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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

**Form 10-Q**

(Mark One)

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

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2008

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 001-33130

**Triangle Capital Corporation**

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

**Maryland**

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

**06-1798488**

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

**3700 Glenwood Avenue, Suite 530  
Raleigh, North Carolina**

*(Address and zip code of principal executive offices)*

**27612**

*(Zip Code)*

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(919) 719-4770**

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 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

Smaller reporting company

(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes  No

The number of shares outstanding of the registrant's Common Stock on November 1, 2008 was 6,917,363.

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## PART I — FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. *Financial Statements*

## TRIANGLE CAPITAL CORPORATION

## Consolidated Balance Sheets

	September 30, 2008 <u>(Unaudited)</u>	December 31, 2007 <u></u>
<b>Assets</b>		
Investments at fair value:		
Non-Control / Non-Affiliate investments (cost of \$129,405,482 and \$66,129,119 at September 30, 2008 and December 31, 2007, respectively)	\$ 126,979,495	\$ 68,388,014
Affiliate investments (cost of \$30,283,922 and \$24,023,264 at September 30, 2008 and December 31, 2007, respectively)	33,725,587	24,576,462
Control investments (cost of \$11,636,897 and \$15,727,418 at September 30, 2008 and December 31, 2007, respectively)	17,058,874	20,071,764
Total investments at fair value	177,763,956	113,036,240
Cash and cash equivalents	15,931,088	21,787,750
Interest and fees receivable	268,488	305,159
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	113,367	47,477
Deferred financing fees	3,106,419	999,159
Property and equipment, net	48,086	34,166
Total assets	<u>\$ 197,231,404</u>	<u>\$ 136,209,951</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 1,116,926	\$ 1,144,222
Interest payable	266,973	698,735
Dividends payable	—	2,041,159
Income taxes payable	—	52,598
Deferred revenue	50,000	30,625
Short-term borrowings	5,100,000	—
Deferred income taxes	2,418,178	1,760,259
SBA guaranteed debentures payable	93,110,000	37,010,000
Total liabilities	102,062,077	42,737,598
<b>Net Assets</b>		
Common stock, \$0.001 par value per share (150,000,000 shares authorized, 6,917,363 and 6,803,863 shares issued and outstanding as of September 30, 2008 and December 31, 2007, respectively)	6,917	6,804
Additional paid-in capital	87,121,265	86,949,189
Investment income in excess of distributions	4,589,197	1,738,797
Accumulated realized losses on investments	(567,531)	(618,620)
Net unrealized appreciation of investments	4,019,479	5,396,183
Total net assets	<u>95,169,327</u>	<u>93,472,353</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$ 197,231,404</u>	<u>\$ 136,209,951</u>
Net asset value per share	<u>\$ 13.76</u>	<u>\$ 13.74</u>

See accompanying notes.

## TRIANGLE CAPITAL CORPORATION

## Unaudited Statements of Operations

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2008 (Consolidated)	Three Months Ended September 30, 2007 (Consolidated)	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2008 (Consolidated)	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2007 (Combined)
Investment income:				
Loan interest, fee and dividend income:				
Non-Control / Non-Affiliate investments	\$ 3,447,176	\$ 1,728,682	\$ 8,166,903	\$ 4,233,318
Affiliate investments	936,965	574,964	2,572,546	1,368,578
Control investments	315,408	361,395	1,194,603	845,136
Total loan interest, fee and dividend income	4,699,549	2,665,041	11,934,052	6,447,032
Paid-in-kind interest income:				
Non-Control / Non-Affiliate investments	840,543	213,850	1,709,348	590,655
Affiliate investments	175,491	63,556	489,005	159,098
Control investments	96,393	143,188	356,700	294,501
Total paid-in-kind interest income	1,112,427	420,594	2,555,053	1,044,254
Interest income from cash and cash equivalent investments	57,661	508,652	264,607	1,502,341
Total investment income	5,869,637	3,594,287	14,753,712	8,993,627
Expenses:				
Interest expense	1,125,469	525,081	2,586,279	1,545,798
Amortization of deferred financing fees	64,596	28,515	160,765	83,731
Management fees	—	—	—	232,423
General and administrative expenses	1,467,866	1,048,690	4,338,825	2,690,946
Total expenses	2,657,931	1,602,286	7,085,869	4,552,898
Net investment income	3,211,706	1,992,001	7,667,843	4,440,729
Net realized gain (loss) on investment — Non Control / Non-Affiliate	51,089	—	51,089	(1,464,224)
Net realized gain on investment — Affiliate	—	141,014	—	141,014
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments	(736,636)	1,233,666	(1,376,704)	3,545,081
Total net gain (loss) on investments before income taxes	(685,547)	1,374,680	(1,325,615)	2,221,871
Income tax expense	49,813	—	251,984	—
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations	\$ 2,476,346	\$ 3,366,681	\$ 6,090,244	\$ 6,662,600
Net investment income per share — basic and diluted	\$ 0.46	\$ 0.30	\$ 1.12	\$ 0.66
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations per share — basic and diluted	\$ 0.36	\$ 0.50	\$ 0.89	\$ 0.99
Dividends declared per common share	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.26	\$ 0.66	\$ 0.41
Weighted average number of shares outstanding — basic and diluted	6,917,363	6,735,177	6,864,341	6,703,414

See accompanying notes.

TRIANGLE CAPITAL CORPORATION

Unaudited Statements of Changes in Net Assets

	General Partner's Capital	Limited Partners' Capital	Common Stock		Additional Paid In Capital	Investment Income in Excess of (Less Than) Distributions	Accumulated Realized Gains (Losses) on Investments	Net Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation) of Investments	Total Net Assets
			Number of Shares	Par Value					
Balance, January 1, 2007	\$ 100	\$ 21,250,000	100	\$ —	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,570,135	\$ —	\$ 2,335,076	\$ 25,156,811
Public offering of common stock	—	—	4,770,000	4,770	64,723,267	—	—	—	64,728,037
Formation transactions	(100)	(21,250,000)	1,916,660	1,917	21,248,183	—	—	—	—
Net investment income	—	—	—	—	—	4,440,729	—	—	4,440,729
Realized gain (loss) on investments	—	—	—	—	—	—	(1,323,210)	1,464,224	141,014
Net unrealized gains on investments	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,080,857	2,080,857
Dividends declared	—	—	117,103	117	1,626,096	(2,753,555)	—	—	(1,127,342)
Tax distribution to partners	—	—	—	—	—	(220,047)	—	—	(220,047)
Balance, September 30, 2007	\$ —	\$ —	6,803,863	\$ 6,804	\$ 87,599,046	\$ 3,037,262	\$ (1,323,210)	\$ 5,880,157	\$ 95,200,059

	Common Stock		Additional Paid In Capital	Investment Income in Excess of (Less Than) Distributions	Accumulated Realized Gains (Losses) on Investments	Net Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation) of Investments	Total Net Assets
	Number of Shares	Par Value					
Balance, January 1, 2008	6,803,863	\$ 6,804	\$ 86,949,189	\$ 1,738,797	\$ (618,620)	\$ 5,396,183	\$ 93,472,353
Net investment income	—	—	—	7,667,843	—	—	7,667,843
Stock-based compensation	—	—	172,189	—	—	—	172,189
Realized gain (loss) on investments	—	—	—	—	51,089	33,167	84,256
Net unrealized losses on investments	—	—	—	—	—	(1,409,871)	(1,409,871)
Income tax expense	—	—	—	(251,984)	—	—	(251,984)
Dividends declared	—	—	—	(4,565,459)	—	—	(4,565,459)
Issuance of restricted stock	113,500	113	(113)	—	—	—	—
Balance, September 30, 2008	6,917,363	\$ 6,917	\$ 87,121,265	\$ 4,589,197	\$ (567,531)	\$ 4,019,479	\$ 95,169,327

See accompanying notes.

## TRIANGLE CAPITAL CORPORATION

## Unaudited Statements of Cash Flows

	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2008 (Consolidated)	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2007 (Combined)
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations	\$ 6,090,244	\$ 6,662,600
Adjustments to reconcile net increase in net assets resulting from operations to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Purchases of portfolio investments	(73,645,254)	(42,534,975)
Repayments received/sales of portfolio investments	9,060,478	4,878,207
Loan origination and other fees received	1,401,996	894,904
Net realized loss (gain) on investments	(51,089)	1,323,210
Net unrealized depreciation (appreciation) of investments	718,784	(3,545,081)
Deferred income taxes	657,919	—
Paid-in-kind interest accrued, net of payments received	(1,788,984)	(845,033)
Amortization of deferred financing fees	160,765	83,731
Recognition of loan origination and other fees	(309,140)	(543,466)
Accretion of loan discounts	(95,132)	(158,751)
Depreciation expense	11,110	4,605
Stock-based compensation	172,189	—
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Interest and fees receivable	36,671	(170,012)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(65,890)	(30,382)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(27,296)	(54,683)
Interest payable	(431,762)	(435,074)
Income taxes payable	(52,598)	—
Receivable from / payable to Triangle Capital Partners, LLC	—	(30,000)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	(58,156,989)	(34,500,200)
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Purchases of property and equipment	(25,030)	(39,306)
Net cash used in investing activities	(25,030)	(39,306)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Borrowings under SBA guaranteed debentures payable	56,100,000	4,000,000
Short-term borrowings	5,100,000	—
Financing fees paid	(2,268,025)	(97,000)
Proceeds from initial public offering, net of expenses	—	64,728,037
Change in deferred offering costs	—	1,020,646
Cash dividends paid	(6,606,618)	(1,127,342)
Tax distribution to partners	—	(751,613)
Net cash provided by financing activities	52,325,357	67,772,728
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(5,856,662)	33,233,222
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	21,787,750	2,556,502
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 15,931,088	\$ 35,789,724
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:		
Cash paid for interest	\$ 3,018,042	\$ 1,980,873

See accompanying notes.

TRIANGLE CAPITAL CORPORATION

Unaudited Consolidated Schedule of Investments  
September 30, 2008

Portfolio Company	Industry	Type of Investment (1) (2)	Principal Amount	Cost	Fair Value (3)
<i>Non-Control / Non-Affiliate Investments:</i>					
Ambient Air Corporation (6%)*	Specialty Trade Contractors	Subordinated Note (12%, Due 03/11)	\$ 3,166,022	\$ 3,048,141	\$ 3,048,141
		Subordinated Note (14%, Due 03/11)	1,897,581	1,866,205	1,866,205
		Common Stock Warrants (455 shares)		142,361	510,800
			5,063,603	5,056,707	5,425,146
American De-Rosa Lamparts, LLC and Hallmark Lighting (8%)*	Wholesale and Distribution	Subordinated Note (15.25%, Due 10/13)	8,130,004	7,980,785	7,980,785
			8,130,004	7,980,785	7,980,785
American Direct Marketing Resources, LLC (4%)*	Direct Marketing Services	Subordinated Note (15%, Due 03/15)	4,005,000	3,925,000	3,925,000
			4,005,000	3,925,000	3,925,000
APO Newco, LLC (3%)*	Commercial and Consumer Marketing Products	Subordinated Note (14%, Due 03/13)	2,630,957	2,541,463	2,541,463
		Unit purchase warrant (87,302 Class C units)		25,200	466,100
			2,630,957	2,566,663	3,007,563
ARC Industries, LLC (3%)*	Remediation Services	Subordinated Note (19%, Due 11/10)	2,496,550	2,473,666	2,473,666
			2,496,550	2,473,666	2,473,666
Art Headquarters, LLC (2%)*	Retail, Wholesale and Distribution	Subordinated Note (14%, Due 01/10)	2,333,488	2,304,519	2,110,899
		Membership unit warrants (15% of units (150 units))		40,800	—
			2,333,488	2,345,319	2,110,899
Assurance Operations Corporation (4%)*	Auto Components / Metal Fabrication	Subordinated Note (17%, Due 03/12)	3,976,079	3,932,122	3,572,600
		Common Stock (57 shares)		257,143	—
			3,976,079	4,189,265	3,572,600
Bruce Plastics, Inc. (0%)*	Plastic Component Manufacturing	Subordinated Note (14%, Due 10/11)	1,500,000	1,392,208	—
		Common Stock Warrants (12% of common stock)		108,534	—
			1,500,000	1,500,742	—
CV Holdings, LLC (6%)*	Specialty Healthcare Products Manufacturer	Subordinated Note (16%, Due 03/10)	5,208,281	5,178,206	5,178,206
		Royalty rights		—	274,600
			5,208,281	5,178,206	5,452,806
Cyrus Networks, LLC (6%)*	Data Center Services Provider	Senior Note (6%, Due 07/13)	4,882,336	4,866,686	4,866,686
		2nd Lien Note (10%, Due 01/14)	1,056,385	1,056,385	1,056,385
		Revolving Line of Credit (6%)	253,144	253,144	253,144
			6,191,865	6,176,215	6,176,215
DataPath, Inc. (0%)*	Satellite Communication Manufacturer	Common Stock (210,263 shares)		101,500	57,700
				101,500	57,700

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Portfolio Company	Industry	Type of Investment (1) (2)	Principal Amount	Cost	Fair Value (3)
Electronic Systems Protection, Inc. (4%)*	Power Protection Systems Manufacturing	Subordinated Note (14%, Due 12/15)	\$ 3,044,048	\$ 3,016,709	\$ 3,016,709
		Senior Note (7%, Due 01/14)	991,329	991,329	991,329
		Common Stock (500 shares)		250,000	250,000
			<u>4,035,377</u>	<u>4,258,038</u>	<u>4,258,038</u>
Energy Hardware Holdings, LLC (4%)*	Machined Parts Distribution	Subordinated Note (14.5%, Due 10/12)	3,327,799	3,266,814	3,266,814
		Junior Subordinated Note (8%, Due 10/12)	207,667	207,667	207,667
		Voting Units (4,833 units)		4,833	339,800
			<u>3,535,466</u>	<u>3,479,314</u>	<u>3,814,281</u>
FCL Graphics, Inc. (7%)*	Commercial Printing Services	Senior Note (6%, Due 10/12)	1,729,200	1,722,682	1,722,682
		Senior Note (10%, Due 10/13)	2,000,000	1,992,895	1,992,895
		2nd Lien Note (18%, Due 4/14)	3,328,971	3,317,584	3,317,584
			7,058,171	7,033,161	7,033,161
Fire Sprinkler Systems, Inc. (1%)*	Specialty Trade Contractors	Subordinated Notes (13%-17.5%, Due 04/11)	2,438,362	2,403,782	1,400,000
		Common Stock (250 shares)		271,186	—
			2,438,362	2,674,968	1,400,000
Garden Fresh Restaurant Corp. (4%)*	Restaurant	2nd Lien Note (10%, Due 12/11)	3,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000
		Membership Units (5,000 units)		500,000	583,600
			3,000,000	3,500,000	3,583,600
Gerli & Company (3%)*	Specialty Woven Fabrics Manufacturer	Subordinated Note (14%, Due 08/11)	3,161,439	3,085,389	2,752,100
		Common Stock Warrants (56,559 shares)		83,414	—
			3,161,439	3,168,803	2,752,100
Inland Pipe Rehabilitation Holding Company LLC (8%)*	Cleaning and Repair Services	Subordinated Note (14%, Due 01/14)	8,053,914	7,356,718	7,356,718
		Membership Interest Purchase Warrant (2.5%)		563,300	563,300
			8,053,914	7,920,018	7,920,018
Jenkins Service, LLC (10%)*	Restoration Services	Subordinated Note (17.5%, Due 04/14)	8,258,167	8,108,109	8,108,109
		Convertible Note (10%, Due 04/14)	1,375,000	1,335,629	1,335,629
			9,633,167	9,443,738	9,443,738
Library Systems & Services, LLC (3%)*	Municipal Business Services	Subordinated Note (12%, Due 03/11)	2,000,000	1,942,958	1,942,958
		Common Stock Warrants (112 shares)		58,995	521,000
			2,000,000	2,001,953	2,463,958
Syrgis Holdings, Inc. (6%)*	Specialty Chemical Manufacturer	Senior Note (7%, Due 08/12-02/14)	4,730,000	4,698,643	4,698,643
		Common Units (2,114 units)		1,000,000	696,800
			4,730,000	5,698,643	5,395,443



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Portfolio Company	Industry	Type of Investment (1) (2)	Principal Amount	Cost	Fair Value (3)
TrustHouse Services Group, Inc. (5%)*	Food Management Services	Subordinated Note (14%, Due 03/15)	\$ 4,242,808	\$ 4,162,780	\$ 4,162,780
		Class A Units (1,495 units)		475,000	475,000
		Class B Units (79 units)		25,000	25,000
			<u>4,242,808</u>	<u>4,662,780</u>	<u>4,662,780</u>
Twin-Star International, Inc. (6%)*	Consumer Home Furnishings Manufacturer	Subordinated Note (13%, Due 04/14)	4,500,000	4,436,605	4,436,605
		Senior Note (6%, Due 04/13)	1,305,225	1,305,225	1,305,225
			<u>5,805,225</u>	<u>5,741,830</u>	<u>5,741,830</u>
Waste Recyclers Holdings, LLC (13%)*	Environmental and Facilities Services	Subordinated Note (15.5%, Due 01/13)	9,028,000	8,848,000	8,848,000
		Class A Preferred Units (300 Units)		2,251,100	2,251,100
		Common Unit Purchase Warrant (1,170,083 Units)		748,900	748,900
		Common Units (153,219 Units)		153,219	153,219
			<u>9,028,000</u>	<u>12,001,219</u>	<u>12,001,219</u>
Wholesale Floors, Inc. (4%)*	Commercial Services	Subordinated Note (14%, Due 06/14)	3,500,000	3,336,997	3,336,997
		Membership Interest Purchase Warrant (4.0%)		132,800	132,800
			<u>3,500,000</u>	<u>3,469,797</u>	<u>3,469,797</u>
Yellowstone Landscape Group, Inc. (13%)*	Landscaping Services	Subordinated Note (15%, Due 04/14)	<u>13,162,988</u>	<u>12,857,152</u>	<u>12,857,152</u>
			<u>13,162,988</u>	<u>12,857,152</u>	<u>12,857,152</u>
Subtotal Non-Control / Non-Affiliate Investments			124,920,744	129,405,482	126,979,495
<i>Affiliate Investments:</i>					
Asset Point, LLC (6%)*	Asset Management Software Provider	Subordinated Note (15%, Due 03/13)	5,084,840	4,992,395	4,992,395
		Membership Units (10 units)		500,000	500,000
			<u>5,084,840</u>	<u>5,492,395</u>	<u>5,492,395</u>
Axxiom Manufacturing, Inc. (3%)*	Industrial Equipment Manufacturer	Subordinated Note (14%, Due 01/11)	2,113,218	2,090,191	2,090,191
		Common Stock (34,100 shares)		200,000	356,400
		Common Stock Warrant (1,000 shares)		—	8,000
				<u>2,113,218</u>	<u>2,290,191</u>
Brantley Transportation, LLC ("Brantley Transportation") and Pine Street Holdings, LLC ("Pine Street") (4) (4%)*	Oil and Gas Services	Subordinated Note - Brantley Transportation (14%, Due 12/12)	3,800,000	3,685,252	3,685,252
		Common Unit Warrants - Brantley Transportation (4,560 common units)		33,600	42,300
		Preferred Units - Pine Street (200 units)		200,000	163,500
		Common Unit Warrants - Pine Street (2,220 units)		—	—
			<u>3,800,000</u>	<u>3,918,852</u>	<u>3,891,052</u>

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Portfolio Company	Industry	Type of Investment (1) (2)	Principal Amount	Cost	Fair Value (3)
Dyson Corporation (12%)*	Custom Forging and Fastener Supplies	Subordinated Note (15%, Due 12/13) Class A Units (1,000,000 units)	\$ 10,240,042	\$ 10,038,140	\$ 10,038,140
				1,000,000	1,255,600
			10,240,042	11,038,140	11,293,740
Equisales, LLC (9%)*	Energy Products and Services	Subordinated Note (15%, Due 04/12) Class A Units (500,000 units)	6,271,114	6,172,409	6,172,409
				500,000	1,995,900
			6,271,114	6,672,409	8,168,309
Flint Acquisition Corporation (2%)*	Specialty Chemical Manufacturer	Preferred Stock (9,875 shares)		308,333	1,894,000
				308,333	1,894,000
Genapure Corporation ("Genapure") and Genpref, LLC ("Genpref") (5) (1%)*	Lab Testing Services	Genapure Common Stock (4,286 shares) Genpref Preferred Stock (455 shares)		500,000	471,521
				63,602	59,979
				563,602	531,500
Subtotal Affiliate Investments			27,509,214	30,283,922	33,725,587
<i>Control Investments:</i>					
Fischbein, LLC (13%)*	Packaging and Materials Handling Equipment Manufacturer	Subordinated Note (16.5%, Due 05/13) Membership Units (4,200,000 units)	7,102,078	6,965,643	6,965,643
				4,200,000	5,407,400
			7,102,078	11,165,643	12,373,043
Porter's Group, LLC (5%)*	Metal Fabrication	Membership Units (4,730 units)		471,254	4,685,831
				471,254	4,685,831
Subtotal Control Investments			7,102,078	11,636,897	17,058,874
Total Investments, September 30, 2008 (186%)*			\$ 159,532,036	\$ 171,326,301	\$ 177,763,956

\* Value as a percent of net assets

- (1) All debt investments are income producing. Common stock, preferred stock and all warrants are non-income producing.
- (2) Interest rates on subordinated debt include cash interest rate and, where applicable, paid-in-kind interest rate.
- (3) All investments are restricted as to resale and were valued at fair value as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors.
- (4) Pine Street Holdings, LLC is the majority owner of Brantley Transportation, LLC and its sole business purpose is its ownership of Brantley Transportation, LLC.
- (5) Genpref is the sole owner of Genapure's preferred stock and its sole business purpose is its ownership of Genapure's preferred stock.

*See accompanying notes.*

TRIANGLE CAPITAL CORPORATION

Consolidated Schedule of Investments  
December 31, 2007

Portfolio Company	Industry	Type of Investment (1) (2)	Principal Amount	Cost	Fair Value (3)
<i>Non-Control / Non-Affiliate Investments:</i>					
Ambient Air Corporation (6%)*	Specialty Trade Contractors	Subordinated Note (12%, Due 03/11)	\$ 3,144,654	\$ 2,997,686	\$ 2,997,686
		Subordinated Note (14%, Due 03/11)	1,872,075	1,833,206	1,833,206
		Common Stock Warrants (455 shares)		142,361	929,700
			5,016,729	4,973,253	5,760,592
APO Newco, LLC (5%)*	Commercial and Consumer Marketing Products	Subordinated Note (14%, Due 03/13)	4,315,262	4,214,957	4,214,957
		Unit purchase warrant (87,302 Class C units)		25,200	199,000
			4,315,262	4,240,157	4,413,957
Art Headquarters, LLC (3%)*	Retail, Wholesale and Distribution	Subordinated Note (14%, Due 01/10)	2,441,824	2,397,556	2,397,556
		Membership unit warrants (15% of units (150 units))		40,800	9,800
			2,441,824	2,438,356	2,407,356
Assurance Operations Corporation (4%)*	Auto Components / Metal Fabrication	Subordinated Note (17%, Due 03/12)	3,828,527	3,776,608	3,776,608
		Common Stock (200 shares)		200,000	—
			3,828,527	3,976,608	3,776,608
Bruce Plastics, Inc. (1%)*	Plastic Component Manufacturing	Subordinated Note (14%, Due 10/11)	1,500,000	1,371,527	1,371,527
		Common Stock Warrants (12% of common stock)		108,534	—
			1,500,000	1,480,061	1,371,527
CV Holdings, LLC (5%)*	Specialty Healthcare Products Manufacturer	Subordinated Note (16%, Due 03/10)	4,976,360	4,932,535	4,932,535
		Royalty rights		—	197,900
			4,976,360	4,932,535	5,130,435
Cyrus Networks, LLC (6%)*	Data Center Services Provider	Senior Note (9%, Due 07/13)	4,382,257	4,364,705	4,364,705
		2nd Lien Note (12%, Due 01/14)	907,663	907,663	907,663
		Revolving Line of Credit (9%)	70,880	70,880	70,880
			5,360,800	5,343,248	5,343,248
DataPath, Inc. (1%)*	Satellite Communication Manufacturer	Common Stock (210,263 shares)		101,500	576,400
				101,500	576,400
Eastern Shore Ambulance, Inc. (1%)*	Specialty Health Care Services	Subordinated Note (13%, Due 03/11)	1,000,000	958,715	958,715
		Common Stock Warrants (6% of common stock)		55,268	7,400
		Common Stock (30 shares)		30,000	1,900
			1,000,000	1,043,983	968,015

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Portfolio Company	Industry	Type of Investment (1) (2)	Principal Amount	Cost	Fair Value (3)
Energy Hardware Holdings, LLC (4%)*	Machined Parts Distribution	Subordinated Note (14.5%, Due 10/12)	\$ 3,265,142	\$ 3,196,108	\$ 3,196,108
		Junior Subordinated Note (8%, Due 10/12)	207,667	207,667	207,667
			<u>3,472,809</u>	<u>3,403,775</u>	<u>3,403,775</u>
FCL Graphics, Inc. (8%)*	Commercial Printing Services	Senior Note (9%, Due 10/12)	1,920,000	1,912,331	1,912,331
		Senior Note (13%, Due 10/13)	2,000,000	1,992,061	1,992,061
		2nd Lien Note (18%, Due 4/14)	3,145,481	3,133,096	3,133,096
			<u>7,065,481</u>	<u>7,037,488</u>	<u>7,037,488</u>
Fire Sprinkler Systems, Inc. (3%)*	Specialty Trade Contractors	Subordinated Notes (13%-17.5%, Due 04/11)	2,517,986	2,474,943	2,474,943
		Common Stock (250 shares)		250,000	41,700
			<u>2,517,986</u>	<u>2,724,943</u>	<u>2,516,643</u>
Flint Acquisition Corporation (5%)*	Specialty Chemical Manufacturer	Subordinated Note (12.5%, Due 09/09)	3,750,000	3,719,770	3,719,770
		Preferred Stock (9,875 shares)		308,333	1,074,100
			<u>3,750,000</u>	<u>4,028,103</u>	<u>4,793,870</u>
Garden Fresh Restaurant Corp. (4%)*	Restaurant	2nd Lien Note (13%, Due 12/11)	3,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000
		Membership Units (5,000 units)		500,000	446,600
			<u>3,000,000</u>	<u>3,500,000</u>	<u>3,446,600</u>
Gerli & Company (3%)*	Specialty Woven Fabrics Manufacturer	Subordinated Note (14%, Due 08/11)	3,114,063	3,017,205	3,017,205
		Common Stock Warrants (56,559 shares)		83,414	84,500
			<u>3,114,063</u>	<u>3,100,619</u>	<u>3,101,705</u>
Library Systems & Services, LLC (3%)*	Municipal Business Services	Subordinated Note (12%, Due 03/11)	2,000,000	1,927,075	1,927,075
		Common Stock Warrants (112 shares)		58,995	594,300
			<u>2,000,000</u>	<u>1,986,070</u>	<u>2,521,375</u>
Syrgis Holdings, Inc. (6%)*	Specialty Chemical Manufacturer	Senior Note (9%, Due 08/12-02/14)	4,932,500	4,896,481	4,896,481
		Common Units (2,114 units)		1,000,000	1,000,000
			<u>4,932,500</u>	<u>5,896,481</u>	<u>5,896,481</u>
Twin-Star International, Inc. (6%)*	Consumer Home Furnishings Manufacturer	Subordinated Note (13%, Due 04/14)	4,500,000	4,429,439	4,429,439
		Senior Note (8%, Due 04/13)	1,492,500	1,492,500	1,492,500
			<u>5,992,500</u>	<u>5,921,939</u>	<u>5,921,939</u>
Subtotal Non-Control / Non-Affiliate Investments			<u>64,284,841</u>	<u>66,129,119</u>	<u>68,388,014</u>

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Portfolio Company	Industry	Type of Investment (1) (2)	Principal Amount	Cost	Fair Value (3)
<i>Affiliate Investments:</i>					
Axiom Manufacturing, Inc. (3%)*	Industrial Equipment Manufacturer	Subordinated Note (14%, Due 01/11) Common Stock (34,100 shares) Common Stock Warrant (1,000 shares)	\$ 2,081,321	\$ 2,051,882 200,000 —	\$ 2,051,882 543,600 12,200
			2,081,321	2,251,882	2,607,682
Brantley Transportation, LLC ("Brantley Transportation") and Pine Street Holdings, LLC ("Pine Street") (4) (4%)*	Oil and Gas Services	Subordinated Note - Brantley Transportation (14%, Due 12/12) Common Unit Warrants - Brantley Transportation (4,560 common units) Preferred Units - Pine Street (200 units) Common Unit Warrants - Pine Street (2,220 units)	3,800,000	3,670,336 33,600 200,000 —	3,670,336 33,600 200,000 —
			3,800,000	3,903,936	3,903,936
Dyson Corporation (12%)*	Custom Forging and Fastener Supplies	Subordinated Note (15%, Due 12/13) Class A Units (1,000,000 units)	10,009,167	9,789,167 1,000,000	9,789,167 1,000,000
			10,009,167	10,789,167	10,789,167
Equisales, LLC (7%)*	Energy Products and Services	Subordinated Note (15%, Due 04/12) Class A Units (500,000 units)	6,129,723	6,014,677 500,000	6,014,677 500,000
			6,129,723	6,514,677	6,514,677
Genapure Corporation ("Genapure") and Genpref, LLC ("Genpref") (5) (1%)*	Lab Testing Services	Genapure Common Stock (4,286 shares) Genpref Preferred Stock (455 shares)		500,000 63,602	675,122 85,878
				563,602	761,000
Subtotal Affiliate Investments			22,020,211	24,023,264	24,576,462

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Portfolio Company	Industry	Type of Investment (1) (2)	Principal Amount	Cost	Fair Value (3)
<i>Control Investments:</i>					
ARC Industries, LLC (3%)*	Remediation Services	Subordinated Note (19%, Due 11/10) Membership Units (3,000 units)	\$ 2,403,521	\$ 2,373,358	\$ 2,373,358
				175,000	118,700
			2,403,521	2,548,358	2,492,058
Fischbein, LLC (14%)*	Packaging and Materials Handling Equipment Manufacturer	Subordinated Note (16.5%, Due 05/13) Membership Units (4,200,000 units)	8,660,723	8,507,806	8,507,806
				4,200,000	4,200,000
			8,660,723	12,707,806	12,707,806
Porter's Group, LLC (5%)*	Metal Fabrication	Membership Units (4,730 units)		471,254	4,871,900
				471,254	4,871,900
Subtotal Control Investments			11,064,244	15,727,418	20,071,764
Total Investments, December 31, 2007 (121%)*			\$ 97,369,296	\$ 105,879,801	\$ 113,036,240

\* Value as a percent of net assets

- (1) All debt investments are income producing. Common stock, preferred stock and all warrants are non-income producing.
- (2) Interest rates on subordinated debt include cash interest rate and, where applicable, paid-in-kind interest rate.
- (3) All investments are restricted as to resale and were valued at fair value as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors.
- (4) Pine Street Holdings, LLC is the majority owner of Brantley Transportation, LLC and its sole business purpose is its ownership of Brantley Transportation, LLC.
- (5) Genpref is the sole owner of Genapure's preferred stock and its sole business purpose is its ownership of Genapure's preferred stock.

*See accompanying notes.*

TRIANGLE CAPITAL CORPORATION

Notes to Unaudited Financial Statements

1. ORGANIZATION, BASIS OF PRESENTATION AND BUSINESS

Organization

Triangle Capital Corporation (the "Company"), was formed on October 10, 2006 for the purposes of acquiring 100% of the equity interest in Triangle Mezzanine Fund LLLP (the "Fund") and its general partner, Triangle Mezzanine LLC ("TML"), raising capital in an initial public offering, which was completed in February 2007 (the "Offering") and thereafter operating as an internally managed Business Development Company ("BDC") under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "1940 Act").

The Fund is a specialty finance limited liability limited partnership formed to make investments primarily in middle market companies located throughout the United States. The Fund's term is ten years from the date of formation (August 14, 2002) unless terminated earlier or extended in accordance with provisions of the limited partnership agreement. On September 11, 2003, the Fund was licensed to operate as a Small Business Investment Company ("SBIC") under the authority of the United States Small Business Administration ("SBA"). As an SBIC, the Fund is subject to a variety of regulations concerning, among other things, the size and nature of the companies in which it may invest and the structure of those investments.

On February 21, 2007, concurrent with the closing of the Offering, the following formation transactions were consummated (the "Formation Transactions"):

- The Company acquired 100% of the limited partnership interests in the Fund in exchange for approximately 1.9 million shares of the Company's common stock. The Fund became a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, retained its license under the authority of the SBA to operate as an SBIC and continues to hold its existing investments and make new investments with the proceeds of the Offering; and
- The Company acquired 100% of the equity interests in TML, and the management agreement between the Fund and Triangle Capital Partners, LLC was terminated.

The Offering consisted of the sale of 4,770,000 shares of Common Stock at a price of \$15 per share, resulting in net proceeds of approximately \$64.7 million, after deducting offering costs totaling approximately \$6.8 million. Upon completion of the Offering, the Company had 6,686,760 common shares outstanding.

As a result of completion of the Offering and formation transactions, the Fund became a 100% wholly owned subsidiary of the Company. The general partner of the Fund is the New General Partner (which is wholly owned by the Company), and the limited partners of the Fund are the Company (99.9%) and the New General Partner (0.1%).

The Company currently operates as a closed-end, non-diversified investment company and has elected to be treated as a BDC under the 1940 Act. The Company is internally managed by its executive officers (previously employed by the Fund's external manager) under the supervision of its board of directors. For all periods subsequent to the consummation of the Offering and the Formation Transactions, the Company does not pay management or advisory fees, but instead incurs the operating costs associated with employing executive management and investment and portfolio management professionals.

Basis of Presentation

The financial statements of the Company include the accounts of the Company and its wholly-owned subsidiaries, including the Fund. The Fund does not consolidate portfolio company investments.

The Formation Transactions discussed above involved an exchange of shares of the Company's common stock between companies under common control. In accordance with the guidance on exchanges of shares between entities under common control contained in Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 141, *Business Combinations* ("SFAS 141"), the Company's results of operations and cash flows for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 are presented as if the Formation Transactions had occurred as of January 1, 2007. The effects of all intercompany transactions between the Company and its subsidiaries have been eliminated in consolidation/combination. All financial data and information included in these financial statements have been presented on the basis described above.

The accompanying unaudited financial statements are presented in conformity with United States generally accepted accounting principles ("U.S. GAAP") for interim financial information and pursuant to the requirements for reporting on Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, certain disclosures accompanying annual consolidated financial statements prepared in

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accordance with U.S. GAAP are omitted. In the opinion of management, all adjustments, consisting solely of normal recurring accruals considered necessary for the fair presentation of financial statements for the interim period, have been included. The current period's results of operations are not necessarily indicative of results that ultimately may be achieved for the year. Therefore, the unaudited financial statements and notes should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements and notes thereto for the period ended December 31, 2007. Financial statements prepared on a U.S. GAAP basis require management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts and disclosures reported in the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. Such estimates and assumptions could change in the future as more information becomes known, which could impact the amounts reported and disclosed herein.

### **Allocations and Distributions of the Fund**

During the nine months ended September 30, 2007, the Fund distributed \$751,613 in cash to the former General and Limited Partners of the Fund. After consummation of the Formation Transactions, distributions of the Fund are allocated 100% to the Company.

### **Management Fee**

Prior to the consummation of the Formation Transactions, the Fund was managed by Triangle Capital Partners, LLC, a related party that is majority-owned by the Company's Chief Executive Officer and two of the Company's employees. Triangle Capital Partners, LLC was entitled to a quarterly management fee, which was payable at an annual rate of 2.5% of total aggregate subscriptions of all institutional partners and capital available from the SBA. Payments of the management fee were made quarterly in advance. Certain direct expenses such as legal, audit, tax and limited partner expense were the responsibility of the Fund. The management fees for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 were \$232,423. In conjunction with the completion of the Offering in February 2007, the management agreement was terminated.

### **New Accounting Standards**

On January 1, 2008, the Company adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 157, *Fair Value Measurements* ("SFAS 157"), which defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. The changes to previous practice resulting from the application of SFAS 157 relate to the definition of fair value, the methods used to measure fair value, and the expanded disclosures about fair value measurements. The definition of fair value retains the exchange price notion used in earlier definitions of fair value. SFAS 157 clarifies that the exchange price is the price in an orderly transaction between market participants to sell the asset or transfer the liability in the market in which the reporting entity would transact for the asset or liability, that is, the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability. The transaction to sell the asset or transfer the liability is a hypothetical transaction at the measurement date, considered from the perspective of a market participant that holds the asset or owes the liability. SFAS 157 provides a consistent definition of fair value which focuses on exit price and prioritizes, within a measurement of fair value, the use of market-based inputs over entity-specific inputs. In addition, SFAS 157 provides a framework for measuring fair value, and establishes a three-level hierarchy for fair value measurements based upon the transparency of inputs to the valuation of an asset or liability as of the measurement date. The Company's adoption of SFAS 157 resulted in additional unrealized depreciation of approximately \$0.2 million in the three months ended March 31, 2008. See Note 2 for a further discussion of the impact of the adoption of SFAS 157 on the Company's financial statements and for expanded disclosures about the Company's fair value measurements.

In February 2007, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 159, *The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities—Including an amendment of FASB Statement No. 115* ("SFAS 159"), which permits entities to choose to measure many financial instruments and certain other items at fair value. The objective of SFAS 159 is to improve financial reporting by providing entities with the opportunity to mitigate volatility in reported earnings caused by measuring related assets and liabilities differently without having to apply complex hedge accounting provisions. This Statement is expected to expand the use of fair value measurement, which is consistent with the FASB's long-term measurement objectives for accounting for financial instruments. Under SFAS 159, unrealized gains and losses on items for which the fair value option has been elected are reported in earnings (or another performance indicator if the business entity does not report earnings) at each subsequent reporting date. The adoption of SFAS 159 did not have a material impact on the Company's financial statements.



**2. INVESTMENTS**

As described above, effective January 1, 2008, the Company adopted SFAS 157 for its financial assets. The Company has changed its balance sheet presentation for all periods to reclassify deferred loan origination revenue to the associated debt investments. Prior to the adoption of SFAS 157, the Company reported deferred loan origination revenue as a single line item on the Consolidated Balance Sheets. This change in presentation had no impact on the aggregate net cost or fair value of the Company's investment portfolio and had no impact on the Company's financial position or results of operations.

Summaries of the composition of the Company's investment portfolio at cost and fair value as a percentage of total investments are shown in the following tables:

	Cost	Percentage of Total Portfolio	Fair Value	Percentage of Total Portfolio
<b>September 30, 2008:</b>				
Subordinated debt and 2 <sup>nd</sup> lien notes	\$140,325,623	82%	\$137,043,202	77%
Senior debt	15,830,604	9	15,830,604	9
Equity shares	13,232,170	8	21,622,350	12
Equity warrants	1,937,904	1	2,993,200	2
Royalty rights	—	—	274,600	—
	<u>\$171,326,301</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>\$177,763,956</u>	<u>100%</u>

<b>December 31, 2007:</b>				
Subordinated debt and 2 <sup>nd</sup> lien notes	\$ 80,902,982	76%	\$ 80,902,982	72%
Senior debt	14,728,958	14	14,728,958	13
Equity shares	9,699,689	9	15,335,900	13
Equity warrants	548,172	1	1,870,500	2
Royalty rights	—	—	197,900	—
	<u>\$105,879,801</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>\$113,036,240</u>	<u>100%</u>

During the three months ended September 30, 2008, the Company made two new investments totaling \$16.2 million, one additional debt investment in an existing portfolio company of \$0.2 million and one additional equity investment in an existing portfolio company of approximately \$5,000. During the nine months ended September 30, 2008, the Company made ten new investments totaling \$72.5 million, one additional debt investment in an existing portfolio company of \$1.0 million and three additional equity investments in existing portfolio companies of approximately \$0.1 million.

During the three months ended September 30, 2007, the Company made two new investments totaling \$11.2 million and one additional debt investment in an existing portfolio company of \$1.9 million. During the nine months ended September 30, 2007, the Company made six new investments totaling \$40.5 million, one additional debt investment in an existing portfolio company of \$1.9 million and one additional equity investment in an existing portfolio company of approximately \$0.1 million.

**Valuation of Investments**

The Company has established and documented processes and methodologies for determining the fair values of portfolio company investments on a recurring basis in accordance with SFAS 157. Under SFAS 157, a financial instrument's categorization within the valuation hierarchy is based upon the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The three levels of valuation hierarchy established by SFAS 157 are defined as follows:

*Level 1* – inputs to the valuation methodology are quoted prices (unadjusted) for identical assets or liabilities in active markets.

*Level 2* – inputs to the valuation methodology include quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets, and inputs that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the financial instrument.

*Level 3* – inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

The Company invests primarily in debt and equity of privately held companies for which quoted prices falling within the categories of Level 1 and Level 2 inputs are not available. Therefore, the Company values all of its investments at fair value, as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors (Level 3 inputs, as further described below). Due to the inherent uncertainty in the valuation process, the Board of Directors' estimate of fair value may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had a ready market for the securities existed, and the differences could be material. In addition, changes in the market environment and other events that may occur over the life of the investments may cause the gains or losses ultimately realized on these investments to be different than the valuations currently assigned.

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Debt and equity securities that are not publicly traded and for which a limited market does not exist are valued at fair value as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors. There is no single standard for determining fair value in good faith, as fair value depends upon circumstances of each individual case. In general, fair value is the amount that the Company might reasonably expect to receive upon the current sale of the security.

Management evaluates the investments in portfolio companies using the most recent portfolio company financial statements and forecasts. Management also consults with the portfolio company's senior management to obtain further updates on the portfolio company's performance, including information such as industry trends, new product development and other operational issues.

In making the good faith determination of the value of debt securities, the Company starts with the cost basis of the security, which includes the amortized original issue discount, and payment-in-kind (PIK) interest, if any. The Company also uses a risk rating system to estimate the probability of default on the debt securities and the probability of loss if there is a default. The risk rating system covers both qualitative and quantitative aspects of the business and the securities held. In valuing debt securities, management utilizes an "income approach" model that considers factors including, but not limited to, (i) the portfolio investment's current risk rating (discussed below), (ii) the portfolio company's current trailing twelve months' ("TTM") results of operations as compared to the portfolio company's TTM results of operations as of the date the investment was made, (iii) the portfolio company's current leverage as compared to its leverage as of the date the investment was made, and (iv) current pricing and credit metrics for similar proposed and executed investment transactions. In valuing equity securities of private companies, the Company considers valuation methodologies consistent with industry practice, including (i) valuation using a valuation model based on original transaction multiples and the portfolio company's recent financial performance, (ii) valuation of the securities based on recent sales in comparable transactions, and (iii) a review of similar companies that are publicly traded and the market multiple of their equity securities.

The following table presents the Company's financial instruments carried at fair value as of September 30, 2008, on the consolidated balance sheet by SFAS 157 valuation hierarchy, as previously described:

	Fair Value at September 30, 2008			Total
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
Portfolio company investments	\$ —	\$ —	\$177,763,956	\$177,763,956
	\$ —	\$ —	\$177,763,956	\$177,763,956

The following table reconciles the beginning and ending balances of our portfolio company investments measured at fair value on a recurring basis using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) for the nine months ended September 30, 2008:

	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2008
Fair value of portfolio, January 1, 2008	\$ 113,036,240
New investments	73,645,254
Proceeds from sale of investment	(275,361)
Loan origination fees received	(1,351,996)
Principal repayments received	(8,785,117)
Payment in kind interest earned	2,555,053
Payment in kind interest payments received	(766,069)
Accretion of loan discounts	95,132
Accretion of deferred loan origination revenue	278,515
Realized gains on investments	51,089
Unrealized losses on investments	(718,784)
Fair value of portfolio, September 30, 2008	<u>\$ 177,763,956</u>

All realized and unrealized gains and losses are included in earnings (changes in net assets) and are reported on separate line items within the Company's statements of operations. Pre-tax net unrealized gains (losses) on investments of \$(480,125) and \$(851,052), respectively, during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2008 are related to portfolio company investments that are still held by the Company as of September 30, 2008.

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Duff & Phelps, LLC (“Duff & Phelps”), an independent valuation firm, provides third party valuation consulting services to the Company which consist of certain limited procedures that the Company identified and requested Duff & Phelps to perform (hereinafter referred to as the “procedures”). We generally request Duff & Phelps to perform the procedures on each portfolio company at least once in every calendar year and for new portfolio companies, at least once in the twelve-month period subsequent to the initial investment. In certain instances, we may determine that it is not cost-effective, and as a result is not in our stockholders’ best interest, to request Duff & Phelps to perform the procedures on one or more portfolio companies. Such instances include, but are not limited to, situations where the fair value of our investment in the portfolio company is determined to be insignificant relative to our total investment portfolio.

For the quarter ended March 31, 2008, the Company asked Duff & Phelps to perform the procedures on investments in six portfolio companies comprising approximately 35% of the total investments at fair value (exclusive of the fair value of new investments made during the quarter) as of March 31, 2008. For the quarter ended June 30, 2008, the Company asked Duff & Phelps to perform the procedures on investments in five portfolio companies comprising approximately 18% of the total investments at fair value (exclusive of the fair value of new investments made during the quarter) as of June 30, 2008. For the quarter ended September 30, 2008, the Company asked Duff & Phelps to perform the procedures on investments in eight portfolio companies comprising approximately 29% of the total investments at fair value (exclusive of the fair value of new investments made during the quarter) as of September 30, 2008. Upon completion of the procedures, Duff & Phelps concluded that the fair value, as determined by the Board of Directors, of those investments subjected to the procedures did not appear to be unreasonable. The Board of Directors of Triangle Capital Corporation is ultimately and solely responsible for determining the fair value of the Company’s investments in good faith.

### **Warrants**

When originating a debt or preferred security, the Company will sometimes receive warrants or other equity-related securities as part of the investment transaction. The Company determines the cost basis of the warrants or other equity-related securities received based upon their respective fair values on the date of receipt in proportion to the total fair value of the debt and warrants or other equity-related securities received. Any resulting difference between the face amount of the debt and its recorded fair value resulting from the assignment of value to the warrant or other equity instruments is treated as original issue discount and accreted into interest income over the life of the loan.

### **Realized Gain or Loss and Unrealized Appreciation or Depreciation of Portfolio Investments**

Realized gains or losses are recorded upon the sale or liquidation of investments and calculated as the difference between the net proceeds from the sale or liquidation, if any, and the cost basis of the investment using the specific identification method. Unrealized appreciation or depreciation reflects the difference between the valuation of the investments and the cost basis of the investments.

### **Investment Classification**

In accordance with the provisions of the 1940 Act, the Company classifies investments by level of control. As defined in the 1940 Act, “Control Investments” are investments in those companies that the Company is deemed to “Control.” “Affiliate Investments” are investments in those companies that are “Affiliated Companies” of the Company, as defined in the 1940 Act, other than Control Investments. “Non-Control/Non-Affiliate Investments” are those that are neither Control Investments nor Affiliate Investments. Generally, under the 1940 Act, the Company is deemed to control a company in which it has invested if the Company owns more than 25.0% of the voting securities of such company or has greater than 50.0% representation on its board. The Company is deemed to be an affiliate of a company in which the Company has invested if it owns between 5.0% and 25.0% of the voting securities of such company.

### **Investment Income**

Interest income, adjusted for amortization of premium and accretion of original issue discount, is recorded on the accrual basis to the extent that such amounts are expected to be collected. The Company will stop accruing interest on investments and write off any previously accrued and uncollected interest when it is determined that interest is no longer collectible. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date.

### **Fee Income**

Loan origination, facility, commitment, consent and other advance fees received in connection with loan agreements are recorded as deferred income and recognized as income over the term of the loan. Loan prepayment penalties and loan amendment fees are recorded into income when received. Any previously deferred fees are immediately recorded into income upon prepayment of the related loan.

***Payment in Kind Interest***

The Company holds loans in its portfolio that contain a payment-in-kind (“PIK”) interest provision. The PIK interest, computed at the contractual rate specified in each loan agreement, is added to the principal balance of the loan and is recorded as interest income. Thus, the actual collection of this interest generally occurs at the time of loan principal repayment. The Company will generally cease accruing PIK interest if there is insufficient value to support the accrual or if the investee is not expected to be able to pay all principal and interest due.

***Concentration of Credit Risk***

The Company’s investees are generally lower middle-market companies in a variety of industries. At September 30, 2008, the Company had no investments that were individually greater than or equal to 10% of the total fair value of its investment portfolio. At December 31, 2007, the Company had one investment that was individually greater than or equal to 10% of the total fair value of its investment portfolio. This investment represented approximately 11% of the total fair value of the Company’s investment portfolio as of December 31, 2007. Income, consisting of interest, dividends, fees, other investment income, and realization of gains or losses on equity interests, can fluctuate dramatically upon repayment of an investment or sale of an equity interest and in any given year can be highly concentrated among several investees.

The Company’s investments carry a number of risks including, but not limited to: 1) investing in lower middle market companies which have a limited operating history and financial resources; 2) investing in senior subordinated debt which ranks equal to or lower than debt held by other investors; 3) holding investments that are not publicly traded and are subject to legal and other restrictions on resale and other risks common to investing in below investment grade debt and equity instruments.

**3. INCOME TAXES**

The Company intends to continue to qualify as a Regulated Investment Company (“RIC”) under Subchapter M of the Code. As a RIC, so long as the Company meets certain minimum distribution, source-of-income and asset diversification requirements, it generally is required to pay income taxes only on the portion of its taxable income and gains it does not distribute (actually or constructively) and certain built-in gains.

In addition, the Company has certain wholly owned taxable subsidiaries (the “Taxable Subsidiaries”), each of which holds one or more of its portfolio investments that are listed on the Consolidated Schedule of Investments. The Taxable Subsidiaries are consolidated for GAAP purposes, such that the Company’s consolidated financial statements reflect the Company’s investments in the portfolio companies owned by the Taxable Subsidiaries. The purpose of the Taxable Subsidiaries is to permit the Company to hold certain portfolio companies that are organized as limited liability companies (“LLCs”) (or other forms of pass-through entities) and still satisfy the RIC tax requirement that at least 90% of the RIC’s gross revenue for income tax purposes must consist of investment income. Absent the Taxable Subsidiaries, a proportionate amount of any gross income of an LLC (or other pass-through entity) portfolio investment would flow through directly to the RIC. To the extent that such income did not consist of investment income, it could jeopardize the Company’s ability to qualify as a RIC and therefore cause the Company to incur significant amounts of federal income taxes. Where the LLCs (or other pass-through entities) are owned by the Taxable Subsidiaries, however, their income is taxed to the Taxable Subsidiaries and does not flow through to the RIC, thereby helping the Company preserve its RIC status and resultant tax advantages. The Taxable Subsidiaries are not consolidated for income tax purposes and may generate income tax expense as a result of their ownership of the portfolio companies. This income tax expense is reflected in the Company’s Statements of Operations.

For federal income tax purposes, the cost of investments owned at September 30, 2008 was approximately \$174.1 million.

**4. LONG-TERM DEBT**

The Company has the following debentures outstanding guaranteed by the SBA:

Issuance/Pooling Date	Maturity Date	Prioritized Return Rate	September 30, 2008	December 31, 2007
September 22, 2004	September 1, 2014	5.539%	\$ 8,700,000	\$ 8,700,000
March 23, 2005	March 1, 2015	5.893%	13,600,000	13,600,000
September 28, 2005	September 1, 2015	5.796%	9,500,000	9,500,000
February 1, 2007	March 1, 2017	6.231%	4,000,000	4,000,000
March 26, 2008	March 1, 2018	6.191%	6,410,000	1,210,000
March 27, 2008	September 1, 2018	6.580%	4,840,000	—
April 11, 2008	September 1, 2018	6.442%	9,400,000	—
April 28, 2008	September 1, 2018	6.442%	15,160,000	—
May 29, 2008	September 1, 2018	6.442%	5,000,000	—
May 29, 2008	September 1, 2018	6.442%	5,000,000	—
June 11, 2008	September 1, 2018	6.442%	5,000,000	—
June 24, 2008	September 1, 2018	6.442%	2,500,000	—
August 28, 2008	September 1, 2018	6.442%	1,000,000	—
August 28, 2008	September 1, 2018	6.442%	2,000,000	—
August 28, 2008	September 1, 2018	6.442%	1,000,000	—
			<u>\$93,110,000</u>	<u>\$37,010,000</u>

Interest payments are payable semi-annually. There are no principal payments required on these issues prior to maturity. Debentures issued prior to September 2006 were subject to prepayment penalties during their first five years. Those pre-payment penalties no longer apply to debentures issued after September 1, 2006.

Under the Small Business Investment Act and current SBA policy applicable to SBICs, an SBIC (or group of SBICs under common control) can have outstanding at any time SBA guaranteed debentures up to twice the amount of its regulatory capital. As of September 30, 2008, the maximum statutory limit on the dollar amount of outstanding SBA guaranteed debentures issued by a single SBIC is \$130.6 million (which amount is subject to an annual inflation adjustment). With \$65.3 million of regulatory capital as of September 30, 2008, the Fund has the current capacity to issue up to a total of \$130.6 million of SBA guaranteed debentures. In addition to the one-time 1.0% fee on the total commitment from the SBA, the Company also pays a one-time 2.425% fee on the amount of each debenture issued. These fees are capitalized as deferred financing costs and are amortized over the term of the debt agreements using the effective interest method. The weighted average interest rates for all SBA guaranteed debentures as of September 30, 2008 and December 31, 2007 were 6.194% and 5.826%, respectively.

The Company has an uncommitted short-term offering basis loan agreement with a financial institution (the "Loan Agreement") under which the financial institution may make loans to the Company in amounts not exceeding \$15.0 million in the aggregate. The term of any advances made under the Loan Agreement may not exceed 45 days and bear interest at LIBOR plus 275 basis points. As of September 30, 2008, the Company had \$5.1 million outstanding under the Loan Agreement.

**5. EQUITY-BASED COMPENSATION**

The Company's Board of Directors and stockholders have approved the Triangle Capital Corporation Amended and Restated 2007 Equity Incentive Plan (the "Plan"), under which there are 900,000 shares of the Company's Common Stock authorized for issuance. The terms of equity-based awards granted under the Plan generally will vest ratably over one- to four-year periods.

The Company accounts for its equity-based compensation plan using the fair value method, as prescribed by Statement of Accounting Standards No. 123R, "Share-Based Payment." Accordingly, for restricted stock awards, we measure the grant date fair value based upon the market price of our common stock on the date of the grant and amortize this fair value to compensation expense over the requisite service period or vesting term.

On May 7, 2008, the Company's Board of Directors granted 113,500 restricted shares of our common stock to certain employees and independent directors. These restricted shares had a total grant date fair value of approximately \$1.3 million, which will be expensed on a straight-line basis over each respective award's vesting period. In the nine months ended September 30, 2008, the Company recognized equity-based compensation expense of approximately \$0.2 million. This expense is included in general and administrative expenses in the Company's consolidated statements of operations. As of September 30, 2008, the Company has a total of 113,500 restricted shares outstanding.

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As of September 30, 2008, there was approximately \$1.1 million of total unrecognized compensation cost, related to the Company's non-vested restricted shares. This cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of approximately 3.2 years.

### 6. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The following is a schedule of financial highlights for the nine months ended September 30, 2008 and 2007:

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2008	2007(1)
Per share data:		
Net asset value at beginning of period(1)	\$ 13.74	\$ 13.44
Net investment income(2)	1.12	0.66
Net realized gain (loss) on investments(2)	0.01	(0.20)
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments(2)	(0.20)	0.53
Total increase from investment operations(2)	0.93	0.99
Cash dividends paid	(0.66)	(0.17)
Stock-based compensation	0.03	—
Distribution to partners(2)	—	(0.03)
Income tax provision(2)	(0.04)	—
Other (3)	(0.24)	(0.24)
Net asset value at end of period	\$ 13.76	\$ 13.99
Market value at end of period(4)	\$ 11.94	\$ 13.60
Shares outstanding at end of period	6,917,363	6,803,863
Net assets at end of period	\$95,169,327	\$ 95,200,059
Average net assets(1)	\$94,934,623	\$ 91,788,558
Ratio of operating expenses to average net assets (annualized)	10.0%	6.6%
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets (annualized)	10.8%	6.5%
Portfolio turnover ratio	6.6%	7.4%
Total Return(5)	1.6%	(6.6%)

- (1) Net asset value as of January 1, 2007 and average net assets for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 are presented as if the Offering and Formation Transactions had occurred on January 1, 2007. See Note 1 for a further description of the basis of presentation of the Company's financial statements.
- (2) Weighted average basic per share data.
- (3) Represents the impact of the different share amounts used in calculating per share data as a result of calculating certain per share data based upon the weighted average shares outstanding during the period and certain per share data based on the shares outstanding as of a period end or transaction date.
- (4) Represents the closing price of the Company's common stock on the last day of the period.
- (5) The total return for the nine months ended September 30, 2008 equals the change in the ending market value of the Company's common stock during the period, plus dividends declared per share during the period, divided by the market value of the Company's common stock on the first day of the period. The total return for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 equals the change in the ending market value of the Company's common stock from the Offering price of \$15.00 per share plus dividends paid per share during the period, divided by the Offering price. Total return is not annualized.

## 7. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On October 1, 2008, the Company's loan to CV Holdings, LLC of approximately \$5.2 million (including approximately \$1.0 million in PIK interest) was repaid in full. Concurrent with the repayment, the Company made a \$10.7 million subordinated debt investment in CV Holdings, LLC. This investment bears interest at a rate of 16% per annum and matures in September 2013.

On October 9, 2008, the Company's Board of Directors declared a cash dividend of \$0.38 per share payable on November 20, 2008 to all holders of record on October 30, 2008.

On October 28, 2008, the Company repaid all of the outstanding short-term borrowings under the Loan Agreement totaling \$5.1 million, plus accrued interest.

On October 31, 2008, Triangle invested \$7.8 million in Novolyte Technologies LP ("Novolyte") consisting of \$7.0 million in subordinated debt and \$0.8 million in equity. Novolyte is a leading manufacturer of electrolytes used in the manufacture of lithium ion batteries, as well as high performance intermediates for other key end products.

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

The following discussion is designed to provide a better understanding of our unaudited consolidated financial statements, including a brief discussion of our business, key factors that impacted our performance and a summary of our operating results. As discussed further in Note 1 to our unaudited financial statements, on February 21, 2007, concurrent with the closing of our initial public offering (the "Offering"), we acquired Triangle Mezzanine Fund LLLP (the "Fund") and the Fund's General Partner, Triangle Mezzanine LLC ("TML") in exchange for shares of our common stock. These acquisitions constituted an exchange of shares between entities under common control. In accordance with the guidance on exchanges of shares between entities under common control contained in Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 141, *Business Combinations*, the financial data and information discussed herein for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 are presented as if the acquisition had occurred as of January 1, 2007.

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with the Unaudited Financial Statements and the notes thereto included in Item 1 of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, and the Consolidated Financial Statements and notes thereto and Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007. Historical results and percentage relationships among any amounts in the financial statements are not necessarily indicative of trends in operating results for any future periods.

**Overview of Our Business**

We are a Maryland corporation incorporated on October 10, 2006, for the purposes of acquiring the Fund and TML, raising capital in the Offering and thereafter operating as an internally managed business development company, or BDC, under the Investment Company Act of 1940. The Fund is licensed as a small business investment company, or SBIC, by the United States Small Business Administration, or SBA, and has also elected to be treated as a BDC. The Fund has invested primarily in debt instruments, equity investments, warrants and other securities of lower middle market privately held companies located in the United States. Upon the consummation of the Offering, we completed the Formation Transactions described in footnote 1 to our unaudited financial statements included in Item 1 of Part I of this Quarterly Report, at which time the Fund became our wholly-owned subsidiary, and the former partners of the Fund became our stockholders.

Our business is to provide capital to lower middle market companies in the United States. We define lower middle market companies as those with annual revenues between \$10.0 and \$100.0 million. We focus on investments in companies with a history of generating revenues and positive cash flows, an established market position and a proven management team with a strong operating discipline. Our target portfolio company has annual revenues between \$20.0 and \$75.0 million and annual earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization, or EBITDA, between \$2.0 and \$20.0 million.

We invest primarily in senior and subordinated debt securities secured by first and second lien security interests in portfolio company assets, coupled with equity interests. Our investments generally range from \$5.0 to \$15.0 million per portfolio company. In certain situations, we have partnered with other funds to provide larger financing commitments.

We generate revenues in the form of interest income, primarily from our investments in debt securities, loan origination and other fees and dividend income. Fees generated in connection with our debt investments are recognized over the life of the loan using the effective interest method or, in some cases, recognized as earned. In addition, we generate revenue in the form of capital gains, if any, on warrants or other equity-related securities that we acquire from our portfolio companies. Our debt investments generally have a term of between three and seven years and typically bear interest at fixed rates between 11.0% and 16.0% per annum. Certain of our debt investments have a form of interest, referred to as payment in kind, or PIK, interest, that is not paid currently but that is accrued and added to the loan balance and paid at the end of the term. In our negotiations with potential portfolio companies, we generally seek to minimize PIK interest. Cash interest on our debt investments is generally payable monthly; however some of our debt investments pay cash interest on a quarterly basis. As of September 30, 2008 and December 31, 2007, the weighted average yield on all of our outstanding debt investments (including PIK interest) was approximately 14.2% and 13.9%, respectively. The weighted average yield on all of our outstanding investments (including equity and equity-linked investments) was approximately 13.0% and 12.6% as of September 30, 2008 and December 31, 2007, respectively.

The Fund is eligible to sell debentures guaranteed by the SBA to the capital markets at favorable interest rates and invest these funds in portfolio companies. We intend to continue to operate the Fund as an SBIC, subject to SBA approval, and to utilize the proceeds of the sale of SBA-guaranteed debentures, referred to herein as SBA leverage, to make additional investments and thus enhance returns to our stockholders.

**Portfolio Composition**

The total value of our investment portfolio was \$177.8 million as of September 30, 2008, as compared to \$113.0 million as of December 31, 2007. As of September 30, 2008, we had investments in 35 portfolio companies with an aggregate cost of \$171.3 million. As of December 31, 2007, we had investments in 26 portfolio companies with an aggregate cost of \$105.9 million. As of



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September 30, 2008, we had no portfolio investments that represented greater than 10% of the total fair value of our investment portfolio. As of December 31, 2007, we had one portfolio investment that represented greater than 10% of the total fair value of our investment portfolio.

As of September 30, 2008 and December 31, 2007, our investment portfolio consisted of the following investments:

	Cost	Percentage of Total Portfolio	Fair Value	Percentage of Total Portfolio
<b>September 30, 2008:</b>				
Subordinated debt and 2 <sup>nd</sup> lien notes(1)	\$140,325,623	82%	\$137,043,202	77%
Senior debt(1)	15,830,604	9	15,830,604	9
Equity shares	13,232,170	8	21,622,350	12
Equity warrants	1,937,904	1	2,993,200	2
Royalty rights	—	—	274,600	—
	<u>\$171,326,301</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>\$177,763,956</u>	<u>100%</u>
<b>December 31, 2007:</b>				
Subordinated debt and 2 <sup>nd</sup> lien notes(1)	\$ 80,902,982	76%	\$ 80,902,982	72%
Senior debt(1)	14,728,958	14	14,728,958	13
Equity shares	9,699,689	9	15,335,900	13
Equity warrants	548,172	1	1,870,500	2
Royalty rights	—	—	197,900	—
	<u>\$105,879,801</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>\$113,036,240</u>	<u>100%</u>

(1) We have changed our balance sheet presentation for all periods to net deferred loan origination revenue against the associated debt investments for all periods subsequent to the adoption of SFAS 157 on January 1, 2008.

### Investment Activity

During the nine months ended September 30, 2008, we made ten new investments totaling \$72.5 million, one additional debt investment in an existing portfolio company of \$1.0 million and three additional equity investments in existing portfolio companies of approximately \$0.1 million. We also sold two investments in portfolio companies for approximately \$0.3 million, resulting in realized gains totaling \$0.1 million. We had two portfolio company loans repaid at par in the amount of \$4.8 million. In addition, we received normal principal repayments, partial loan prepayments and payment in kind (PIK) interest repayments totaling approximately \$4.0 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2008. Total portfolio investment activity for the nine months ended September 30, 2008 was as follows:

	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2008(1)
Fair value of portfolio, January 1, 2008	\$ 113,036,240
New investments	73,645,254
Proceeds from sale of investment	(275,361)
Loan origination fees received	(1,351,996)
Principal repayments received	(8,785,117)
Payment in kind interest earned	2,555,053
Payment in kind interest payments received	(766,069)
Accretion of loan discounts	95,132
Accretion of deferred loan origination revenue	278,515
Realized gains on investments	51,089
Unrealized losses on investments	(718,784)
Fair value of portfolio, September 30, 2008	<u>\$ 177,763,956</u>
Weighted average yield on debt investments as of September 30, 2008	<u>14.2%</u>
Weighted average yield on total investments as of September 30, 2008	<u>13.0%</u>

(1) We have changed our balance sheet presentation for all periods to net deferred loan origination revenue against the associated debt investments for all periods subsequent to the adoption of SFAS 157 on January 1, 2008.

## Non-Accrual Assets

### *Bruce Plastics, Inc.*

In the first quarter of 2008, based on the financial difficulties of the borrower, we recognized an unrealized loss of \$0.9 million on our subordinated note investment in Bruce Plastics, Inc. ("Bruce"), which has a cost of approximately \$1.4 million. This unrealized loss reduced the fair value of our investment in Bruce to \$0.5 million as of March 31, 2008. During the first quarter of 2008, we continued to receive interest payments in accordance with our loan agreement. In April 2008, we placed our investment in Bruce on non-accrual status. As a result, under generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"), we no longer recognize interest income on our investment in Bruce. Concurrent with this decision to place Bruce on non-accrual status, we recognized an additional unrealized loss on our investment in Bruce of \$0.5 million. As of September 30, 2008, the fair value of our investment in Bruce is zero.

### *Fire Sprinkler Systems, Inc.*

In the second quarter of 2008, we recognized an unrealized loss of \$0.3 million on our subordinated note investment in another of our portfolio companies, Fire Sprinkler Systems, Inc. ("Fire Sprinkler Systems"). This unrealized loss reduced the fair value of our investment in Fire Sprinkler Systems to \$2.1 million as of June 30, 2008. In the third quarter of 2008, based on the continued underperformance of Fire Sprinkler Systems, we recognized an additional unrealized loss on our investment of \$0.7 million. As of September 30, 2008, the fair value of our investment in Fire Sprinkler Systems is \$1.4 million. During both the second and the third quarter of 2008, we continued to receive interest payments in accordance with our loan agreement. In October 2008, we placed our investment in Fire Sprinkler Systems on non-accrual status. As a result, under generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"), we no longer recognize interest income on our investment in Fire Sprinkler Systems.

## Results of Operations

### **Comparison of three months ended September 30, 2008 and September 30, 2007**

#### *Investment Income*

For the three months ended September 30, 2008, total investment income was \$5.9 million, a 63% increase from \$3.6 million of total investment income for the three months ended September 30, 2007. This increase was primarily attributable to a \$2.0 million increase in total loan interest, fee and dividend income and a \$0.7 million increase in total paid-in-kind interest income due to a net increase in our portfolio investments from September 30, 2007 to September 30, 2008, partially offset by a \$0.4 million decrease in interest income from cash and cash equivalent investments due to (i) a significant decrease in average cash balances in the third quarter of 2008 over the comparable period in 2007 and (ii) a decrease in overall interest rates. Non-recurring fee income was \$0.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2008 as compared to \$0.3 million for the three months ended September 30, 2007.

#### *Expenses*

For the three months ended September 30, 2008, expenses increased by 66% to \$2.7 million from \$1.6 million for the three months ended September 30, 2007. The increase in expenses was primarily attributable to a \$0.6 million increase in interest expense and a \$0.4 million increase in general and administrative expenses. The increase in interest expense is related to higher average balances of SBA-guaranteed debentures outstanding during the three months ended September 30, 2008 than in the comparable period in 2007. As a result of the Offering and the Formation Transactions described in Note 1 to our unaudited financial statements, we are an internally managed investment company and on February 21, 2007, we began incurring general and administrative costs associated with employing our executive officers, key investment personnel and corporate professionals and other general corporate overhead costs. As of September 30, 2008, we had 14 full-time employees, as compared to 10 full-time employees as of September 30, 2007. In addition, we experienced an increase in general and administrative costs in 2008 associated with being a publicly-traded company, such as increased insurance, accounting, corporate governance and legal costs.

#### *Net Investment Income*

As a result of the \$2.3 million increase in total investment income and the \$1.1 million increase in expenses, net investment income for the three months ended September 30, 2008 was \$3.2 million compared to net investment income of \$2.0 million during the three months ended September 30, 2007.

#### *Net Increase in Net Assets Resulting From Operations*

In the three months ended September 30, 2008, we recorded net unrealized depreciation of investments in the amount of \$0.7 million, comprised of unrealized gains on ten investments totaling \$1.8 million and unrealized losses on ten investments totaling \$2.5 million. In addition, we recognized a realized gain of \$0.1 million during the three months ended September 30, 2008, related to the sale of an investment in a portfolio company.

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During the three months ended September 30, 2007, we recorded net unrealized appreciation of investments in the amount of \$1.2 million, comprised of unrealized gains on eight investments totaling \$2.4 million and unrealized losses on ten investments totaling \$1.2 million. In addition, we recognized a realized gain of \$0.1 million on an investment in a portfolio company during the three months ended September 30, 2007. This realized gain resulted from the writeoff of original issue discount related to the prepayment of the portfolio company's outstanding subordinated note.

As a result of these events, our net increase in net assets from operations during the three months ended September 30, 2008 was \$2.5 million as compared to \$3.4 million for the three months ended September 30, 2007.

### **Comparison of nine months ended September 30, 2008 and September 30, 2007**

#### *Investment Income*

For the nine months ended September 30, 2008, total investment income was \$14.8 million, a 64% increase from \$9.0 million of total investment income for the nine months ended September 30, 2007. This increase was primarily attributable to a \$5.5 million increase in total loan interest, fee and dividend income and a \$1.5 million increase in total paid-in-kind interest income due to a net increase in our portfolio investments from September 30, 2007 to September 30, 2008, partially offset by a \$1.2 million decrease in interest income from cash and cash equivalent investments due to (i) a significant decrease in average cash balances in the first nine months of 2008 over the comparable period in 2007 and (ii) a decrease in overall interest rates. Non-recurring fee income was \$0.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2008 as compared to \$0.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2007.

#### *Expenses*

For the nine months ended September 30, 2008, expenses increased by 56% to \$7.1 million from \$4.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2007. The increase in expenses was primarily attributable to a \$1.6 million increase in general and administrative expenses and a \$1.0 million increase in interest expense. As a result of the Offering and the Formation Transactions described in Note 1 to our unaudited financial statements, we are an internally managed investment company and on February 21, 2007, we began incurring general and administrative costs associated with employing our executive officers, key investment personnel and corporate professionals and other general corporate overhead costs. As of September 30, 2008, we had 14 full-time employees, as compared to 10 full-time employees as of September 30, 2007. In addition, we experienced an increase in general and administrative costs in 2008 associated with being a publicly-traded company, such as increased insurance, accounting, corporate governance and legal costs. The increase in interest expense is related to higher average balances of SBA-guaranteed debentures outstanding during the nine months ended September 30, 2008 than in the comparable period in 2007. These increases in general and administrative costs and interest costs were partially offset by a \$0.2 million decrease in management fees. We incurred no management fees in the first nine months of 2008 compared to \$0.2 million in management fees in the first nine months of 2007.

#### *Net Investment Income*

As a result of the \$5.8 million increase in total investment income and the \$2.5 million increase in expenses, net investment income for the nine months ended September 30, 2008 was \$7.7 million compared to net investment income of \$4.4 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2007.

#### *Net Increase in Net Assets Resulting From Operations*

For the nine months ended September 30, 2008, net realized gain on non-control/non-affiliate investments was \$0.1 million which related to a realized gain on one investment. For the nine months ended September 30, 2007, net realized loss on non-control/non-affiliate investments was \$1.5 million, all of which related to one investment. In addition, we recognized a realized gain of \$0.1 million on an affiliate investment during the nine months ended September 30, 2007. This realized gain resulted from the writeoff of original issue discount related to the prepayment of the portfolio company's outstanding subordinated note.

In the nine months ended September 30, 2008, we recorded net unrealized depreciation of investments in the amount of \$1.4 million, comprised of unrealized gains on ten investments totaling \$4.0 million and unrealized losses on thirteen investments totaling \$5.4 million. During the nine months ended September 30, 2007, we recorded net unrealized appreciation of investments in the amount of \$3.5 million, comprised primarily of an unrealized gain reclassification adjustment of approximately \$1.5 million related to the realized loss noted above. In addition, in the nine months ended September 30, 2007, we recorded unrealized gains on eleven other investments totaling \$4.3 million and unrealized losses on ten investments totaling \$2.3 million.

As a result of these events, our net increase in net assets from operations during the nine months ended September 30, 2008 was \$6.1 million as compared to \$6.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2007.

### ***Liquidity and Capital Resources***

We believe that our current cash and cash equivalents on hand, our available SBA leverage and our anticipated cash flows from operations will be adequate to meet our cash needs for our daily operations for at least the next twelve months.

#### ***Cash Flows***

For the nine months ended September 30, 2008, we experienced a net decrease in cash and cash equivalents in the amount of \$5.9 million. During that period, our operating activities used \$58.2 million in cash, consisting primarily of new portfolio investments of \$73.6 million, offset by repayments of loans received and proceeds from sales of investments of \$9.1 million. We generated \$52.3 million of cash from financing activities, consisting of proceeds from borrowings under SBA guaranteed debentures payable of \$56.1 million and short-term borrowings of \$5.1 million, partially offset by financing fees paid of \$2.3 million and cash dividends paid of \$6.6 million. At September 30, 2008, we had \$15.9 million of cash and cash equivalents on hand.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2007, we experienced a net increase in cash and cash equivalents in the amount of \$33.2 million. During that period, our operating activities used \$34.5 million in cash, and we generated \$67.8 million of cash from financing activities, consisting primarily of (i) proceeds from our Offering of \$64.7 million, (ii) proceeds from the issuance of SBA guaranteed debentures of \$4.0 million and (iii) a decrease in deferred offering costs of \$1.0 million, partially offset by cash dividends paid of \$1.1 million, tax distributions to partners of \$0.8 million and financing fees paid to the SBA of \$0.1 million. At September 30, 2007, we had \$35.8 million of cash and cash equivalents on hand.

#### ***Financing Transactions***

Due to the Fund's status as a licensed SBIC, the Fund has the ability to issue debentures guaranteed by the SBA at favorable interest rates. Under the Small Business Investment Act and the SBA rules applicable to SBICs, an SBIC (or group of SBICs under common control) can have outstanding at any time debentures guaranteed by the SBA in an amount up to twice the amount of its regulatory capital, which generally is the amount raised from private investors. The maximum statutory limit on the dollar amount of outstanding debentures guaranteed by the SBA issued by a single SBIC as of September 30, 2008 is currently \$130.6 million (which amount is subject to an annual inflation adjustment). Debentures guaranteed by the SBA have a maturity of ten years, with interest payable semi-annually. The principal amount of the debentures is not required to be paid before maturity but may be pre-paid at any time. Debentures issued prior to September 2006 were subject to pre-payment penalties during their first five years. Those pre-payment penalties no longer apply to debentures issued after September 1, 2006.

With \$65.3 million of regulatory capital as of September 30, 2008, the Fund has the current capacity to issue up to a total of \$130.6 million of SBA guaranteed debentures. In addition to the one-time 1.0% fee on the total commitment from the SBA, the Company also pays a one-time 2.425% fee on the amount of each debenture issued. These fees are capitalized as deferred financing costs and are amortized over the term of the debt agreements using the effective interest method. The weighted average interest rate for all SBA guaranteed debentures as of September 30, 2008 was 6.194%.

#### ***Current Market Conditions***

During 2008, the debt and equity capital markets in the United States have been severely impacted by significant write-offs in the financial services sector relating to subprime mortgages and the re-pricing of credit risk in the broadly syndicated bank loan market, among other things. These events, along with the deterioration of the housing market, have led to worsening general economic conditions in the U.S and abroad, which many believe is a recession and could be long-term. Banks and others in the financial services industry have continued to report significant write-downs in the fair value of their assets, which has led to the failure of a number of banks and investment companies, a number of distressed mergers and acquisitions, the government take-over of the nation's two largest government-sponsored mortgage companies, and the passage of the \$700 billion Emergency Economic Stabilization of 2008 in early October 2008. These events have significantly impacted the financial and credit markets and have reduced the availability of debt and equity capital for the market as a whole, and for financial firms in particular. While we have capacity to issue additional SBA guaranteed debentures as discussed above, we may not be able to access additional equity capital, which could result in the slowing of our origination activity during 2009 and beyond.

In the event that the United States economy enters into a protracted recession, it is possible that the results of some of the middle market companies in which we invest could experience deterioration, which could ultimately lead to difficulty in meeting debt service requirements and an increase in defaults. While we are not seeing signs of an overall, broad deterioration in our portfolio company results at this time, there can be no assurance that the performance of certain of our portfolio companies will not be negatively impacted by economic conditions which could have a negative impact on our future results.

## Critical Accounting Policies and Use of Estimates

The preparation of our financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires management to make certain estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses for the periods covered by such financial statements. We have identified investment valuation and revenue recognition as our most critical accounting estimates. On an on-going basis, we evaluate our estimates, including those related to the matters described below. These estimates are based on the information that is currently available to us and on various other assumptions that we believe to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results could differ materially from those estimates under different assumptions or conditions. A discussion of our critical accounting policies follows.

### Investment Valuation

The most significant estimate inherent in the preparation of our financial statements is the valuation of investments and the related amounts of unrealized appreciation and depreciation of investments recorded. We have established and documented processes and methodologies for determining the fair values of portfolio company investments on a recurring (quarterly) basis. As discussed below, we have engaged an independent valuation firm to assist us in our valuation process.

On January 1, 2008, we adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 157, *Fair Value Measurements*, which defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and expands disclosures about fair value measurements.

SFAS 157 clarifies that the exchange price is the price in an orderly transaction between market participants to sell an asset or transfer a liability in the market in which the reporting entity would transact for the asset or liability, that is, the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability. The transaction to sell the asset or transfer the liability is a hypothetical transaction at the measurement date, considered from the perspective of a market participant that holds the asset or owes the liability. SFAS 157 provides a consistent definition of fair value which focuses on exit price and prioritizes, within a measurement of fair value, the use of market-based inputs over entity-specific inputs. In addition, SFAS 157 provides a framework for measuring fair value, and establishes a three-level hierarchy for fair value measurements based upon the transparency of inputs to the valuation of an asset or liability as of the measurement date. The three levels of valuation hierarchy established by SFAS 157 are defined as follows:

*Level 1* – inputs to the valuation methodology are quoted prices (unadjusted) for identical assets or liabilities in active markets.

*Level 2* – inputs to the valuation methodology include quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets, and inputs that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the financial instrument.

*Level 3* – inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

A financial instrument's categorization within the valuation hierarchy is based upon the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. We invest primarily in debt and equity of privately held companies for which quoted prices falling within the categories of Level 1 and Level 2 inputs are not available. Therefore, we value all of our investments at fair value, as determined in good faith by our Board of Directors, using Level 3 inputs, as further described below. Due to the inherent uncertainty in the valuation process, our Board of Directors' estimate of fair value may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had a ready market for the securities existed, and the differences could be material. In addition, changes in the market environment and other events that may occur over the life of the investments may cause the gains or losses ultimately realized on these investments to be different than the valuations currently assigned.

Debt and equity securities that are not publicly traded and for which a limited market does not exist are valued at fair value as determined in good faith by our Board of Directors. There is no single standard for determining fair value in good faith, as fair value depends upon circumstances of each individual case. In general, fair value is the amount that we might reasonably expect to receive upon the current sale of the security.

We evaluate the investments in portfolio companies using the most recent portfolio company financial statements and forecasts. We also consult with the portfolio company's senior management to obtain further updates on the portfolio company's performance, including information such as industry trends, new product development and other operational issues. Additionally, we consider some or all of the following factors:

- financial standing of the issuer of the security;
- comparison of the business and financial plan of the issuer with actual results;
- the size of the security held as it relates to the liquidity of the market for such security;

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- pending public offering of common stock by the issuer of the security;
- pending reorganization activity affecting the issuer, such as merger or debt restructuring;
- ability of the issuer to obtain needed financing;
- changes in the economy affecting the issuer;
- financial statements and reports from portfolio company senior management and ownership;
- the type of security, the security's cost at the date of purchase and any contractual restrictions on the disposition of the security;
- discount from market value of unrestricted securities of the same class at the time of purchase;
- special reports prepared by analysts;
- information as to any transactions or offers with respect to the security and/or sales to third parties of similar securities;
- the issuer's ability to make payments and the type of collateral;
- the current and forecasted earnings of the issuer;
- statistical ratios compared to lending standards and to other similar securities; and
- other pertinent factors.

In making the good faith determination of the value of debt securities, we start with the cost basis of the security, which includes the amortized original issue discount, and payment-in-kind (PIK) interest, if any. We also use a risk rating system to estimate the probability of default on the debt securities and the probability of loss if there is a default. The risk rating system covers both qualitative and quantitative aspects of the business and the securities held. In valuing debt securities, we utilize an "income approach" model that considers factors including, but not limited to, (i) the portfolio investment's current risk rating (discussed below), (ii) the portfolio company's current trailing twelve months' ("TTM") results of operations as compared to the portfolio company's TTM results of operations as of the date the investment was made, (iii) the portfolio company's current leverage as compared to its leverage as of the date the investment was made, and (iv) current pricing and credit metrics for similar proposed and executed investment transactions. In valuing equity securities of private companies, we consider valuation methodologies consistent with industry practice, including (i) valuation using a valuation model based on original transaction multiples and the portfolio company's recent financial performance, (ii) valuation of the securities based on recent sales in comparable transactions, and (iii) a review of similar companies that are publicly traded and the market multiple of their equity securities.

Unrealized appreciation or depreciation on portfolio investments are recorded as increases or decreases in investments on the balance sheets and are separately reflected on the statements of operations in determining net increase or decrease in net assets resulting from operations.

Duff & Phelps, LLC ("Duff & Phelps"), an independent valuation firm, provides third party valuation consulting services to us, which consist of certain limited procedures that we identified and requested Duff & Phelps to perform (hereinafter referred to as the "procedures"). We generally request Duff & Phelps to perform the procedures on each portfolio company at least once in every calendar year and for new portfolio companies, at least once in the twelve-month period subsequent to the initial investment. In certain instances, we may determine that it is not cost-effective, and as a result is not in our stockholders' best interest, to request Duff & Phelps to perform the procedures on one or more portfolio companies. Such instances include, but are not limited to, situations where the fair value of our investment in the portfolio company is determined to be insignificant relative to our total investment portfolio.

For the quarter ended March 31, 2008, we asked Duff & Phelps to perform the procedures on investments in six portfolio companies comprising approximately 35% of the total investments at fair value (exclusive of the fair value of new investments made during the quarter) as of March 31, 2008. For the quarter ended June 30, 2008, we asked Duff & Phelps to perform the procedures on investments in five portfolio companies comprising approximately 18% of the total investments at fair value (exclusive of the fair value of new investments made during the quarter) as of June 30, 2008. For the quarter ended September 30, 2008, we asked Duff & Phelps to perform the procedures on investments in eight portfolio companies comprising approximately 29% of the total investments at fair value (exclusive of the fair value of new investments made during the quarter) as of September 30, 2008. Upon completion of the procedures, Duff & Phelps concluded that the fair value, as determined by the Board of Directors, of those investments subjected to the procedures did not appear to be unreasonable. Our Board of Directors is ultimately and solely responsible for determining the fair value of our investments in good faith.

### **Revenue Recognition**

#### *Interest and Dividend Income*

Interest income, adjusted for amortization of premium and accretion of original issue discount, is recorded on the accrual basis to the extent that such amounts are expected to be collected. We stop accruing interest on investments and write off any previously accrued and uncollected interest when it is determined that interest is no longer considered collectible. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date.

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### *Fee Income*

Loan origination, facility, commitment, consent and other advance fees received by us on loan agreements or other investments are recorded as deferred income and recognized as income over the term of the loan.

### *Payment-in-Kind Interest (PIK)*

We currently hold, and we expect to hold in the future, some loans in our portfolio that contain a PIK interest provision. The PIK interest, computed at the contractual rate specified in each loan agreement, is added to the principal balance of the loan, rather than being paid to us in cash, and recorded as interest income. To maintain our status as a RIC, this non-cash source of income must be paid out to stockholders in the form of dividends, even though we have not yet collected the cash. We will stop accruing PIK interest and write off any accrued and uncollected interest when it is determined that PIK interest is no longer collectible.

### **New Accounting Standards**

On January 1, 2008, we adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 157, *Fair Value Measurements* ("SFAS 157"), which defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. The changes to previous practice resulting from the application of SFAS 157 relate to the definition of fair value, the methods used to measure fair value, and the expanded disclosures about fair value measurements. The definition of fair value retains the exchange price notion used in earlier definitions of fair value. SFAS 157 clarifies that the exchange price is the price in an orderly transaction between market participants to sell the asset or transfer the liability in the market in which the reporting entity would transact for the asset or liability, that is, the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability. The transaction to sell the asset or transfer the liability is a hypothetical transaction at the measurement date, considered from the perspective of a market participant that holds the asset or owes the liability. SFAS 157 provides a consistent definition of fair value which focuses on exit price and prioritizes, within a measurement of fair value, the use of market-based inputs over entity-specific inputs. In addition, SFAS 157 provides a framework for measuring fair value, and establishes a three-level hierarchy for fair value measurements based upon the transparency of inputs to the valuation of an asset or liability as of the measurement date. Our adoption of SFAS 157 resulted in additional unrealized depreciation of approximately \$0.2 million in the three months ended March 31, 2008. See Note 2 to our unaudited financial statements for a further discussion of the impact of the adoption of SFAS 157 on our financial statements and for expanded disclosures about our fair value measurements.

In February 2007, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 159, *The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities—Including an amendment of FASB Statement No. 115* ("SFAS 159"), which permits entities to choose to measure many financial instruments and certain other items at fair value. The objective of SFAS 159 is to improve financial reporting by providing entities with the opportunity to mitigate volatility in reported earnings caused by measuring related assets and liabilities differently without having to apply complex hedge accounting provisions. This Statement is expected to expand the use of fair value measurement, which is consistent with the FASB's long-term measurement objectives for accounting for financial instruments. Under SFAS 159, unrealized gains and losses on items for which the fair value option has been elected are reported in earnings (or another performance indicator if the business entity does not report earnings) at each subsequent reporting date. The adoption of SFAS 159 did not have a material impact on our financial statements.

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

We currently have no off-balance sheet arrangements.

### **Related Party Transactions**

Effective concurrently with the closing of the Offering, TML, the general partner of the Fund, merged into a wholly-owned subsidiary of Triangle Capital Corporation. A substantial majority of the ownership interests of TML at that time were owned by our Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Chief Investment Officer and two of our Managing Directors. As a result of such merger, these five individuals collectively received shares of our common stock valued at approximately \$6.7 million.

Three members of our management, including our Chief Executive Officer, collectively own approximately 67% of Triangle Capital Partners, LLC. As of September 30, 2008, Triangle Capital Partners, LLC does not own any shares of Triangle Capital Corporation's common stock. Prior to the closing of the Offering, Triangle Capital Partners, LLC provided management and advisory services to the Fund pursuant to a management services agreement dated as of February 3, 2003. Under the terms of this management services agreement, Triangle Capital Partners, LLC received approximately \$0.2 million in management fees from the Fund during the nine months ended September 30, 2007. This agreement terminated upon the closing of the Offering.



**“Safe Harbor” Statement under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995**

This Quarterly Report contains forward-looking statements which are subject to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Statements that are not historical are forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Some of the statements in this Quarterly Report constitute forward-looking statements because they relate to future events or our future performance or financial condition. Forward-looking statements may include, among other things, statements as to our future operating results, our business prospects and the prospects of our portfolio companies, the impact of the investments that we expect to make, the ability of our portfolio companies to achieve their objectives, our expected financings and investments, the adequacy of our cash resources and working capital, and the timing of cash flows, if any, from the operations of our portfolio companies. Words such as “expect,” “anticipate,” “target,” “goals,” “project,” “intend,” “plan,” “believe,” “seek,” “estimate,” “continue,” “forecast,” “may,” “should,” “potential,” variations of such words, and similar expressions indicate a forward-looking statement, although not all forward-looking statements include these words. Readers are cautioned that the forward-looking statements contained in this Quarterly Report are only predictions, are not guarantees of future performance, and are subject to risks, events, uncertainties and assumptions that are difficult to predict. Our actual results could differ materially from those implied or expressed in the forward-looking statements for any reason, including the factors discussed in Item 1A entitled “Risk Factors” in Part I of our 2007 Annual Report on Form 10-K. Other factors that could cause actual results to differ materially include changes in the economy, risks associated with possible disruption due to terrorism in our operations or the economy generally, and future changes in laws or regulations and conditions in our operating areas. These statements are based on our current expectations, estimates, forecasts, information and projections about the industry in which we operate and the beliefs and assumptions of our management as of the date of this Quarterly Report. We assume no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, unless we are required to do so by law. Although we undertake no obligation to revise or update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, you are advised to consult any additional disclosures that we may make directly to you or through reports that we in the future may file with the SEC, including annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q and current reports on Form 8-K.



**Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.**

Interest rate risk is defined as the sensitivity of our current and future earnings to interest rate volatility, variability of spread relationships, the difference in re-pricing intervals between our assets and liabilities and the effect that interest rates may have on our cash flows. Changes in the general level of interest rates can affect our net interest income, which is the difference between the interest income earned on interest earning assets and our interest expense incurred in connection with our interest bearing debt and liabilities. Changes in interest rates can also affect, among other things, our ability to acquire and originate loans and securities and the value of our investment portfolio.

Our investment income is affected by fluctuations in various interest rates, including LIBOR and prime rates. We regularly measure exposure to interest rate risk and determine whether or not any hedging transactions are necessary to mitigate exposure to changes in interest rates. As of September 30, 2008, we were not a party to any hedging arrangements.

As of September 30, 2008, approximately 87.0%, or \$133.0 million of our debt portfolio investments bore interest at fixed rates and approximately 13.0%, or \$19.9 million of our debt portfolio investments bore interest at variable rates. A 100 basis point decrease in the interest rates on our variable-rate debt investments would decrease our investment income by approximately \$0.2 million on an annual basis. All of our pooled SBA debentures bear interest at fixed rates.

Because we currently borrow, and plan to borrow in the future, money to make investments, our net investment income is dependent upon the difference between the rate at which we borrow funds and the rate at which we invest the funds borrowed. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that a significant change in market interest rates will not have a material adverse effect on our net investment income. In periods of rising interest rates, our cost of funds would increase, which could reduce our net investment income if there is not a corresponding increase in interest income generated by floating rate assets in our investment portfolio.

**Item 4T. Controls and Procedures.**

***Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures***

We maintain disclosure controls and procedures that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the reports that we file or submit under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 is recorded, processed, summarized, and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms and that such information is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. Our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer carried out an evaluation of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based on the evaluation of these disclosure controls and procedures, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective. It should be noted that any system of controls, however well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable, and not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the system are met. In addition, the design of any control system is based in part upon certain assumptions about the likelihood of future events. Because of these and other inherent limitations of control systems, there can be no assurance that any design will succeed in achieving its stated goals under all potential future conditions, regardless of how remote.

***Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting***

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting during the third quarter of 2008 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

## PART II – OTHER INFORMATION

### Item 1. *Legal Proceedings.*

Neither Triangle Capital Corporation nor any of its subsidiaries is a party to any pending legal proceedings.

### Item 1A. *Risk Factors.*

Except for the risk factors set forth below, there have been no material changes from the risk factors as previously disclosed in Item 1A of Part I of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007.

***The current state of the economy and the capital markets increases the possibility of adverse effects on our financial position and results of operations. Further economic downturns or recessions could impair our portfolio companies' financial position and operating results and disproportionately affect the industries in which we invest, which could, in turn, harm our operating results and reduce our volume of new investments.***

During 2007 and 2008, the capital markets in the United States and abroad appear to have entered into an economic downturn and possible recession. Disruptions in the capital markets have increased the spread between the yields realized on risk-free and higher risk securities, resulting in illiquidity in parts of the debt capital markets. The longer this economic downturn persists, the greater the probability that these risks could have an adverse effect on our operations and financial results.

Many of the companies in which we have made or will make investments may be susceptible to economic downturns or recessions. An economic downturn or recession may affect the ability of a company to repay our loans or engage in a liquidity event, such as a sale, recapitalization or initial public offering. An economic downturn could also disproportionately impact the industries in which we invest, causing us to be more vulnerable to losses in our portfolio. Therefore, our non-performing assets are likely to increase and the value of our portfolio is likely to decrease during these periods. Adverse economic conditions also may decrease the value of collateral securing some of our loans and the value of our equity investments. Economic downturns or recessions could lead to financial losses in our portfolio and decreases in revenue, net income and assets.

Unfavorable economic conditions also could increase our funding costs, limit our access to the capital markets or result in a decision by lenders not to extend credit to us. These events could prevent us from increasing our investment originations and negatively impact our operating results.

***Our financial results may be affected adversely if one or more of our portfolio investments defaults on its loans or fails to perform as we expect.***

Our portfolio consists primarily of debt and equity investments in privately owned middle-market businesses. Compared to larger publicly owned companies, these middle-market companies may be in a weaker financial position and experience wider variations in their operating results, which may make them more vulnerable to economic downturns. Typically, these companies need more capital to compete; however, their access to capital is limited and their cost of capital is often higher than that of their competitors. Our portfolio companies face intense competition from larger companies with greater financial, technical and marketing resources and their success typically depends on the management talents and efforts of an individual or a small group of persons. The loss of any of their key employees could affect their ability to compete effectively and harm their financial condition. Further, some of these companies conduct business in regulated industries that are susceptible to regulatory changes. These factors could impair the cash flow of our portfolio companies and result in other events, such as bankruptcy. These events could limit a portfolio company's ability to repay their obligations to us, which may have an adverse affect on the return on, or the recovery of, our investment in these businesses. Deterioration in a borrower's financial condition and prospects may be accompanied by deterioration in the value of the loan's collateral.

Some of these companies cannot obtain financing from public capital markets or from traditional credit sources, such as commercial banks. Accordingly, loans made to these types of companies pose a higher default risk, than loans made to companies who have access to traditional credit sources.

Generally, little, if any, public information is available about such companies. Therefore, we must rely on our employees' diligence to obtain the information needed to make well-informed investment decisions. If we do not uncover material information about these companies, we may not make a fully informed investment decision, which could, in turn cause us to lose money on our investments.

***There may be circumstances where our debt investments could be subordinated to claims of other creditors or we could be subject to lender liability claims.***

Even though we may have structured certain of our investments as senior loans, if one of our portfolio companies were to go bankrupt, depending on the facts and circumstances and based upon principles of equitable subordination as defined by existing case law, a bankruptcy court could subordinate all or a portion of our claim to that of other creditors and transfer any lien securing such subordinated claim to the bankruptcy estate. The principles of equitable subordination defined by case law have generally indicated that a claim may be subordinated only if its holder is guilty of misconduct or where the senior loan is re-characterized as an equity investment and the senior lender has actually provided significant managerial assistance to the bankrupt debtor. We may also be subject to lender liability claims for actions taken by us with respect to a borrower's business or instances where we exercise control over the borrower. It is possible that we could become subject to a lender's liability claim, including as a result of actions taken in rendering significant managerial assistance or actions to compel and collect payments from the borrower outside the ordinary course of business.

***Regulations governing our operation as a business development company may affect our ability to raise additional capital through the issuance of our common stock.***

Due to restrictions under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "1940 Act"), we are not generally able to issue and sell our common stock at a price below net asset value per share. We may, however, sell our common stock, warrants, options or rights to acquire our common stock, at a price below the current net asset value of the common stock if our board of directors determines that such sale is in the best interests of our stockholders, and our stockholders approve such sale. At our Annual Stockholders Meeting on May 7, 2008, our stockholders voted to allow us to issue common stock at a price below net asset value per share for a period of one year ending May 6, 2009. Our stockholders did not specify a maximum discount below net asset value at which we are able to issue our common stock; however, we do not intend to issue shares of our common stock below net asset value unless our board of directors determines that it would be in our stockholders' best interests to do so. For an explanation as to the potential dilutive effect of an offering of our common stock at a price below net asset value, please see the illustration below.

*Illustration: Example of Dilutive Effect of the Issuance of Shares Below Net Asset Value .* Assume that Company XYZ has 1,000,000 total shares outstanding, \$15,000,000 in total assets and \$5,000,000 in total liabilities. The net asset value per share of the common stock of Company XYZ is \$10.00. The following table illustrates the reduction to net asset value, or NAV, and the dilution experienced by Stockholder A following the sale of 40,000 shares of the common stock of Company XYZ at \$9.50 per share, a price below its NAV per share.

	Prior to Sale Below NAV	Following Sale Below NAV	Percentage Change
<b><i>Reduction to NAV</i></b>			
Total Shares Outstanding	1,000,000	1,040,000	4.0%
NAV per share	\$ 10.00	\$ 9.98	(0.2%)
<b><i>Dilution to Existing Stockholder</i></b>			
Shares Held by Stockholder A	10,000	10,000(1)	0.0%
Percentage Held by Stockholder A	1.00%	0.96%	(3.8%)
Total Interest of Stockholder A	\$ 100,000	\$ 99,808	(0.2%)

(1) Assumes that Stockholder A does not purchase additional shares in equity offering of shares below NAV.

***If we do not invest a sufficient portion of our assets in qualifying assets, we could fail to qualify as a business development company or be precluded from investing according to our current business strategy.***

As a business development company ("BDC"), we may not acquire any assets other than "qualifying assets" unless, at the time of and after giving effect to such acquisition, at least 70.0% of our total assets are qualifying assets.

We believe that substantially all of our investments are currently or will in the future constitute qualifying assets. However, we may be precluded from investing in what we believe are attractive investments if such investments are not qualifying assets for purposes of the 1940 Act. If we do not invest a sufficient portion of our assets in qualifying assets, we could lose our status as a BDC, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. Similarly, these rules could prevent us from making follow-on investments in existing portfolio companies (which could result in the dilution of our position).

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***We are a non-diversified investment company within the meaning of the 1940 Act, and therefore we are not limited with respect to the proportion of our assets that may be invested in securities of a single issuer.***

We are classified as a non-diversified investment company within the meaning of the 1940 Act, which means that we are not limited by the 1940 Act with respect to the proportion of our assets that we may invest in securities of a single issuer. To the extent that we assume large positions in the securities of a small number of issuers, our net asset value may fluctuate to a greater extent than that of a diversified investment company as a result of changes in the financial condition or the market's assessment of the issuer. We may also be more susceptible to any single economic or regulatory occurrence than a diversified investment company. Beyond our regulated investment company asset diversification requirements and certain SBA diversification requirements for our investments held by our wholly-owned subsidiary, Triangle Mezzanine Fund LLLP, we do not have fixed guidelines for diversification, and our investments could be concentrated in relatively few portfolio companies.

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

#### *Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities*

During the three months ended September 30, 2008, in connection with our Dividend Reinvestment Plan for our common stockholders, we directed the plan administrator to purchase 65,580 shares of our common stock for \$860,419.79 in the open market in order to satisfy our obligations to deliver shares of common stock to our stockholders with respect to our dividend for the third quarter of 2008. The following chart summarizes repurchases of our common stock for the three months ended September 30, 2008.

Period	Total Number of Shares <sup>(1)</sup>	Average Price Paid per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs	Maximum Number (or Approximate Dollar Value) of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs
July 1-31, 2008	—	—	—	—
August 1-30, 2008	—	—	—	—
September 1-30, 2008	65,580	\$ 13.12	—	—
Total	65,580	\$ 13.12	—	—

(1) All shares purchased in the open market pursuant to the terms of our Registrant's Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

### **Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities.**

Not applicable.

### **Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.**

Not applicable.

### **Item 5. Other Information.**

Not applicable.

**Item 6. Exhibits.**

<b>Number</b>	<b>Exhibit</b>
2.1	Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of November 2, 2006, by and among Triangle Capital Corporation, New Triangle GP, LLC, and Triangle Mezzanine LLC (Filed as Exhibit (k)(7) to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form N-2/N-5 (File No. 333-138418) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 3, 2006 and incorporated herein by reference).
2.2	Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of November 2, 2006, by and among Triangle Capital Corporation, TCC Merger Sub, LLC and Triangle Mezzanine Fund LLLP (Filed as Exhibit (k)(8) to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form N-2/N-5 (File No. 333-138418) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 3, 2006 and incorporated herein by reference).
3.1	Articles of Amendment and Restatement of the Registrant (Filed as Exhibit (a)(3) to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form N-2/N-5 (File No. 333-138418) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 29, 2006 and incorporated herein by reference).
3.2	Certificate of Limited Partnership of Triangle Mezzanine Fund LLLP (Filed as Exhibit (a)(4) to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form N-2/N-5 (File No. 333-138418) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 13, 2007 and incorporated herein by reference).
3.3	Second Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of Triangle Mezzanine Fund LLLP (Filed as Exhibit 3.4 to the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 11, 2007 and incorporated herein by reference).
3.4	Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Registrant (Filed as Exhibit (b) to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form N-2/N-5 (File No. 333-138418) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 29, 2006 and incorporated herein by reference).
4.1	Form of Common Stock Certificate (Filed as Exhibit (d) to the Registrant's post -effective amendment to the Registration Statement on Form N-2/N-5 (File No. 333-138418) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 15, 2007 and incorporated herein by reference).
4.2	Triangle Capital Corporation Dividend Reinvestment Plan (Filed as Exhibit 4.2 to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2008 and incorporated herein by reference).
31.1	Chief Executive Officer Certification Pursuant to Rule 13a-14 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
31.2	Chief Financial Officer Certification Pursuant to Rule 13a-14 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.1	Chief Executive Officer Certification pursuant to Section 1350, Chapter 63 of Title 18, United States Code, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.2	Chief Financial Officer Certification pursuant to Section 1350, Chapter 63 of Title 18, United States Code, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

**SIGNATURES**

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

**TRIANGLE CAPITAL CORPORATION**

Date: November 6, 2008

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/s/ Garland S. Tucker, III

Garland S. Tucker, III  
President, Chief Executive Officer and  
Chairman of the Board of Directors

Date: November 6, 2008

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/s/ Steven C. Lilly

Steven C. Lilly  
Chief Financial Officer and Director

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/s/ C. Robert Knox, Jr.

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**Certification of Chief Executive Officer of Triangle Capital Corporation  
pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) under the Exchange Act,  
as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002**

I, Garland S. Tucker III, as Chief Executive Officer, certify that:

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

/s/ GARLAND S. TUCKER III

Garland S. Tucker III  
Chief Executive Officer

November 6, 2008



**Certification of Chief Financial Officer of Triangle Capital Corporation  
pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) under the Exchange Act,  
as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002**

I, Steven C. Lilly, as Chief Financial Officer, certify that:

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

/s/ STEVEN C. LILLY

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Steven C. Lilly  
Chief Financial Officer

November 6, 2008

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO  
18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,  
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO  
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Triangle Capital Corporation (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ended September 30, 2008 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Garland S. Tucker III, Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

/s/ GARLAND S. TUCKER III

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Garland S. Tucker III  
Chief Executive Officer

November 6, 2008

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO  
18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,  
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In connection with the Quarterly Report of Triangle Capital Corporation (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ended September 30, 2008 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Steven C. Lilly, Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

/s/ STEVEN C. LILLY

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Steven C. Lilly  
Chief Financial Officer

November 6, 2008