

Cogdell Spencer Inc.  
Form 10-K  
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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 20549  
FORM 10-K**

**ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES  
EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010**

**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 001-32649**

**COGDELL SPENCER INC.**

*(Exact name of registrant as specified in our charter)*

**Maryland**

*(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)*

**20-3126457**

*(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)*

**4401 Barclay Downs Drive, Suite 300**

**Charlotte, North Carolina**

*(Address of principal executive offices)*

**28209**

*(Zip code)*

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code:**

**(704) 940-2900**

**Securities Registered Pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:**

**Title of Each Class**

**Name of Exchange on Which Registered**

**Common Stock, \$0.01 par value**

**New York Stock Exchange**

**8.5000% Series A Cumulative Redeemable**

**New York Stock Exchange**

**Perpetual Preferred Stock**

**Securities Registered Pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:**

**None**

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act.

Yes  No

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act.

Yes  No

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  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on our corporate Website, 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  No

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Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment of this Form 10-K.

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. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer   
(Do not check if a smaller  
reporting company)

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

The aggregate market value of the common equity held by non-affiliates of the registrant as of June 30, 2010, the last business day of the registrant's most recently completed second fiscal quarter, was \$319,093,382 (based on the closing sale price of the registrant's common stock on that date as reported on the New York Stock Exchange).

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock as of the latest practicable date: 51,034,926 shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, outstanding as of March 9, 2011.

**DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE**

Portions of the registrant's definitive proxy statement for the registrant's 2011 Annual Meeting, to be filed within 120 days after the registrant's fiscal year, are incorporated by reference into Part III of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

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**Statements Regarding Forward-Looking Information**

*When used in this discussion and elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K, the words believes, anticipates, projects, should, estimates, expects, and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements with 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 Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Actual results may differ materially due to uncertainties including the following:*

our business strategy;

our ability to comply with financial covenants in our debt instruments;

our access to capital;

our ability to obtain future financing arrangements, including refinancing existing arrangements;

estimates relating to our future distributions;

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our understanding of our competition;

our ability to renew our ground leases;

legislative and regulatory changes (including changes to laws governing the taxation of REITs and individuals);

increases in costs of borrowing as a result of changes in interest rates;

our ability to maintain our qualification as a REIT due to economic, market, legal, or tax considerations;

changes in the reimbursement available to our tenants by government or private payors;

our tenants' ability to make rent payments;

defaults by tenants and customers;

access to financing by customers;

delays in project starts and cancellations by customers;

our ability to convert design-build project opportunities into new engagements for us;

market trends; and

projected capital expenditures.

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.

**PART I**

*In this Annual Report on Form 10-K, unless the context requires otherwise, all references to we, us, our, or Company, and Cogdell Spencer refer to Cogdell Spencer Inc. and its consolidated subsidiaries, including Cogdell Spencer LP, our operating partnership subsidiary (the Operating Partnership).*

**Item 1. Business**

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### **The Company**

Cogdell Spencer Inc. is a real estate investment trust ( REIT ) focused on planning, owning, developing, constructing, and managing healthcare facilities. We help our clients deliver superior healthcare through customized facilities, with high tenant satisfaction, and strategic management. We operate our business through the Operating Partnership and our subsidiaries.

Our growth strategy includes leveraging strategic relationships and our integrated platform for new developments, design-build construction projects for third parties, and off-market acquisitions. We also enter into development joint ventures with hospitals, physicians, and other partners.

We derive a majority of our revenues from two main sources: (1) rents received from tenants under leases in healthcare facilities; and (2) revenue earned from design-build construction contracts and development contracts.

Our property portfolio is stable with an occupancy rate of 90.6% as of December 31, 2010. We expect rental revenue to be stable due to leases with annual rental increases based on the Consumer Price Index ( CPI ). Generally, our property operating revenues and expenses have remained consistent over time except for growth due to property developments and property acquisitions. Our property management team provides a proactive, customer-focused service approach for tenants. We believe a strong internal property management capability is a vital component of our business, both for properties we own and for those that we manage. Strong internal property management enables us to control property operating costs, increase tenant satisfaction, reduce tenant turnover, and build business relationships.

Our portfolio consisted of 113 properties totaling approximately 5.9 million square feet as of December 31, 2010, comprised of the following:

- 65 consolidated wholly-owned and joint venture properties, comprising a total of approximately 3.6 million net rentable square feet, 90.6% leased;
- one wholly-owned property in the lease-up phase, comprising approximately 0.1 million net rentable square feet, 75% leased and income producing with the remaining 25.0% leased and under construction for a third quarter 2011 scheduled date of occupancy;
- three unconsolidated joint venture properties comprising a total of approximately 0.2 million net rentable square feet; and
- 44 properties managed for third party clients comprising a total of approximately 2.0 million net rentable square feet.

Approximately 77.4% of the net rentable square feet of our wholly-owned properties as of December 31, 2010, are located on hospital campuses. We believe that our assets occupy a premier franchise location in relation to local hospitals, providing our properties with a distinct competitive advantage over alternative medical office space in an area. We believe that our property locations and relationships with hospitals will allow us to capitalize on the increasing healthcare trend of outpatient procedures.

We have a national full-service planning, design and construction firm specializing in healthcare facilities. We provide fully integrated solutions to healthcare facilities throughout the United States, including planning, architecture, engineering, construction, materials management, manufacturing, capital and development services. We are a leading design-builder of healthcare facilities. Founded in 1951, we and our predecessors have a 59 year track record of and reputation for delivering healthcare facilities with appropriate design, longevity, sustainability and excellent operational efficiency. We maintain long-term trusted advisor status with physicians and physician groups nationwide. We have successfully cultivated a customer mix that is diversified in both geography and market focus and includes physician group practices and healthcare systems.

### **Our Taxable REIT Subsidiaries ( TRSs )**

We elected to be taxed as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes. To qualify as a REIT, a specified percentage of our gross income must be derived from real property sources, which would generally exclude our income from providing architectural, construction, development and property management services to third parties. To avoid realizing income would adversely affect our ability to qualify as a REIT, services such as architectural, construction, development, and property management are provided through our TRSs. The Operating Partnership has elected that our wholly owned and controlled Cogdell Spencer TRS Holdings, LLC and its subsidiaries (collectively TRS

Holdings ) be treated as TRSs.



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**Business and Growth Strategies**

Our primary business objective is to maximize total risk-adjusted return to our stockholders through growth in cash available for distribution and appreciation in the value of our assets. We believe that developing and maintaining customer relationships is critical to this objective.

***Operating Strategy***

Our operating strategy consists of the following principal elements:

*Strong Relationships with Physicians and Hospitals.*

Healthcare is fundamentally a local business. We have developed a reputation based on trust and reliability with physicians and hospitals. These relationships position us to secure new development projects and new property acquisition opportunities with both existing customers and prospective clients. Our strategy is to grow our portfolio by leveraging these relationships and our integrated platform to selectively develop new medical office buildings and healthcare facilities. We believe that physicians particularly value renting space from a trusted and reliable property owner providing an office environment meeting their specialized needs.

*Active Management of our Properties.*

We have developed a comprehensive approach to property management to maximize the operating performance of our medical office buildings and healthcare facilities, leading to high levels of tenant satisfaction. This fully-integrated property management enables us to provide high quality services on a cost-effective basis. Our operating efficiencies consistently exceed industry standards and control costs for tenants. We manage our properties to create an environment that supports successful medical practices. The properties are clean and conducive to the delivery of top-quality medical care. We believe prosperous tenants will maximize the value of our investments. Therefore, we are committed to maintaining our properties at the highest possible level.

*Preferred Locations.*

Approximately 77.4% of the net rentable square feet of our wholly-owned properties as of December 31, 2010, were on hospital campuses. On-campus properties are convenient for physician tenants and their patients and drive revenues for our physician-tenants. Many of these properties have a premier location in relation to the hospital, providing our properties with a distinct competitive advantage over alternative medical office space that are located farther away from the hospital. We have found that physician-tenants prefer convenience to a hospital campus, clean and attractive common areas, state-of-the-art amenities and tenant improvements tailored to each practice.

*Loyal and Diverse Tenant Base.*

A key component of our marketing and operating strategy is maintaining physician-tenant loyalty. A focus on physician-tenant loyalty and the involvement of the physician-tenants and hospitals as investors in our properties provides a stable and diversified tenant base. Our tenants are diversified by type of medical practice, medical specialty and sub-specialty. For the year ended December 31, 2010, no single tenant accounted for more than 6.9% of the annualized rental revenue at our consolidated properties.

*Differentiated Focus.*

We focus primarily on the ownership, development, redevelopment, acquisition, project delivery, and management of healthcare facilities in the United States of America. This focus allows us to own, develop, redevelop, acquire and manage healthcare facilities more effectively and profitably than our competition. Unlike many other public companies that simply engage in sale/leaseback arrangements in the healthcare real estate sector, we also operate our properties. We believe this focus enables us to achieve additional cash flow growth and appreciation in the value of our assets.

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***Development and Acquisition Strategy***

Our development and acquisition strategy consists of the following principal elements:

*Project delivery.*

Our project delivery teams focus on the development and design-build components of the integrated business model. We and our predecessor companies have developed and/or designed-built over 5,000 healthcare facilities including hospitals, medical office buildings, ambulatory surgery centers, wellness centers and multi-specialty clinics. We provide fully integrated healthcare real estate services including strategic planning, development, architecture, construction, and management. We have built strong relationships with leading healthcare systems desiring real estate solutions to support the growth of medical communities near their hospitals and regional medical centers. Our focus on healthcare facilities is a competitive advantage over less specialized developers. Further, our regional focus provides extensive local industry knowledge across the United States of America. We believe the network of relationships that we have fostered in both the real estate and healthcare industries provides access to substantial development and acquisitions opportunities.

*Selective Development and Acquisitions.*

We intend to continue to grow our portfolio of healthcare facilities by selectively acquiring existing healthcare facilities and developing new projects where needed.

*Develop and Maintain Strategic Relationships.*

We have strategic relationships with physicians, hospitals, not-for-profit agencies and other sponsors of healthcare services to enhance our franchise. We enter into joint ventures with individual physicians, physician groups, hospitals, and local healthcare facilities developers. These joint ventures are a source of development and acquisition opportunities. We offer potential physician-tenants the opportunity to invest in our properties to increase their commitment to the property in which they practice. We work closely with our tenants to cultivate long-term working relationships and to maximize new business opportunities. We carefully consider customer objectives and needs when evaluating an investment opportunity. We believe this philosophy builds long-term relationships and produces franchise locations otherwise unavailable to our competition.

*Investment Criteria and Financing.*

We intend to expand in our existing markets and enter into new markets meeting our investment criteria. We generally seek customers and assets in locations complementing our existing portfolio. We may selectively pursue portfolio opportunities outside of our existing markets that we believe will create incremental value, provide diversification, and economies of scale.

In assessing a potential development or acquisition opportunity, we focus on the economics of the local medical community and the strength of local hospitals, with an emphasis on projects on a hospital campus or in a strategic growth corridor.

Historically, we financed real property developments and acquisitions through joint ventures with equity provided by physician-tenants, local hospitals, or regional medical centers. In conjunction with maintaining our strategic relationships, we plan to continue entering into joint ventures with individual physicians, physician groups and hospitals.

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We have a \$150.0 million secured revolving credit facility (the Credit Facility ). As of December 31, 2010, we had cash and cash equivalents of approximately \$12.2 million and our Credit Facility had approximately \$96.9 million of available borrowings, which we can use to finance development and acquisition opportunities. We plan to finance future developments and acquisitions through a combination of cash, borrowings under the Credit Facility, traditional secured mortgage financing, and equity and debt offerings.

### **Business Segments**

We have two identified reportable segments: (1) Property Operations and (2) Design-Build and Development. We define business segments by their distinct customer base and service provided. Each segment operates under a separate management group and produces discrete financial information, which is reviewed by the chief operating decision maker to make resource allocation decisions and assess performance. Inter-segment sales and transfers are accounted for as if the sales and transfers were made to third parties, which involve applying a negotiated fee to the costs of the services performed. All inter-company balances and transactions are eliminated during the consolidation process.

Financial information concerning our business segments is presented in Note 6 to the accompanying Consolidated Financial Statements.

### **Regulation**

The following discussion describes certain material U.S. federal laws and regulations that may affect our operations and those of our tenants. However, the discussion does not address state healthcare laws and regulations, except as otherwise indicated. These state laws and regulations, like the U.S. federal healthcare laws and regulations, may affect our operations and those of our tenants.

The regulatory environment remains stringent for healthcare providers. The Stark Law and fraud and abuse statutes that regulate hospital and physician relationships continue to broaden the industry's awareness of the need for experienced real estate management. Requirements for Medicare coding, physician recruitment and referrals, outlier charges to commercial and government payors, and corporate governance have created a difficult operating environment for some hospitals. Also, the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act ( HITECH Act ), signed into law on February 17, 2009, expanded the extensive requirements related to the privacy and security of individually identifiable health information imposed by regulations issued pursuant to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ( HIPAA ) and contains enhanced enforcement provisions related to those requirements. In addition, the U.S. Congress enacted on March 23, 2010 the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act ( PPACA ) that was intended to have a significant impact on the delivery and reimbursement of healthcare items and services. PPACA is the subject of current repeal initiatives in the U.S. Congress. Further, PPACA is being challenged through lawsuits pending in several U.S. courts. Given this uncertainty, we cannot predict the impact that PPACA or future healthcare legislation may have on us, our business or our tenants.

As our properties and entities are not healthcare providers, the healthcare regulatory restrictions that apply to physician investment in healthcare providers are not applicable to the ownership interests held by physicians in our properties except as discussed below. For example, the Stark law generally prohibits physicians from referring patients to an entity if the physicians have a financial relationship with or ownership interest in the entity and the entity provides designated health services. The Stark law does not apply to physician ownership in our entities because these entities do not own or operate any healthcare providers, nor do they provide any designated health services. In addition, the Federal Anti-Kickback Statute, which generally prohibits payment or solicitation of remuneration in exchange for referrals for items and services covered by federal healthcare programs to persons in a position to refer such business, also does not apply to ownership in the existing property entities because they do not provide or bill for medical services of any kind. Similar state laws that prohibit physician self referrals or kickbacks also do not apply for the same reasons.

Although our properties and entities are not healthcare providers, certain federal healthcare regulatory restrictions could be implicated by ownership interests held by physicians in our property entities because the properties and entities may have both physician and hospital owners and such hospitals and physicians may have financial relationships apart from our properties and entities creating direct and indirect financial relationships subject to these laws and regulations. For example, under the Stark law discussed above, a physician and hospital ownership in one of

our entities may serve as a link in a chain of financial relationships connecting a physician and a hospital which must be analyzed by these parties for compliance with the requirements of the Stark law.

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Generally, healthcare facilities are subject to various laws, ordinances and regulations. Changes in any of these laws or regulations, such as the Comprehensive Environmental Response and Compensation Liability Act, increase the potential liability for environmental conditions or circumstances existing or created by tenants or others on the properties. In addition, laws affecting development, construction, operation, maintenance, safety and taxation requirements may result in significant unanticipated expenditures, loss of healthcare real estate property sites or other impairments to operations, which may adversely affect our cash flows from operating activities.

Under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ( ADA ), all places of public accommodation are required to meet certain U.S. federal requirements related to access and use by disabled persons. A number of additional U.S. federal, state and local laws also exist that may require modifications to properties, or restrict certain further renovations thereof, with respect to access thereto by disabled persons. Noncompliance with the ADA could result in the imposition of fines or an award of damages to private litigants and also could result in an order to correct any non-complying feature and in substantial capital expenditures. To the extent our properties are not in compliance, we may incur additional costs to comply with the ADA.

Property management activities are often subject to state real estate brokerage laws and regulations as determined by the particular real estate commission for each state.

In addition, state and local laws may regulate expansion, including the addition of new beds or services or acquisition of medical equipment, and the construction of healthcare facilities, by requiring a certificate of need, which is issued by the applicable state health planning agency only after that agency makes a determination that a need exists in a particular area for a particular service or facility, or other similar approval.

New laws and regulations, changes in existing laws and regulations, or changes in the interpretation of such laws or regulations could negatively affect the financial condition of our tenants. These changes, in some cases, could apply retroactively. The enactment, timing or effect of legislative or regulatory changes cannot be predicted. In addition, certain of our medical office buildings and healthcare facilities and their tenants may require licenses or certificates of need to operate. Failure to obtain a license or certificate of need, or loss of a required license would prevent a facility from operating in the manner intended by the tenants.

**Environmental Matters**

Pursuant to U.S. federal, state and local environmental laws and regulations, a current or previous owner or operator of real property may be required to investigate, remove and/or remediate a release of hazardous substances or other regulated materials at or emanating from a property. Further, under certain circumstances, owners or operators of real property may be held liable for property damage, personal injury and/or natural resource damage in connection with such releases. Certain of these laws have been interpreted to be joint and several unless the harm is divisible and there is a reasonable basis for allocation of responsibility. The failure to properly remediate the property may also adversely affect the owner's ability to lease, sell or rent the property or to borrow funds using the property as collateral.

In connection with the ownership, operation and management of our properties, we could be legally responsible for environmental liabilities or costs relating to a release of hazardous substances or other regulated materials at or emanating from such property. To assess potential for liability, we conduct an environmental assessment of each property prior to acquisition and manage our properties in accordance with environmental laws. All of our leases contain a comprehensive environmental provision that requires tenants to conduct all activities in compliance with environmental laws and to indemnify the owner for any harm caused by the failure to do so. In addition, we have engaged qualified and reputable environmental consulting firms to perform environmental site assessments of all of our properties. We are not aware of any environmental issues that are expected to materially impact the operations of any property.

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### **Insurance**

We maintain comprehensive liability, fire, flood, earthquake, wind (as deemed necessary or as required by our lenders), extended coverage, rental loss insurance, as well as commercial liability insurance, provided by reputable companies and with policy specifications, limits, and deductibles customarily carried for similar properties. Furthermore, we believe our businesses and assets are likewise adequately insured against casualty loss and third party liabilities. We actively manage the insurance component of the budget for each project. We engage a risk management consultant to assist with this process. Most of our leases provide that insurance premiums are considered part of the operating expenses of the respective property, and the tenants are therefore responsible for any increases in our premiums.

Our business activities may expose us to potential liability under various environmental laws and under workplace health and safety regulations. We are unable to predict these potential liabilities. We maintain a comprehensive general liability policy with an umbrella policy that covers losses beyond the general liability limits. We also maintain professional errors and omissions liability and contractor's pollution liability insurance policies in amounts that we believe are adequate coverage for our business.

We obtain insurance coverage through a broker experienced in the professional liability field. The broker and our risk manager regularly review the adequacy of our insurance coverage. Because there are various exclusions and retentions under the policies, or an insurance carrier may become insolvent, there can be no assurance that all potential liabilities will be covered by our insurance policies or paid by our carriers.

We evaluate the risk associated with claims. If there is a determination that a loss is probable and reasonably estimable, an appropriate reserve is established. A reserve is not established if we determine that a claim has no merit or is not probable or reasonably estimable. Partially or completely uninsured claims, if successful and of significant magnitude, may have a material adverse effect on our business.

### **Competition**

We compete in developing, acquiring, and leasing medical facilities with public and private real estate companies and investors. We believe we have a depth of knowledge and experience in working with physicians, hospitals, not-for-profit agencies, and other sponsors of healthcare services making us an attractive real estate partner.

The market for design-build services is generally highly competitive and fragmented. Our competitors are numerous, consisting mainly of small and regional private firms. We believe we are well positioned to compete in our markets because of our healthcare industry specialization, long-term client relationships, and integrated delivery of services.

### **Employees**

As of December 31, 2010, we had 398 employees. Our professionals perform property management, acquisitions, real estate development, architecture, engineering, construction management and materials management services. Less than 8% of our employees are covered by collective bargaining agreements, which are subject to amendment in November 2011, or by specific labor agreements, which expire upon completion of the relevant project. There are no material disagreements with employees and we consider the relationships with our employees to be favorable.

### **Equity Offerings**

In May and June 2010, we issued an aggregate of approximately 7.1 million shares of common stock, resulting in net proceeds to us of \$47.6 million. The net proceeds were used to fund development projects, reduce borrowings under the Credit Facility, and for working capital purposes.

In December 2010, we sold 2.6 million shares of our 8.500% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, raising net proceeds of approximately \$62.6 million. We used the net proceeds to repay in full the \$50.0 million outstanding balance under a senior secured term loan that was scheduled to mature in March 2011, to reduce borrowings under the Credit Facility, to fund build to suit development projects, and for working capital and other general corporate purposes.

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**Available Information**

We file our annual report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K, and all amendments to those reports with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). You may obtain copies of these documents by visiting the SEC's Public Reference Room at 100 F Street N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549, or by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. The SEC also maintains a Website (www.sec.gov) that contains reports, proxy and information statements, and other information regarding issuers that file electronically with the SEC. Our Website is www.cogdell.com. Our reports on Forms 10-K, 10-Q and 8-K, and all amendments to those reports are posted on our Website as soon as reasonably practicable after the reports and amendments are electronically filed with or furnished to the SEC. The contents of our Website are not incorporated by reference herein.

**Item 1A. Risk Factors**

*Many risk factors affect our business. The occurrence of a risk factor may reduce our operating income, decrease the value of our assets, diminishing our growth prospects, or impact access to and cost of capital. As a result, we may have reduced cash available for distribution and/or our share price may decline.*

**Risks Related to our Properties and Operations**

*Our real estate investments are concentrated in medical office buildings and healthcare facilities, making us more vulnerable economically than if our investments were diversified.*

As a REIT, we invest primarily in real estate. Within the real estate industry, we selectively own, develop, redevelop, acquire, and manage medical facilities. We are subject to risks inherent in concentrating investments in real estate. The risks resulting from a lack of diversification become even greater as a result of our business strategy to invest primarily in medical facilities. A downturn in the medical facilities industry or in the commercial real estate industry generally, could materially adversely affect the value of our properties. A downturn in the healthcare industry could negatively affect our tenants' ability to make rent payments to us, which may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations, and ability to make distributions to our stockholders. These adverse effects may be more pronounced than if we held a diverse portfolio of investments outside of real estate or outside of medical facilities.

***We depend on significant tenants.***

For the year ended December 31, 2010, our five largest tenants represented \$19.6 million, or 23.7%, of the annualized rent generated by our properties. Our five largest tenants based on annualized rents are Carolinas HealthCare System, Bon Secours St. Francis Hospital, Palmetto Health Alliance, Lancaster General Hospital, and Woodlands Medical. Our significant tenants, as well as other tenants, may experience a downturn in their businesses, which may weaken their financial condition and result in their failure to make timely rental payments or default under their leases. In the event of any tenant default, we may experience delays in enforcing our rights as landlord and may incur substantial costs in protecting our investment.

***The severely weakened economy, and other events or circumstances beyond our control, may adversely affect our industry, business, results of operations, contractual commitments, and access to capital.***

Continued uncertainty of the U.S. economy including inflation, deflation or stagflation, the systemic impact of increased unemployment, volatile energy costs, geopolitical issues, the availability and cost of credit, the U.S. mortgage market and a distressed real estate market have contributed to increased market volatility and business and consumer confidence. This difficult operating environment may adversely affect our ability to generate revenues and/or increase costs, thereby reducing our operating income and earnings. It may adversely impact the ability of our tenants to maintain occupancy and rates in our properties. These economic conditions may continue to have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations, ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock.

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***Adverse economic or other conditions in the markets in which we do business may negatively affect our occupancy levels and rental rates and therefore our operating results.***

Our operating results are dependent upon maximizing occupancy levels and rental rates in our portfolio. Adverse economic or other conditions in the markets in which we operate may lower our occupancy levels and limit our ability to increase rents or require us to offer rental discounts. The following factors are primary among those which may adversely affect the operating performance of our properties:

- periods of economic slowdown or recession, rising interest rates or declining demand for medical office buildings and healthcare facilities, or the public perception that any of these events may occur, could result in a general decline in rental rates or an increase in tenant defaults;
- the national economic climate in which we operate, may be adversely impacted by, among other factors, a reduction in the availability of debt or equity financing, industry slowdowns, relocation of businesses and changing demographics;
- local or regional real estate market conditions such as the oversupply of medical office buildings and healthcare facilities or a reduction in demand for medical office buildings and healthcare facilities in a particular area;
- negative perceptions by prospective tenants of the safety, convenience and attractiveness of our properties and the neighborhoods in which they are located;
- earthquakes and other natural disasters, terrorist acts, civil disturbances or acts of war which may result in uninsured or underinsured losses; and
- changes in tax, real estate and zoning laws.

The failure of our properties to generate revenues sufficient to meet our cash requirements, including operating and other expenses, debt service and capital expenditures, may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations, our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

***The majority of our consolidated wholly-owned and joint venture properties are located in Georgia, North Carolina, and South Carolina, and changes in these markets may materially adversely affect us.***

Our consolidated wholly-owned and joint venture properties located in Georgia, North Carolina, and South Carolina, provide approximately 9.8%, 23.5% and 26.8%, respectively, of our total annualized rent for the year ended December 31, 2010. As a result of the geographic concentration of properties in these markets, we are particularly exposed to downturns in these local economies or other changes in local real estate market conditions. In the event of negative economic changes in these markets, our business, financial condition, results of operations, our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

***Our investments in development and redevelopment projects may not yield anticipated returns, which would harm our operating results and reduce the amount of funds available for distributions.***

A component of our growth strategy includes development and redevelopment opportunities. To the extent that we engage in development and redevelopment projects, we will be subject to the following risks normally associated with these projects:

- we may be unable to obtain financing for these projects on attractive terms or at all;
- we may not complete development projects on schedule or within budgeted amounts;
- we may encounter delays or denials in obtaining all necessary zoning, land use, building, occupancy and other required governmental permits and authorizations;
- occupancy rates and rents at newly developed or redeveloped properties may fluctuate depending on a number of factors, including market and economic conditions, and may result in our investment not being profitable; and
- start-up costs may be higher than anticipated.

In deciding whether to develop or redevelop a particular property, we make certain assumptions regarding the expected future performance of that property. We may underestimate the costs necessary to bring the property up to the standards established for its intended market position or we may be unable to increase occupancy at a newly acquired property as quickly as expected or at all. Any substantial unanticipated delays or expenses could adversely



affect the investment returns from these development or redevelopment projects and have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations, our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

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We may in the future develop medical facilities in geographic regions where we do not currently have a significant presence and where we do not possess the same level of familiarity, which could adversely affect our ability to develop such properties successfully or at all or to achieve expected performance.

We have relied, and in the future may rely, on the investments of our joint venture partners for the funding of our development and redevelopment projects. If our reputation in the healthcare real estate industry changes or the number of investors considering us as an attractive strategic partner is otherwise reduced, our ability to develop or redevelop properties could be affected, which would limit our growth.

If our investments in development and redevelopment projects do not yield anticipated returns for any reason, including those set forth above, our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

***We may not be successful in identifying and consummating suitable acquisitions or investment opportunities, which may impede our growth and negatively affect our results of operations.***

Our ability to expand through acquisitions is a component of our long-term growth strategy and requires us to identify suitable acquisition candidates or investment opportunities that meet its criteria and are compatible with its growth strategy. We may not be successful in identifying suitable properties or other assets that meet our acquisition criteria or in consummating acquisitions or investments on satisfactory terms or at all. Failure to identify or consummate acquisitions or investment opportunities will slow our growth.

Our ability to acquire properties on attractive terms and successfully integrate and operate them may be constrained by the following significant risks:

- failure to finance an acquisition on attractive terms or at all;

- competition from other real estate investors with significant capital, including other publicly-traded REITs and institutional investment funds;

- competition from other potential acquirers may significantly increase the purchase price for an acquisition property, which could reduce our profitability;

- unsatisfactory results of our due diligence investigations or failure to meet other customary closing conditions;

- we may spend more than the time and amounts budgeted to make necessary improvements or renovations to acquired properties; and

- we may acquire properties subject to liabilities and without any recourse, or with only limited recourse, with respect to unknown liabilities such as liabilities for clean-up of undisclosed environmental contamination, claims by persons in respect of events transpiring or conditions existing before we acquired the properties and claims for indemnification by general partners, directors, officers and others indemnified by the former owners of the properties.

If any of these risks are realized, our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

***We may not be able to obtain additional capital to further our business objectives.***

Our ability to develop, redevelop or acquire properties depends upon our ability to obtain capital. During the recent financial and economic crisis, the global economy, including the capital and credit markets, experienced a period of substantial turmoil and uncertainty, which restricted the availability of capital. A lack of capital may cause a decrease in the level of new investment activity by publicly traded real estate companies. Furthermore, a prolonged period in which we cannot effectively access the public equity or debt markets may result in heavier reliance on alternative financing sources to undertake new investments. An inability to obtain equity or debt capital on acceptable terms could delay or prevent us from acquiring, financing and completing desirable investments, and which could otherwise adversely affect our business. If any of these risks are realized, our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.



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***If we are unable to promptly re-let our properties, if the rates upon such re-letting are significantly lower than expected, or if we are required to undertake significant capital expenditures to attract new tenants, then our business and results of operations would be adversely affected.***

A substantial number of our leases are on a multiple year basis. As of December 31, 2010, leases representing 10.6% of our net rentable square feet will expire in 2011, 15.8% in 2012 and 10.4% in 2013. These expirations would account for 10.7%, 18.7% and 10.3% of our annualized rent, respectively. Approximately 70.1% of the square feet of our properties and 60.6% of the number of our properties are subject to certain restrictions. These restrictions include limits on our ability to re-let these properties to tenants not affiliated with the healthcare system that own the underlying property, rights of first offer on sales of the property and limits on the types of medical procedures that may be performed. In addition, lower than expected rental rates upon re-letting could impede our growth. We cannot assure you that we will be able to re-let space on terms that are favorable to us or at all. Further, we may be required to make significant capital expenditures to renovate or reconfigure space to attract new tenants. If we are unable to promptly re-let our properties, if the rates upon such re-letting are significantly lower than expected, or if we are required to undertake significant capital expenditures in connection with re-letting units, our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

***Certain of our properties may not have efficient alternative uses.***

Some of our properties, such as our ambulatory surgery centers, are specialized healthcare facilities. If we or our tenants terminate the leases for these properties or our tenants lose their regulatory authority to operate such properties, we may not be able to locate suitable replacement tenants to lease the properties for their specialized uses. Alternatively, we may be required to spend substantial amounts to adapt the properties to other uses. Any loss of revenues and/or additional capital expenditures occurring as a result may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

***We face competition for the acquisition of medical facilities, which may impede our ability to make future acquisitions or may increase the cost of these acquisitions.***

We compete with many other entities engaged in real estate investment activities for acquisitions of medical facilities, including national, regional and local operators, acquirers and developers of healthcare real estate properties. The competition for medical facilities may significantly increase the price we must pay for medical facilities or other assets we seeks to acquire and our competitors may succeed in acquiring those properties or assets themselves. In addition, our potential acquisition targets may find our competitors to be more attractive because they may have greater resources, may be willing to pay more for the properties or may have a more compatible operating philosophy. In particular, larger healthcare REITs may enjoy significant competitive advantages that result from, among other things, a lower cost of capital and enhanced operating efficiencies. In addition, the number of entities and the amount of funds competing for suitable investment properties may increase. This competition may result in increased demand for these assets and therefore increased prices paid for them. Because of an increased interest in single-property acquisitions among tax-motivated individual purchasers, we may pay higher prices if we purchase single properties in comparison with portfolio acquisitions. If we pay higher prices for medical facilities or other assets, our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

***We may not be successful in integrating and operating acquired properties.***

We expect to make future acquisitions of medical office buildings and healthcare facilities. If we acquire medical office buildings and healthcare facilities, we will be required to integrate them into our existing portfolio. The acquired properties may turn out to be less compatible with our growth strategy than originally anticipated, may cause disruptions in our operations or may divert management's attention away from day-to-day operations, any or all of which may have an effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.



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***Our medical facilities, their associated hospitals and our tenants may be unable to compete successfully.***

Our medical facilities and their associated hospitals often face competition from nearby hospitals and other medical facilities that provide comparable services. Some of those competing facilities are owned by governmental agencies and supported by tax revenues, and others are owned by nonprofit corporations and may be supported to a large extent by endowments and charitable contributions. These types of support are not available to our buildings.

Similarly, our tenants face competition from other medical practices in nearby hospitals and other healthcare facilities. Our tenants' failure to compete successfully with these other practices could adversely affect their ability to make rental payments, which could adversely affect our rental revenues. Further, from time to time and for reasons beyond our control, referral sources, including physicians and managed care organizations, may change their lists of hospitals or physicians to which they refer patients. This could adversely affect our tenants' ability to make rental payments, which could adversely affect our rental revenues.

We depend upon its tenants to operate their businesses in a manner which generates revenue sufficient to allow them to meet their obligations to us, including their obligation to pay rent. Any reduction in rental revenues resulting from the inability of our medical office buildings and healthcare facilities, their associated hospitals and our tenants to compete successfully may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

***Uninsured losses or losses in excess of our insurance coverage could adversely affect our financial condition and our cash flow.***

We maintain comprehensive liability, fire, flood, earthquake, wind (as deemed necessary or as required by our lenders), extended coverage and rental loss insurance for our properties with policy specifications, limits and deductibles customarily carried for similar properties. Certain types of losses, however, may be either uninsurable or not economically insurable, such as losses due to earthquakes, riots, acts of war or terrorism. Should an uninsured loss occur, we could lose both our investment in and anticipated profits and cash flow from a property. If any such loss is insured, we may be required to pay a significant deductible on any claim for recovery of such a loss prior to our insurer being obligated to reimburse us for the loss, or the amount of the loss may exceed our coverage for the loss. In addition, future lenders may require certain insurance coverage, and our failure to obtain such insurance could constitute a default under loan agreements. As a result, our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

***Joint investments could be adversely affected by our lack of sole decision-making authority and reliance upon a co-venturer's financial condition.***

We may co-invest with third parties through partnerships, joint ventures, co-tenancies or other entities, acquiring non-controlling interests in, or sharing responsibility for managing the affairs of a property, partnership, joint venture, co-tenancy or other entity. Therefore, we may not be in a position to exercise sole decision-making authority regarding that property, partnership, joint venture or other entity. Investments in partnerships, joint ventures, or other entities may involve risks not present were a third party not involved, including the possibility that our partners, co-tenants or co-venturers might become bankrupt or otherwise fail to fund their share of required capital contributions. Additionally, our partners or co-venturers might at any time have economic or other business interests or goals, which are inconsistent with our business interests or goals. These investments may also have the potential risk of impasses on decisions such as a sale, because neither we nor the partner, co-tenant or co-venturer would have full control over the partnership or joint venture. Consequently, actions by such partner, co-tenant or co-venturer might result in subjecting properties owned by the partnership or joint venture to additional risk. In addition, we may in specific circumstances be liable for the actions of third-party partners, co-tenants or co-venturers. As a result, our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

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***Our mortgage agreements and ground and air rights leases contain certain provisions that may limit our ability to sell certain of our medical office buildings and healthcare facilities.***

In order to assign or transfer our rights and obligations under certain of our mortgage agreements, we generally must:

- obtain the consent of the lender;
- pay a fee equal to a fixed percentage of the outstanding loan balance; and
- pay any costs incurred by the lender in connection with any such assignment or transfer.

In addition, ground and air rights leases on certain of our properties contain restrictions on transfer such as limiting the assignment or subleasing of the facility only to practicing physicians or physicians in good standing with an affiliated hospital. These provisions of our mortgage agreements and ground and air rights leases may limit our ability to sell certain of our medical office buildings and healthcare facilities which, in turn, could adversely impact the price realized from any such sale. As a result, our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

***31 of our consolidated wholly-owned and joint venture properties are subject to ground or air rights leases that expose us to the loss of such properties upon breach or termination of the ground or air rights leases.***

We have 31 consolidated wholly-owned and joint venture properties that are subject to leasehold interests in the land or air underlying the buildings and we may acquire additional buildings in the future that are subject to similar ground or air rights leases. These 31 consolidated wholly-owned and joint venture properties represent 56.2% of our total net rentable square feet. As lessee under a ground or air rights lease, we are exposed to the possibility of losing the property upon termination, or an earlier breach by us, of the ground lease, which may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

***Environmental compliance costs and liabilities associated with operating our properties may affect our results of operations.***

Under various U.S. federal, state and local laws, ordinances and regulations, owners and operators of real estate may be liable for the costs of investigating and remediating certain hazardous substances or other regulated materials affecting the property. These laws often impose liability without regard to whether the owner or operator knew of, or was responsible for, the presence of hazardous substances or materials. The presence of hazardous substances or materials, or the failure to properly remediate these substances, may adversely affect the owner's or operator's ability to lease, sell or rent the property or to borrow using the property as collateral. Persons who arrange for the disposal or treatment of hazardous substances or other regulated materials may be liable for the costs of removal or remediation of such substances at a disposal or treatment facility, whether or not the facility is owned or operated by the person. Certain environmental laws impose liability for release of asbestos-containing materials into the air and third parties may seek recovery from owners or operators of real properties for personal injury associated with asbestos-containing materials.

Certain environmental laws also impose liability, without regard to knowledge or fault, for removal or remediation of hazardous substances or other regulated materials upon owners and operators of contaminated property even after they no longer own or operate the property. Moreover, the past or present owner or operator from which a release emanates may be liable for any personal injuries or property damages that may result from such releases, as well as any damages to natural resources that may arise from such releases. Certain environmental laws impose compliance obligations on owners and operators of real property with respect to the management of hazardous materials and other regulated substances. For example, environmental laws govern the management of asbestos-containing materials and lead-based paint. Failure to comply with these laws can result in penalties or other sanctions.

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No assurances can be given that existing environmental studies with respect to any of our properties reveal all environmental liabilities, that any prior owner or operator of our properties did not create any material environmental condition not known to us, or that a material environmental condition does not otherwise exist as to any one or more of our properties. There also exists the risk that material environmental conditions, liabilities or compliance concerns may have arisen after the review was completed or may arise in the future. Finally, future laws, ordinances or regulations and future interpretations of existing laws, ordinances or regulations may impose additional material environmental liability.

The realization of any or all of these risks may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

***Costs associated with complying with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 may result in unanticipated expenses.***

Under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, or the ADA, all places of public accommodation are required to meet certain U.S. federal requirements related to access and use by disabled persons. A number of additional U.S. federal, state and local laws may also require modifications to our properties, or restrict certain further renovations of the properties, with respect to access thereto by disabled persons. Noncompliance with the ADA could result in the imposition of fines or an award of damages to private litigants and/or an order to correct any non-complying feature, which could result in substantial capital expenditures. We have not conducted an audit or investigation of all of our properties to determine our compliance and we cannot predict the ultimate cost of compliance with the ADA or other legislation. If one or more of our properties is not in compliance with the ADA or other related legislation, then we would be required to incur additional costs to bring the facility into compliance. If we incur substantial costs to comply with the ADA or other related legislation, our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

***The bankruptcy or insolvency of our tenants under our leases could seriously harm our operating results and financial condition.***

We will receive a substantial amount of our income as rent payments under leases of space in our properties. We have no control over the success or failure of our tenants' businesses and, at any time, any of our tenants may experience a downturn in its business that may weaken its financial condition. As a result, our tenants may delay lease commencement or renewal, fail to make rent payments when due, or declare bankruptcy. Any leasing delays, lessee failures to make rent payments when due, or tenant bankruptcies could result in the termination of a tenant's lease and, particularly in the case of a large tenant, may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders.

If tenants are unable to comply with the terms of our leases, we may be forced to modify lease terms in ways that are unfavorable to us. Alternatively, the failure of a tenant to perform under a lease or to extend a lease upon expiration of its term could require us to declare a default, repossess the property, find a suitable replacement tenant, operate the property, or sell the property. There is no assurance that we will be able to lease the property on substantially equivalent or better terms than the prior lease, or at all. We may not be able to find another tenant, successfully reposition the property for other uses, successfully operate the property, or sell the property on terms that are favorable to us.

If any lease expires or is terminated, we will be responsible for all of the operating expenses for that vacant space until it is re-let. If we experiences high levels of vacant space, our operating expenses may increase significantly. Any significant increase in our operating costs may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.



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Any bankruptcy filings by or relating to one of our tenants could bar all efforts by us to collect pre-bankruptcy debts from that lessee or seize its property, unless we receive an order permitting us to do so from the bankruptcy court, which we may be unable to obtain. A tenant bankruptcy could also delay our efforts to collect past due balances under the relevant leases and could ultimately preclude full collection of these sums. If a tenant assumes the lease while in bankruptcy, all pre-bankruptcy balances due under the lease must be paid to us in full. However, if a tenant rejects the lease while in bankruptcy, we would have only a general unsecured claim for pre-petition damages. Any unsecured claim we hold may be paid only to the extent that funds are available and only in the same percentage paid to all other holders of unsecured claims. It is possible that we may recover substantially less than the full value of any unsecured claims we hold, if any, which may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected. Furthermore, dealing with a tenant bankruptcy or other default may divert management's attention and cause us to incur substantial legal and other costs.

### **Risks Related to our Design-Build and Development Segment**

***Continuing adverse economic conditions could cause our clients to delay, curtail or cancel proposed or existing projects, which could result in a decrease in demand for our services.***

The demand for our services has been, and will likely continue to be, cyclical in nature and vulnerable to general downturns in the U.S. economy. Adverse economic conditions may decrease our clients' willingness or ability to make capital expenditures or otherwise reduce their spending to purchase our services, which could result in reduced revenues or margins for our business. Many of our clients finance their projects through cash flow from operations, the incurrence of debt or the issuance of equity. Furthermore, our clients may be affected by economic downturns that decrease the need for their services or the profitability of their services, which could result in a decrease of their cash flow from operations. A reduction in our clients' cash flow from operations and the lack of availability of debt or equity financing could cause our clients to delay, curtail or cancel proposed or existing projects, which could result in a decrease in demand for our services. As a result, our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

***Our results of operations depend upon the award of new design-build contracts and the nature and timing of those awards.***

Our design-build revenues are derived primarily from contracts awarded on a project-by-project basis. Generally, it is very difficult to predict whether and when we will be awarded a new contract since many potential contracts involve a lengthy and complex bidding and selection process that may be affected by a number of factors, including changes in existing or assumed market conditions, financing arrangements, governmental approvals and environmental matters. Because our design-build revenues are derived primarily from these contracts, our results of operations and cash flows can fluctuate materially from period to period depending on the timing of contract awards.

In addition, adverse economic conditions could alter the overall mix of services that our clients seek to purchase, and increased competition during a period of economic decline could result in we accepting contract terms that are less favorable to we than it might otherwise be able to negotiate. Changes in our mix of services or a less favorable contracting environment may cause our revenues and margins to decline. As a result, our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

***If we experience delays and/or defaults in client payments, we could be unable to recover all expenditures.***

Because of the nature of our design-build contracts, we may at times commit our financial resources to projects prior to receiving payments from the client in amounts sufficient to cover expenditures on the projects as they are incurred. Delays in client payments may require us to make a working capital investment. If a client defaults in making payments on a project in which we have devoted significant financial resources, it could have a material adverse effect on our business. This risk can be exacerbated as a result of a downturn in economic conditions, including recent developments in the economy and capital markets.



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***We may experience reduced profits or, in some cases, losses under our guaranteed maximum price contracts if costs increase above our estimates.***

Most of our design-build contracts are currently negotiated guaranteed maximum price or fixed price contracts, giving our clients a clear understanding of the project's costs but also locking us in so that we bear a significant portion or all of the risk for cost overruns. Under these guaranteed maximum price or fixed price contracts, contract prices payable by clients are established in part on cost and scheduling estimates which are based on a number of assumptions, including assumptions about future economic conditions, prices and availability of labor, equipment and materials, and other exigencies. If these estimates prove inaccurate, or we encounter other unanticipated difficulties with respect to projects under guaranteed maximum price or fixed price contracts (such as errors, omissions or other deficiencies in the components of projects designed by or on behalf of us, problems with new technologies, difficulties in obtaining permits or approvals, adverse weather, unknown or unforeseen conditions, labor actions or disputes, changes in legal requirements, unanticipated decisions, interpretations or actions by governmental authorities having jurisdiction over our projects, fire or other casualties, terrorist or similar acts, unanticipated difficulty or delay in obtaining materials or equipment, unanticipated increase in the cost of materials or equipment, failures or defaults of suppliers or subcontractors to perform, or other causes within or beyond the control of us which delay the performance or completion of a project or increase our cost of performing the services and work to complete the project), cost overruns may occur, and we could experience reduced profits or, in some cases, a loss for that project. The existence or impact of these and other items may not be or become known until the end of a project which may negatively affect our cash flows and results of operations. As a result, our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

***The nature of our design-build and development business creates exposure to potential liabilities and disputes which may reduce our profits.***

We engage in engineering, architecture, construction and other services where design, construction or systems failures can result in substantial injury or damage to clients and/or third parties. In addition, the nature of our business results in clients, subcontractors, vendors, suppliers and governmental authorities occasionally asserting claims against us for damages or losses for which they believe we are liable, including damages and/or losses (including consequential damages or losses) arising from allegations of: (1) defective, nonconforming, legally noncompliant or otherwise deficient design, materials, equipment or workmanship; (2) late performance, completion or delivery of all or any portion of a project; (3) bodily injury, sickness, disease or death; (4) injury to or destruction of property; (5) failure to design or perform work in accordance with applicable laws, statutes, ordinances, and regulations of any governmental authority; (6) violations of the Federal Occupational Safety and Health Act, or any other laws, ordinances, rules, regulations or orders of any Federal, State or local public authority having jurisdiction for the safety of persons or property, including but not limited to any Fire Department and Board of Health; (7) violations or infringements of any trademark, copyright or patent, or any unfair competition, or infringement of any other tangible or intangible personal or property rights; and (8) failure to pay parties providing services, labor, materials, equipment, supplies and similar items to projects.

Many of our design-build contracts do not limit our liability for damages or losses. These claims often arise in the normal course of our business, and may be asserted with respect to projects completed and/or past occurrences. When it is determined that we have liability, such liability may not be covered by insurance or, if covered, the dollar amount of the liability may exceed our policy limits. Any liability not covered by insurance, in excess of insurance limits or, if covered by insurance but subject to a high deductible, could result in significant loss, which could reduce profits and cash available for operations. Furthermore, claims asserting liability for these and other matters, whether for projects previously completed or projects to be completed in the future, may not be asserted or otherwise become known until a later date. Performance problems and/or liability claims for existing or future projects could adversely impact our reputation within its industry and among its client base, making it more difficult to obtain future projects. As a result, our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.



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***Environmental compliance costs and liabilities associated with our business may affect our results of operation.***

Our operations are subject to environmental laws and regulations, including those concerning:  
generation, storage, handling, treatment and disposal of hazardous material and wastes;  
emissions into the air;  
discharges into waterways; and  
health and safety.

Our projects often involve highly regulated materials, including hazardous wastes. Environmental laws and regulations generally impose limitations and standards for regulated materials and require us to obtain permits and comply with various other requirements. The improper characterization, handling, or disposal of regulated materials or any other failure by us to comply with federal, state and local environmental laws and regulations or associated environmental permits could subject us to the assessment of administrative, civil and criminal penalties, the imposition of investigatory or remedial obligations, or the issuance of injunctions that could restrict or prevent our ability to operate its business and complete contracted projects.

In addition, under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980 ( CERCLA ), and comparable state laws, we may be required to investigate and remediate regulated materials. CERCLA and the comparable state laws typically impose liability without regard to whether a company knew of or caused the release, and liability for the entire cost of clean-up can be imposed upon any responsible party.

The environmental, workplace, employment and health and safety laws and regulations, among others, to which we are subject to are complex, change frequently and could become more stringent in the future. It is impossible to predict the effect that any future changes to these laws and regulations could have on us. Any failure to comply with these laws and regulations could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

**Risks Related to the Healthcare Industry**

***Future changes to healthcare laws, implementation of healthcare legislation and adverse trends in healthcare provider operations may negatively affect our lease revenues and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders.***

The healthcare industry is currently experiencing:

changes in the demand for and methods of delivering healthcare services;

changes in third party reimbursement policies;

substantial competition for patients among healthcare providers;

continued pressure by private and government payors to reduce payments to providers of services; and

increased scrutiny of billing, referral and other practices by U.S. federal and state authorities.

These factors may adversely affect the economic performance of some or all of our tenants and, in turn, our lease revenues, which may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

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In addition, the U.S. Congress enacted on March 23, 2010 the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act ( PPACA ) that was intended to have a significant impact on the delivery and reimbursement of healthcare items and services. Currently, PPACA is the subject of repeal initiatives in the U.S. Congress. In addition, PPACA is being challenged through lawsuits pending in several U.S. courts. See Business Regulation. While any preliminary decisions in these lawsuits are subject to appeal and while it is unclear whether any provisions of PPACA will be amended or repealed due to current legislative initiatives, the uncertainty concerning whether and when any or all of the provisions of PPACA will be implemented, or if implemented, their impact on the healthcare delivery system as a whole, make it difficult to predict the corresponding impact on our tenants. We cannot predict the impact that PPACA or future healthcare legislation may have on our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

***Reductions in reimbursement from third party payors, including Medicare and Medicaid, could adversely affect the profitability of our tenants and hinder their ability to make rent payments to us.***

Sources of revenue for our tenants may include the U.S. federal Medicare program, state Medicaid programs, private insurance carriers and health maintenance organizations, among others. Declining reimbursement from government and private payors has increased pressure on healthcare providers to continue to control or reduce costs. Additional reductions in reimbursement may result from the implementation of PPACA or from future healthcare reform legislation enacted by the U.S. Congress or from regulations issued by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. Similar efforts by private payors to reduce reimbursement in order to attempt to reduce healthcare costs will likely continue. Budget reduction measures by state governments are likely to result in further reductions in reimbursement from Medicaid and other state funded healthcare programs. In addition, the failure of our tenants to comply with various laws and regulations could jeopardize their ability to continue participating in Medicare, Medicaid and other government payment programs. A reduction in reimbursements to our tenants from third party payors for any reason, including without limitation exclusion from participation in any government payor program, could adversely affect our tenants' ability to make rent payments to us, which may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

***The healthcare industry is heavily regulated, and new laws or regulations, changes to existing laws or regulations, loss of licensure or failure to obtain licensure could result in the inability of our tenants to make rent payments to us.***

The healthcare industry is heavily regulated by U.S. federal, state and local governmental bodies. Our tenants generally will be subject to laws and regulations covering, among other things, licensure, certification for participation in government programs and relationships with physicians and other referral sources, and the privacy and security of individually identifiable health information. Also, PPACA included amendments to laws that may apply to our tenants which enhance the ability of the government to investigate, enforce and impose fines and penalties for, violations of these laws, as described in the risk factor below. This enhanced government authority to enforce these laws and the imposition of any resulting fines or penalties upon one of our tenants or associated hospitals could jeopardize that tenant's ability to operate or to make rent payments or affect the level of occupancy in our medical office buildings or healthcare facilities associated with that hospital, which may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

In addition, some state and local laws regulate new healthcare services and the expansion of existing healthcare services, including the addition of new beds or services, the acquisition of medical equipment, and the construction of healthcare related facilities, by requiring a certificate of need or other comparable approvals. These approvals are issued by the applicable state health planning agency only after that agency makes a determination that a need exists in a particular area for a particular service, equipment or facility. New laws and regulations, changes in existing laws and regulations or changes in the interpretation of such laws or regulations could negatively affect the financial condition of our tenants. These changes, in some cases, could apply retroactively. The enactment, timing or effect of legislative or regulatory changes cannot be predicted. In addition, certain of our medical office buildings and healthcare facilities and their tenants may require licenses or certificates of need to operate. Failure to obtain a license

or certificate of need, or loss of a required license would prevent a facility from operating in the manner intended by the tenant. These events could adversely affect our tenants' ability to make rent payments to us, which may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

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Privacy and security regulations issued pursuant to Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, and subsequent amendments thereto included in the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act (as amended, HIPAA ), extensively regulate the use and disclosure of individually identifiable health information. These laws and regulations: (i) permit the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to impose civil monetary penalties; (ii) allow state attorneys general to bring civil actions for HIPAA violations; and (iii) require the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to conduct audits of covered entities, such as healthcare providers, to determine their compliance with HIPAA. The cost of complying with these requirements or the imposition of penalties for HIPAA violations could adversely affect the ability of a tenant to make rent payments to us, which may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

***Our tenants are subject to the Stark Law and fraud and abuse laws, the violation of which by a tenant may jeopardize the tenant's ability to make rent payments to us.***

There are various federal and state laws prohibiting fraudulent and abusive business practices by healthcare providers who participate in, receive payments from or are in a position to make referrals in connection with government healthcare programs, including the Medicare and Medicaid programs. Our lease arrangements with certain tenants may also be subject to the Stark Law and fraud and abuse laws, to the extent these lease arrangements create indirect financial relationships between the tenants and us that are subject to these laws and regulations.

These laws that may apply to our tenants include:

- the Federal Anti-Kickback Statute, which prohibits, among other things, the offer, payment, solicitation or receipt of any form of remuneration in return for, or to induce, the referral of Medicare and Medicaid patients;

- the Stark Law, which, subject to specific exceptions, restricts physicians who have financial relationships with healthcare providers from making referrals for specifically designated health services for which payment may be made under Medicare or Medicaid programs to an entity with which the physician, or an immediate family member, has a financial relationship;

- the False Claims Act, which prohibits any person from knowingly presenting false or fraudulent claims for payment to the federal government, including under the Medicare and Medicaid programs; and

- the Civil Monetary Penalties Law, which authorizes the Department of Health and Human Services to impose monetary penalties for certain fraudulent acts.

Each of these laws includes criminal and/or civil penalties for violations that range from punitive sanctions, damage assessments, penalties, imprisonment, denial of Medicare and Medicaid payments and/or exclusion from the Medicare and Medicaid programs. Additionally, certain laws, such as the False Claims Act, allow for individuals to bring whistleblower actions on behalf of the government for violations thereof. PPACA included amendments to each of these laws which enhance the ability of the government to investigate, enforce, and impose fines and penalties for violation of these laws. The enhanced government authority to enforce these laws and the imposition of any resulting penalties upon one of our tenants or associated hospitals could jeopardize that tenant's ability to operate or to make rent payments or affect the level of occupancy in our medical office buildings or healthcare facilities associated with that hospital, which may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.



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**Risks Related to the Real Estate Industry**

***Illiquidity of real estate investments could significantly impede our ability to respond to adverse changes in the performance of our properties.***

Because real estate investments are relatively illiquid, our ability to promptly sell one or more properties in our portfolio in response to changing economic, financial and investment conditions is limited. The real estate market is affected by many factors, such as general economic conditions, availability of financing, interest rates and other factors, including supply and demand, that are beyond our control. We cannot predict whether we will be able to sell any property for the price or on the terms set by us or whether any price or other terms offered by a prospective purchaser would be acceptable to us. We also cannot predict the length of time needed to find a willing purchaser and to close the sale of a property.

We may be required to expend funds to correct defects or to make improvements before a property can be sold. We cannot assure you that we will have funds available to correct those defects or to make those improvements. In acquiring a property, we may agree to transfer restrictions that materially restrict us from selling that property for a period of time or impose other restrictions, such as a limitation on the amount of debt that can be placed or repaid on that property. These transfer restrictions would impede our ability to sell a property even if we deem it necessary or appropriate. These facts and any others that would impede our ability to respond to adverse changes in the performance of its properties may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

***Any investments in unimproved real property may take significantly longer to yield income-producing returns, if at all, and may result in additional costs to us to comply with re-zoning restrictions or environmental regulations.***

We may invest in unimproved real property. Unimproved properties generally take longer to yield income-producing returns based on the typical time required for development. Any development of unimproved real property may also expose us to the risks and uncertainties associated with re-zoning the land for a higher use or development and environmental concerns of governmental entities and/or community groups. Any unsuccessful investments or delays in realizing an income-producing return or increased costs to develop unimproved real property could restrict our ability to earn its targeted rate of return on an investment or adversely affect our ability to pay operating expenses, which may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

**Risks Related to Debt Financings**

***Required payments of principal and interest on borrowings may leave us with insufficient cash to operate our properties or to pay the distributions currently contemplated or necessary to qualify as a REIT and may expose us to the risk of default under our debt obligations.***

At December 31, 2010, we have approximately \$362.2 million of outstanding indebtedness, of which \$317.2 million is mortgage debt that is secured by performing properties and \$45.0 million is outstanding under our Credit Facility. Approximately \$77.4 million and \$28.0 million of our outstanding indebtedness will mature in 2011 and 2012, respectively. We expect to incur additional debt in connection with future development and redevelopment projects and acquisitions. We may borrow under our Credit Facility, or borrow new funds to complete these projects and acquisitions. Additionally, we do not anticipate that our internally generated cash flow will be adequate to repay our existing indebtedness upon maturity and, therefore, we expect to repay our indebtedness through our Credit Facility, refinancing, and future offerings of equity and/or debt.

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If we are required to utilize our Credit Facility for purposes other than development, redevelopment and acquisition activities, this will reduce the amount available for development and redevelopment projects and acquisitions and could slow our growth. Therefore, our level of debt and the limitations imposed on us by our debt agreements could have adverse consequences, including the following:

- our cash flow may be insufficient to meet our required principal and interest payments;
- we may be unable to borrow additional funds as needed or on favorable terms, including to make acquisitions;
- we may be unable to refinance our indebtedness at maturity or the refinancing terms may be less favorable than the terms of our original indebtedness;
- because a portion of our debt bears interest at variable rates, an increase in interest rates could materially increase our interest expense;
- we may be forced to dispose of one or more of our properties, possibly on disadvantageous terms;
- after debt service, the amount available for distributions to our stockholders is reduced;
- our debt level could place us at a competitive disadvantage compared to our competitors with less debt;
- we may experience increased vulnerability to economic and industry downturns, reducing our ability to respond to changing business and economic conditions;
- we may default on our obligations and the lenders or mortgagees may foreclose on our properties that secure their loans and receive an assignment of rents and leases;
- we may violate financial covenants which would cause a default on our obligations;
- we may inadvertently violate non-financial restrictive covenants in our loan documents, such as covenants that require us to maintain the existence of entities, maintain insurance policies and provide financial statements, which would entitle the lenders to accelerate our debt obligations; and
- we may default under any one of our mortgage loans with cross-default or cross-collateralization provisions that could result in default on other indebtedness or result in the foreclosures of other properties.

The realization of any or all of these risks may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

***As a result of recent market events, including the contraction among and failure of certain lenders, it may be more difficult for us to secure financing.***

Our results of operations may be materially affected by conditions in the financial markets and the economy generally. Over the past several years, uncertainty over inflation, energy costs, geopolitical issues, unemployment, the availability and cost of credit, the mortgage market and a real estate market have contributed to increased volatility in access to and cost of capital.

Since 2008, housing market conditions have resulted in significant asset write-downs by financial institutions, which have caused many financial institutions to seek additional capital, merge with other institutions and, in some cases, to fail. We rely on the availability of financing to execute our business strategy. Institutions from which we may seek to obtain financing may have owned or financed residential mortgage loans, real estate-related securities and real estate loans which have declined in value and caused losses as a result of the recent downturn. Many lenders and institutional investors have reduced and, in some cases, ceased to provide funding to borrowers, including other financial institutions. If these conditions persist, these institutions may become insolvent. As a result of recent market events, it may be more difficult for us to secure financing as there are fewer institutional lenders and those remaining lenders have tightened their lending standards.

As a result of these events, it may be more difficult for us to obtain financing on attractive terms, or at all, and our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

**Table of Contents*****Our ability to pay distributions is dependent on a number of factors and is not assured, and our distributions to stockholders may decline at any time.***

Our ability to make distributions depends upon a variety of factors, including efficient management of our properties and the successful implementation by us of a variety of our growth initiatives, and may be adversely affected by the risks described elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. All distributions will be made at the discretion of the Board of Directors and depend on our earnings, our financial condition, the REIT distribution requirements and other factors that the Board of Directors may consider from time to time. We cannot assure you that the level of our distributions will increase over time or that we will be able to maintain our future distributions at levels that equal or exceed our historical distributions. We may be required to fund future distributions either from borrowings under our Credit Facility, with the proceeds from equity offerings, which could be dilutive, or from property sales, which could be at a loss, or reduce such distributions. As a result, our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

***Our outstanding debt obligations prohibit us from redeeming the Series A Preferred Stock.***

We are, and may in the future become, party to agreements and instruments, which, among other things, restrict or prevent the payment of dividends on or the redemption of our classes and series of capital stock. Our Credit Facility prohibits us from redeeming or otherwise repurchasing any shares of our stock, including the Series A Preferred Stock, during the term of the Credit Facility. This restriction may prohibit us from redeeming the outstanding Series A Preferred Stock even if we believe to do so would be in the best interests of our stockholders. As a result, our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

***Our organizational documents contain no limitations on the amount of debt we may incur.***

Our organizational documents contain no limitations on the amount of indebtedness that we may incur. We could alter the balance between our total outstanding indebtedness and the value of our wholly-owned properties at any time. If we becomes more highly leveraged, the resulting increase in debt service could adversely affect our ability to make payments on our outstanding indebtedness and to pay our anticipated distributions and/or the distributions required to qualify as a REIT, and may materially and adversely affect our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

***Increases in interest rates may increase our interest expense and adversely affect our cash flow and our ability to service our indebtedness and make distributions to our stockholders.***

As of December 31, 2010, we have approximately \$362.2 million of outstanding indebtedness, of which approximately \$75.8 million, or 20.9%, is subject to variable interest rates (excluding debt subject to variable to fixed interest rate swap agreements). This variable rate debt had a weighted average interest rate of approximately 1.7% per year as of December 31, 2010. Increases in interest rates on this variable rate debt would increase our interest expense, which could adversely affect our cash flow and our ability to pay distributions. For example, if market rates of interest on this variable rate debt increased by 100 basis points, the increase in interest expense would decrease future earnings and cash flows by approximately \$0.8 million annually. As a result, our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

***Failure to hedge effectively against interest rate changes may adversely affect our results of operations.***

In certain cases, we may seek to manage our exposure to interest rate volatility by using interest rate hedging arrangements. Hedging involves risks, such as the risk that the counterparty may fail to honor its obligations under an arrangement, that the arrangements may not be effective in reducing our exposure to interest rate changes and that a court could rule that such an agreement is not legally enforceable. In addition, we may be limited in the type and amount of hedging transactions we may use in the future by our need to satisfy the REIT income tests under the Code. Failure to hedge effectively against interest rate changes may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.



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***Our Credit Facility contains covenants that could limit our operations and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders.***

Our Credit Facility contains financial and operating covenants, including tangible net worth requirements, fixed charge coverage and debt ratios and other limitations on our ability to make distributions or other payments to our stockholders (other than those required by the Code), sell all or substantially all of our assets and engage in mergers, consolidations and certain acquisitions.

The Credit Facility contains customary terms and conditions for credit facilities of this type including, but not limited to: (1) affirmative covenants relating to our corporate structure and ownership, maintenance of insurance, compliance with environmental laws and preparation of environmental reports, maintenance of our REIT qualification and listing on the New York Stock Exchange (the NYSE), and (2) negative covenants relating to restrictions on redemptions of preferred stock, liens, indebtedness, certain investments (including loans and certain advances), mergers and other fundamental changes, sales and other dispositions of property or assets and transactions with affiliates. The Credit Facility has financial covenants to be met by us at all times including a maximum total leverage ratio (70%), maximum real estate leverage ratio (70%), minimum fixed charge coverage ratio (1.50 to 1.00), maximum total debt to real estate value ratio (90%) and minimum consolidated tangible net worth (\$45 million plus 85% of the net proceeds of equity issuances issued after the closing date).

These covenants may restrict our ability to engage in transactions that we believe would otherwise be in the best interests of our stockholders. Failure to comply with any of the covenants in the Credit Facility could result in a default. This could cause one or more of our lenders to accelerate the timing of payments and may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

***If lenders under our Credit Facility fail to meet their funding commitments, our financial position would be negatively impacted.***

Access to external capital on favorable terms is critical to our success in growing and maintaining its portfolio. If financial institutions within our Credit Facility were unwilling or unable to meet their respective funding commitments to us, any such failure would have a negative impact on our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

**Risks Related to our Organization and Structure**

***Our business could be harmed if key personnel terminate their employment with us.***

Our success depends, to a significant extent, on the continued services of members of our senior management team. In addition, our ability to continue to acquire and develop properties depends on the significant relationships our senior management team has developed. There is no guarantee that any of them will remain employed by us. We do not maintain key person life insurance on any of our officers. The loss of services of one or more members of our senior management team could harm our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

***Tax indemnification obligations could limit our operating flexibility by limiting our ability to sell specified properties.***

In connection with the formation transactions and certain other property acquisitions, we entered into a tax protection agreement with the former owners of each contributed medical facility who received Operating Partnership units ( OP Units ).

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Pursuant to these agreements, we will not sell, transfer or otherwise dispose of any of the medical facilities (each a protected asset ) or any interest in a protected asset prior to the eighth anniversary of the closing of the offering unless:

1. a majority-in-interest of the former holders of interests in the predecessor partnerships or contributing entities (or their successors, which may include us to the extent any OP units have been redeemed or exchanged) with respect to such protected asset consent to the sale, transfer or other disposition; provided, however, with respect to three of the predecessor entities, Cabarrus POB, LLC, Medical Investors I, LLC and Medical Investors III, LLC, the required consent shall be a majority-in-interest of the beneficial owners of interests in the predecessor entities other than Messrs. Cogdell, our Chairman, and Spencer, our former Chief Executive Officer, and their affiliates; or
2. the Operating Partnership delivers to each such holder of interests, a cash payment intended to approximate the holder's tax liability related to the recognition of such holder's built-in gain resulting from the sale of such protected asset; or
3. the sale, transfer or other disposition would not result in the recognition of any built-in gain by any such holder of interests.

Protected assets represent approximately 66.2% of our total net rentable square feet. If we were to sell all of these protected assets and we undertook such sale without obtaining the requisite consent of the contributing holders, then we would be required to make material payments to these holders. The prospect of making payments under the tax protection agreements could impede our ability to respond to changing economic, financial and investment conditions. For example, it may not be economical for us to raise cash quickly through a sale of one or more of our protected assets or dispose of a poorly performing protected asset until the expiration of the eight-year protection period. As a result, our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

### ***Tax indemnification obligations may require the Operating Partnership to maintain certain debt levels.***

Our tax protection agreements also provide that during the period from the closing of the initial public offering in 2005 through the twelfth anniversary thereof, the Operating Partnership will offer each holder who continues to hold at least 50% of the OP units received in respect of the consolidation transaction the opportunity to: (1) guarantee debt or (2) enter into a deficit restoration obligation. If we fail to offer such opportunities, we will be required to deliver to each holder a cash payment intended to approximate the holder's tax liability resulting from our failure to make such opportunities available to that holder. We agreed to these provisions in order to assist such holders in deferring the recognition of taxable gain as a result of and after the consolidation transaction. These obligations may require us to maintain more or different indebtedness than we would otherwise require for our business. As a result, our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

### ***We may pursue less vigorous enforcement of terms of contribution and other agreements because of conflicts of interest with certain of our directors and officers.***

Mr. Cogdell, our Chairman, Charles M. Handy, our Chief Financial Officer, Executive Vice President and Secretary, and other members of our management team and board of directors, have direct or indirect ownership interests in certain properties contributed to the Operating Partnership at the initial public offering. We, under the agreements relating to the contribution of such interests, are entitled to indemnification and damages in the event of breaches of representations or warranties made by the contributors. We may choose not to enforce, or to enforce less vigorously, our rights under these agreements because of our desire to maintain our ongoing relationships with the individual party to these agreements. In connection with the acquisition of MEA Holdings, Inc. Holdings, Inc., we entered into various agreements with MEA Holdings, Inc., including the merger agreement, pursuant to which we are entitled to indemnification and damages in the event of breaches of representations and warranties made by MEA Holdings, Inc. Because one member of our Board of Directors, Mr. Lubar, and certain other key employees and personnel were also former owners, officers and directors of MEA Holdings, Inc., we may choose not to enforce, or to enforce less vigorously, our rights under these agreements. In addition, we are party to employment agreements with Messrs. Cogdell and Handy, which provide for additional severance following termination of employment if we elect to subject the executive officer to certain non-competition, confidentiality and non-solicitation provisions. Although their employment agreements require that they devote substantially all of their full business time and attention to us, if

the executive officer forgoes the additional severance, he will not be subject to such non-competition provisions, which would allow him to compete with us. None of these agreements were negotiated on an arm's-length basis. As a result, our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

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***Conflicts of interest could arise as a result of our UPREIT structure.***

Conflicts of interest could arise in the future as a result of the relationships between us and our affiliates, on the one hand, and the Operating Partnership or any partner thereof, on the other. Our directors and officers have duties to us under applicable Maryland law in connection with their management of us. At the same time, we, through our wholly-owned subsidiary, have fiduciary duties, as a general partner, to the Operating Partnership and to the limited partners under Delaware law in connection with the management of the Operating Partnership. Our duties, through our wholly-owned subsidiary, as a general partner to the Operating Partnership and its partners may come into conflict with the duties of our directors and officers. The partnership agreement of the Operating Partnership does not require us to resolve such conflicts in favor of either our stockholders or the limited partners in the Operating Partnership.

Unless otherwise provided for in the relevant partnership agreement, Delaware law generally requires a general partner of a Delaware limited partnership to adhere to fiduciary duty standards under which it owes its limited partners the highest duties of good faith, fairness and loyalty and which generally prohibit such general partner from taking any action or engaging in any transaction as to which it has a conflict of interest.

Additionally, the partnership agreement expressly limits our liability by providing that neither we, nor our wholly-owned Maryland business trust subsidiary, as the general partner of the Operating Partnership, nor any of us or its trustees, directors or officers, will be liable or accountable in damages to the Operating Partnership, the limited partners or assignees for errors in judgment, mistakes of fact or law or for any act or omission if the general partner or such trustee, director or officer, acted in good faith. In addition, the Operating Partnership is required to indemnify us, our affiliates and each of our respective trustees, officers, directors, employees and agents to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law against any and all losses, claims, damages, liabilities (whether joint or several), expenses (including, without limitation, attorneys' fees and other legal fees and expenses), judgments, fines, settlements and other amounts arising from any and all claims, demands, actions, suits or proceedings, civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, that relate to the operations of the Operating Partnership, provided that the Operating Partnership will not indemnify any such person for (1) willful misconduct or a knowing violation of the law, (2) any transaction for which such person received an improper personal benefit in violation or breach of any provision of the partnership agreement, or (3) in the case of a criminal proceeding, the person had reasonable cause to believe the act or omission was unlawful.

The provisions of Delaware law that allow the common law fiduciary duties of a general partner to be modified by a partnership agreement have not been resolved in a court of law, and we have not obtained an opinion of counsel covering the provisions set forth in the partnership agreement that purport to waive or restrict our fiduciary duties that would be in effect under common law were it not for the partnership agreement. As a result, our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

***Certain provisions of our organizational documents, including the stock ownership limit imposed by our charter, could prevent or delay a change in control transaction.***

Our charter, subject to certain exceptions, authorizes our directors to take such actions as are necessary and desirable to preserve our qualification as a REIT and to limit any person to actual or constructive ownership of (1) 7.75% (by value or by number of shares, whichever is more restrictive) of our outstanding common stock, (2) 7.75% (by value or by number of shares, whichever is more restrictive) of our outstanding Series A Preferred Stock or (3) 7.75% (by value or by number of shares, whichever is more restrictive) of our outstanding capital stock. The Board of Directors, in its sole discretion, may exempt additional persons from the ownership limit. However, the Board of Directors may not grant an exemption from the ownership limit to any proposed transferee whose ownership could jeopardize our qualification as a REIT. These restrictions on ownership will not apply if the Board of Directors determines that it is no longer in our best interests to attempt to qualify, or to continue to qualify, as a REIT. The ownership limit may delay or impede a transaction or a change of control that might involve a premium price for our common stock, or otherwise be in the best interests of our stockholders. As a result, our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.





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***Certain provisions of Maryland law may limit the ability of a third party to acquire control of us.***

Certain provisions of the Maryland General Corporation Law, or the MGCL, may have the effect of delaying, deferring or preventing a transaction or a change in control of us that might involve a premium price for holders of our common stock or otherwise be in their best interests, including:

business combination provisions that, subject to certain limitations, prohibit certain business combinations between us and an interested stockholder (defined generally as any person who beneficially owns 10% or more of the voting power of our shares or an affiliate thereof) for five years after the most recent date on which the stockholder becomes an interested stockholder, and thereafter impose special minimum price provisions and special stockholder voting requirements on these combinations; and

control share provisions that provide that control shares of us (defined as shares which, when aggregated with other shares controlled by the stockholder, entitle the stockholder to exercise one of three increasing ranges of voting power in electing directors) acquired in a control share acquisition (defined as the direct or indirect acquisition of ownership or control of control shares ) have no voting rights except to the extent approved by our stockholders by the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of all the votes entitled to be cast on the matter, excluding all interested shares.

These provisions of the MGCL relating to business combinations do not apply, however, to business combinations that are approved or exempted by a board of directors prior to the time that the interested stockholder becomes an interested stockholder. Pursuant to the statute, the Board of Directors has by resolution exempted Mr. Cogdell, his affiliates and associates and all persons acting in concert with the foregoing, and Mr. Spencer, his affiliates and associates and all persons acting in concert with the foregoing, from these provisions of the MGCL and, consequently, the five-year prohibition and the supermajority vote requirements will not apply to business combinations between we and these persons. As a result, these persons may be able to enter into business combinations with us that may not be in the best interests of our stockholders without compliance by us with the supermajority vote requirements and the other provisions of the statute. In addition, our by-laws contain a provision exempting from the provisions of the MGCL relating to control share acquisitions any and all acquisitions by any person of our common stock. There can be no assurance that such provision will not be amended or eliminated at any time in the future.

Additionally, Title 3, Subtitle 8 of the MGCL permits the Board of Directors, without stockholder approval and regardless of what is currently provided in our charter or bylaws, to take certain actions that may have the effect of delaying, deferring or preventing a transaction or a change in control of us that might involve a premium to the market price of our common stock or otherwise be in our stockholders' best interests. As a result, our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

***The Board of Directors has the power to cause us to issue additional shares of our stock and the general partner has the power to issue additional OP units without stockholder approval.***

Our charter authorizes the Board of Directors to cause us to issue additional authorized but unissued shares of common stock or preferred stock, and to amend our charter to increase the aggregate number of authorized shares or the authorized number of shares of any class or series without stockholder approval. The general partner will be given the authority to issue additional OP units or preferred units. In addition, the Board of Directors may classify or reclassify any unissued shares of common stock or preferred stock and set the preferences, rights and other terms of the classified or reclassified shares. The Board of Directors could cause us to issue additional shares of our common stock or Series A Preferred Stock, or establish an additional series of preferred stock that could have the effect of delaying, deferring or preventing a change in control or other transaction that might involve a premium price for our common stock, or otherwise be in the best interests of our stockholders. As a result, our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

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***Our rights and the rights of our stockholders to take action to recover money damages from our directors and officers are limited.***

Our charter eliminates our directors' and officers' liability to us and our stockholders for money damages, except for liability resulting from actual receipt of an improper benefit in money, property or services or active and deliberate dishonesty established by a final judgment and which is material to the cause of action. Our charter authorizes us, and our bylaws require us, to indemnify our directors and officers for liability resulting from actions taken by them in those capacities to the maximum extent permitted by Maryland law. In addition, we may be obligated to fund the defense costs incurred by our directors and officers. As a result, our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

***You will have limited ability as a stockholder to prevent us from making any changes to our policies that you believe could harm our business, prospects, operating results or share price.***

The Board of Directors will adopt policies with respect to certain activities, such as investments, dispositions, financing, lending, our equity capital, conflicts of interest and reporting. These policies may be amended or revised from time to time at the discretion of the Board of Directors without a vote of our stockholders. This means that our stockholders will have limited control over changes in our policies. Such changes in our policies intended to improve, expand or diversify our business may not have the anticipated effects and consequently may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

***To the extent our distributions represent a return of capital for U.S. federal income tax purposes you could recognize an increased capital gain upon a subsequent sale by you of our common stock or preferred stock.***

Distributions in excess of our current and accumulated earnings and profits and not treated by us as a dividend will not be taxable to a U.S. stockholder to the extent those distributions do not exceed the stockholder's adjusted tax basis in its common stock, but instead will constitute a return of capital and will reduce the stockholder's adjusted tax basis in its common stock. If distributions result in a reduction of a stockholder's adjusted basis in such holder's common stock, subsequent dispositions of such holder's common stock potentially will result in recognition of an increased capital gain or reduced capital loss due to the reduction in such adjusted basis.

***Risks Related to Qualification and Operation as a REIT***

***Our failure to qualify or remain qualified as a REIT would have significant adverse consequences to us.***

We intend to operate in a manner that will allow us to qualify as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes under the Code. We have not requested and do not plan to request a ruling from the IRS that we qualify as a REIT, and the statements in our prospectus and other filings are not binding on the IRS or any court. If we fail to qualify or lose our qualification as a REIT, we will face serious tax consequences that would substantially reduce the funds available for distribution to our stockholders for each of the years involved because:

- we would not be allowed a deduction for distributions to stockholders in computing our taxable income and we would be subject to U.S. federal income tax at regular corporate rates;

- we also could be subject to the U.S. federal alternative minimum tax and possibly increased state and local taxes; and

- unless we are entitled to relief under applicable statutory provisions, we could not elect to be taxed as a REIT for four taxable years following a year during which we were disqualified.

In addition, if we lose our qualification as a REIT, we will not be required to make distributions to stockholders, and all distributions to our stockholders will be subject to tax as regular corporate dividends to the extent of our current and accumulated earnings and profits. This means that our U.S. individual stockholders would be taxed on our dividends at a maximum U.S. federal income tax rate of 15% (through 2012), and our corporate stockholders generally would be entitled to the dividends received deduction with respect to such dividends, subject, in each case, to applicable limitations under the Code.



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Qualification as a REIT involves the application of highly technical and complex Code provisions and regulations promulgated thereunder for which there are only limited judicial and administrative interpretations. The complexity of these provisions and of the applicable U.S. Treasury Department regulations, or Treasury Regulations, that have been promulgated under the Code is greater in the case of a REIT that, like us, holds its assets through a partnership. The determination of various factual matters and circumstances not entirely within our control may affect our ability to qualify as a REIT. In order to qualify as a REIT, we must satisfy a number of requirements, including requirements regarding the composition of our assets and sources of our gross income. Also, we must make distributions to stockholders aggregating annually at least 90% of our net taxable income, excluding capital gains.

As a result of these factors, our loss of our qualification as a REIT also could impair our ability to expand our business and raise capital. Also, our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

***To maintain its REIT qualification, we may be forced to borrow funds during unfavorable market conditions.***

To qualify as a REIT, we generally must distribute to our stockholders at least 90% of our net taxable income each year, excluding net capital gains, and we will be subject to regular corporate income taxes to the extent that we distributes less than 100% of our net taxable income each year. In addition, we will be subject to a 4% nondeductible excise tax on the amount, if any, by which distributions paid by us in any calendar year are less than the sum of 85% of our ordinary income, 95% of our capital gain net income and 100% of our undistributed income from prior years. To qualify as a REIT and avoid the payment of income and excise taxes, we may need to borrow funds on a short-term basis, or possibly on a long-term basis, to meet the REIT distribution requirements even if the then prevailing market conditions are not favorable for these borrowings. These borrowing needs could result from, among other things, a difference in timing between the actual receipt of cash and inclusion of income for U.S. federal income tax purposes, the effect of non-deductible capital expenditures, the creation of reserves or required debt amortization payments. As a result, our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

***Dividends payable by REITs generally do not qualify for reduced tax rates.***

The maximum tax rate for dividends payable by domestic corporations to individual U.S. stockholders is 15% (through 2012). Dividends payable by REITs, however, are generally not eligible for the reduced rates. The more favorable rates applicable to regular corporate dividends could cause stockholders who are individuals to perceive investments in REITs to be relatively less attractive than investments in the stocks of non-REIT corporations that pay dividends, which could adversely affect the value of the stock of REITs, including our common stock.

In addition, the relative attractiveness of real estate in general may be adversely affected by the favorable tax treatment given to corporate dividends, which could negatively affect the value of our properties.

***Possible legislative or other actions affecting REITs could adversely affect us and our stockholders.***

The rules dealing with U.S. federal income taxation are constantly under review by persons involved in the legislative process and by the IRS and the U.S. Treasury Department. Changes to tax laws (which changes may have retroactive application) could adversely affect us or our stockholders. We cannot predict whether, when, in what forms, or with what effective dates, the tax laws applicable to we or our stockholders will be changed.

***Complying with REIT requirements may cause we to forego otherwise attractive opportunities.***

To qualify as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes, we must continually satisfy tests concerning, among other things, the sources of our income, the nature and diversification of our assets, the amounts we distribute to our stockholders and the ownership of our stock. In order to meet these tests, we may be required to forego attractive business or investment opportunities. Thus, compliance with the REIT requirements may adversely affect our ability to operate solely to maximize profits.

**Table of Contents*****We will pay some taxes.***

Even if we qualify as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes, we will be required to pay some U.S. federal, state and local taxes on our income and property. In addition, our TRSs are fully taxable corporations that will be subject to taxes on their income and the TRSs may be limited in their ability to deduct interest payments made to us or the Operating Partnership. We also will be subject to a 100% penalty tax on certain amounts if the economic arrangements among our tenants, our TRSs and us are not comparable to similar arrangements among unrelated parties or if we receive payments for inventory or property held for sale to customers in the ordinary course of business. To the extent that we or our TRSs are required to pay U.S. federal, state or local taxes, we will have less cash available for distribution to our stockholders. As a result, our business, financial condition, results of operations, and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, and the trading price of our stock may be materially and adversely affected.

***The ability of the Board of Directors to revoke our REIT election without stockholder approval may cause adverse consequences to our stockholders.***

Our charter provides that the Board of Directors may revoke or otherwise terminate our REIT election, without the approval of our stockholders, if it determines that it is no longer in our best interests to continue to qualify as a REIT. If we cease to qualify as a REIT, we would become subject to U.S. federal income tax on our taxable income and we would no longer be required to distribute most of our taxable income to our stockholders, which may have adverse consequences on the total return to our stockholders.

***Our ability to invest in TRSs is limited by our qualification as a REIT, and accordingly may limit our ability to grow the business of the Design-Build and Development segment.***

In order for us to qualify as a REIT, no more than 25% of the value of its assets may consist of securities of one or more TRSs (20% for taxable years ended on or before December 31, 2008). We have jointly elected with TRS Holdings and its subsidiaries to treat such entities as TRSs. Accordingly, our ability to grow and expand the business and of TRS Holdings and its subsidiaries, absent a corresponding increase in the value of our real estate assets, will be limited by our need to continue to meet the applicable TRS limitation which could adversely affect returns to its stockholders.

***If the aggregate value of the securities we own in its TRSs were determined to be in excess of 25% of the value of its total assets, we could fail to qualify as a REIT or be subject to a penalty tax and forced to dispose of TRS securities.***

For us to continue to qualify as a REIT, the aggregate value of all securities that we hold in our TRSs may not exceed 25% of the value of its total assets. The value of our TRS securities and our real estate assets is based on determinations of fair market value which are not subject to precise determination. We will not lose our qualification as a REIT if we were to fail the TRS limitation at the end of a quarter because of a discrepancy between the value of its TRSs and its other investments unless such discrepancy exists after the acquisition of TRS securities and is wholly or partially the result of such acquisition (including as a result of an increased investment in existing TRSs, either directly, or by way of a limited partner of the operating partnership exercising an exchange right, or we raising additional capital and contributing such capital to its operating partnership). If we were to fail to satisfy the TRS limitation at the end of a particular quarter and we were considered to have acquired TRS securities during such quarter, we would fail to qualify as a REIT unless we cured such failure by disposing of TRS securities or otherwise coming into compliance with the TRS limitation within 30 days after the close of such quarter. Based on such rules and our determination of the fair market value of our assets and the securities of our TRSs, we believe that we have satisfied and will continue to satisfy the TRS limitation. Notwithstanding the foregoing, as the fair market value of our TRS securities and real estate assets cannot be determined with absolute certainty, and we do not control when a limited partner of our operating partnership will exercise their redemption right, no assurance can be given that the IRS will not successfully challenge the valuations of our assets or that we have met and will continue to meet the TRS limitation. In addition, if the value of our real estate assets were to decrease, our ability to own TRS securities or other assets not qualifying as real estate assets will be limited and we could be forced to dispose of our TRS securities or such other assets in order to comply with REIT requirements.



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***If the IRS were to successfully challenge our valuation of certain of its subsidiaries, we may fail to qualify as a REIT.***

While we believe we have properly valued the securities we holds in its TRSs, there is no guarantee that the IRS would agree with such valuation or that a court would not agree with such determination by the IRS. In the event we have improperly valued the securities we holds in its TRSs, we may fail to satisfy the 25% (20% with respect to its taxable year ended on or before December 31, 2008 and prior taxable years) asset test which may result in our failure to qualify as a REIT.

**Item 1B. *Unresolved Staff Comments***

None.



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The following table contains information about our consolidated wholly-owned and joint venture properties as of December 31, 2010:

			Net	Occupancy	Annualized	Annualized
	Location	Ownership	Rentable	Rate	Rent	Rent Per
			Square			Leased
			Feet			Square
						Foot
<b>California</b>						
Verdugo Hills Professional Bldg I	Glendale	100.0%	64,056	93.1%	\$ 1,930,055	\$ 32.35
Verdugo Hills Professional Bldg II	Glendale	100.0%	42,906	99.5%	1,439,002	33.70
			106,962	95.7%	3,369,057	32.91
<b>Florida</b>						
Woodlands Center for Specialized Medicine	Pensacola	40.0%	75,985	100.0%	2,452,055	32.27
<b>Georgia</b>						
Augusta POB I	Augusta	100.0%	99,494	93.2%	1,356,650	14.63
Augusta POB II	Augusta	100.0%	125,634	87.6%	2,304,051	20.93
Augusta POB III	Augusta	100.0%	47,034	90.0%	909,175	21.48
Augusta POB IV	Augusta	100.0%	55,134	83.1%	895,774	19.54
Summit Professional Plaza I	Brunswick	100.0%	33,039	93.5%	858,710	27.80
Summit Professional Plaza II	Brunswick	100.0%	64,233	96.7%	1,760,881	28.34
			424,568	90.5%	8,085,241	21.05
<b>Indiana</b>						
Methodist Professional Center I <sup>(1)</sup>	Indianapolis	100.0%	150,243	95.2%	3,480,256	24.34
Methodist Professional Center II (sub-lease)	Indianapolis	100.0%	24,080	100.0%	653,679	27.15
			174,323	95.8%	4,133,935	24.75
<b>Kentucky</b>						
OLBH Same Day Surgery Center and MOB	Ashland	100.0%	46,907	95.7%	978,786	21.81
OLBH Parking Garage					890,962	
			46,907	95.7%	1,869,748	21.81 <sup>(2)</sup>
<b>Louisiana</b>						
East Jefferson MOB	Metairie	100.0%	119,921	99.1%	2,574,872	21.67
East Jefferson Medical Plaza	Metairie	100.0%	123,184	100.0%	2,785,905	22.62

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East Jefferson MRI	Metairie	100.0%	10,809	100.0%	995,663	92.11
			253,914	99.6%	6,356,440	25.14
<b>Minnesota</b>						
Health Partners Medical & Dental Clinics	Sartell	100.0%	60,108	94.9%	1,970,692	34.54
<b>Mississippi</b>						
University Physicians Grants Ferry	Flowood	100.0%	50,575	100.0%	1,619,447	32.02
<b>New York</b>						
Central NY Medical Center <sup>(3)</sup>	Syracuse	100.0%	111,634	97.8%	2,918,133	26.73
<b>North Carolina</b>						
Alamance Regional Mebane Outpatient Center	Mebane	35.1%	68,206	71.1%	1,853,215	38.24
Barclay Downs	Charlotte	100.0%	38,395	100.0%	645,085	16.80
Birkdale Bldgs C, D, E and Birkdale Wellness	Huntersville	100.0%	64,669	96.4%	1,389,705	22.29
Birkdale II	Huntersville	100.0%	8,269	100.0%	203,672	24.63
Copperfield Medical Mall	Concord	100.0%	26,000	100.0%	631,660	24.29
East Rocky Mount Kidney Center	Rocky Mount	100.0%	8,043	100.0%	161,232	20.05
English Road Medical Center	Rocky Mount	34.5%	35,393	95.7%	950,728	28.08
Gaston Professional & Ambulatory Surgery Centers	Gastonia	100.0%	114,956	100.0%	2,739,964	23.83
Gaston Parking					606,141	
Gateway Medical Office Building	Concord	100.0%	61,789	69.1%	1,119,819	26.21
Harrisburg Family Physicians	Harrisburg	100.0%	8,202	100.0%	224,301	27.35
Harrisburg Medical Mall	Harrisburg	100.0%	18,360	100.0%	500,851	27.28
Lincoln/Lakemont Family Practice	Lincolnton	100.0%	16,500	100.0%	397,713	24.10
Mallard Crossing Medical Park	Charlotte	100.0%	52,540	66.0%	858,662	24.77
Medical Arts Building	Concord	100.0%	84,972	93.3%	1,817,675	22.93
Midland Medical Park	Midland	100.0%	14,610	100.0%	441,985	30.25
Mulberry Medical Park	Lenoir	100.0%	24,992	87.0%	467,570	21.50
Northcross Family Physicians	Charlotte	100.0%	8,018	100.0%	234,496	29.25
Randolph Medical Park	Charlotte	100.0%	84,131	69.2%	1,292,498	22.21

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						<b>Annualized Rent Per</b>
	<b>Location</b>	<b>Ownership</b>	<b>Net Rentable Square Feet</b>	<b>Occupancy Rate</b>	<b>Annualized Rent</b>	<b>Leased Square Foot</b>
<b>North Carolina (continued)</b>						
Rocky Mount Kidney Center	Rocky Mount	100.0%	10,105	100.0%	202,567	20.05
Rocky Mount Medical Park	Rocky Mount	100.0%	96,993	100.0%	2,091,904	21.57
Rowan Outpatient Surgery Center	Salisbury	100.0%	19,464	100.0%	435,162	22.36
Weddington Internal & Pediatric Medicine	Concord	100.0%	7,750	100.0%	203,224	26.22
			872,357	89.1%	19,469,829	24.28 <sup>(2)</sup>
<b>Pennsylvania</b>						
Lancaster Rehabilitation Hospital	Lancaster	100.0%	57,508	100.0%	1,484,740	25.82
Lancaster ASC MOB	Lancaster	80.9%	64,214	100.0%	2,130,199	33.17
			121,722	100.0%	3,614,939	29.70
<b>South Carolina</b>						
200 Andrews	Greenville	100.0%	25,902	100.0%	628,047	24.25
Beaufort Medical Plaza	Beaufort	100.0%	59,340	100.0%	1,346,384	22.69
Carolina Forest Medical Plaza	Myrtle Beach	100.0%	38,902	43.5%	533,125	31.53
Mary Black Westside Medical Office Bldg	Spartanburg	100.0%	37,455	100.0%	728,004	19.44
Medical Arts Center of Orangeburg	Orangeburg	100.0%	49,324	78.0%	766,672	19.94
Mount Pleasant Medical Office						
Long Point	Mt. Pleasant	100.0%	38,735	77.4%	795,812	26.55
One Medical Park	Columbia	100.0%	69,840	83.9%	1,448,084	24.73
Palmetto Health Parkridge	Columbia	100.0%	89,451	94.6%	2,147,120	25.37
Providence MOB I	Columbia	100.0%	48,500	82.0%	879,088	22.10
Providence MOB II	Columbia	100.0%	23,280	88.8%	424,702	20.55
Providence MOB III	Columbia	100.0%	54,417	73.3%	783,493	19.64
River Hills Medical Plaza	Little River	100.0%	27,566	70.9%	637,881	32.63
Roper Medical Office Building	Charleston	100.0%	122,785	84.7%	2,223,487	21.37
St. Francis CMOB	Greenville	100.0%	45,140	96.6%	1,154,968	26.49
St. Francis Medical Plaza (Charleston)	Charleston	100.0%	28,734	100.0%	840,813	29.26
St. Francis Medical Plaza (Greenville)	Greenville	100.0%	62,724	67.6%	825,515	19.46
St. Francis Outpatient Surgery Center	Greenville	100.0%	72,491	100.0%	2,169,417	29.93

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St. Francis Professional Medical Center	Greenville	100.0%	49,767	100.0%	1,131,301	22.73
St. Francis Women's	Greenville	100.0%	57,590	79.2%	972,590	21.31
Three Medical Park	Columbia	100.0%	88,755	82.3%	1,722,577	23.60
			1,090,698	85.3%	22,159,080	23.81
<b>Tennessee</b>						
Health Park Medical Office Building	Chattanooga	100.0%	52,151	88.8%	1,730,882	37.38
Peerless Crossing Medical Center	Cleveland	100.0%	40,506	100.0%	1,008,848	24.91
			92,657	93.7%	2,739,730	31.56
<b>Virginia</b>						
MRMC MOB I	Mechanicsville	100.0%	56,610	77.2%	1,275,077	29.19
St. Mary's MOB North (Floors 6 & 7)	Richmond	100.0%	30,617	100.0%	783,450	25.59
			87,227	85.2%	2,058,527	27.71
<b>Total</b>			3,569,637	90.6%	\$ 82,816,853	\$ 25.14 <sup>(2)</sup>

- (1) Parking revenue from an adjacent parking deck is approximately \$90,000 per month, or \$1,080,000 annualized.
- (2) Excludes annualized rent of adjacent parking decks to OLBH Same Day Surgery Center and MOB and Gaston Professional Center from calculation.
- (3) Parking revenue from an adjacent parking deck is approximately \$100,000 per month, or \$1,200,000 annualized.

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Future lease expirations by tenants by year under non-cancelable operating leases as of December 31, 2010, were as follows (dollars in thousands, except per leased square foot amounts):

	<b>Number of Leases Expiring</b>	<b>Net Rentable Square Feet</b>	<b>Percentage of Net Rentable Square Feet</b>	<b>Annualized Rent</b>	<b>Percentage of Property Annualized Rent</b>	<b>Annualized Rent Per Leased Square Foot</b>
Available		335,140	9.4%	\$		\$
2011	118	380,104	10.6%	8,822,530	10.7%	23.21
2012	137	563,865	15.8%	15,488,211	18.7%	24.81(1)
2013	88	371,802	10.4%	8,558,824	10.3%	23.02
2014	80	367,583	10.3%	9,143,332	11.0%	24.87
2015	69	266,544	7.5%	6,117,214	7.4%	22.95
2016	31	150,487	4.2%	3,093,863	3.7%	20.56
2017	47	285,658	8.0%	7,617,039	9.2%	26.66
2018	19	112,358	3.1%	2,886,922	3.5%	25.69
2019	19	143,101	4.0%	3,188,922	3.9%	22.28
2020	13	87,324	2.4%	2,017,720	2.4%	23.11
Thereafter	17	505,671	14.2%	15,882,276	19.2%	31.41
Total	638	3,569,637	100.0%	\$ 82,816,853	100.0%	\$ 25.14(1)

(1) Excludes annualized rent of adjacent parking decks to OLBH Same Day Surgery Center and MOB and Gaston Professional Center from calculation.

No tenant occupied 10% or more of our net rentable square feet at our properties.

**Item 3. Legal Proceedings**

We are from time to time involved in routine litigation arising out of the ordinary course of business. In our opinion, after consultation with legal counsel, the outcomes of such matters are not expected to have a material adverse effect on our financial position, results of operations, or cash flows.

**Item 4. Removed and Reserved**

**Table of Contents****PART II****Item 5. Market for Registrant's Common Equity and Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities****Market Information**

Our common stock trades on the NYSE under the symbol CSA. The following table sets forth, for the period indicated, the high and low sales price for our common stock as reported by the NYSE and the per share dividends declared:

<b>Period</b>	<b>High</b>	<b>Low</b>	<b>Dividends Declared</b>
<b>2009</b>			
First Quarter	\$ 10.00	\$ 4.50	\$ 0.225
Second Quarter	\$ 6.40	\$ 3.65	\$ 0.10
Third Quarter	\$ 5.25	\$ 3.87	\$ 0.10
Fourth Quarter	\$ 5.82	\$ 4.53	\$ 0.10
<b>2010</b>			
First Quarter	\$ 7.65	\$ 5.66	\$ 0.10
Second Quarter	\$ 8.35	\$ 6.37	\$ 0.10
Third Quarter	\$ 7.53	\$ 6.07	\$ 0.10
Fourth Quarter	\$ 6.91	\$ 5.72	\$ 0.10

On March 9, 2011, the closing price of our common stock as reported by the NYSE was \$6.01. At March 9, 2011, we had 139 holders of record of our common stock.

Holders of shares of common stock are entitled to receive distributions when and if declared by the Board of Directors out of any assets legally available for that purpose. As a REIT, we are required to distribute at least 90% of our REIT taxable income (computed without regard to the dividends paid deduction or net capital gains) to shareholders annually to maintain our REIT qualification for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Our Credit Facility includes limitations on our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, subject to complying with our REIT requirements. During 2010, we paid four quarterly dividends of \$0.10 per share, totaling \$0.40 per share for 2010. We funded the dividend payments for 2010 through a combination of funds from operations and borrowings under the Credit Facility. We use borrowings available under the Credit Facility to fund dividend payments when our cash flows from operations is insufficient to meet the dividend payments. The dividend payments of \$0.40 per share paid in 2010 are classified for income tax purposes as 82.5% taxable ordinary dividend and 17.5% return of capital. AS of December 31, 2010, we expect to pay four quarterly dividends of \$0.10 per share in 2011.

We have reserved 2.5 million shares of common stock for issuance under our 2005 and 2010 long-term incentive plans of which 1.0 million remained available for issuance as of December 31, 2010.

As of December 31, 2010, there were 58.4 million OP units outstanding, of which 50.9 million, or 87.1%, were owned by us and 7.5 million, or 12.9%, were owned by other partners (including certain directors and members of executive management).

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The following graph compares the cumulative total return on our common stock with that of the Standard and Poor's 500 Stock Index ( S&P 500 Index ) and the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts Equity Index ( NAREIT Equity Index ) from December 31, 2005 through December 31, 2010. The stock price performance graph assumes that an investor invested \$100 in each of us and the indices, and the reinvestment of any dividends. The comparisons in the graph are provided in accordance with the SEC disclosure requirements and are not intended to forecast or be indicative of the future performance of our shares of common stock.

<i>Index</i>	<i>Period Ending</i>					
	<b>12/31/05</b>	<b>12/31/06</b>	<b>12/31/07</b>	<b>12/31/08</b>	<b>12/31/09</b>	<b>12/31/10</b>
Cogdell Spencer Inc.	100.00	136.17	108.84	67.92	46.85	50.93
NAREIT Equity	100.00	135.06	113.87	70.91	90.76	116.13
S&P 500	100.00	115.79	122.16	76.96	97.33	111.99

Except to the extent that we specifically incorporate this information by reference, the foregoing Stockholder Return Performance information shall not be deemed incorporated by reference by any general statement incorporating by reference this Annual Report on Form 10-K into any filing under (the Securities Act), or under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. This information shall not otherwise be deemed filed under such acts.

**Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds**

As disclosed in our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed with the SEC on September 24, 2010, in September 2010, in connection with the employment of Raymond W. Braun as our Chief Executive Officer and President, we sold 74,516 shares of common stock to Mr. Braun at a price per share equal to \$6.71.

On October 20, 2009, the final escrow release related to our acquisition of MEA Holdings, Inc. ( MEA ) in 2008 (the MEA transaction ) occurred and in connection therewith, the Operating Partnership issued an aggregate of 331,812 of OP units, having an aggregate value of \$1.6 million, at the time of issuance, to the MEA sellers. These OP units were issued in exchange for ownership interests in MEA as part of a private placement transaction under Section 4(2) of the Securities Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder. These OP units are redeemable for the cash equivalent thereof at a time one year after the date of issuance, or, at our option, exchangeable into shares of our common stock on a one-for-one basis. No underwriters were used in connection with this issuance of these OP units.

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Pursuant to a Purchase Agreement, dated January 23, 2008 (the Purchase Agreement), among Cogdell Spencer Inc., the Operating Partnership and KeyBanc Capital Markets Inc. (the Initial Purchaser), we sold 3,448,278 shares of common stock, par value \$.01 per share, to the Initial Purchaser in a private offering. The Initial Purchaser purchased the securities with a view to the private resale of the securities to certain institutional investors at a price of \$15.95 per share. The securities were issued to the Initial Purchaser pursuant to an exemption from registration under Section 4(2) of the Securities Act and Regulation D promulgated thereunder and resold to the institutional investors pursuant to an exemption from registration pursuant to Rule 144A of the Securities Act.

We received net proceeds of approximately \$53.8 million from the private offering. We used the net proceeds from the private offering to reduce borrowings under our Credit Facility.

In connection with the private offering, we entered into a Registration Rights Agreement (the Registration Rights Agreement) with the initial purchase on behalf of the holders of the securities named therein pursuant to which we agreed to prepare and file with the SEC a shelf registration statement providing for the resale of the securities and to cause such shelf registration statement to be declared effective by the SEC on the terms and subject to the conditions specified in the registration agreement.

On March 10, 2008, June 13, 2008, and November 5, 2008, the Operating Partnership issued an aggregate of 4,331,336, 208,496, and 148,926, respectively of OP units, having an aggregate value of \$68.6 million, \$3.3 million, and \$2.4 million, respectively, at the time of issuance, related to the MEA transaction. These OP units were issued in exchange for ownership interests in MEA as part of a private placement transaction under Section 4(2) of the Securities Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder. These OP units are redeemable for the cash equivalent thereof at a time one year after the date of issuance, or, at our option, exchangeable into shares of our common stock on a one-for-one basis. No underwriters were used in connection with this issuance of these OP units.

**Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities**

We did not repurchase shares of common stock during the quarter ended December 31, 2010.

**Equity Compensation Plan Information**

<b>Plan Category</b>	<b>(a) Number of Securities to be Issued Upon Exercise of Outstanding Options, Warrants, and Rights</b>	<b>(b) Weighted Average Exercise Price of Outstanding Options, Warrants, and Rights</b>	<b>(c) Number of Securities Remaining Available for Future Issuance Under Equity Compensation Plans (Excluding Securities Reflected in Columns (a))</b>
Equity compensation plans approved by security holders	N/A <sup>(1)</sup>	N/A	997,738
Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders			
<b>Total</b>	N/A <sup>(1)</sup>	N/A	997,738

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These amounts include information related to our 2005 and 2010 Long-term Incentive Plans. As of December 31, 2010, we issued 631,223 shares of restricted stock and 883,039 Long-term Incentive Plan ( LTIP ) units under this plan.

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The following table sets forth our selected consolidated financial and operating data on an historical basis. The following table should be read in conjunction with the Financial Statements and notes thereto included in Item 8, Financial Statements and Supplementary Data and Item 7, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

	<b>2010</b>	<b>For the year ended December 31,</b>			<b>2006</b>
		<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>	
		(In thousand, except per share amounts)			
<b>Statements of Operations Data:</b>					
Rental revenue	\$ 87,803	\$ 79,486	\$ 77,421	\$ 62,611	\$ 52,007
Design-Build contract revenue and other sales	91,256	143,416	253,596		
Total revenues	182,417	229,601	335,362	66,403	54,217
Property operating and management expenses	33,664	31,810	31,065	25,405	19,572
Costs related to design-build contract revenue and other sales	72,001	113,961	214,019		
Selling, general, and administrative expenses	30,411	32,285	30,215	7,365	6,261
Income (loss) from continuing operations before other income (expense), and income tax benefit (expense)	(113,541)	(103,877)	15,184	6,021	(1,359)
Interest expense	(21,994)	(21,711)	(25,017)	(15,818)	(14,046)
Loss from continuing operations	(118,886)	(100,435)	(7,645)	(8,821)	(13,808)
Net loss	(118,616)	(101,962)	(7,857)	(8,994)	(14,034)
Net loss available to Cogdell Spencer Inc. common shareholders	(104,089)	(69,728)	(5,773)	(6,341)	(9,097)
<b>Per Share basic and diluted:</b>					
Declared dividend	\$ 0.40	\$ 0.525	\$ 1.275	\$ 1.40	\$ 1.40
Loss from continuing operations available to Cogdell Spencer Inc. common shareholders	\$ (2.20)	\$ (2.10)	\$ (0.36)	\$ (0.56)	\$ (1.16)
Income (loss) from discontinued operations available to Cogdell Spencer Inc. common shareholders	\$	\$ (0.03)	\$ (0.01)	\$ (0.01)	\$ (0.01)
Net loss per share available to Cogdell Spencer Inc. common shareholders	\$ (2.20)	\$ (2.14)	\$ (0.37)	\$ (0.57)	\$ (1.17)
Weighted average shares basic and diluted	47,456	32,655	15,770	11,056	7,975
Weighted average shares and OP units basic and diluted	55,206	40,616	24,098	15,637	12,612
<b>Selected Balance Sheet Data (as of the end of the period):</b>					
<b>Assets:</b>					
Real estate properties, net	\$ 537,393	\$ 511,215	\$ 474,260	\$ 451,284	\$ 348,301
Other assets, net	95,547	241,448	425,830	54,953	44,757
Total assets	\$ 632,940	\$ 752,663	\$ 900,090	\$ 506,237	\$ 393,058

**Liabilities and equity:**

Mortgages, credit facility, and term debt	\$ 362,303	\$ 410,892	\$ 462,948	\$ 314,314	\$ 259,545
Other liabilities, net	53,117	93,991	154,148	29,667	19,837
Equity	217,520	247,780	282,994	162,256	113,676
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 632,940	\$ 752,663	\$ 900,090	\$ 506,237	\$ 393,058

**Cash Flow Data:**

Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 7,496	\$ 45,443	\$ 24,740	\$ 23,796	\$ 15,900
Net cash used in investing activities	\$ (44,214)	\$ (54,213)	\$ (194,277)	\$ (117,298)	\$ (103,587)
Net cash provided by financing activities	\$ 23,007	\$ 16	\$ 200,650	\$ 96,055	\$ 78,932

**Other Data:**

Funds from operations (FFO) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ (91,939)	\$ (73,897)	\$ 21,380	\$ 18,259	\$ 15,036
Funds from operations modified (FFOM) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ (90,447)	\$ (71,132)	\$ 29,363	\$ 18,362	\$ 15,089
FFOM, net of non-recurring items and impairments	\$ 28,818	\$ 31,229	\$ 30,675	\$ 18,362	\$ 15,089

- (1) FFO is a supplemental non-GAAP financial measure used by the real estate industry to measure the operating performance of real estate companies. FFOM adds back to traditionally defined FFO non-cash amortization of non-real estate related intangible assets associated with purchase accounting. We present FFO and FFOM because we consider them important supplemental measures of operational performance. We believe FFO is frequently used by securities analysts, investors and other interested parties in the evaluation of REITs, many of which present FFO when reporting their results. We believe that FFOM allows securities analysts, investors and other interested parties to evaluate current period results to results prior to the acquisition of MEA Holdings, Inc. FFO and FFOM are intended to exclude GAAP historical cost depreciation and amortization of real estate and related assets, which assumes that the value of real estate assets diminishes ratably over time. Historically, however, real estate values have risen or fallen with market conditions. Because FFO and FFOM excludes depreciation and amortization unique to real estate, gains and losses from property dispositions and extraordinary items, they provide performance measures that, when compared year over year, reflect the impact to operations from trends in occupancy rates, rental rates, operating costs, development activities and interest costs, providing a perspective not immediately apparent from net income. We compute FFO in accordance with standards established by the Board of Governors of NAREIT in its March 1995 White Paper (as amended in November 1999 and April 2002), which may differ from the methodology for calculating FFO and FFOM utilized by other equity REITs and, accordingly, may not be comparable to such other REITs. We adjust the NAREIT definition to add back noncontrolling interests in consolidated real estate partnerships before real estate related depreciation and amortization and deduct dividends on preferred stock. Further, FFO and FFOM do not represent amounts available for management's discretionary use because of needed capital replacement or expansion, debt service obligations, or other commitments and uncertainties. FFO and FFOM should not be considered as an alternative to net income (loss) (computed in accordance with GAAP) as an indicator of our performance, nor are they indicative of funds available to fund our cash needs, including our ability to pay dividends or make distributions.

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The following table presents the reconciliation of FFO and FFOM to net income (loss), which is the most directly comparable GAAP measure to FFO and FFOM (in thousands):

	<b>For the year ended December 31,</b>				
	<b>2010</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2006</b>
<b>Funds from operations:</b>					
Net income (loss)	\$ (118,616)	\$ (101,962)	\$ (7,857)	\$ (8,994)	\$ (14,034)
Real estate related depreciation and amortization <sup>(1)</sup>	29,177	29,114	30,583	27,453	30,188
Noncontrolling interests in real estate partnerships, before real estate related depreciation and amortization	(2,031)	(1,049)	(1,346)	(200)	(199)
Gain on sale of real estate properties	(264)				(919)
Dividends on preferred stock	(208)				
<b>Funds from operations</b>	<b>(91,942)</b>	<b>(73,897)</b>	<b>21,380</b>	<b>18,259</b>	<b>15,036</b>
Amortization of intangibles related to purchase accounting, net of income tax benefit	1,495	2,765	7,983	103	53
<b>Funds from operations modified</b>	<b>\$ (90,447)</b>	<b>\$ (71,132)</b>	<b>\$ 29,363</b>	<b>\$ 18,362</b>	<b>\$ 15,089</b>
Non-recurring events and impairments:					
Intangible asset impairment charges, net of tax benefit	\$ 104,674	\$ 101,746	\$	\$	\$
Tax valuation allowance	10,553				
Mr. Spencer's retirement compensation expense, net of tax benefit	2,545				
Mr. Cogdell's retirement compensation expense	1,493				
Gain on settlement from MEA Holdings, Inc. transaction		(4,905)			
Impairment of real estate property held for sale		1,359			
Strategic planning professional fees		2,641			
Debt extinguishment and interest rate derivative expense, net of tax benefit		1,520			
Restructuring and severance charges, net of tax benefit			1,312		
Impact of non-recurring events	\$ 119,265	\$ 102,361	\$ 1,312	\$	\$

FFOM, excluding non-recurring events and impairments	\$ 28,818	\$ 31,229	\$ 30,675	\$ 18,362	\$ 15,089
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- (1) Real estate depreciation and amortization consists of depreciation and amortization from wholly-owned real estate properties and our share of real estate depreciation and amortization from consolidated and unconsolidated real estate partnerships.

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**Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations**

*The following discussion should be read in conjunction with the Cogdell Spencer Inc. Consolidated Financial Statements and Notes thereto appearing elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. We make statements in this section that are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the federal securities laws. For a complete discussion of forward-looking statements, see the section in this Annual Report on Form 10-K entitled "Statements Regarding Forward-Looking Information." Certain risk factors may cause actual results, performance or achievements to differ materially from those expressed or implied by the following discussion. For a discussion of such risk factors, see the section in this Annual Report on Form 10-K entitled "Risk Factors."*

**Overview**

We are a fully-integrated, self-administered, and self-managed REIT that invests in healthcare facilities, including medical offices and ambulatory surgery and diagnostic centers. We focus on the ownership, delivery, acquisition, and management of strategically located healthcare facilities in the United States of America. We have been built around understanding and addressing the specialized real estate needs of the healthcare industry and providing services from strategic planning to long-term property ownership and management. Integrated delivery service offerings include strategic planning, design, construction, development and project management services for properties owned by us or by third parties.

We are building a national portfolio of healthcare properties primarily located on hospital campuses. Since our initial public offering in 2005, we have grown through acquisitions and facility development to encompass a national footprint, including six regional offices located throughout the United States (Atlanta, Charlotte, Dallas, Denver, Madison, Seattle, and Washington, D.C.) and 27 property management offices. Client relationships and advance planning services give us the ability to be included in the initial project discussions that can lead to ownership and investment in healthcare properties.

In 2010, we completed construction on three wholly-owned medical office buildings located in Tennessee, Minnesota, and Mississippi for a combined total of \$50.7 million and approximately 217,000 net rentable square feet. For the Minnesota and Mississippi projects, we provided both development and design-build (architectural, engineering, and construction) services. We also acquired an outpatient surgery center in South Carolina for \$16.6 million as a result of a client relationship. This 72,491 net rentable square foot facility is located on campus and is 100% leased by the hospital. At December 31, 2010, we had two investment projects under construction totaling approximately 136,000 net rentable square feet with a total estimated investment of approximately \$42.4 million. Both projects have an estimated second half of 2011 completion date.

As of December 31, 2010, we owned and/or managed 113 medical office buildings and healthcare related facilities, totaling 5.9 million net rentable square feet. Our portfolio consists of:

- 65 consolidated wholly-owned and joint venture properties, comprising a total of approximately 3.6 million net rentable square feet, 90.6% leased;

- one wholly-owned property in the lease-up phase, comprising approximately 0.1 million net rentable square feet, 75% leased and income producing with the remaining 25% leased and under construction for a third quarter 2011 scheduled date of occupancy;

- three unconsolidated joint venture properties comprising a total of approximately 0.2 million net rentable square feet; and

- 44 properties managed for third party clients comprising a total of approximately 2.0 million net rentable square feet.

At December 31, 2010, 77.4% of our wholly-owned properties were located on hospital campuses and an additional 9.8% were located off-campus, but were hospital anchored. We believe that our on-campus and hospital anchored assets occupy a premier franchise location in relation to local hospitals, providing our properties with a distinct competitive advantage over alternative medical office space in an area. As of December 31, 2010, our 65 in-service, consolidated wholly-owned and joint venture properties were approximately 90.6% occupied, with a weighted average

remaining lease term of approximately 5.4 years.

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We derive the majority of our revenues from two main sources: 1) rents received from tenants under leases in healthcare facilities, and 2) revenue earned from design-build construction contracts and development contracts. To a lesser degree, we have revenue from consulting and property management agreements.

We expect that rental revenue will remain stable due to multi-year, non-cancellable leases with annual rental increases based on the Consumer Price Index ( CPI ). We have been able to maintain a high occupancy rate for our in-service, consolidated wholly-owned and joint venture properties, due to our focus on customer relationships. During 2010, we renewed 84.2% of lease expirations. Generally, our property operating revenues and expenses have remained consistent over time except for growth due to property developments and property acquisitions.

The demand for our design-build and development services has been, and will likely continue to be, cyclical in nature. Financial results can be affected by the amount and timing of capital spending by healthcare systems and providers, the demand for design-build and development s services in the healthcare facilities market, the availability of construction level financing, and weather at the construction sites. In periods of adverse economic conditions, our design-build and development customers may be unwilling or unable to make capital expenditures and they may be unable to obtain debt or equity financings for projects. As a result, customers may defer projects to a later date, which could reduce our revenues.

We review the value of goodwill and intangible assets on an annual basis and when circumstances indicate a potential impairment may exist. In 2010, we recorded an impairment charge to goodwill of \$85.8 million (\$79.4 million after taxes). We also recorded impairment charges of \$41.2 million (\$25.2 million after taxes) related to trade names and trademarks. These are non-cash charges. We reviewed our position in the healthcare construction market place and our business development strategy. Based on our review of industry data, it was noted that our Design-Build and Development segment had lost market share in each of the last two years. As a result, we lowered our expected future Design-Build and Development cash flows, which lowered the valuation of the reporting unit and caused the impairment charges. See Note 8 in the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this Form 10-K.

In September 2010, our Board of Directors appointed Raymond Braun to serve as our Chief Executive Officer and President. Our former Chief Executive Officer, Frank Spencer, had announced his retirement in May 2010 and ended his full time leadership position as Chief Executive Officer and President in September 2010. Also, in September 2010, Scott Ransom transitioned from President and Chief Executive Officer of Erdman Company, our design-build subsidiary, to Senior Advisor to Erdman Company. James Cogdell will be retiring from the Board of Directors in May 2011 and retire from Cogdell Spencer in November 2011.

In December 2010, we repaid the \$50.0 million senior secured term loan, which was due to mature in March 2011, using proceeds from the issuance of 8.500% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock.

### **Critical Accounting Estimates**

Our discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations are based upon our consolidated financial statements, which have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles ( GAAP ). All significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires our management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amount of revenues and expenses in the reporting period. Our actual results may differ from these estimates. We have provided a summary of our significant accounting policies in Note 2 in the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. Critical accounting policies are those judged to involve accounting estimates or assumptions that may be material due to the levels of subjectivity and judgment necessary to account for uncertain matters or susceptibility of such matters to change. Other companies in similar businesses may utilize different estimation policies and methodologies, which may impact the comparability of our results of operations and financial condition to those companies.



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The price we pay to acquire a property is impacted by many factors, including the condition of the buildings and improvements, the occupancy of the building, the existence of above and below market tenant leases, the creditworthiness of the tenants, favorable or unfavorable financing, above or below market ground leases and numerous other factors. Accordingly, we are required to make subjective assessments to allocate the purchase price paid to acquire investments in real estate among the assets acquired and liabilities assumed based on our estimate of the fair values of such assets and liabilities. This includes determining the value of the buildings and improvements, land, any ground leases, tenant improvements, in-place tenant leases, tenant relationships, the value (or negative value) of above (or below) market leases and any debt assumed from the seller or loans made by the seller to us. Each of these estimates requires significant judgment and some of the estimates involve complex calculations. Our calculation methodology is summarized in Note 2 in the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. These allocation assessments have a direct impact on our results of operations because if we were to allocate more value to land there would be no depreciation with respect to such amount or if we were to allocate more value to the buildings as opposed to allocating to the value of tenant leases, this amount would be recognized as an expense over a much longer period of time, since the amounts allocated to buildings are depreciated over the estimated lives of the buildings whereas amounts allocated to tenant leases are amortized over the terms of the leases. Additionally, the amortization of value (or negative value) assigned to above (or below) market rate leases is recorded as an adjustment to rental revenue as compared to amortization of the value of in-place leases and tenant relationships, which is included in depreciation and amortization in our consolidated statements of operations.

***Useful Lives of Assets***

We are required to make subjective assessments as to the useful lives of our properties and intangible assets for purposes of determining the amount of depreciation and amortization to record on an annual basis with respect to our assets. These assessments have a direct impact on our net income (loss) because if we were to shorten the expected useful lives, then we would depreciate or amortize such assets over fewer years, resulting in more depreciation or amortization expense on an annual basis.

***Asset Impairment Valuation***

We review the carrying value of our properties, investments in real estate partnerships, and amortizing intangible assets annually and when circumstances, such as adverse market conditions, indicate that a potential impairment may exist. We base our review on an estimate of the future cash flows (excluding interest charges) expected to result from the asset's use and potential eventual disposition. We consider factors such as future operating income, trends and prospects, as well as the effects of leasing demand, competition and other factors. If our evaluation indicates that we may be unable to recover the carrying value of an investment, an impairment loss is recorded to the extent that the carrying value exceeds the estimated fair value of the asset. These losses have a direct impact on our net income (loss) because recording an impairment loss results in an immediate negative adjustment to operating results. The evaluation of anticipated cash flows is highly subjective and is based in part on assumptions regarding future sales, backlog, occupancy, rental rates and capital requirements that could differ materially from actual results in future periods. Because cash flows on properties considered to be long-lived assets to be held and used are considered on an undiscounted basis to determine whether an asset has been impaired, our strategy of holding properties over the long-term directly decreases the likelihood of recording an impairment loss for properties. If our strategy changes or market conditions otherwise dictate an earlier sale date, an impairment loss may be recognized and such loss could be material. If we determine that impairment has occurred, the affected assets must be reduced to their fair value. We estimate the fair value of rental properties utilizing a discounted cash flow analysis that includes projections of future revenues, expenses and capital improvement costs, similar to the income approach that is commonly utilized by appraisers.

We review the value of goodwill using an income approach and market approach on an annual basis and when circumstances indicate a potential impairment may exist. Our methodology to review goodwill impairment, which includes a significant amount of judgment and estimates, provides a reasonable basis to determine whether impairment has occurred. However, many of the factors employed in determining whether or not goodwill is impaired

are outside of our control and it is likely that assumptions and estimates will change in future periods. These changes can result in future impairments which could be material.

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The goodwill impairment review involves a two-step process. The first step is a comparison of the reporting unit's fair value to its carrying value. Fair value is estimated by utilizing two approaches, an income approach and a market approach. The income approach uses the reporting unit's projected operating results and discounted cash flows using a weighted-average cost of capital that reflects current market conditions. The cash flow projections use estimates of economic and market information over the projection period, including growth rates in revenues and costs and estimates of future expected changes in operating margins and cash expenditures. Other significant estimates and assumptions include terminal value growth rates, future estimates of capital expenditures, and changes in future working capital requirements. The market approach estimates fair value by applying cash flow multiples to the reporting unit's operating performance. The multiples are derived from comparable publicly traded companies with similar operating and profitability characteristics. Additionally, we reconcile the total of the estimated fair values of all our reporting units to our market capitalization to determine if the sum of the individual fair values is reasonable compared to the external market indicators.

If the carrying value of the reporting unit is higher than its fair value, then an indication of impairment may exist and a second step must be performed to measure the amount of impairment. The amount of impairment is determined by comparing the implied fair value of the reporting unit's goodwill to the carrying value of the goodwill calculated in the same manner as if the reporting unit was being acquired in a business combination. If the implied fair value of goodwill is less than the recorded goodwill, then an impairment charge for the difference is recorded. For non-amortizing intangible assets, we estimate fair value by applying an estimated market royalty rate to projected revenues and discount using a weighted-average cost of capital that reflects current market conditions.

If market and economic conditions deteriorate and cause (1) declines in our stock price, (2) increases in the estimated weighted-average cost of capital, (3) changes in cash flow multiples or projections, or (4) changes in other inputs to goodwill assessment estimates, then a goodwill impairment review may be required prior to our next annual test. It is reasonably possible that changes in the numerous variables associated with the judgments, assumptions, and estimates could cause the goodwill or non-amortizing intangible assets to become impaired. If goodwill or non-amortizing intangible assets are impaired, we are required to record a non-cash charge that could have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial statements.

***Revenue Recognition***

Rental income related to non-cancelable operating leases is recognized using the straight line method over the terms of the tenant leases. Deferred rents included in our consolidated balance sheets represent the aggregate excess of rental revenue recognized on a straight line basis over the rental revenue that would be recognized under the cash flow received, based on the terms of the leases. Our leases generally contain provisions under which the tenants reimburse us for all property operating expenses and real estate taxes we incur. Such reimbursements are recognized in the period that the expenses are incurred. Lease termination fees are recognized when the related leases are canceled and we have no continuing obligation to provide services to such former tenants. We recognize amortization of the value of acquired above or below market tenant leases as a reduction of rental income in the case of above market leases or an increase to rental revenue in the case of below market leases.

For design-build contracts, we recognize revenue under the percentage of completion method. Due to the volume, varying complexity, and other factors related to our design-build contracts, the estimates required to determine percentage of completion are complex and use subjective judgments. Changes in labor costs and material inputs can have a significant impact on the percentage of completion calculations. We have a long history of developing reasonable and dependable estimates related to design-build contracts with clear requirements and rights of the parties to the contracts. As long-term design-build projects extend over one or more years, revisions in cost and estimated earnings during the course of the work are reflected in the accounting period in which the facts which require the revision become known. At the time a loss on a design-build project becomes known, the entire amount of the estimated ultimate loss is recognized in our consolidated financial statements.

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We receive fees for property management and development and consulting services from time to time from third parties which are reflected as fee revenue. Management fees are generally based on a percentage of revenues for the month as defined in the related property management agreements. Revenue from development and consulting agreements is recognized as earned per the agreements. Due to the amount of control we retain, most joint venture developments will be consolidated; therefore, those development fees will be eliminated in consolidation.

Other income shown in the statement of operations generally includes interest income, primarily from the amortization of unearned income on a sales-type capital lease recognized in accordance with GAAP, and other income incidental to our operations and is recognized when earned.

We must make subjective estimates as to when our revenue is earned and the collectibility of our accounts receivable related to design-build contracts and other sales, deferred rent, expense reimbursements, lease termination fees and other income. We specifically analyze accounts receivable and historical bad debts, tenant and customer concentrations, tenant and customer creditworthiness, and current economic trends when evaluating the adequacy of the allowance for bad debts. These estimates have a direct impact on our net income because a higher bad debt allowance would result in lower net income, and recognizing rental revenue as earned in one period versus another would result in higher or lower net income for a particular period.

***Income Taxes***

We use certain assumptions and estimates in determining income taxes payable or refundable, deferred income tax liabilities and assets for events recognized differently in our consolidated financial statements and income tax returns, and income tax expense. Determining these amounts requires analysis of certain transactions and interpretation of tax laws and regulations. We exercise considerable judgment in evaluating the amount and timing of recognition of the resulting income tax liabilities and assets. These judgments and estimates are re-evaluated on a continual basis as regulatory and business factors change.

Tax returns submitted by us or the income tax reported on the consolidated financial statements may be subject to adjustment by either adverse rulings by the U.S. Tax Court, changes in the tax code, or assessments made by the Internal Revenue Service ( IRS ). We are subject to potential adverse adjustments, including but not limited to: an increase in the statutory federal or state income tax rates, the permanent nondeductibility of amounts currently considered deductible either now or in future periods, and the dependency on the generation of future taxable income, including capital gains, in order to ultimately realize deferred income tax assets.

We will only include the current and deferred tax impact of our tax positions in the financial statements when it is more likely than not (likelihood of greater than 50%) that such positions will be sustained by taxing authorities, with full knowledge of relevant information, based on the technical merits of the tax position. While we support our tax positions by unambiguous tax law, prior experience with the taxing authority, and analysis that considers all relevant facts, circumstances and regulations, we must still rely on assumptions and estimates to determine the overall likelihood of success and proper quantification of a given tax position.

We recognize deferred tax assets and liabilities based on differences between the financial statement carrying amounts and the tax bases of assets and liabilities. We regularly review our deferred tax assets for recoverability. Accounting literature states that a deferred tax asset should be reduced by a valuation allowance if based on the weight of all available evidence, it is more likely than not (a likelihood of more than 50%) that some portion or the entire deferred tax asset will not be realized. The determination of whether a deferred tax asset is realizable is based on weighting all available evidence, including both positive and negative evidence. In making such judgments, significant weight is given to evidence that can be objectively verified.

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**REIT Qualification Requirements**

We are subject to a number of operational and organizational requirements to qualify and then maintain qualification as a REIT. If we do not qualify as a REIT, our income would become subject to U.S. federal, state and local income taxes at regular corporate rates which could be substantial and we could not re-elect to qualify as a REIT for four taxable years following the year we failed to qualify as a REIT. The resulting adverse effects on our results of operations, liquidity and amounts distributable to stockholders may be material.

**Changes in Financial Condition**

In May 2010, we issued approximately 7.1 million shares of common stock, resulting in net proceeds of approximately \$47.6 million. The net proceeds were used to reduce borrowings under the secured revolving credit facility (the Credit Facility), to fund build to suit development projects, and for working capital and other general corporate purposes.

In December 2010, we issued approximately 2.6 million shares of 8.500% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, resulting in net proceeds of approximately \$62.6 million. The net proceeds were used to repay the \$50.0 million outstanding balance under a senior secured term loan (the Term Loan), to reduce borrowings under the Credit Facility, to fund build to suit development projects, and for working capital and other general corporate purposes.

Total assets decreased from \$752.7 million to \$632.9 million from December 31, 2009 to December 31, 2010, primarily due to goodwill and intangible assets impairment charges. For additional information, see Note 8 in the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this Form 10-K.

**Results of Operations**

Our income (loss) from operations is generated primarily from operations of our properties and design-build services and to a lesser degree from consulting and property management agreements. The changes in operating results from period to period reflect changes in existing property performance, changes in the number of properties due to development, acquisition, or disposition of properties, and the operating results of the Design-Build and Development segment. For the year ended December 31, 2010, a significant proportion of our loss from operations is due to the \$104.6 million, net of tax, non-cash impairment charge discussed previously in the Overview section.

**Business Segments**

We have two identified reportable segments: (1) Property Operations and (2) Design-Build and Development. We define business segments by their distinct customer base and service provided. While we operate as a single entity, we produce discrete financial information for each segment, which is reviewed by the chief operating decision maker to make resource allocation decisions and assess performance. Property Operations includes real estate investment and rental activities as well as property management for third parties. Design-Build and Development includes design-build construction activities as well as development and consulting activities. For additional information, see Note 6 in the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in the Form 10-K.

**Table of Contents****Property Summary**

The following is an activity summary of our property portfolio (excluding unconsolidated real estate partnerships) for the years ended December 31, 2010 and 2009:

	<b>2010</b>	<b>2009</b>
Properties at January 1	62	62
Acquisitions	1	
Developments	3	1
Discontinued operations held for sale		(1)
Properties at December 31	66	62

The above table includes East Jefferson MRI, which is accounted for as a sales-type capital lease.

A property is considered in-service upon the earlier of (1) lease-up and substantial completion of tenant improvements, or (2) one year after cessation of major construction. For portfolio and operational data, a single in-service date is used. For GAAP reporting, a property is placed into service in stages as construction is completed and the property and tenant space is available for its intended use. We had one property, Medical Center Physicians Tower located in Jackson, Tennessee, in lease-up at December 31, 2010.

**Year ended December 31, 2010 compared to the year ended December 31, 2009****Funds from Operations Modified ( FFOM )**

For the year ended December 31, 2010, FFOM, excluding non-recurring events and impairment charges, decreased \$1.2 million, or 3.9%, compared to the same period in the prior year. The \$1.2 million decrease is due to decreased Design-Build and Development FFOM, offset by increased Property Operations FFOM, decreased corporate general and administrative expenses, and increased income tax benefit applicable to FFOM.

The following is a summary of FFOM for the year ended December 31, 2010 and 2009 (in thousands):

	<b>2010</b>	<b>2009</b>
FFOM attributable to:		
Property operations, excluding impairment charges	\$ 56,054	\$ 50,729
Design-Build and development, excluding impairment charges	3,930	19,297
Intersegment eliminations	(2,896)	(7,751)
Unallocated and other, excluding non-recurring events	(28,270)	(31,046)
FFOM, excluding non-recurring events and impairment charges	28,818	31,229
Non-recurring events and impairment charges:		
Goodwill and intangible asset impairment charges, net of tax benefit	(104,674)	(101,746)
Deferred tax asset valuation allowance	(10,553)	
Mr. Spencer's retirement compensation expense, net of tax benefit	(2,545)	
Mr. Cogdell's retirement compensation expense	(1,493)	
Gain on settlement from MEA Holdings, Inc. transaction		4,905
Strategic planning professional fees		(2,641)
Debt extinguishment and interest rate derivative expense, net of income tax benefit		(1,520)
Impairment of real estate property held for sale		(1,359)
FFOM	\$ (90,447)	\$ (71,132)



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See Note 6 in the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this Form 10-K for business segment information and management's use of FFO and FFOM to evaluate operating performance. The following table presents the reconciliation of FFO and FFOM to net loss, which is the most directly comparable GAAP measure to FFO and FFOM, for the years ended December 31, 2010 and 2009 (in thousands):

	<b>2010</b>	<b>2009</b>
Net loss	\$ (118,616)	\$ (101,962)
Add:		
Real estate related depreciation and amortization:		
Wholly-owned and consolidated properties, including amounts in discontinued operations	29,164	29,102
Unconsolidated real estate partnerships	13	12
Less:		
Noncontrolling interests in real estate partnerships, before real estate related depreciation and amortization	(2,031)	(1,049)
Gain on sale of real estate property	(264)	
Dividends on preferred stock	(208)	
Funds from Operations (FFO)	(91,942)	(73,897)
Amortization of intangibles related to purchase accounting, net of income tax benefit	1,495	2,765
Funds from Operations Modified (FFOM)	\$ (90,447)	\$ (71,132)

***FFOM attributable to Property Operations, net of intersegment eliminations***

The following is a summary of FFOM attributable to the Property Operations segment, net of intersegment eliminations, for the years ended December 31, 2010 and 2009 (in thousands):

	<b>2010</b>	<b>2009</b>
Rental revenue, net of intersegment eliminations of \$92 in 2010 and 2009	\$ 87,803	\$ 79,486
Property management and other fee revenue	3,212	3,336
Property operating and management expenses	(33,664)	(31,810)
Interest and other income	607	541
Earnings (loss) from unconsolidated real estate partnerships, before real estate related depreciation and amortization	26	27
Noncontrolling interests in real estate partnerships, before real estate related depreciation and amortization	(2,031)	(1,049)
Income from discontinued operations, before real estate related depreciation and amortization and gain on sale	9	(1,253)
FFOM, net of intersegment eliminations	55,962	49,278
Intersegment eliminations	92	92
FFOM	\$ 56,054	\$ 49,370

See Note 6 in the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this Form 10-K for a reconciliation of above segment FFOM to net income (loss).

For the year ended December 31, 2010, FFOM attributable to Property Operations, net of intersegment eliminations, increased \$6.7 million, or 13.6%, compared to the same period last year. The increase in rental revenue is primarily



due to the addition of four properties, the Woodlands Center for Specialized Medicine property (a consolidated real estate partnership) which began operations in December 2009, Medical Center Physicians Tower which began operations in February 2010, University Physicians Grants Ferry medical office building which began operations in June 2010, and HealthPartners Medical & Dental Clinics medical office building which began operations in June 2010, as well as increases in rental rates associated with CPI increases and reimbursable expenses. The increase in property operating and management expenses and the increase in noncontrolling interests in real estate partnerships before real estate related depreciation and amortization are primarily due to the addition of the properties previously mentioned.

**Table of Contents*****FFOM attributable to Design-Build and Development, net of intersegment eliminations***

The following is a summary of FFOM attributable to the Design-Build and Development segment, net of intersegment eliminations, for the years ended December 31, 2010 and 2009 (in thousands):

	<b>2010</b>	<b>2009</b>
Design-Build contract revenue and other sales, net of intersegment eliminations of \$22,741 in 2010 and \$32,708 in 2009	\$ 91,256	\$ 143,416
Development management and other income, net of intersegment eliminations of \$5,715 in 2010 and \$3,387 in 2009	146	3,363
Design-Build contract and development management expenses, net of intersegment eliminations of \$25,560 in 2010 and \$28,344 in 2009	(72,001)	(113,961)
Selling, general, and administrative expenses, net of intersegment eliminations of \$92 in 2010 and 2009	(17,281)	(20,449)
Interest and other income	3	48
Depreciation and amortization	(997)	(779)
FFOM, excluding impairment charge, net of intersegment eliminations	1,126	11,638
Goodwill and intangible asset impairment charges	(127,041)	(120,920)
FFOM, net of intersegment eliminations	(125,915)	(109,282)
Intersegment eliminations	2,804	7,659
FFOM	\$ (123,111)	\$ (101,623)

See Note 6 in the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this Form 10-K for a reconciliation of above segment FFOM to net income (loss).

For the year ended December 31, 2010, FFOM, excluding impairment charges, attributable to the Design-Build and Development segment, net of intersegment eliminations, decreased \$10.5 million, or 90.3%, compared to the same period last year. The decrease is due to fewer active revenue generating third-party design-build construction projects and lower gross margin percentages.

Design-Build contract revenue and other sales plus development management and other income, all net of intersegment eliminations ( Design-Build Revenues ) decreased \$55.4 million, or 37.7%, for the year ended December 31, 2010 compared to the same period last year. This decrease is due to a lower volume of activity as the number of active revenue generating design-build construction projects has decreased from 18 at December 31, 2009 to nine at December 31, 2010. The decreased activity is due to the current economic environment, general uncertainty regarding government health care reform implementation and government payor reimbursement rates, clients difficulty in obtaining financing, and decreased our market share. Unless we add new revenue generating design-build construction projects for third parties, the number of revenue generating design-build construction projects will decline further as existing projects are completed. We are actively pursuing a number of new project opportunities for third parties and are starting to see some pick-up in requests for proposals and client advance planning opportunities but there is no assurance that any of these opportunities will result in new engagements for us.

Gross margin percentage (design-build and development revenues less design-build contract and development management expenses and as a percent of revenues) decreased from 22.4% for the year ended December 31, 2009 to 21.2% for the year ended December 31, 2010. This decrease is primarily due costs being absorbed by fewer projects due to the lower volume of active projects in 2010 compared to 2009. Gross margin percentage may continue to decrease in 2011 should revenue continue to decrease and fixed costs account for a larger portion of the cost of sales.

Selling, general, and administrative expenses attributable to the Design-Build and Development segment decreased \$3.2 million, or 15.5%, for the year ended December 31, 2010 compared to the same period last year. This decrease is primarily due to an allowance for uncollectible accounts that was recorded in the third quarter of 2009 related to a

client project that lost financing during construction and no such allowance was recorded for the year ended December 31, 2010.

**Table of Contents*****Selling, general, and administrative***

For the year ended December 31, 2010, selling, general, and administrative expenses increased \$1.9 million, or 5.8%, as compared to the same period last year. Excluding the changes attributable to the Design-Build and Development segment, which are discussed above, selling, general and administrative expenses increased \$1.3 million primarily due to compensation related payments and expenses made to Mr. Cogdell, our founder as well as a member of senior management, and Mr. Spencer, our former Chief Executive Officer, offset by a decrease in professional fees related to an exploration of strategic alternatives.

During 2010, we incurred a \$2.5 million charge, net of tax benefit, related to the retirement of Mr. Spencer and a \$1.5 million charge related to the retirement of Mr. Cogdell in accordance with their employment agreements.

During 2009, we explored a range of strategic alternatives that included: an assessment of potential change of control transactions; asset dispositions and acquisitions; business and portfolio combinations; debt financings and refinancings. For the year ended December 31, 2009, the selling, general and administrative expense associated with this exercise totaled approximately \$2.6 million and included fees for consultants, accountants, attorneys, and other service providers. There were no such expenses in 2010.

***Depreciation and amortization***

For the year ended December 31, 2010, depreciation and amortization expenses decreased \$1.7 million, or 4.8%, as compared to the same period last year. The decrease is primarily due to a decrease in amortization of intangible assets due to lower carrying values resulting from the impairment recorded in the first quarter of 2009 offset by the addition of four properties, the Woodlands Center for Specialized Medicine property (a consolidated real estate partnership) which began operations in December 2009, Medical Center Physicians Tower which began operations in February 2010, University Physicians Grants Ferry medical office building which began operations in June 2010, and HealthPartners Medical & Dental Clinics medical office building which began operations in June 2010.

***Impairment charges***

We performed an interim impairment review of goodwill and intangible assets related to the Design-Build and Development business segment as of June 30, 2010, and an annual review as of December 31, 2010. For the year ended December 31, 2010, we recorded an impairment charge to goodwill of \$85.8 million (\$79.4 million after taxes) and we also recorded impairment charges of \$41.2 million (\$25.2 million after taxes) related to trade names and trademarks. These are non-cash charges. We reviewed our position in the healthcare construction market place and our business development strategy. Based on our review of industry data, it was noted that our Design-Build and Development segment had lost market share in each of the last two years. As a result, we lowered our expected future Design-Build and Development cash flows, which lowered the valuation of the reporting unit and caused the impairment charges. Due to decreases in market share, changes in our brand name, and decreased emphasis on branding, we have valued our acquired trade names and trademarks at zero as of December 31, 2010. We also evaluated our amortizing intangible assets and concluded no impairment existed for those assets.

An interim review of the Design-Build and Development's intangible assets was also performed on March 31, 2009, due to a decline in our stock price, a decline in the cash flow multiples for comparable public engineering and construction companies, and changes in the cash flow projections for the Design-Build and Development business segment resulting from a decline in backlog and delays and cancellations of client building projects. As a result of the March 31, 2009, review, we recorded, during the three months ended March 31, 2009, an impairment charge to goodwill of \$71.8 million. We also recorded impairment charges of \$34.7 million (\$21.2 million after taxes) related to trade names and trademarks and \$14.4 million (\$8.8 million after taxes) related to the amortizing intangibles of proposals and customer relationships. These are non-cash charges.

***Interest expense***

For the year ended December 31, 2010, interest expense increased \$0.3 million, or 1.3%, as compared to the same period last year. This increase is primarily due to interest on mortgage notes payable for properties that became operational December 2009, February 2010, and June 2010 offset by lower debt balances as we used a portion of the proceeds from the June 2009, May 2010, and December 2010 equity offerings to repay debt.



**Table of Contents****Income tax benefit (expense)**

For the year ended December 31, 2010, income tax benefit decreased \$5.8 million, or 26.1%, as compared to the same period last year. This decrease was primarily due to the \$10.5 million deferred tax asset valuation allowance recorded in 2010 compared to no valuation allowance recorded in 2009. This decrease was offset by a pre-tax loss that was greater in 2010 compared to 2009, resulting in an income tax benefit that was \$6.7 million greater in 2010 compared to 2009.

**Cash Flows**

Cash provided by operating activities decreased \$37.9 million, or 83.5%, for the year ended December 31, 2010, as compared to the same period last year, and is summarized below (in thousands):

	<b>2010</b>	<b>2009</b>
Net loss plus non-cash adjustments	\$ 25,193	\$ 37,599
Changes in operating assets and liabilities	(17,697)	7,844
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 7,496	\$ 45,443

The net loss plus non-cash adjustments decreased \$12.4 million, or 33.0%, for the year ended December 31, 2010, as compared to the same period last year. This decrease is primarily due to increased net loss after non-cash adjustments for the Design-Build and Development segment offset by increased net income after non-cash adjustments for the Property Operations segment. The changes in operating assets and liabilities decreased \$25.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2010, as compared to the same period last year. This decrease is primarily due to a decrease in design-build billings in excess of costs and estimated earnings on uncompleted contracts, which decreases cash provided by operations. Due to the decrease in the number of active design-build projects and the timing of the current projects, there was a significant decrease in billings in excess of costs and estimated earnings on uncompleted projects.

Cash used in investing activities decreased \$10.0 million, or 18.4%, for the year ended December 31, 2010, as compared to the same period last year. The decrease resulted from us having fewer development projects under construction in 2010 compared to 2009. The increase in restricted cash is related to funds that we deposited with our construction lender for the Puyallup, Washington project as well as funds deposited in relation to other development projects. The Puyallup, Washington funds will be drawn down at the beginning of construction and then we will draw from the construction loan. We received cash proceeds from the sale of Harbison Medical Office Building in the second quarter of 2010. See Note 6 in the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this Form 10-K.

Investment in real estate properties consisted of the following for the years ended December 31, 2010 and 2009 (in thousands):

	<b>2010</b>	<b>2009</b>
Development, redevelopment, and acquisitions	\$ 38,841	\$ 49,007
Second generation tenant improvements	2,977	3,932
Recurring property capital expenditures	1,096	1,633
Investment in real estate properties	\$ 42,914	\$ 54,572

Investments in development, redevelopment, and acquisitions decreased from 2009 to 2010 due to one fewer project under construction.

Cash provided by financing activities increased by \$23.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2010, as compared to same period last year. The change is primarily due to an increase of equity net proceeds of \$33.7 million offset by a decrease in mortgage and Credit Facility proceeds of \$14.0 million.



**Table of Contents****Year ended December 31, 2009 compared to year ended December 31, 2008****Funds from Operations Modified ( FFOM )**

For the year ended December 31, 2009, FFOM, excluding non-recurring events, increased \$0.5 million, or 1.8%, compared to the same period in the prior year. Property Operations FFOM, excluding non-recurring events and intersegment eliminations, increased slightly from 2008 to 2009. However, Design-Build and Development FFOM, excluding non-recurring events and intersegment eliminations and net of taxes, decreased significantly from 2008 to 2009. The decrease in Design-Build and Development FFOM was offset by a decrease in interest expense. The following is a summary of FFOM for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008 (in thousands):

	<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>
FFOM attributable to:		
Property operations, excluding impairment charges	\$ 50,729	\$ 49,212
Design-Build and development, excluding non-recurring event and impairment charges	19,297	21,420
Intersegment eliminations	(7,751)	(627)
Unallocated and other, excluding non-recurring events	(31,046)	(39,370)
FFOM, excluding non-recurring events and impairment charges	31,229	30,635
Non-recurring events and impairment charges:		
Gain on settlement from MEA Holdings, Inc. transaction	4,905	
Goodwill and intangible asset impairment charges, net of tax benefit	(101,746)	
Strategic planning professional fees	(2,641)	
Debt extinguishment and interest rate derivative expense, net of income tax benefit	(1,520)	
Impairment of real estate property held for sale	(1,359)	
Restructuring and severance charges, net of tax benefit		(1,312)
FFOM	\$ (71,132)	\$ 29,323

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	<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>
Net loss	\$ (101,962)	\$ (7,857)
Add:		
Real estate related depreciation and amortization:		
Wholly-owned and consolidated properties, including amounts in discontinued operations	29,102	30,570
Unconsolidated real estate partnerships	12	13
Less:		
Noncontrolling interests in real estate partnerships, before real estate related depreciation and amortization	(1,049)	(1,346)
Gain on sale of real estate property		
Funds from Operations (FFO)	(73,897)	21,380
Amortization of intangibles related to purchase accounting, net of income tax bene		