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MAIN is a Principal Investor in Private Debt and Equity



- Internally-managed Business Development Company (BDC)
 - IPO in 2007
 - Over \$900 million in assets under management
- Seeks to invest in the under-served Lower Middle Market (LMM)
 - Generally companies with revenue between \$10 million \$150 million; EBITDA between \$3 million \$20 million
- Invests in complementary interest-bearing debt investments in Middle Market companies
 - Generally issuances of secured and/or rated debt securities
 - Generally larger companies than LMM investment strategy
- High level of management ownership / investment in MAIN
- Headquartered in Houston, Texas

MAIN is a Principal Investor in Private Debt and Equity



- High cash dividend yield dividends paid monthly
- Long-term focus on delivering shareholders sustainable growth in net asset value and recurring dividends per share
- Owns two Small Business Investment Company (SBIC) Funds
 - Main Street Mezzanine Fund (2002 vintage) and Main Street Capital II (2006 vintage)
 - Provides access to 10-year, low cost, fixed rate governmentbacked leverage
- Strong capitalization and liquidity position stable, long-term debt and significant available liquidity to take advantage of opportunities

MAIN is a Principal Investor in Private Debt and Equity



- Equity investments in LMM portfolio provide opportunity to grow net asset value (NAV) and generate realized gains
 - \$2.13/share (16%) NAV growth in 2011 and \$0.53/share (3.5%, or 14% annualized) NAV growth in the first quarter 2012
 - Net realized gains of \$8.1 million in first quarter 2012 and \$2.6 million in 2011
- Internally managed cost structure provides significant operating leverage
 - Favorable ratio of total operating expenses, excluding interest expense, to average total assets of approximately 2.0%
 - Greater portion of gross portfolio returns are delivered to our shareholders

Lower Middle Market (LMM) Investment Strategy



- Investment Objectives
 - High cash yield from secured debt investments; plus
 - Periodic capital gains / cash dividends from equity investments
- Investments are structured for (i) protection of capital, (ii) high recurring income and (iii) meaningful capital gain opportunity
- Focus on self-sponsored, "one stop" financing opportunities
 - Partner with business owners and entrepreneurs
 - Recapitalization, buyout, growth and acquisition capital
 - Extensive network of grass roots referral sources
 - Strong and growing "Main Street" brand recognition / reputation
- Provide customized financing solutions
- Investments have low correlation to the broader debt and equity markets and attractive risk-adjusted returns

Market Segment Opportunity for LMM Investment Strategy



MAIN targets LMM investments in established, profitable companies

- Large and critical portion of U.S. economy
 - 175,000+ domestic LMM businesses(1)
- LMM is under-served from a capital perspective and less competitive
- Inefficient asset class generates pricing inefficiencies
 - Enterprise values average 4X 5X EBITDA and leverage multiples average 2X 3X EBITDA to MAIN
- Ability to become a partner vs. a "commoditized vendor of capital"

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(1) Source: U.S. Small Business Administration, Office of Advocacy

Middle Market Debt Investment Strategy



MAIN also maintains a portfolio of interest-bearing debt investments in Middle Market companies

- Favorable market environment has generated attractive investment opportunities
- Generally issuances of secured and/or rated debt securities
 - 86% of current Middle Market debt portfolio is first lien term debt and 14% is second lien term debt
 - Most have a B or BB S&P rating
- Generally larger companies than the LMM investment strategy
 - Current Middle Market portfolio has weighted average revenues of approximately \$476 million
- More relative liquidity than LMM investments
- 7% 12% targeted gross yields
 - 62 investments representing 42% of total portfolio at cost
 - Weighted average yield of 9.2%

MAIN Regulatory Framework



- Operates as Business Development Company
 - Regulated by SEC 1940 Act
 - Publicly-traded, private investment company
- Regulated Investment Company (RIC) tax structure
 - Eliminates corporate level income tax
 - Efficient tax structure providing high yield to investors
 - Passes through capital gains to investors
- Small Business Investment Company subsidiaries
 - Regulated by SBA
 - Access to low cost, fixed rate, long-term leverage
 - Total leverage capacity of \$225 million
 - MAIN received 2011 SBIC of the Year Award

MAIN Corporate Structure - Internally Managed

"Internally managed" means no external management fees or expenses and provides operating leverage to MAIN's business. MAIN targets cash operating and administrative costs at or less than 2% of total assets.



MAIN Senior Investment Professionals

Vince Foster; CPA & JD (a) (b)

Chairman and CEO

- Co-founded MAIN, Main Street Mezzanine Fund and Main Street Capital II
- Co-founded Quanta Services (NYSE: PWR)
- Partner in charge of Arthur Andersen's Corporate Finance/Mergers and Acquisitions practice for the Southwest United States

Todd Reppert; CPA (a) (b)

President and Director

- Co-founded MAIN, Main Street Mezzanine Fund and Main Street Capital II
- Principal at Sterling City Capital private investment group focused on lower middle market companies
- Manager at Arthur Andersen with transactional practice focus

Dwayne Hyzak; CPA

CFO and Senior Managing Director

- Joined Main Street group in 2002
- Director of acquisitions / integration with Quanta Services
- Manager with Arthur Andersen's transaction services group

Curtis Hartman; CPA (b)
CCO and Senior Managing Director

- Joined Main Street group in 2000
- Investment associate at Sterling City Capital
- Manager with PricewaterhouseCoopers' transaction services group

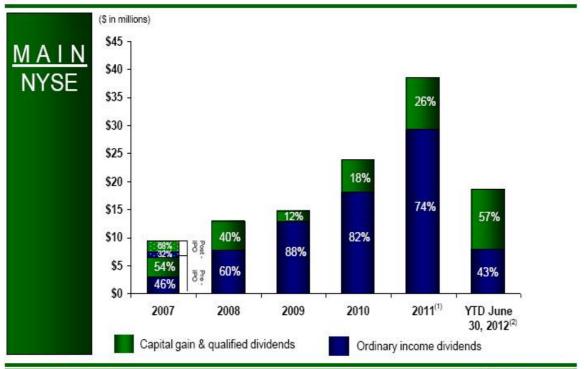
David Magdol (a)

CIO and Senior Managing Director

- Joined Main Street group in 2002
- Vice President in Lazard Freres M&A group
- Vice President of McMullen Group

- (a) Members of the MAIN Investment Committee
- (b) Members of the MAIN Credit Committee

Ordinary and Capital Gain Dividends 2007 - 2011 and YTD June 30, 2012



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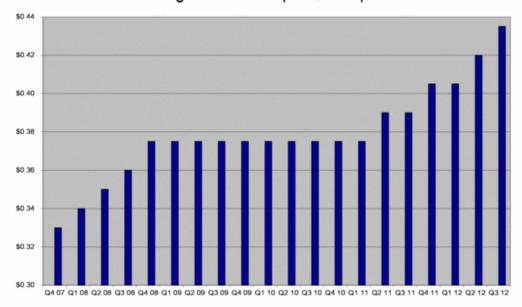
(2) Estimated

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 ^{9%} of the amount included in a shareholder's Form 1099 for 2011 is due to the inclusion of the January 2012 dividend in the 2011 tax year

Post-IPO Dividend Track Record - Sustainable Growth

Cumulative dividends paid or declared from October 2007 IPO through Q3 2012 equal \$7.58 per share



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MAIN began paying dividends monthly instead of quarterly in Q4 2008.

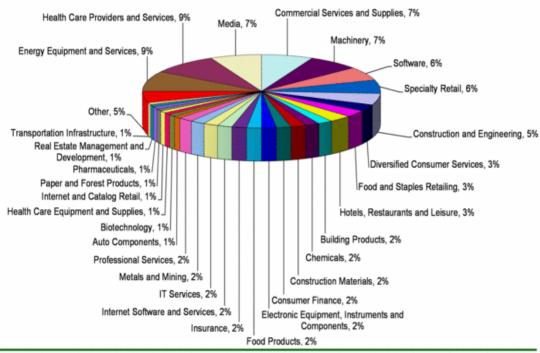
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Total Investment Portfolio



- Primarily includes complementary LMM debt and equity investments and Middle Market debt investments
- Total investment portfolio consists of 54% LMM / 42% Middle Market / 4% Other investments (as a percentage of cost)
- 115 LMM and Middle Market portfolio companies
 - Average investment size of \$5.0 million
 - Largest individual portfolio companies represent 2.9%⁽¹⁾ of total investment income and 2.6% of total portfolio fair value (most investments are less than 1%)
 - Non-accrual and fully impaired investments represent only 0.9% of total investment portfolio at cost
- Significant diversification
 - Issuer
 - Industry
 - Transaction type
 - Geography
 - End markets
- Diversity adds structural protection to portfolio, revenue sources, income, cash flows and dividends

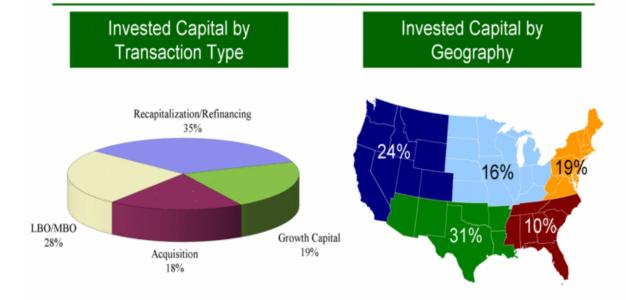
Total Portfolio by Industry (as a Percentage of Cost) (1)



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 Excluding MAIN's Other Portfolio investments, as described in MAIN's public filings.

Diversified Total Portfolio (as a Percentage of Cost) (1)



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 Excluding MAIN's Other Portfolio investments, as described in MAIN's public filings.

LMM Investment Portfolio



- LMM investment portfolio consists of:
 - 53 portfolio companies / \$388.1 million in fair value
 - Secured debt yielding 14.9% (77% of LMM portfolio at cost)
 - 98% of debt investments have first lien position
 - 92% of debt investments pay fixed-rate, monthly cash interest
 - 900+ basis point net interest margin vs. "matched" fixed interest rate on SBIC debt
 - Equity in 92% of portfolio companies representing 33% average ownership position (23% of LMM portfolio at cost)
 - Opportunity for capital gains and cash dividend income
 - Approximately 50% of LMM companies⁽¹⁾ with direct equity investment currently paying dividends

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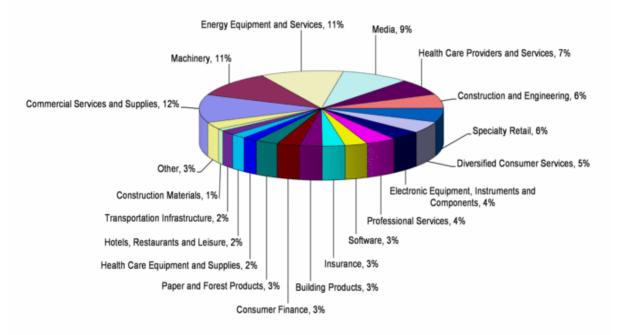
(1) Includes the LMM companies which (a) MAIN is invested in direct equity and (b) are taxed as flow through entities for tax purposes.

LMM Investment Portfolio

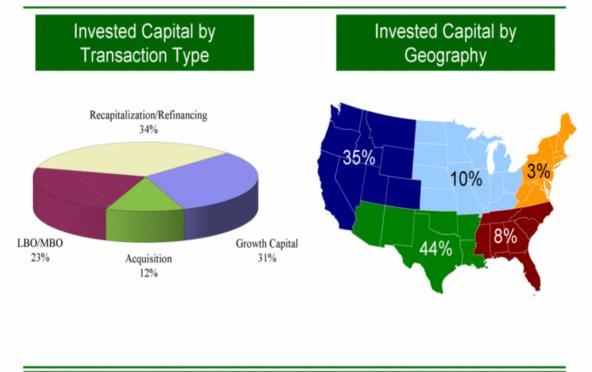
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- Average LMM portfolio credit statistics:
 - Senior leverage of 2.0x EBITDA to MAIN debt position
 - 3.9x EBITDA to senior interest coverage
 - Total leverage of 2.4x EBITDA including debt junior in priority to MAIN
 - Free cash flow de-leveraging improves credit metrics and increases equity appreciation
- Average investment size of \$6.1 million (approximately 1% of total investment portfolio)
- Opportunistic, selective posture toward new investment activity over the economic cycle
- High quality LMM portfolio
 - Total LMM portfolio investments at fair value equal 120% of cost

LMM Portfolio by Industry (as a Percentage of Cost)



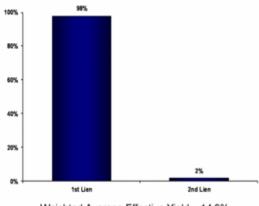
Diversified LMM Portfolio (as a Percentage of Cost)

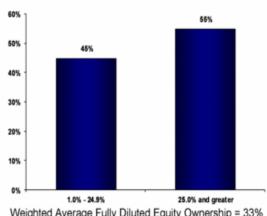


LMM Portfolio Attributes Reflect Investment Strategy

Security Position on Debt Capital as a Percentage of Cost

Fully Diluted Equity Ownership %





Weighted Average Effective Yield = 14.9%

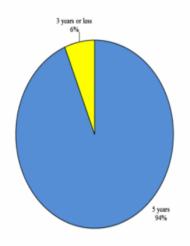
Weighted Average Fully Diluted Equity Ownership = 33%

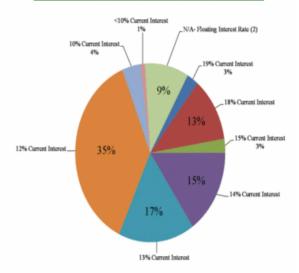
High Yielding Secured Debt Investments Coupled with Significant Equity Participation = Attractive Risk-Adjusted Returns

Term of Existing LMM Debt Investments / Total Interest Coupon

Original Term(1)

Total Interest Coupon®





Debt Investments generally have a 5-Year Original Term and ~3.2 Year Weighted Average Remaining Duration; Weighted Average Effective Yield of 14.9% on Debt Portfolio

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(1) Interest coupon and term based on initial investment. Interest coupon excludes amortization of deferred upfront fees, original issue discount or exit fees.

(2) Floating interest rates generally include contractual minimum "floor" rates.

Middle Market Investment Portfolio

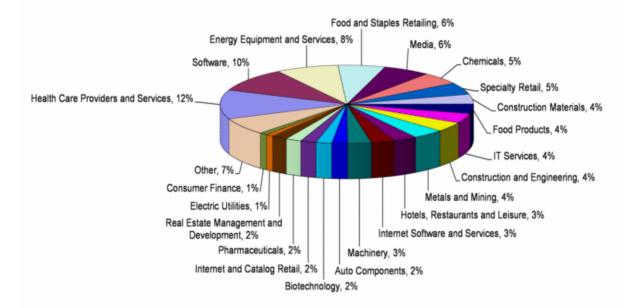


- 62 investments / \$251.0 million in fair value
- Average investment size of \$4.0 million (less than 1% of total portfolio)
- More relative investment liquidity compared to LMM
- 97% of Middle Market investments bear interest at floating rates⁽¹⁾, providing matching with MAIN's credit facility floating interest rate
- Weighted average yield of 9.2%, representing a 600+ basis point net interest margin vs. "matched" floating rate on the MAIN credit facility

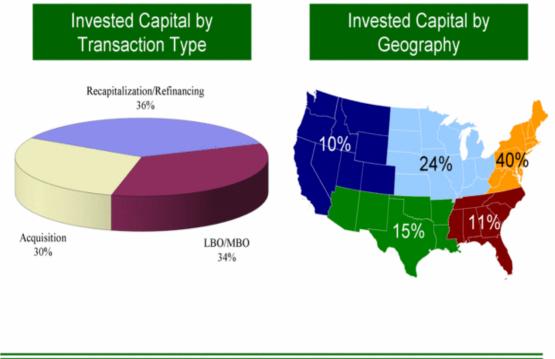
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(1) 99% of floating interest rates are subject to contractual minimum "floor" rates.

Middle Market Investments by Industry (as a Percentage of Cost)



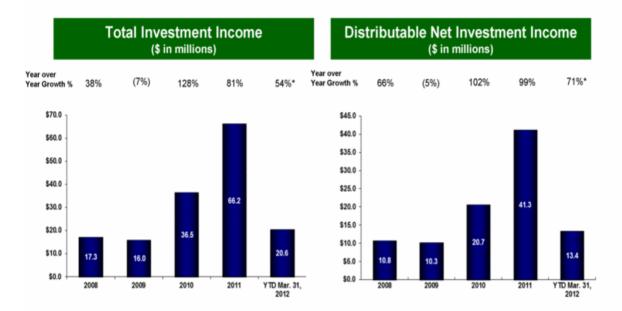
Diversified Middle Market Investments (as a Percentage of Cost)







MAIN Financial Performance



* Reflects YTD March 31, 2012 performance compared with YTD March 31, 2011 performance

MAIN Income Statement Summary

(\$ in 000's)	Q1 11	Q2 11	Q3 11	Q4 11	Q1 12	Q1 12 vs. Q1 11 % Change
Total Investment Income	\$ 13,374	\$ 16,129	\$ 17,086	\$ 19,672	\$ 20,559	54%
Expenses: Interest Expense G&A Expense	(2,902) (2,637)	(3,264) (2,807)	(3,716) (2,428)	(3,637) (3,525)	(3,864) (3,265)	33% 24%
Distributable Net Investment Income (DNII) DNII Margin %	7,835 58.6%	10,058 62.4%	10,942 64.0%	12,510 63.6%	13,430 65.3%	71% NM
Net Realized Gains (Losses)		250	1,448	920	8,138	NM
Distributable Net Realized Income	7,835	10,308	12,390	13,430	21,568	175%
Share-based compensation	(443)	(443)	(581)	(581)	(581)	31%
Net Realized Income	7,392	9,865	11,809	12,849	20,987	184%
Net Unrealized Appreciation	4,131	9,881	2,766	11,700	4,728	14%
Income Tax Provision	(1,200)	(1,962)	(139)	(2,985)	(1,876)	56%
Non Controlling Interest (MSC II)		(158)		(982)	(54)	NM
Net Increase in Net Assets	\$ 10,323	\$ 17,626	\$ 14,436	\$ 20,582	\$ 23,785	130%

MAIN Per Share Change in Net Asset Value (NAV)

		Q1 11		Q2 11		Q3 11		Q4 11		Q1 12
Beginning NAV/Share	\$	13.06	\$	13.90	\$	14.24	\$	14.49	\$	15.19
Distributable Net Investment Income (1)		0.40		0.43		0.46		0.48		0.50
Share-Based Compensation Expense (1)		(0.02)		(0.02)		(0.02)		(0.03)		(0.02)
Net Realized Gains (1)				0.01		0.06		0.04		0.30
Net Unrealized Appreciation (1)		0.22		0.43		0.13		0.42		0.18
Income Tax Provision (1)		(0.06)		(0.08)		(0.01)		(0.12)	_	(0.07)
Net Increase in Net Assets		0.54		0.77		0.62		0.79		0.89
Dividends to Shareholders		(0.38)		(0.39)		(0.39)		(0.41)		(0.41)
Dividend Accrual/Payment Difference (2)		(0.13)								-
Accretive impact of stock offerings		0.76						0.22		-
Other (3)	_	0.05	_	(0.04)		0.02	_	0.10	_	0.05
Ending NAV/Share	\$	13.90	\$	14.24	\$	14.49	\$	15.19	\$	15.72
Weighted Average Shares	19,	217,690	23,0	015,718	23,	194,896	25,	893,431	2	6,871,084

^{*} Certain fluctuations in per share amounts are due to rounding differences between quarter

⁽¹⁾ Per share amounts exclude the earnings attributable to the remaining noncontrolling equity interest in MSCII not owned by MAIN.

⁽²⁾ Represents the NAV per share impact for accounting accrual vs. payment timing differences of monthly dividends.

^{(3) &}quot;Other" includes differences in weighted average shares utilized for calculating changes in NAV during the period and actual shares outstanding utilized in computing ending NAV.

MAIN Balance Sheet Summary

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(\$ in 000's, except per share amounts)		Q1 11		Q2 11		Q3 11		Q4 11		Q1 12
LMM Portfolio Investments	\$	314,914	\$	336,442	\$	369,472	\$	415,664	\$	388,069
Middle Market Portfolio Investments		156,175		235,054		242,258		226,450		250,972
Other Portfolio Investments		158		261		2,713		14,110		25,056
Investment in Affiliated Investment Manager		2,010		1,965		1,916		1,869		202
Marketable Securites and Idle Funds		18,021		18,306		15,358		26,242		14,345
Cash and Cash Equivalents		29,064		14,133		25,127		42,650		88,955
Other Assets		9,474		11,092		9,112		10,707		11,844
Total Assets	\$	529,816	\$	617,253	\$	665,956	\$	737,692	\$	779,443
SBIC Debentures (1)	\$	185,519	\$	187,637	\$	201,273	\$	201,887	\$	201,586
Credit Facility		15,000		73,000		114,000		107,000		138,000
Other Liabilities		5,947		21,988		9,647		17,617		14,321
Net Asset Value (NAV)		319,012		330,132		336,540		405,711		425,536
Noncontrolling Interest		4,338	_	4,496	_	4,496		5,477	_	
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$	529,816	\$	617,253	\$	665,956	\$	737,692	\$	779,443
Total Portfolio Fair Value as % of Cost		109%		110%		109%		113%		111%
Common Stock Price Data: High Close Low Close Quarter End Close	\$ \$ \$	19.71 17.86 18.45	\$ \$	19.03 17.99 18.95	\$ \$ \$	19.39 15.98 17.76	\$ \$ \$	21.24 17.03 21.24	\$ \$ \$	25.61 21.18 24.63

⁽¹⁾ Includes adjustment to fair value MSC II SBIC debt acquired pursuant to the MSC II exchange offer as well as subsequent MSC II SBIC borrowings. Total face value of SBIC debentures at March 31, 2012 was \$220 million.

MAIN Liquidity and Capitalization

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(\$ in 000's)	9	21 11		Q2 11		Q3 11		Q4 11		Q1 12
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Net Asset Value (NAV)		319,012		330,132		336,540		405,711	_	425,536
Total Capitalization	\$	519,531	\$	590,769	\$	651,813	\$	714,598	\$	765,122
Debt to NAV Ratio (3)	0.7	6 to 1.0	0	.92 to 1.0	1.0	05 to 1.0	0	.84 to 1.0	(0.88 to 1.0
BDC Coverage Ratio (4)	0.0	5 to 1.0	0	0.24 to 1.0	0.3	36 to 1.0	0	.28 to 1.0	(0.34 to 1.0
Net Debt to NAV Ratio (5)	0.6	0 to 1.0	0).81 to 1.0	0.9	92 to 1.0	0	.67 to 1.0	(0.63 to 1.0
Interest Coverage Ratio (6)	3.5	1 to 1.0	3	3.70 to 1.0	3.6	35 to 1.0	4	.06 to 1.0	4	1.24 to 1.0

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⁽²⁾ In May 2012, MAIN expanded the credit facility from \$235 million to \$277.5 million in total commitments with an accordion feature to increase to \$350 million. Borrowings under this facility are available to provide additional liquidity for investment and operational activities.

⁽³⁾ SBIC Debentures are not included as "senior debt" for purposes of the 200% asset coverage requirements under the BDC regulations. Debt to NAV ratio is calculated based upon the face value of debt.

⁽⁴⁾ BDC Coverage ratio is Non-SBIC debt to NAV calculated based upon the face value of debt.

⁽⁵⁾ Net debt in this ratio includes face value of debt less cash and cash equivalents, marketable securities and idle funds investments.

⁽⁶⁾ DNII + interest expense / interest expense on a trailing twelve month basis.

Stable, Long-Term Leverage - Significant Unused Capacity

MAIN	<u>Facility</u>	Interest Rate	Maturity	March 31, 2012 Principal Drawn
NYSE	SBIC Debentures (1)	~5.1% fixed	2013 – 2020 (weighted average remaining duration = 6.4 years)	\$220 million
	\$277.5 million Credit Facility (2)	L+250 bps Floating	September 2014 (subject to annual extensions)	\$138 million

- (1) At March 31, 2012, MAIN had access to \$5 million of incremental capacity.
- (2) Capacity available for future investments or operational needs, subject to a borrowing base.

Significant Management Ownership/Investment

	Ownership %	# of Shares	Market Value March 31, 2012 (2)
Management and Affiliates (1)	11.8%	3,195,522	78,705,707
Public Shareholders/Float	88.2%	23,865,962	587,818,643
Total Ownership	100.0%	27,061,484	666,524,350

- (1) Includes 639,337 shares, or approximately \$9.7 million, purchased by management as part of, or subsequent to, the MAIN IPO.
- (2) Based upon closing market price of \$24.63/share on March 30, 2012

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MAIN Total Return Performance Since IPO



Consistent market out performance through various economic cycles

Executive Summary



- Target under-served LMM
 - Inefficient asset classes with less competition
 - Unique market opportunity with attractive risk-adjusted returns
 - Secured debt plus meaningful equity participation
- Invest in complementary interest-bearing Middle Market debt investments
- Internally managed cost structure compares favorably to other public and private investment funds
- Attractive, recurring monthly dividend yield
- Strong liquidity and stable capitalization for sustainable growth
- Highly invested management team with successful track record
- Niche investment strategy with lower correlation to broader debt / equity markets

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