#### CAFARO DEBRA A

Form 4

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# FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting CAFARO DEBRA A	Person *	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last) (First) (Middle)  10350 ORMSBY PARK PLACE, SUITE 300		VENTAS INC [VTR]  3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
		(Month/Day/Year) 12/10/2007	_X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman, President and CEO		
(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
LOUISVILLE KY 40223			Form filed by More than One Reporting		

Person

### LOUISVILLE,, KY 40223

(City)	(State)	(Zip) 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)  (A) or		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	Ownership Indirect Form: Benefit Direct (D) Ownership	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock (1)	12/10/2007		S(2)(3)	100	D	\$ 46.28	750,569	D		
Common Stock	12/10/2007		S(2)(3)	700	D	\$ 46.29	749,869	D		
Common Stock	12/10/2007		S(2)(3)	100	D	\$ 46.2938	749,769	D		
Common Stock	12/10/2007		S(2)(3)	200	D	\$ 46.3	749,569	D		
Common Stock	12/10/2007		S(2)(3)	300	D	\$ 46.31	749,269	D		

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Common Stock	12/10/2007	S(2)(3)	500	D	\$ 46.32	748,769	D
Common Stock	12/10/2007	S(2)(3)	600	D	\$ 46.33	748,169	D
Common Stock	12/10/2007	S(2)(3)	100	D	\$ 46.3343	748,069	D
Common Stock	12/10/2007	S(2)(3)	200	D	\$ 46.34	747,869	D
Common Stock	12/10/2007	S(2)(3)	200	D	\$ 46.35	747,669	D
Common Stock	12/10/2007	S(2)(3)	1,000	D	\$ 46.36	746,669	D
Common Stock	12/10/2007	S(2)(3)	800	D	\$ 46.37	745,869	D
Common Stock	12/10/2007	S(2)(3)	800	D	\$ 46.38	745,069	D
Common Stock	12/10/2007	S(2)(3)	100	D	\$ 46.39	744,969	D
Common Stock	12/10/2007	S(2)(3)	100	D	\$ 46.3941	744,869	D
Common Stock	12/10/2007	S(2)(3)	600	D	\$ 46.4	744,269	D
Common Stock	12/10/2007	S(2)(3)	700	D	\$ 46.41	743,569	D
Common Stock	12/10/2007	S(2)(3)	991	D	\$ 46.42	742,578	D
Common Stock	12/10/2007	S(2)(3)	1,200	D	\$ 46.43	741,378	D
Common Stock	12/10/2007	S(2)(3)	1,200	D	\$ 46.44	740,178	D
Common Stock	12/10/2007	S(2)(3)	63	D	\$ 46.445	740,115	D
Common Stock	12/10/2007	S(2)(3)	1,837	D	\$ 46.45	738,278	D
Common Stock	12/10/2007	S(2)(3)	700	D	\$ 46.46	737,578	D
Common Stock	12/10/2007	S(2)(3)	300	D	\$ 46.47	737,278	D
Common Stock	12/10/2007	S(2)(3)	500	D	\$ 46.49	736,778	D
	12/10/2007	S(2)(3)	1,100	D	\$ 46.5	735,678	D

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Common Stock								
Common Stock	12/10/2007	S(2)(3)	300	D	\$ 46.51	735,378	D	
Common Stock	12/10/2007	S(2)(3)	200	D	\$ 46.52	735,178	D	
Common Stock						5,000 (4)	I	By Trust

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)

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. Transac Code (Instr. 8	5. etionNumb of 3) Deriv Secur Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr 4, and	er Expiration (Month/lative ities ired resed ) 3,	Exercisable and on Date Day/Year)	Amou Unde Secur	rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
				Code	V (A)	Date Exercisa (D)	Expiration ble Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
<b></b>	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
CAFARO DEBRA A 10350 ORMSBY PARK PLACE, SUITE 300	X		Chairman, President and				
LOUISVILLE,, KY 40223			CEO				

# **Signatures**

Debra A. Cafaro, By: T. Richard Riney, Attorney-In-Fact

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

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### **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) Please see the Reporting Person's previous Form 4 filing dated the date hereof which contains additional transactions which are part of one aggregate direction under the Rule 10b5-1(c) sales plan described in Footnote (3).
- (2) On September 13, 2007, the Reporting Person transmitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission a Form 144 covering the sale of the Issuer's common stock reported on Table I.
- (3) These shares are being sold pursuant to a written non-discretionary Rule 10b5-1(c) sales plan dated November 3, 2006.
- (4) Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these 5,000 shares except to the extent of the Reporting Person's pecuniary interest in the shares.

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