CENTRAL SECURITIES CORP Form N-Q October 27, 2005

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FORM N-Q

QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY

Investment Company Act file number 811-00179

Central Securities Corporation (Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

630 Fifth Avenue, Suite 820 New York, N.Y. 10111 (Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number including area code: 212-698-2020

Date of fiscal year end: December 31 Date of reporting period: September 30, 2005

Item 1. Schedule of Investments.

CENTRAL SECURITIES CORPORATION
Statement of Investments
September 30, 2005
(Unaudited)

PORTFOLIO SECURITIES 84.4% STOCKS (COMMON UNLESS SPECIFIED OTHERWISE)

Prin. Amt. or Shares		Value
500,000	Banking and Finance 6.8% The Bank of New York Company, Inc	\$ 14,705,000 24,651,200
		39,356,200
500,000	Business Services 0.6% Arbinet-thexchange Inc. (a)	3,600,000
100,000 1,200,000 150,000	Chemicals 3.1% The Dow Chemical Company	4,167,000 7,272,000 6,169,500
		17,608,500
800,000	Communications 0.6% Cincinnati Bell Inc.(a)	3,528,000

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600,000 430,000 200,000 1,000,000 980,000 200,000 2,000,000 20,000	Electronics 15.3% Agilent Technologies Inc. (a)	15,9 3,0 12,8 24,1 4,4 7,8	50,000 70,200 10,000 50,000 57,000 06,000 20,000 55,775
234,328 139,351 320,000 600,000 140,000 1,925,000	Energy 15.1% Chevron Corporation Kerr-McGee Corporation. McMoRan Exploration Co.(a) Murphy Oil Corporation. Nexen Inc. TransMontaigne Inc.(a)	15,1 13,5 6,2 29,9 6,6 15,3	68,051 32,376 20,800 22,000 72,400 80,750
100,000 100,000 100,000 450,000 140,000		2,7. 2,4 9,4 6 19,6	40,000 21,000 97,000 72,500 88,800 19,300
Prin. Amt. or Shares			Value
400,000 378,600 1,550,000 1,025,400 1,000,000	Information Technology Services 10.7% Accenture Ltd.(a)		10,184,000 7,855,950 22,273,500
	Convergys Corporation(a)	• • • • •	14,478,648 6,640,000
10,000	The TriZetto Group, Inc.(a)		14,478,648 6,640,000

28,751	Retail Trade 0.1% AeroGroup International, Inc.(a)(c)(d)	542,531
531,557	Transportation 0.5% Transport Corporation of America, Inc. Class B(a)(b)(c)	3,202,099
	Miscellaneous 0.0% Grumman Hill Investments, L.P.(a)(c)	0
	Total Portfolio Securities (cost \$289,473,828)	
	SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS 15.4%	
\$6,571,000 20,281,000	Commercial Paper 9.7% American Express Credit Corp. 3.4912% due 11/2/05 Citigroup Funding 3.4158% - 3.6152%	6,550,732
	due 10/12/05 - 11/30/05	20,214,200
29,209,000	General Electric Capital Corp. 3.3653% - 3.5848% due 10/5/05 - 11/23/05	29,136,564
		55,901,496
32,926,000	U.S. Treasury Bills 5.7% U.S. Treasury Bills 3.1472% - 3.6104% due 10/20/05 - 2/23/06	32,684,914
	Total Short-Term Investments (cost \$88,586,410)	88,586,410
	Total Investments (99.8%)	
	Net Assets (100%)	
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- (a) Non-dividend paying.
- (b) Affiliate as defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940.
- (c) Valued at estimated fair value.
- (d) Restricted security. See footnote 2.

See accompanying notes to statement of investments.

CENTRAL SECURITIES CORPORATION NOTES TO STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS

1. Security Valuation - Securities are valued at the last sale price or, if unavailable, at the closing bid price. Corporate discount notes are valued at amortized cost, which approximates value. Securities for which no ready market exists are valued at estimated fair value by the Board of Directors.

As of September 30, 2005, the tax cost of investments was \$289,473,828. Net unrealized appreciation was \$285,576,264 consisting of gross unrealized appreciation and gross unrealized depreciation of \$300,013,474 and \$10,539,646, respectively.

2. Restricted Securities - The Corporation from time to time invests in

securities the resale of which is restricted. On September 30, 2005, such investments had an aggregate value of \$109,042,531, which was equal to 18.9% of the Corporation's net assets. Investments in restricted securities at September 30, 2005, including the acquisition dates and cost, were:

Company	Shares	Security	Date Purchased
AeroGroup International, Inc. Grumman Hill Investments, L.P.	28,751	Common Stock L.P. Interest	6/21/05 9/11/85
The Plymouth Rock Company, Inc.	70,000	Class A Common Stock	12/15/82 6/9/84

The Corporation does not have the right to demand registration of the restricted securities.

Item 2. Controls and Procedures.

- (a) Disclosure Controls and Procedures. The Principal Executive and Financial Officers have concluded that the Registrant's Disclosure Controls and Procedures are effective based on their evaluation of the Disclosure Controls and Procedures as of a date within 90 days of the filing date of this report.
- (b) Internal Control Over Financial Reporting. During the last fiscal quarter, there was no significant change in the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Item 3. Exhibits.

(a) Certifications.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

CENTRAL SECURITIES CORPORATION

By: /s/ Wilmot H. Kidd
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Date: October 27, 2005

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

By: /s/ Wilmot H. Kidd

Date: October 27, 2005

By: /s/ Charles N. Edgerton

Vice President and Treasurer

Date: October 27, 2005