#### CROCKER DOUGLAS II

Form 4

October 19, 2010

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* CROCKER DOUGLAS II

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Officer (give title

Issuer

below)

(First) (Middle)

VENTAS INC [VTR] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X\_ Director

10% Owner

Other (specify

71 SOUTH WACKER DRIVE,

**SUITE 3400** 

(Last)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

10/17/2010

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

(Check all applicable)

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

CHICAGO, IL 60606

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities Acquired 3. Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

Following

7. Nature of 6. Ownership Indirect Form: Direct Beneficial (D) or Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Price

(Instr. 4)

D

Common Stock

10/17/2010

Code V Amount 28.001 Α (1)

(D) \$ 53.57

70,790.432 (2)

> SEC 1474 (9-02)

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

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

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5.  onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		ate	7. Title a Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 a	of ng s	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)  (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	or Title Nu of	umber		

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CROCKER DOUGLAS II
71 SOUTH WACKER DRIVE, SUITE 3400 X

CHICAGO, IL 60606

### **Signatures**

Douglas Crocker, II, By: T. Richard Riney, Attorney-In-Fact

10/19/2010

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

# **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- Common Stock in the form of Units granted under the Ventas Nonemployee Director Deferred Stock Compensation Plan (the "Plan") in

  (1) lieu of Director fees pursuant to the Director's deferral election. Such Units are payable solely in Common Stock and subject to the terms and conditions of the Director's deferral election and the Plan.
- (2) As of October 17, 2010, Reporting Person also owns options to purchase 35,000 shares of Issuer's common stock.

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