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Subject to Completion, dated June 18, 2018

PRELIMINARY PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT (To Prospectus dated October 30, 2017) \$

Prospect Capital Corporation 5.875% Senior Notes due 2023

This is an offering by Prospect Capital Corporation of \$ in aggregate principal amount of its 5.875% Senior Notes due 2023 (the "Notes"). The Notes offered hereby are a further issuance of the 5.875% Senior Notes due 2023 that we issued on March 15, 2013 in the aggregate principal amount of \$250,000,000 (the "existing 2023 Notes"). The Notes offered hereby will be treated as a single series with the existing 2023 Notes under the Indenture (as defined below) and will have the same terms as the existing 2023 Notes (other than issue date and issue price). The Notes offered hereby will have the same CUSIP number and will be fully fungible and rank equally in right of payment with the existing 2023 Notes. Upon the issuance of the Notes offered hereby, the outstanding aggregate principal amount of our 5.875% Senior Notes due 2023 will be \$. Unless the context otherwise requires, references herein to the "Notes" include the Notes offered hereby and the existing 2023 Notes. The Notes will mature on March 15, 2023. We will pay interest on the Notes on March 15 and September 15 of each year, beginning September 15, 2018. The Notes will be issued in minimum denominations of \$1,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof. We may offer other debt securities from time to time other than the Notes under our Registration Statement or in private placements. The Notes will be our direct senior unsecured obligations and rank pari passu with all outstanding and future senior unsubordinated indebtedness issued by Prospect Capital Corporation.

We do not intend to apply for listing of the Notes on any securities exchange or for inclusion of the Notes on any automated dealer quotation system.

Prospect Capital Corporation is a financial services company that lends to and invests in middle market, privately-held companies. We are organized as an externally-managed, non-diversified closed-end management investment company that has elected to be treated as a business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940. Prospect Capital Management L.P. manages our investments and Prospect Administration LLC provides the administrative services necessary for us to operate.

Investing in the Notes involves certain risks, including those described in the "Risk Factors" section beginning on page S-10 of this prospectus supplement and page 12 of the accompanying prospectus.

	Per Note	Total
Public offering price ⁽¹⁾	%	\$
Underwriting discounts and commissions (sales load)	%	\$
Proceeds to Prospect Capital Corporation (before expenses) ⁽²⁾	%	\$

- (1) Plus accrued interest from March 15, 2018 up to, but not including, the date of delivery.
- (2) Expenses payable by us related to this offering are estimated to be \$500,000.

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Delivery of the Notes in book-entry form only through The Depository Trust Company will be made on or about June . 2018.

This prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus contain important information you should know before investing in our securities. Please read it before you invest and keep it for future reference. We file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information about us with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or the "SEC." This information is available free of charge by contacting us at 10 East 40Street, 42nd Floor, New York, NY 10016 or by telephone at (212) 448-0702. The SEC maintains a website at www.sec.gov where such information is available without charge upon written or oral request. Our internet website address is www.prospectstreet.com. Information contained on our website is not incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus and you should not consider information contained on our website to be part of this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus.

Neither the SEC nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed on the adequacy or accuracy of this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

Obligations of Prospect Capital Corporation and any subsidiary of Prospect Capital Corporation are not guaranteed by the full faith and credit of the United States of America. Neither Prospect Capital Corporation nor any subsidiary of Prospect Capital Corporation is a government-sponsored enterprise or an instrumentality of the United States of America.

Joint Book-Running Managers RBC Capital Markets Barclays Co-Manager UBS Investment Bank

Prospectus Supplement dated June, 2018.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus may contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the "Exchange Act," which involve substantial risks and uncertainties. Forward-looking statements predict or describe our future operations, business plans, business and investment strategies and portfolio management and the performance of our investments and our investment management business. These forward-looking statements are not historical facts, but rather are based on current expectations, estimates and projections about our industry, our beliefs, and our assumptions. Words such as "intends," "intended," "goal," "estimate," "expects," "expects," "expected," "projected," "proje "seeks," "anticipates," "anticipated," "should," "could," "may," "will," "designed to," "foreseeable future," "believe," "believe," "scheduled" and variations of these words and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. Our actual results or outcomes may differ materially from those anticipated. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward looking statements, which speak only as of the date the statement was made. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. These statements are not guarantees of future performance and are subject to risks, uncertainties, and other factors, some of which are beyond our control and difficult to predict and could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or forecasted in the forward-looking statements, including without limitation:

our future operating results,

our business prospects and the prospects of our portfolio companies,

the impact of investments that we expect to make,

our contractual arrangements and relationships with third parties,

the dependence of our future success on the general economy and its impact on the industries in which we invest, the ability of our portfolio companies to achieve their objectives,

difficulty in obtaining financing or raising capital, especially in the current credit and equity environment, the level and volatility of prevailing interest rates and credit spreads, magnified by the current turmoil in the credit markets,

adverse developments in the availability of desirable loan and investment opportunities whether they are due to competition, regulation or otherwise,

a compression of the yield on our investments and the cost of our liabilities, as well as the level of leverage available to us,

our regulatory structure and tax treatment, including our ability to operate as a business development company and a regulated investment company,

the adequacy of our cash resources and working capital,

the timing of cash flows, if any, from the operations of our portfolio companies,

the ability of our investment adviser to locate suitable investments for us and to monitor and administer our investments,

authoritative generally accepted accounting principles or policy changes from such standard-setting bodies as the Financial Accounting Standards Board, the SEC, Internal Revenue Service, the NASDAQ Global Select Market, the New York Stock Exchange and other authorities that we are subject to, as well as their counterparts in any foreign jurisdictions where we might do business, and

the risks, uncertainties and other factors we identify in "Risk Factors" and elsewhere in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus and in our filings with the SEC.

Although we believe that the assumptions on which these forward-looking statements are based are reasonable, any of those assumptions could prove to be inaccurate and, as a result, the forward-looking statements based on those assumptions also could be inaccurate. Important assumptions include our ability to originate new loans and investments, ability to obtain certain margins and levels of profitability and the availability of additional capital. In light of these and other uncertainties, the inclusion of a projection or forward-looking statement in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, respectively, should not be regarded as a representation by us that our plans and objectives will be achieved. These risks and uncertainties include those described or identified in "Risk Factors" and elsewhere in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, respectively. You should not

place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which apply

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only as of the date of this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus, as applicable. These forward-looking statements do not meet the safe harbor for forward-looking statements pursuant to Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the "Securities Act."

You should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. We have not, and the underwriters have not, authorized any other person to provide you with information that is different from that contained in this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus. If anyone provides you with different or inconsistent information, you should not rely on it. We are not, and the underwriters are not, making an offer of these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer is not permitted. You should assume that the information appearing in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus is accurate only as of their respective dates and we assume no obligation to update any such information. Our business, financial condition and results of operations may have changed since those dates. 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 have filed with the SEC, including annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q and current reports on Form 8-K. This prospectus supplement supersedes the accompanying prospectus to the extent it contains information that is different from or in addition to the information in that prospectus.

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PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

This section summarizes some of the information contained elsewhere in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, including the legal and financial terms of the Notes that are described in more detail in "Description of the Notes" beginning on page S-15. It does not contain all of the information that may be important to an investor. For a more complete understanding of this offering, we encourage you to read the more detailed information appearing elsewhere in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. You should read carefully the information set forth under "Risk Factors" in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus and the other information included in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus.

The terms "we," "us," "our" and "Company" refer to Prospect Capital Corporation; "Prospect Capital Management," "Investm Adviser" and "PCM" refer to Prospect Capital Management L.P.; and "Prospect Administration" and the "Administrator" refer to Prospect Administration LLC.

Our \$101.6 million aggregate principal amount of 5.875% Senior Convertible Notes due 2019 are referred to as the "2019 Notes." Our \$392.0 million aggregate principal amount of 4.75% Senior Convertible Notes due 2020 are referred to as the "2020 Notes." Our \$328.5 million aggregate principal amount of 4.95% Convertible Notes due 2022 are referred to as the "2022 Notes" and, collectively with the 2019 Notes and the 2020 Notes, the "Senior Convertible Notes." Our \$300.0 million aggregate principal amount of 5.00% Senior Notes due 2019 are referred to as the "5.00% 2019 Notes." Our \$250.0 million aggregate principal amount of 5.875% Senior Notes due 2023 are referred to as the "existing 2023 Notes." Our \$199.3 million aggregate principal amount of 6.25% Notes due 2024 are referred to as the "2024 Notes." Our \$55.0 million aggregate principal amount of 6.25% Notes due 2028 are referred to as the "2028 Notes" and, collectively with the 5.00% 2019 Notes, the existing 2023 Notes and the 2024 Notes, the "Public Notes." Any Prospect Capital InterNotes® issued pursuant to our medium term notes program are referred to as the "Prospect Capital InterNotes." The Senior Convertible Notes, the Public Notes and the Prospect Capital InterNotes are referred to as the "Unsecured Notes."

The Company

Prospect Capital Corporation is a financial services company that primarily lends to and invests in middle market privately-held companies. We are a closed-end investment company incorporated in Maryland. We have elected to be regulated as a business development company ("BDC") under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "1940 Act"). As a BDC, we have elected to be treated as a regulated investment company ("RIC") under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the "Code"). We were organized on April 13, 2004 and were funded in an initial public offering completed on July 27, 2004. We are one of the largest BDCs with approximately \$5.85 billion of total assets as of March 31, 2018.

We are externally managed by our investment adviser, Prospect Capital Management. Prospect Administration provides administrative services and facilities necessary for us to operate.

On May 15, 2007, we formed a wholly-owned subsidiary Prospect Capital Funding LLC ("PCF"), a Delaware limited liability company and a bankruptcy remote special purpose entity, which holds certain of our portfolio loan investments that are used as collateral for the revolving credit facility at PCF. Our wholly-owned subsidiary Prospect Small Business Lending, LLC ("PSBL") was formed on January 27, 2014 and purchases small business whole loans on a recurring basis from online small business loan originators, including On Deck Capital, Inc. ("OnDeck"). On September 30, 2014, we formed a wholly-owned subsidiary Prospect Yield Corporation, LLC ("PYC") and effective October 23, 2014, PYC holds our investments in collateralized loan obligations ("CLOs"). Each of these subsidiaries have been consolidated since operations commenced.

We currently have nine strategies that guide our origination of investment opportunities: (1) lending to companies controlled by private equity sponsors, (2) lending to companies not controlled by private equity sponsors, (3) purchasing controlling equity positions and lending to operating companies, (4) purchasing controlling equity positions and lending to financial services companies, (5) purchasing controlling equity positions and lending to real estate companies, (6) purchasing controlling equity positions and lending to aircraft leasing companies, (7) investing in structured credit, (8) investing in non-agented debt and (9) investing in online loans. We may also invest in other strategies and opportunities from time to time that we view as attractive. We continue to evaluate other origination strategies in the ordinary course of business with no specific top-down allocation to any single origination strategy.

Lending to Companies Controlled by Private Equity Sponsors - We make agented loans to companies which are controlled by private equity sponsors. This debt can take the form of first lien, second lien, unitranche or unsecured loans. These loans typically have equity subordinate to our loan position. Historically, this strategy has comprised approximately 40%-60% of our portfolio.

Lending to Companies not Controlled by Private Equity Sponsors - We make loans to companies which are not controlled by private equity sponsors, such as companies that are controlled by the management team, the founder, a family or public shareholders. This origination strategy may have less competition to provide debt financing than the private-equity-sponsor origination strategy because such company financing needs are not easily addressed by banks and often require more diligence preparation. This origination strategy can result in investments with higher returns or lower leverage than the private-equity-sponsor origination strategy. Historically, this strategy has comprised up to approximately 15% of our portfolio.

Purchasing Controlling Equity Positions and Lending to Operating Companies - This strategy involves purchasing yield-producing debt and controlling equity positions in non-financial-services operating companies. We believe that we can provide enhanced certainty of closure and liquidity to sellers and we look for management to continue on in their current roles. This strategy has comprised approximately 5%-15% of our portfolio.

Purchasing Controlling Equity Positions and Lending to Financial Services Companies - This strategy involves purchasing yield-producing debt and controlling equity positions in financial services companies, including consumer direct lending, sub-prime auto lending and other strategies. These investments are often structured in tax-efficient partnerships, enhancing returns. This strategy has comprised approximately 5%-15% of our portfolio. Purchasing Controlling Equity Positions and Lending to Real Estate Companies - We purchase debt and controlling equity positions in tax-efficient real estate investment trusts ("REIT" or "REITs"). National Property REIT Corp.'s ("NPRC"), an operating company and the surviving entity of the May 23, 2016 merger with American Property REIT Corp. ("APRC") and United Property REIT Corp. ("UPRC"), real estate investments are in various classes of developed and occupied real estate properties that generate current yields, including multi-family properties, student housing, and self-storage. NPRC seeks to identify properties that have historically significant occupancy rates and recurring cash flow generation. NPRC generally co-invests with established and experienced property management teams that manage such properties after acquisition. Additionally, NPRC purchases loans originated by certain consumer loan facilitators. It purchases each loan in its entirety (i.e., a "whole loan"). The borrowers are consumers, and the loans are typically serviced by the facilitators of the loans. This investment strategy has comprised approximately 10%-20% of our business.

Purchasing Controlling Equity Positions and Lending to Aircraft Leasing Companies - We invest in debt as well as equity in companies with aircraft assets subject to commercial leases to airlines across the globe. We believe that these investments can present attractive return opportunities due to cash flow consistency from long-term leases coupled with hard asset residual value. We believe that these investment companies seek to deliver risk-adjusted returns with strong downside protection by analyzing relative value characteristics across a variety of aircraft types and vintages. This strategy historically has comprised less than 5% of our portfolio.

Investing in Structured Credit - We make investments in CLOs, often taking a significant position in the subordinated interests (equity) of the CLOs. The underlying portfolio of each CLO investment is diversified across approximately 100 to 200 broadly syndicated loans and does not have direct exposure to real estate, mortgages, or consumer-based credit assets. The CLOs in which we invest are managed by established collateral management teams with many years of experience in the industry. This strategy has comprised approximately 10%-20% of our portfolio.

Investing in Non-Agented Debt - On a primary or secondary basis, we purchase primarily senior and secured loans and high yield bonds that have been sold to a club or syndicate of buyers. These investments are often purchased with a long term, buy-and-hold outlook, and we often look to provide significant input to the transaction by providing anchoring orders. This strategy has comprised approximately 5%-10% of our portfolio.

Investing in Online Loans - We purchase loans originated by certain small-and-medium-sized business ("SME") loan facilitators. We generally purchase each loan in its entirety (i.e., a "whole loan"). The borrowers are SMEs and the loans are typically serviced by the facilitators of the loans. This investment strategy has comprised up to approximately 1% of our portfolio.

Typically, we concentrate on making investments in companies with annual revenues of less than \$750 million and enterprise values of less than \$1 billion. Our typical investment involves a secured loan of less than \$250 million. We also acquire controlling interests in companies in conjunction with making secured debt investments in such companies. In most cases, companies in which we invest are privately held at the time we invest in them. We refer to

these companies as "target" or "middle market" companies and these investments as "middle market investments." We seek to maximize total returns to our investors, including both current yield and equity upside, by applying rigorous credit analysis and asset-based and cash-flow based lending techniques to make and monitor our investments. We are constantly pursuing multiple investment opportunities, including purchases of portfolios from private and public companies, as well as

originations and secondary purchases of particular securities. We also regularly evaluate control investment opportunities in a range of industries, and some of these investments could be material to us. There can be no assurance that we will successfully consummate any investment opportunity we are currently pursuing. If any of these opportunities are consummated, there can be no assurance that investors will share our view of valuation or that any assets acquired will not be subject to future write downs, each of which could have an adverse effect on our stock price.

As of March 31, 2018, we had investments in 134 portfolio companies and CLOs. The aggregate fair value as of March 31, 2018 of investments in these portfolio companies held on that date is approximately \$5.7 billion. Our portfolio across all our performing interest-bearing investments had an annualized current yield of 12.9% as of March 31, 2018. Our annualized current yield was 10.8% as of March 31, 2018 across all investments.

Recent Developments

Recent Investment Activity

On April 2, 2018, Ability Network Inc. repaid the \$15.0 million second lien term loan receivable to us.

On April 3, 2018, we made a \$28.0 million first lien senior secured investment in Mobile Posse Inc., which offers home screen content and messaging services to mobile phone carriers.

On April 4, 2018, Wheel Pros, LLC repaid the \$20.8 million senior secured subordinated notes receivable to us.

On April 4, 2018, we filed an 8-K announcing that our Board of Directors appointed Kristin Van Dask as our Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer, Secretary, and Chief Compliance Officer, effective immediately, in place of Brian H. Oswald who previously served in such positions.

On April 6, 2018, Arctic Oilfield Equipment USA, Inc. merged with and into CP Energy Services, Inc. ("CP Energy"), with CP Energy as the surviving entity.

On April 10, 2018, we made a \$25.5 million Senior Secured Term Loan A and \$17.0 million Senior Secured Term Loan B investment in SEO TownCenter, Inc., a provider of search engine optimization services.

During the period from April 16, 2018 to June 11, 2018, we sold 17.57% of the outstanding principal balance of the senior secured note investment in Broder Bros., Co. for a total of \$80.0 million at 100% of par. There was no gain or loss realized on the sale.

On April 17, 2018, we made a \$43.0 million Senior Secured Term Loan A and \$43.0 million Senior Secured Term Loan B investment in Motion Recruitment Partners LLC, a provider of IT-focused contractor and permanent staffing recruitment solutions.

On April 17, 2018, we made a \$10.0 million Second Lien Term Loan investment in HelpSystems Holdings, a provider of software products.

On April 17 and April 18, 2018, we sold 49.71% of the outstanding principal balance of the senior secured term loan investment in RGIS Services, LLC, for a total of \$15.0 million at 93.5% of par. We realized a \$0.3 million loss on the sale.

On May 1, 2018, Pelican Products, Inc. repaid the \$17.5 million second lien term loan receivable to us.

On May 15, 2018, National Home Healthcare Corp. repaid the \$15.4 million second lien term loan receivable to us.

On May 31, 2018, we purchased \$75.0 million of first lien senior secured notes and \$5.0 million of revolving credit issued to support the acquisition of Eze Castle Integration, LLC ("ECI") by affiliates of H.I.G. Capital, LLC. Our

revolving credit commitment was unfunded at close. ECI is a provider of managed services and technology solutions.

During the period from April 13, 2018 to June 15, 2018, we provided \$39.3 million of equity financing to National Property REIT Corp. ("NPRC"), which was used to fund capital expenditures for existing properties and acquire an additional real estate property. During the period from May 11, 2018 to June 15, 2018, we received partial repayments of \$41.5 million of our loans previously outstanding with NPRC and its wholly-owned subsidiaries.

On June 15, 2018, we made a \$15.0 million convertible preferred equity investment in Pacific World Corporation ("Pacific World"), which is currently a controlled investment.

Debt and Equity

On May 18, 2018, we issued \$103.5 million in aggregate principal amount of our 2022 Notes (including \$13.5 million in aggregate principal amount of 4.95% Convertible Notes due 2022 pursuant to the exercise in full by the underwriter of its over-allotment option) (the "Additional Notes"). The Additional Notes were a further issuance of, and are fully fungible and rank equally in right of payment with, the 2022 Notes that we issued on April 11, 2017 in the aggregate principal amount of \$225 million. The outstanding aggregate principal amount of our 2022 Notes is now \$328.5 million.

On May 24, 2018, we repurchased \$98.4 million aggregate principal amount of the 2019 Notes at a price of 102.0% of face value, including commissions.

On May 31, 2018, we priced an underwritten offering of \$50.0 million of 6.25% Unsecured Notes due 2028 ("2028 Notes"). The offering closed on June 7, 2018. The underwriters exercised an option to purchase an additional \$5.0 million principal amount of the 2028 Notes. Total proceeds from the issuance, net of underwriting discounts and offering costs, were \$53.3 million.

On June 7, 2018, we announced that we had commenced a tender offer (the "Tender Offer") to purchase for cash any and all of the \$300.0 million aggregate principal amount outstanding of the 5.00% 2019 Notes pursuant to an offer to purchase dated June 7, 2018 and related notice of guaranteed delivery, which set forth the terms and conditions of the tender offer. As of the expiration of the Tender Offer on June 13, 2018, \$147,024,000 aggregate principal amount of the 5.00% 2019 Notes, representing approximately 49.0% of the outstanding 5.00% 2019 Notes, were validly tendered and not validly withdrawn pursuant to the Tender Offer with an expected settlement date of June 20, 2018. This amount includes \$577,000 tendered pursuant to the guaranteed delivery procedures described in the offer to purchase and notice of guaranteed delivery, dated June 7, 2018, which remains subject to the holders' performance of the delivery requirements under such procedures.

During the period from April 1, 2018 through June 15, 2018, we issued \$4.8 million aggregate principal amount of Prospect Capital InterNotes® for net proceeds of \$4.7 million.

Dividends

On May 9, 2018, we announced the declaration of monthly dividends in the following amounts and with the following dates:

- \$0.06 per share for May 2018 to holders of record on May 31, 2018 with a payment date of June 21, 2018.
- \$0.06 per share for June 2018 to holders of record on June 29, 2018 with a payment date of July 19, 2018.
- \$0.06 per share for July 2018 to holders of record on July 31, 2018 with a payment date of August 23, 2018.
- \$0.06 per share for August 2018 to holders of record on August 31, 2018 with a payment date of September 20, 2018.

Specific Terms of the Notes and the Offering

This prospectus supplement sets forth certain terms of the Notes that Prospect Capital Corporation is offering pursuant to this prospectus supplement and supplements the accompanying prospectus that is attached to the back of this prospectus supplement. This section outlines the specific legal and financial terms of the Notes. You should read this section together with the more general description of the Notes under the heading "Description of the Notes" in this prospectus supplement and in the accompanying prospectus under the heading "Description of Our Debt Securities" before investing in the Notes. Capitalized terms used in this prospectus supplement and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the accompanying prospectus or in the indenture governing, or the supplemental indenture establishing, the terms of the Notes (collectively, the indenture and the supplemental indenture is referred to as the "Indenture").

Issuer **Prospect Capital Corporation**

Title of securities

5.875% Senior Notes due 2023

Securities offered

million. The Notes offered hereby are a further issuance of the existing 2023 Notes, will be treated as a single series with the existing 2023 Notes under the Indenture and will have the same terms as the existing 2023 Notes (other than issue date and issue price). The Notes offered hereby will have the same CUSIP number and will be fully fungible and rank equally in right of payment with the existing 2023 Notes. Unless the context otherwise requires, references herein to the "Notes" include the Notes offered hereby and the existing 2023 Notes.

Initial public % of the aggregate principal amount of Notes, plus accrued and unpaid interest from March 15, 2018 offering price up to, but not including, the date of delivery.

Principal payable at maturity

100% of the aggregate principal amount; the principal amount of each Note will be payable on its stated maturity date at the office of the Paying Agent, Registrar and Transfer Agent for the Notes or at such other office in The City of New York as we may designate.

Type of note Fixed rate note

Interest rate

5.875% per year. Interest will accrue from March 15, 2018 and be payable in cash on March 15 and September 15 of each year, commencing on September 15, 2018.

Stated maturity date

March 15, 2023

Interest periods

The initial interest period will be the period from and including March 15, 2018, to, but excluding, the initial interest payment date, and the subsequent interest periods will be the periods from and including an interest payment date to, but excluding, the next interest payment date or the stated maturity date, as the case may be.

Regular

record dates for interest

Every March 1 and September 1, commencing September 1, 2018.

Specified

U.S. Dollars

currency

New York City

Place of payment

The Notes will be our general, senior unsecured obligations and will rank equal in right of payment with all of our existing and future senior unsecured indebtedness (including the Unsecured Notes) and senior in right of payment to any of our subordinated indebtedness. As a result, the Notes will be effectively subordinated to our existing and future secured indebtedness to the extent of the value of the assets securing such indebtedness and structurally subordinated to any existing and future liabilities and other indebtedness of our subsidiaries.

Ranking of Notes

As of June 15, 2018, we and our subsidiaries had approximately \$2.5 billion of senior indebtedness outstanding, \$2.4 billion of which was unsecured indebtedness.

Denominations

We will issue the Notes in denominations of \$1,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof.

Business day

Each Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday that is not a day on which banking institutions in New York City are authorized or required by law or executive order to close.

Sinking fund

The Notes will not be subject to any sinking fund.

Repayment at option of Holders

Holders will not have the option to have the Notes repaid prior to the stated maturity date unless we undergo a fundamental change (as defined in this prospectus supplement). See "-Fundamental change repurchase right of Holders".

Defeasance

The Notes are subject to defeasance by us.

Covenant defeasance

The Notes are subject to covenant defeasance by us.

Form of Notes

The Notes will be represented by global securities that will be deposited and registered in the name of The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") or its nominee. This means that, except in limited circumstances, you will not receive certificates for the Notes. Beneficial interests in the Notes will be represented through book-entry accounts of financial institutions acting on behalf of beneficial owners as direct and indirect participants in DTC. Investors may elect to hold interests in the Notes through either DTC, if they are a participant, or indirectly through organizations which are participants in DTC.

Trustee, Paying Agent, Registrar and Transfer Agent

U.S. Bank National Association

Fundamental change repurchase right of Holders

If we undergo a fundamental change (as defined in this prospectus supplement) prior to maturity, you will have the right, at your option, to require us to repurchase for cash some or all of your Notes at a repurchase price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Notes being repurchased, plus accrued and unpaid interest to, but not including, the repurchase date. See "Description of the Notes-Purchase of Notes by Us for Cash at the Option of Holders upon a Fundamental Change."

Events of default

If an event of default on the Notes occurs, the principal amount of the Notes, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including additional interest, if any) may be declared immediately due and payable, subject to certain conditions set forth in the Indenture. These amounts automatically become due and payable in the case of certain types of bankruptcy or insolvency events of default involving the Company as defined in the Indenture.

Other covenants

In addition to the covenants described in the accompanying prospectus, the following covenants shall apply to the Notes:

- We agree that for the period of time during which the Notes are outstanding, we will not violate Section 18(a)(1)(A) as modified by Section 61(a)(1) of the 1940 Act or any successor provisions.
- If, at any time, we are not subject to the reporting requirements of Sections 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act to file any periodic reports with the SEC, we agree to furnish to holders of the Notes and the Trustee, for the period of time during which the Notes are outstanding, our audited

annual consolidated financial statements, within 90 days of our fiscal year end, and unaudited interim consolidated financial statements, within 45 days of our fiscal quarter end. All such financial statements will be prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with applicable United States generally accepted accounting principles.

Public market for the Notes	While a limited trading market developed after issuing the existing 2023 Notes, we cannot assure you that an active trading market for the Notes will be maintained or will exist at all. Although the underwriters have informed us that they intend to continue to make a market in the Notes, as permitted by applicable laws and regulations, they are not obligated to do so and may discontinue market making activities at any time without notice. See "Underwriting." The Notes are not listed on any securities exchange or quoted on any automated dealer quotation system, and we do not intend to apply for a listing of the Notes on any securities exchange or for inclusion on any automated dealer quotation system. Accordingly, we cannot assure you that a liquid market for the Notes will be maintained. If an active public trading market for the Notes is not maintained, the market price and liquidity of the Notes may be adversely affected.
Use of proceeds	We estimate that the net proceeds from this offering will be approximately \$ after deducting fees and estimated offering expenses of approximately \$500,000 payable by us. We expect to use the net proceeds from the sale of the Notes offered hereby to finance the Tender Offer. See "Use of Proceeds."
Global clearance and settlement procedures	Interests in the Notes will trade in DTC's Same Day Funds Settlement System, and any permitted secondary market trading activity in such Notes will, therefore, be required by DTC to be settled in immediately available funds. None of the Company, the Trustee or the paying agent will have any responsibility for the performance by DTC or its participants or indirect participants of their respective obligations under the rules and procedures governing their operations.
Governing law	The Notes and the Indenture shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York.

SELECTED CONDENSED FINANCIAL DATA

You should read the condensed consolidated financial information below with the Consolidated Financial Statements and notes thereto included in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. Financial information below for the years ended June 30, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, and 2013 has been derived from the financial statements that were audited by our independent registered public accounting firm. The selected consolidated financial data at and for the three and nine months ended March 31, 2018 and 2017 has been derived from unaudited financial data. Interim results for the three and nine months ended March 31, 2018 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending June 30, 2018. Certain reclassifications have been made to the prior period financial information to conform to the current period presentation. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" starting on page S-27 for more information.

	For the Th Months En March 31, 2018	nded	2017		For the Ni Months En March 31, 2018	ndec	2017		For the Ye	ear	Ended June 2016	30	2015		201
	(in thousa	nds	except data	rela	iting to shar	res, j	per share an	d n	umber of po	rtfo	olio compan	ies)		
Performance Data:					-				-		-				
Total interest income	\$145,862		\$161,711		\$447,329		\$508,152		\$668,717		\$731,618		\$748,974		\$61
Total dividend income	6,287		817		7,157		4,580		5,679		26,501		7,663		26,
Total other income	10,686		8,504		29,328		21,612		26,650		33,854		34,447		71,
Total Investment Income	162,835		171,032		483,814		534,344		701,046		791,973		791,084		712
Interest and credit facility expenses	(37,479)	(41,464)	(117,861)	(123,981)	(164,848)	(167,719)	(170,660)	(13
Investment advisory expense	(46,880)	(48,819)	(140,833)	(151,328)	(199,394)	(219,305)	(225,277)	(19
Other expenses	(8,030)	(7,669)	(17,750)	(22,631)	(30,722)	(33,821)	(32,400)	(26
Total Operating Expenses	(92,389)	(97,952)	(276,444)	(297,940)	(394,964)	(420,845)	(428,337)	(35
Net Investment Income	70,446		73,080		207,370		236,404		306,082		371,128		362,747		357
Net realized and change in unrealized gains (losses) Net increase in	(18,587)	(53,588)	(21,811)	(34,666)	(53,176)	(267,766)	(16,408)	(38
Net Assets from Operations Per Share Data:	\$51,859		\$19,492		\$185,559		\$201,738		\$252,906		\$103,362		\$346,339		\$31
Net Increase in Net Assets from Operations(1)	\$0.14		\$0.05		\$0.51		\$0.56		\$0.70		\$0.29		\$0.98		\$1.

Dividends declared per share	\$(0.18)	\$(0.25)	\$(0.59)	\$(0.75)	\$(1.00)	\$(1.00)	\$(1.19)	\$(1
Weighted average shares of common stock outstanding Assets and Liabilities Data:	361,759,95	54	359,402,52	27	360,794,8	37	358,468,09	92	358,841,71	4	356,134,29	97	353,648,52	2	300
Investments at	\$5,719,804	1	\$6,024,76	6	\$5,719,80	M	\$6,024,76	6	\$5,838,305	τ .	\$5,897,708	Q	\$6,609,558		\$6,
Fair Value		т		U		'Т		U		,		3		,	
Other Assets(4) Total Assets(4)	5,851,145		128,338 6,153,104		131,341 5,851,145		128,338 6,153,104		334,484 6,172,789		338,473 6,236,181		144,356 6,753,914		166 6,42
Revolving Credit Facility	86,000				86,000		_		_		_		368,700		92,
Convertible notes(4)	805,092		910,782		805,092		910,782		937,641		1,074,361		1,218,226		1,2
Public notes (4)	739,836		737,802		739,836		737,802		738,300		699,368		541,490		637
Prospect Capital InterNotes®(4) Due to Prospect	743,729		991,345		743,729		991,345		966,254		893,210		811,180		766
Administration and Prospect Capital	49,157		50,945		49,157		50,945		50,159		55,914		6,788		2,2
Management Other liabilities	80,935		70,062		80,935		70,062		125,483		77,411		104,481		83,
Total Liabilities(4)	2,504,749		2,760,936		2,504,749		2,760,936		2,817,837		2,800,264		3,050,865		2,80
Net Assets Investment Activity Data:	\$3,346,396	5	\$3,392,16	8	\$3,346,39	6	\$3,392,16	8	\$3,354,952	2	\$3,435,917	7	\$3,703,049)	\$3,
No. of portfolio companies at	134		125		134		125		121		125		131		142
period end Acquisitions Sales,	\$429,928		\$449,607		\$1,390,81	6	\$1,266,29	4	\$1,489,470)	\$979,102		\$1,867,477	,	\$2,
repayments, and other disposals Total return	\$118,083		\$302,335		\$1,471,24	-6	\$1,061,66	1	\$1,413,882	2	\$1,338,873	5	\$1,411,562	,	\$76
based on market value(2)	(0.20)%	11.30	%	(12.00)%	26.27	%	16.80	%	21.84	%	(20.84)%	10.
Total return based on net asset value(2)	2.14	%	0.77	%	8.04	%	7.07	%	8.98	%	7.15	%	11.47	%	10.9
Weighted average yield on debt portfolio at	12.9	%	12.3	%	12.9	%	12.3	%	12.2	%	13.2	%	12.7	%	12.

period end(3) Weighted average yield on total portfolio at period end	10.8	% 10.7	% 10.8	% 10.7	% 10.4	% 12.0	% 11.9	% 11.9
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- (1) Per share data is based on the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the year/period presented (except for dividends to shareholders which is based on actual rate per share).

 Total return based on market value is based on the change in market price per share between the opening and ending market prices per share in each year/period and assumes that dividends are reinvested in accordance with
- our dividend reinvestment plan. Total return based on net asset value is based upon the change in net asset value per share between the opening and ending net asset values per share in each year/period and assumes that dividends are reinvested in accordance with our dividend reinvestment plan. For a period less than a year, the return is not annualized.
- (3) Excludes equity investments and non-performing loans.

 We have changed our method of presentation relating to debt issuance costs in accordance with ASU 2015-03, Interest Imputation of Interest (Subtopic 835-30). Unamortized deferred financing costs of \$40,526, \$44,140,
- (4)\$57,010, and \$37,607 previously reported as an asset on the Consolidated Statements of Assets and Liabilities as of June 30, 2016, 2015, 2014, and 2013, respectively, have been reclassified as a direct deduction to the respective Unsecured Notes. See Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates for further discussion.

RISK FACTORS

Investing in our Notes involves a high degree of risk. You should carefully consider the risks described below, together with all of the other information included in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, before you decide whether to make an investment in the Notes. If any of the adverse events or conditions described below or in the accompanying prospectus occur, our business, financial condition and results of operations could be materially adversely affected. In such case, our net asset value, or NAV, and the value of the Notes and the trading price of our common stock could decline, and you may lose all or part of your investment.

Risks Relating to the Notes

Our amount of debt outstanding will increase as a result of this offering. Our current indebtedness could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations and our ability to meet our payment obligations under the Notes and our other debt.

As of June 15, 2018, we and our subsidiaries had approximately \$2.4 billion of senior unsecured indebtedness outstanding and \$71.0 million of secured indebtedness outstanding.

The use of debt could have significant consequences on our future operations, including:

making it more difficult for us to meet our payment and other obligations under the Notes and our other outstanding debt;

resulting in an event of default if we fail to comply with the financial and other restrictive covenants contained in our debt agreements, which event of default could result in substantially all of our debt becoming immediately due and payable;

reducing the availability of our cash flow to fund investments, acquisitions and other general corporate purposes, and limiting our ability to obtain additional financing for these purposes;

• subjecting us to the risk of increased sensitivity to interest rate increases on our indebtedness with variable interest rates, including borrowings under our credit facility; and

limiting our flexibility in planning for, or reacting to, and increasing our vulnerability to, changes in our business, the industry in which we operate and the general economy.

Any of the above listed factors could have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations and our ability to meet our payment obligations under the Notes and our other debt.

Our ability to meet our payment and other obligations under our debt instruments depends on our ability to generate significant cash flow in the future. This, to some extent, is subject to general economic, financial, competitive, legislative and regulatory factors as well as other factors that are beyond our control. We cannot assure you that our business will generate cash flow from operations, or that future borrowings will be available to us under our credit facility or otherwise, in an amount sufficient to enable us to meet our payment obligations under the Notes and our other debt and to fund other liquidity needs. If we are not able to generate sufficient cash flow to service our debt obligations, we may need to refinance or restructure our debt, including the Notes, sell assets, reduce or delay capital investments, or seek to raise additional capital. If we are unable to implement one or more of these alternatives, we may not be able to meet our payment obligations under the Notes and our other debt.

An increase in market interest rates could result in a decrease in the market value of the Notes.

The condition of the financial markets and prevailing interest rates have fluctuated in the past and are likely to fluctuate in the future, which could have an adverse effect on the market prices of the Notes. In general, as market interest rates rise, debt securities bearing interest at fixed rates of interest decline in value. Consequently, if you purchase notes bearing interest at fixed rates of interest and market interest rates increase, the market values of those notes may decline. We cannot predict the future level of market interest rates.

The Notes are effectively subordinated to any existing and future secured indebtedness and structurally subordinated to existing and future liabilities and other indebtedness of our subsidiaries.

The Notes are our general, senior unsecured obligations and rank equally in right of payment with all of our existing and future senior unsecured indebtedness, including without limitation, our Unsecured Notes. As a result, the Notes are effectively subordinated to our existing and future secured indebtedness (including indebtedness that is initially unsecured to which we subsequently grant security) to the extent of the value of the assets securing such indebtedness and structurally subordinated to any existing and future liabilities and other indebtedness of our subsidiaries. Effective subordination means that in any liquidation, dissolution, bankruptcy or other similar proceeding, the holders of any of our existing or future secured indebtedness and the secured indebtedness of our subsidiaries may assert rights against the assets pledged to secure that indebtedness in order to receive full payment of their indebtedness before the assets may be used to pay other creditors. Structural subordination means that creditors of a parent entity are subordinate to creditors of a subsidiary entity with respect to the subsidiary's assets. These liabilities may include indebtedness, trade payables, guarantees, lease obligations and letter of credit obligations. The Notes do not restrict us or our subsidiaries from incurring indebtedness, including senior secured indebtedness in the future, nor do they limit the amount of indebtedness we can issue that is equal in right of payment to the Notes. As of June 15, 2018, we had \$71.0 million borrowings under our credit facility. Our credit facility is secured by certain of our assets and the indebtedness thereunder is therefore effectively senior to the Notes to the extent of the value of such assets.

The Senior Convertible Notes and 5.00% 2019 Notes and certain Prospect Capital InterNotes® will be due prior to the Notes. On June 7, 2018, we announced that we had commenced a tender offer (the "Tender Offer") to purchase for cash any and all of the \$300.0 million aggregate principal amount outstanding of the 5.00% 2019 Notes pursuant to an offer to purchase dated June 7, 2018 and related notice of guaranteed delivery, which set forth the terms and conditions of the Tender Offer. As of the expiration of the Tender Offer on June 13, 2018, \$147,024,000 aggregate principal amount of the 5.00% 2019 Notes, representing approximately 49.0% of the outstanding 5.00% 2019 Notes, were validly tendered and not validly withdrawn pursuant to the Tender Offer with an expected settlement date of June 20, 2018. This amount includes \$577,000 tendered pursuant to the guaranteed delivery procedures described in the offer to purchase and notice of guaranteed delivery, dated June 7, 2018, which remains subject to the holders' performance of the delivery requirements under such procedures. We do not currently know whether we will be able to replace the Senior Convertible Notes, the remaining 5.00% 2019 Notes and the Prospect Capital InterNotes® upon their respective maturities, or if we do, whether we will be able to do so on terms that are as favorable as such notes. In the event that we are not able to replace such notes at the time of their respective maturities, this could have a material adverse effect on our liquidity and ability to fund new investments, our ability to make distributions to our stockholders, our ability to repay the Notes and our ability to qualify as a regulated investment company, or "RIC." The Indenture contains no restrictive covenants and provides only limited protection, in the event of a change of control.

The Indenture contains no financial or operating covenants or any other restrictive covenants that would limit our ability to engage in certain transactions that may adversely affect you. In particular, the Indenture contains no covenants that limit our ability to pay dividends or make distributions on or redeem our capital stock or that limit our ability to incur additional indebtedness, including in a highly leveraged transaction or other similar transaction. We are only required to offer to repurchase the Notes upon a change of control in the case of the transactions specified in the definition of a "fundamental change" under "Description of the Notes - Purchase of Notes by Us for Cash at the Option of Holders upon a Fundamental Change."

Accordingly, subject to restrictions contained in our other debt agreements, we are permitted to engage in certain transactions, such as acquisitions, refinancings or recapitalizations, that could affect our capital structure and the value of the Notes and our common stock but would not constitute a fundamental change or a non stock change of control under the Notes.

We may be unable to repurchase the Notes following a fundamental change.

Holders of the Notes have the right to require us to repurchase their Notes prior to their maturity upon the occurrence of a fundamental change as described under "Description of the Notes - Purchase of Notes by Us for Cash at the Option of Holders upon a Fundamental Change." Any of our future debt agreements may contain similar provisions. We may

not have sufficient funds or the ability to arrange necessary financing on acceptable terms at the time we are required to make repurchases of tendered Notes. In addition, our ability to repurchase the Notes may be limited by law or the terms of other agreements relating to our debt outstanding at the time, including our credit facility. If we fail to repurchase the Notes as required by the Indenture, it would constitute an event of default under the Indenture, which, in turn, would constitute an event of default under our credit facility.

Some significant restructuring transactions may not constitute a fundamental change, in which case we would not be obligated to offer to repurchase the Notes.

Upon the occurrence of a fundamental change, you have the right to require us to offer to repurchase the Notes. However, the fundamental change provisions will not afford protection to holders of the Notes in the event of certain transactions. For example, transactions such as leveraged recapitalizations, refinancings, restructurings or acquisitions initiated by us would not constitute a fundamental change event which may require us to repurchase the Notes. In the event of any such transaction, the holders would not have the right to require us to repurchase the Notes, even though each of these transactions could increase the amount of our indebtedness, or otherwise adversely affect our capital structure or any credit ratings, thereby adversely affecting the holders of the Notes.

Provisions of the Notes could discourage an acquisition of us by a third party.

Certain provisions of the Notes could make it more difficult or more expensive for a third party to acquire us. Upon the occurrence of certain transactions constituting a fundamental change, holders of the Notes will have the right, at their option, to require us to repurchase all of their Notes or any portion of the principal amount of such Notes in integral multiples of \$1,000. These provisions could discourage an acquisition of us by a third party.

While a limited trading market developed after issuing the existing 2023 Notes, we cannot assure you that an active trading market for the Notes will be maintained or will exist at all.

While a limited trading market developed after issuing the existing 2023 Notes, we cannot assure you that an active trading market for the Notes will be maintained or will exist at all. Although the underwriters have informed us that they intend to continue to make a market in the Notes, as permitted by applicable laws and regulations, they are not obligated to do so and may discontinue market making activities at their sole discretion at any time without notice. In addition, any market-making activity will be subject to limits imposed by law. The liquidity of the trading market in the Notes, and the market price quoted for the Notes, may be adversely affected by changes in the overall market for this type of security and by changes in our financial performance or prospects or in the prospects for companies in our industry generally or other factors. Accordingly, we cannot assure you that an active trading market for the Notes will be maintained, that you will be able to sell your Notes at a particular time or that the price you receive when you sell will be favorable. If an active trading market is not maintained, the market price and liquidity of the Notes may be adversely affected. The Notes are not listed on any securities exchange or quoted on any automated dealer quotation system, and we do not intend to apply for a listing of the Notes on any securities exchange or for inclusion on any automated dealer quotation system.

A downgrade, suspension or withdrawal of the rating assigned by a rating agency to us or the Notes, if any, could cause the liquidity or market value of the Notes to decline significantly.

Our credit ratings are an assessment by rating agencies of our ability to pay our debts when due. Consequently, real or anticipated changes in our credit ratings will generally affect the market value of the Notes. These credit ratings may not reflect the potential impact of risks relating to the structure or marketing of the Notes. Credit ratings are not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold any security, and may be revised or withdrawn at any time by the issuing organization in its sole discretion. We do not undertake any obligation to maintain our rating, if any, or to advise holders of Notes of any changes in ratings.

The Notes are rated by Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, or "S&P," and Kroll Rating Agency, Inc., or "Kroll." There can be no assurance that their rating will remain for any given period of time or that such rating will not be lowered or withdrawn entirely by S&P or Kroll if in their respective judgment future circumstances relating to the basis of the rating, such as adverse changes in our company, so warrant.

We may be subject to certain corporate level taxes, which could adversely affect our cash flow and consequently adversely affect our ability to make payments on the Notes.

We may be subject to certain corporate level taxes regardless of whether we continue to qualify as a regulated investment company, or RIC. Additionally, should we fail to qualify as a RIC, we would be subject to corporate level taxes on all of our taxable income. The imposition of corporate level taxes could adversely affect our cash flow and consequently adversely affect our ability to make payments on the Notes.

The Indenture contains limited protection for holders of the Notes.

The Indenture contains limited protection to holders of the Notes. The terms of the Indenture and the Notes do not restrict our or our consolidated subsidiary's ability to engage in, or otherwise be a party to, a variety of corporate transactions, circumstances or events that could have an adverse impact on your investment in the Notes. In particular, the terms of the Indenture and the Notes do not place any restrictions on our or our consolidated subsidiary's ability to: issue securities or otherwise incur additional indebtedness or other obligations, including (1) any indebtedness or other obligations that would be equal in right of payment to the Notes, (2) any indebtedness or other obligations that would be secured and therefore rank effectively senior in right of payment to the Notes to the extent of the values of the assets securing such debt, (3) indebtedness of ours that is guaranteed by one or more of our subsidiaries and which therefore is structurally senior to the Notes and (4) securities, indebtedness or obligations issued or incurred by our subsidiaries that would be senior to our equity interests in our subsidiaries and therefore rank structurally senior to the Notes with respect to the assets of our subsidiaries, in each case other than an incurrence of indebtedness or other obligation that would cause a violation of Section 18(a)(1)(A) as modified by Section 61(a)(1) of the 1940 Act or any successor provisions;

pay dividends on, or purchase or redeem or make any payments in respect of, capital stock or other securities ranking junior in right of payment to the Notes;

sell assets (other than certain limited restrictions on our ability to consolidate, merge or sell all or substantially all of our assets);

enter into transactions with affiliates;

ereate liens (including liens on the shares of our subsidiaries) or enter into sale and leaseback transactions; make investments; or

ereate restrictions on the payment of dividends or other amounts to us from our consolidated subsidiaries.

Furthermore, the terms of the Indenture and the Notes do not protect holders of the Notes in the event that we experience changes (including significant adverse changes) in our financial condition, results of operations or credit ratings, as they do not require that we or our subsidiary adhere to any financial tests or ratios or specified levels of net worth, revenues, income, cash flow, or liquidity other than certain limited restrictions on dividends and certain board structures or default provisions mandated by the 1940 Act.

Our ability to recapitalize, incur additional debt and take a number of other actions that are not limited by the terms of the Notes may have important consequences for you as a holder of the Notes, including making it more difficult for us to satisfy our obligations with respect to the Notes or negatively affecting the trading value of the Notes.

Certain of our current debt instruments include more protections for their holders than the Indenture and the Notes. In addition, other debt we issue or incur in the future could contain more protections for its holders than the indenture and the Notes, including additional covenants and events of default. The issuance or incurrence of any such debt with incremental protections could affect the market for and trading levels and prices of the Notes.

Changes relating to the LIBOR calculation process may adversely affect the value of the LIBOR-indexed, floating-rate debt securities in our portfolio.

In July 2017, the head of the United Kingdom Financial Conduct Authority announced the desire to phase out the use of LIBOR by the end of 2021. There is currently no definitive information regarding the future utilization of LIBOR or of any particular replacement rate. As such, the potential effect on any such event on our cost of capital and net investment income cannot yet be determined.

Actions by the British Bankers' Association ("BBA"), regulators or law enforcement agencies as a result of these or future events, may result in changes to the manner in which LIBOR is determined. Potential changes, or uncertainty related to such potential changes may adversely affect the market for LIBOR-based securities, including our portfolio of LIBOR-indexed, floating-rate debt securities. In addition, any further changes or reforms to the determination or supervision of LIBOR may

result in a sudden or prolonged increase or decrease in reported LIBOR, which could have an adverse impact on the market for LIBOR-based securities or the value of our portfolio of LIBOR-indexed, floating-rate debt securities. Regulations governing our operation as a business development company affect our ability to raise, and the way in which we raise, additional capital.

We have incurred indebtedness under our revolving credit facility and through the issuance of the Unsecured Notes and, in the future, may issue preferred stock or debt securities and/or borrow additional money from banks or other financial institutions, which we refer to collectively as "senior securities," up to the maximum amount permitted by the 1940 Act. Under the provisions of the 1940 Act, we are permitted, as a BDC, to incur indebtedness or issue senior securities only in amounts such that our asset coverage, as defined in the 1940 Act, equals at least 200% after each issuance of senior securities. If the value of our assets declines, we may be unable to satisfy this test, which would prohibit us from paying dividends in cash or other property and could prohibit us from qualifying as a RIC. If we cannot satisfy this test, we may be required to sell a portion of our investments or sell additional shares of common stock at a time when such sales may be disadvantageous in order to repay a portion of our indebtedness or otherwise increase our net assets. In addition, issuance of additional common stock could dilute the percentage ownership of our current stockholders in us. On March 23, 2018, President Trump signed into law the Small Business Credit Availability Act (the "SBCAA"), which included various changes to regulations under the federal securities laws that impact BDCs, including changes to the 1940 Act to allow BDCs to decrease their asset coverage requirement to 150% from 200% under certain circumstances. We currently have not determined whether to take advantage of the additional leverage. If we choose to take advantage of such additional leverage, it will mean that for every \$100 of net assets, we may raise \$200 from senior securities, such as borrowings or issuing secured stock. If this ratio declines below 150%, we may not be able to incur additional debt and may need to sell a portion of our investments to repay some debt when it is disadvantageous to do so, and we may not be able to make distributions.

As a BDC regulated under provisions of the 1940 Act, we are not generally able to issue and sell our common stock at a price below the current net asset value per share without stockholder approval. If our common stock trades at a discount to net asset value, this restriction could adversely affect our ability to raise capital. We may, however, sell our common stock, or warrants, options or rights to acquire our common stock, at a price below the current net asset value of our common stock in certain circumstances, including if (i)(1) the holders of a majority of our shares (or, if less, at least 67% of a quorum consisting of a majority of our shares) and a similar majority of the holders of our shares who are not affiliated persons of us approve the sale of our common stock at a price that is less than the current net asset value, and (2) a majority of our Directors who have no financial interest in the transaction and a majority of our independent Directors (a) determine that such sale is in our and our stockholders' best interests and (b) in consultation with any underwriter or underwriters of the offering, make a good faith determination as of a time either immediately prior to the first solicitation by us or on our behalf of firm commitments to purchase such shares, or immediately prior to the issuance of such shares, that the price at which such shares are to be sold is not less than a price which closely approximates the market value of such shares, less any distributing commission or discount or if (ii) a majority of the number of the beneficial holders of our common stock entitled to vote at our annual meeting, without regard to whether a majority of such shares are voted in favor of the proposal, approve the sale of our common stock at a price that is less than the current net asset value per share.

To generate cash for funding new investments, we pledged a substantial portion of our portfolio investments under our revolving credit facility. These assets are not available to secure other sources of funding or for securitization. Our ability to obtain additional secured or unsecured financing on attractive terms in the future is uncertain. Alternatively, we may securitize our future loans to generate cash for funding new investments. See "Securitization of our assets subjects us to various risks" in the accompanying prospectus.

DESCRIPTION OF THE NOTES

On March 15, 2013, we issued \$250 million in aggregate principal amount of our 5.875% Senior Notes due 2023 (the "existing 2023 Notes") under an indenture, dated as of February 16, 2012, between the Company and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee (the "trustee"), as amended by that certain Agreement of Resignation, Appointment and Acceptance, dated March 12, 2012, by and among the Company, the trustee, and American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC (so amended, the "base indenture"), as supplemented by a supplemental indenture establishing the terms of the 5.875% Senior Notes due 2023 (collectively, the base indenture and supplemental indenture is referred to as the "Indenture"). We may issue additional Notes ("additional Notes") from time to time under the Indenture, subject to the terms and conditions of the Indenture, and the Notes offered hereby will constitute additional Notes for purposes of the Indenture. The \$ million aggregate principal amount of additional Notes offered hereby will be treated as a single series with the existing 2023 Notes under the Indenture and will have the same terms as the existing 2023 Notes. The Notes offered hereby will have the same CUSIP number and will be fully fungible and rank equally in right of payment with the existing 2023 Notes. Upon the issuance of the Notes offered hereby, the outstanding aggregate principal amount of our 5.875% Senior Notes due 2023 will be \$. Unless the context otherwise requires, for all purposes of this "Description of the Notes," references to the "Notes" include the Notes offered hereby, the existing 2023 Notes and any further additional Notes that may be issued from time to time under the Indenture. The terms of the Notes include those expressly set forth in the Indenture and those made part of the Indenture by reference to the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended (the "Trust Indenture Act"). The following description of particular terms of the Notes supplements the more general description of the debt securities contained in the accompanying prospectus. If there are any inconsistencies between the information in this section and the information in the accompanying prospectus, the information in this section controls. You should read this section together with the section entitled "Description of Our Debt Securities" in the accompanying prospectus.

Together with the "Description of Our Debt Securities" in the accompanying prospectus, the following description provides a summary of the material provisions of the Notes and the Indenture and does not purport to be complete. We urge you to read the Indenture (including the form of global note contained therein), because it, and not this description, defines your rights as a holder of the Notes.

When we refer to "Prospect Capital Corporation," the "Company," "we," "our" or "us" in this section, we refer only to Prospect Capital Corporation and not its consolidated subsidiaries. In addition, all references to interest in this prospectus supplement include additional interest, if any, payable as the sole remedy relating to the failure to comply with our reporting obligations pursuant to the provisions set forth below under the heading "- Events of Default; Notice and Waiver."

Brief Description of the Notes

The Notes offered hereby will:

bear interest at a rate of 5.875% per year and interest will accrue from March 15, 2018 or from the most recent date to which interest has been paid or duly provided for. Interest on the Notes offered hereby will be payable every March 15 and September 15, commencing on September 15, 2018, in each case having a record date of March 1 and September 1;

be issued in minimum denominations of \$1,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof; be our general senior unsecured obligations, ranking equally with all of our other senior unsecured indebtedness (including, but not limited to, the Unsecured Notes) and senior in right of payment to any of our subordinated indebtedness, effectively subordinated in right of payment to our existing and future secured indebtedness and structurally subordinated to all existing and future debt of our subsidiaries;

be subject to repurchase by us at your option if a fundamental change occurs, at a cash repurchase price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Notes, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including additional interest, if any) to, but not including, the repurchase date; and

be due March 15, 2023.

Neither we nor our subsidiaries will be subject to any financial covenants under the Indenture. In addition, neither we nor our subsidiaries will be restricted under the Indenture from paying dividends, incurring debt or issuing or repurchasing our securities. You are not afforded protection under the Indenture in the event of a highly leveraged transaction or a change in

control of us, except to the extent described below under "Purchase of Notes by Us for Cash at the Option of Holders upon a Fundamental Change."

No sinking fund is provided for the Notes and the Notes will be subject to defeasance.

The Notes will be represented by global securities that will be deposited and registered in the name of DTC or its nominee. This means that, except in limited circumstances, you will not receive certificates for the Notes. Beneficial interests in the Notes will be represented through book-entry accounts of financial institutions acting on behalf of beneficial owners as direct and indirect participants in DTC. Investors may elect to hold interests in the Notes through either DTC, if they are a participant, or indirectly through organizations which are participants in DTC. For information regarding registration of transfer and exchange of the global note held in DTC, see "Registration and Settlement" on page S-24.

Additional Notes

We may, without the consent of the holders of the Notes, increase the principal amount of the Notes by issuing additional Notes in the future on the same terms and conditions as the existing 2023 Notes and the Notes offered hereby, except for any differences in the issue price and interest accrued prior to the issue date of the additional Notes; provided that such differences do not cause the additional Notes to constitute a different class of securities than the existing 2023 Notes or the Notes offered hereby for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The Notes offered hereby, the existing 2023 Notes and any further additional Notes would rank equally and ratably and would be treated as a single class for all purposes under the Indenture. No additional Notes may be issued if any event of default has occurred with respect to the Notes. The \$ million aggregate principal amount of Notes offered hereby will be issued as additional Notes under the Indenture.

Ranking

The Notes offered hereby will be our general, senior unsecured obligations and will rank equal in right of payment with all of our existing and future senior unsecured indebtedness (including, but not limited to, our Unsecured Notes) and senior in right of payment to any of our subordinated indebtedness. As a result, the Notes offered hereby will be effectively subordinated to our existing and future secured indebtedness to the extent of the value of the assets securing such indebtedness and structurally subordinated to any existing and future liabilities and other indebtedness of our subsidiaries. As of June 15, 2018, we and our subsidiaries had approximately \$2.5 billion of unsubordinated indebtedness outstanding, \$71.0 million of which was secured indebtedness and \$2.4 billion of which was unsecured indebtedness.

Payment at Maturity

On the maturity date, each holder will be entitled to receive on such date \$1,000 in cash for each \$1,000 in principal amount of Notes, together with accrued and unpaid interest (including additional interest, if any) to, but not including, the maturity date. With respect to the global note, principal and interest (including additional interest, if any) will be paid to DTC in immediately available funds.

Purchase of Notes by Us for Cash at the Option of Holders upon a Fundamental Change

If a fundamental change (as defined below) occurs at any time prior to the maturity of the Notes, you will have the right to require us to repurchase, at the repurchase price described below, all or part of your Notes for which you have properly delivered and not withdrawn a written repurchase notice. The Notes submitted for repurchase must be \$1,000 in principal amount or \$1,000 integral multiples in excess thereof.

The repurchase price will be payable in cash and will equal 100% of the principal amount of the Notes being repurchased, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including additional interest, if any) to, but excluding, the repurchase date. However, if the repurchase date is after a record date and on or prior to the corresponding interest payment date, the interest (including additional interest, if any) will be paid on the repurchase date to the holder of record on the record date.

We may be unable to repurchase your Notes in cash upon a fundamental change. Our ability to repurchase the Notes in cash in the future may be limited by the terms of our then-existing borrowing agreements. In addition, the occurrence of a fundamental change could cause an event of default under the terms of our then-existing borrowing agreements. We cannot assure you that we would have the financial resources, or would be able to arrange financing, to pay the repurchase price in cash. See "Risk Factors-We may be unable to repurchase the Notes following a fundamental change" on page S-11 of this prospectus supplement.

A "fundamental change" will be deemed to have occurred when any of the following has occurred:

- 1. the consummation of any transaction (including, without limitation, any merger or consolidation other than those excluded under clause (3) below) the result of which is that any "person" becomes the "beneficial owner" (as these terms are defined in Rule 13d-3 and Rule 13d-5 under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of our capital stock that is at the time entitled to vote by the holder thereof in the election of our board of directors (or comparable body); or
- 2. the adoption of a plan relating to our liquidation or dissolution; or
- 3. the consolidation or merger of us with or into any other person, or the sale, lease, transfer, conveyance or other disposition, in one or a series of related transactions, of all or substantially all of our assets and those of our subsidiaries taken as a whole to any "person" (as this term is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act), other than: any transaction that does not result in any reclassification, conversion, exchange or cancellation of all or substantially all of the outstanding shares of our capital stock;
- any changes resulting from a subdivision or combination or a change solely in par value;
- any transaction pursuant to which the holders of 50% or more of the total voting power of all shares of our capital stock entitled to vote generally in elections of directors immediately prior to such transaction have the right to exercise, directly or indirectly, 50% or more of the total voting power of all shares of capital stock of the continuing or surviving person immediately after giving effect to such transaction entitled to vote generally in elections of directors; or
- any merger primarily for the purpose of changing our jurisdiction of incorporation and resulting in a reclassification, conversion or exchange of outstanding shares of common stock solely into shares of common stock of the surviving entity; or
- 4. the termination of trading of our common stock, which will be deemed to have occurred if our common stock is neither listed for trading on the New York Stock Exchange, the NASDAQ Global Market or the NASDAQ Global Select Market (or any of their respective successors).

The definition of "fundamental change" includes a phrase relating to the sale, lease, transfer, conveyance or other disposition, in one or a series of related transactions, of all or substantially all of our assets and those of our subsidiaries taken as a whole. Although there is a developing body of case law interpreting the phrase "substantially all," there is no precise established definition of the phrase under applicable law. Accordingly, the ability of a holder of Notes to require us to repurchase the Notes as a result of a sale, lease, transfer, conveyance or other disposition of less than all of our assets and those of our subsidiaries taken as a whole to another person or group may be uncertain. On or before the fifth calendar day after the occurrence of a fundamental change, we will provide to all record holders of the Notes on the date of the fundamental change at their addresses shown in the register of the registrar and to beneficial owners to the extent required by applicable law, the trustee and the paying agent, a written notice of the occurrence of the fundamental change and the resulting repurchase right. Such notice shall state, among other things, the event causing the fundamental change and the procedures you must follow to require us to repurchase your Notes. The repurchase date will be a date specified by us in the notice of a fundamental change that is not less than 20 nor more than 35 calendar days after the date of the notice of a fundamental change.

To exercise your repurchase right, you must deliver, prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the repurchase date, a written notice to the paying agent of your exercise of your repurchase right (together with the Notes to be repurchased, if certificated Notes have been issued). The repurchase notice must state:

if you hold a beneficial interest in a global Note, your repurchase notice must comply with appropriate DTC procedures; if you hold certificated Notes, the Notes certificate numbers;

the portion of the principal amount of the Notes to be repurchased, which must be \$1,000 or \$1,000 integral multiples in excess thereof; and

that the Notes are to be repurchased by us pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Notes and the Indenture. You may withdraw your repurchase notice at any time prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the repurchase date by delivering a written notice of withdrawal to the paying agent. If a repurchase notice is given and withdrawn during that period, we will not be obligated to repurchase the Notes listed in the repurchase notice. The withdrawal notice must state:

if you hold a beneficial interest in a global Note, your withdrawal notice must comply with appropriate DTC procedures; if you hold certificated Notes, the certificate numbers of the withdrawn Notes;

the principal amount of the withdrawn Notes; and

the principal amount, if any, which remains subject to the repurchase notice.

Payment of the repurchase price for Notes for which a repurchase notice has been delivered and not withdrawn is conditioned upon book-entry transfer or delivery of the Notes, together with necessary endorsements, to the paying agent, as the case may be. Payment of the repurchase price for the Notes will be made promptly following the later of the repurchase date and the time of book-entry transfer or delivery of the Notes, as the case may be.

If the paying agent holds on the business day immediately following the repurchase date cash sufficient to pay the repurchase price of the Notes that holders have elected to require us to repurchase, then, as of the repurchase date: the Notes will cease to be outstanding and interest (including additional interest, if any) will cease to accrue, whether or not book-entry transfer of the Notes has been made or the Notes have been delivered to the paying agent, as the case may be; and

all other rights of the holders of Notes will terminate, other than the right to receive the repurchase price upon delivery or transfer of the Notes.

In connection with any repurchase, we will, to the extent applicable:

• comply with the provisions of Rule 13e-4 and any other tender offer rules under the Exchange Act that may be applicable at the time of the offer to repurchase the Notes;

file a Schedule TO or any other schedule required in connection with any offer by us to repurchase the Notes; and comply with all other federal and state securities laws in connection with any offer by us to repurchase the Notes. This fundamental change repurchase right could discourage a potential acquirer of the Company. However, this fundamental change repurchase feature is not the result of management's knowledge of any specific effort to obtain control of us by means of a merger, tender offer, solicitation or otherwise, or part of a plan by management to adopt a series of anti-takeover provisions. See "Risk Factors-Provisions of the Notes could discourage an acquisition of us by a third party" on page S-12 of this prospectus supplement.

Our obligation to repurchase the Notes upon a fundamental change would not necessarily afford you protection in the event of a highly leveraged or other transaction involving us that may adversely affect holders. We also could, in the future, enter into certain transactions, including certain recapitalizations, that would not constitute a fundamental change but would increase the amount of our (or our subsidiaries') outstanding debt. The incurrence of significant amounts of additional debt could adversely affect our ability to service our then existing debt, including the Notes. See "Risk Factors-Some significant restructuring transactions may not constitute a fundamental change, in which case we would not be obligated to repurchase the Notes" on page S-12 of this prospectus supplement.

Consolidation, Merger and Sale of Assets by the Company

The Indenture provides that we may not, in a single transaction or a series of related transactions, consolidate with or merge with or into any other person or sell, convey, transfer or lease our property and assets substantially as an entirety to another person, unless:

either (a) we are the continuing corporation or (b) the resulting, surviving or transferee person (if other than us) is a corporation or limited liability company organized and existing under the laws of the United States, any state thereof or the District of Columbia and such person assumes, by a supplemental indenture in a form reasonably satisfactory to the trustee, all of our obligations under the Notes and the Indenture;

•mmediately after giving effect to such transaction, no default or event of default has occurred and is continuing; and •we have delivered to the trustee certain certificates and opinions of counsel if so requested by the trustee.

In the event of any transaction described in and complying with the conditions listed in the immediately preceding paragraph in which the Company is not the continuing corporation, the successor person formed or remaining shall succeed, and be substituted for, and may exercise every right and power of, the Company, and the Company shall be discharged from its obligations, under the Notes and the Indenture.

This covenant includes a phrase relating to the sale, conveyance, transfer and lease of the property and assets of the Company "substantially as an entirety." There is no precise, established definition of the phrase "substantially as an entirety" under New York law, which governs the Indenture and the Notes, or under the laws of Maryland, the Company's state of incorporation. Accordingly, the ability of a holder of the Notes to require us to repurchase the Notes as a result of a sale, conveyance, transfer or lease of less than all of the property and assets of the Company may be uncertain.

An assumption by any person of the Company's obligations under the Notes and the Indenture might be deemed for U.S. federal income tax purposes to be an exchange of the Notes for new Notes by the holders thereof, resulting in recognition of gain or loss for such purposes and possibly other adverse tax consequences to the holders. Holders should consult their own tax advisors regarding the tax consequences of such an assumption.

Events of Default; Notice and Waiver

In addition to the events of default and the other information with respect to events of default, see "Description of Our Debt Securities-Events of Default" beginning on page 148 of the accompanying prospectus, the following are events of default under the Indenture:

we fail to pay the repurchase price payable in respect of any Notes when due;

we fail to provide notice of the effective date or actual effective date of a fundamental change on a timely basis as required in the Indenture;

we fail to perform or observe any other term, covenant or agreement in the Notes or the Indenture for a period of 60 calendar days after written notice of such failure is given to us by the trustee or to us and the trustee by the holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the Notes then outstanding;

a failure to pay principal when due (whether at stated maturity or otherwise) or an uncured default that results in the acceleration of maturity, of any indebtedness for borrowed money of the Company or any of our "significant subsidiaries," (which term shall have the meaning specified in Rule 1-02(w) of Regulation S-X), other than subsidiaries that are non-recourse or limited recourse subsidiaries, bankruptcy remote special purpose vehicles and any subsidiaries that are not consolidated with us for GAAP purposes, in an aggregate amount in excess of \$20,000,000 (or its foreign currency equivalent), unless such indebtedness is discharged, or such acceleration is rescinded, stayed or annulled, within a period of 30 calendar days after written notice of such failure is given to us by the trustee or to us and the trustee by the holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the Notes then outstanding; or certain events involving our bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization of the Company or any of our "significant subsidiaries," which term shall have the meaning specified in Rule 1-02(w) of Regulation S-X, other than subsidiaries that are non-recourse or limited recourse subsidiaries, bankruptcy remote special purpose vehicles and any subsidiaries that are not consolidated with us for GAAP purposes.

We are required to notify the trustee promptly upon becoming aware of the occurrence of any default under the Indenture known to us. The trustee is then required within 90 calendar days of being notified by us of the occurrence of any default to

give to the registered holders of the Notes notice of all uncured defaults known to it. However, the trustee may withhold notice to the holders of the Notes of any default, except defaults in payment of principal or interest (including additional interest, if any) on the Notes, if the trustee, in good faith, determines that the withholding of such notice is in the interests of the holders. We are also required to deliver to the trustee, on or before a date not more than 120 calendar days after the end of each fiscal year, a written statement as to compliance with the Indenture, including whether or not any default has occurred.

If an event of default specified in the last bullet point listed above occurs and continues, the principal amount of the Notes and accrued and unpaid interest (including additional interest, if any) on the outstanding Notes will automatically become due and payable. If any other event of default occurs and is continuing, the trustee or the holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Notes may declare the principal amount of the Notes and accrued and unpaid interest (including additional interest, if any) on the outstanding Notes to be due and payable. Thereupon, the trustee may, in its discretion, proceed to protect and enforce the rights of the holders of the Notes by appropriate judicial proceedings.

After a declaration of acceleration, but before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the trustee, the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Notes outstanding, by written notice to us and the trustee, may rescind and annul such declaration if:

we have paid (or deposited with the trustee a sum sufficient to pay) (1) all overdue interest (including additional interest, if any) on all Notes; (2) the principal amount of any Notes that have become due otherwise than by such declaration of acceleration; (3) to the extent that payment of such interest is lawful, interest upon overdue interest (including additional interest, if any); and (4) all sums paid or advanced by the trustee under the Indenture and the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the trustee, its agents and counsel; and all events of default, other than the non-payment of the principal amount and any accrued and unpaid interest (including additional interest, if any) that have become due solely by such declaration of acceleration, have been cured or waived.

For more information on remedies if an event of default occurs, see "Description of Our Debt Securities-Events of Default" beginning on page 148 of the accompanying prospectus.

Notwithstanding the foregoing and the description in the accompanying prospectus, the Indenture provides that the sole remedy for an event of default relating to the failure to comply with the reporting obligations in the Indenture, which are described below under the caption "-Reports," and for any failure to comply with the requirements of Section 314(a)(1) of the Trust Indenture Act (which also relates to the provision of reports), will, at our option, for the 365 days after the occurrence of such an event of default consist exclusively of the right to receive additional interest on the Notes at an annual rate equal to 0.50% of the principal amount of the Notes. In the event we do not elect to pay the additional interest upon an event of default in accordance with this paragraph, the Notes will be subject to acceleration as provided above. The additional interest will accrue on all outstanding Notes from and including the date on which an event of default relating to a failure to comply with the reporting obligations in the Indenture first occurs to but not including the 365th day thereafter (or such earlier date on which the event of default relating to the reporting obligations shall have been cured or waived). On such 365th day (or earlier, if the event of default relating to the reporting obligations is cured or waived prior to such 365th day), such additional interest will cease to accrue and the Notes will be subject to acceleration as provided above if the event of default is continuing. The provisions of the Indenture described in this paragraph will not affect the rights of holders of Notes in the event of the occurrence of any other event of default.

Waiver

The holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Notes outstanding may, on behalf of the holders of all the Notes, waive any past default or event of default under the Indenture and its consequences, except that a holder cannot waive our failure to pay the repurchase price on the repurchase date in connection with a holder exercising its repurchase rights. For other exceptions to a holder's waiver of past default or event of default under the Indenture, see "Description of Our Debt Securities-Events of Default" beginning on page 148 of the accompanying prospectus. Modification

Changes Requiring Approval of Each Affected Holder

The Indenture (including the terms and conditions of the Notes) may not be modified or amended without the written consent or the affirmative vote of the holder of each Note affected by such change to:

reduce any amount payable upon repurchase of any Notes;

to add to, delete from or revise the conditions, limitations, and restrictions on the authorized amount, terms, or purposes of issue, authentication and delivery of debt securities, as set forth in the indenture;

change our obligation to repurchase any Notes upon a fundamental change in a manner adverse to the rights of the holders; and

change our obligation to maintain an office or agency in New York City.

For other changes requiring approval of each affected holder, see "Description of our Debt Securities-Modification or Waiver" on page 149 of the accompanying prospectus.

Changes Requiring Majority Approval

The Indenture (including the terms and conditions of the Notes) may be modified or amended, except as described above, with the written consent or affirmative vote of the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Notes then outstanding. For such changes requiring majority approval, see "Description of Our Debt Securities-Modification or Waiver" on page 149 of the accompanying prospectus.

Changes Requiring No Approval

The Indenture (including the terms and conditions of the Notes) may be modified or amended by us and the trustee, without the consent of the holder of any Notes, to, among other things:

provide for our repurchase obligations in connection with a fundamental change in the event of any reclassification of our common stock, merger or consolidation, or sale, conveyance, transfer or lease of our property and assets substantially as an entity;

secure the Notes;

• provide for the assumption of our obligations to the holders of the Notes in the event of a merger or consolidation, or sale, conveyance, transfer or lease of our property and assets substantially as an entirety; surrender any right or power conferred upon us;

add to our covenants for the benefit of the holders of the Notes;

cure any ambiguity or correct or supplement any inconsistent or otherwise defective provision contained in the Indenture:

conform the provisions of the Indenture to the description of the Notes contained in the preliminary prospectus supplement dated March 8, 2013, as supplemented by the relating pricing supplement for the existing 2023 Notes dated March 8, 2013;

make any provision with respect to matters or questions arising under the Indenture that we may deem necessary or desirable and that shall not be inconsistent with provisions of the Indenture; provided that such change or modification does not, in the good faith opinion of our board of directors, adversely affect the interests of the holders of the Notes in any material respect;

add guarantees of obligations under the Notes; and

provide for a successor trustee.

Other

The consent of the holders of Notes is not necessary under the Indenture to approve the particular form of any proposed modification or amendment. It is sufficient if such consent approves the substance of the proposed modification or amendment. After a modification or amendment under the Indenture becomes effective, we are required to mail to the holders a notice briefly describing such modification or amendment. However, the failure to give such notice to all the holders, or any defect in the notice, will not impair or affect the validity of the modification or amendment.

Notes Not Entitled to Consent

Any Notes held by us or by any person directly or indirectly controlling or controlled by or under direct or indirect common control with us shall be disregarded (from both the numerator and the denominator) for purposes of determining whether the holders of the requisite aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Notes have consented to a modification, amendment or waiver of the terms of the Indenture.

Reports

We shall deliver to the trustee, within 30 days after filing with the SEC, copies of the annual reports and of the information, documents and other reports (or copies of such portions of any of the foregoing as the SEC may by rules and regulations prescribe) that we are required to file with the SEC pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act; provided, that any such information, documents or reports filed electronically with the SEC pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act shall be deemed filed with and delivered to the trustee and the holders at the same time as filed with the SEC.

Other Covenants

We agree that for the period of time during which the Notes are outstanding, we will not violate Section 18(a)(1)(A) as modified by Section 61(a)(1) of the 1940 Act or any successor provisions. These provisions generally prohibit us from incurring additional borrowings, including through the issuance of additional securities, unless our asset coverage, as defined in the 1940 Act, equals at least 200% after such borrowings.

If, at any time, we are not subject to the reporting requirements of Sections 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act to file any periodic reports with the SEC, we agree to furnish to holders of the Notes and the Trustee, for the period of time during which the Notes are outstanding, our audited annual consolidated financial statements, within 90 days of our fiscal year end, and unaudited interim consolidated financial statements, within 45 days of our fiscal quarter end. All such financial statements will be prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with applicable United States generally accepted accounting principles.

Satisfaction and Discharge

The Indenture shall upon the written request or order signed in the name of the Company, or the "Company Request," cease to be of further effect with respect to any series of Notes specified in such Company Request (except as to any surviving rights of registration of transfer or exchange of Notes of such series expressly provided in the Indenture, any surviving rights of tender for repayment at the option of the holders and any right to receive additional amounts, as provided in the Indenture), and the trustee, upon receipt of a company order, and at the expense of the Company, shall execute proper instruments acknowledging satisfaction and discharge of the Indenture as to such series when:

(1) either:

(A) all Notes of such series theretofore authenticated and delivered and all coupons, if any, appertaining thereto (other than (i) coupons appertaining to bearer securities surrendered for exchange for registered securities and maturing after such exchange, whose surrender is not required or has been waived as provided in the Indenture, (ii) Notes and coupons of such series which have been destroyed, lost or stolen and which have been replaced or paid as provided in the Indenture, (iii) coupons appertaining to the Notes called for redemption and maturing after the relevant redemption date, whose surrender has been waived as provided in the Indenture, and (iv) Notes and coupons of such series for whose payment money has theretofore been deposited in trust with the trustee or any paying agent or segregated and held in trust by the Company and thereafter repaid to the Company or discharged from such trust), as provided in the Indenture have been delivered to the trustee for cancellation; or

(B) all Notes of such series and, in the case of (i) or (ii) below, any coupons appertaining thereto not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation

- (i) have become due and payable, or
- (ii) will become due and payable at their stated maturity within one year, or
- (iii) if redeemable at the option of the Company, are to be called for redemption within one year under arrangements satisfactory to the trustee for the giving of notice of redemption by the trustee in the name, and at the expense, of the Company, and the Company, in the case of (i), (ii) or (iii) above, has irrevocably deposited or caused to be deposited with the trustee as trust funds in trust for such purpose, solely for the benefit of the holders, an amount in the currency in which the Notes of such series are payable, sufficient to pay and discharge the entire indebtedness on such Notes and such coupons not theretofore delivered to the trustee for cancellation, for principal (and premium, if any) and interest, if any, to the date of such deposit (in the case of Notes which have become due and payable) or to the stated maturity or redemption date, as the case may be;
- (2) the Company has irrevocably paid or caused to be irrevocably paid all other sums payable under the Indenture by the Company; and
- (3) the Company has delivered to the trustee an officers' certificate and an opinion of counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent in the Indenture provided for relating to the satisfaction and discharge of the Indenture as to such series have been complied with.

Notwithstanding the satisfaction and discharge of the Indenture, the obligations of the Company to the trustee and any predecessor trustee under the Indenture, the obligations of the Company to any authenticating agent under the Indenture and, if money shall have been deposited with the Trustee pursuant to subclause (B) of clause (1), the obligations of the trustee for application of the funds and the Notes deposited with the trustee and held in trust for payment shall survive any termination of the Indenture.

Governing Law

The Indenture provides that it and the Notes shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York.

Form, Denomination and Registration

The Notes offered hereby will be issued: