

LEWIS RAYMOND J

Form 4

January 20, 2005

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
LEWIS RAYMOND J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

10350 ORMSBY PARK PLACE,  
SUITE 300

(Street)

LOUISVILLE, KY 40223

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
VENTAS INC [VTR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
01/18/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_X\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

Sr.VP.Chief Investment Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_X\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	01/18/2005		A	(A) or (D) 7,241 (1)	\$ 0	26,310	D
Common Stock	01/18/2005		F	752 (2)	\$ 25.19	25,558	D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 25.19	01/18/2005		A	36,205 (3)	01/18/2005(4) 01/18/2015	Common Stock	36,205

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
LEWIS RAYMOND J 10350 ORMSBY PARK PLACE, SUITE 300 LOUISVILLE, KY 40223	Director 10% Owner Officer Sr.VP.Chief Investment Officer

## Signatures

Raymond J. Lewis, By: T. Richard Riney,  
Attorney-In-Fact 01/20/2005

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) These shares represent restricted shares granted under the 2000 Incentive Compensation Plan. The shares vest in cumulative 1/3 annual installments commencing on 01/18/2005.
- (2) Represents share withholding under the 2000 Incentive Compensation Plan to pay tax withholding on the first annual installment vesting on 01/18/2005 of Restricted Stock granted to Reporting Person on 01/18/2005.
- (3) Options granted under the 2000 Incentive Compensation Plan.
- (4) These options are exercisable in cumulative 1/3 annual installments beginning on 01/18/2005.
- (5) Represents total number of unexercised stock options held by Mr. Lewis as of 01/18/2005.

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