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## For the quarterly period ended June 30, 2008

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

## ARES CAPITAL CORPORATION

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(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

## Maryland

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

33-1089684
(I.R.S. Employer

Identification Number)

# 280 Park Avenue, 22 ${ }^{\text {nd }}$ Floor, Building East, New York, NY 10017 

(Address of principal executive office) (Zip Code)
(212) 750-7300
(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

## N/A

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

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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer, and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer X
Non-accelerated filer 0
Accelerated filer O
Smaller reporting company 0
(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 o No x

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer sclasses of common stock, as of the latest practicable date.

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Common stock, $\$ 0.001$ par value
97,152,820

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## ARES CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

## CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

(dollar amounts in thousands, except per share data)

|  | As of |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | June 30, 2008 (unaudited) |  | December 31, 2007 |  |
| ASSETS |  |  |  |  |
| Investments at fair value (amortized cost of \$2,161,978 and \$1,795,621, respectively) |  |  |  |  |
| Non-controlled/non-affiliate company investments | \$ | 1,457,081 | \$ | 1,167,200 |
| Non-controlled affiliate company investments |  | 436,639 |  | 430,371 |
| Controlled affiliate company investments |  | 196,732 |  | 176,631 |
| Total investments at fair value |  | 2,090,452 |  | 1,774,202 |
| Cash and cash equivalents |  | 77,047 |  | 21,142 |
| Receivable for open trades |  | 587 |  | 1,343 |
| Interest receivable |  | 24,588 |  | 23,730 |
| Other assets |  | 8,382 |  | 8,988 |
| Total assets | \$ | 2,201,056 | \$ | 1,829,405 |
| LIABILITIES |  |  |  |  |
| Debt | \$ | 847,734 | \$ | 681,528 |
| Accounts payable and accrued expenses |  | 5,439 |  | 5,516 |
| Management and incentive fees payable |  | 16,694 |  | 13,041 |
| Interest and facility fees payable |  | 2,641 |  | 4,769 |
| Total liabilities | \$ | 872,508 | \$ | 704,854 |
| Commitments and contingencies (Note 6) |  |  |  |  |
| STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY |  |  |  |  |
| Common stock, par value $\$ .001$ per share, 200,000,000 and 100,000,000 common shares authorized, respectively, $97,152,820$ and $72,684,090$ common shares issued and outstanding, respectively |  | 97 |  | 73 |
| Capital in excess of par value |  | 1,399,467 |  | 1,136,599 |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income |  | (624) |  | 7,005 |
| Accumulated undistributed net realized gain on sale of investments and foreign currencies |  | 17 |  | 1,471 |
| Net unrealized loss on investments and foreign currencies |  | $(70,409)$ |  | $(20,597)$ |
| Total stockholders equity |  | 1,328,548 |  | 1,124,551 |
| Total liabilities and stockholders equity | \$ | 2,201,056 | \$ | 1,829,405 |
| NET ASSETS PER SHARE | \$ | 13.67 | \$ | 15.47 |

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

## ARES CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

(dollar amounts in thousands, except per share data)

|  | For the three months ended |  |  |  | For the six months ended |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | June 30, 2008 (unaudited) |  | June 30, 2007 (unaudited) |  | June 30, 2008 (unaudited) |  | June 30, 2007 (unaudited) |  |
| INVESTMENT INCOME: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| From non-controlled/non-affiliate company investments: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Interest from investments | \$ | 37,768 | \$ | 34,251 | \$ | 72,734 | \$ | 64,145 |
| Capital structuring service fees |  | 8,421 |  | 1,982 |  | 11,146 |  | 6,267 |
| Interest from cash \& cash equivalents |  | 441 |  | 671 |  | 989 |  | 1,492 |
| Dividend income |  | 375 |  | 375 |  | 871 |  | 750 |
| Other income |  | 583 |  | 389 |  | 1,408 |  | 507 |
| Total investment income from non-controlled/non-affiliate company investments |  | 47,588 |  | 37,668 |  | 87,148 |  | 73,161 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| From non-controlled affiliate company investments: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Interest from investments |  | 8,198 |  | 5,469 |  | 16,697 |  | 9,416 |
| Capital structuring service fees |  |  |  | 3,225 |  | 1,095 |  | 3,262 |
| Dividend income |  | 218 |  | 503 |  | 266 |  | 503 |
| Other income |  | 378 |  | 314 |  | 619 |  | 552 |
| Total investment income from non-controlled affiliate company investments |  | 8,794 |  | 9,511 |  | 18,677 |  | 13,733 |
| From controlled affiliate company investments: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Interest from investments |  | 3,758 |  | 55 |  | 6,180 |  | 55 |
| Capital structuring service fees |  | 2,900 |  | 165 |  | 3,000 |  | 165 |
| Other income |  | 424 |  |  |  | 666 |  |  |
| Total investment income from controlled affiliate company investments |  | 7,082 |  | 220 |  | 9,846 |  | 220 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total investment income |  | 63,464 |  | 47,399 |  | 115,671 |  | 87,114 |
| EXPENSES: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Interest and credit facility fees |  | 7,155 |  | 7,565 |  | 17,078 |  | 16,114 |
| Base management fees |  | 7,679 |  | 5,814 |  | 14,766 |  | 10,903 |
| Incentive management fees |  | 9,015 |  | 6,229 |  | 15,508 |  | 10,983 |
| Professional fees |  | 1,653 |  | 1,524 |  | 2,871 |  | 2,489 |
| Insurance |  | 349 |  | 266 |  | 626 |  | 531 |
| Administrative |  | 365 |  | 235 |  | 900 |  | 445 |
| Depreciation |  | 102 |  | 102 |  | 204 |  | 203 |
| Directors fees |  | 66 |  | 63 |  | 140 |  | 128 |
| Other |  | 881 |  | 653 |  | 1,728 |  | 1,415 |
| Total expenses |  | 27,265 |  | 22,451 |  | 53,821 |  | 43,211 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| NET INVESTMENT INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES |  | 36,199 |  | 24,948 |  | 61,850 |  | 43,903 |
| Income tax expense (benefit), including excise tax |  | 138 |  | (43) |  | (184) |  | (33) |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| NET INVESTMENT INCOME |  | 36,061 |  | 24,991 |  | 62,034 |  | 43,936 |
| REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAINS (LOSSES) ON INVESTMENTS AND FOREIGN CURRENCY |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |



See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

## ARES CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

## CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS

## As of June 30, 2008 (unaudited)

(dollar amounts in thousands, except per unit data)


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|  |  | Common stock (857,143 shares) |  | 8/18/06 | 3,000 | 3,000 | \$ | 3.50 (5) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Passport Health Communications, Inc. | Healthcare technology provider | Senior secured loan (\$25,000 par due 5/2014) | $\begin{gathered} 10.50 \% \\ (\text { Libor }+ \\ 7.50 \% / S) \end{gathered}$ | 5/9/08 | 25,000 | 25,000 | \$ | 1.00 |
| PG Mergersub, Inc. | Provider of patient surveys, management reports and national databases for the integrated healthcare delivery system | Senior subordinated loan (\$5,000 par due $3 / 2016$ ) | 12.50\% | 3/12/08 | 4,900 | 4,900 | \$ | 0.98 |

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| Company (1) | Industry | Investment | Interest(10) | Initial Acquisition Date | Amortized Cost | Fair Value |  | Fair Value Per Unit | Percentage of Net Assets |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Preferred stock (333 shares) |  | 3/12/08 | 333 | 333 | \$ | 1,000.00(5) |  |
|  |  | Class A Common stock (16,667 shares) |  | 3/12/08 | 167 | 167 | \$ | 10.00(5) |  |
| Triad Laboratory Alliance, LLC | Laboratory services | Senior subordinated note (\$15,221 par due $12 / 2012$ ) | $\begin{gathered} \text { 12.00\% cash, } \\ \text { 1.75\% PIK } \end{gathered}$ | 12/21/05 | 15,221 | 15,221 | \$ | 1.00(4) |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$2,925 par due 12/2011) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 6.05\% (Libor } \\ & +3.25 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{aligned}$ | 12/21/05 | 2,924 | 2,633 | \$ | 0.90(3) |  |
| VOTC Acquisition Corp. | Radiation oncology care provider | Senior secured loan (\$2,946 par due 7/2012) | $15.78 \%$ (Libor + $11.00 \%$ Cash, $2.00 \%$ PIK/Q) | 6/30/08 | 2,946 | 2,946 | \$ | 1.00(4) |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 401,179 | 378,214 |  |  | 28.44\% |
| Beverage, Food and Tobacco |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3091779 Nova Scotia Inc. | Baked goods manufacturer | Junior secured loan (Cdn\$14,000 par due 11/2012) | 11.50\% | 11/2/07 | 14,850 | 13,734 | \$ | 1.00(12) |  |
|  |  | Warrants to purchase 57,545 shares |  |  |  |  | \$ | (5) |  |
| Apple \& Eve, LLC and US Juice Partners, LLC (6) | Juice manufacturer | Senior secured revolving loan (\$1,846 par due 10/2013) | $\begin{aligned} & 8.92 \% \text { (Libor } \\ & +6.00 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{aligned}$ | 10/5/07 | 1,846 | 1,846 | \$ | 1.00 |  |
|  |  | Senior secured revolving loan (\$3,500 par due 10/2013) | $\begin{gathered} 10.00 \% \text { (Base } \\ \text { Rate + } \\ 5.00 \% / \mathrm{D} \text { ) } \end{gathered}$ | 10/5/07 | 3,500 | 3,500 | \$ | 1.00 |  |
|  |  | Senior secured revolving loan (\$1,000 par due 10/2013) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 8.78\% (Libor } \\ & +6.00 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{aligned}$ | 10/5/07 | 1,000 | 1,000 | \$ | 1.00 |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$33,660 par due 10/2013) | $\begin{gathered} \text { 9.02\% (Libor } \\ +6.00 \% / \mathrm{S}) \end{gathered}$ | 10/5/07 | 33,660 | 31,977 | \$ | 0.95 |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$11,880 par due 10/2013) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 9.02\% (Libor } \\ & +6.00 \% / \mathrm{S}) \end{aligned}$ | 10/5/07 | 11,880 | 11,286 | \$ | 0.95(3) |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$85 par due 10/2013) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 8.80\% (Libor } \\ & +6.00 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{aligned}$ | 10/5/07 | 85 | 81 | \$ | 0.95 |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$30 par due 10/2013) | $\begin{aligned} & 8.80 \% \text { (Libor } \\ & +6.00 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{aligned}$ | 10/5/07 | 30 | 29 | \$ | 0.95(3) |  |
|  |  | Senior units (50,000 units) |  | 10/5/07 | 5,000 | 5,000 | \$ | 100.00(5) |  |
| Best Brands Corporation | Baked goods manufacturer | Senior secured loan (\$7,626 par due 12/2012) | $\begin{aligned} & 9.70 \text { (Libor + } \\ & 7.00 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{aligned}$ | 2/15/2008 | 7,033 | 7,680 | \$ | 1.00 |  |
|  |  | Junior secured loan (\$1,007 par due 6/2013) | $16.73 \%$ <br> (Libor + 5.00\% Cash, | 12/14/06 | 1,007 | 1,007 | \$ | 1.00(4) |  |

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| Company (1) | Industry | Investment | Interest(10) | Initial Acquisition Date | Amortized Cost | Fair Value |  | Fair Value Per Unit |  | Percentage of Net Assets |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Junior secured loan ( $\$ 11,451$ par due 6/2013) | $\begin{gathered} 16.73 \% \\ \text { (Libor }+ \\ 5.00 \% \text { Cash, } \\ 7.00 \% \\ \text { PIK/Q) } \end{gathered}$ | 12/14/06 | 11,451 | 11,451 | \$ |  | 1.00 (3)(4) |  |
| Charter Baking Company, Inc. | Baked goods manufacturer | Senior subordinated note (\$5,000 par due 2/2013) | 12.00\% | 2/6/08 | 5,000 | 5,000 | \$ |  | 1.00 |  |
|  |  | Preferred stock (6,258 shares) |  | 9/1/06 | 2,500 | 2,500 | \$ |  | 399.48(5) |  |
| OTG <br> Management, Inc. | Airport restaurant operator | Junior secured loan (\$10,136 par due 6/2013) | $\begin{gathered} 18.00 \% \\ \text { (Libor + } \\ 11.00 \% \text { Cash, } \\ 4.00 \% \\ \text { PIK/M) } \end{gathered}$ | 6/19/08 | 10,136 | 10,136 | \$ |  | 1.00(4) |  |
|  | Warrants to purchase up to 9 shares of common stock |  |  |  |  |  | \$ |  | (5) |  |
| Vistar Corporation and Wellspring Distribution Corp. | Foodservice distributor | Senior subordinated note (\$73,625 par due $5 / 2015$ ) | 13.50\% | 5/23/08 | 73,625 | 73,625 | \$ |  | 1.00 |  |
|  |  | Class A non-voting common stock (1,366,120 shares) |  | 5/23/08 | 7,500 | 7,500 | \$ |  | 1.00(5) |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 217,905 | 215,152 |  |  |  | 16.18\% |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Campus <br> Management Corp. <br> and Campus <br> Management <br> Acquisition Corp. <br> (6) | Education software developer | Senior secured loan (\$44,888 par due 8/2013) | 11.00\% | 2/8/08 | 44,888 | 44,888 | \$ |  | 1.00 |  |
|  |  | Preferred stock (422,764 shares) | 8.00\% PIK | 2/8/08 | 7,674 | 7,674 | \$ |  | 18.15(4) |  |
| ELC Acquisition Corporation | Developer, manufacturer and retailer of educational products | Senior secured loan (\$264 par due 11/2012) | $\begin{gathered} \text { 6.27\% (Libor } \\ +3.25 \% / \mathrm{S}) \end{gathered}$ | 11/30/06 | 264 | 264 | \$ |  | 1.00(3) |  |
|  |  | Junior secured loan (\$8,333 par due 11/2013) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 9.80\% (Libor } \\ & +7.00 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{aligned}$ | 11/30/06 | 8,333 | 8,333 | \$ |  | 1.00 (3) |  |
| Equinox EIC <br> Partners, LLC and MUA Management Company, Ltd. (7) (8) | Medical school operator | Senior secured revolving loan (\$3,350 par due 12/2012) | $\begin{gathered} 10.00 \% \text { (Base } \\ \text { Rate + } \\ 5.00 \% / \mathrm{D} \text { ) } \end{gathered}$ | 4/3/07 | 3,350 | 3,350 | \$ |  | 1.43 |  |
|  |  | Senior secured revolving loan (\$3,500 par due 12/2012) | $\begin{aligned} & 8.80 \% \text { (Libor } \\ & +6.00 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{aligned}$ | 4/3/07 | 3,500 | 3,500 | \$ |  | 1.00 |  |
|  |  | Senior secured revolving loan (\$3,450 par due | $\begin{gathered} 10.00 \% \text { (Base } \\ \text { Rate }+ \\ 5.00 \% / \mathrm{D}) \end{gathered}$ | 4/3/07 | 3,450 | 3,450 | \$ |  | 1.00 |  |

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| Company (1) | Industry | Investment | Interest(10) | Initial Acquisition Date | Amortized Cost | Fair <br> Value |  | Fair Value Per Unit |  | Percentage of Net Assets |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Instituto de Banca y Comercio, Inc.(8) | Private school operator | Senior secured revolving loan (\$1,500 par due $3 / 2014$ ) | $\begin{aligned} & 5.68 \% \text { (Libor } \\ & +3.00 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{aligned}$ | 3/15/07 | 1,500 | 1,500 | \$ |  | 1.00 |  |
|  |  | Senior secured revolving loan (\$1,643 par due 3/2014) | $\begin{aligned} & 5.68 \% \text { (Libor } \\ & +3.00 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{aligned}$ | 3/15/07 | 1,643 | 1,643 | \$ |  | 1.00 |  |
|  |  | Senior secured revolving loan (\$821 par due 3/2014) | $\begin{aligned} & 5.80 \% \text { (Libor } \\ & +3.00 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{aligned}$ | 3/15/07 | 821 | 821 | \$ |  | 1.00 |  |
|  |  | Senior secured revolving loan (\$1,125 par due 3/2014) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 5.92\% (Libor } \\ & +3.00 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{aligned}$ | 3/15/07 | 1,125 | 1,125 | \$ |  | 1.00 |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$7,500 par due 3/2014) | $\begin{aligned} & 7.87 \% \text { (Libor } \\ & +5.00 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{aligned}$ | 3/15/07 | 7,500 | 7,500 | \$ |  | 1.00 |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$12,315 par due 3/2014) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 7.87\% (Libor } \\ & +5.00 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{aligned}$ | 3/15/07 | 12,315 | 12,315 | \$ |  | 1.00 |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$11,880 par due 3/2014) | $\begin{aligned} & 7.87 \% \text { (Libor } \\ & +5.00 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{aligned}$ | 3/15/07 | 11,880 | 11,880 | \$ |  | 1.00(3) |  |
|  |  | Senior subordinated loan (\$19,302 par due 6/2014) | 10.50\% Cash, 3.50\% PIK | 6/4/08 | 19,302 | 19,302 | \$ |  | 1.00(4) |  |
|  |  | Promissory note (\$429 par due 9/2015) | 6.00\% | 6/4/08 | 429 | 857 | \$ |  | 2.00 |  |
|  |  | Preferred stock <br> (214,286 shares) |  | 6/4/08 | 1,018 | 2,036 | \$ |  | 9.50(5) |  |
|  |  | Common stock (214,286 shares) |  | 6/4/08 | 54 | 107 | \$ |  | 0.50(5) |  |
| Lakeland Finance, LLC | Private school operator | Senior secured note (\$18,000 par due 12/2012) | 11.50\% | 12/13/05 | 18,000 | 18,000 | \$ |  | 1.00 |  |
|  |  | Senior secured note (\$15,000 par due 12/2012) | 11.50\% | 12/13/05 | 15,000 | 15,000 | \$ |  | 1.00(2) |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 202,809 | 209,308 |  |  |  | 15.74\% |
| Financial |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Abingdon <br> Investments <br> Limited (6) (8) <br> (9) | Investment company | Ordinary shares (948,500 shares) |  | 12/15/06 | 9,033 | 6,316 | \$ |  | 6.66(5) |  |
| Firstlight <br> Financial Corporation (6) (9) | Investment company | Senior subordinated loan (\$68,214 par due 12/2016) | 10.00\% PIK | 12/31/06 | 68,195 | 68,195 | \$ |  | 1.00(4) |  |
|  |  | Common stock (10,000 shares) |  | 12/31/06 | 10,019 | 6,269 | \$ |  | 625.00(5) |  |
|  |  | Common stock ( 30,000 shares) |  | 12/31/06 | 30,000 | 18,750 | \$ |  | 625.00(5) |  |
| Ivy Hill Middle Market Credit Fund, Ltd. (7) (8) (9) | Investment company | ClassB deferrable interest notes (\$40,000 par due 11/2018) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 8.66\% (Libor } \\ & +6.00 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{aligned}$ | 11/20/07 | 40,000 | 40,000 | \$ |  | 1.00 |  |
|  |  | Subordinated notes (\$16,000 par due 11/2018) |  | 11/20/07 | 16,000 | 14,400 | \$ |  | 0.90(5) |  |


| Imperial | Investment | Limited partnership | $5 / 10 / 07$ | 584 | 584 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Capital Group, | banking | interest (80\% interest) |  |  |  |
| LLC and | services |  |  |  |  |
| Imperial |  |  |  |  |  |
| Capital Private |  |  |  |  |  |
| Opportunities, |  |  |  |  |  |
| LP (6) (9) |  |  |  |  |  |



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| Common stock $(800$ <br> shares $)$ | $9 / 28 / 06$ | 200 | 200 | $\$$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  |  | 167,893 | 169,193 | $250.00(5)$ |



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|  |  | Preferred stock (30,000 shares) |  | 4/11/06 | 3,000 | 7,000 | \$ | 233.33(5) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| R2 <br> Acquisition Corp. | Marketing services | Common stock (250,000 shares) |  | 5/29/07 | 250 | 250 | \$ | 1.00(5) |  |
| Summit <br> Business <br> Media, LLC | Business media consulting services | Junior secured loan (\$10,000 par due 11/2013) | $\begin{aligned} & 9.49 \% \text { (Libor } \\ & +7.00 \% / \mathrm{M}) \end{aligned}$ | 8/3/07 | 10,000 | 9,000 | \$ | 0.90(3) |  |
| VSS-Tranzact Holdings, LLC (6) | Management consulting services | Common membership interest ( $8.51 \%$ interest) |  | 10/26/07 | 10,000 | 10,000 |  | (5) |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 128,891 | 124,780 |  |  | 9.38\% |



## Services - Other

| American | Plumbing, | Junior secured loan | $10.00 \%$ Cash, | $4 / 17 / 07$ | 20,008 | 20,008 | $\$$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :--- |


| Company (1) | Industry | Investment | Interest(10) | Initial Acquisition Date | Amortized Cost | Fair Value |  | Fair Value Per Unit |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Percentage } \\ & \text { of } \\ & \text { Net Assets } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Diversified <br> Collection <br> Services, Inc. | Collections services | Senior secured loan (\$792 par due 8/2011) | $\begin{aligned} & 8.50 \% \text { (Libor } \\ & +5.75 \% / \mathrm{M}) \end{aligned}$ | 2/2/05 | 697 | 736 | \$ |  | 0.93 |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$4,433 par due 8/2011) | $\begin{aligned} & 8.50 \% \text { (Libor } \\ & +5.75 \% / \mathrm{M}) \end{aligned}$ | 2/2/05 | 4,433 | 4,123 | \$ |  | 0.93(3) |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$1,745 par due 2/2011) | $\begin{gathered} 11.25 \% \text { (Libor } \\ +8.50 \% / \mathrm{M}) \end{gathered}$ | 2/2/05 | 1,744 | 1,483 | \$ |  | 0.85(2) |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$6,758 par due 8/2011) | $\begin{gathered} 11.25 \% \text { (Libor } \\ +8.50 \% / \mathrm{M}) \end{gathered}$ | 2/2/05 | 6,758 | 5,744 | \$ |  | 0.85(3) |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$95 par due 2/2011) | $\begin{gathered} 11.25 \% \text { (Libor } \\ +8.50 \% / \mathrm{M}) \end{gathered}$ | 2/2/05 | 95 | 80 | \$ |  | 0.85(2) |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$367 par due 8/2011) | $\begin{gathered} \text { 11.25\% (Libor } \\ +8.50 \% / \mathrm{M}) \end{gathered}$ | 2/2/05 | 367 | 312 | \$ |  | 0.85(3) |  |
|  |  | Preferred stock $(14,927$ shares) |  | 5/18/06 | 169 | 109 | \$ |  | 7.32(5) |  |
|  |  | Common stock <br> (114,004 shares) |  | 2/2/05 | 295 | 191 | \$ |  | 1.67(5) |  |
| GCA Services Group, Inc. | Custodial services | Senior secured loan (\$27,964 par due 12/2011) | 12.00\% | 12/15/06 | 27,964 | 27,964 | \$ |  | 1.00(2) |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$11,186 par due 12/2011) | 12.00\% | 12/15/06 | 11,186 | 11,186 | \$ |  | 1.00(3) |  |
| Growing <br> Family, Inc. and GFH Holdings, LLC | Photography services | Senior secured revolving loan (\$1,263 par due 8/2011) | $\begin{gathered} \text { 6.50\% (Base } \\ \text { Rate + } \\ 1.50 \% / \mathrm{D}) \end{gathered}$ | 3/16/07 | 1,263 | 1,010 | \$ |  | 0.80 |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$428 par due 8/2011) | $\begin{gathered} 7.00 \% \text { (Base } \\ \text { Rate + } \\ 2.00 \% / \mathrm{D}) \end{gathered}$ | 3/16/07 | 427 | 343 | \$ |  | 0.80 |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$11,259 par due 8/2011) | $\begin{gathered} 7.00 \% \text { (Base } \\ \text { Rate + } \\ 2.00 \% / \mathrm{D}) \end{gathered}$ | 3/16/07 | 11,259 | 9,007 | \$ |  | 0.80(3) |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$3,616 par due 8/2011) | $\begin{aligned} & 17.25 \% \text { (Base } \\ & \text { Rate }+6.00 \% \\ & \text { Cash, } \\ & \text { 6.00\%PIK/D) } \end{aligned}$ | 3/16/07 | 3,616 | 2,893 | \$ |  | 0.80(4) |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$93 par due 8/2011) | $\begin{aligned} & 17.25 \% \text { (Base } \\ & \text { Rate }+6.00 \% \\ & \text { Cash, } \\ & \text { 6.00\%PIK/D) } \end{aligned}$ | 3/16/07 | 93 | 75 | \$ |  | 0.80(4) |  |
|  |  | Common stock (552,430 shares) |  | 3/16/07 | 872 |  | \$ |  | (5) | ) |
| NPA <br> Acquisition, LLC | Powersport vehicle auction operator | Junior secured loan (\$12,000 par due 2/2013) | $\begin{gathered} \text { 11.22\% (Libor } \\ +6.75 \% / \mathrm{S}) \end{gathered}$ | 8/23/06 | 12,000 | 12,000 | \$ |  | 1.00(3) |  |
|  |  | Common units (1,709 shares) |  | 8/23/06 | 1,000 | 2,300 | \$ |  | 1,345.82(5) |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 104,246 | 99,564 |  |  |  | 7.49\% |
| Manufacturing |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Arrow Group Industries, Inc. | Residential and outdoor shed manufacturer | Senior secured loan (\$5,616 par due 4/2010) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 7.80\% (Libor } \\ & +5.00 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{aligned}$ | 3/28/05 | 5,649 | 5,616 | \$ |  | 1.00(3) |  |

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| Emerald <br> Performance <br> Materials, LLC | Polymers and performance materials manufacturer | Senior secured loan (\$9,773 par due 5/2011) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 8.25\% (Libor } \\ & +4.25 \% / \mathrm{M}) \end{aligned}$ | 5/16/06 | 9,774 | 9,480 | \$ | 0.97(3) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$536 par due 5/2011) | $\begin{gathered} 8.25 \% \text { (Libor } \\ +4.25 \% / \mathrm{M}) \end{gathered}$ | 5/16/06 | 536 | 520 | \$ | 0.97(3) |

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Percentage
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| Junior secured loan | $9.96 \%$ <br> $($ Libor <br> $+7.50 / \mathrm{M})$ | $11 / 1 / 07$ | 2,750 | 2,613 | $\$$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $(2,750$ par due $10 / 13)$ |  |  |  | 0.95 |  |
| Junior secured loan | $9.96 \%($ Libor | $11 / 1 / 07$ | 6,000 | 5,700 | $\$$ |

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| AP Global | Safety and | Senior secured loan | $6.99 \%$ (Libor |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Holdings, Inc. | security | $(\$ 9,939$ par due | $+4.50 \% / \mathrm{M})$ |
|  | equipment | $10 / 2013)$ |  |

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| Company (1) | Industry | Investment | Interest(10) | Initial Acquisition Date | Amortized Cost | Fair <br> Value |  | Fair Value Per Unit | Percentage of Net Assets |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ILC Industries, Inc. | Industrial products provider | Junior secured loan (\$12,000 par due 8/2012) | 11.50\% | 6/27/06 | 12,000 | 12,000 | \$ | 1.00(3) |  |
| Thermal Solutions LLC and TSI Group, Inc. | Thermal management and electronics packaging manufacturer | Senior secured loan (\$2,781 par due 3/2012) | $\begin{gathered} 8.25 \% \text { (Base } \\ \text { Rate + } \\ 3.25 \% / \mathrm{D} \text { ) } \end{gathered}$ | 3/28/05 | 2,781 | 2,781 | \$ | 1.00(3) |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$1,032 par due 3/2011) | $\begin{gathered} 7.75 \% \text { (Base } \\ \text { Rate + } \\ 2.75 \% / \mathrm{D} \text { ) } \end{gathered}$ | 3/28/05 | 1,032 | 1,032 | \$ | 1.00(3) |  |
|  |  | Senior subordinated notes (\$2,078 par due 9/2012) | $\begin{gathered} 11.50 \% \text { cash, } \\ \text { 2.75\% PIK } \end{gathered}$ | 3/28/05 | 2,102 | 2,078 | \$ | 1.00(4) |  |
|  |  | Senior subordinated notes (\$3,280 par due 9/2012) | $11.50 \%$ cash, 2.75\% PIK | 3/28/05 | 3,280 | 3,280 | \$ | 1.00 (2) <br> (4) |  |
|  |  | Senior subordinated notes (\$2,646 par due 3/2013) | $11.50 \%$ cash, 2.50\% PIK | 3/21/06 | 2,646 | 2,646 | \$ | 1.00 (2) |  |
|  |  | Preferred stock (71,552 shares) |  | 3/28/05 | 715 | 693 | \$ | 9.69(5) |  |
|  |  | Common stock (1,460,246 shares) |  | 3/28/05 | 15 | 14 | \$ | 0.01(5) |  |
| Wyle <br> Laboratories, Inc. and Wyle Holdings, Inc. | Provider of specialized engineering, scientific and technical services | Junior secured loan (\$16,000 par due 7/2014) | $\begin{gathered} 10.20 \% \\ \text { (Libor + } \\ 7.50 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{gathered}$ | 1/17/08 | 16,000 | 16,000 | \$ | 1.00 |  |
|  |  | Junior secured loan (\$12,000 par due 7/2014) | $\begin{gathered} 10.20 \% \\ \text { (Libor + } \\ 7.50 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{gathered}$ | 1/17/08 | 12,000 | 12,000 | \$ | 1.00(3) |  |
|  |  | Common stock (246,279 shares) |  | 1/17/08 | 2,100 | 2,100 | \$ | 8.53(5) |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 64,443 | 64,364 |  |  | 4.84\% |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Telecommunications |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| American Broadband Communications, LLC and American Broadband Holding Company | Broadband communication services | Senior subordinated loan (\$50,307 par due 11/2014) | $8.00 \%$ cash, 8.00\% PIK | 2/8/08 | 50,308 | 50,308 | \$ | 1.00(4) |  |
|  |  | Senior subordinated loan (\$9,795 par due 11/2014) | $8.00 \%$ cash, 8.00\% PIK | 11/7/07 | 9,795 | 9,795 | \$ | 1.00(4) |  |
|  |  | Warrants to purchase 170 shares |  | 11/7/07 |  |  | \$ | (5) |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 60,103 | 60,103 |  |  | 4.52\% |
| Consumer Products <br> - Non-Durable |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Innovative Brands, LLC | Consumer products and personal care manufacturer | Senior Secured Loan (\$11,361 par due 9/2011) | 11.13\% | 10/12/06 | 11,361 | 11,361 | \$ | 1.00 |  |
|  |  | Senior Secured Loan (\$10,487 par due 9/2011) | 11.13\% | 10/12/06 | 10,487 | 10,487 | \$ | 1.00(3) |  |
|  |  |  |  | 5/5/05 | 6,810 | 5,449 | \$ | 0.80(14) |  |

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| Making Memories | Scrapbooking | Senior secured loan | 7.50\% (Base |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Wholesale, Inc. (6) | branded | $(\$ 6,811$ par due | Rate + |
|  | products | $3 / 2011)$ | $2.50 \% / \mathrm{D})$ |

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manufacturer, (\$1,239 par due
$3.00 \% / \mathrm{D})$
reconditioner 9/2011)
and servicer

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| Company(1) | Industry | Investment | Interest(10) | Initial Acquisition Date | Amortized Cost | Fair <br> Value |  | Fair Value Per Unit | Percentage of Net Assets |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Senior secured revolving loan (\$413 par due 9/2011) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 6.70\% (Libor } \\ & +4.00 \% / \mathrm{M}) \end{aligned}$ | 6/21/06 | 413 | 413 | \$ | 1.00 |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$5,867 par due 9/2011) | $\begin{gathered} \text { 6.92\% (Libor } \\ +4.00 \% / \mathrm{B}) \end{gathered}$ | 9/30/05 | 5,867 | 5,867 | \$ | 1.00 |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$985 par due 9/2011) | $\begin{gathered} \text { 6.92\% (Libor } \\ +4.00 \% / \mathrm{B}) \end{gathered}$ | 6/21/06 | 985 | 985 | \$ | 1.00(2) |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$15,083 par due 9/2011) | $\begin{aligned} & 6.92 \% \text { (Libor } \\ & +4.00 \% / \mathrm{B}) \end{aligned}$ | 6/21/06 | 15,083 | 15,083 | \$ | 1.00(3) |  |
|  |  | Common stock (1,800,000 shares) |  | 9/29/05 | 1,800 | 6,300 | \$ | 3.50(5) |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 25,387 | 29,887 |  |  | 2.25\% |
| Cargo <br> Transport |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| The Kenan Advantage Group, Inc. | Fuel transportation provider | Senior subordinated notes (\$15,158 par due 12/2013) | 9.50\% cash, $3.50 \%$ PIK | 2/29/08 | 15,159 | 15,159 | \$ | 1.00(4) |  |
|  |  | Senior subordinated notes <br> (\$9,708 par due <br> 12/2013) | $9.50 \%$ cash, $3.50 \%$ PIK | 12/15/05 | 9,708 | 9,708 | \$ | $\begin{equation*} 1.00(2) \tag{4} \end{equation*}$ |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$2,438 par due 12/2011) | $\begin{gathered} 5.80 \% \text { (Libor } \\ +3.00 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{gathered}$ | 12/15/05 | 2,438 | 2,194 | \$ | 0.90(3) |  |
|  |  | Preferred stock (10,984 shares) |  | 12/15/05 | 1,098 | 1,459 | \$ | 132.86(5) |  |
|  |  | Common stock (30,575 shares) |  | 12/15/05 | 31 | 41 | \$ | 1.33(5) |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 28,434 | 28,561 |  |  | 2.15\% |
| Grocery |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Planet Organic Health Corp. <br> (8) | Organic grocery store operator | Junior secured loan (\$6,944 par due 7/2014) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 7.98\% (Libor } \\ & +5.50 \% / \mathrm{M}) \end{aligned}$ | 7/3/07 | 6,944 | 6,944 | \$ | 1.00 |  |
|  |  | Junior secured loan (\$10,415 par due 7/2014) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 7.98\% (Libor } \\ & +5.50 \% / \mathrm{M}) \end{aligned}$ | 7/3/07 | 10,416 | 10,416 | \$ | 1.00(3) |  |
|  |  | Senior subordinated loan (\$9,949 par due 7/2012) | 11.00\% Cash, 2.00\% PIK | 7/3/07 | 9,949 | 9,949 | \$ | 1.00(4) |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 27,309 | 27,309 |  |  | 2.05\% |
| Consumer <br> Products - <br> Durable |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Direct Buy Holdings, Inc. and Direct Buy Investors | Membership-based buying club franchisor and operator | Senior secured loan (\$2,378 par due 11/2012) | $\begin{aligned} & 7.40 \% \text { (Libor } \\ & +4.50 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{aligned}$ | 12/14/07 | 2,283 | 2,235 | \$ | 0.94 |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$91 par due 11/2012) | $\begin{gathered} \text { 6.99\% (Libor } \\ +4.50 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{gathered}$ | 12/14/07 | 87 | 85 | \$ | 0.94 |  |
|  |  | Partnership interests (19.31\% interest) |  | 11/30/07 | 10,000 | 10,000 |  | (5) |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 12,370 | 12,320 |  |  | 0.93\% |

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(1) Other than our investments in Equinox EIC Partners, LLC, HCP Acquisition Holdings, LLC, Ivy Hill Middle Market Credit Fund, Ltd., LVCG Holdings LLC, Reflexite Corporation and The Thymes, LLC, we do not Control any of our portfolio companies, as defined in the Investment Company Act. In general, under the Investment Company Act, we would Control a portfolio company if we owned more than $25 \%$ of its outstanding voting securities and/or had the power to exercise control over the management or policies of such portfolio company. All of our portfolio company investments are subject to legal restrictions on sales which as of June 30, 2008 represented $157 \%$ of the Company s net assets.
(2) Pledged as collateral for the CP Funding Facility and, unless otherwise noted, all other investments are pledged as collateral for the Revolving Credit Facility (see Note 7 to the consolidated financial statements).
(3) Pledged as collateral for the ARCC CLO and, unless otherwise noted, all other investments are pledged as collateral for the Revolving Credit Facility (see Note 7 to the consolidated financial statements).
(4) Has a payment-in-kind interest feature (see Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements).
(5) Non-income producing at June 30, 2008.
(6) As defined in the Investment Company 1940 Act, we are an Affiliate of this portfolio company because we own $5 \%$ or more of the portfolio company s outstanding voting securities. Transactions during the period for the six months ended June 30, 2008 in which the issuer was an Affiliate (but not a portfolio company that we Control ) are as follows (in thousands):


| Holdings, LLC |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Campus Management Corp. and Campus Management | \$ | 52,500 | \$ |  | \$ |  | \$ | 2,111 | \$ | 1,195 | \$ | \$ | 40 | \$ |  | \$ |  |
| Acquisition Corp. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Daily Candy, Inc. | \$ |  | \$ | 1,795 | \$ | 434 | \$ | 1,274 | \$ |  | \$ | \$ |  | \$ |  | \$ | 1,900 |
| Direct Buy Holdings, Inc. and Direct Buy Investors | \$ |  | \$ |  | \$ |  | \$ | 47 | \$ |  | \$ | \$ |  | \$ | 1 | \$ | (49) |
| LP |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Firstlight Financial Corporation | \$ |  | \$ |  | \$ |  | \$ | 3,270 | \$ |  | \$ | \$ | 188 | \$ |  | \$ | $(5,000)$ |
| Imperial Capital Group, LLC | \$ | 584 | \$ |  | \$ |  | \$ |  | \$ |  | \$ | \$ |  | \$ |  | \$ |  |
| Industrial Container Services, LLC | \$ | 1,322 | \$ | 5,771 | \$ |  | \$ | 983 | \$ |  | \$ | \$ | 72 | \$ |  | \$ | 1,300 |
| Investor Group Services, LLC | \$ |  | \$ | 1,000 | \$ |  | \$ | 11 | \$ |  | \$ | \$ | 20 | \$ |  | \$ | 500 |
| Pillar Holdings LLC and PHL Holding Co. | \$ | 2,063 | \$ | 337 | \$ | 26,000 | \$ | 1,770 | \$ | (100) | \$ | \$ | (15) | \$ |  | \$ | 1,500 |
| Primis Marketing Group, Inc. and Primis Holdings, LLC | \$ |  | \$ |  | \$ |  | \$ |  | \$ |  | \$ | \$ |  | \$ |  | \$ | $(3,476)$ |
| Making Memories Wholesale, Inc. | \$ |  | \$ | 314 | \$ |  | \$ | 189 | \$ |  | \$ | \$ |  | \$ |  | \$ | $(7,891)$ |
| VSS-Tranzact Holdings, LLC | \$ |  | \$ |  | \$ |  | \$ |  | \$ |  | \$ | \$ |  | \$ |  | \$ |  |
| Wastequip, Inc. | \$ |  | \$ |  | \$ |  | \$ | 644 | \$ |  | \$ | \$ |  | \$ |  | \$ | $(1,993)$ |
| Wear Me Apparel, LLC | \$ |  | \$ |  | \$ |  | \$ | 1,497 | \$ |  | \$ | \$ | 22 | \$ |  | \$ | $(4,396)$ |

(7) As defined in the Investment Company Act, we are an Affiliate of this portfolio company because we own 5\% or more of the portfolio company s outstanding voting securities or we have the power to exercise control over the management or policies of such portfolio company (including through a management agreement). In addition, as defined in the Investment Company Act, we Control this portfolio company because we own more than $25 \%$ of the portfolio company s outstanding voting securities or we have the power to exercise control over the management or policies of such portfolio company (including through a management agreement). Transactions during the period for the six months ended June 30, 2008 in which the issuer was both an Affiliate and a portfolio company that we Control are as follows (in thousands):


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(8) Non-U.S. company or principal place of business outside the U.S. and as a result is not a qualifying asset under Section 55(a) of the Investment Company Act. Under the Investment Company Act, we may not acquire any non-qualifying asset unless, at the time such acquisition is made, qualifying assets represent at least $70 \%$ of our total assets.
(9) Non-registered investment company.
(10) A majority of the variable rate loans to our portfolio companies bear interest at a rate that may be determined by reference to either Libor or an alternate Base Rate (commonly based on the Federal Funds Rate or the Prime Rate), at the borrower s option, which reset annually (A), semi-annually (S), quarterly (Q), bi-monthly (B), monthly (M) or daily (D). For each such loan, we have provided the interest rate in effect at June 30, 2008.
(11) In addition to the interest earned based on the stated interest rate of this security, we are entitled to receive an additional interest amount of $2.50 \%$ on $\$ 23.0$ million aggregate principal amount of the portfolio company s senior term debt previously syndicated by us.
(12) Principal amount denominated in Canadian dollars has been translated into U.S. dollars (see Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements).
(13) In addition to the interest earned based on the stated interest rate of this security, we are entitled to receive an additional interest amount of $2.50 \%$ on $\$ 25.0$ million aggregate principal amount of the portfolio company s senior term debt previously syndicated by us.
(14) Loan was on non-accrual status as of June 30, 2008.

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

## ARES CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

## CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS

## As of December 31, 2007

(dollar amounts in thousands, except per unit data)


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|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$6,500 par due 3/2012) | $\begin{gathered} 10.25 \% ~(\text { Libor } \\ + \\ 5.00 \% / \mathrm{M}) \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$2,000 par due 3/2012) | $\begin{gathered} 10.25 \% \text { (Libor } \\ + \\ 5.00 \% / \mathrm{M}) \end{gathered}$ | 6/15/07 | 2,000 | 2,000 | \$ | 1.00(3) |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$19,500 par due 3/2012) | $\begin{gathered} 10.15 \% ~(\text { Libor } \\ + \\ 5.00 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{gathered}$ | 6/15/07 | 19,500 | 19,500 | \$ | 1.00 |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$6,000 par due 3/2012) | $\begin{gathered} 10.15 \% ~(\text { Libor } \\ + \\ 5.00 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{gathered}$ | 6/15/07 | 6,000 | 6,000 | \$ | 1.00(3) |
|  |  | Preferred stock (6,000 shares) |  | 6/15/07 | 6,000 | 6,000 | \$ | 1,000.00(5) |
|  |  | Common stock (9,679 shares) |  | 6/15/07 | 4,000 | 4,000 | \$ | 413.27(5) |
|  |  | Common stock (1,546 shares) |  | 6/15/07 |  |  | \$ | (5) |
| DSI Renal, Inc. | Dialysis provider | Senior subordinated note (\$53,933 par due 4/2014) | 12.00\% Cash, 2.00\% PIK | 4/4/06 | 53,956 | 53,933 | \$ | 1.00(4) |



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| Corporation (6) (9) | due $12 / 2016$ ) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Common stock (10,000 shares) |  | 12/31/06 | 10,000 | 7,500 | \$ | 750.00(5) |
|  | Common stock (30,000 shares) |  | 12/31/06 | 30,000 | 22,500 | \$ | 750.00(5) |
| Ivy Hill Middle Investment Market Credit company Fund, Ltd.(6) (8) (9) | Class B deferrable interest notes ( $\$ 40,000$ par due 11/2018) | $\begin{gathered} 11.00 \% \\ \text { (Libor + } \\ 6.00 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{gathered}$ | 11/20/07 | 40,000 | 40,000 | \$ | 1.00 |
|  | Subordinated notes (16,000 par due 11/2018) |  | 11/20/07 | 16,000 | 16,000 | \$ | 1.00 (5) |



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$\left.\begin{array}{llllllll} \\ & & & & \text { Initial } \\ \text { Acquisition }\end{array}\right)$

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|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$406 par due 8/2012) | $\begin{gathered} 12.09 \% \\ (\text { Libor + } \\ 7.00 \% / \mathrm{B}) \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$350 par due 8/2012) | $\begin{gathered} 11.96 \% \\ (\text { Libor + } \\ 7.00 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{gathered}$ | 3/2/06 | 350 | 350 | \$ | 1.00(3) |
|  |  | Preferred stock (9,344 shares) |  | 3/2/06 | 2,000 | 2,000 | \$ | 214.04(5) |
| The Teaching Company, LLC and The | Education publications provider | Senior secured loan (\$28,000 par due 9/2012) | 10.50\% | 9/29/06 | 28,000 | 28,000 | \$ | 1.00 |
| Teaching <br> Company <br> Holdings, <br> Inc. (11) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |



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| Lakeland Finance, LLC | Private school operator | Senior secured note (\$18,000 par due 12/2012) | 11.50\% | 12/13/05 | 18,000 | 18,000 | \$ | 1.00 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Senior secured note (\$15,000 par due 12/2012) | 11.50\% | 12/13/05 | 15,000 | 15,000 | \$ | 1.00(2) |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 122,014 | 122,015 |  |  | 10.83\% |
| Retail |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Apogee <br> Retail, LLC | For-profit thrift retailer | Senior secured loan (\$9,373 par due 3/2012) | $\begin{gathered} 10.39 \% \\ (\text { Libor + } \\ 5.25 \% / \mathrm{S}) \end{gathered}$ | 3/27/07 | 9,373 | 9,373 | \$ | 1.00 |  |

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| Company(1) | Industry | Investment | Interest(10) | $\qquad$ | Amortized Cost | Fair Value | F | Per Unit | Percentage of Net Assets |
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|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$19,850 par due 3/2012) | $\begin{gathered} 10.39 \% \\ \text { (Libor+ } \\ 5.25 \% / \mathrm{S} \text { ) } \end{gathered}$ | 3/27/07 | 19,850 | 19,850 | \$ | 1.00(2) |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$11,910 par due 3/2012) | $\begin{gathered} 10.39 \% \\ \text { (Libor+ } \\ 5.25 \% / \mathrm{S}) \end{gathered}$ | 3/27/07 | 11,910 | 11,910 | \$ | 1.00(3) |  |
| Savers, Inc. and SAI Acquisition Corporation | For-profit thrift retailer | Senior <br> subordinated note <br> (\$28,281 par due <br> 8/2014) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 10.00\% cash, } \\ & \text { 2.00\% PIK } \end{aligned}$ | 8/8/06 | 28,281 | 28,281 | \$ | 1.00 (2) (4) |  |
|  |  | Common stock (1,170,182 shares) |  | 8/8/06 | 4,500 | 4,500 | \$ | 3.85(5) |  |
| Things <br> Remembered, Inc. <br> and TRM <br> Holdings <br> Corporation | Personalized gifts retailer | Senior secured loan (\$4,632 par due 9/2012) | $\begin{gathered} 9.95 \% \\ \text { (Libor+ } \\ 4.75 \% / \mathrm{M}) \end{gathered}$ | 9/28/06 | 4,632 | 4,632 | \$ | 1.00(3) |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$120 par due 9/2012) | $\begin{gathered} 11.00 \% \text { (Base } \\ \text { Rate+ } \\ 3.75 \% / \mathrm{D} \text { ) } \end{gathered}$ | 9/28/06 | 120 | 120 | \$ | 1.00(3) |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$14,000 par due 9/2012) | $\begin{gathered} 11.20 \% \\ (\text { Libor+ } \\ 6.00 \% / \mathrm{M}) \end{gathered}$ | 9/28/06 | 14,000 | 14,000 | \$ | 1.00(2) |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$14,000 par due 9/2012) | $\begin{gathered} 11.20 \% \\ \text { (Libor+ } \\ 6.00 \% / \mathrm{M}) \end{gathered}$ | 9/28/06 | 14,000 | 14,000 | \$ | 1.00 |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$7,200 par due 9/2012) | $\begin{gathered} 11.20 \% \\ \text { (Libor+ } \\ 6.00 \% / \mathrm{M}) \end{gathered}$ | 9/28/06 | 7,200 | 7,200 | \$ | 1.00 (3) |  |
|  |  | Preferred stock (80 shares) |  | 9/28/06 | 1,800 | 1,800 | \$ | 22,500.00(5) |  |
|  |  | Common stock (800 shares) |  | 9/28/06 | 200 | 200 | \$ | 250.00(5) |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 115,866 | 115,866 |  |  | 10.28\% |
| Beverage, Food and Tobacco |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3091779 Nova <br> Scotia <br> Inc. (12) | Baked goods manufacturer | Junior secured revolving loan (Cdn\$14,000 par due $11 / 2012$ ) | 11.50\% | 11/2/07 | 14,850 | 14,021 | \$ | 1.00 (12) |  |
|  |  | Warrants to purchase 57,545 shares |  |  |  |  | \$ | (5) |  |
| Best Brands Corporation | Baked goods manufacturer | Junior secured loan (\$27,115 par due 6/2013) | $\begin{gathered} 17.23 \% \\ \text { (Libor+ } \\ 12.00 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{gathered}$ | 12/14/06 | 27,115 | 27,115 | \$ | 1.00(2) |  |
|  |  | Junior secured loan (\$12,168 par due 6/2013) | $\begin{gathered} 17.23 \% \\ \text { (Libor+ } \\ 12.00 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{gathered}$ | 12/14/06 | 12,168 | 12,168 | \$ | 1.00 (3) |  |
| Charter Baking Company, Inc. | Baked goods manufacturer | Preferred stock (6,258 shares) |  | 9/1/06 | 2,500 | 2,500 | \$ | 399.49(5) |  |
| Apple \& Eve, LLC and US Juice <br> Partners, LLC (6) | Juice manufacturer | Senior secured revolving loan (\$1,846 par due 10/2013) <br> Senior secured revolving loan | $\begin{gathered} 10.93 \% \\ \text { (Libor+ } \\ 6.00 \% / \mathrm{M}) \end{gathered}$ | 10/5/07 | 1,846 | 1,846 | \$ | 1.00 |  |
|  |  |  | $10.93 \%$ <br> (Libor+ | 10/5/07 | 1,000 | 1,000 | \$ | 1.00 |  |

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| $\begin{aligned} & \text { (\$1,000 par due } \\ & 10 / 2013 \text { ) } \end{aligned}$ | 6.00\%/M) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Senior secured loan (\$33,915 par due 10/2013) | $\begin{gathered} 10.93 \% \\ \text { (Libor+ } \\ 6.00 \% / \mathrm{M}) \end{gathered}$ | 10/5/07 | 33,915 | 33,915 | \$ | 1.00 |  |
| Senior secured loan (\$11,970 par due 10/2013) | $\begin{gathered} 10.93 \% \\ (\text { Libor+ } \\ 6.00 \% / \mathrm{M}) \end{gathered}$ | 10/5/07 | 11,970 | 11,970 | \$ | 1.00(3) |  |
| Common membership units (50,000 units) |  | 10/5/07 | 5,000 | 5,000 | \$ | 100.00(5) |  |
|  |  |  | 110,364 | 109,535 |  |  | 9.72\% |

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| Company (1) | Industry | Investment | Interest(10) | $\qquad$ | Amortized Cost | Fair Value | Fair Value Per Unit |  | Percentage of Net Assets |
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|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$5,938 par due 1/2012) | $\begin{gathered} 9.37 \% \\ \text { (Libor+ } \\ 4.50 \% / \mathrm{M}) \end{gathered}$ | 1/24/07 | 5,938 | 5,938 | \$ | 1.00(3) |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$4,375 par due 1/2012) | $\begin{gathered} 9.39 \% \\ \text { (Libor+ } \\ 4.50 \% / \mathrm{B}) \end{gathered}$ | 1/24/07 | 4,375 | 4,375 | \$ | 1.00(3) |  |
| Innovative <br> Brands, LLC | Consumer products and personal care manufacturer | Senior Secured Loan (\$12,838 par due 9/2011) | 11.13\% | 10/12/06 | 12,838 | 12,838 | \$ | 1.00 |  |
|  |  | Senior Secured Loan (\$11,880 par due 9/2011) | 11.13\% | 10/12/06 | 11,880 | 11,880 | \$ | 1.00(3) |  |
| Making <br> Memories Wholesale, Inc. (6) | Scrapbooking branded products manufacturer | Senior secured loan (\$7,125 par due 3/2011) | $\begin{gathered} 9.75 \% \text { (Base } \\ \text { Rate+ } \\ 2.50 \% / \mathrm{D} \text { ) } \end{gathered}$ | 5/5/05 | 7,125 | 7,125 | \$ | 1.00(3) |  |
|  |  | Senior subordinated loan (\$10,465 par due 5/2012) | $12.00 \%$ cash, 4.00\% PIK | 5/5/05 | 10,465 | 6,802 | \$ | $\begin{gathered} 0.65(2)(4) \\ (14) \end{gathered}$ |  |
|  |  | Preferred stock (3,759 shares) |  | 5/5/05 | 3,759 |  | \$ | (5) |  |
| Shoes for <br> Crews, LLC | Safety footwear and slip-related mats | Senior secured revolving loan (\$2,333 par due 7/2010) | $\begin{gathered} 9.25 \% \text { (Base } \\ \text { Rate+ } \\ 2.00 \% / \mathrm{D} \text { ) } \end{gathered}$ | 6/16/06 | 2,333 | 2,333 | \$ | 1.00 |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$971 par due 7/2010) | $\begin{gathered} 7.72 \% \\ \text { (Libor+ } \\ 3.00 \% / \mathrm{S} \text { ) } \end{gathered}$ | 10/8/04 | 971 | 971 | \$ | 1.00(3) |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$75 par due 7/2010) | $\begin{aligned} & 9.25 \% \text { (Base } \\ & \text { Rate+ } \\ & 2.00 \% / \mathrm{D} \text { ) } \end{aligned}$ | 10/8/04 | 75 | 75 | \$ | 1.00 (3) |  |
| The Thymes, LLC (7) | Cosmetic products manufacturer | Preferred stock (7,188 shares) | 8.00\% PIK | 6/21/07 | 7,189 | 7,189 | \$ | 1,000.02(4) |  |
|  |  | Common stock (6,850 shares) |  | 6/21/07 |  |  | \$ | (5) |  |
| Wear Me Apparel, LLC (6) | Clothing manufacturer | Senior subordinated notes (\$22,500 par due $4 / 2013$ ) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 12.60\% cash, } \\ & \text { 1.00\% PIK } \end{aligned}$ | 4/2/07 | 22,559 | 22,559 | \$ | 1.00 (2) (4) |  |
|  |  | Common stock (10,000 shares) |  | 4/2/07 | 10,000 | 2,000 | \$ | 200.00(5) |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 101,969 | 86,548 |  |  | 7.68\% |
| Environmental Services |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| AWTP, LLC | Water treatment services | Junior secured loan (\$1,608 par due 12/2012) | $\begin{gathered} 13.43 \% \\ \text { (Libor+ } \\ 8.50 \% / \mathrm{Q} \text { ) } \end{gathered}$ | 12/23/05 | 1,612 | 1,612 | \$ | 1.00 |  |
|  |  | Junior secured loan (\$12,061 par due 12/2012) | $\begin{gathered} 13.43 \% \\ \text { (Libor+ } \\ 8.50 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{gathered}$ | 12/23/05 | 12,061 | 12,061 | \$ | 1.00(3) |  |
| Mactec, Inc. | Engineering and environmental services | Common stock (16 shares) |  | 11/3/04 |  |  | \$ | 20.78(5) |  |
|  |  |  |  | 11/3/04 |  | 115 | \$ | 20.78(5) |  |

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|  |  | Common stock (5,556 shares) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Sigma International Group, Inc. | Water treatment parts manufacturer | Junior secured loan (1,833 par due 10/13) | $\begin{gathered} 12.37 \% \\ \text { (Libor+ } \\ 7.50 \% / \mathrm{Q} \text { ) } \end{gathered}$ | 10/11/2007 | 1,833 | 1,833 | \$ | 1.00 |
|  |  | Junior secured loan (4,000 par due 10/13) | $\begin{gathered} 12.37 \% \\ \text { (Libor+ } \\ 7.50 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{gathered}$ | 10/11/2007 | 4,000 | 4,000 | \$ | 1.00 (3) |



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| Saw Mill PCG <br> Partners LLC | Precision components manufacturer | Common units (1,000 units) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Universal <br> Trailer <br> Corporation (6) | Livestock and specialty trailer manufacturer | Common stock (50,000 shares) | 10/8/04 | 6,425 | 485 | \$ | 9.69(5) |  |
|  |  | Warrants to purchase 22,208 shares | 10/8/04 | 1,506 | 215 | \$ | 9.69 (5) |  |
|  |  |  |  | 64,900 | 84,266 |  |  | 7.48\% |


| Percentage |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| of Net |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Initial |  |  |  |
| Assets |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| Aerospace \& Defense |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| AP Global Holdings, Inc. | Safety and security equipment manufacturer | Senior secured loan (\$20,000 par due 10/2013) | $\begin{gathered} 9.73 \% \\ (\text { Libor+ } \\ 4.50 \% / \mathrm{M}) \end{gathered}$ | 11/8/07 | 19,607 | 20,000 | \$ | 1.00 |
| ILC <br> Industries, Inc. | Industrial products provider | Junior secured loan (\$12,000 par due 8/2012) | 11.50\% | 6/27/06 | 12,000 | 12,000 | \$ | 1.00(3) |


| Company(1) | Industry | Investment | Interest(10) | Initial Acquisition Date | Amortized Cost | Fair <br> Value |  | Fair Value Per Unit | Percentage <br> of Net <br> Assets |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Thermal Solutions LLC and TSI Group, Inc. | Thermal management and electronics packaging manufacturer | Senior secured loan (\$2,797 par due 3/2012) | $\begin{aligned} & 10.50 \% \text { (Base } \\ & \text { Rate + } \\ & 3.25 \% / \mathrm{D}) \end{aligned}$ | 3/28/05 | 2,797 | 2,752 | \$ | 0.98(3) |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$1,182 par due 3/2011) | $\begin{aligned} & 10.00 \% \text { (Base } \\ & \text { Rate }+ \\ & 2.75 \% / \mathrm{D} \text { ) } \end{aligned}$ | 3/28/05 | 1,182 | 1,164 | \$ | 0.98(3) |  |
|  |  | Senior subordinated notes (\$2,049 par due 9/2012) | $11.50 \%$ cash, 2.75 PIK | 3/28/05 | 2,068 | 2,017 | \$ | 0.98(4) |  |
|  |  | Senior subordinated notes (\$3,235 par due 9/2012) | $11.50 \%$ cash, 2.75\% PIK | 3/28/05 | 3,237 | 3,185 | \$ | 0.98(2) (4) |  |
|  |  | Senior subordinated notes (\$2,613 par due 3/2013) | $11.50 \%$ cash, 2.50\% PIK | 3/21/06 | 2,613 | 2,517 | \$ | 0.96(2) (4) |  |
|  |  | Preferred stock $(71,552$ shares) |  | 3/28/05 | 716 | 693 | \$ | 9.69(5) |  |
|  |  | Common stock (1,460,246 shares) |  | 3/28/05 | 15 | 14 | \$ | 0.01(5) |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 44,235 | 44,342 |  |  | 3.94\% |
| Computers and Electronics |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| RedPrairie Corporation | Software manufacturer | Junior secured loan (\$6,500 par due 1/2013) | $\begin{aligned} & 11.39 \% \\ & \text { (Libor + } \\ & 6.50 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{aligned}$ | 7/13/06 | 6,500 | 6,500 | \$ | 1.00 |  |
|  |  | Junior secured loan (\$12,000 par due 1/2013) | $\begin{aligned} & 11.39 \text { (Libor } \\ & +6.50 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \% \end{aligned}$ | 7/13/06 | 12,000 | 12,000 | \$ | 1.00(3) |  |
| X-rite, Incorporated | Artwork software manufacturer | Junior secured loan (\$4,800 par due 7/2013) | $\begin{aligned} & 12.38 \% \\ & \text { (Libor + } \\ & 7.50 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{aligned}$ | 7/6/06 | 4,800 | 4,800 | \$ | 1.00 |  |
|  |  | Junior secured loan (\$12,000 par due 7/2013) | $\begin{aligned} & 12.38 \% \\ & \text { (Libor + } \\ & 7.50 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{aligned}$ | 7/6/06 | 12,000 | 12,000 | \$ | 1.00(3) |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 35,300 | 35,300 |  |  | 3.13\% |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Health Clubs <br> Athletic Club <br> Holdings, <br> Inc. (13) | Premier health club operator | Senior secured loan $\$(29,424$ par due 10/2013) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 9.63\% (Libor } \\ & +4.5 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{aligned}$ | 10/11/07 | 29,424 | 29,424 | \$ | 1.00 |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$4,488 par due 10/2013) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 9.63\% (Libor } \\ & +4.5 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{aligned}$ | 10/11/07 | 4,488 | 4,488 | \$ | 1.00(3) |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$50 par due 10/2013) | $\begin{aligned} & 9.47 \% \text { (Libor } \\ & +4.50 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{aligned}$ | 10/11/07 | 50 | 50 | \$ | 1.00 |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$8 par due 10/2013) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 9.47\% (Libor } \\ & +4.50 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{aligned}$ | 10/11/07 | 8 | 8 | \$ | 1.00(3) |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$26 par due 10/2013) | $\begin{aligned} & 10.75 \% \\ & \text { (Libor + } \\ & 3.50 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{aligned}$ | 10/11/07 | 26 | 26 | \$ | 1.00 |  |
|  |  | Senior secured loan (\$4 par due 10/2013) | $\begin{aligned} & 10.75 \% \\ & (\text { Libor + } \\ & 3.50 \% / \mathrm{Q}) \end{aligned}$ | 10/11/07 | 4 | 4 | \$ | 1.00(3) |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 34,000 | 34,000 |  |  | 3.02\% |
| Grocery |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 7/3/07 | 7,000 | 7,000 | \$ | 1.00 |  |

Planet
Organic
Health Corp. (8)

Organic Senior secured loan grocery store (\$7,000 par due operator 7/2014)
10.45\% (Libor + $5.50 \% / \mathrm{Q})$


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(1) Other than our investments in Equinox EIC Partners, LLC, Ivy Hill Middle Market Credit Fund, Ltd., LVCG Holdings LLC, Reflexite Corporation and The Thymes, LLC, we do not Control any of our portfolio companies, as defined in the Investment Company Act. In general, under the Investment Company Act, we would Control a portfolio company if we owned more than $25 \%$ of its outstanding voting securities and/or had the power to exercise control over the management or policies of such portfolio company. All of our portfolio company investments are subject to legal restrictions on sales which as of December 31, 2007 represented $158 \%$ of the Company s net assets.
(2) Pledged as collateral for the CP Funding Facility and, unless otherwise noted, all other investments are pledged as collateral for the Revolving Credit Facility (see Note 9 to the consolidated financial statements).
(3) Pledged as collateral for the ARCC CLO and, unless otherwise noted, all other investments are pledged as collateral for the Revolving Credit Facility (see Note 9 to the consolidated financial statements).
(4) Has a payment-in-kind interest feature (see Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements).
(5) Non-income producing at December 31, 2007.
(6) As defined in the Investment Company Act, we are an Affiliate of this portfolio company because we own 5\% or more of the portfolio company s outstanding voting securities. Transactions during the period for the year ended December 31, 2007 in which the issuer was an Affiliate (but not a portfolio company that we Control ) are as follows:


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(7) As defined in the Investment Company Act, we are an Affiliate of this portfolio company because we own 5\% or more of the portfolio company s outstanding voting securities or we have the power to exercise control over the management or policies of such portfolio company (including through a management agreement). In addition, as defined in the Investment Company Act, we Control this portfolio company because we own more than $25 \%$ of the portfolio company s outstanding voting securities or we have the power to exercise control over the management or policies of such portfolio company (including through a management agreement). Transactions during the period for the year ended December 31, 2007 in which the issuer was both an Affiliate and a portfolio company that we Control are as follows:

| Company | Purchases |  | Redemptions (cost) |  | Sales (cost) |  | Interest income |  | Capital structuring service fees |  | Dividend Income |  | Other income |  | Net realized gains/losses |  | Net unrealized gains/losses |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Equinox EIC | \$ | 94,239 | \$ | 32,270 | \$ | 22,500 | \$ | 3,796 | \$ | 2,734 | \$ |  | \$ | 19 | \$ | 3,488 | \$ |  |
| Partners, LLC |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ivy Hill Middle | \$ | 56,000 | \$ |  | \$ |  | \$ | 501 | \$ |  | \$ |  | \$ | 45 | \$ |  | \$ |  |
| Market Credit |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fund, Ltd. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| LVCG Holdings, | \$ | 6,600 | \$ |  | \$ |  | \$ |  | \$ |  | \$ |  | \$ |  | \$ |  | \$ |  |
|  | \$ | 1,752 | \$ | 10,682 | \$ |  | \$ | 452 | \$ |  | \$ | 121 | \$ |  | \$ | 320 | \$ | 27,231 |

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$\begin{array}{lllllllllllll}\text { The Thymes, LLC } & \$ & 6,925 & \$ & \$ & 75 & \$ & 339 & \$ & 165 & \$ & \$ & \$\end{array}$
(8) Non-U.S. company or principal place of business outside the U.S. and as a result is not a qualifying asset under Section 55(a) of the Investment Company Act. Under the Investment Company Act, we may not acquire any non-qualifying asset unless, at the time such acquisition is made, qualifying assets represent at least $70 \%$ of our total assets.
(9) Non-registered investment company.
(10) A majority of the variable rate loans to our portfolio companies bear interest at a rate that may be determined by reference to either Libor or an alternate Base Rate (commonly based on the Federal Funds Rate or the Prime Rate), at the borrower s option, which reset semi-annually (S), quarterly (Q), bi-monthly (B) monthly (M) or daily (D). For each such loan, we have provided the current interest rate in effect at December 31, 2007.
(11) In addition to the interest earned based on the stated interest rate of this security, we are entitled to receive an additional interest amount of $2.50 \%$ on $\$ 23.3$ million aggregate principal amount of the portfolio company s senior term debt previously syndicated by us.
(12) Principal amount denominated in Canadian dollars has been translated into U.S. dollars (see Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements).
(13) In addition to the interest earned based on the stated interest rate of this security, we are entitled to receive an additional interest amount of $2.50 \%$ on $\$ 25.0$ million aggregate principal amount of the portfolio company s senior term debt previously syndicated by us.
(14) Loan was on non-accrual status as of December 31, 2007.

> See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY

For the Six Months Ended June 30, 2008 (unaudited)
(dollar amounts in thousands, except per share data)

|  | Common Stock |  |  | Capital in Excess of Par Value |  | Accumulated Undistributed Net Investment income |  | Accumulated Undistributed Net Realized Gain on Sale of Investments and Foreign Currencies |  | Net Unrealized <br> Loss on Investments and Foreign Currencies |  | Total Stockholders Equity |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Balance at December 31, 2007 | 72,684,090 | \$ | 73 | \$ | 1,136,599 | \$ | 7,005 |  | 1,471 | \$ | $(20,597)$ | \$ | 1,124,551 |
| Shares issued in connection with dividend reinvestment plan | 240,700 |  |  |  | 2,922 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2,922 |
| Issuance of common stock from transferable rights offering (net of offering and dealer manager costs) | 24,228,030 |  | 24 |  | 259,946 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 259,970 |
| Net increase in stockholders equity resulting from operations |  |  |  |  |  |  | 62,034 |  | 216 |  | $(49,812)$ |  | 12,438 |
| Dividend declared (\$0.84 per share) |  |  |  |  |  |  | $(69,663)$ |  | $(1,670)$ |  |  |  | $(71,333)$ |
| Balance at June 30, 2008 | 97,152,820 | \$ | 97 | \$ | 1,399,467 | \$ | (624) | \$ | 17 | \$ | $(70,409)$ | \$ | 1,328,548 |

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

## ARES CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

(dollar amounts in thousands)

|  | For the Six Months Ended |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | June 30, 2008 (unaudited) |  | June 30, 2007 (unaudited) |  |
| OPERATING ACTIVITIES: |  |  |  |  |
| Net increase in stockholders equity resulting from operations | \$ | 12,438 | \$ | 57,156 |
| Adjustments to reconcile net increase in stockholders equity resulting from operations: |  |  |  |  |
| Net realized losses (gains) from investment and foreign currency transactions |  | (216) |  | 7,524 |
| Net unrealized losses (gains) from investment and foreign currency transactions |  | 49,812 |  | $(20,744)$ |
| Net accretion of discount on securities |  | (835) |  | (578) |
| Increase in accrued payment-in-kind dividends and interest |  | $(12,879)$ |  | $(5,734)$ |
| Amortization of debt issuance costs |  | 450 |  | 1,012 |
| Depreciation |  | 204 |  | 203 |
| Proceeds from sale and redemption of investments |  | 227,154 |  | 341,034 |
| Purchase of investments |  | $(578,824)$ |  | $(731,691)$ |
| Changes in operating assets and liabilities: |  |  |  |  |
| Interest receivable |  | (858) |  | $(7,845)$ |
| Other assets |  | 64 |  | 569 |
| Accounts payable and accrued expenses |  | (77) |  | 191 |
| Management and incentive fees payable |  | 3,653 |  | (442) |
| Interest and facility fees payable |  | $(2,128)$ |  | 1,044 |
| Net cash used in operating activities |  | $(302,042)$ |  | $(358,301)$ |
| FINANCING ACTIVITIES: |  |  |  |  |
| Net proceeds from issuance of common stock |  | 259,970 |  | 301,825 |
| Borrowings on debt |  | 520,000 |  | 370,000 |
| Repayments on credit facility payable |  | $(353,500)$ |  | $(300,000)$ |
| Credit facility financing costs |  | (112) |  | (245) |
| Dividends paid in cash |  | $(68,411)$ |  | $(43,274)$ |
| Net cash provided by financing activities |  | 357,947 |  | 328,306 |
| CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS |  | 55,905 |  | $(29,995)$ |
| CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF PERIOD |  | 21,142 |  | 91,539 |
| CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF PERIOD | \$ | 77,047 | \$ | 61,544 |
| Supplemental Information: |  |  |  |  |
| Interest paid during the period | \$ | 18,401 | \$ | 13,764 |
| Taxes paid during the period | \$ | 1,416 | \$ | 606 |
| Dividends declared during the period | \$ | 71,333 | \$ | 50,559 |

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

## ARES CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

As of June 30, 2008 (unaudited)<br>(dollar amounts in thousands, except per share data and as otherwise indicated)

## 1. <br> ORGANIZATION

Ares Capital Corporation (the Company or ARCC or we ) is a specialty finance company that is a closed-end, non-diversified management investment company incorporated in Maryland. We have elected to be regulated as a business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the Investment Company Act ). We were incorporated on April 16, 2004 and were initially funded on June 23, 2004. On October 8, 2004, we completed our initial public offering (the IPO ). On the same date, we commenced substantial investment operations.

The Company has qualified and has elected to be treated for tax purposes as a regulated investment company, or a RIC , under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the Code ), as amended. The Company expects to continue to qualify to be treated for tax purposes as a RIC. Our investment objective is to generate both current income and capital appreciation through debt and equity investments. We invest primarily in first and second lien senior loans and mezzanine debt, which in some cases may include an equity component, and, to a lesser extent, in equity investments in private middle market companies.

We are externally managed by Ares Capital Management LLC (the Investment Adviser ), an affiliate of Ares Management LLC ( Ares Management ), an independent international investment management firm. Ares Operations LLC ( Ares Administration ), an affiliate of Ares Management, provides the administrative services necessary for us to operate pursuant to an amended and restated administration agreement (the Administration Agreement ).

Interim financial statements are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States ( GAAP ) for interim financial information and pursuant to the requirements for reporting on Form 10-Q and Articles 6 or 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, certain disclosures accompanying financial statements prepared in accordance with GAAP are omitted. In the opinion of management, all adjustments, consisting solely of normal recurring accruals, considered necessary for the fair presentation of financial statements for the interim period, have been included. The current period s results of operations will not necessarily be indicative of results that ultimately may be achieved for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2008.

## 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

## Basis of Presentation

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The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States, and include the accounts of the Company and its wholly owned subsidiaries. The consolidated financial statements reflect all adjustments and reclassifications which, in the opinion of management, are necessary for the fair presentation of the results of the operations and financial condition as of and for the periods presented. All significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated.

## Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include short-term, liquid investments in a money market fund. Cash and cash equivalents are carried at cost which approximates fair value.

## Concentration of Credit Risk

The Company places its cash and cash equivalents with financial institutions and, at times, cash held in money market accounts may exceed the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation insured limit.

## Investments

Investment transactions are recorded on the trade date. Realized gains or losses are computed using the specific identification method. Investments for which market quotations are readily available are valued at such market quotations. Debt and equity securities that are not publicly traded or whose market price is not readily available (i.e., substantially all of our investments)

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are valued at fair value as determined in good faith by our board of directors, based on the input of our management and audit committee and independent valuation firms that have been engaged at the direction of the board to assist in the valuation of each portfolio investment without a readily available market quotation at least once during a trailing 12 month period and under a valuation policy and a consistently applied valuation process. The valuation process is conducted at the end of each fiscal quarter, with approximately a quarter of our valuations of portfolio companies without readily available market quotations subject to review by an independent valuation firm.

As part of the valuation process, we may take into account the following types of factors, if relevant, in determining the fair value of our investments: the enterprise value of a portfolio company, the nature and realizable value of any collateral, the portfolio company s ability to make payments and its earnings and discounted cash flow, the markets in which the portfolio company does business, comparison to publicly traded securities, changes in the interest rate environment and the credit markets generally that may affect the price at which similar investments may be made in the future and other relevant factors. When an external event such as a purchase transaction, public offering or subsequent equity sale occurs, we use the pricing indicated by the external event to corroborate our valuation.

Because there is not a readily available market value for most of the investments in our portfolio, we value substantially all of our portfolio investments at fair value as determined in good faith by our board of directors, based on the input of our management and audit committee and independent valuation firms under a valuation policy and a consistently applied valuation process. Due to the inherent uncertainty of determining the fair value of investments that do not have a readily available market value, the fair value of our investments may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had a ready market existed for such investments and may differ materially from the values that we may ultimately realize. Further, such investments are generally subject to legal and other restrictions on resale or otherwise are less liquid than publicly traded securities. If we were required to liquidate a portfolio investment in a forced or liquidation sale, we may realize significantly less than the value at which we have previously recorded it.

In addition, 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 valuations currently assigned.

With respect to investments for which market quotations are not readily available, our board of directors undertakes a multi-step valuation process each quarter, as described below:

- Our quarterly valuation process begins with each portfolio company or investment being initially valued by the investment professionals responsible for the portfolio investment in conjunction with our portfolio management team.
- Preliminary valuation conclusions are then documented and discussed by our management.
- The audit committee of our board of directors reviews these preliminary valuations, as well as the input of independent valuation firms with respect to the valuations of approximately a quarter of our portfolio companies without readily available market quotations.
- The board of directors discusses valuations and determines the fair value of each investment in our portfolio without a readily available market quotation in good faith based on the input of our management and audit committee and independent valuation firms.


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Effective January 1, 2008, the Company adopted SFAS 157, which expands the application of fair value accounting for investments (see Note 8).

## Interest Income Recognition

Interest income, adjusted for amortization of premium and accretion of discount, is recorded on an accrual basis. Discounts and premiums on securities purchased are accreted/amortized over the life of the respective security using the effective yield method. The amortized cost of investments represents the original cost adjusted for the accretion of discounts and amortization of premiums.

Loans are generally placed on non-accrual status when principal or interest payments are past due 30 days or more or when there is reasonable doubt that principal or interest will be collected. Accrued interest is generally reversed when a loan is placed on non-accrual status. Interest payments received on non-accrual loans may be recognized as income or applied to

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principal depending upon management $s$ judgment regarding collectibility. Non-accrual loans are restored to accrual status when past due principal and interest is paid and, in management s judgment, are likely to remain current. The Company may make exceptions to this if the loan has sufficient collateral value and is in the process of collection. As of June 30, 2008, 2.9\% of total investments at amortized cost (or $1.3 \%$ at fair value), were on non-accrual status. As of December 31, 2007, $1.2 \%$ of total investments at amortized cost (or $0.9 \%$ at fair value), were on non-accrual status.

## Payment-in-Kind Interest

The Company has loans in its portfolio that contain a payment-in-kind ( PIK ) provision. The PIK interest, computed at the contractual rate specified in each loan agreement, is added to the principal balance of the loan and recorded as interest income. To maintain the Company s status as a RIC, this non-cash source of income must be paid out to stockholders in the form of dividends even though the Company has not yet collected the cash. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2008, $\$ 7,452$ and $\$ 12,879$ in PIK income was recorded. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2007, \$3,646 and \$5,734 in PIK income was recorded.

## Capital Structuring Service Fees and Other Income

The Company s Investment Adviser seeks to provide assistance to our portfolio companies in connection with the Company sinvestments and in return the Company may receive fees for capital structuring services. These fees are normally paid at the closing of the investments, are generally non-recurring and are recognized as revenue when earned upon closing of the investment. The services that the Company s Investment Adviser provides vary by investment, but generally consist of reviewing existing credit facilities, arranging bank financing, arranging equity financing, structuring financing from multiple lenders, structuring financing from multiple equity investors, restructuring existing loans, raising equity and debt capital, and providing general financial advice, which concludes upon closing of the investment. Any services of the above nature subsequent to the closing would generally generate a separate fee payable to the Company. In certain instances where the Company is invited to participate as a co-lender in a transaction and does not provide significant services in connection with the investment, a portion of loan fees paid to the Company in such situations will be deferred and amortized over the estimated life of the loan. The Company s Investment Adviser may also take a seat on the board of directors of a portfolio company, or observe the meetings of the board of directors without taking a formal seat.

Other income includes fees for asset management, consulting, loan guarantees, commitments, and other services rendered by the Company to portfolio companies. Such fees are recognized as income when earned or the services are rendered.

## Foreign Currency Translation

The Company s books and records are maintained in U.S. dollars. Any foreign currency amounts are translated into U.S. dollars on the following basis:
(1) Market value of investment securities, other assets and liabilities at the exchange rates prevailing at the end of the day.

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(2) Purchases and sales of investment securities, income and expenses at the rates of exchange prevailing on the respective dates of such transactions, income or expenses.

Results of operations based on changes in foreign exchange rates are separately disclosed in the statement of operations. Foreign security and currency translations may involve certain considerations and risks not typically associated with investing in U.S. companies and U.S. government securities. These risks include, but are not limited to, currency fluctuation and revaluations and future adverse political, social and economic developments, which could cause investments in foreign markets to be less liquid and prices more volatile than those of comparable U.S. companies or U.S. government securities.

## Offering Expenses

The Company s offering costs are charged against the proceeds from equity offerings when received. For the six months ended June 30, 2008, the Company incurred approximately $\$ 1,245$ of offering costs.

## Debt Issuance Costs

Debt issuance costs are being amortized over the life of the related credit facility using the straight line method, which closely approximates the effective yield method.

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## Federal Income Taxes

The Company has qualified and elected and intends to continue to qualify for the tax treatment applicable to RICs under Subchapter M of the Code and, among other things, has made and intends to continue to make the requisite distributions to its stockholders which will relieve the Company from Federal income taxes. In order to qualify as a RIC, among other factors, the Company is required to timely distribute to its stockholders at least $90 \%$ of investment company taxable income, as defined by the Code, for each year.

Depending on the level of taxable income earned in a tax year, we may choose to carry forward taxable income in excess of current year dividend distributions into the next tax year and pay a $4 \%$ excise tax on such income, as required. 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, the Company accrues excise tax, if any, on estimated excess taxable income as taxable income is earned. For the three months ended June 30, 2008, the Company recorded a provision of $\$ 135$ for Federal excise tax. For the six months ended June 30, 2008, the Company recorded a benefit of approximately $\$ 299$ for Federal excise tax. For the three months ended June 30, 2007, the Company recorded a provision of approximately $\$ 34$ for Federal excise tax. For the six months ended June 30, 2007, the Company recognized a net benefit of approximately $\$ 30$ for Federal excise tax, which consisted of the current year estimated excise tax expense net of a tax benefit recognized to reverse an over-accrual of estimated excise tax at December 31, 2006.

Certain of our wholly owned subsidiaries are subject to Federal and state income taxes. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2008, we recorded tax provisions of approximately $\$ 3$ and $\$ 115$, respectively, for these subsidiaries. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2007, we recorded tax benefits of approximately $\$ 77$ and $\$ 3$, respectively, for these subsidiaries.

## Dividends

Dividends and distributions to common stockholders are recorded on the record date. The amount to be paid out as a dividend is determined by the board of directors each quarter and is generally based upon the earnings estimated by management. Net realized capital gains, if any, are generally distributed at least annually, although we may decide to retain such capital gains for investment.

We have adopted a dividend reinvestment plan that provides for reinvestment of our distributions on behalf of our stockholders, unless a stockholder elects to receive cash. As a result, if our board of directors authorizes, and we declare, a cash dividend, then our stockholders who have not opted out of our dividend reinvestment plan will have their cash dividends automatically reinvested in additional shares of our common stock, rather than receiving the cash dividend. While we generally use primarily newly issued shares to implement the plan (especially if our shares are trading at a premium to net asset value), we may purchase shares in the open market in connection with our obligations under the plan. In particular, if our shares are trading at a significant enough discount to net asset value and we are otherwise permitted under applicable law to purchase such shares, we intend to purchase shares in the open market in connection with our obligations under our dividend reinvestment plan.

## Use of Estimates in the Preparation of Financial Statements

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The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of actual and contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of income or loss and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Significant estimates include the valuation of investments.

## 3. AGREEMENTS

The Company is party to an investment advisory agreement (the Advisory Agreement ) with the Investment Adviser under which the Investment Adviser, subject to the overall supervision of our board of directors, provides investment advisory services to the Company. For providing these services, the Investment Adviser receives a fee from us, consisting of two components a base management fee and an incentive fee. The base management fee is calculated at an annual rate of $1.5 \%$ of our total assets (other than cash or cash equivalents but including assets purchased with borrowed funds). The base management fee is payable quarterly in arrears. The base management fee is calculated based on the average value of our total assets (other than cash or cash equivalents but including assets purchased with borrowed funds) at the end of the two most recently completed calendar quarters.

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The incentive fee has two parts. One part is calculated and payable quarterly in arrears based on our pre-incentive fee net investment income for the quarter. Pre-incentive fee net investment income means interest income, dividend income and any other income (including any other fees such as commitment, origination, structuring, diligence and consulting fees or other fees that we receive from portfolio companies but excluding fees for providing managerial assistance) accrued during the calendar quarter, minus operating expenses for the quarter (including the base management fee, any expenses payable under the administration agreement, and any interest expense and dividends paid on any outstanding preferred stock, but excluding the incentive fee). Pre-incentive fee net investment income includes, in the case of investments with a deferred interest feature such as market discount, debt instruments with payment-in-kind interest, preferred stock with payment-in-kind dividends and zero coupon securities, accrued income that we have not yet received in cash. The Investment Adviser is not under any obligation to reimburse us for any part of the incentive fee it received that was based on accrued income that we never received as a result of a default by an entity on the obligation that resulted in the accrual of such income.

Pre-incentive fee net investment income does not include any realized capital gains, realized capital losses or unrealized capital appreciation or depreciation. Pre-incentive fee net investment income, expressed as a rate of return on the value of our net assets (defined as total assets less indebtedness) at the end of the immediately preceding calendar quarter, is compared to a fixed hurdle rate of $2.00 \%$ per quarter.

We pay the Investment Adviser an incentive fee with respect to our pre-incentive fee net investment income in each calendar quarter as follows:

- no incentive fee in any calendar quarter in which the pre-incentive fee net investment income does not exceed the hurdle rate;
$100 \%$ of our pre-incentive fee net investment income with respect to that portion of such pre-incentive fee net investment income, if any, that exceeds the hurdle rate but is less than $2.50 \%$ in any calendar quarter. We refer to this portion of our pre-incentive fee net investment income (which exceeds the hurdle rate but is less than $2.50 \%$ ) as the catch-up provision. The catch-up is meant to provide our Investment Adviser with $20 \%$ of the pre-incentive fee net investment income as if a hurdle rate did not apply if this net investment income exceeds $2.50 \%$ in any calendar quarter; and
- $20 \%$ of the amount of our pre-incentive fee net investment income, if any, that exceeds $2.50 \%$ in any calendar quarter.

These calculations are adjusted for any share issuances or repurchases during the quarter.

The second part of the incentive fee (the Capital Gains Fee ) is determined and payable in arrears as of the end of each calendar year (or, upon termination of the Advisory Agreement, as of the termination date), and is calculated at the end of each applicable year by subtracting (a) the sum of the Company s cumulative aggregate realized capital losses and aggregate unrealized capital depreciation from (b) the Company s cumulative aggregate realized capital gains, in each case calculated from October 8, 2004. If such amount is positive at the end of such year, then the Capital Gains Fee for such year is equal to $20.0 \%$ of such amount, less the aggregate amount of Capital Gains Fees paid in all prior years. If such amount is negative, then there is no Capital Gains Fee for such year.

The cumulative aggregate realized capital gains are calculated as the sum of the differences, if positive, between (a) the net sales price of each investment in the Company s portfolio when sold and (b) the accreted or amortized cost basis of such investment.

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The cumulative aggregate realized capital losses are calculated as the sum of the amounts by which (a) the net sales price of each investment in the Company s portfolio when sold is less than (b) the accreted or amortized cost basis of such investment.

The aggregate unrealized capital depreciation is calculated as the sum of the differences, if negative, between (a) the valuation of each investment in the Company s portfolio as of the applicable Capital Gains Fee calculation date and (b) the accreted or amortized cost basis of such investment.

We defer cash payment of any incentive fee otherwise earned by the Investment Adviser if during the most recent four full calendar quarter periods ending on or prior to the date such payment is to be made the sum of (a) the aggregate distributions to the stockholders of the Company and (b) the change in net assets (defined as total assets less indebtedness and before

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taking into account any incentive fees payable during the period) is less than $8.0 \%$ of our net assets at the beginning of such period. These calculations were appropriately pro rated during the first three calendar quarters following October 8, 2004 and are adjusted for any share issuances or repurchases.

For the three and six months ended June 30,2008 , we incurred $\$ 7,679$ and $\$ 14,766$, respectively, in base management fees and $\$ 9,015$ and $\$ 15,508$, respectively, in incentive management fees related to pre-incentive fee net investment income. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2008, we accrued no incentive management fees related to net realized capital gains. As of June 30, 2008, \$16,694 was unpaid and included in management and incentive fees payable in the accompanying consolidated balance sheet. Payment of \$9,015 in incentive management fees for the three months ended June 30, 2008 will be deferred pursuant to the Advisory Agreement.

For the three and six months ended June 30, 2007, we incurred $\$ 5,814$ and $\$ 10,903$, respectively, in base management fees and $\$ 6,229$ and $\$ 10,983$, respectively, in incentive management fees related to pre-incentive fee net investment income. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2007, we accrued no incentive management fees related to net realized capital gains.

We are also party to a separate Administration Agreement with Ares Administration under which Ares Administration furnishes us with office, equipment and clerical, bookkeeping and record keeping services at our office facilities. Payments under the Administration Agreement are equal to an amount based upon our allocable portion of Ares Administration s overhead in performing its obligations under the Administration Agreement, including our allocable portion of the cost of our officers and their respective staffs. Under the Administration Agreement, Ares Administration also performs or oversees the performance of our required administrative services, which include, among other things, being responsible for the financial records which we are required to maintain and preparing reports to our stockholders and reports filed with the SEC. In addition, Ares Administration assists us in determining and publishing the net asset value, oversees the preparation and filing of our tax returns and the printing and dissemination of reports to our stockholders, and generally oversees the payment of our expenses and the performance of administrative and professional services rendered to us by others. Under the Administration Agreement, Ares Administration also provides, on our behalf, managerial assistance to those portfolio companies to which we are required to provide such assistance. The Administration Agreement may be terminated by either party without penalty upon 60-days written notice to the other party.

For the three and six months ended June 30, 2008, we incurred $\$ 365$ and $\$ 900$, respectively, in administrative fees. As of June 30, 2008, $\$ 365$ was unpaid and included in accounts payable and accrued expenses in the accompanying consolidated balance sheet.

For the three and six months ended June 30, 2007, we incurred $\$ 235$ and $\$ 445$, respectively, in administrative fees.

## 4. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The following information sets forth the computation of basic and diluted net increase in stockholders equity per share resulting from operations for the three and six months ended June 30, 2008:

Three months ended June 30, 2008

Six months ended June 30, 2008

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Numerator for basic and diluted net increase in
stockholders equity resulting from operations per share:
Denominator for basic and diluted net increase in
stockholders equity resulting from operations per share:

| Basic and diluted net increase in stockholders |
| :--- |
| resulting from operations per share: |

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The following information sets forth the computation of basic and diluted net increase in stockholders equity per share resulting from operations for the three and six months ended June 30, 2007:

|  | Three months ended <br> June 30, 2007 | Six months ended <br> June 30, 2007 |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Numerator for basic and diluted net increase in <br> stockholders equity resulting from operations per share: | $\$$ | 33,567 | $\$$ | 57,156 |
| Denominator for basic and diluted net increase in <br> stockholders equity resulting from operations per share: | $70,117,970$ | $62,544,682$ |  |  |
| Basic and diluted net increase in stockholders <br> resulting from operations per share: | $\$$ | 0.48 | $\$$ | 0.91 |

In accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 128, Earnings per Share ( SFAS 128 ), the weighted average shares of common stock outstanding used in computing basic and diluted net increase in stockholders equity resulting from operations per share for the three and six months ended June 30, 2008 and 2007 have been adjusted retroactively by a factor of $1.02 \%$ to recognize the bonus element associated with rights to acquire shares of common stock that were issued to stockholders of record as of March 24, 2008. See Note 11 for more information on the transferable rights offering.

## 5. INVESTMENTS

Under the Investment Company Act, we are required to separately identify non-controlled investments where we own more than $5 \%$ of a portfolio company s outstanding voting securities as affiliated companies. In addition, under the Investment Company Act, we are required to separately identify investments where we own more than $25 \%$ of a portfolio company s outstanding voting securities as control affiliated companies. We had no existing control relationship with any of the portfolio companies identified as affiliated companies or control affiliated companies prior to making the indicated investment.

For the three months ended June 30, 2008, the Company funded (A) \$92.8 million aggregate principal amount of senior term debt, (B) \$141.0 million aggregate principal amount of senior subordinated debt and (C) $\$ 18.4$ million of investments in equity securities.

In addition, for the three months ended June 30, 2008, $\$ 53.9$ million aggregate principal amount of senior term debt was redeemed. Additionally, $\$ 17.3$ million aggregate principal amount of senior term debt was sold.

As of June 30, 2008, investments and cash and cash equivalents consisted of the following:

|  |  | Amortized Cost | Fair Value |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Cash and cash equivalents | $\$$ | 77,047 | $\$$ | 77,047 |
| Senior term debt |  | $1,224,508$ | $1,191,929$ |  |
| Senior subordinated debt | 595,985 | 554,070 |  |  |
| Equity securities |  | 285,485 | 290,053 |  |
| Collateralized loan obligations |  | 56,000 | 54,400 |  |

As of December 31, 2007, investments and cash and cash equivalents consisted of the following:

|  |  | Amortized Cost | Fair Value |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Cash and cash equivalents | $\$$ | 21,142 | $\$$ | 21,142 |
| Senior term debt |  | $1,087,761$ | $1,063,729$ |  |
| Senior subordinated debt |  | 399,843 | 401,141 |  |
| Equity securities | 252,017 | 253,332 |  |  |
| Collateralized loan obligations |  | 56,000 | 56,000 |  |
| Total | $\$$ | $1,816,763$ | $\$$ | $1,795,344$ |

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The amortized cost represents the original cost adjusted for the accretion of discounts and amortization of premiums on debt using the effective interest method.

The industry and geographic compositions of our portfolio at fair value at June 30, 2008 and December 31, 2007 were as follows:

| Industry | June 30, 2008 | December 31, 2007 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Health Care | $18.1 \%$ | $17.1 \%$ |
| Beverage/Food/Tobacco | 10.3 | 6.2 |
| Education | 10.0 | 6.9 |
| Financial | 8.2 | 9.9 |
| Retail | 8.1 | 6.5 |
| Business Services | 6.0 | 8.5 |
| Printing/Publishing/Media | 5.6 | 7.3 |
| Other Services | 4.7 | 5.8 |
| Manufacturing | 4.4 | 4.7 |
| Environmental Services | 4.0 | 4.9 |
| Restaurants | 3.6 | 4.2 |
| Consumer Products | 3.3 | 5.6 |
| Aerospace and Defense | 3.1 | 2.5 |
| Telecommunications | 2.9 | 0.5 |
| Computers/Electronics | 1.6 | 2.0 |
| Health Clubs | 1.6 | 1.9 |
| Containers/Packaging | 1.4 | 2.7 |
| Cargo Transport | 1.4 | 0.8 |
| Grocery | 1.3 | 1.5 |
| Homebuilding | 0.4 | 0.5 |
| Total | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |


| Geographic Region | June 30, 2008 | December 31, 2007 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Mid-Atlantic | $23.9 \%$ | $22.9 \%$ |
| Southeast | 23.5 | 18.3 |
| Midwest | 19.5 | 22.6 |
| West | 15.9 | 19.0 |
| International | 12.4 | 12.7 |
| Northeast | 4.8 | 4.5 |
| Total | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |

## 6. <br> COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

As of June 30, 2008 and December 31, 2007, the Company had the following commitments to fund various revolving senior secured and subordinated loans:

|  |  | June 30, 2008 | December 31, 2007 |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | :--- |
| Total revolving commitments | $\$$ | 514,600 | $\left.\$ \begin{array}{l}\text { 323,600 }\end{array}\right)$ |

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Of the total commitments as of June 30, 2008, $\$ 467,300$ extend beyond the maturity date for our Revolving Credit Facility (as defined in Note 7). Included within the total commitments as of June 30, 2008 are commitments to issue up to $\$ 18,000$ in standby letters of credit through a financial intermediary on behalf of certain portfolio companies.

Under these arrangements, the Company would be required to make payments to third-party beneficiaries if the portfolio companies were to default on their related payment obligations. As of June 30, 2008, the Company had \$14,200 in standby letters of credit issued and outstanding on behalf of the portfolio companies, of which no amounts were recorded as a liability. Of these letters of credit, $\$ 500$ expire on August 31, 2010, $\$ 4,300$ expire on September 30, 2009, $\$ 100$ expire on April 1, 2009, $\$ 1,400$ expire on March 1, 2009, $\$ 4,700$ expire on February 28, 2009, $\$ 100$ expire on February 7, 2009, $\$ 300$ expire on January 31, 2009 and $\$ 2,800$ expire on September 30, 2008. These letters of credit may be extended under

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substantially similar terms for additional one-year terms at the Company s option until the Revolving Credit Facility, under which the letters of credit were issued, matures on December 28, 2010.

As of June 30, 2008 and December 31, 2007, the Company was subject to subscription agreements to fund equity investments in private equity investment partnerships, substantially all at the discretion of the Company, as follows:

|  |  | June 30, 2008 | December 31, 2007 |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Total private equity commitments | $\$$ | 428,300 | $\$$ | 111,800 |
| Total unfunded private equity commitments | $\$$ | 425,200 | $\$$ | 110,500 |

## 7. BORROWINGS

In accordance with the Investment Company Act, with certain limited exceptions, we are only allowed to borrow amounts such that our asset coverage, as defined in the Investment Company Act, is at least $200 \%$ after such borrowing.

Our debt obligations consisted of the following as of June 30, 2008 and December 31, 2007:

|  |  | June 30, 2008 | December 31, 2007 |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Revolving Credit Facility | $\$$ | 485,734 | $\$$ | 282,528 |
| CP Funding Facility |  | 48,000 | 85,000 |  |
| Debt Securitization | $\$$ | 314,000 |  | 314,000 |
| Total | 847,734 | $\$$ | 681,528 |  |

The weighted average interest rate of all our debt obligations as of June 30, 2008 and December 31, 2007 was $3.42 \%$ and $5.66 \%$, respectively.

## CP Funding Facility

On October 29, 2004, we formed Ares Capital CP Funding LLC ( Ares Capital CP ), a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, through which we established a revolving credit facility (the CP Funding Facility ). On November 3, 2004 (the Facility Effective Date ), we entered into the CP Funding Facility that, as amended, allows Ares Capital CP to issue up to $\$ 350,000$ of variable funding certificates ( VFC ). As of June 30, 2008, there was $\$ 48,000$ outstanding under the CP Funding Facility and the Company continues to be in compliance with all of the limitations and requirements of the CP Funding Facility. As of December 31, 2007, there was $\$ 85,000$ outstanding under the CP Funding Facility.

As of June 30, 2008, the CP Funding Facility was scheduled to expire on October 8, 2008, but it was subsequently amended to extend the expiration date to July 21, 2009 (see Note 14). The CP Funding Facility is secured by all of the assets held by Ares Capital CP, which as of June 30, 2008 consisted of 20 investments.

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As of the date of this report, the interest charged on the VFC is based on the commercial paper, eurodollar or adjusted eurodollar rate plus $2.50 \%$. Prior to July 22, 2008, the interest charged was based on the commercial paper rate plus $1.00 \%$. The interest charged on the VFC is payable quarterly. As of June 30, 2008 and December 31, 2007, the commercial paper rate was $2.7101 \%$ and $5.1147 \%$, respectively. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2008, the average interest rates (i.e. commercial paper rate plus the spread) were $3.77 \%$ and $4.33 \%$, respectively. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2008, the average outstanding balances were $\$ 27,315$ and $\$ 69,815$, respectively. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2007, the average interest rate (i.e. commercial paper rate plus the spread) was $6.04 \%$. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2007, the average outstanding balances were $\$ 131,725$ and $\$ 91,646$, respectively.

For the three and six months ended June 30, 2008, the interest expense incurred on the CP Funding Facility was $\$ 271$ and $\$ 1,324$, respectively. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2007, the interest expense incurred on the CP Funding Facility was $\$ 1,997$ and $\$ 2,795$, respectively. Cash paid for interest expense during the six months ended June 30, 2008 and 2007 was $\$ 2,391$ and $\$ 938$, respectively.

The Company is also required to pay a commitment fee for any unused portion of the CP Funding Facility. As of the date of this report, the commitment fee is equal to $0.5 \%$ per annum for any unused portion of the CP Funding Facility. Prior to July 22, 2008, the commitment fee was $0.125 \%$ per annum calculated based on an amount equal to $\$ 200,000$ less the borrowings

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outstanding under the CP Funding Facility. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2008, the commitment fees incurred on the CP Funding Facility were $\$ 55$ and $\$ 91$, respectively. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2007, the commitment fees incurred on the CP Funding Facility were $\$ 22$ and $\$ 68$, respectively.

## Revolving Credit Facility

In December 2005, we entered into a senior secured revolving credit facility (the Revolving Credit Facility ) under which, as amended, the lenders have agreed to extend credit to the Company in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding $\$ 510,000$ at any one time outstanding. The Revolving Credit Facility expires on December 28, 2010 and with certain exceptions is secured by substantially all of the assets in our portfolio (other than investments held by Ares Capital CP under the CP Funding Facility and those held as a part of the Debt Securitization, discussed below) which as of June 30, 2008 consisted of 189 investments.

The Revolving Credit Facility also includes an accordion feature that allows us to increase the size of the Revolving Credit Facility to a maximum of $\$ 765,000$ under certain circumstances. As of June 30, 2008, there was $\$ 485,734$ outstanding under the Revolving Credit Facility and the Company continues to be in compliance with all of the limitations and requirements of the Revolving Credit Facility. As of December 31, 2007, there was $\$ 282,528$ outstanding under the Revolving Credit Facility.

The interest charged under the Revolving Credit Facility is generally based on LIBOR (one, two, three or six month) plus $1.00 \%$. As of June 30 , 2008, the one, two, three and six month LIBOR were $2.46 \%, 2.65 \%, 2.78 \%$ and $3.11 \%$, respectively. As of December 31, 2007, the one, two, three and six month LIBOR were $4.60 \%, 4.65 \%, 4.70 \%$ and $4.60 \%$, respectively. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2008, the average interest rate was $4.11 \%$ and $4.68 \%$, respectively, the average outstanding balance was $\$ 402,063$ and $\$ 371,597$, respectively, and the interest expense incurred was $\$ 4,117$ and $\$ 8,677$, respectively. Cash paid for interest expense during the six months ended June 30,2008 was $\$ 9,518$. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2007, the average interest rate was $7.03 \%$ and $6.56 \%$, respectively, the average outstanding balance was $\$ 40,967$ and $\$ 121,044$, respectively, and the interest expense incurred was $\$ 718$ and $\$ 3,939$, respectively. Cash paid for interest expense during the six months ended June 30, 2007 was $\$ 4,592$. The Company is also required to pay a commitment fee of $0.20 \%$ for any unused portion of the Revolving Credit Facility. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2008, the commitment fees incurred were $\$ 185$ and $\$ 257$, respectively. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2007, the commitment fees incurred were $\$ 39$ and $\$ 190$, respectively.

The amount available for borrowing under the Revolving Credit Facility is reduced by any standby letters of credit issued through the Revolving Credit Facility. As of June 30, 2008, the Company had $\$ 18,000$ in standby letters of credit issued through the Revolving Credit Facility. As of December 31, 2007, the Company had $\$ 11,400$ in standby letters of credit issued through the Revolving Credit Facility.

As of June 30, 2008, the Company had a non-U.S. borrowing on the Revolving Credit Facility denominated in Canadian dollars. As of June 30, 2008 and December 31, 2007, unrealized appreciation on this borrowing was $\$ 1,116$ and $\$ 822$, respectively.

## Debt Securitization

On July 7, 2006, through our wholly owned subsidiary, ARCC CLO 2006 LLC ( ARCC CLO ), we completed a $\$ 400,000$ debt securitization (the Debt Securitization ) and issued approximately $\$ 314,000$ principal amount of asset-backed notes (including $\$ 50,000$ of revolving notes, all of

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which were drawn down as of June 30, 2008) (the CLO Notes ) to third parties that were secured by a pool of middle market loans that have been purchased or originated by the Company. The CLO Notes are included in the June 30, 2008 consolidated balance sheet. We retained approximately $\$ 86,000$ of certain BBB and non-rated securities in the Debt Securitization (the Retained Notes ). The CLO Notes mature on December 20, 2019, and, as of June 30, 2008, there was $\$ 314,000$ outstanding under the Debt Securitization (excluding the Retained Notes). The blended pricing of the CLO Notes, excluding fees, is approximately 3-month LIBOR plus 34 basis points.

The classes, amounts, ratings and interest rates (expressed as a spread to 3-month LIBOR) of the CLO Notes are as follows:

| Class |  | Amount <br> (millions) |  | Rating <br> (S\&\&/Moody s) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | | LIBOR Spread <br> (basis points) |
| :---: |
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Revolving class, all of which was drawn as of June 30, 2008.

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As of June 30, 2008, there were 68 investments securing the notes. The interest charged under the Debt Securitization is based on 3-month LIBOR, which as of June 30, 2008 was $2.78 \%$ and as of December 31, 2007 was $4.70 \%$. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2008, the effective average interest rates were $2.93 \%$ and $4.00 \%$, respectively. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2008, we incurred $\$ 2,295$ and $\$ 6,265$ of interest expense, respectively. Cash paid for interest expense during the six months ended June 30, 2008 was $\$ 6,492$. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2007, the effective average interest rates were $5.75 \%$ and $5.77 \%$, respectively. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2007, we incurred $\$ 4,297$ and $\$ 8,246$ of interest expense, respectively. Cash paid for interest expense during the six months ended June 30, 2007 was $\$ 8,235$. The Company is also required to pay a commitment fee of $0.175 \%$ for any unused portion of the Class A-1A VFN Notes. There were no commitment fees incurred for the three and six months ended June 30, 2008. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2007, the commitment fees incurred were $\$ 6$ and $\$ 23$, respectively, on these notes.

## 8. FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The carrying value of the Company s financial instruments approximate fair value. Effective January 1, 2008, the company adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 159, the Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Liabilities ( SFAS 159 ), which provides companies with an option to report selected financial assets and liabilities at fair value. SFAS 159 also establishes presentation and disclosure requirements designed to facilitate comparisons between companies that choose different measurement attributes for similar types of assets and liabilities and to more easily understand the effect of the company s choice to use fair value on its earnings. SFAS 159 also requires entities to display the fair value of the selected assets and liabilities on the face of the balance sheet. With the exception of other assets and debt, all assets and liabilities approximate fair value on the balance sheet. The carrying value of interest receivable, receivable and payable for open trades, accounts payable and accrued expenses, management and incentive fees payable and interest and facility fees payable approximate fair value due to their short maturity.

Effective January 1, 2008, the Company adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 157, Fair Value Measurements ( SFAS 157 ), which expands application of fair value accounting.

SFAS 157 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and expands disclosure of fair value measurements. SFAS 157 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. SFAS 157 requires the Company to assume that the portfolio investment is sold in a 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 SFAS 157, 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. SFAS 157 specifies a hierarchy of valuation techniques based on whether the inputs to those valuation techniques are observable or unobservable. In accordance with SFAS 157, these inputs are summarized in the three broad levels listed below:

- Level 1 Valuations based on quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Company has the ability to access.
- Level 2 Valuations based on quoted prices in markets that are not active or for which all significant inputs are observable, either directly or indirectly.


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- Level 3 Valuations based on inputs that are unobservable and significant to the overall fair value measurement.

In addition to using the above inputs in investment valuations, we continue to employ the valuation policy approved by our board of directors that is consistent with SFAS 157 (see Note 2). Consistent with our valuation policy, we evaluate the

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source of inputs, including any markets in which our investments are trading (or any markets in which securities with similar attributes are trading), in determining fair value. Our valuation policy considers the fact that because there is not a readily available market value for most of the investments in our portfolio, the fair value of the investments must typically be determined using unobservable inputs.

The following table presents fair value measurements of cash and cash equivalents and investments as of June 30, 2008:

|  |  |  | Fair Value Measurements Using |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Total |  | Level 1 | Level 2 |  | Level 3 |  |
| Cash and cash equivalents | $\$$ | 77,047 | $\$$ | 77,047 | $\$$ |  | $\$$ |  |
| Investments | $\$$ | $2,090,452$ | $\$$ |  | $\$$ | 17,905 | $\$$ | $2,072,547$ |

The following tables present changes in investments that use Level 3 inputs for the three and six months ended June 30, 2008:

|  | Three months ended <br> June 30, 2008 |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Balance as of March 31, 2008 | $\$$ | $1,904,939$ |
| Net unrealized gains (losses) | $(33,540)$ |  |
| Net purchases, sales or redemptions |  | 188,672 |
| Net transfers in and/or out of Level 3 | 12,476 |  |
| Balance as of June 30, 2008 | $\$$ | $2,072,547$ |


|  | Six months ended |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| June 30, 2008 |  |  |
| Balance as of December 31, 2007 | $\$$ | $1,738,020$ |
| Net unrealized gains (losses) | $(49,494)$ |  |
| Net purchases, sales or redemptions |  | 371,545 |
| Net transfers in and/or out of Level 3 |  | 12,476 |
| Balance as of June 30, 2008 | $\$$ | $2,072,547$ |

As of June 30, 2008, the net unrealized loss on the investments that use Level 3 inputs was $\$ 65,922$.

Following are the carrying and fair values of our debt instruments as of June 30, 2008 and December 31, 2007:

|  | June 30, 2008 |  |  |  | December 31, 2007 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Carrying Value |  | Fair Value |  | Carrying Value |  | Fair Value |  |
| Revolving Credit |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Facility | \$ | 485,734 | \$ | 470,000 | \$ | 282,528 | \$ | 279,000 |
| CP Funding Facility |  | 48,000 |  | 48,000 |  | 85,000 |  | 84,000 |
| Debt Securitization |  | 314,000 |  | 202,000 |  | 314,000 |  | 261,000 |
|  | \$ | 847,734 | \$ | 720,000 | \$ | 681,528 | \$ | 624,000 |

9. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

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In accordance with the Advisory Agreement, we bear all costs and expenses of the operation of the Company and reimburse the Investment Adviser for all such costs and expenses incurred in the operation of the Company. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2008, the Investment Adviser incurred such expenses totaling $\$ 605$ and $\$ 1,006$, respectively. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2007, the Investment Adviser incurred such expenses totaling $\$ 288$ and $\$ 845$, respectively. As of June 30, 2008, \$197 was unpaid and included in accounts payable and accrued expenses in the accompanying consolidated balance sheet.

During 2006, we entered into a sublease agreement with Ares Management whereby Ares Management subleases approximately $25 \%$ of the office facilities that we lease, for a fixed rent equal to $25 \%$ of the basic annual rent payable by us under our lease, plus certain additional costs and expenses. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2008, such amounts payable to the Company totaled $\$ 51$ and $\$ 120$, respectively. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2007, such amounts payable to the Company totaled $\$ 67$ and $\$ 134$, respectively. As of June 30, 2008, there were no unpaid amounts.

As of June 30, 2008, Ares Investments, an affiliate of the Investment Adviser, owned 2,859,882 shares of the Company s common stock representing approximately $2.9 \%$ of the total shares outstanding as of August 6, 2008.

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See Notes 3 and 10 for descriptions of other related party transactions.

## 10. INVESTMENT IN IVY HILL MIDDLE MARKET CREDIT FUND LTD.

On November 19, 2007, we established a middle market credit fund, Ivy Hill Middle Market Credit Fund, Ltd. ( Ivy Hill ), which is managed by our wholly owned subsidiary Ivy Hill Asset Management, L.P. in exchange for a $0.50 \%$ management fee on the average total assets of Ivy Hill. As of June 30, 2008, the total assets of Ivy Hill were approximately $\$ 278,000$. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2008, the Company earned $\$ 384$ and $\$ 581$, respectively, in management fees. Ivy Hill primarily invests in first and second lien bank debt of middle market companies. Ivy Hill was initially funded with $\$ 404,000$ of capital, including a $\$ 56,000$ investment by the Company consisting of $\$ 40,000$ of Class B notes and $\$ 16,000$ of subordinated notes. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2008, the Company earned $\$ 1,581$ and $\$ 2,593$, respectively, from its investments in Ivy Hill.

Ivy Hill purchased $\$ 17,339$ and $\$ 41,876$, respectively, of investments from the Company during the three and six months ended June $30,2008$. There was no gain or loss recognized by the Company on these transactions.

## 11. STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY

On April 28, 2008, we completed a transferable rights offering, issuing $24,228,030$ shares at a subscription price of $\$ 11.0016$ per share, less dealer manager fees of $\$ 0.22$ per share. Net proceeds after deducting the dealer manager fees and estimated offering expenses, were approximately $\$ 260,000$. Ares Investments, an affiliate of the Investment Adviser, purchased 1,643,215 shares in the rights offering, bringing its total shares owned to $2,859,882$ shares of common stock, representing approximately $2.9 \%$ of the total shares outstanding as of August 6, 2008.

The following table summarizes the total shares issued and proceeds we received net of underwriter, dealer manager and offering costs for the six months ended June 30, 2008 and June 30, 2007 (in millions, except per share data):

|  |  | $\begin{array}{c}\text { Proceeds net of } \\ \text { Offering price } \\ \text { per share }\end{array}$ |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| dealer manager and |  |  |  |  |
| offering costs |  |  |  |  |$]$


|  | Shares issued | Offering price per share |  | Proceeds net of underwriter and offering costs |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| April 2007 public offering | 15.5 | \$ | 17.97 | \$ | 267.2 |
| February 2007 public offering | 1.4 | \$ | 19.95 | \$ | 27.2 |
| Underwriters over-allotment option related to December 2006 public offering | 0.4 | \$ | 18.50 | \$ | 7.5 |
| Total for the six months ended June 30, 2007 | 17.3 |  |  | \$ | 301.9 |

12. DIVIDENDS

The following table summarizes our dividends declared during the six months ended June 30, 2008 and June 30, 2007 (in millions, except per share data):

| Date Declared | Record Date | Payment Date | Amount Per Share |  | Total Amount |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| May 8, 2008 | June 16, 2008 | June 30, 2008 | \$ | 0.42 | \$ | 40.8 |
| February 28, 2008 | March 17, 2008 | March 31, 2008 | \$ | 0.42 | \$ | 30.5 |
| Total declared for the six months ended June 30, 2008 |  |  | \$ | 0.84 | \$ | 71.3 |
| May 10, 2007 | June 15, 2007 | June 30, 2007 | \$ | 0.41 | \$ | 28.5 |
| March 8, 2007 | March 19, 2007 | March 30, 2007 | \$ | 0.41 | \$ | 22.1 |
| Total declared for the six months ended June 30, 2007 |  |  | \$ | 0.82 | \$ | 50.6 |

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During the six months ended June 30, 2008, as part of the Company s dividend reinvestment plan for our common stockholders, we purchased 450,803 shares of our common stock at an average price of $\$ 10.97$ in the open market in order to satisfy part of the reinvestment portion of our dividends.

## 13. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The following is a schedule of financial highlights for the six months ended June 30, 2008 and 2007:

| Per Share Data: | For the Six Months Ended |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | June 30, 2008 |  | June 30, 2007 |  |
| Net asset value, beginning of period(1) | \$ | 15.47 | \$ | 15.17 |
| Issuance of common stock |  | (1.19) |  | 0.54 |
| Effect of antidilution |  | 0.08 |  | 0.02 |
| Net investment income for period(2) |  | 0.76 |  | 0.72 |
| Net realized and unrealized gains for period(2) |  | (0.61) |  | 0.21 |
| Net increase in stockholders equity |  | 0.15 |  | 0.93 |
| Distributions from net investment income |  | (0.82) |  | (0.72) |
| Distributions from net realized capital gains on securities |  | (0.02) |  | (0.10) |
| Total distributions to stockholders |  | (0.84) |  | (0.82) |
| Net asset value at end of period(1) | \$ | 13.67 | \$ | 15.84 |
| Per share market value at end of period | \$ | 10.08 | \$ | 16.85 |
| Total return based on market value(3) |  | (25.36)\% |  | (7.54)\% |
| Total return based on net asset value(4) |  | 0.98\% |  | 6.15\% |
| Shares outstanding at end of period |  | 97,152,820 |  | 69,757,588 |
| Ratio/Supplemental Data: |  |  |  |  |
| Net assets at end of period | \$ | 1,328,548 | \$ | 1,105,140 |
| Ratio of operating expenses to average net assets(5)(6) |  | 8.75\% |  | 9.24\% |
| Ratio of net investment income to average net assets(5)(7) |  | 10.09\% |  | 9.39\% |
| Portfolio turnover rate(5) |  | 47\% |  | 53\% |

[^0](2) Weighted average basic per share data.

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(3) For the six months ended June 30, 2008, the total return based on market value equals the decrease of the ending market value at June 30, 2008 of $\$ 10.08$ per share over the ending market value at December 31, 2007 of $\$ 14.63$ per share, plus the declared dividends of $\$ 0.84$ per share for the six months ended June 30, 2008, divided by the market value at December 31, 2007. For the six months ended June 30, 2007, the total return based on market value equals the decrease of the ending market value at June 30, 2007 of $\$ 16.85$ per share over the ending market value at December 31, 2006 of $\$ 19.11$, plus the declared dividends of $\$ 0.82$ per share for the six months ended June 30,2007 , divided by the market value at December 31, 2006. Total return based on market value is not annualized. The Company s shares fluctuate in value. The Company s performance changes over time and currently may be different than that shown. Past performance is no guarantee of future results.
(4) For the six months ended June 30, 2008, the total return based on net asset value equals the change in net asset value during the period plus the declared dividends of $\$ 0.84$ per share for the six months ended June 30,2008 , divided by the beginning net asset value during the period. For the six months ended June 30, 2007, the total return based on net asset value equals the change in net asset value during the period plus the declared dividends of $\$ 0.82$ per share for the six months ended

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June 30, 2007, divided by the beginning net asset value during the period. These calculations are adjusted for shares issued in connection with the dividend reinvestment plan and the issuance of common stock in connection with any equity offerings. Total return based on net asset value is not annualized. The Company s performance changes over time and currently may be different than that shown. Past performance is no guarantee of future results.
(5) The ratios reflect an annualized amount.
(6) For the six months ended June 30, 2008, the ratio of operating expenses to average net assets consisted of $2.40 \%$ of base management fees, $2.52 \%$ of incentive management fees, $2.78 \%$ of the cost of borrowing and other operating expenses of $1.05 \%$. For the six months ended June 30 , 2007, the ratio of operating expenses to average net assets consisted of $2.33 \%$ of base management fees, $2.35 \%$ of incentive management fees, $3.45 \%$ of the cost of borrowing and other operating expenses of $1.11 \%$. These ratios reflect annualized amounts.
(7) The ratio of net investment income to average net assets excludes income taxes related to realized gains.

## 14. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On July 22, 2008, we entered into an amendment to, among other things, extend the maturity of the CP Funding Facility to July 21, 2009, decrease the availability and advance rates applicable to certain types of eligible loans and make certain provisions of the facility more restrictive. In addition, the interest rate charged on the CP Funding Facility was increased to the commercial paper, eurodollar or adjusted eurodollar rate plus $2.50 \%$ and the commitment fee for any unused portion was increased to $0.50 \%$. The Company also paid a renewal fee of $0.786 \%$ of the total amount available for borrowing, or $\$ 2.75$ million.

## Item 2. 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 financial statements and notes thereto appearing elsewhere in this quarterly report. In addition, some of the statements in this report constitute forward-looking statements, which relate to future events or the future performance or financial condition of Ares Capital Corporation (the Company, ARCC, we, us or our ). The forward-looking statemen contained in this report involve risks and uncertainties, including statements as to:

- our future operating results;
- our business prospects and the prospects of our portfolio companies;
- the return or impact of investments that we expect to make;
- our contractual arrangements and relationships with third parties;
- the dependence of our future success on the general economy and its impact on the industries in which we invest;
- the ability of our portfolio companies to achieve their objectives;
- our expected financings and investments;
- the adequacy of our cash resources and working capital;
- the timing of cash flows, if any, from the operations of our portfolio companies; and
- the ability of our investment adviser to locate suitable investments for us and to monitor and administer our
investments.


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We use words such as anticipates, believes, expects, intends, will, should, may and similar expressions to identify forward-looking sta Our actual results could differ materially from those projected in the forward-looking statements for any reason. We have based the forward-looking statements included in this report on information available to us on the date of this report, and we assume no obligation to update any such forward-looking statements. Although we undertake no obligation to revise or update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, you are advised to consult any additional disclosures that we may make directly to you or through reports that we in the future may file with the SEC, including annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q and current reports on Form 8-K.

## OVERVIEW

We are a specialty finance company that is a closed-end, non-diversified management investment company incorporated in Maryland. We have elected to be regulated as a business development company (a BDC ) under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the Investment Company Act ). We were founded on April 16, 2004 and were initially funded on June 23, 2004 and on October 8, 2004 completed our initial public offering (the IPO ).

Our investment objective is to generate both current income and capital appreciation through debt and equity investments. We invest primarily in first and second lien senior loans and long-term mezzanine debt, which in some cases includes an equity component, and, to a lesser extent, in equity investments in private middle market companies.

We are externally managed by Ares Capital Management LLC (the Investment Adviser ), an affiliate of Ares Management LLC, an independent international investment management firm, pursuant to an investment advisory agreement (the Advisory Agreement ). Ares Operations LLC ( Ares Administration ), an affiliate of Ares Management LLC, provides the administrative services necessary for us to operate.

As a BDC, we are required to comply with certain regulatory requirements. For instance, we generally have to invest at least $70 \%$ of our total assets in qualifying assets, including securities and indebtedness of private U.S. companies, cash, cash equivalents, U.S. government securities and high-quality debt investments that mature in one year or less.

We have qualified and elected to be treated as a regulated investment company, or a RIC, under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code ). To qualify as a RIC, we must, among other things, meet certain source-of-income and asset diversification requirements and timely distribute to our stockholders at least $90 \%$ of our investment company taxable

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income, as defined by the Code, for each year. Pursuant to this election, we generally will not have to pay corporate level taxes on any income that we distribute to our stockholders.

## PORTFOLIO AND INVESTMENT ACTIVITY

## (in millions, except number of new investment commitments, terms and percentages)

|  | Three Months ended |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | June 30, 2008 |  | June 30, 2007 |  |
| New investment commitments (1): |  |  |  |  |
| New portfolio companies | \$ | 243.2 | \$ | 318.2 |
| Existing portfolio companies |  | 99.1 |  | 74.7 |
| Total new investment commitments |  | 342.3 |  | 392.9 |
| Less: |  |  |  |  |
| Investment commitments exited |  | 43.4 |  | 206.7 |
| Net investment commitments | \$ | 298.9 | \$ | 186.2 |
| Principal amount of investments purchased: |  |  |  |  |
| Senior term debt | \$ | 92.8 | \$ | 250.2 |
| Senior subordinated debt |  | 141.0 |  | 77.2 |
| Equity and other |  | 18.4 |  | 65.2 |
| Total | \$ | 252.2 | \$ | 392.6 |
| Principal amount of investments sold or repaid: |  |  |  |  |
| Senior term debt | \$ | 71.2 | \$ | 196.5 |
| Senior subordinated debt |  |  |  | 25.9 |
| Equity and other |  |  |  |  |
| Total | \$ | 71.2 | \$ | 222.4 |
| Number of new investment commitments (2) |  | 10 |  | 11 |
| Average new investment commitments amount | \$ | 34.2 | \$ | 35.7 |
| Weighted average term for new investment commitments (in months) |  | 66 |  | 63 |
| Percentage of new investment commitments at floating rates |  | 47\% |  | 60\% |
| Percentage of new investment commitments at fixed rates |  | 44\% |  | 25\% |
| Weighted average yield of debt and income producing securities funded during the period (3) |  | 13.14\% |  | 11.93\% |
| Weighted average yield of debt and income producing securities sold or repaid during the period (3) |  | 9.26\% |  | 11.73\% |

(1) New investment commitments includes new agreements to fund revolving credit facilities or delayed draw loans.
(2) Number of new investments represents each commitment to a particular portfolio company.
(3) When we refer to the weighted average yield in this report, we compute it with respect to particular securities by taking the (a) annual stated interest rate or yield earned plus the net annual amortization of original issue discount and market discount earned on accruing debt included in such securities, and dividing it by (b) total debt and income producing securities at fair value included in such securities.

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The Investment Adviser employs an investment rating system to categorize our investments. In addition to various risk management and monitoring tools, the Investment Adviser grades all investments on a scale of 1 to 4 no less frequently than quarterly. This system is intended to reflect the performance of the portfolio company s business, the collateral coverage of the investment and other factors considered relevant. Under this system, investments with a grade of 4 involve the least amount of risk in our portfolio. The portfolio company is performing above expectations and the trends and risk factors are generally favorable, including a potential exit. Investments graded 3 involve a level of risk that is similar to the risk at the time of origination. The portfolio company is performing as expected and the risk factors are neutral to favorable. All new investments are initially graded 3. Investments graded 2 involve a portfolio company performing below expectations and indicates that the investment s risk has increased materially since origination. The portfolio company may be out of compliance with debt covenants, however, payments are generally not more than 120 days past due. For investments graded 2, we increase procedures to monitor the portfolio company and we will write down the fair value of the investment if it is deemed to be impaired. An investment grade of 1 indicates that the portfolio company is performing materially below expectations and that the investment risk has substantially increased since origination. Most or all of the debt covenants are out of compliance and payments are substantially delinquent. Investments graded 1 are not anticipated to be repaid in

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full and we will reduce the fair market value of the investment to the amount we anticipate will be recovered. The Investment Adviser employs half-point increments to reflect underlying trends in portfolio company operating or financial performance, as well as the general outlook. As of June 30, 2008, the weighted average investment grade of the investments in our portfolio was 2.9 with $2.9 \%$ of total investments at amortized cost (or $1.3 \%$ at fair value) on non-accrual status. The weighted average investment grade of the investments in our portfolio as of December 31, 2007 was 3.0. The distribution of the grades of our portfolio companies as of June 30, 2008 and December 31, 2007 is as follows (dollar amounts in thousands):

|  | June 30, 2008 |  |  | December 31, 2007 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Value | Number of Companies |  | Value | Number of Companies |
| Grade 1 | \$ | 75,423 | 6 | \$ | 13,927 | 1 |
| Grade 2 |  | 106,033 | 3 |  | 115,585 | 6 |
| Grade 3 |  | 1,772,160 | 68 |  | 1,581,811 | 66 |
| Grade 4 |  | 136,836 | 8 |  | 62,879 | 3 |
|  | \$ | 2,090,452 | 85 | \$ | 1,774,202 | 76 |

As of June 30, 2008, the weighted average yield of the debt and income producing securities in our portfolio was approximately $11.28 \%$. As of June 30, 2008, the weighted average yield on our entire portfolio was $9.82 \%$ and the weighted average yield on our senior term debt, senior subordinated debt and income producing securities was $10.42 \%, 13.45 \%$ and $12.20 \%$, respectively. Of the senior term debt, as of June 30, 2008, the weighted average yield attributable to first lien senior term debt and second lien senior term debt was $9.44 \%$ and $11.93 \%$, respectively.

As of December 31, 2007, the weighted average yield of the debt and income producing securities in our portfolio was approximately $11.68 \%$. As of December 31, 2007, the weighted average yield on our entire portfolio was $10.22 \%$ and the weighted average yield on our senior term debt, senior subordinated debt and income producing securities was $11.19 \%, 13.23 \%$ and $10.36 \%$, respectively. Of the senior term debt, as of December 31, 2007, the weighted average yield attributable to first lien senior term debt and second lien senior term debt was $10.53 \%$ and $12.38 \%$, respectively.

The weighted average yield on our debt and income producing securities was lower as of June 30, 2008 compared to the weighted average yield on our debt and income producing securities as of December 31, 2007 primarily because of the decline in LIBOR since December 31, 2007, partially offset by adding a higher percentage of higher yielding investments during the six months ended June 30, 2008.

## RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

For the three and six months ended June 30, 2008 and June 30, 2007

Operating results for the three and six months ended June 30, 2008 and 2007 are as follows (in thousands):

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|  | For the three months ended |  |  |  | For the six months ended |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | June 30, 2008 |  | June 30, 2007 |  | June 30, 2008 |  | June 30, 2007 |  |
| Total investment income | \$ | 63,464 | \$ | 47,399 | \$ | 115,671 | \$ | 87,114 |
| Total expenses |  | 27,265 |  | 22,451 |  | 53,821 |  | 43,211 |
| Net investment income before income taxes |  | 36,199 |  | 24,948 |  | 61,850 |  | 43,903 |
| Income tax expense (benefit), including excise tax |  | 138 |  | (43) |  | (184) |  | (33) |
| Net investment income |  | 36,061 |  | 24,991 |  | 62,034 |  | 43,936 |
| Net realized gains (losses) |  | 17 |  | $(7,883)$ |  | 216 |  | $(7,524)$ |
| Net unrealized gains (losses) |  | $(32,806)$ |  | 16,459 |  | $(49,812)$ |  | 20,744 |
| Net increase in stockholders equity resulting from operations | \$ | 3,272 | \$ | 33,567 | \$ | 12,438 | \$ | 57,156 |

Net income can vary substantially from period to period for various factors, including the recognition of realized gains and losses and unrealized appreciation and depreciation. As a result, quarterly comparisons of net income may not be meaningful.

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## Investment Income

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For the three months ended June 30, 2008, total investment income increased $\$ 16.1$ million, or $34 \%$, over the three months ended June 30, 2007. For the three months ended June 30, 2008, total investment income consisted of $\$ 49.7$ million in interest income from investments, $\$ 11.3$ million in capital structuring service fees, $\$ 0.6$ million in dividend income, $\$ 1.4$ million in other income and $\$ 0.4$ million in interest income from cash and cash equivalents. Interest income from investments increased $\$ 9.9$ million, or $25 \%$, to $\$ 49.7$ million for the three months ended June 30, 2008 from $\$ 39.8$ million for the comparable period in 2007. The increase in interest

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income from investments was primarily due to the increase in the overall size of the portfolio. The average investments, at fair value, for the quarter increased from $\$ 1.5$ billion for the three months ended June 30, 2007 to $\$ 2.0$ billion for the comparable period in 2008. Capital structuring service fees increased $\$ 5.9$ million, or $111 \%$, to $\$ 11.3$ million for the three months ended June 30,2008 from $\$ 5.4$ million for the comparable period in 2007. The increase in capital structuring service fees was primarily due to the increase in fee percentages as a result of more favorable market conditions.

For the six months ended June 30 , 2008, total investment income increased $\$ 28.6$ million, or $33 \%$, over the six months ended June 30 , 2007. For the six months ended June 30, 2008, total investment income consisted of $\$ 95.6$ million in interest income from investments, $\$ 15.2$ million in capital structuring service fees, $\$ 1.1$ million in dividend income, $\$ 2.7$ million in other income and $\$ 1.0$ million in interest income from cash and cash equivalents. Interest income from investments increased $\$ 22.0$ million, or $30 \%$, to $\$ 95.6$ million for the six months ended June 30, 2008 from $\$ 73.6$ million for the comparable period in 2007. The increase in interest income from investments was primarily due to the increase in the overall size of the portfolio. The average investments, at fair value, for the quarter increased from $\$ 1.3$ billion for the six months ended June 30 , 2007 to $\$ 1.9$ billion for the comparable period in 2008. Capital structuring service fees increased $\$ 5.5$ million, or $57 \%$, to $\$ 15.2$ million for the six months ended June 30, 2008 from $\$ 9.7$ million for the comparable period in 2007. The increase in capital structuring service fees was primarily due to the increase in fee percentages as a result of more favorable market conditions.

## Operating Expenses

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For the three months ended June 30, 2008, total expenses increased $\$ 4.8$ million, or $21 \%$, over the three months ended June 30, 2007. Base management fees increased $\$ 1.9$ million, or $32 \%$, to $\$ 7.7$ million for the three months ended June 30, 2008 from $\$ 5.8$ million for the comparable period in 2007, primarily due to the increase in the size of the portfolio. Incentive management fees related to pre-incentive fee net investment income increased $\$ 2.8$ million, or $45 \%$, to $\$ 9.0$ million for the three months ended June 30, 2008 from $\$ 6.2$ million for the comparable period in 2007, primarily due to the increase in the size of the portfolio and the related increase in net investment income. Payment of $\$ 9.0$ million in incentive management fees for the three months ended June 30, 2008 will be deferred pursuant to the Advisory Agreement. Interest expense and credit facility fees decreased $\$ 0.4$ million, or $5 \%$, to $\$ 7.2$ million for the three months ended June 30, 2008 from $\$ 7.6$ million for the comparable period in 2007, primarily due to the decline in the average cost of debt offset by higher average outstanding borrowings. The average cost of debt for the three months ended June 30, 2008 was $3.59 \%$ compared to the average cost of debt of $5.95 \%$ for the comparable period in 2007. There were $\$ 745.9$ million in average outstanding borrowings during the three months ended June 30, 2008 compared to average outstanding borrowings of $\$ 472.4$ million in the comparable period in 2007.

For the six months ended June 30, 2008, total expenses increased $\$ 10.6$ million, or $25 \%$, over the six months ended June 30, 2007. Base management fees increased $\$ 3.9$ million, or $35 \%$, to $\$ 14.8$ million for the six months ended June 30, 2008 from $\$ 10.9$ million for the comparable period in 2007, primarily due to the increase in the size of the portfolio. Incentive management fees related to pre-incentive fee net investment income increased $\$ 4.5$ million, or $41 \%$, to $\$ 15.5$ million for the six months ended June 30, 2008 from $\$ 11.0$ million for the comparable period in 2007, primarily due to the increase in the size of the portfolio and the related increase in net investment income. Interest expense and credit facility fees increased $\$ 1.0$ million, or $6 \%$, to $\$ 17.1$ million for the six months ended June 30, 2008 from $\$ 16.1$ million for the comparable period in 2007, primarily due to the increase in the average outstanding borrowings offset by the lower average cost of debt. There were $\$ 749.4$ million in average outstanding borrowings during the six months ended June 30, 2008 compared to average outstanding borrowings of $\$ 500.9$ million in the comparable period in 2007. The average cost of debt for the six months ended June 30, 2008 was $4.35 \%$ compared to the average cost of debt of $6.03 \%$ for the comparable period in 2007.

## Income Tax Expense, Including Excise Tax

The Company has qualified and elected and intends to continue to qualify for the tax treatment applicable to RICs under subchapter M of the Code, and, among other things, has made and intends to continue to make the requisite distributions to its stockholders which will relieve the Company from federal income taxes.

Depending on the level of taxable income earned in a tax year, we may choose to carry forward taxable income in excess of current year dividend distributions into the next tax year and pay a $4 \%$ excise tax on such income, as required. 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, the Company accrues excise tax, if any, on estimated excess taxable income as taxable income is earned. For the three months ended June 30, 2008, the Company recorded a $\$ 0.1$ million provision for Federal excise tax. For the six months ended June 30, 2008, the Company recorded a benefit of $\$ 0.3$ million for Federal excise tax. For the three months ended June 30, 2007, the Company recorded a provision of approximately $\$ 0.1$ million. For the six months ended June 30, 2007, the Company recognized a net benefit of approximately $\$ 0.1$ million for Federal excise tax, which consisted of the current year estimated excise tax expense net of a tax benefit recognized to reverse an over-accrual of estimated excise tax at December 31, 2006.

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Certain of our wholly owned subsidiaries are subject to federal and state income taxes. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2008, we recorded tax provisions of approximately $\$ 0.1$ million for these subsidiaries. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2007, we recognized tax benefits of approximately $\$ 0.1$ million for these subsidiaries.

## Net Unrealized Gains/Losses

For the three months ended June 30, 2008, the Company had net unrealized losses of $\$ 32.8$ million, which primarily consisted of $\$ 48.8$ million of unrealized depreciation from investments less $\$ 16.4$ million of unrealized appreciation from investments. The most significant changes in unrealized depreciation consisted of $\$ 13.8$ million for the investment in Courtside Acquisition Corp. (Courtside ), $\$ 10.0$ million for the investment in Reflexite Corporation ( Reflexite ) to partially reduce previously recognized unrealized appreciation (the June 30, 2008 fair value reflects a $\$ 24.6$ million increase over the amortized cost), $\$ 7.3$ million for the investment in Making Memories, Inc., $\$ 5.0$ million for the investment in Firstlight Financial Corporation ( Firstlight ) and $\$ 4.4$ million for the investment in Wear Me Apparel, LLC ( Wear Me ). The most significant changes in unrealized appreciation consisted of $\$ 2.5$ million for the investment in Prommis Solutions, LLC ( Prommis ), $\$ 1.9$ million for the investment in LVCG Holdings LLC ( LVCG ), $\$ 1.9$ million for the investment in Daily Candy, Inc., $\$ 1.5$ million for the investment in Instituto de Banca y Commercio, Inc. ( Instituto ), $\$ 1.5$ million for the investment in Pillar Holdings LLC ( Pillar ) and $\$ 1.3$ million for the investment in Savers, Inc.

For the three months ended June 30, 2007, the Company s investments had an increase in net unrealized appreciation of $\$ 16.5$ million, which primarily related to the reversal of a prior period s unrealized depreciation of $\$ 8.3$ million for the investment in Berkline/Benchcraft Holdings LLC ( Berkline ), which was realized during the period, and as $\$ 8.9$ million in net unrealized appreciation recognized during the period. The most significant changes in unrealized appreciation were $\$ 6.3$ million for the investment in Reflexite, $\$ 5.6$ million for the investment in The GSI Group, Inc. ( GSI ) and $\$ 1.0$ million for the investment in Waste Pro USA, Inc. ( Waste Pro ), offset by unrealized depreciation of $\$ 3.6$ million for the investment in Universal Trailer Corporation ( UTC ) and $\$ 0.3$ million for the investment in Abingdon Investments Limited.

For the six months ended June 30, 2008, the Company had net unrealized losses of $\$ 49.8$ million, which primarily consisted of $\$ 78.9$ million of unrealized depreciation from investments less $\$ 29.4$ million of unrealized appreciation from investments. The most significant changes in unrealized depreciation consisted of $\$ 17.1$ million for the investment in Courtside, $\$ 8.2$ million for the investment in Making Memories, Inc., $\$ 7.3$ million for the investment in MPBP Holdings, Inc., $\$ 5.0$ million for the investment in Firstlight, $\$ 4.4$ million for the investment in Wear $\mathrm{Me}, \$ 3.5$ million for the investment in Primis Marketing Group, Inc. and $\$ 2.7$ million for the investment in Reflexite to partially reduce previously recognized unrealized appreciation. The most significant changes in unrealized appreciation consisted of $\$ 5.0$ million for the investment in Equinox EIC Partners, LLC, $\$ 2.5$ million for the investment in Prommis, $\$ 1.9$ million for the investment in LVCG, $\$ 1.9$ million for the investment in Daily Candy, Inc., $\$ 1.5$ million for the investment in Instituto, $\$ 1.5$ million for the investment in Pillar and $\$ 1.3$ million for the investment in Savers, Inc.

For the six months ended June 30, 2007, the Company s investments had an increase in net unrealized appreciation of $\$ 20.7$ million, which primarily related to the reversal of a prior period s unrealized depreciation of $\$ 8.3$ million for the investment in Berkline, and $\$ 13.4$ million in net unrealized appreciation recognized during the period. The most significant changes in unrealized appreciation were $\$ 7.4$ million for the investment in Reflexite, $\$ 5.6$ million for the investment in GSI, $\$ 3.6$ million for the investment in Daily Candy, Inc., $\$ 1.9$ million for the investment in Waste Pro and $\$ 1.7$ million for the investment in Industrial Container Services, Inc., offset by unrealized depreciation of $\$ 3.6$ million for the investment in UTC and $\$ 3.0$ million for the investment in Diversified Collection Services, Inc.

## Net Realized Gains/Losses

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During the three months ended June 30, 2008, the Company had $\$ 71.2$ million of sales and repayments resulting in no significant net realized gains. During the three months ended June 30, 2007, the Company had $\$ 222.8$ million of sales and repayments resulting in $\$ 7.9$ million of net realized losses. The most significant realized loss during the three months ended June 30, 2007 was the $\$ 8.3$ million loss for the investment in Berkline.

During the six months ended June 30, 2008, the Company had $\$ 226.3$ million of sales and repayments resulting in $\$ 0.2$ million of net realized gains. During the six months ended June 30 , 2007, the Company had $\$ 341.0$ million of sales and repayments resulting in $\$ 7.5$ million of net realized losses.

## FINANCIAL CONDITION, LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Since the Company s inception, the Company s liquidity and capital resources have been generated primarily from the net proceeds of public offerings of common stock, the Debt Securitization, advances from the CP Funding Facility and the Revolving

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Credit Facility, as well as cash flows from operations.

As of June 30, 2008, the Company had $\$ 77.0$ million in cash and cash equivalents and $\$ 847.7$ million in total debt outstanding. Subject to leverage restrictions, the Company had approximately $\$ 326.3$ million available for additional borrowings under its credit facilities as of June 30, 2008.

We expect to continue to raise new capital in order to fund our investment objectives by issuing both debt and equity securities in the future, amending our facilities and/or recycling lower yielding investments. However, the terms of any future debt and equity issuances, amendments to our facilities or our ability to recycle cannot be determined and there can be no assurances that the debt or equity issuances, amendments to our facilities or the ability to recycle will be achievable by us on terms we deem acceptable or that our cost of capital will not increase.

Due to the continued volatility in the global credit markets, the availability of capital has been limited. Should this volatility continue, our ability to access capital may become more difficult. However, we believe our current available capital as well as our ability to generate operating cash flows and sell existing portfolio investments will provide adequate liquidity to continue our operating strategy. Uncertainty regarding access to capital has been partially minimized by our recent extension of the CP Funding Facility from October 2008 to July 2009.

## Equity Offerings

On April 28, 2008, we completed a transferable rights offering, issuing $24,228,030$ shares at a subscription price of $\$ 11.0016$ per share, less dealer manager fees of $\$ 0.22$ per share. Net proceeds after deducting the dealer manager fees and estimated offering expenses, were approximately $\$ 260$ million. Ares Investments, an affiliate of the Investment Adviser, purchased 1,643,215 shares in the rights offering, bringing its total shares owned to $2,859,882$ shares of common stock, representing approximately $2.9 \%$ of the total shares outstanding as of August 6 , 2008.

The following table summarizes the total shares issued and proceeds we received net of underwriter, dealer manager and offering costs for the six months ended June 30, 2008 and June 30, 2007 (in millions, except per share data):

|  | Shares issued | Offering price per share |  | Proceeds net of dealer manager and offering costs |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| April 2008 public offering | 24.2 | \$ | 11.00 | \$ | 260.0 |
| Total for the six months ended June 30, 2008 | 24.2 |  |  | \$ | 260.0 |



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Part of the proceeds from our public offerings in 2007 were used to repay outstanding indebtedness. The remaining unused portions of the proceeds from our public offerings were used to fund investments in portfolio companies in accordance with our investment objective and strategies and market conditions.

As of June 30, 2008, total market capitalization for the Company was $\$ 979.3$ million compared to $\$ 1.1$ billion as of December 31, 2007.

## Debt Capital Activities

Our debt obligations consisted of the following as of June 30, 2008 and December 31, 2007 (in millions):

|  |  | June 30, 2008 | December 31, 2007 |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Revolving Credit Facility | $\$$ | 485.7 | $\$$ | 282.5 |
| CP Funding Facility |  | 48.0 | 85.0 |  |
| Debt Securitization | $\$$ | 314.0 | 314.0 |  |
|  |  | 847.7 | $\$$ | 681.5 |

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The weighted average interest rate and weighted average maturity of all our outstanding borrowings as of June 30,2008 were $3.42 \%$ and 5.7 years, respectively. The weighted average interest rate and weighted average maturity of all our outstanding borrowings as of December 31, 2007 were $5.66 \%$ and 6.9 years, respectively.

The ratio of total debt outstanding to stockholders equity as of June 30 , 2008 was $0.64: 1.00$ compared to $0.60: 1.00$ as of December 31, 2007 .

As of June 30, 2008, the available amount for borrowing under the Revolving Credit Facility was $\$ 510.0$ million (see Note 7 to the consolidated financial statements for more detail on the Revolving Credit Facility arrangement). As of June 30, 2008, there was $\$ 485.7$ million outstanding under the Revolving Credit Facility. The Revolving Credit Facility expires on December 28, 2010.

As of June 30, 2008, the available amount for borrowing under the CP Funding Facility was $\$ 350.0$ million (see Notes 7 and 14 to the consolidated financial statements for more detail on the CP Funding Facility arrangement). As of June 30, 2008, there was $\$ 48.0$ million outstanding under the CP Funding Facility. The CP Funding Facility expires on July 21, 2009 unless extended prior to such date with the consent of the lenders.

As part of the Debt Securitization, $\$ 314.0$ million principal amount of asset-backed notes (including $\$ 50$ million of revolving notes, all of which had been drawn as of June 30,2008 ) were issued to third parties and secured by a pool of middle market loans that had been purchased or originated by the Company. As of June 30, 2008, we also owned approximately $\$ 86.0$ million of certain BBB and non-rated securities that we retained in the Debt Securitization. As of June 30, 2008, there was $\$ 314.0$ million aggregate principal amount of CLO Notes outstanding. The CLO Notes mature on December 20, 2019.

As of June 30, 2008, we had a long-term issuer rating of Baa3 from Moody s Investor Service and a long-term counterparty credit rating from Standard \& Poor s Ratings Service of BBB.

## Portfolio Valuation

Investments for which market quotations are readily available are valued at such market quotations. Debt and equity securities that are not publicly traded or whose market price is not readily available (i.e., substantially all of our investments) are valued at fair value as determined in good faith by our board of directors, based on the input of our management and audit committee and independent valuation firms that have been engaged at the direction of the board to assist in the valuation of each portfolio investment without a readily available market quotation at least once during a trailing 12 month period and under a valuation policy and a consistently applied valuation process. The valuation process is conducted at the end of each fiscal quarter, with approximately a quarter of our valuations of portfolio companies without a readily available market quotation subject to review by an independent valuation firm.

As part of the valuation process, we may take into account the following types of factors, if relevant, in determining the fair value of our investments: the enterprise value of a portfolio company, the nature and realizable value of any collateral, the portfolio company s ability to make payments and its earnings and discounted cash flow, the markets in which the portfolio company does business, comparison to publicly traded securities, changes in the interest rate environment and the credit markets generally that may affect the price at which similar investments may be made in the future and other relevant factors. When an external event such as a purchase transaction, public offering or subsequent equity sale

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occurs, we use the pricing indicated by the external event to corroborate our valuation.

Because there is not a readily available market value for most of the investments in our portfolio, we value substantially all of our portfolio investments at fair value as determined in good faith by our board of directors, based on the input of our management and audit committee and independent valuation firms under a valuation policy and a consistently applied valuation process. Due to the inherent uncertainty of determining the fair value of investments that do not have a readily available market value, the fair value of our investments may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had a ready market existed for such investments and may differ materially from the values that we may ultimately realize. Further, such investments are generally subject to legal and other restrictions on resale or otherwise are less liquid than publicly traded securities. If we were required to liquidate a portfolio investment in a forced or liquidation sale, we may realize significantly less than the value at which we have previously recorded it.

In addition, 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 valuations currently assigned.

With respect to investments for which market quotations are not readily available, our board of directors undertakes a multi-

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Step valuation process each quarter, as described below:

- Our quarterly valuation process begins with each portfolio company or investment being initially valued by the investment professionals responsible for the portfolio investment in conjunction with our portfolio management team.
- Preliminary valuation conclusions are then documented and discussed by our management.
- The audit committee of our board of directors reviews these preliminary valuations, as well as the input of independent valuation firms with respect to the valuations of approximately a quarter of our portfolio companies without readily available market quotations.
- The board of directors discusses valuations and determines the fair value of each investment in our portfolio without a readily available market quotation in good faith based on the input of our management and audit committee and independent valuation firms.


## OFF BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS

As of June 30, 2008 and December 31, 2007, the Company had the following commitments to fund various revolving senior secured and subordinated loans (in millions):

|  |  | June 30, 2008 | December 31, 2007 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Total revolving commitments | $\$$ | 514.6 | $\$$ |
| Total unfunded revolving commitments | $\$$ | 333.4 | $\$$ |

Of the total commitments as of June 30, 2008, $\$ 467.3$ million extend beyond the maturity date for our Revolving Credit Facility. Included within the total commitments as of June 30, 2008 are commitments to issue up to $\$ 18.0$ million in standby letters of credit through a financial intermediary on behalf of certain portfolio companies.

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As of June 30, 2008 and December 31, 2007, the Company was subject to subscription agreements to fund equity investments in private equity investment partnerships, substantially all at the discretion of the Company, as follows (in millions):

|  |  | June 30, 2008 | December 31, 2007 |  |
| :--- | ---: | :---: | ---: | :---: |
| Total private equity commitments | $\$$ | 428.3 | $\$$ | 111.8 |
| Total unfunded private equity commitments | $\$$ | 425.2 | $\$$ | 110.5 |

## RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

As of August 6, 2008, we had made $\$ 128.0$ million of investments (including agreements to fund revolving credit facilities or delayed draw loans) since June 30, 2008. Of these investments, approximately $35 \%$ were made in senior secured debt, $49 \%$ in senior subordinated debt and $16 \%$ in equity/other securities. Of these investments, $1.0 \%$ bear interest at floating rates and $83 \%$ bear interest at fixed rates with a weighted average stated rate of $13.71 \%$. As of August 6,2008 , we exited $\$ 29.2$ million of investments since June 30,2008 . Of these investments, $67 \%$ were senior subordinated and $33 \%$ were senior secured debt. Of these investments, $33 \%$ bore interest at floating rates and $67 \%$ bore interest at fixed rates with a weighted average stated rate of $13.31 \%$.

In addition, as of August 6, 2008, we had an investment backlog and pipeline of $\$ 52.5$ million and $\$ 292.0$ million, respectively. We expect to syndicate a portion of these investments and commitments to third parties. The consummation of any of the investments in this backlog and pipeline depends upon, among other things: satisfactory completion of our due diligence investigation of the prospective portfolio company, our acceptance of the terms and structure of such investment and the execution and delivery of satisfactory transaction documentation. We cannot assure you that we will make any of these investments or that we will syndicate any portion of such investments and commitments.

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On July 22, 2008, we entered into an amendment to, among other things, extend the maturity of the CP Funding Facility to July 21, 2009, decrease the availability and advance rates applicable to certain types of eligible loans and make certain provisions of the facility more restrictive. In addition, the interest rate charged on the CP Funding Facility was increased to the commercial paper, eurodollar or adjusted eurodollar rate plus $2.50 \%$ and the commitment fee for any unused portion was increased to $0.50 \%$. The Company also paid a renewal fee of $0.786 \%$ of the total amount available for borrowing, or $\$ 2.75$ million.

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

We are subject to financial market risks, including changes in interest rates and the valuations of our investment portfolio.

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate sensitivity refers to the change in earnings that may result from changes in the level of interest rates. Because we fund a portion of our investments with borrowings, our net investment income is affected by the spread between the rate at which we invest and the rate at which we borrow. 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.

As of June 30, 2008, approximately $47 \%$ of the investments at fair value in our portfolio were at fixed rates while approximately $40 \%$ were at variable rates and $13 \%$ were non-interest earning. In addition, the Debt Securitization, the CP Funding Facility and the Revolving Credit Facility all feature variable rates.

We regularly measure our exposure to interest rate risk. We assess interest rate risk and manage our interest rate exposure on an ongoing basis by comparing our interest rate sensitive assets to our interest rate sensitive liabilities. Based on that review, we determine whether or not any hedging transactions are necessary to mitigate exposure to changes in interest rates.

While hedging activities may mitigate our exposure to adverse fluctuations in interest rates, certain hedging transactions that we may enter into in the future, such as interest rate swap agreements, may also limit our ability to participate in the benefits of lower interest rates with respect to our portfolio investments.

Based on our June 30, 2008 balance sheet, the following table shows the impact on net investment income of base rate changes in interest rates assuming no changes in our investment and borrowing structure (in millions).

| Basis Point Change | Interest Income |  | Interest Expense |  | Net Investment Income |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Up 300 basis points | $\$$ | 26.2 | $\$$ | 25.4 | $\$$ | 0.8 |
| Up 200 basis points | $\$$ | 17.4 | $\$$ | 17.0 | $\$$ | 0.4 |
| Up 100 basis points | $\$$ | 8.7 | $\$$ | 8.5 | $\$$ | 0.2 |
| Down 100 basis points | $\$$ | $(8.7)$ | $\$$ | $(8.5)$ | $\$$ | $(0.2)$ |
| Down 200 basis points | $\$$ | $(17.4)$ | $\$$ | $(17.0)$ | $\$$ | $(0.4)$ |
| Down 300 basis points | $\$$ | $(26.2)$ | $\$$ | $(25.4)$ | $\$$ | $(0.8)$ |

Based on our December 31, 2007 balance sheet, the following table shows the impact on net investment income of base rate changes in interest rates assuming no changes in our investment and borrowing structure (in millions).

| Basis Point Change | Interest Income |  | Interest Expense |  | Net Investment Income |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Up 300 basis points | $\$$ | 24.4 | $\$$ | 20.4 | $\$$ | 4.0 |
| Up 200 basis points | $\$$ | 16.3 | $\$$ | 13.6 | $\$$ | 2.7 |
| Up 100 basis points | $\$$ | 8.1 | $\$$ | 6.8 | $\$$ | 1.3 |
| Down 100 basis points | $\$$ | $(8.1)$ | $\$$ | $(6.8)$ | $\$$ | $(1.3)$ |
| Down 200 basis points | $\$$ | $(16.3)$ | $\$$ | $(13.6)$ | $\$$ | $(2.7)$ |
| Down 300 basis points | $\$$ | $(24.4)$ | $\$$ | $(20.4)$ | $\$$ | $(4.0)$ |

Item 4. Controls and Procedures.

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As of the end of the period covered by this report, we carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our President and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934). Based on that evaluation, our President and our Chief Financial Officer have concluded that our current disclosure controls and procedures are effective in timely alerting them of material information relating to the Company that is required to be disclosed by us in the reports we file or submit under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

There have been no changes in our internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the three months ended June 30, 2008 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

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## PART II OTHER INFORMATION

## Item 1. Legal Proceedings.

We are not subject to any material pending legal proceedings, and no such proceedings are known to be contemplated by governmental authorities.

## Item 1A. Risk Factors.

In addition to the other information set forth in this report, you should carefully consider the factors discussed in Part I, Item 1A. Risk Factors in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2007, which could materially affect our business, financial condition and/or operating results. The risks described in our Annual Report on Form 10-K are not the only risks facing our Company. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us or that we currently deem to be immaterial also may materially and adversely affect our business, financial condition and/or operating results.

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

We did not sell any securities during the period covered in this report that were not registered under the Securities Act of 1933.

## Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

In June 2008, as a part of the Company s dividend reinvestment plan for our common stockholders, we purchased 374,255 shares of our common stock for $\$ 4.0$ million in the open market in order to satisfy the reinvestment portion of our dividends. The following chart outlines repurchases of our common stock during the quarter ended June 30, 2008.

| Period | Total Number of Shares Purchased |  | Average Price Paid Per Share | Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs | Maximum (or <br> Approximate Dollar Value) <br> of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| April 1,2008 through April 30, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |
| May 1, 2008 through May 31, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |
| June 1, 2008 through June 30, 2008 | 374,255(1) | \$ |  |  |  |
| Total |  |  |  |  |  |

(1) Pursuant to our dividend reinvestment plan, we directed our plan administrator to purchase 374,255 shares in the open market in order to satisfy our obligations to deliver shares of common stock to our stockholders with respect to our dividend for the second quarter of 2008.

## Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities.

Not applicable.

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

On May 29, 2008, we held our Annual Meeting of Stockholders in New York, New York. Stockholders voted on three matters. The substance of these matters and the results of voting on them are described below.

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1. Election of Directors. Stockholders elected one Class I independent director of the Company, who will serve for a term of three years and until his successor is duly elected and qualified. Votes were cast as follows:

|  | For | Withheld |
| :--- | :---: | ---: |
| Douglas E. Coltharp | $66,419,093$ | 1,287,623 |

The following directors are continuing as directors of the Company for their respective terms Frank E. O Bryan, Eric B. Siegel, Robert L. Rosen and Bennett Rosenthal.
2. Ratification of the selection of KPMG LLP to serve as independent registered public accounting firm for the year ending December 31, 2008. Votes were cast as follows:

| For | Against | Abstain |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $66,509,124$ | 1,016,698 |  |

3. Authorization of the Company to offer and issue debt with warrants and debt convertible into shares of our common stock at an exercise or conversion price that, at the time such warrants or convertible debt are issued, will not be less than the greater of the market value per share of our common stock and the net asset value per share of our common stock. Votes were cast as follows:

## Item 5. Other Information.

None.

Item 6. Exhibits.

## EXHIBIT INDEX

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## Number

## Description

3.1 Articles of Amendment and Restatement, as amended (1)
3.2 Amended and Restated Bylaws (2)
4.1 Form of Stock Certificate (3)
31.1 Certification by President pursuant to Exchange Act Rule 13a-14(a), as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002*
31.2 Certification by Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Exchange Act Rule 13a-14(a), as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002*
32.1 Certification by President and Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002*

* Filed herewith.
(1) Previously filed with the Registrant s pre-effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement (File No. 333-149109) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, on Form N-2, filed on March 14, 2008.
(2) Previously filed with the Registrant s pre-effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement (File No. 333-114656) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, on Form N-2, filed on September 17, 2004.
(3) Previously filed with the Registrant s pre-effective Amendment No. 2 to the Registration Statement (File No. 333-114656) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, on Form N-2, filed on September 28, 2004.


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## SIGNATURES

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

## ARES CAPITAL CORPORATION

/s/ Michael J. Arougheti
Michael J. Arougheti
President
By
/s/ Richard S. Davis
Richard S. Davis
Chief Financial Officer


[^0]:    (1) The net asset value used equals net assets per share (1) for the six months ended June 30, 2008, from the accompanying consolidated balance sheet and (2) for the six months ended June 30, 2007, from the consolidated balance sheet previously filed on Form 10-Q for the three months ended June 30, 2007.

[^1]:    Under these arrangements, the Company would be required to make payments to third-party beneficiaries if the portfolio companies were to default on their related payment obligations. As of June 30, 2008, the Company had $\$ 14.2$ million in standby letters of credit issued and outstanding on behalf of the portfolio companies, of which no amounts were recorded as a liability. Of these letters of credit, $\$ 0.5$ million expire on August 31, 2010, $\$ 4.3$ million expire on September 30, 2009, $\$ 0.1$ million expire on April 1, 2009, $\$ 1.4$ million expire on March 1, 2009, $\$ 4.7$ million expire on February 28, 2009, $\$ 0.1$ million expire on February 7, 2009, $\$ 0.3$ million expire on January 31, 2009 and $\$ 2.8$ million expire on September 30, 2008. These letters of credit may be extended under substantially similar terms for additional one-year terms at the Company s option until the Revolving Credit Facility, under which the letters of credit were issued, matures on December 28, 2010.

