(a)	Amendment to The 2005 Allied Capital Corporation Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation Plan II, dated January 20, 2006. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.17(a) filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005).</i>
10.17(b)	Amendment to The 2005 Allied Capital Corporation Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation Plan II, dated December 14, 2007. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 filed with Allied Capital's Form 8-K filed on December 19, 2007).</i>
10.18	The 2005 Allied Capital Corporation Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation Plan. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 filed with Allied Capital's Form 8-K filed on December 21, 2005).</i>
10.18(a)	Amendment to The 2005 Allied Capital Corporation Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation Plan, dated January 20, 2006. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.18(a) filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005).</i>
10.18(b)	Amendment to The 2005 Allied Capital Corporation Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation Plan, dated December 14, 2007. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 filed with Allied Capital's Form 8-K filed on December 19, 2007).</i>
10.19	Amended Stock Option Plan. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Appendix B of Allied Capital's definitive proxy statement for Allied Capital's 2007 Annual Meeting of Stockholders filed on April 3, 2007).</i>
10.20(a)	Allied Capital Corporation 401(k) Plan, dated September 1, 1999. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.4 filed with Allied Capital's registration statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-88681) filed on October 8, 1999).</i>
10.20(b)	Amendment to Allied Capital Corporation 401(k) Plan, dated April 15, 2004. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.20(b) filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 2004).</i>
10.20(c)	Amendment to Allied Capital Corporation 401(k) plan, dated November 1, 2005. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.20(c) filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2005).</i>
10.20(d)	Amendment to Allied Capital Corporation 401(k) plan, dated April 21, 2006. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit i.4(c) filed with Allied Capital's Form N-2 (File No. 333-133755) filed on May 3, 2006).</i>

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10.20(e)	Amendment to Allied Capital Corporation 401(k) plan, adopted December 18, 2006. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.20(e) filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2006).</i>
10.20(f)	Amendment to Allied Capital Corporation 401(k) plan, dated June 21, 2007. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.20(f) filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2007).</i>
10.20(g)	Amendment to Allied Capital Corporation 401(k) plan, dated June 21, 2007. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.20(g) filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2007).</i>
10.20(h)	Amendment to Allied Capital Corporation 401(k) plan, dated September 14, 2007, with an effective date of January 1, 2008. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.20(h) filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2007).</i>
10.21	Employment Agreement, dated January 1, 2004, between Allied Capital and William L. Walton. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.21 filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003).</i>
10.21(a)	Amendment to Employment Agreement, dated March 29, 2007, between Allied Capital and William L. Walton. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 filed with Allied Capital's Form 8-K filed on April 3, 2007).</i>
10.21(b)*	Second Amendment to Employment Agreement, dated December 15, 2008, between Allied Capital and William L. Walton.
10.21(c)*	Third Amendment to Employment Agreement, dated February 26, 2009, between Allied Capital and William L. Walton.
10.22	Employment Agreement, dated January 1, 2004, between Allied Capital and Joan M. Sweeney. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.22 filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003).</i>
10.22(a)	Amendment to Employment Agreement, dated March 29, 2007, between Allied Capital and Joan M. Sweeney. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 filed with Allied Capital's Form 8-K filed on April 3, 2007).</i>
10.22(b)*	Second Amendment to Employment Agreement, dated December 15, 2008, between Allied Capital and Joan M. Sweeney.
10.23	Employment Agreement, dated January 1, 2004, between Allied Capital and Penelope F. Roll. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.23 filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2006).</i>
10.23(a)	Amendment to Employment Agreement, dated March 29, 2007, between Allied Capital and Penelope F. Roll. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 filed with Allied Capital's Form 8-K filed on April 3, 2007).</i>
10.23(b)*	Second Amendment to Employment Agreement, dated December 15, 2008, between Allied Capital and Penelope F. Roll.
10.25	Form of Custody Agreement with Riggs Bank N.A., which was assumed by PNC Bank through merger. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit j.1 filed with Allied Capital's registration statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-51899) filed on May 6, 1998).</i>
10.26	Custodian Agreement with Chevy Chase Trust. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.26 filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005).</i>
10.27	Custodian Agreement with Bank of America. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.27 filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005).</i>

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- 10.28 Code of Ethics. *(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.28 filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2006).*
- 10.29 Custodian Agreement with Union Bank of California. *(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.29 filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2006).*
- 10.30 Custodian Agreement with M&T Bank. *(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.30 filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2006).*

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10.31	Note Agreement, dated as of May 14, 2003. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.31 filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2003).</i>								
10.31(a)	Amendment dated February 29, 2008, to Note Agreement dated as of May 14, 2003. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit f.19(a) filed with Allied Capital's Form N-2 (File No. 333-150006) filed on April 1, 2008).</i>								
10.32	Custodian Agreement with Branch Banking and Trust Company. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.32 filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2008).</i>								
10.33	Note Agreement, dated June 20, 2008. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 filed with Allied Capital's Form 8-K on June 23, 2008).</i>								
10.37	Form of Indemnification Agreement between Allied Capital and its directors and certain officers. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.37 filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003).</i>								
10.38	Note Agreement, dated as of March 25, 2004. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.38 filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-Q for the period ended March 31, 2004.)</i>								
10.38(a)	Amendment dated February 29, 2008, to Note Agreement dated as of March 25, 2004. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit f.25(a) filed with Allied Capital's Form N-2 (File No. 333-150006) filed on April 1, 2008).</i>								
10.38(b)	First Waiver and Second Amendment dated as of July 25, 2008, to the Note Agreement dated as of March 25, 2004. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.38(b) filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 2008.)</i>								
10.39	Note Agreement, dated as of November 15, 2004. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 filed with Allied Capital's current report on Form 8-K filed on November 18, 2004.)</i>								
10.39(a)	Amendment dated February 29, 2008, to Note Agreement dated as of November 15, 2004. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit f.26(a) filed with Allied Capital's Form N-2 (File No. 333-150006) filed on April 1, 2008).</i>								
10.40	Real Estate Securities Purchase Agreement. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.1 filed with Allied Capital's Form 8-K filed on May 4, 2005.)</i>								
10.41	Platform Assets Purchase Agreement. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.2 filed with Allied Capital's Form 8-K filed on May 4, 2005.)</i>								
10.42	Transition Services Agreement. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 filed with Allied Capital's Form 8-K filed on May 4, 2005.)</i>								
10.43	First Omnibus Waiver and Amendment to the Note Agreements, dated as of July 25, 2008. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.40 filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 2008).</i>								
10.43(a)	Second Omnibus Amendment to the Note Agreements, dated as of December 30, 2008. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 filed with Allied Capital's Form 8-K December 31, 2008).</i>								
11	Statement regarding computation of per share earnings is included in Note 7 to Allied Capital's Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.								
21	Subsidiaries of Allied Capital and jurisdiction of incorporation/organization: <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 70%;">A.C. Corporation</td> <td>Delaware</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Allied Capital REIT, Inc.</td> <td>Maryland</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Allied Capital Holdings, LLC</td> <td>Delaware</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Allied Capital Beteiligungsberatung GmbH (inactive)</td> <td>Germany</td> </tr> </table>	A.C. Corporation	Delaware	Allied Capital REIT, Inc.	Maryland	Allied Capital Holdings, LLC	Delaware	Allied Capital Beteiligungsberatung GmbH (inactive)	Germany
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Certification of the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

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Certification of the Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

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31.3*	Certification of the Chief Accounting Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
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* Filed herewith.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized on March 2, 2009.

/s/ William L. Walton
 William L. Walton
 Chairman of the Board and
 Chief Executive Officer

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

Signature	Title (Capacity)	Date
/s/ William L. Walton William L. Walton	Chairman and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)	March 2, 2009
/s/ Ann Torre Bates Ann Torre Bates	Director	March 2, 2009
/s/ Brooks H. Browne Brooks H. Browne	Director	March 2, 2009
/s/ John D. Firestone John D. Firestone	Director	March 2, 2009
/s/ Anthony T. Garcia Anthony T. Garcia	Director	March 2, 2009

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/s/ Edwin L. Harper Edwin L. Harper	Director	March 2, 2009
/s/ Lawrence I. Hebert Lawrence I. Hebert	Director	March 2, 2009
/s/ John I. Leahy John I. Leahy	Director	March 2, 2009
/s/ Robert E. Long Robert E. Long	Director	March 2, 2009
/s/ Edward J. Mathias Edward J. Mathias	Director	March 2, 2009
/s/ Alex J. Pollock Alex J. Pollock	Director	March 2, 2009
/s/ Marc F. Racicot Marc F. Racicot	Director	March 2, 2009
/s/ Guy T. Steuart II Guy T. Steuart II	Director	March 2, 2009

Signature	Title (Capacity)	Date
/s/ Joan M. Sweeney Joan M. Sweeney	Director	March 2, 2009
/s/ Laura W. van Roijen Laura W. van Roijen	Director	March 2, 2009
/s/ Penni F. Roll Penni F. Roll	Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)	March 2, 2009
/s/ John C. Wellons John C. Wellons	Chief Accounting Officer (Principal Accounting Officer)	March 2, 2009

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ALLIED CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS IN AND ADVANCES TO AFFILIATES

PRIVATE FINANCE Portfolio Company (in thousands)	Investment ⁽¹⁾ Companies More Than 25% Owned	Amount of Interest or Dividends Credited to		December 31, 2007	Gross	Gross	December 31, 2008
		Income ⁽⁶⁾	Other ⁽²⁾	Value	Additions ⁽³⁾	Reductions ⁽⁴⁾	Value
AGILE Fund I, LLC (Private Equity Fund)	Equity Interests			\$	\$ 861	\$ (364)	\$ 497
Alaris Consulting, LLC (Business Services)	Senior Loan Equity Interests				26,987 6,738	(26,987) (6,738)	
AllBridge Financial, LLC (Asset Management)	Equity Interests			7,800	25,495	(22,335)	10,960
Allied Capital Senior Debt Fund, L.P. (Private Debt Fund)	Equity Interests			32,811		(1,011)	31,800
Avborne, Inc. (Business Services)	Preferred Stock Common Stock			1,633		(691)	942
Avborne Heavy Maintenance, Inc. (Business Services)	Preferred Stock Common Stock			2,557 370		(2,557) (370)	
Aviation Properties Corporation (Business Services)	Common Stock				28	(28)	
Border Foods, Inc. (Consumer Products)	Senior Loan Preferred Stock Common Stock	\$ 2,784			49,195 7,203	(16,168)	33,027 11,851
Calder Capital Partners, LLC (Asset Management)	Senior Loan ⁽⁵⁾ Equity Interests		\$ 323	3,035 3,559	2,349 57	(4,431) (3,616)	953
	Senior Loan	115			1,750	(1,750)	

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Callidus Capital Corporation (Asset Management)	Subordinated Debt	1,838	6,871	13,197	(4,000)	16,068
	Common Stock		44,587	115	(10,325)	34,377
Ciena Capital LLC (Financial Services)	Senior Loan ⁽⁵⁾			319,031	(214,148)	104,883
	Class A Equity Interests		68,609	30,435	(99,044)	
	Class B Equity Interests					
	Class C Equity Interests					
CitiPostal Inc. (Business Services)	Senior Loan	47	679	2		681
	Unitranche Debt	6,326	50,597	951		51,548
	Subordinated Debt	1,398	8,049	1,065		9,114
	Common Stock	109	12,726		(4,110)	8,616
Coverall North America, Inc. (Business Services)	Unitranche Debt	3,974	34,923	44	(3,019)	31,948
	Subordinated Debt	858	5,979	7	(437)	5,549
	Common Stock		27,597		(9,629)	17,968
CR Holding, Inc. (Consumer Products)	Subordinated Debt ⁽⁵⁾	4,936	40,812	1,388	(24,840)	17,360
	Common Stock		40,934		(40,934)	
Crescent Equity Corp. (Business Services)	Senior Loan	44	433	11	(11)	433
	Subordinated Debt	3,183	33,215	783	(19,715)	14,283
	Subordinated Debt ⁽⁵⁾		11,345	1,194	(8,208)	4,331
	Common Stock	36	83,453	4,559	(83,432)	4,580
Direct Capital Corporation (Financial Services)	Subordinated Debt ⁽⁵⁾	5,886	39,030	19,430	(44,930)	13,530
	Common Stock		6,906	9,126	(16,032)	
Financial Pacific Company (Financial Services)	Subordinated Debt	11,686	72,850	1,304	(11,965)	62,189
	Preferred Stock	1,281	19,330		(19,330)	
	Common Stock		38,544		(38,544)	
ForeSite Towers, LLC (Tower Leasing)	Equity Interest		878	11		889
Global Communications, LLC (Business Services)	Senior Loan ⁽⁵⁾		1,822		(487)	1,335
Hot Light Brands, Inc. (Retail)	Senior Loan ⁽⁵⁾			30,567	(16,889)	13,678
	Common Stock					