# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20549

### **FORM 10-Q**

### [X] QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

#### For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2011

### OR

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

For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_

Commission file number 001-33749

# **RETAIL OPPORTUNITY INVESTMENTS CORP.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

**3 Manhattanville Road Purchase, New York** (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(914) 272-8080

(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 []

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files).

Yes [x] No []

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 the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer [ ] Accelerated filer [ x ] Non-accelerated filer [ ] Smaller reporting company [ ] (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 [ ] No [ x ]

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date: 42,152,391 shares of common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share, outstanding as of November 2, 2011.

26-0500600 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

> 10577 (Zip Code)

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Part I. Financial Information

## PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## RETAIL OPPORTUNITY INVESTMENTS CORP. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	September 30, 2011 (unaudited)	December 31, 2010
ASSETS		
Real Estate Investments:		
Land	\$ 167,170,306	
Building and improvements	393,113,359	187,259,539
	560,283,665	272,732,844
Less: accumulated depreciation	10,816,987	3,078,160
	549,466,678	269,654,684
Mortgage notes receivable	10,000,000	49,978,044
Investment in and advances to unconsolidated joint ventures	25,959,767	24,579,355
Real Estate Investments, net	585,426,445	344,212,083
Cash and cash equivalents	8,260,434	84,736,410
Restricted cash	1,684,162	2,838,261
Tenant and other receivables	5,039,050	2,055,881
Deposits	1,000,000	1,500,000
Acquired lease intangible asset, net of accumulated amortization	32,643,527	17,672,608
Prepaid expenses	451,200	798,655
Deferred charges, net of accumulated amortization	15,621,584	9,576,904
Other	575,318	801,700
Total assets	\$ 650,701,720	\$ 464,192,502
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
Liabilities:		
Revolving credit lines	\$ 140,110,258	\$
Mortgage notes payables	60,440,142	42,417,100
Acquired lease intangibles liability, net of accumulated amortization	45,597,080	20,996,167
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	7,082,309	4,889,350
Tenants' security deposits	1,575,926	859,537
Other liabilities	17,316,326	4,506,778
Total liabilities	272,122,041	73,668,932
Commitments and Contingencies	_	_
Equity:		
Preferred stock, \$.0001 par value 50,000,000 shares authorized;		
none issued and outstanding	—	—
Common stock, \$.0001 par value 500,000,000 shares authorized; 41,720,300 and 41,638,100 shares issued and outstanding	4,172	4,164
Additional paid-in-capital	406,203,187	403,915,775
Accumulated deficit	(14,789,556)	(12,880,840)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(12,840,513)	(517,918)
Total Retail Opportunity Investments Corp. shareholders' equity	378,577,290	390,521,181
Noncontrolling interests	2,389	2,389
Total equity	378,579,679	390,523,570
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 650,701,720	
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The accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

## **RETAIL OPPORTUNITY INVESTMENTS CORP. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS**

# (unaudited)

	For the Three Months Ended			For the Nine Months Ended					
	September 30, 2011		September 30, 2010		September 30, 2011		Se	ptember 30, 2010	
Revenues									
Base rents	\$	10,469,729	\$	3,624,215	\$	26,440,798	\$	7,081,686	
Recoveries from tenants		2,655,549		833,938		6,945,309		1,640,020	
Mortgage interest		430,086		384,154		1,704,094		384,154	
Total revenues		13,555,364		4,842,307		35,090,201		9,105,860	
Operating expenses									
Property operating		2,195,280		624,393		5,283,526		1,359,779	
Property taxes		1,259,174		465,236		3,561,641		945,499	
Depreciation and amortization		5,890,170		1,638,057		14,661,366		2,920,286	
General & Administrative Expenses		2,427,693		2,132,811		7,253,816		6,347,101	
Acquisition transaction costs		1,346,851		475,605		1,775,534		1,478,586	
Total operating expenses		13,119,168		5,336,102		32,535,883		13,051,251	
Operating income (loss)		436,196		(493,795)		2,554,318		(3,945,391)	
Non-operating income (expenses)									
Interest expense and other finance expenses		(1,739,279)		(76,837)		(3,732,625)		(76,837)	
Gain on bargain purchases		3,687,205				9,449,059			
Equity in earnings from unconsolidated joint ventures		159,989		234,000		1,137,502		252,200	
Interest Income		772		234,030		14,489		936,147	
Net Income (Loss) Attributable to Retail Opportunity Investments Corp.	\$	2,544,883	\$	(102,602)	\$	9,422,743	\$	(2,833,881)	
Basic and diluted per share:	\$	0.06	\$		\$	0.22	\$	(0.07)	
Dividends per common share	\$	0.10	\$	0.06	\$	0.27	\$	0.12	

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# **RETAIL OPPORTUNITY INVESTMENTS CORP. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EQUITY**

	Commo	n Stoc	k							
	Shares	Am	ount	Additional paid-in capital	Retained earnings (Accumulated deficit)	Accum oth compre los	ner hensive	Noncontroll interests	0	Equity
Balance at December 31, 2010	41,638,100	\$	4,164	\$ 403,915,775	\$ (12,880,840)	\$ (5	517,918)	\$ 2,	389	\$390,523,570
Compensation expense related to options granted	_			171,153	_		_			171,153
Compensation expense related to										
restricted stock grants			—	1,463,442	_		—			1,463,442
Proceeds from the sale of stock	82,200		8	928,010			—		—	928,018
Registration expenditures				(275,193)	_		—		—	(275,193)
Cash dividends (\$0.27 per share)				_	(11,301,421)		_		—	(11,301,421)
Dividends payable to officers			—	_	(30,038)		—			(30,038)
Comprehensive income										
Net Income Attributable to Retail										
Opportunity Investments Corp.	—			—	9,422,743		_		—	9,422,743
Unrealized loss on swap derivative						(12,3	322,595)			(12,322,595)
Total other comprehensive loss										(2,899,852)
Balance at September 30, 2011	41,720,300	\$	4,172	\$ 406,203,187	\$ (14,789,556)	\$ (12,8	840,513)	\$ 2,	389	\$378,579,679

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## **RETAIL OPPORTUNITY INVESTMENTS CORP. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOW**

# (unaudited)

	For the Nine M	Aonths Ended
	September 30, 2011	September 30, 2010
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		2010
Net income (loss)	\$ 9,422,743	\$ (2,833,881
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to cash provided by operating activities:	, , _	. ())
Depreciation and amortization	14,661,366	2,920,286
Amortization of deferred financing costs and mortgage premium	54,379	3⁄4
Gain on bargain purchases	(9,449,059)	3⁄4
Straight-line rent adjustment	(1,916,217)	(654,465
Amortization of above and below market rent	(1,442,362)	(329,703
Amortization relating to stock based compensation	1,634,595	687,440
Provisions for tenant credit losses	1,074,506	450,952
Equity earned in earnings from unconsolidated joint ventures	(1,137,502)	(252,200
Distributions of cumulative earnings from unconsolidated joint ventures	778,014	234,000
Change in operating assets and liabilities		
Mortgage escrows	(531,561)	(255,483
Tenant and other receivables	(2,141,458)	(918,370
Prepaid expenses	347,455	(27,405
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	1,869,199	(571,684
Other asset and liabilities, net	599,130	1,553,890
Net cash provided by operating activities	13,823,228	3,377
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Investments in real estate	(190,142,575)	(180,739,795
Investments in mortgage notes receivables	(10,000,000)	(7,838,500
Investments in unconsolidated joint ventures	(19,467,218)	(3,664,530
Proceeds received from unconsolidated joint ventures	18,596,294	3⁄4
Proceeds from the sale of land	159,973	3⁄4
Improvements to properties	(5,111,468)	(1,025,791
Deposits on real estate acquisitions	(1,000,000)	(3,000,000
Disbursements relating to notes receivable	3⁄4	(1,043,640
Construction escrows and other	1,685,660	(176,353
Net cash used in investing activities	(205,279,334)	(197,488,609
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Principal repayment on mortgages	(11,950,416)	(18,051
Net proceeds from the draw on revolving credit lines	140,110,258	3⁄4
Increase in deferred financing and other costs	(2,686,107)	3⁄4
Proceeds from the sale of stock	928,010	3⁄4
Registration expenditures	(120,194)	3⁄4
Dividends paid to common shareholders	(11,301,421)	(5,016,560
Contributions from consolidated joint venture minority interests, net	3⁄4	2,389
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	114,980,130	(5,032,222
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(76,475,976)	(202,517,454
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	84,736,410	383,240,827
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 8,260,434	\$ 180,723,373

The accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

### RETAIL OPPORTUNITY INVESTMENTS CORP. NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### September 30, 2011 (unaudited)

## 1. Organization, Basis of Presentation and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

### Business

Retail Opportunity Investments Corp. (the "Company") is a fully integrated and self-managed real estate investment trust ("REIT"), primarily focused on investing in, acquiring, owning, leasing, repositioning and managing a diverse portfolio of well located necessity-based community and neighborhood shopping centers, anchored by national or regional supermarkets and drugstores. The Company targets properties strategically situated in densely populated, middle and upper income markets in the eastern and western regions of the United States. In addition, the Company supplements its direct purchases of retail properties with first mortgages or second mortgages, mezzanine loans, bridge or other loans and debt investments related to retail properties, which are referred to collectively as "real estate-related debt investments," in each case provided that the underlying real estate meets the Company's criteria for direct investment. The Company to obtain the asset should a default occur. These properties and investments are referred to as the Company's target assets.

The Company was incorporated in Delaware in July 2007 and converted to a Maryland corporation in June 2011. The Company was initially formed as a special purpose acquisition company. The Company commenced its current business operations in October 2009 following the approval by stockholders and warrantholders of a series of proposals contemplated by the Framework Agreement, dated August 7, 2009 (the "Framework Agreement"), between the Company and NRDC Capital Management, LLC (the "Sponsor") that allowed the Company to continue its business as a corporation that has elected to qualify as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes, commencing with the Company's taxable year ended December 31, 2010 (the "Framework Transactions"). The Company is organized in a traditional umbrella partnership real estate investment trust ("UpREIT") format pursuant to which Retail Opportunity Investments GP, LLC, its wholly-owned subsidiary, serves as the general partner of, and the Company conducts substantially all of its business through, its wholly-owned operating partnership subsidiary, Retail Opportunity Investments Partnership, LP, a Delaware limited partnership (the "operating partnership"), and its subsidiaries.

### **Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

In December 2010, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued guidance on the disclosure of supplementary pro forma information for business combinations. Effective for periods beginning after December 15, 2010, the guidance specifies that if a public entity enters into business combinations that are material on an individual or aggregate basis and presents comparative financial statements, the entity must present pro forma revenue and earnings of the combined entity as though the business combination(s) that occurred during the current year had occurred as of the beginning of the comparable prior annual reporting period only. The adoption of the guidance did not have a material effect on the Company's consolidated financial statements at September 30, 2011.

In July 2010, the FASB issued updated guidance on disclosures about the credit quality of financing receivables and the allowance for credit losses which will require a greater level of information disclosed about the credit quality of loans and allowance for loan losses, as well as additional information related to credit quality indicators, past due information, and information related to loans modified in trouble debt restructuring. The guidance related to disclosures of financing receivables as of the end of a reporting period is required to be adopted for interim and annual reporting periods ending on or after December 15, 2010. The financing receivables disclosures related to the activity that occurs during a reporting period are required to be adopted for interim and annual reporting periods beginning on or after December 15, 2010. The troubled debt restructuring disclosure is effective for interim and annual periods ending after June 15, 2011. Adoption of the remaining guidance for the annual reporting period ended December 31, 2010 resulted in additional disclosures in the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In January 2010, the FASB issued updated guidance on fair value measurements and disclosures, which requires disclosure of details of significant asset or liability transfers in and out of Level 1 and Level 2 measurements within the fair value hierarchy and inclusion of gross purchases, sales, issuances, and settlements in the rollforward of assets and liabilities valued using Level 3 inputs within the fair value hierarchy. The guidance also clarifies and expands existing disclosure requirements related to the disaggregation of fair value disclosures and inputs used in arriving at fair values for assets and liabilities using Level 2 and Level 3 inputs within the fair value hierarchy. These disclosure requirements were effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2009. Adoption of this guidance on January 1, 2010, excluding the Level 3 rollforward, resulted in additional disclosures in the Company's consolidated financial statements. The gross presentation of the Level 3 rollforward is required for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2010. The adoption of the guidance did not have a material effect on the Company's consolidated financial statements at September 30, 2011.

In June 2011, the FASB issued updated guidance on disclosures relating to the reporting of other comprehensive income. The updated guidance eliminates the option to present components of other comprehensive income as part of the statement of equity. The updated guidance is effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those years beginning after December 15, 2011. While the Company is currently evaluating the effect of the adoption of this guidance, it currently believes that its adoption will not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

### **Principles of Consolidation**

The accompanying consolidated financial statements are prepared on the accrual basis in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("GAAP") for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles have been omitted. In the opinion of management, all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring accruals) considered necessary for a fair presentation have been included. Results of operations for the nine month period ended September 30, 2011 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending December 31, 2011. It is suggested that these financial statements be read in conjunction with the financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company's annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010.

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and those of its subsidiaries, which are wholly-owned or controlled by the Company. Entities which the Company does not control through its voting interest and entities which are variable interest entities ("VIEs"), but where it is not the primary beneficiary, are accounted for under the equity method. All significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated.

The Company follows the FASB guidance for determining whether an entity is a VIE and requires the performance of a qualitative rather than a quantitative analysis to determine the primary beneficiary of a VIE. Under this guidance, an entity would be required to consolidate a VIE if it has (i) the power to direct the activities that most significantly impact the entity's economic performance and (ii) the obligation to absorb losses of the VIE or the right to receive benefits from the VIE that could be significant to the VIE.

A non-controlling interest in a consolidated subsidiary is defined as the portion of the equity (net assets) in a subsidiary not attributable, directly or indirectly, to a parent. Non-controlling interests are required to be presented as a separate component of equity in the consolidated balance sheet and modifies the presentation of net income by requiring earnings and other comprehensive income to be attributed to controlling and non-controlling interests.

The Company assesses the accounting treatment for each joint venture. This assessment includes a review of each joint venture or limited liability company agreement to determine which party has what rights and whether those rights are protective or participating. For all VIEs, the Company reviews such agreements in order to determine which party has the power to direct the activities that most significantly impact the entity's economic performance. In situations where the Company or its partner approves, among other things, the annual budget, receives a detailed monthly reporting package from the Company, meets on a quarterly basis to review the results of the joint venture, reviews and approves the joint venture's tax return before filing, and approves all leases that cover more than a nominal amount of space relative to the total rentable space at each property, the Company does not consolidate the joint venture as it considers these to be substantive participation rights that result in shared power of the activities that most significantly impact the performance of the joint venture. The Company's joint venture agreements also contain certain protective rights such as the requirement of partner approval to sell, finance or refinance the property and the payment of capital expenditures and operating expenditures outside of the approved budget or operating plan.

### **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the periods covered by the financial statements. The most significant assumptions and estimates relate to the purchase price allocations, depreciable lives, revenue recognition and the collectability of tenant receivables, other receivables, notes receivables, the valuation of options and warrants and derivatives. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

#### **Federal Income Taxes**

Commencing with the Company's taxable year ended December 31, 2010, the Company has elected to qualify as a REIT under Sections 856-860 of the Internal Revenue Code (the "Code"). Under those sections, a REIT that, among other things, distributes at least 90% of REIT taxable income and meets certain other qualifications prescribed by the Code will not be taxed on that portion of its taxable income that is distributed.

Although it may qualify as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes, the Company is subject to state income or franchise taxes in certain states in which some of its properties are located. In addition, taxable income from non-REIT activities managed through the Company's taxable REIT subsidiary ("TRS") is fully subject to U.S. federal, state and local income taxes.

The Company follows the FASB guidance that defines a recognition threshold and measurement attribute for the financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. The FASB also provides guidance on de-recognition, classification, interest and penalties, accounting in interim periods, disclosure, and transition. The Company records interest and penalties relating to unrecognized tax benefits, if any, as interest expense. As of September 30, 2011, the tax years 2007 through and including 2010 remain open to examination by the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") and state taxing authorities. During the nine months ended September 30, 2011, the IRS requested an examination of the Company's 2009 federal tax return. The examination is ongoing as of the date of this report.

### **Real Estate Investments**

All costs related to the improvement or replacement of real estate properties are capitalized. Additions, renovations and improvements that enhance and/or extend the useful life of a property are also capitalized. Expenditures for ordinary maintenance, repairs and improvements that do not materially prolong the normal useful life of an asset are charged to operations as incurred. The Company expenses transaction costs associated with business combinations in the period incurred. During the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, capitalized costs related to the improvements or replacement of real estate properties were approximately \$5.1 million and \$681,000, respectively.

Upon the acquisition of real estate properties, the fair value of the real estate purchased is allocated to the acquired tangible assets (consisting of land, buildings and improvements), and acquired intangible assets and liabilities (consisting of above-market and below-market leases and acquired in-place leases). Acquired lease intangible assets include above-market leases and acquired in-place leases in the accompanying consolidated balance sheet. The fair value of the tangible assets of an acquired property is determined by valuing the property as if it were vacant, which value is then allocated to land, buildings and improvements based on management's determination of the relative fair values of these assets. In valuing an acquired property's intangibles, factors considered by management include an estimate of carrying costs during the expected lease-up periods, and estimates of lost rental revenue during the expected lease-up periods based on its evaluation of current market demand. Management also estimates costs to execute similar leases, including leasing commissions, tenant improvements, legal and other related costs. Leasing commissions, legal and other related costs ("lease origination costs") are classified as deferred charges in the accompanying consolidated balance sheet.



The value of in-place leases is measured by the excess of (i) the purchase price paid for a property after adjusting existing in-place leases to market rental rates, over (ii) the estimated fair value of the property as if vacant. Above-market and below-market lease values are recorded based on the present value (using a discount rate which reflects the risks associated with the leases acquired) of the difference between the contractual amounts to be received and management's estimate of market lease rates, measured over the terms of the respective leases that management deemed appropriate at the time of acquisition. Such valuations include a consideration of the non-cancellable terms of the respective leases as well as any applicable renewal periods. The fair values associated with below-market rental renewal options are determined based on the Company's experience and the relevant facts and circumstances that existed at the time of the acquisitions. The value of the above-market and below-market leases associated with the original lease term is amortized to rental income, over the terms of the respective leases. The value of below-market rental lease renewal options is deferred until such time as the renewal option is exercised and subsequently amortized over the corresponding renewal period. The value of in-place leases are amortized to expense, and the above-market and below-market lease values are amortized to rental income, over the remaining non-cancellable terms of the respective leases. If a lease were to be terminated prior to its stated expiration, all unamortized amounts relating to that lease would be recognized in operations at that time. The Company may record a bargain purchase gain if it determines that the purchase price for the acquired assets was less than the fair value. The Company will record a liability in situations where any part of the cash consideration is deferred. The amounts payable in the future are discounted to their present value. The liability is subsequently re-measured to fair value with changes in fair value recognized in the consolidated statements of operations. If, up to one year from the acquisition date, information regarding fair value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed is received and estimates are refined, appropriate property adjustments are made to the purchase price allocation on a retrospective basis.

In conjunction with the Company's pursuit and acquisition of real estate investments, the Company expensed acquisition transaction costs during the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 of approximately \$1.3 million and \$475,000, respectively and approximately \$1.8 million and \$1.5 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

Regarding the Company's 2011 property acquisitions (see Note 2), the fair values of in-place leases and other intangibles have been allocated to intangible assets and liability accounts. Such allocations are preliminary and may be adjusted as final information becomes available.

For the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, the net amortization of acquired lease intangible assets and acquired lease intangible liabilities was approximately \$400,000 and \$163,000, respectively. For the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, the net amortization of acquired lease intangible assets and acquired lease intangible liabilities was approximately \$1.4 million and \$330,000, respectively. The net amortization amounts are included in base rents in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2011, the Company adjusted the fair values of two liabilities resulting from deferred payments to the sellers of two of its properties. The re-measurements resulted in a \$696,000 reduction to the liability during the nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively, which was recorded as a reduction to property operating expenses in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations.

### **Asset Impairment**

The Company reviews long-lived assets for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. Recoverability of assets to be held and used is measured by a comparison of the carrying amount of the asset to aggregate future net cash flows (undiscounted and without interest) expected to be generated by the asset. If such assets are considered impaired, the impairment to be recognized is measured by the amount by which the carrying amounts of the assets exceed the fair value. Management does not believe that the value of any of its real estate investments is impaired at September 30, 2011.

The Company reviews its investments in its unconsolidated joint ventures for impairment periodically and the Company would record an impairment charge when events or circumstances change indicating that a decline in the fair values below the carrying values has occurred and such decline is other-than temporary. The ultimate realization of the Company's investment in its unconsolidated joint ventures is dependent on a number of factors, including the performance of each investment and market conditions. Management does not believe that the value of any of its unconsolidated joint ventures is impaired at September 30, 2011.

### **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash held in banks and money market depository accounts with U.S. financial institutions with original maturities of less than ninety days. These balances in the United States may exceed the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") insurance limits.

### **Restricted Cash**

The terms of several of the Company's mortgage loans payable require the Company to deposit certain replacement and other reserves with its lenders. Such "restricted cash" is generally available only for property-level requirements for which the reserves have been established and is not available to fund other property-level or Company-level obligations. Restricted cash at December 31, 2010, also includes \$2.0 million held by a bank in an interest bearing account to secure a contingent letter of credit obligation. The letter of credit expired undrawn and the \$2.0 million was returned to the Company in May 2011.

### **Revenue Recognition**

Management has determined that all of the Company's leases with its various tenants are operating leases. Rental income is generally recognized based on the terms of leases entered into with tenants. In those instances in which the Company funds tenant improvements and the improvements are deemed to be owned by the Company, revenue recognition will commence when the improvements are substantially completed and possession or control of the space is turned over to the tenant. When the Company determines that the tenant allowances are lease incentives, the Company commences revenue recognition and lease incentive amortization when possession or control of the space is turned over to the tenant for tenant work to begin. Minimum rental income from leases with scheduled rent increases is recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease term. Percentage rent is recognized when a specific tenant's sales breakpoint is achieved. Property operating expense recoveries from tenants of common area maintenance, real estate taxes and other recoverable costs are recognized in the period the related expenses are incurred. Lease incentives are amortized as a reduction of rental revenue over the respective tenant lease terms.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2011, the Company wrote off a tenant's unamortized lease incentive balance and straight line rent receivable balance of approximately \$574,000 and \$138,000, respectively, as a result of the tenant terminating its lease prior to the expiration date. The amounts were recorded as a reduction to base rents in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations.

Termination fees (included in rental revenue) are fees that the Company has agreed to accept in consideration for permitting certain tenants to terminate their lease prior to the contractual expiration date. The Company recognizes termination fees in accordance with Securities and Exchange Commission Staff Accounting Bulletin 104, "Revenue Recognition," when the following conditions are met: (a) the termination agreement is executed; (b) the termination fee is determinable; (c) all landlord services pursuant to the terminated lease have been rendered, and (d) collectivity of the termination fee is assured. Interest income is recognized as it is earned. Gains or losses on disposition of properties are recorded when the criteria for recognizing such gains or losses under generally accepted accounting principles have been met.

The Company must make estimates as to the collectability of its accounts receivable related to base rent, straight-line rent, expense reimbursements and other revenues. Management analyzes accounts receivable and the allowance for bad debts by considering tenant creditworthiness, current economic trends, and changes in tenants' payment patterns when evaluating the adequacy of the allowance for doubtful accounts receivable. The Company also provides an allowance for future credit losses of the deferred straight-line rents receivable. The provision for doubtful accounts at September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010 was approximately \$1.9 million and \$542,300, respectively.

### **Depreciation and Amortization**

The Company uses the straight-line method for depreciation and amortization. Buildings are depreciated over the estimated useful lives which the Company estimates to be 35-40 years. Property improvements are depreciated over the estimated useful lives that range from 10 to 20 years. Furniture and fixtures are depreciated over the estimated useful lives that range from 3 to 10 years. Tenant improvements are amortized over the shorter of the life of the related leases or their useful life.



### **Deferred Charges**

Deferred charges consist principally of leasing commissions and acquired lease origination costs (which are amortized ratably over the life of the tenant leases) and financing fees (which are amortized over the term of the related debt obligation). Deferred charges in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets are shown at cost, net of accumulated amortization of approximately \$3.6 million and \$861,000, as of September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively.

#### Reclassifications

Certain prior period amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current period presentation.

### **Concentration of Credit Risk**

Financial instruments that potentially subject the Company to concentrations of credit risk consist primarily of cash and cash equivalents and tenant receivables. The Company places its cash and cash equivalents in excess of insured amounts with high quality financial institutions. The Company performs ongoing credit evaluations of its tenants and requires tenants to provide security deposits.

### Earnings (Loss) Per Share

Basic earnings (loss) per share ("EPS") excludes the impact of dilutive shares and is computed by dividing net income (loss) by the weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding for the period. Diluted EPS reflects the potential dilution that could occur if securities or other contracts to issue shares of common stock were exercised or converted into shares of common stock and then shared in the earnings of the Company.

As of September 30, 2010, the effect of the 41,400,000 warrants to purchase the Company's common stock (the "Public Warrants") issued in connection with the Company's initial public offering (the "Public Offering"), the 8,000,000 warrants (the "Private Placement Warrants") purchased by the Sponsor simultaneously with the consummation of the Public Offering, and the restricted stock and options granted in 2009 were not included in the calculation of diluted EPS since the effect would be anti-dilutive since the Company reported a net loss during this period.

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, basic earnings per share was determined by dividing net income allocable to common stockholders for the applicable period by the weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding during such period, including the effect of the 82,200 shares sold in September 2011 as described in Note 5. Net income during the applicable period is also allocated to the unvested restricted stock as the restricted stock is entitled to receive dividends and is therefore considered a participating security. Unvested restricted stock is not allocated net losses and/or any excess of dividends declared over net income; such amounts are allocated entirely to the common stockholders other than the holders of unvested restricted stock. The weighted average unvested shares of restricted stock outstanding during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011. There were no unvested shares of restricted stock outstanding during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, respectively. The dividends declared payable to unvested restricted stockholders was \$11,000 and \$30,000 during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively. There were no dividends declared payable to unvested restricted stockholders during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, respectively. The restricted stock units awarded under the performance-based program described in Note 6 are excluded from the basic earnings per share calculation, as these units are not participating securities.

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The following table sets forth the reconciliation between basic and diluted EPS:

	For the Three I	Months Ended	For the Nine Months End		
	September Septembe   30, 2011 30, 2010		September 30, 2011	September 30, 2010	
Denominator:					
Denominator for basic EPS – weighted average common shares	41,974,492	41,569,675	41,928,795	41,569,675	
Effect of dilutive securities:					
Restricted stock awards	58,793		57,223		
Stock Options	18,614		10,513	_	
Denominator for diluted EPS – weighted average common equivalent shares.	42,051,899	41,569,675	41,996,531	41,569,675	

#### **Stock-Based Compensation**

The Company has a stock-based employee compensation plan, which is more fully described in Note 6.

The Company accounts for its stock-based compensation plans based on the FASB guidance which requires that compensation expense be recognized based on the fair value of the stock awards less estimated forfeitures. Restricted stock grants vest based upon the completion of a service period ("time-based grants") and/or the Company meeting certain established financial performance criteria ("performance-based grants"). Time-based grants are valued according to the market price for the Company's common stock at the date of grant. For performance-based grants, the Company generally engages an independent appraisal company to determine the value of the shares at the date of grant, taking into account the underlying contingency risks associated with the performance criteria. It is the Company's policy to grant options with an exercise price equal to the quoted closing market price of stock on the grant date. Awards of stock options and restricted stock are expensed as compensation on a current basis over the vesting period.

### Derivatives

The Company records all derivatives on the balance sheet at fair value. The accounting for changes in the fair value of derivatives depends on the intended use of the derivative, whether the Company has elected to designate a derivative in a hedging relationship and apply hedge accounting and whether the hedging relationship has satisfied the criteria necessary to apply hedge accounting. Derivatives designated and qualifying as a hedge of the exposure to changes in the fair value of an asset, liability, or firm commitment attributable to a particular risk, such as interest rate risk, are considered fair value hedges. Derivatives designated and qualifying as a hedge of the exposure to variability in expected future cash flows, or other types of forecasted transactions, are considered cash flow hedges. Hedge accounting generally provides for the matching of the timing of gain or loss recognition on the hedging instrument with the recognition of the changes in the fair value of the hedged asset or liability that are attributable to the hedged risk in a fair value hedge or the earnings effect of the hedged forecasted transactions in a cash flow hedge.

Supplemental Consolidated Statements of Cash Flow Information	For the Nine Months Ende		ths Ended			
	September 30, 2011		-		1 / 1	
Supplemental disclosure of cash activities:						
Cash paid for Federal and New York state income taxes	\$	85,075	\$			
Interest paid		3,180,732		43,481		
Other non-cash investing and financing activities:						
Accrued interest rate swap liabilities		12,442,412		2,069,356		
Accrued real estate improvement costs		18,155		36,176		
Accrued financing costs and other				2,028		

### 2. Real Estate Investments

The following real estate investment transactions have occurred during the nine months ended September 30, 2011.

#### **Property Acquisitions**

On January 3, 2011, the Company acquired a shopping center located in Oceanside, California (the "Market Del Rio Property"), for a purchase price of \$35.7 million. The Market Del Rio Property is a shopping center of 177,136 square feet. The Market Del Rio Property is anchored by State Brothers Market and Walgreens. The property was acquired with cash.

On January 6, 2011, the Company acquired a shopping center located in Pinole, California (the "Pinole Vista Property"), for a purchase price of \$20.8 million. The Pinole Vista Property is a shopping center of 165,025 square feet. The Pinole Vista Property is anchored by Save-mart, Kmart and Dollar Tree. The property was acquired with cash.

On February 17, 2011, the Company obtained ownership of three grocery-anchored neighborhood shopping Centers (collectively, the "Lakha Properties"), which secured three of four loans ("CA Loans") purchased during the year ended December 31, 2010 for \$50.0 million. The Company obtained ownership of the Lakha Properties pursuant to a Conveyance in Lieu of Foreclosure Agreement, dated as of January 28, 2011. The consideration for the title to the Lakha Properties included additional payments of approximately \$2.3 million. The fourth loan was secured by a second mortgage on an office building in Washington. The Company attributed no value to the second mortgage when it was acquired since that the outstanding principal balance of the senior mortgage of the property, which was held by a third party, exceeded the value of the property. As such, in connection with the deed-in-lieu transaction, the Company agreed to extinguish the forth loan and remove its lien on the property.

The three Lakha Properties are as follows:

- Desert Springs Marketplace, a shopping center located in Palm Desert, California. Desert Springs Marketplace is a grocery-anchored neighborhood shopping center of 105,157 square feet and was 100.0% leased at September 30, 2011.
- Mills Shopping Center, a shopping center located in Rancho Cordova, California. Mills Shopping Center is a grocery-anchored neighborhood shopping center of 238,981 square feet and was 90.8% leased at September 30, 2011.
- Nimbus Winery Shopping Center, a shopping center located in Rancho Cordova, California. Nimbus Winery Shopping Center is a groceryanchored neighborhood shopping center of 74,998 square feet and was 69.1% leased at September 30, 2011.

On May 20, 2011, the Company acquired a shopping center located in Stockton, California (the "Morada Ranch Property"), for a purchase price of \$23.8 million. The Morada Ranch Property is a shopping center of 101,842 square feet. The Morada Ranch Property is anchored by Raley's Supermarket. The property was acquired with cash.

On July 8, 2011, the Company acquired the property known as Country Club Gate Shopping Center located in Pacific Grove, California for a purchase price of \$22.8 million. Country Club Gate Shopping Center is 109,331 square feet and is anchored by a Save Mart Supermarket and Rite Aid store. The property was acquired with cash of \$10.0 million and the assumption of an existing mortgage of \$12.8 million.

On July 29, 2011, the Company acquired the property known Canyon Park Shopping Center located in Bothell, Washington for a purchase price of \$18.4 million. Canyon Park Shopping Center is 121,713 square feet and is anchored by an Albertsons and Rite Aid. The property was acquired with cash.

On August 3, 2011, the Company acquired the property known as Renaissance Towne Center located in La Jolla, California for a purchase price of \$23.8 million. Renaissance is 53,074 square feet and is anchored by CVS Pharmacy. The property was acquired with cash of \$6.4 million and the assumption of an existing mortgage of \$17.4 million.

On September 8, 2011, the Company acquired the property known as Hawks Prairie located in Lacey, Washington for a purchase price of \$22.5 million. Hawks Prairie is 154,781 square feet and is anchored by Safeway and Big Lots. The property was acquired with cash.

On September 30, 2011, the Company acquired the property known as The Kress Building located in Settle, Washington for a purchase price of \$28.8 million. The Kress Building is 73,563 square feet and is anchored by Kress IGA Supermarket and JC Penney. The property was acquired with cash.

On August 23, 2011, the Company acquired a mortgage note from a special servicer for an aggregate purchase price of \$22.0 million in cash. The note was secured by a shopping center located in Zephyr Cove, Nevada ("Round Hill Square"). At the time of closing on the note, the borrower was in default, having failed to meet debt service payments since April 2010. On September 12, 2011, the Company entered into a conveyance in lieu of foreclosure agreement (the "Conveyance Agreement") with the borrower to acquire Round Hill Square. Pursuant to the Conveyance Agreement, the Company, as the holder of the note, agreed not to bring any action against the borrower or the guarantors, subject to certain exceptions, and the borrowers agreed to transfer Round Hill Square to the Company. The conveyance was completed on September 23, 2011. Round Hill Square is a neighborhood shopping center of approximately 117,000 square feet and is anchored by Safeway.

The financial information set forth below summarizes the Company's purchase price allocation for the properties acquired during the nine months ended September 30, 2011.

ASSETS	September 30, 2011 (unaudited)
Land	\$ 81,695,190
Building and improvements	200,885,981
Acquired lease intangible asset	21,425,280
Deferred charges	5,272,186
Assets acquired	309,278,637
Acquired lease intangible liability	27,361,727
Liabilities assumed	\$ 30,851,282

### **Pro Forma Financial Information**

The pro forma financial information set forth below is based upon the Company's historical consolidated statements of operations for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, adjusted to give effect of these transactions at the beginning of each year.

The pro forma financial information is presented for informational purposes only and may not be indicative of what actual results of operations would have been had the transaction occurred at the beginning of each year, nor does it purport to represent the results of future operations.

	For the Three	Months Ended	For the Nine Months Ended		
	September 30, 2011	1 1		September 30, 2010	
Statement of operations:			30, 2011	50,2010	
Revenues	\$ 15,504,076	\$ 15,385,050	\$ 46,187,186	\$ 45,974,129	
Property operating and other expenses	3,990,903	4,545,444	12,053,193	13,932,809	
Depreciation and amortization	7,113,115	6,713,889	20,812,855	19,899,399	
Net income attributable to Retail Opportunity Investments Corp.	\$ 4,400,058	\$ 4,125,717	\$ 13,321,138	\$ 12,141,921	

The following table summarizes the operating results included in the Company's historical consolidated statement of operations for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 for the properties acquired during the nine months ended September 30, 2011.

Statement of operations:	Months Ended er 30, 2011
Revenues	\$ 11,247,888
Property operating and other expenses	3,199,339
Depreciation and amortization	5,480,135
Net income attributable to Retail Opportunity Investments Corp.	\$ 2,568,414

#### **Mortgage Notes Receivable**

During the nine months ended September 30, 2011, the Company made a \$10.0 million mortgage loan to the joint venture that owns the Crossroads Shopping Center as per the joint venture agreement. The Company owns a 49% equity interest in the joint venture. The interest due on the loan is 8% per annum and matures on September 1, 2015, which is coterminous with the existing first mortgage.

### **Unconsolidated Joint Ventures**

At September 30, 2011, and December 31, 2010, investments in and advances to unconsolidated joint ventures consisted of the following (with the Company's ownership percentage in parentheses).

	Septe	mber 30, 2011	December 31, 20		
Wilsonville OTS LLC (95%)	\$	4,542,791	\$	4,484,325	
Crossroads Shopping Center (49%)		13,538,976		12,295,030	
Mortgage note receivable secured by Riverside Plaza (50%)		7,878,000		7,800,000	
Total	\$	25,959,767	\$	24,579,355	

The Company completed one transaction related to unconsolidated joint ventures during the nine months ended September 30, 2011. On March 22, 2011, through a 50/50 joint venture with Winthrop Realty Trust, the Company acquired two maturity defaulted first mortgage loans that are secured by two grocery-anchored shopping centers for a purchase price of approximately \$36.2 million. The purchase price represents the aggregate outstanding principal balance due under the loans. Both loans provided for default interest rate of 4.0% over the regular interest rate of 4.92%. The Company's \$18.0 million investment was funded by available cash. In May 2011, the borrower paid the joint venture the principal balance and unpaid interest in the amount of \$37.5 million in full satisfaction of the notes. The Company received \$18.8 million of the proceeds.

The Company has evaluated its investments in the joint ventures and has concluded that the joint ventures are not VIEs. The Company accounts for its investment in its unconsolidated joint ventures under the equity method of accounting since it exercises significant influence over, but does not control the unconsolidated joint ventures. The other members in the unconsolidated joint ventures have substantial participation rights in the financial decisions and operations of the unconsolidated joint ventures.



## 3. Mortgage Notes Payable and Bank Lines of Credit

### Mortgage Notes Payable

The first mortgage notes payable collateralized by respective properties and assignment of leases at September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively, were as follows:

			September 30,	December 31,
Property	Maturity Date	Interest Rate	2011	2010
Heritage Market Center	December 2011	7.11%	\$ —	\$ 11,538,777
Cascade Summit Town Square	July 2012	7.25%	6,958,301	7,124,718
Gateway Village I	February 2014	5.58%	6,912,758	7,011,658
Gateway Village II	May 2014	5.73%	7,066,403	7,159,072
Country Club Gate	January 2015	5.04%	12,761,987	
Renaissance Towne Center	June 2015	5.13%	17,096,722	_
Gateway Village III	July 2016	6.10%	7,580,000	7,580,000
			58,376,171	40,414,225
Mortgage Premium			2,063,971	2,002,875
Total mortgage notes payable			\$ 60,440,142	\$ 42,417,100

On July 8, 2011, the Company assumed an existing mortgage loan with an outstanding principal balance of approximately \$12.8 million as part of the acquisition of the Country Club Gate Shopping Center. The fair market value was determined to be \$13.5 million. The Country Club Gate loan bears interest at a rate of 5.04% per annum and has a maturity date of January 2015.

On August 8, 2011, the Company assumed an existing mortgage loan with an outstanding principal balance of approximately \$17.1 million as part of the acquisition of Renaissance Towne Center. The fair market value was determined to be \$ 17.3 million. The Renaissance Towne Center loan bears interest at a rate of 5.13% per annum and has a maturity date of June 2015.

On September 10, 2011, the Company paid off \$11.4 million of mortgage debt that was secured by the Heritage Market Center.

### **Revolving Credit Lines**

On September 20, 2011, the Company simultaneously extended its existing unsecured credit agreement (the "credit facility agreement") with KeyBank National Association, as administrative agent and L/C issuer, Bank of America, N.A., as syndication agent, PNC Bank, National Association and U.S. Bank, National Association, as co-documentation agents, and the other lenders party thereto, and a term loan agreement (the "term loan agreement" and together with the credit facility agreement, the "agreements") with KeyBank National Association, as administrative agent, Bank of America, N.A., as syndication agent, PNC Bank, National Association and U.S. Bank National Association, as administrative agent, Bank of America, N.A., as syndication agent, PNC Bank, National Association and U.S. Bank National Association, as co-documentation agents, and the other lenders party thereto.

The credit facility agreement provides for borrowings of up to \$175.0 million with a letter of credit sub-limit of up to 20% of the then-current aggregate commitments. The credit facility agreement allows the Company the ability to increase the size of the facility by an additional \$125.0 million subject to certain conditions set forth in the credit facility agreement, including the consent of the lenders for the additional commitments. The term loan agreement provides for borrowings of up to \$110.0 million and allows the Company the ability to increase aggregate commitments by an additional \$65.0 million subject to certain conditions set forth in the term loan agreement, including the consent of the lenders for the additional commitments.

The initial maturity date of the credit facility is September 20, 2014, subject to a one-year extension option, which may be exercised by the Company upon satisfaction of certain conditions. The maturity date of the term loan is September 20, 2015.

Borrowings under the agreements bear interest on the outstanding principal amount at a rate equal to, prior to such time as the Company has obtained an investment grade rating from at least two rating agencies, an applicable rate based on the consolidated leverage ratio of the Company and its subsidiaries, plus, as applicable, (i) a LIBOR rate determined by reference to the cost of funds for Dollar deposits for the relevant period (the " Eurodollar Rate "), or (ii) a base rate determined by reference to the highest of (a) the federal funds rate plus 0.50%, (b) the rate of interest announced by KeyBank National Association as its "prime rate," and (c) the Eurodollar Rate plus 1.00% (the " Base Rate "). From, and after the time the Company obtains an investment grade rating from at least two rating agencies, borrowings under the agreements will bear interest on the outstanding principal amount at a rate equal to an applicable rate based on the credit rating level of the Company, plus, as applicable, (i) the Eurodollar Rate, or (ii) the Base Rate. Under the credit facility agreement, the Company is obligated to pay (i) prior to such time as the Company has obtained an investment grade rating from at least two rating agencies, an unused fee of (a) 0.35% if the total outstanding principal amount is less than 50% of the aggregate commitments or (b) 0.25% if the total outstanding principal amount is greater than or equal to 50% of the aggregate commitments, (ii) from and after such time as the Company has obtained an investment grade rating from at least two rating agencies, a facility fee rate based on the credit rating level of the Company, and (iii) a fronting fee at a rate of 0.125% per year with respect to each letter of credit issued under the agreements. The agreements contain certain representations, financial and other covenants typical for these types of facilities. The Company's ability to borrow under the agreements is subject to its compliance with the covenants and other restrictions on an ongoing basis.

As of September 30, 2011, the Company had outstanding on the credit facility and term loan approximately \$30.1 million and \$110.0 million, respectively, with an average interest rate of 1.99%. The Company has approximately \$144.9 million available to borrow under the credit facility at September 30, 2011.

### 4. **Preferred Stock**

The Company is authorized to issue 50,000,000 shares of preferred stock with such designations, voting and other rights and preferences as may be determined from time to time by the board of directors. As of September 30, 2011 and 2010, there were no shares of preferred stock outstanding.

#### 5. Common Stock and Warrants

On June 23, 2011, the Company entered into an ATM Equity Offering<sup>SM</sup> Sales Agreement ("sales agreement") with Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated to sell shares of the Company's common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share, having aggregate sales proceeds of \$50,000,000 (the "Shares"), from time to time, through an "at the market" equity offering program under which Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated ("agent") will act as sales agent and/or principal. During the three months ended September 30, 2011, the Company sold 82,200 shares under the sales agreement, which resulted in gross proceeds of approximately \$928,000 and commissions of \$18,600 paid to the agent, resulting in net proceeds to the Company, before expenses, of approximately \$909,400.

Simultaneously with the consummation of the Public Offering, the Sponsor purchased 8,000,000 Private Placement Warrants at a purchase price of \$1.00 per warrant. The Private Placement Warrants were identical to the Public Warrants except that the Private Placement Warrants are exercisable on a cashless basis as long as they are still held by the Sponsor or its permitted transferees. In addition, the Private Placement and Public Warrants have different prices at which the Company's common stock must trade before the Company is able to redeem such warrants. The purchase price of the Private Placement Warrants are private Placement Warrants at the purchase date.

The Company has the right to redeem all of the warrants it issued in the Public Offering and the Private Placement Warrants, at a price of \$0.01 per warrant upon 30 days' notice while the warrants are exercisable, only in the event that the last sale price of the common stock is at least a specified price. The terms of the warrants are as follows:

- The exercise price of the warrants is \$12.00.
- · The expiration date of the warrants is October 23, 2014.

- The price at which the Company's common stock must trade before the Company is able to redeem the warrants it issued in the Public Offering is \$18.75.
- The price at which the Company's common stock must trade before the Company is able to redeem the Private Placement Warrants is (x) \$22.00, as long as they are held by the Sponsor or its members, members of its members' immediate families or their controlled affiliates, or (y) \$18.75.
- To provide that a warrantholder's ability to exercise warrants is limited to ensure that such holder's "Beneficial Ownership" or "Constructive Ownership," each as defined in the Company's certificate of incorporation, does not exceed the restrictions contained in the certificate of incorporation limiting the ownership of shares of the Company's common stock.

The Company has reserved 53,400,000 shares for the exercise of the Public Warrants and the Private Placement Warrants, and issuance of shares under the Company's 2009 Equity Incentive Plan (the "2009 Plan").

### Warrant Repurchase

In May 2010, the Company's board of directors authorized a warrant repurchase program to repurchase up to a maximum of \$40.0 million of the Company's warrants. To date, the Company has not repurchased warrants under such program.

#### 6. Stock Compensation and Other Benefit Plans

The Company follows the FASB guidance related to stock compensation which establishes financial accounting and reporting standards for stock-based employee compensation plans, including all arrangements by which employees receive shares of stock or other equity instruments of the employer, or the employer incurs liabilities to employees in amounts based on the price of the employer's stock. The guidance also defines a fair value-based method of accounting for an employee stock option or similar equity instrument.

During 2009, the Company adopted the 2009 Plan. The 2009 Plan provides for grants of restricted common stock and stock option awards up to an aggregate of 7.5% of the issued and outstanding shares of the Company's common stock at the time of the award, subject to a ceiling of 4,000,000 shares.

### **Restricted Stock**

During the nine months ended September 30, 2011, the Company awarded 276,000 shares of restricted common stock under the 2009 Plan of which 111,250 are performance-based grants and the remainder of the shares are time based grants. The performance based grants vest in three equal annual tranches, depending on the Company achieving an 8% total return to shareholders, or exceeding the top one-third of a certain peer group of companies over a three-year period from December 30, 2010, through December 31, 2013. An independent appraisal Company determined the value of the performance-based grants to be \$9.62 per share, compared to a market price at the date of grant of \$10.88.

As of September 30, 2011, there remained a total of \$2.9 million of unrecognized restricted stock compensation related to outstanding non-vested restricted stock grants awarded under the 2009 Plan. Restricted stock compensation is expected to be expensed over a remaining weighted average period of 1.4 years (irrespective of achievement of the performance grants). For the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, amounts charged to expenses totaled approximately \$494,000 and \$189,000, respectively. For the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, amounts charged to compensation expense totaled approximately \$1.5 million and \$567,000, respectively.



A summary of the status of the Company's non-vested restricted stock awards as of September 30, 2011, and changes during the nine months ended September 30, 2011 are presented below:

		Weighted Average
	Shares	Grant Date Fair Value
Non-vested at December 31, 2010	161,333	\$ 10.27
Granted	276,000	10.31
Vested	—	—
Forfeited		
Non-vested at September 30, 2011	437,333	\$ 10.30

### **Stock Options**

During the nine months ended September 30, 2011, the Company awarded a total of 102,000 options to purchase shares under the 2009 Plan. The Company has used the Monte Carlo method for purposes of estimating the fair value in determining compensation expense for the options that were granted during the nine months ended September 30, 2011. The assumption for expected volatility has a significant effect on the grant fair value. Volatility is determined based on the historical volatilities of REITs similar to the Company. The Company used the simplified method to determine the expected life which is calculated as an average of the vesting period and the contractual term. The fair value for the options awarded by the Company during the nine months ended September 30, 2011, was estimated at the date of the grant using the following weighted-average assumptions. There were no options awarded during the nine months ended September 30, 2010.

	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2011
Average volatility	26.09
Expected dividends	\$ 0.12
Expected life (in years)	6.0 to 6.5
Risk-free interest rate (range)	2.59% to 2.73

A summary of options activity as of September 30, 2011, and changes during the nine months ended September 30, 2011 are presented below:

	Shares	Weighted Exercis	
Outstanding at December 31, 2010	235,000	\$	10.25
Granted	102,000		10.88
Exercised	—		
Expired	—		—
Outstanding at September 30, 2011	337,000	\$	10.46
Exercisable at September 30, 2011	73,667	\$	10.26

For the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, the amounts charged to expenses totaled approximately \$57,000 and \$40,100, respectively. For the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, the amounts charged to compensation expense totaled approximately \$171,000 and \$120,300, respectively. The total unearned compensation at September 30, 2011, was approximately \$383,000. The options vest over an average period of 1.68 years.

#### 7. Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The Company follows the FASB guidance that defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. The guidance applies to reported balances that are required or permitted to be measured at fair value under existing accounting pronouncements; accordingly, the standard does not require any new fair value measurements of reported balances.

The guidance emphasizes that fair value is a market-based measurement, not an entity-specific measurement. Therefore, a fair value measurement should be determined based on the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. As a basis for considering market participant assumptions in fair value measurements, the guidance establishes a fair value hierachy that distinguishes between market participant assumptions based on market data obtained from sources independent of the reporting entity (observable inputs that are classified within Levels 1 and 2 of the hierarchy) and the reporting entity's own assumptions about market participant assumptions (unobservable inputs classified within Level 3 of the hierarchy).

Level 1 inputs utilize quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Company has the ability to access. Level 2 inputs are inputs other than quoted prices included in Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. Level 2 inputs may include quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets, as well as inputs that are observable for the asset or liability (other than quoted prices), such as interest rates, foreign exchange rates, and yield curves that are observable at commonly quoted intervals. Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs for the asset or liability, which are typically based on an entity's own assumptions, as there is little, if any, related market activity. In instances where the determination of the fair value measurement is based on inputs from different levels of the fair value hierarchy, the level in the fair value hierarchy within which the entire fair value measurement falls is based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety. The Company's assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment, and considers factors specific to the asset or liability.

The following disclosures of estimated fair value were determined by management, using available market information and appropriate valuation methodologies as discussed in Note 1. Considerable judgment is necessary to interpret market data and develop estimated fair value. Accordingly, the estimates presented herein are not necessarily indicative of the amounts realizable upon disposition of the financial instruments. The use of different market assumptions or estimation methodologies may have a material effect on the estimated fair value amounts.

The carrying values of cash and cash equivalents, restricted cash, tenant and other receivables, deposits, prepaid expenses, other assets, accounts payable and accrued expenses and revolving credit facilities are reasonable estimates of their fair values because of the short-term nature of these instruments. Mortgage notes receivable are based on the actual disbursements incurred for these recent acquisitions. Mortgage notes payable were recorded at their fair value at the time they were assumed and are estimated to have a fair value of approximately \$62.4 million as of September 30, 2011.

Disclosure about fair value of financial instruments is based on pertinent information available to us as of September 30, 2011. Although the Company is not aware of any factors that would significantly affect the reasonable fair value amount, such amount have not been comprehensively re-valued for purposes of these financial statements since that date and current estimates of fair value may differ significantly from the amounts presented herein.

### 8. **Derivative and Hedging Activities**

The Company's objectives in using interest rate derivatives are to add stability to interest expense and to manage its exposure to interest rate movements. To accomplish this objective, the Company primarily uses interest rate swaps as part of its interest rate risk management strategy. Interest rate swaps designated as cash flow hedges involve the receipt of variable-rate amounts from a counterparty in exchange for the Company making fixed-rate payments over the life of the agreements without exchange of the underlying notional amount.

During the year ended December 31, 2010, the Company entered into a \$25 million forward starting interest rate swap with Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. The forward starting swap is being used to hedge the anticipated variable cash flows associated with the Company's variable-rate debt that is planned to be issued in 2011. The swap has a maturity date of April 15, 2021. The effective portion of changes in the fair value of the derivative that is designated as a cash flow hedge is being recorded in accumulated other comprehensive income and will be subsequently reclassified into earnings during the period in which the hedged forecasted transaction affects earnings. Ineffectiveness, if any, related to the Company's changes in estimates about the debt issuance related to the forward starting swap would be recognized directly in earnings. During the nine months ended September 30, 2011, the Company realized no ineffectiveness as a result of the hedging relationship.

During the year ended December 31, 2010, the Company entered into a \$50 million forward starting interest rate swap with PNC Bank. The forward starting swap is being used to hedge the anticipated variable cash flows associated with the Company's variable-rate debt that is planned to be issued between July 1, 2011 and December 31, 2013. The swap has a maturity date of July 1, 2018. The effective portion of changes in the fair value of the derivative that is designated as a cash flow hedge is being recorded in accumulated other comprehensive income and will be subsequently reclassified into earnings during the period in which the hedged forecasted transaction affects earnings. Ineffectiveness, if any, related to the Company's changes in estimates about the debt issuance related to the forward starting swap would be recognized directly in earnings. During the nine months ended September 30, 2011, the Company realized no ineffectiveness as a result of the hedging relationship.

On May 25, 2011, the Company entered into a \$50 million forward starting interest rate swap with Bank of Montreal. The forward starting swap is being used to hedge the anticipated variable cash flows associated with the Company's variable-rate debt that is planned to be issued between April 2, 2012 and March 1, 2015. The swap has a maturity date of April 1, 2019. The effective portion of changes in the fair value of the derivative that is designated as a cash flow hedge is being recorded in accumulated other comprehensive income and will be subsequently reclassified into earnings during the period in which the hedged forecasted transaction affects earnings. Ineffectiveness, if any, related to the Company's changes in estimates about the debt issuance related to the forward starting swap would be recognized directly in earnings. During the nine months ended September 30, 2011, the Company realized no ineffectiveness as a result of the hedging relationship.

The valuation of these instruments is determined using widely accepted valuation techniques including discounted cash flow analysis on the expected cash flows of the derivative. This analysis reflects the contractual terms of the derivative, including the period to maturity, and uses observable market-based inputs, including interest rate curves, and implied volatilities. The fair value of the interest rate swaps is determined using the market standard methodology of netting the discounted future fixed cash receipts (or payments) and the discounted expected variable cash payments (or receipts). The variable cash payments (or receipts) are based on an expectation of future interest rates (forward curves) derived from observable market interest rate curves.

The Company incorporates credit valuation adjustments to appropriately reflect both its own non-performance risk and the respective counterparty's nonperformance risk in the fair value measurements. In adjusting the fair value of its derivative contract for the effect of non-performance risk, the Company has considered the impact of netting and any applicable credit enhancements, such as collateral postings, thresholds, mutual puts, and guarantees.

Although the Company has determined that the majority of the inputs used to value its derivatives fall within Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy, the credit valuation adjustments associated with its derivatives utilize Level 3 inputs, such as estimates of current credit spreads to evaluate the likelihood of default by itself and its counterparties. However, as of September 30, 2011 the Company has assessed the significance of the impact of the credit valuation adjustments on the overall valuation of its derivative position and has determined that the credit valuation adjustments are not significant to the overall valuation of its derivatives. As a result, the Company has determined that its derivative valuation in its entirety is classified in Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

The table below presents the Company's assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of September 30, 2011, aggregated by the level in the fair value hierarchy within which those measurements fall.

### Assets and Liabilities Measured at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis at September 30, 2011

	Quoted Pric Active Mar for Identic Assets an Liabilitie (Level 1)	kets cal d s	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)		Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)		 ılance at ıber 30, 2011
Assets							
Derivative financial instruments	\$	—	\$		\$	—	\$ 
Liabilities							
Derivative financial instruments	\$	—	\$	(12,442,412)	\$	—	\$ (12,442,412)

Amounts reported in accumulated other comprehensive income related to derivatives will be reclassified to interest expense as interest expense is recognized on the hedged debt. During the next twelve months, the Company estimates that \$2.8 million will be reclassified as an increase to interest expense.

As of September 30, 2011, the Company had the following outstanding interest rate derivatives that were designated as cash flow hedges of interest rate risk:

Interest Rate Derivative	Number of instruments	Notional
Interest rate swap	3	\$125,000,000

The table below presents the fair value of the Company's derivative financial instruments as well as their classification on the balance sheet as of September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively:

Derivatives designed as hedging instruments	Balance sheet location	September 30, 2011 Fair Value (liability)	December 31, 2010 Fair Value (liability)
Interest rate products	Other liabilities	\$(12,442,412)	\$ (517,918)

### **Derivatives in Cash Flow Hedging Relationships**

The table below details the location in the financial statements of the gain or loss recognized on interest rate derivatives designated as cash flow hedges for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

Derivatives in Cash Flow Hedging Relationships	Amount of G Recognized Derivative (Eff 2011	in OCI on	Location of Gain or (Loss) Reclassified from Accumulated OCI into Income (Effective Portion)	Amount of (Loss) Rec from Accu OCI into (Effective 2011	lassified mulated Income	Location of Gain or (Loss) Recognized in Income on Derivative (Ineffective Portion and Amount Excluded from Effectivenesss Testing)	Amount of Gain or (Loss) Recognized in Income on Derivative (Ineffective Portion and Amount			
For the three months ended September 30	,									
			Interest			Interest				
Interest rate products	\$ (10,635,041)	\$ (1,200,467	/ I	\$(365,549)	\$ —	expense Interest	\$	109,606	\$	
Interest rate products		\$ (1,200,467 \$ (1,200,467	Interest			Interest	\$ \$		\$ \$	
	\$ (10,635,041) \$ (10,635,041)		Interest	\$(365,549) \$(365,549)		-		109,606 109,606		_
Total			Interest ) expense Interest		\$ —	Interest				_

## 9. **Commitments and Contingencies**

In the normal course of business, from time to time, the Company is involved in legal actions relating to the ownership and operations of its properties. In management's opinion, the liabilities, if any, that ultimately may result from such legal actions are not expected to have a material adverse effect on the consolidated financial position, results of operations or liquidity of the Company.

### 10. Related Party Transactions

The Company has entered into a Transitional Shared Facilities and Services Agreement with NRDC Real Estate Advisors, LLC, an entity wholly owned by four of the Company's current and former directors. Pursuant to the Transitional Shared Facilities and Services Agreement, NRDC Real Estate Advisors, LLC provides the Company with access to, among other things, their information technology and office space. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, the Company incurred \$22,500 and \$67,500, respectively, of expenses relating to the agreement which is included in general and administrative expenses in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations.

In May 2010, the Company entered into a Shared Facilities and Service Agreement effective January 1, 2010 with an officer of the Company. Pursuant to the Shared Facilities and Service Agreement, the Company is provided the use of office space and other resources for a monthly fee of \$1,938. For the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, the Company incurred \$17,442 of expenses relating to this agreement which is included in general and administrative expenses in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations.

In August 2011, the Company entered into a lease agreement effective July 1, 2011, with an officer of the Company. Pursuant to the lease agreement, the Company is provided the use of storage space for a monthly fee of \$395. For the nine months ended September 30, 2011, the Company incurred \$1,580 of expenses relating to this agreement which is included in general and administrative expenses in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations.

### 11. Subsequent Events

In determining subsequent events, the Company reviewed all activity from October 1, 2011 to the date the financial statements are issued and discloses the following items:

On October 26, 2011, the Company entered into a purchase and sale agreement to acquire the shopping center property known as Harbor Bay Landing located in Alameda, California for \$24.8 million. The shopping center is approximately 116,000 square feet and is anchored by Safeway and CVS Pharmacy. On October 28, 2011, the Company deposited \$750,000 into an interest-bearing account with the title company as escrow agent in accordance with the purchase sale agreement. The deposit was funded with cash.

On August 31, 2011, the Company entered into a purchase and sale agreement to acquire the shopping center property known as Hillsboro Market Center located in Hillsboro, Oregon, within the Portland metropolitan area, for \$18.0 million. The shopping center is approximately 156,000 square feet and is anchored by Albertsons.

On November 2, 2011, the Company's board of directors declared a cash dividend on its common stock of \$0.12 per share, payable on November 30, 2011 to holders of record on November 14, 2011.



### Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

In this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, we refer to Retail Opportunity Investments Corp. as "we," "us," "Company," or "our," unless we specifically state otherwise or the context indicates otherwise.

When used in this discussion and elsewhere in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, the words "believes," "anticipates," "projects," "should," "estimates," "expects," and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements within the meaning of that term in Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and in Section 21F of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). Actual results may differ materially due to uncertainties including:

- our ability to identify and acquire retail real estate and real estate-related debt investments that meet our investment standards and the time period required for us to acquire our initial portfolio of its target assets;
- the level of rental revenue and net interest income we achieve from our target assets;
- the market value of our assets and the supply of, and demand for, retail real estate and real estate-related debt investments in which we invest;
- the length of the current economic downturn;
- the conditions in the local markets in which we will operate, as well as changes in national economic and market conditions;
- · consumer spending and confidence trends;
- our ability to enter into new leases or to renew leases with existing tenants at the properties we acquire at favorable rates;
- · our ability to anticipate changes in consumer buying practices and the space needs of tenants;
- the competitive landscape impacting the properties we acquire and their tenants;
- · our relationships with our tenants and their financial condition;
- our ability to qualify as a real estate investment trust ("REIT") for U.S. federal income tax purposes;
- our use of debt as part of our financing strategy and our ability to make payments or to comply with any covenants under any borrowings or other debt facilities we obtain;
- the level of our operating expenses, including amounts we are required to pay to our management team and to engage third party property managers;
- · changes in interest rates that could impact the market price of our common stock and the cost of our borrowings; and
- · legislative and regulatory changes (including changes to laws governing the taxation of REIT).

Forward-looking statements are based on estimates as of the date of this report. We disclaim any obligation to publicly release the results of any revisions to these forward-looking statements reflecting new estimates, events or circumstances after the date of this report.

The risks included here are not exhaustive. Other sections of this report may include additional factors that could adversely affect our business and financial performance. Moreover, we operate in a very competitive and rapidly changing environment. New risk factors emerge from time to time and it is not possible for management to predict all such risk factors, nor can it assess the impact of all such risk factors on our business or the extent to which any factor, or combination of factors, may cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statements. Given these risks and uncertainties, investors should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements as a prediction of actual results.

### Overview

Retail Opportunity Investments Corp. (the "Company") is a fully integrated and self-managed REIT, primarily focused on investing in, acquiring, owning, leasing, repositioning and managing a diverse portfolio of well located necessity-based community and neighborhood shopping centers, anchored by national or regional supermarkets and drugstores. The Company targets properties strategically situated in densely populated, middle and upper income markets in the eastern and western regions of the United States. In addition, the Company supplements its direct purchases of retail properties with first mortgages or second mortgages, mezzanine loans, bridge or other loans and debt investments related to retail properties, which are referred to collectively as "real estate-related debt investments," in each case provided that the underlying real estate meets the Company's criteria for direct investment. The Company to obtain the asset should a default occur. These properties and investments are referred to as the Company's target assets.

The Company was incorporated in Delaware in July 2007 and converted to a Maryland corporation in June 2011. The Company was initially formed as special purpose acquisition company. The Company commenced its current business operations in October 2009 following the approval by stockholders and warrantholders of a series of proposals contemplated by the Framework Agreement, dated August 7, 2009 (the "Framework Agreement"), between the Company and NRDC Capital Management, LLC (the "Sponsor") that allowed the Company to continue its business as a corporation that has elected to qualify as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes, commencing with the Company's taxable year ended December 31, 2010 (the "Framework Transactions"). The Company is organized in a traditional umbrella partnership real estate investment trust ("UpREIT") format pursuant to which Retail Opportunity Investments GP, LLC, its wholly-owned subsidiary, serves as the general partner of, and the Company conducts substantially all of its business through, its wholly-owned operating partnership subsidiary, Retail Opportunity Investments Partnership, LP, a Delaware limited partnership (the "operating partnership"), and its subsidiaries.

As of September 30, 2011, the Company's portfolio consisted of 29 shopping centers in California, Oregon and Washington which contained approximately 3.0 million net rentable square feet and were approximately 92.5% leased. During the nine months ended September 30, 2011, the Company leased or renewed a total of 279,729 square feet in its portfolio. The Company has committed \$3.2 million and \$355,000 in tenant improvements and leasing commissions, respectively, for the new leases and renewals that occurred during the nine months ended September 30, 2011. In addition, the Company owned a 49% ownership interest in Crossroads Shopping Center, a 464,822 square foot shopping center situated on approximately 40 acres of land, which is currently 92.1% leased. The Company also owned a 95% interest in a development property joint venture, and a 50% interest in a joint venture that owns a mortgage notes receivable.

During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, the Company acquired shopping center investments of approximately \$138.3 million and \$228.6 million, respectively. The Company continues to identify accretive acquisition opportunities in its target markets.

#### Subsequent Events

On October 26, 2011, the Company entered into a purchase and sale agreement to acquire the shopping center property known as Harbor Bay Landing located in Alameda, California for \$24.8 million. The shopping center is approximately 116,000 square feet and is anchored by Safeway and CVS Pharmacy. On October 28, 2011, the Company deposited \$750,000 into an interest-bearing account with the title company as escrow agent in accordance with the purchase sale agreement. The deposit was funded with cash.

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On November 2, 2011, the Company's board of directors declared a cash dividend on its common stock of \$0.12 per share, payable on November 30, 2011 to holders of record on November 14, 2011.

#### **Factors Impacting Our Operating Results**

The results of our operations are affected by a number of factors and primarily depend on, among other things, the following:

- Our ability to identify and acquire retail real estate and real estate-related debt investments that meet our investment standards and the time period required for us to acquire our initial portfolio of our target assets;
- · The level of rental revenue and net interest income we achieve from our target assets;
- The market value of our assets and the supply of, and demand for, retail real estate and real estate-related debt investments in which we invest;
- · The length of the current economic downturn;
- The conditions in the local markets in which we will operate, as well as changes in national economic and market conditions;
- · Consumer spending and confidence trends;
- Our ability to enter into new leases or to renew leases with existing tenants at the properties we acquire at favorable rates;
- Our ability to anticipate changes in consumer buying practices and the space needs of tenants;
- The competitive landscape impacting the properties we acquire and their tenants;
- · Our relationships with our tenants and their financial condition;
- · Our ability to qualify as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes;
- Our use of debt as part of our financing strategy and our ability to make payments or to comply with any covenants under any borrowings or other debt facilities we obtain;
- The level of our operating expenses, including amounts we are required to pay to our management team and to engage third party property managers;



- · Changes in interest rates that could impact the market price of our common stock and the cost of our borrowings; and
- · legislative and regulatory changes (including changes to laws governing the REITs).

#### **Report on Operating Results**

Funds from operations ("FFO") is a widely-recognized non-GAAP financial measure for REITs that the Company believes when considered with financial statements determined in accordance with GAAP, provides additional and useful means to assess our financial performance. FFO is frequently used by securities analysts, investors and other interested parties to evaluate the performance of REITs, most of which present FFO along with net income as calculated in accordance with GAAP.

The Company computes FFO in accordance with the "White Paper" on FFO published by the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts ("NAREIT"), which defines FFO as net income attributable to common stockholders (determined in accordance with GAAP) excluding gains or losses from debt restructuring and sales of depreciable property, plus real estate related depreciation and amortization, and after adjustments for partnerships and unconsolidated joint ventures.

In accordance with the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") guidance relating to business combinations, which, among other things, requires any acquirer of a business (investment property) to expense all acquisition costs related to the acquisition, the amount of which will vary based on each specific acquisition and the volume of acquisitions. Accordingly, the costs of completed acquisitions will reduce our FFO. Acquisition costs for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 were approximately \$1.3 million and \$475,600, respectively. Acquisition costs for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 were approximately \$1.5 million, respectively.

#### However, FFO:

- · does not represent cash flows from operating activities in accordance with GAAP (which, unlike FFO, generally reflects all cash effects of transactions and other events in the determination of net income); and
- · should not be considered an alternative to net income as an indication of our performance.

FFO as defined by us may not be comparable to similarly titled items reported by other real estate investment trusts due to possible differences in the application of the NAREIT definition used by such REITs. The table below provides a reconciliation of net income applicable to stockholders in accordance with GAAP to FFO for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010.

	For the Three Months Ended				For the Nine Months Endec			
	Sej	ptember 30, 2011	Se	ptember 30, 2010	S	eptember 30, 2011	S	eptember 30, 2010
Net income (Loss) for period	\$	2,544,883	\$	(102,602)	\$	9,422,743	\$	(2,833,881)
Plus: Real property depreciation		2,630,480		696,305		6,420,085		1,277,764
Amortization of tenant improvements and allowances		762,651		133,563		1,953,162		210,102
Amortization of deferred leasing costs		3,078,345		808,190		7,768,319		1,432,420
Funds from (used in) operations	\$	9,016,359	\$	1,535,456	\$	25,564,309	\$	86,405
Net Cash Provided by (Used in):								
Operating Activities	\$	7,270,094	\$	3,661,235	\$	13,823,228	\$	3,377
Investing Activities	\$ (	111,809,113)	\$	(92,680,356)	\$	(205,279,334)	\$	(197,488,609)
Financing Activities	\$	97,470,945	\$	(2,526,328)	\$	114,980,130	\$	(5,032,222)



### **Results of Operations**

At September 30, 2011, the Company had equity interests in 31 properties, of which 29 are consolidated in the accompanying financial statements and two are accounted for under the equity method of accounting. The Company believes, because of the location of the properties in densely populated areas, the nature of its investment provides for relatively stable revenue flows even during difficult economic times. The Company expects to continue to explore acquisition opportunities that might present themselves during this economic downturn consistent with its business strategy, while maintaining a strong capital structure with manageable debt.

#### Results of Operations for the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the three months ended September 30, 2010.

During the three months ended September 30, 2011, the Company generated net income of approximately \$2.5 million compared to a net loss of approximately \$103,000 incurred during the three months ended September 30, 2010. The substantial cause of the differences during the two periods resulted from higher operating income (net of depreciation and amortization) from owned properties as a result of an increase in the number of properties owned in 2011 and the recognition of a \$3.7 million bargain purchase gain. The Company recorded the gain when recording the fair value of a property that was acquired during the period through a Conveyance in Lieu of Foreclosure Agreement. As of September 30, 2011, the Company owned 29 properties which generated operating income (net of depreciation and amortization) of approximately \$3.8 million for the three months ended September 30, 2011. In comparison, as of September 30, 2010, the Company owned 14 properties which generated operating income (net of depreciation and amortization) of approximately \$1.7 million. The Company incurred property acquisition costs during the three months ended September 30, 2011 of approximately \$1.3 million compared to \$475,600 incurred during the comparable period in 2010. Property acquisition costs were higher in 2011 due to a greater number of acquisitions during this period as compared to the three months ended September 30, 2010. General & administrative expenses increased to approximately \$2.4 million during the three months ended September 30, 2011 from approximately \$2.1 million during the comparable period in 2010 due to additional costs incurred from the increase in the number of properties owned in 2011 compared to 2010. During the three months ended September 30, 2011, interest income recognized was approximately \$233,000 lower than the corresponding period in 2010 due to lower cash balances in 2011 resulting from the utilization of cash to purchase properties and mortgage notes after September 30, 2010. During the three months ended September 30, 2011, the Company incurred approximately \$1.7 million of interest expense compared to approximately \$76,800 during the three months ended September 30, 2010. At September 30, 2011, the Company had several first mortgage notes payable with borrowings outstanding of approximately \$60.4 million compared to \$19.8 million at September 30, 2010. In addition the Company generated interest expense in 2011 from borrowings under its term loan and credit facility which had borrowings outstanding of approximately \$140.1 million at September 30, 2011. The Company did not have any term loan or credit facility debt outstanding during the three months ended September 30, 2010.

### Results of Operations for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2010.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2011, the Company generated net income of approximately \$9.4 million compared to a net loss of approximately \$2.8 million incurred during the nine months ended September 30, 2010. The substantial cause of the differences during the two periods resulted from higher operating income (net of depreciation and amortization) from owned properties as a result of an increase in the number of properties owned by the Company in 2011 compared to 2010. As of September 30, 2011, the Company owned 29 properties which generated operating income (net of depreciation and amortization) of approximately \$9.9 million. In comparison, as of September 30, 2010 the Company owned 14 properties which generated operating income (net of depreciation and amortization) of approximately \$3.5 million. During the nine months ended September 30, 2011, the Company generated mortgage interest income of approximately \$1.7 million from several mortgage notes receivable as compared with approximately \$384,000 during the nine months ended September 30, 2010. In 2011, the Company held additional mortgage notes which generated higher mortgage interest income as compared to 2010. During the nine months ended September 30, 2011, the Company generated approximately \$1.1 million from investments in unconsolidated joint ventures. The income in 2011 from its investments in unconsolidated joint ventures was generated from two investments in mortgage notes. In addition, the Company recognized a \$9.5 million bargain purchase gain in 2011, when recording the fair values of four properties that were acquired during the period through a Conveyance in Lieu of Foreclosure Agreement. General & administrative expenses increased to approximately \$7.3 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2011, from approximately \$6.3 million during the comparable period in 2010 due to additional

costs from the increase in the number of properties owned in 2011 compared to 2010. During the nine months ended September 30, 2011, interest income recognized was approximately \$922,000 lower than the corresponding period in 2010 due to lower cash balances in 2011 resulting from the utilization of cash to acquire properties and mortgage notes after September 30, 2010. During the nine months ended September 30, 2011, the Company incurred approximately \$3.7 million of interest expense compared to approximately \$76,800 during the nine months ended September 30, 2010. At September 30, 2011, the Company had several first mortgage notes payable with borrowings outstanding of approximately \$60.4 million compared to \$19.8 million at September 30, 2010. In addition the Company generated interest expense in 2011 from borrowings under its term loan and credit facility which had borrowings outstanding of approximately \$140.1 million at September 30, 2011. The Company did not have any term loan or credit facility debt outstanding during the nine months ended September 30, 2010.

### **Critical Accounting Policies**

Critical accounting policies are those that are both important to the presentation of the Company's financial condition and results of operations and require management's most difficult, complex or subjective judgments. Set forth below is a summary of the accounting policies that management believes are critical to the preparation of the consolidated financial statements. This summary should be read in conjunction with the more complete discussion of our accounting policies included in Note 1 to the Company's consolidated financial statements.

### **Revenue Recognition**

The Company records base rents on a straight-line basis over the term of each lease. The excess of rents recognized over amounts contractually due pursuant to the underlying leases is included in tenant and other receivables on the accompanying consolidated balance sheets. Most leases contain provisions that require tenants to reimburse a pro-rata share of real estate taxes and certain common area expenses. Adjustments are also made throughout the year to tenant and other receivables and the related cost recovery income based upon our best estimate of the final amounts to be billed and collected. In addition, the Company also provides an allowance for future credit losses in connection with the deferred straight-line rent receivable.

### **Allowance for Doubtful Accounts**

The allowance for doubtful accounts is established based on a quarterly analysis of the risk of loss on specific accounts. The analysis places particular emphasis on past-due accounts and considers information such as the nature and age of the receivables, the payment history of the tenants or other debtors, the financial condition of the tenants and any guarantors and management's assessment of their ability to meet their lease obligations, the basis for any disputes and the status of related negotiations, among other things. Management's estimates of the required allowance is subject to revision as these factors change and is sensitive to the effects of economic and market conditions on tenants, particularly those at retail properties. Estimates are used to establish reimbursements from tenants for common area maintenance, real estate tax and insurance costs. The Company analyzes the balance of its estimated accounts receivable for real estate taxes, common area maintenance and insurance for each of its properties by comparing actual recoveries versus actual expenses and any actual write-offs. Based on its analysis, the Company may record an additional amount in our allowance for doubtful accounts related to these items. In addition, the Company also provides an allowance for future credit losses in connection with the deferred straight-line rent receivable.

### **Real Estate**

Land, buildings, property improvements, furniture/fixtures and tenant improvements are recorded at cost. Expenditures for maintenance and repairs are charged to operations as incurred. Renovations and/or replacements, which improve or extend the life of the asset, are capitalized and depreciated over their estimated useful lives.

Upon the acquisition of real estate properties, the fair value of the real estate purchased is allocated to the acquired tangible assets (consisting of land, buildings and improvements), and acquired intangible assets and liabilities (consisting of above-market and below-market leases and acquired in-place leases). The fair value of the tangible assets of an acquired property is determined by valuing the property as if it were vacant, which value is then allocated to land, buildings and improvements based on management's determination of the relative fair values of these assets. In valuing an acquired property's intangibles, factors considered by management include an estimate of carrying costs during the expected lease-up periods, and estimates of lost rental revenue during the expected lease-up periods based on its evaluation of current market demand. Management also estimates costs to execute similar leases, including leasing commissions, tenant improvements, legal and other related costs.

The value of in-place leases is measured by the excess of (i) the purchase price paid for a property after adjusting existing in-place leases to market rental rates, over (ii) the estimated fair value of the property as if vacant. Above-market and below-market lease values are recorded based on the present value (using a discount rate which reflects the risks associated with the leases acquired) of the difference between the contractual amounts to be received and management's estimate of market lease rates, measured over the terms of the respective leases that management deemed appropriate at the time of acquisition. Such valuations include a consideration of the non-cancellable terms of the respective leases as well as any applicable renewal periods. The fair values associated with below-market rental renewal options are determined based on the Company's experience and the relevant facts and circumstances that existed at the time of the acquisitions. The value of the above-market and below-market leases associated with the original lease term is amortized to rental income, over the terms of the respective leases. The value of below-market rental lease renewal options is deferred until such time as the renewal option is exercised and subsequently amortized over the corresponding renewal period. The value of in-place leases are amortized to expense, and the above-market and below-market lease values are amortized to rental income, over the remaining non-cancellable terms of the respective leases. If a lease were to be terminated prior to its stated expiration, all unamortized amounts relating to that lease would be recognized in operations at that time. The Company will record a bargain purchase gain if it determines that the purchase price for the acquired assets was less than the fair value. The Company will record a liability in situations where any part of the cash consideration is deferred. The amounts payable in the future are discounted to their present value. The liability is subsequently re-measured to fair value with changes in fair value recognized in the consolidated statements of operations. If, up to one year from the acquisition date, information regarding fair value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed is received and estimates are refined, appropriate property adjustments are made to the purchase price allocation on a retrospective basis.

The Company is required to make subjective assessments as to the useful life of its properties for purposes of determining the amount of depreciation. These assessments have a direct impact on its net income.

Properties are depreciated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

Buildings	39-40 years
Property Improvements	10-20 years
Furniture/Fixtures	3-10 years
Tenant Improvements	Shorter of lease term or their useful life

#### **Asset Impairment**

On a continuous basis, management reviews long-lived assets for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. A property value is considered impaired when management's estimate of current and projected operating cash flows (undiscounted and without interest) of the property over its remaining useful life is less than the net carrying value of the property. Such cash flow projections consider factors such as expected future operating income, trends and prospects, as well as the effects of demand, competition and other factors. To the extent impairment has occurred, the loss is measured as the excess of the net carrying amount of the property over the fair value of the asset. Changes in estimated future cash flows due to changes in our plans or market and economic conditions could result in recognition of impairment losses which could be substantial. Management does not believe that the value of its rental properties is impaired at September 30, 2011.

The Company reviews its investments in its unconsolidated joint ventures for impairment periodically and the Company would record an impairment charge when events or circumstances change indicating that a decline in the fair values below the carrying values has occurred and such decline is other-than temporary. The ultimate realization of the Company's investment in its unconsolidated joint ventures is dependent on a number of factors, including the performance of each investment and market conditions. Management does not believe that the value of its unconsolidated joint ventures is impaired at September 30, 2011.



### **REIT Qualification Requirements**

The Company has elected to qualify to be taxed as a REIT under the Code, commencing with its taxable year ended December 31, 2010. The Company believes that it has been organized and it intends to operate in a manner that will allow it to qualify for taxation as a REIT under the Code commencing with our taxable year ended December 31, 2010. Qualification and taxation as a REIT depend on the Company's ability to meet, on a continuing basis, through actual operating results, distribution levels, and diversity of stock ownership, various qualification requirements imposed upon REITs by the Code. In addition, the Company's ability to qualify as a REIT may depend in part upon the operating results, organizational structure and entity classification for U.S. federal income tax purposes of certain entities in which the Company invest. The Company's ability to qualify as a REIT for a particular year also requires that it satisfies certain asset and income tests during such year, some of which depend upon the fair market values of assets directly or indirectly owned by the Company. Such values may not be susceptible to a precise determination. Accordingly, no assurance can be given that the actual results of it has operations for any taxable year will satisfy such requirements for qualification and taxation as a REIT.

#### Liquidity and Capital Resources

Liquidity is a measure of the Company's ability to meet potential cash requirements, including ongoing commitments to repay borrowings, fund and maintain our assets and operations make distributions to the Company's stockholders and other general business needs. The Company funds operating expenses and other short-term liquidity requirements, including debt service, tenant improvements, leasing commissions and common dividend distributions, if made, primarily from operations. The Company expects to fund long-term liquidity requirements for property acquisitions, development, capital improvements through a combination of issuing and/or assuming mortgage debt and the sale of equity securities.

The Company has an unsecured credit facility with several banks. The credit facility provides for borrowings of up to \$175.0 million with a letter of credit sub-limit of up to 20% of the then-current aggregate commitments and contains an accordion feature, which allows the Company to increase the facility amount up to an aggregate of \$300.0 million subject to commitments and other conditions, including the lenders' consent. The facility has an initial maturity date of September 20, 2014, subject to a one-year extension option, which may be exercised by the Company upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

The Company also has a term loan with several banks. The term loan provides for borrowings of up to \$110.0 million and contains an accordion feature, which allows the Company to increase the term loan amount up to an aggregate of \$175.0 million subject to commitments and other conditions, including the lenders' consent. The term loan has a maturity date of September 20, 2015.

Borrowings under the credit facility and term loan agreements bear interest on the outstanding principal amount at a rate equal to, prior to such time as the Company has obtained an investment grade rating from at least two rating agencies, an applicable rate based on the consolidated leverage ratio of the Company and its subsidiaries, plus, as applicable, (i) a LIBOR rate determined by reference to the cost of funds for Dollar deposits for the relevant period (the "Eurodollar Rate"), or (ii) a base rate determined by reference to the highest of (a) the federal funds rate plus 0.50%, (b) the rate of interest announced by KeyBank National Association as its "prime rate," and (c) the Eurodollar Rate plus 1.00% (the "Base Rate"). From and after the time the Company obtains an investment grade rating from at least two rating agencies, borrowings under the agreements will bear interest on the outstanding principal amount at a rate equal to an applicable rate based on the credit rating level of the Company, plus, as applicable, (i) the Eurodollar Rate, or (ii) the Base Rate. Under the credit facility agreement, the Company is obligated to pay (i) prior to such time as the Company has obtained an investment grade rating from at least two rating agencies, an unused fee of (a) 0.35% if the total outstanding principal amount is less than 50% of the aggregate commitments or (b) 0.25% if the total outstanding principal amount is greater than or equal to 50% of the aggregate commitments, (ii) from and after such time as the Company has obtained an investment grade rating from at least two rating agencies, a facility fee at a facility fee rate based on the credit rating level of the Company, and (iii) a fronting fee at a rate of 0.125% per year with respect to each letter of credit issued under the credit facility agreement. The agreements contain certain representations, financial and other covenants typical for these types of facilities. The Company's ability to borrow under the agreements is subject to its compliance with

As of September 30, 2011 the Company had outstanding on the credit facility and term loan approximately \$30.1 million and \$110.0 million, respectively, with an average interest rate of 1.99%. The Company has approximately \$144.9 million available to borrow under the credit facility at September 30, 2011.

While the Company generally intends to hold its target assets as long term investments, certain of its investments may be sold in order to manage its interest rate risk and liquidity needs, meet other operating objectives and adapt to market conditions. The timing and impact of future sales of our investments, if any, cannot be predicted with any certainty.

Potential future sources of capital include proceeds from the sale of real estate or real estate-related debt investments, proceeds from secured or unsecured financings from banks or other lenders and undistributed funds from operations. In addition, we anticipate raising additional capital from future equity financings and if the value of our common stock exceeds the exercise price of our warrants through the sale of common stock to the holders of our warrants from time to time.

The Company had the following sources of net cash flows from operating, financing and investing activities:

### **Operating Activities:**

Net cash flows provided by operating activities amounted to \$13.8 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2011, compared to \$3,377 in the comparable period of 2010. Operating cash flows increased in 2011 primarily due to an increase in operating income from owned properties of approximately \$18.1 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2010. This increase resulted from a significant increase in the Company's portfolio after September 30, 2010. As of September 30, 2011, the Company owned 29 properties and had an equity interest in three joint ventures. As of September 30, 2010, the Company owned 14 properties and had an equity interest in two joint ventures. Partially offsetting this increase was an increase in interest expense of approximately \$3.6 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2011, compared to the comparable period a year ago due to higher borrowing amounts in 2011 as compared to 2010.

#### **Investing Activities:**

Net cash flows used by investing activities amounted to \$205.3 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2011, compared to \$197.5 million in the comparable period in 2010. During the nine months ended September 30, 2011, the Company acquired nine properties and a mortgage notes receivable for a total acquisition price of \$200.1 million. During the comparable period in 2010 the Company acquired 14 properties, entered into an unconsolidated joint venture and acquired a mortgage note receivable for a total acquisition price of approximately \$192.3 million.

### **Financing Activities:**

Net cash flows provided by financing activities amounted to \$115.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2011, compared to cash flows used in financing activities of \$5.0 million in the comparable period in 2010. During the nine months ended September 30, 2011, the Company received proceeds of \$140.1 million from borrowings on its term loan and credit facility to partially finance property and mortgage notes receivable acquisitions. Offsetting this increase was a payment that the Company made to pay-off a mortgage in the amount of approximately \$11.9 million that encumbered one of its properties. In addition, the Company paid dividends to common stockholders of approximately \$11.3 million. Dividends of approximately \$5.1 million were paid during the nine months ended September 30, 2010.

#### **Contractual Obligations**

The following table presents certain contractual obligations of the company as of September 30, 2011.

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Thereafter	Total
Contractual obligations:							
Long-term debt principal payments <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 277,723	\$ 7,806,011	\$ 918,002	\$14,005,677	\$ 28,579,986	\$ 6,788,772	\$ 58,376,171
Term Loan			—	—	110,000,000		110,000,000
Credit Facility				30,110,258			30,110,258
Earn-out obligations to the sellers of							
properties	—		3,775,954	—	_		3,775,954
Operating lease obligations	50,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	10,800,000	11,650,000
Total	\$ 327,723	\$ 8,006,011	\$ 4,893,956	\$44,315,935	\$138,779,986	\$17,588,772	\$213,912,383

(1) Does not include Mortgage premium of \$2.1 million.

As of September 30, 2011, the Company did not have any capital lease obligations or purchase obligations. Upon consummation of the Framework Transactions, the Company entered into a Transitional Shared Facilities and Services Agreement with NRDC Real Estate Advisors, LLC, pursuant to which NRDC Real Estate Advisors, LLC provides the Company with access to, among other things, their information technology and office space. The Company pays NRDC Real Estate Advisors, LLC a monthly fee of \$7,500 pursuant to the Transitional Shared Facilities and Services Agreement.

In May 2010, the Company entered into a Shared Facilities and Service Agreement, effective January 1, 2010, with an officer of the Company. Pursuant to the Shared Facilities and Service Agreement, the Company is provided the use of office space and other resources for a monthly fee of \$1,938.

In August 2011, the Company entered into a lease agreement effective July 1, 2011, with an officer of the Company. Pursuant to the lease agreement, the Company is provided the use of storage space for a monthly fee of \$395.

#### **Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

The Company's investments in unconsolidated joint ventures are off-balance sheet investments. These unconsolidated joint ventures are accounted for under the equity method of accounting as the Company has the ability to exercise significant influence, but not control the operating and financial decisions of these investments. The Company's off-balance sheet arrangements are more fully discussed in Note 2, "Real Estate Investments," in the accompanying consolidated financial statements.

### **Real Estate Taxes**

The Company's leases generally require the tenants to be responsible for a pro rata portion of the real estate taxes.

### Inflation

Our leases at wholly-owned and consolidated partnership properties generally provide for either indexed escalators, based on the Consumer Price Index or other measures or, to a lesser extent, fixed increases in base rents. The leases also contain provisions under which the tenants reimburse us for a portion of property operating expenses and real estate taxes. The revenues collected from leases are generally structured as described above, with year over year increases. We believe that inflationary increases in expenses will be offset, in part, by the contractual rent increases and tenant expense reimbursements described above.

### **Leverage Policies**

The Company intends, when appropriate, to employ prudent amounts of leverage and use debt as a means of providing additional funds for the acquisition of its target assets and the diversification of its portfolio. As of September 30, 2011, the Company had \$110.0 million of borrowings outstanding on its term loan and \$30.1 million outstanding on its credit facility. The term loan provides for borrowings of up to \$110.0 million and contains an accordion feature that allows the Company the ability to increase the facility amount up to \$175.0 million subject to commitments and other conditions, including the lenders' consent. The credit facility provides for borrowings of up to \$175.0 million with a letter of credit sub-limit of up to 20% of the then-current aggregate commitments and other conditions, including the lenders' consent. The Company's ability to increase the facility agreements is subject to its compliance with the covenants and other restrictions on an ongoing basis. The Company was in compliance with such covenants at September 30, 2011. The Company intends to continue to use traditional forms of financing, including mortgage financing, term loans and credit facilities. In connection with the acquisition of properties, the Company may assume all or a portion of the existing debt on such properties. In addition, the Company may acquire retail property indirectly through joint ventures with third parties as a means of increasing the funds available for the acquisition of properties.

The Company may borrow on a non-recourse basis or at the corporate level or operating partnership level. Non-recourse indebtedness means the indebtedness of the borrower or its subsidiaries is secured only by specific assets without recourse to other assets of the borrower or any of its subsidiaries. Even with non-recourse indebtedness, however, a borrower or its subsidiaries will likely be required to guarantee against certain breaches of representations and warranties such as those relating to the absence of fraud, misappropriation, misapplication of funds, environmental conditions and material misrepresentations. Because non-recourse financing generally restricts the lender's claim on the assets of the borrower, the lender generally may only proceed against the asset securing the debt. This protects the Company's other assets.

The Company plans to evaluate each investment opportunity and determine the appropriate leverage on a case-by-case basis and also on a Company-wide basis. The Company may seek to refinance indebtedness, such as when a decline in interest rates makes it beneficial to prepay an existing mortgage, when an existing mortgage matures or if an attractive investment becomes available and the proceeds from the refinancing can be used to purchase the investment. In the future, the Company may also seek to raise further equity capital or issue debt securities in order to fund its future investments.

### Dividends

The Company intends to make regular quarterly distributions to holders of its common stock. U.S. federal income tax law generally requires that a REIT distribute annually at least 90% of its REIT taxable income, without regard to the deduction for dividends paid and excluding net capital gains, and that it pay U.S. federal income tax at regular corporate rates to the extent that it annually distributes less than 100% of its net taxable income. The Company intends to pay regular quarterly dividends to its stockholders in an amount not less than its net taxable income, if and to the extent authorized by the Company's board of directors. If the Company's cash available for distribution is less than its net taxable income, it could be required to sell assets or borrow funds to make cash distributions or the Company's may make a portion of the required distribution in the form of a taxable stock distribution or distribution of debt securities.

### **Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements**

See Note 1 to the accompanying consolidated financial statements.

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

The Company's primary market risk exposure is to changes in interest rates related to its debt. There is inherent rollover risk for borrowings as they mature and are renewed at current market rates. The extent of this risk is not quantifiable or predictable because of the variability of future interest rates and the Company's future financing requirements.

As of September 30, 2011, the Company had \$140.1 million of variable-rate debt outstanding and \$30.1 million of fixed-rate debt outstanding.

As of September 30, 2011, the Company has primarily used fixed-rate debt and three forward starting interest rate swaps to manage its interest rate risk. See the discussion under Note 8 of the accompanying consolidated financial statements for certain quantitative details related to the interest rate swaps. The Company entered into three forward starting interest rate swaps in order to economically hedge against the risk of rising interest rates that would affect the Company's interest expense related to its future anticipated debt issuances as part of its overall borrowing program. The sensitivity analysis table presented below shows the estimated instantaneous parallel shift in the yield curve up and down by 50 and 100 basis points, respectively, on the clean market value of its interest rate derivatives as of September 30, 2011, exclusive of non-performance risk.

Less 100 basis								Se	eptember 30, 2011	I	ncrease 50 basis	Increase 100 basis			
S	wap Notional	points point		points	Value			points	points						
\$	25M	\$	(6,218,780)	\$	(4,950,225)	\$	(3,728,125)	\$	(2,564,983)	\$	(1,854,282)				
\$	50M	\$	(8,452,278)	\$	(6,697,028)	\$	(4,981,727)	\$	(3,335,408)	\$	(1,746,506)				
\$	50M	\$	(8,174,785)	\$	(6,223,713)	\$	(4,431,922)	\$	(2,723,817)	\$	(1,084,483)				

See Note 8 of the accompanying consolidated financial statements for a discussion on how the Company values derivative financial instruments. The Company calculates the value of its interest rate swaps based upon the present value of the future cash flows expected to be paid and received on each leg of the swap. The cash flows on the fixed leg of the swap are agreed to at inception and the cash flows on the floating leg of a swap change over time as interest rates change. To estimate the floating cash flows at each valuation date, the Company utilizes a forward curve which is constructed using LIBOR fixings, Eurodollar futures, and swap rates, which are observable in the market. Both the fixed and floating legs' cash flows are discounted at market discount factors. For purposes of adjusting its derivative valuations, the Company incorporates the nonperformance risk for both itself and its counterparties to these contracts based upon management's estimates of credit spreads, credit default swap spreads (if available) or Moody's KMV ratings in order to derive a curve that considers the term structure of credit.

As a corporation that has elected to qualify as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes, commencing with its taxable year ended December 31, 2010, the Company's future income, cash flows and fair values relevant to financial instruments are dependent upon prevailing market interest rates. Market risk refers to the risk of loss from adverse changes in market prices and interest rates. The Company will be exposed to interest rate changes primarily as a result of long-term debt used to acquire properties and make real estate-related debt investments. The Company's interest rate risk management objectives will be to limit the impact of interest rate changes on earnings and cash flows and to lower overall borrowing costs. To achieve these objectives, the Company expects to borrow primarily at fixed rates or variable rates with the lowest margins available and, in some cases, with the ability to convert variable rates to fixed rates. In addition, the Company uses derivative financial instruments to manage interest rate risk. The Company will not use derivatives for trading or speculative purposes and will only enter into contracts with major financial institutions based on their credit rating and other factors. Currently, the Company uses three interest rate swaps to manage its interest rate risk. See Note 8 of the accompanying consolidated financial statements.

### Item 4. Controls and Procedures

The Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, based on their evaluation of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act) required by paragraph (b) of Rule 13a-15 or Rule 15d-15, have concluded that as of the end of the period covered by this report, the Company's disclosure controls and procedures were effective to give reasonable assurances to the timely collection, evaluation and disclosure of information relating to the Company that would potentially be subject to disclosure under the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

During the three months ended September 30, 2011, there was no change in the Company's internal control over financial reporting that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

## PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

## Item 1. Legal Proceedings

We are not involved in any material litigation nor, to our knowledge, are any material litigation pending or threatened against us, other than routine litigation arising out of the ordinary course of business or which is expected to be covered by insurance and not expected to harm our business, financial condition or results of operations.

### Item 1A. Risk Factors

See our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010. There have been no significant changes to our risk factors during the three months ended September 30, 2011.

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

We did not sell any equity securities during the three months ended September 30, 2011 that were not registered under the Securities Act.

## Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities

None.

# Item 4. (Removed and Reserved)

### Item 5. Other Information

None.

### Item 6. Exhibits

- 3.1 Articles of Amendment and Restatement of Retail Opportunity Investments Corp., a Maryland corporation.<sup>(1)</sup>
- 3.2 Bylaws of Retail Opportunity Investments Corp., a Maryland corporation.<sup>(1)</sup>
- 3.3 Articles of Merger between Retail Opportunity Investments Corp., a Delaware corporation, and Retail Opportunity Investments Corp., a Maryland corporation, as survivor, as filed with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of Maryland on June 2, 2011.<sup>(1)</sup>
- 4.1 Specimen Unit Certificate.<sup>(2)</sup>
- 4.2 Specimen Warrant Certificate.<sup>(2)</sup>
- 4.4 Form of Warrant Agreement between Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company NRDC Acquisition Corp.<sup>(3)</sup>
- 4.5 Supplement and Amendment to Warrant Agreement by and between NRDC Acquisition Corp. and Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company, dated as of October 20, 2009.<sup>(2)</sup>
- 10.1 Credit Agreement, dated as of September 20, 2011, among Retail Opportunity Investments Partnership, LP, as the Borrower, Retail Opportunity Investments Corp., as the Parent Guarantor, certain subsidiaries of the Parent Guarantor identified therein, as the Subsidiary Guarantors, KeyBank National Association, as Administrative Agent and L/C Issuer, Bank of America, N.A., as the Syndication Agent, PNC Bank, National Association and U.S. Bank National Association, as Co-Documentation Agents, and the other lenders party thereto.<sup>(4)</sup>
- 10.2 Term Loan Agreement, dated as of September 20, 2011, among Retail Opportunity Investments Partnership, LP, as the Borrower, Retail Opportunity Investments Corp., as the Parent Guarantor, certain subsidiaries of the Parent Guarantor identified therein, as the Subsidiary Guarantors, KeyBank National Association, as Administrative Agent, Bank of America, N.A., as the Syndication Agent, PNC Bank, National Association and U.S. Bank National Association, as Co-Documentation Agents, and the other lenders party thereto.<sup>(4)</sup>
- 31.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 31.2 Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 32.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer 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.
- 101. INS XBRL Instance Document
- 101. SCH XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema
- 101. CAL XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Database
- 101. DEF Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase
- 101. LAB XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase
- 101. PRE XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase

<sup>(1)</sup> Incorporated by reference to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on June 3, 2011.

<sup>(2)</sup> Incorporated by reference to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on October 26, 2009.

<sup>(3)</sup> Incorporated by reference to the Company's registration statement on Form S-1/A filed on September 7, 2007 (File No. 333-144871).

<sup>(4)</sup> Incorporated by reference to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on September 26, 2011.

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### SIGNATURES

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

RETAIL OPPORTUNITY INVESTMENTS CORP. Registrant

Date: November 4, 2011

Date: November 4, 2011

<u>/s/ Stuart A. Tanz</u> Stuart A. Tanz President and Chief Executive Officer

<u>/s/ John B. Roche</u> John B. Roche *Chief Financial Officer* 

I, Stuart A. Tanz, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Retail Opportunity Investments Corp.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 4, 2011

By:<u>/s/ Stuart A. Tanz</u> Name: Stuart A. Tanz Title: Chief Executive Officer I, John B. Roche, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Retail Opportunity Investments Corp.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 4, 2011

By:<u>/s/ John B. Roche</u> Name: John B. Roche Title: Chief Financial Officer

### Certification of Chief Executive Officer 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

The undersigned, the Chief Executive Officer of Retail Opportunity Investments Corp. (the "Company"), hereby certifies to the best of his knowledge on the date hereof, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 1350(a), as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2011 (the "Form 10-Q"), filed concurrently herewith by the Company, fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and that the information contained in the Form 10-Q fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: November 4, 2011

By:<u>/s/ Stuart A. Tanz</u> Name: Stuart A. Tanz Title: Chief Executive Officer

The undersigned, the Chief Financial Officer of Retail Opportunity Investments Corp. (the "Company"), hereby certifies to the best of his knowledge on the date hereof, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 1350(a), as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2011 (the "Form 10-Q"), filed concurrently herewith by the Company, fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and that the information contained in the Form 10-Q fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: November 4, 2011

By:<u>/s/ John B. Roche</u> Name: John B. Roche Title: Chief Financial Officer

Pursuant to the Securities and Exchange Commission Release 33-8238, dated June 5, 2003, this certification is being furnished and shall not be deemed filed by the Company for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or incorporated by reference in any registration statement of the Company filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to the Company and will be retained by the Company and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.