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Prospectus Supplement  
(To Prospectus dated November 28, 2008)

VENTAS, INC.

DISTRIBUTION REINVESTMENT AND STOCK PURCHASE PLAN

This prospectus supplement supplements the prospectus of Ventas, Inc. dated November 28, 2008, as previously supplemented on December 7, 2009 (which we refer to herein as the prospectus), relating to Ventas, Inc.'s Distribution Reinvestment and Stock Purchase Plan. You should read this prospectus supplement in conjunction with the prospectus. This prospectus supplement is qualified in its entirety by reference to the prospectus, except to the extent the information in this prospectus supplement supersedes the information contained in the prospectus. Capitalized terms used in this prospectus supplement and not otherwise defined herein have the meanings specified in the prospectus.

This prospectus supplement contains a revised Schedule A to the prospectus. The revised Schedule A to the prospectus restates in its entirety the Schedule A previously included as part of the prospectus. The revised Schedule A sets forth the expected dates relating to common share distribution reinvestments and optional cash payments under the Plan for 2011, as such dates are described in the prospectus.

The date of this Prospectus Supplement is December 6, 2010.

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**SCHEDULE A**  
**2011**  
**COMMON SHARE DISTRIBUTION REINVESTMENTS<sup>1</sup>**

<b>Discount Set Date</b>	<b>Record Date</b>	<b>Investment Date<sup>2</sup></b>
March 8	March 11	March 31
June 7	June 10	June 30
September 6	September 9	September 30
December 13	December 16	December 30

**OPTIONAL CASH PAYMENTS**

<b>Threshold Price and Discount Set Date</b>	<b>Record Date and Optional Cash Payment Due Date</b>	<b>Pricing Period Commencement Date</b>	<b>Pricing Period Conclusion Date<sup>3</sup></b>
January 3	January 6	January 7	January 25
February 1	February 4	February 7	February 23
March 1	March 4	March 7	March 22
April 1	April 6	April 7	April 25
May 2	May 5	May 6	May 23
June 1	June 6	June 7	June 22
July 1	July 7	July 8	July 25
August 1	August 4	August 5	August 22
September 1	September 7	September 8	September 23
October 3	October 6	October 7	October 24
November 1	November 4	November 7	November 22
December 1	December 6	December 7	December 22

<sup>1</sup> The dates indicated are those expected to be applicable under the Plan with respect to future distributions, if and when declared by the Board of Directors. The actual record and distribution payment dates will be determined by the Board of Directors.

<sup>2</sup> The investment date (and

pricing date)  
with respect to  
shares of  
common stock  
purchased  
directly from us  
will be the  
distribution  
payment date  
declared by the  
Board of  
Directors. The  
investment date  
with respect to  
shares of  
common stock  
purchased on  
the open market  
will typically be  
the distribution  
payment date,  
but will be no  
later than ten  
business days  
following the  
distribution  
payment date.  
See Question  
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- 3 The pricing  
period  
conclusion date  
is also the  
investment date  
with respect to  
optional cash  
payments of  
\$5,000 or less.

#### NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE HOLIDAYS

	2011
New Year's Day	January 17
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	February 21
Washington's Birthday/Presidents' Day	February 21
Good Friday	April 22
Memorial Day	May 30
Independence Day	July 4
Labor Day	September 5
Thanksgiving Day	November 24
Christmas	December 26 (observed)

