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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Doman Timothy A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 VENTAS INC [VTR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 10350 ORMSBY PARK PLACE,
 SUITE 300

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 10/03/2007

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)

Sr. V.P., Asset Management

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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LOUISVILLE, KY 40223

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Common Stock | 10/03/2007 | | M | | 3,406 | A | \$ 30.83 |
| Common Stock | 10/03/2007 | | M | | 2,500 | A | \$ 23.47 |
| Common Stock | 10/03/2007 | | M | | 1,770 | A | \$ 25.44 |
| Common Stock | 10/03/2007 | | S | | 7,676 | D | \$ 44.16 |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 449 |
| | | | | | | I | By Trust |

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

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

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 30.83 | 10/03/2007 | | M | 3,406 | 01/27/2006 ⁽²⁾ 01/27/2016 | Common Stock | 3,406 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 23.47 | 10/03/2007 | | M | 2,500 | 01/14/2005 ⁽³⁾ 01/14/2014 | Common Stock | 2,500 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 25.44 | 10/03/2007 | | M | 1,770 | 01/21/2006 ⁽⁴⁾ 01/21/2015 | Common Stock | 1,770 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|----------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Doman Timothy A 10350 ORMSBY PARK PLACE, SUITE 300 LOUISVILLE, KY 40223 | | | Sr. V.P., Asset Management | |

Signatures

Timothy A. Doman, By: T. Richard Riney, Attorney-In-Fact 10/05/2007

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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- (1) Includes 70.258 shares acquired under the Ventas Employee and Director Stock Purchase Plan between July 3, 2007 and October 2, 2007.
- (2) These options were part of a previously reported grant of 5,109 on January 27, 2006 by the Issuer to the Reporting Person that vest in three equal installments beginning on January 27, 2006.
- (3) These options vested on January 14, 2007 and were part of a previously reported grant on January 14, 2004 by the Issuer to the Reporting Person.
- (4) These options vested on January 21, 2007 and were part of a previously reported grant on January 21, 2005 by the Issuer to the Reporting Person.
- (5) Represents total number of unexercised stock options held by the Reporting Person as of October 3, 2007.

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