

HANNON CHRISTOPHER TAYLOR

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
HANNON CHRISTOPHER TAYLOR

(Last) (First) (Middle)

105 WESTWOOD PLACE, SUITE 400

(Street)

BRENTWOOD, TN 37027

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
VENTAS INC [VTR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 01/03/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	01/03/2005		A	(A) or (D) 1,750 (1)	\$ 0 3,750	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
 (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 27.09	01/03/2005		A	5,000 (2)	01/03/2005 ⁽³⁾ 01/03/2015	Common Stock 5,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
HANNON CHRISTOPHER TAYLOR 105 WESTWOOD PLACE, SUITE 400 BRENTWOOD, TN 37027	X

Signatures

Christopher T. Hannon, By: T. Richard Riney,
Attorney-In-Fact 01/05/2005

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) These shares represent restricted shares granted under the 2004 Stock Plan for Directors. These shares vest in annual installments of 1/2 on first anniversary of grant and 1/2 on second anniversary of grant (January 3, 2006 and January 3, 2007, respectively).
- (2) Options granted pursuant to the 2004 Stock Plan for Directors.
- (3) The options are exercisable in cumulative 50% annual installments beginning on January 3, 2005.

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