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CORPORATION

Q4 2011 Earnings Presentation

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Chairman of the Board of Directors

Robert A. Hamwee

Chief Executive Officer, President and Director

Adam B. Weinstein

Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

Q4 2011 Highlights

- Q4 Adjusted Net Investment Income and dividend of \$0.30 per share
 - Paid on December 30, 2011 to holders of record as of December 15, 2011
- December 31, 2011 book value of \$13.60 per share
- Q1 2012 dividend of \$0.32 per share announced
 - Payable on March 30, 2012 to holders of record as of March 15, 2012
- Credit performance remains very strong
 - **De minimis** defaults and credit losses since inception
 - ATI Term Loan placed on non-accrual (represents ~0.6% of cost of the portfolio, less than 0.4% of cumulative investments made to date and ~0.1% of fair value of the portfolio)
- Approximately \$56 million of net assets originated in Q4 2011
- IPO proceeds fully deployed and target leverage ratio of ~0.7x achieved
- Portfolio continues to be positioned in recession resistant, acyclical industries

Review of NMFC and NMFC Strategy

- NMFC's portfolio is externally managed by New Mountain Finance Advisers BDC, LLC, which is an affiliate of New Mountain Capital, L.L.C. ("New Mountain" or "NMC"), a leading private equity firm with approximately \$9 billion of assets under management⁽¹⁾, over 90 staff members, and a consistent focus on "defensive growth" business building and deep fundamental research
- NMFC's mandate is to primarily target businesses in the middle market that, consistent with New Mountain's private equity platform, are **quality, defensive growth** companies, in industries that are **well-researched** by New Mountain
 - Sustainable, highly differentiated and competitively protected niche
- Mandate achieved by **utilizing existing New Mountain investment team** as primary underwriting resource; team combines operating executives with financial executives
- Targets loan to value ratios typically less than 50% of both sponsor purchase price and NMC valuation

Credit Market Conditions

- Material improvement in credit markets over last three months
- Brightening U.S. economic outlook
- Reduced fear of European fiscal issues
 - LTRO implementation
- Supply / demand dynamics
 - Private equity M&A continues to drive supply
 - Fund-flows into high yield funds have been very strong
- NMFC works to be well positioned to capitalize on volatile markets:
 - NMC and NMFC have **always** proactively focused on defensive, acyclical business models
 - Leverage facilities **not** subject to margin calls

Credit Performance

(\$ in millions, unaudited)

	<u>As of 12/31/2011</u>	<u>Cumulative Since Inception⁽¹⁾</u>
	<u>Cost / FMV</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Investments	\$699.9 / \$703.5	\$1,158.0
On Internal Watch List (3 or 4 Rating)⁽²⁾	\$4.4 / \$0.8	\$4.4
Non-Accrual	\$4.4 / \$0.8	\$4.4
Default Loss	\$0 / \$0	\$0

¹ Since inception of predecessor entity in October 2008 through 12/31/2011

² Determined on a quarterly basis by Management. In addition to various risk management and monitoring tools, NMFC also uses a four-level numeric investment rating system to characterize and monitor the credit profile and expected level of returns on each portfolio investment. Ratings of 1 and 2 indicate the investment is performing above, or in-line, with expectations, respectively. A rating of 3 indicates the investment is performing below expectations and risk has increased since the original investment. A rating of 4 indicates the investment is performing substantially below expectations and risks have increased substantially since the original investment. Where it is determined that an investment is underperforming, or circumstances suggest that the risk associated with a particular investment has significantly increased, a more aggressive monitoring of the affected portfolio company will be undertaken. The \$4.4m refers to the original first lien investment in ATI Acquisition Company.

Credit Performance – Operating Company (“OpCo”) Portfolio

Portfolio Company ⁽¹⁾	NMFC Leverage Ratio ⁽²⁾		Variance
	At Purchase	Current	Positive / (Negative)
Company A	4.8x	4.7x	0.1x
Company B	5.0x	3.5x	1.5x
Company C	3.1x	3.1x	(0.0x)
Company D	5.5x	5.0x	0.5x
Company E	4.9x	4.4x	0.6x
Company F	4.3x	2.9x	1.4x
Company G	5.0x	4.6x	0.4x
Company H	4.5x	4.5x	-
Company I	2.5x	1.9x	0.6x
Company J	4.4x	3.3x	1.1x
Company K	3.7x	2.7x	0.9x
Company L	3.2x	3.2x	-
Company M	3.2x	3.6x	(0.4x)
Company N	4.1x	4.1x	-
Company O	5.2x	2.7x	2.5x
Company P	4.7x	4.7x	(0.0x)
Company Q	4.6x	4.7x	(0.0x)
Company R	5.0x	5.0x	0.1x
Company S	3.4x	3.8x	(0.4x)
Company T	3.3x	3.2x	0.1x
Company U	6.7x	6.4x	0.2x
Company V	6.4x	5.4x	1.0x
Company W	2.5x	2.4x	0.2x
Company X	2.8x	2.5x	0.3x
Company Y	1.8x	1.3x	0.5x
Weighted Average ⁽³⁾	4.1x	3.8x	0.3x
Memo: Weighted Average (9/30/2011)	4.2x	3.8x	0.3x
Memo: Weighted Average (6/30/2011)	4.0x	3.8x	0.2x



¹ Current positions with an initial cost greater than \$7.5mm as of 12/31/2011 (represents 85% of OpCo cost and 86% of OpCo fair value)

² Defined as total debt (assuming par for debt senior to our security, purchase price for our security, and no value for debt subordinated to our security) less total cash for the period, divided by the trailing twelve month EBITDA as of the most recently reported fiscal quarter

³ Includes all OpCo assets except equity, revolvers and one portfolio company where EBITDA is not a relevant metric; weighted by cost

Credit Performance – Senior Loan Funding (“SLF”) Portfolio

Portfolio Company ⁽¹⁾	NMFC Leverage Ratio ⁽²⁾		Variance Positive / (Negative)
	At Purchase	Current	
Company Z	4.2x	3.4x	0.8x
Company AA	1.6x	1.9x	(0.3x)
Company AB	3.2x	3.9x	(0.6x)
Company AC	4.2x	3.7x	0.5x
Company AD	3.5x	3.5x	-
Company AE	3.6x	3.0x	0.6x
Company AF	3.8x	4.0x	(0.2x)
Company AG	2.2x	0.7x	1.6x
Company AH	4.0x	3.3x	0.7x
Company AI	3.4x	3.1x	0.3x
Company AJ	1.8x	1.2x	0.6x
Company AK	4.2x	3.4x	0.8x
Company AL	3.1x	1.8x	1.4x
Company AM	3.3x	3.0x	0.2x
Company AN	4.1x	4.0x	0.1x
Company AO	3.1x	2.9x	0.2x
Weighted Average ⁽³⁾	3.4x	3.0x	0.4x
Memo: Weighted Average (9/30/2011)	3.5x	3.1x	0.4x
Memo: Weighted Average (6/30/2011)	3.6x	3.3x	0.3x

¹ Current positions with an initial cost greater than \$7.5mm as of 12/31/2011 (represents 85% of SLF cost and 85% of SLF fair value)


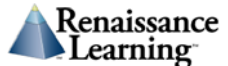


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³ Includes all SLF assets; weighted by cost

Q4 Originations and Repayments

(\$ in millions)

Portfolio Originations⁽¹⁾

Date ⁽²⁾	Name	Industry	Amount (\$'s Invested)	Tranche Size	Type of Investment	Advance Rate	YTM at Purchase ⁽³⁾	
							Unlevered	Levered
10/18/11	 TRIPLE POINT	Software	\$13.9	\$165	1 st Lien	67%	9.5%	23.6%
10/19/11	 Renaissance Learning	Education	\$19.0	\$75	2 nd Lien	25%	14.4%	17.9%
10/26/11	 OPENLINK	Software	\$14.7	\$340	1 st Lien	67%	8.8%	18.6%
11/18/11/ 11/29/11/ 11/29/11	 PODS	Consumer Services	\$11.2 / \$3.6 / \$0.1	\$150 / \$45 / N/A	1 st Lien / Subordinated / Equity	67% / 0% / 0%	9.8% / 22.7% / N/A	22.6% / 22.7% / N/A
Other			\$26.2	Q3 2011	Q2 2011		OpCo–12.9%/	OpCo–18.9%/
Total Originations			\$88.7	\$159.9	\$130.7		SLF–8.5%⁽⁴⁾	SLF–19.7%⁽⁴⁾
Repayments			(\$32.8)	(\$11.5)	(\$42.2)			
Net Originations			\$55.9	\$148.4	\$88.5			
Sales			(\$16.9)	(\$18.5)	(\$10.3)			
Net Originations less Sales			\$39.0	\$129.9	\$78.2			

¹ Origination commitments over \$7.5m shown, originations less than \$7.5m included in "Other"; excludes U.S. Treasury bill, Physio-Control and Datatel bridges, PIK, revolvers, and Global Knowledge and Transplace, which were committed to in Q3 2011 but not funded until Q4 2011

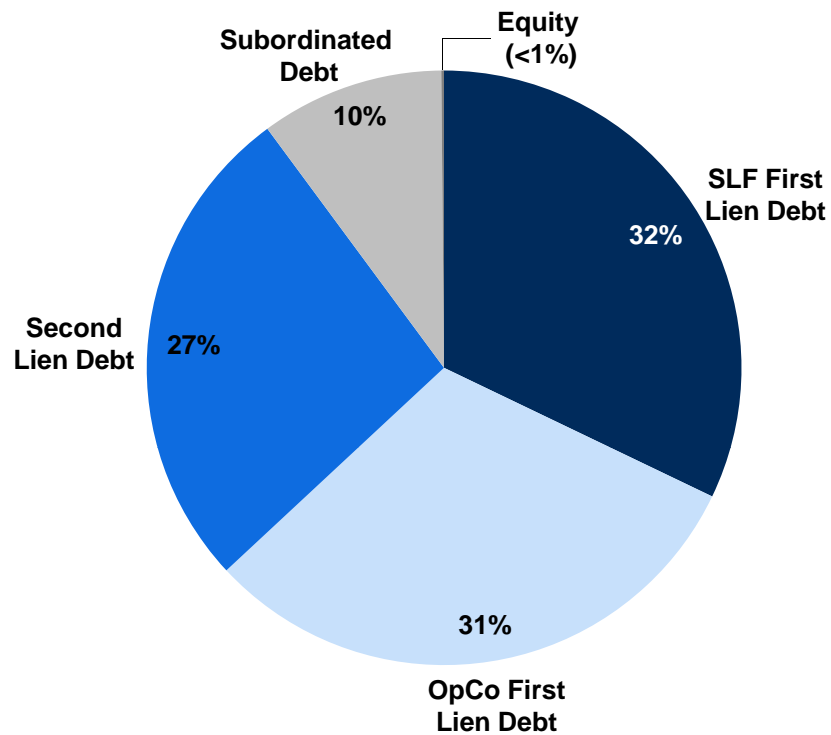
² Date of commitment

³ Assumes that investments are purchased at purchase price on settlement date and held until their respective maturities with no prepayments or losses and are exited at par at maturity. The actual yield to maturity may be higher or lower due to the future selection of LIBOR contracts by the individual companies in our portfolio or other factors. See "Important Notice and Safe Harbor Statement."

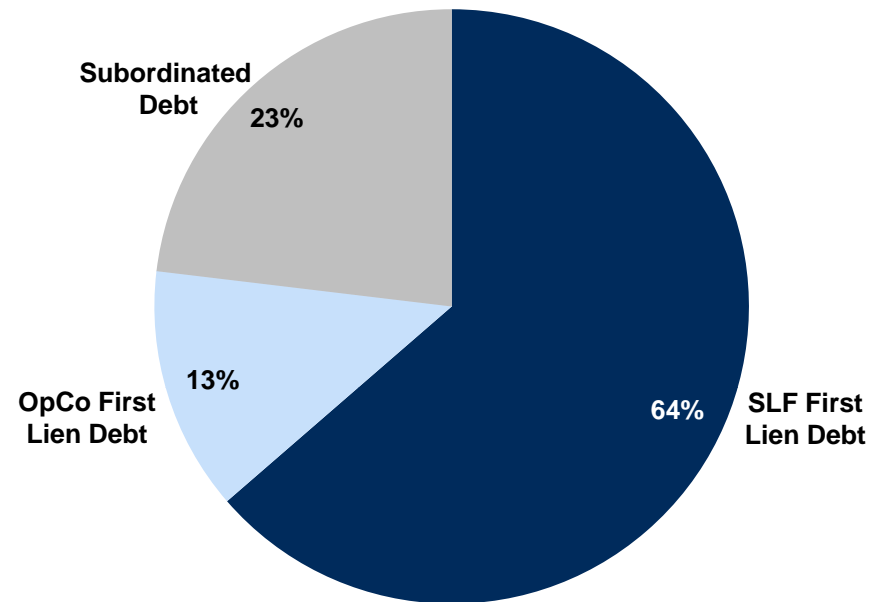
⁴ Weighted average YTM

Q4 Originations and Repayments

Originations by Type⁽¹⁾








Sales / Repayments by Type⁽¹⁾



¹ By \$s invested / \$s received at time of origination / sale / repayment

Investment Activity Since Quarter End

(\$ in millions)

Portfolio Originations ⁽¹⁾			Amount (\$'s Invested)	Tranche Size	Type of Investment	Advance Rate	YTM at Purchase ⁽³⁾	
Date ⁽²⁾	Name	Industry					Unlevered	Levered
1/19/12	 Western [®] Dental	Healthcare Services	\$9.3	\$210	1 st Lien	45%	12.3%	20.8%
1/25/12	 TEKELEC	Software	\$12.3	\$125	1 st Lien	67%	9.9%	24.6%
2/7/12	 Rocket	Software	\$12.3 / \$4.9	\$105 / \$300	2 nd Lien / 1 st Lien	45% / 67% ⁽⁵⁾	11.5% / 7.9%	17.7% / 17.8%
2/16/12	 asurion	Business Services	\$11.6	\$1,000	Subordinated	25% ⁽⁵⁾	12.5%	15.4%
3/5/12	 AspenDental	Healthcare Services	\$12.7	\$320	1 st Lien	67% ⁽⁵⁾	7.8%	18.1%
Other			\$13.9				OpCo—13.5%/	OpCo—18.6%/
Total Originations			\$77.0				SLF—8.7%⁽⁴⁾	SLF—20.9%⁽⁴⁾
Repayments			(\$20.9)					
Net Originations			\$56.1					
Sales			(\$27.3)					
Net Originations less Sales			\$28.8					

Investment Pipeline

- \$65 million of potential investments in near-term pipeline
- Over \$75 million additional in earlier-stage pipeline

¹ Origination commitments over \$7.5m shown, originations less than \$7.5m included in "Other"

² Date of commitment

³ Assumes that investments are purchased at purchase price on settlement date and held until their respective maturities with no prepayments or losses and are exited at par at maturity. The actual yield to maturity may be higher or lower due to the future selection of LIBOR contracts by the individual companies in our portfolio or other factors. See "Important Notice and Safe Harbor Statement."

⁴ Weighted average YTM

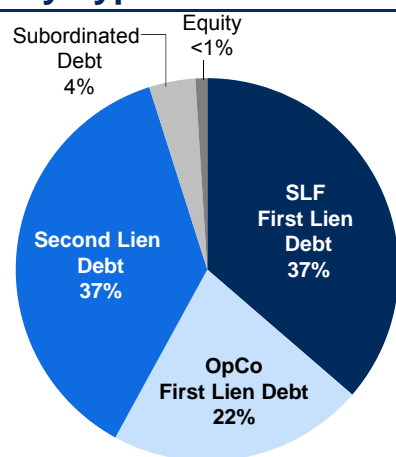
⁵ Hypothetical leverage; not yet approved in credit facility

Investment Portfolio Review

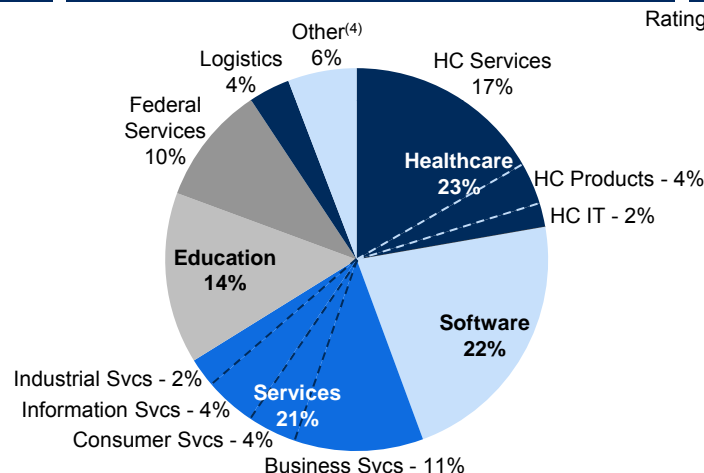
(unaudited)	As of 12/31/2011	As of 9/30/2011	As of 6/30/2011
Fair Value	\$704 million	\$604 million	\$544 million
Unadjusted / Adjusted YTM ⁽¹⁾	10.7% / 13.1%	10.9% / 14.0%	10.4% / 12.7%
YTM at Cost ⁽²⁾	10.3%	10.0%	9.7%
# Portfolio Companies	55	50	47
Middle Market Focus (% < \$100m EBITDA ⁽³⁾ / % Facilities < \$300m)	79% / 82%	79% / 84%	80% / 85%

Fair Value as of 12/31/2011

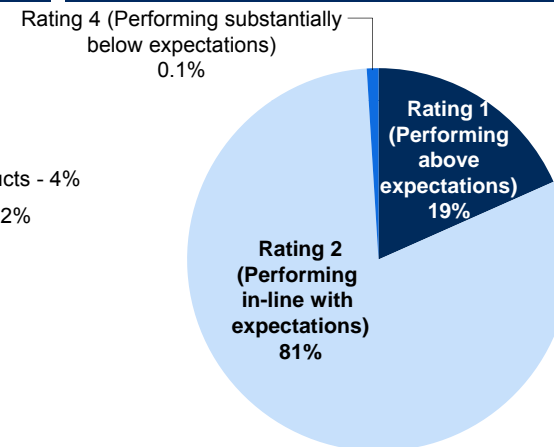
By Type of Investment



By Industry



By Rating



¹ References to "Adjusted Yield to Maturity" assume that the investments in our portfolio as of a certain date, the "Portfolio Date", are purchased at fair value on that date and held until their respective maturities with no prepayments or losses and are exited at par at maturity. This calculation excludes the impact of existing leverage, except for the non-recourse debt of SLF. SLF is treated as a fully levered asset of the operating company, with SLF's net asset value being included for yield calculation purposes. The actual yield to maturity may be higher or lower due to the future selection of LIBOR contracts by the individual companies in our portfolio or other factors. See "Important Notice and Safe Harbor Statement." References to "Unadjusted Yield to Maturity" have the same assumptions as Adjusted Yield to Maturity except that SLF is not treated as a fully levered asset of the operating company, but rather the assets themselves are consolidated into the operating company.

² References to "YTM at Cost" have the same assumptions as Unadjusted YTM except that investments are purchased at adjusted cost (estimated) rather than fair value on the Portfolio Date (see footnote 2 on p. 16 for "Adjustments") and the LIBOR curve as of 12/31/2011 is used for all periods shown.

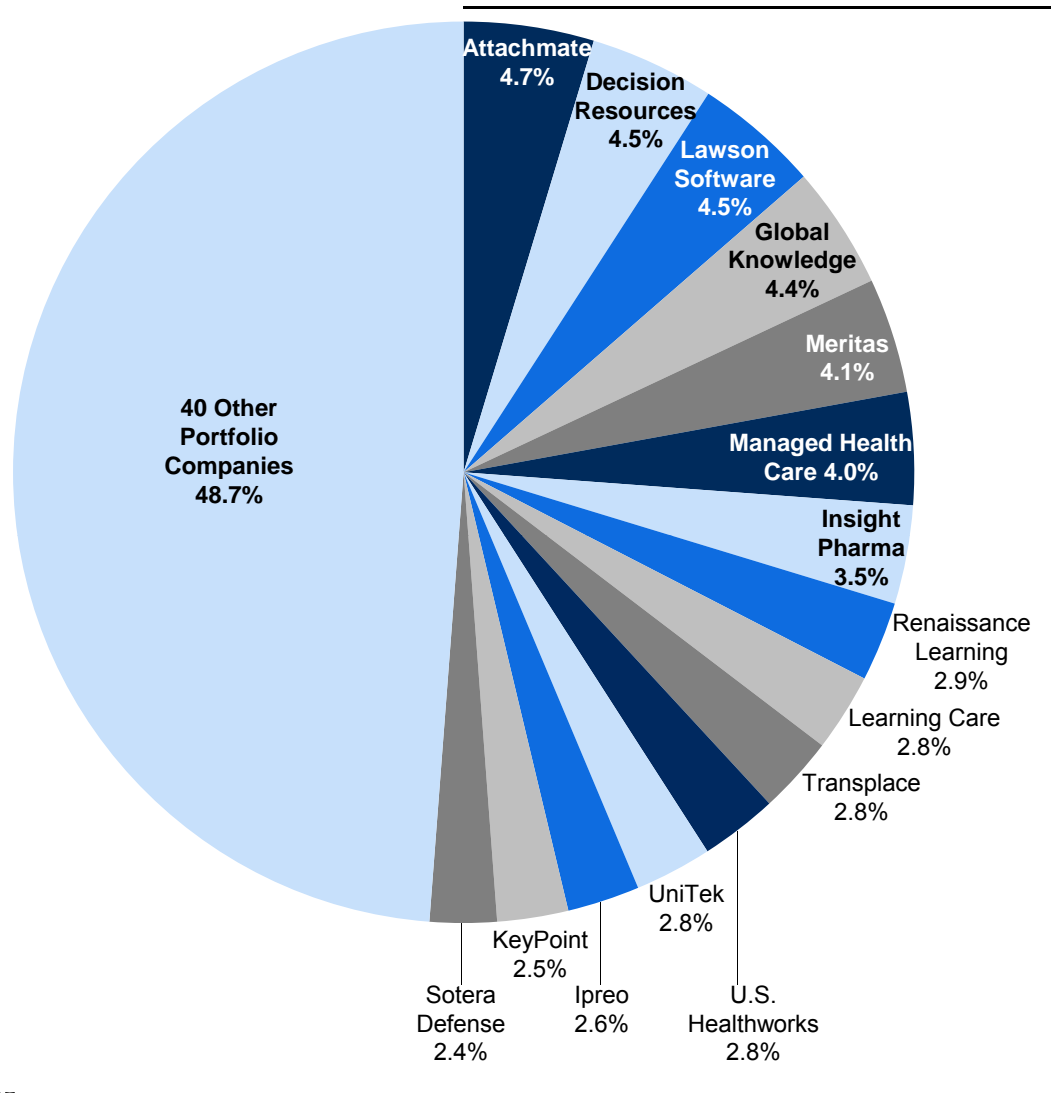
³ LTM EBITDA at the time of investment, weighted by fair value

⁴ Includes 2% media, 1% specialty chemicals and materials, 1% power generation, 1% information technology, and 1% telecommunications



Investment Portfolio Review – As of 12/31/2011

Portfolio Names By Fair Value



Top 15 portfolio companies represent \$360.3 million, or 51.3%, of consolidated investments

Memo: Top 15 Portfolio Companies

	As of 9/30/2011	As of 6/30/2011
	\$325.5m	\$306.4m
	53.9%	56.3%

Net Asset Value – As of 12/31/2011

(\$ in millions, unaudited)

Net Asset Value ⁽¹⁾

Unconsolidated		Consolidated	
OpCo Portfolio	\$446.5	Portfolio	\$703.5
SLF Equity	91.1	Cash & Equivalents	15.3
Cash & Equivalents	15.3	Other Assets ⁽²⁾	11.8
Other Assets ⁽²⁾	11.8		
Total Assets	564.7	Total Assets	730.6
Less: OpCo Debt	(129.0)	Less: Total Debt	(295.0)
Less: Other Liabilities ⁽³⁾	(15.1)	Less: Other Liabilities ⁽³⁾	(15.1)
NAV	\$420.5	NAV	\$420.5
Shares Outstanding	30.9	Debt / Equity	0.70x
NAV / Share	\$13.60		
Memo: NAV / Share at 9/30/2011	\$13.32	Memo: Debt / Equity at 9/30/2011	0.55x
Memo: NAV / Share at 6/30/2011 ⁽⁴⁾	\$13.98	Memo: Debt / Equity at 6/30/2011	0.37x

Investment Capacity – As of 12/31/2011

Available Cash & Equivalents ⁽⁵⁾	\$7.5
Undrawn OpCo Credit Facility	31.0
Undrawn SLF Credit Facility	9.1
Total Capacity	\$47.6

¹ Financials for OpCo unless otherwise noted

² Includes interest receivable of \$7.3m, deferred credit facility costs of \$3.7m, and other assets of \$0.8m

³ Includes payable for unsettled securities purchased of \$7.6m, management fee payable of \$2.2m, incentive fee payable of \$2.3m, interest payable of \$1.7m, and other liabilities of \$1.3m

⁴ 6/30/2011 NAV / share adjusted for payment of Q2 dividend

⁵ Cash & equivalents plus interest receivable less other liabilities

OpCo Adjusted Consolidated Income Statement

(\$ in millions, unaudited)⁽¹⁾

	Three Months Ended 12/31/2011			Adj. Three Months Ended	
	Unadjusted	Adjustments ⁽²⁾	Adjusted	9/30/2011	6/30/2011
Investment income					
Interest income	\$17.0	(\$0.3)	\$16.7	\$13.7	\$11.7
Other income	0.2		0.2	0.2	0.3
Total investment income	17.2	(0.3)	16.9	13.9	12.0
Expenses					
Interest and other credit facility expenses	2.3		2.3	1.7	1.5
Management fee	2.2		2.2	1.9	0.8
Incentive fee	2.3		2.3	0.7	0.5
Administrative expenses (net of reimb. expenses of \$0.5, \$0.2, and \$0.2)	0.2		0.2	0.3	0.1
Professional fees (net of reimb. expenses of \$0.4, \$0.8, and \$0.1)	0.1		0.1	0.1	0.5
Other general and administrative expenses	0.5		0.5	0.4	0.2
Total expenses	7.6		7.6	5.1	3.6
Net investment income	9.6	(0.3)	9.3	8.8	8.4
Realized gain (loss) on investments	2.3	(1.2)	1.1	0.0	(0.4)
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments	6.0	1.5	7.5	(20.1)	0.6
Net increase (decrease) in capital resulting from operations	\$17.9	-	\$17.9	(\$11.3)	\$8.7
Dividend per share (Based on Adjusted NII)			\$0.30	\$0.29	\$0.27

¹ Numbers may not add due to rounding; adjustments sum to zero

² Under GAAP, NMFC's IPO did not step-up the cost basis of the Company's existing investments to fair market value at the IPO date. Since the total value of the Company's investments at the time of the IPO was greater than the investments' cost basis, a larger amount of amortization of purchase or original issue discount, as well as different amounts in realized gain and unrealized appreciation, may be recognized under GAAP in each period than if the step-up had occurred. The Company tracks the transferred (or fair market) value of each of its investments as of the time of the IPO and, for purposes of the incentive fee calculation, adjusts Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income to reflect the amortization of purchase or original issue discount on our investments as if each investment was purchased at the date of the IPO, or stepped up to fair market value. The Company also uses the transferred (or fair market) value of each of its investments as of the time of the IPO to adjust capital gains or losses and unrealized capital depreciation.

Dividend – Q1 2012

(\$ in millions, unaudited)

	6/30/2011	9/30/2011	12/31/2011	Estimated 3/31/2012
Net Asset Value	\$440.6	\$411.9	\$420.5	
NAV / Share ⁽¹⁾	\$13.98	\$13.32	\$13.60	
Hurdle Rate	\$8.6	\$8.8	\$8.2	\$8.4
Catch-up	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.1
Total	10.8	11.0	10.3	10.5
Pre-Incentive Fee Adjusted NII	\$8.9	\$9.5	\$11.6	\$12.2 - \$12.6
Quarter Over Quarter Change		6.4%	21.8%	5.1% - 8.4%
Adjusted NII	\$8.4	\$8.8	\$9.3	\$9.7 - \$10.0
Adjusted NII / Share	\$0.27	\$0.29	\$0.30	\$0.32

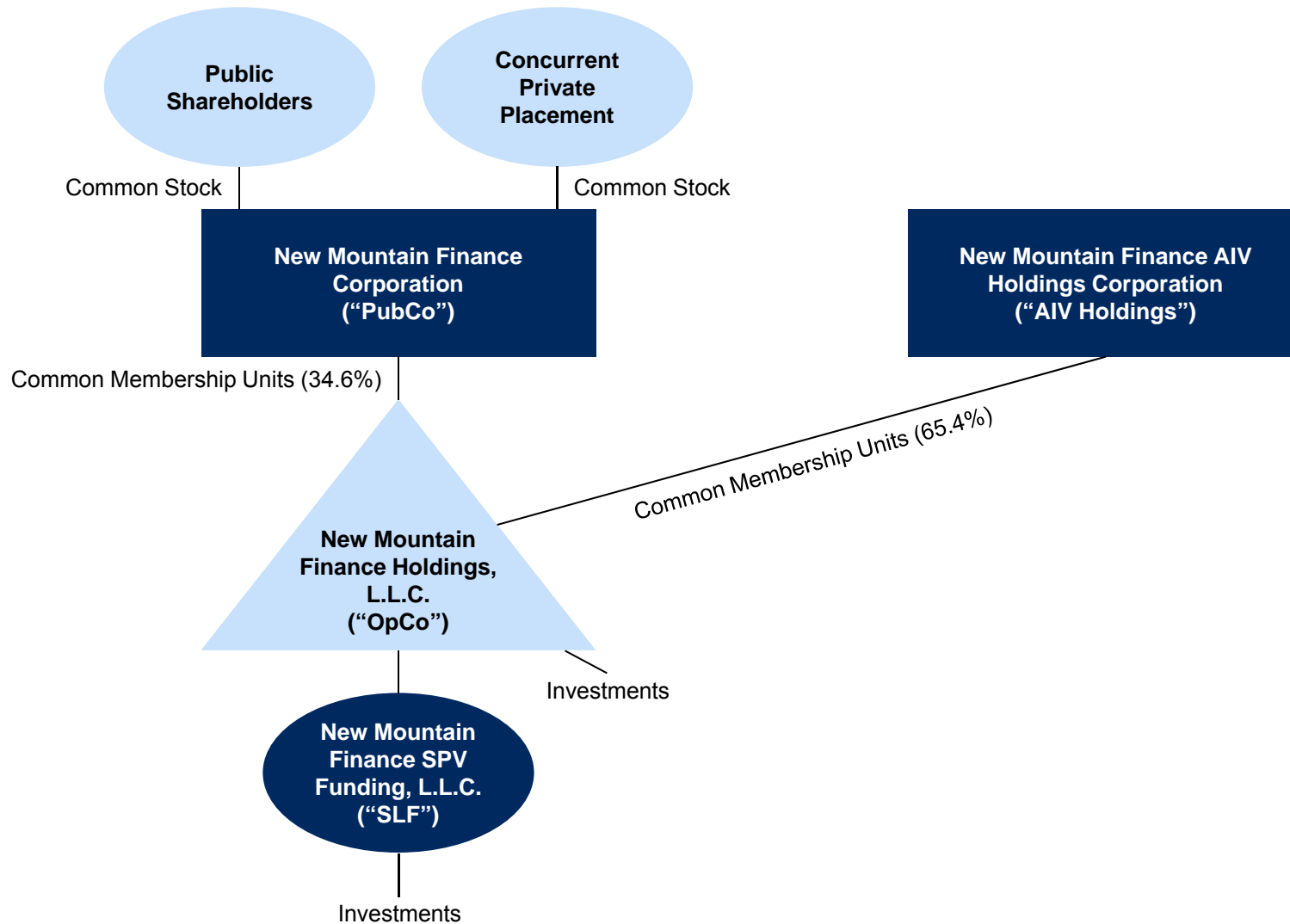
We believe our Q1 2012 Pre-Incentive Fee Adjusted NII will be in the \$12.2 - \$12.6 million range and therefore our board of directors has declared a first quarter dividend of \$0.32 per share





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Appendix A: Structure Chart



Appendix B: Adjusted Consolidated Income Statement

(\$ in millions, unaudited)⁽¹⁾

	OpCo	PubCo		Adjusted Three Months Ended 12/31/2011
	Three Months Ended 12/31/2011	Three Months Ended 12/31/2011	Adjustments ⁽²⁾	
Investment income				
Interest income	\$17.0	\$5.9	(\$0.1)	\$5.8
Other income	0.2	0.1		0.1
Total investment income	17.2	6.0	(0.1)	5.9
Expenses				
Interest and other credit facility expenses	2.3	0.8		0.8
Management fee	2.2	0.8		0.8
Incentive fee	2.3	0.8		0.8
Administrative expenses	0.2	0.1		0.1
Professional fees	0.1	0.0		0.0
Other general and administrative expenses	0.5	0.2		0.2
Total expenses	7.6	2.7		2.7
Net investment income	9.6	3.3	(0.1)	3.2
Realized gain (loss) on investments	2.3	0.8	(0.4)	0.4
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments	6.0	2.1	0.5	2.6
Net increase (decrease) in capital resulting from operations	\$17.9	\$6.2	-	\$6.2
Dividend per Share				\$0.30

34.6%
PubCo
Ownership

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