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Date of fiscal year end: October 31, 2012

Date of reporting period: October 31, 2012

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Item 1. Report to Stockholders.

Neuberger Berman High Yield Strategies Fund Inc.

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President's Letter Dear Shareholder,

I am pleased to present the annual report for Neuberger Berman High Yield Strategies Fund Inc. for the 12 months ended October 31, 2012. The report includes a portfolio commentary, a listing of the Fund's investments and its audited financial statements for the reporting period. The Fund seeks high total return (income plus capital appreciation). To pursue that objective, we have assembled a portfolio that consists primarily of high yield debt securities.

I would like to provide an update on the Fund's tender offer activity. The Fund adopted a tender offer program under which if its common shares traded at an average daily discount to net asset value per share ("NAV") of greater than 10% during a 12-week measurement period, the Fund would conduct a tender offer for between 5% and 20% of its outstanding common shares at a price equal to 98% of its NAV determined on the day the tender offer expires. On April 20, 2012, the Fund announced the fourth and last measurement period under its tender offer program. This measurement period commenced on April 23, 2012 and ended on July 16, 2012. For the 12-week measurement period, the Fund traded at an average daily premium to NAV and, accordingly, was not required to conduct a tender offer.

Thank you for your confidence in the Fund. We will do our best to continue earning your trust in the years to come.

Sincerely,

Robert Conti President and CEO Neuberger Berman High Yield Strategies Fund Inc.

High Yield Strategies Fund Inc. Portfolio Commentary (Unaudited)

Neuberger Berman High Yield Strategies Fund Inc. generated a 17.24% total return on a net asset value ("NAV") basis for the 12 months ended October 31, 2012 and outperformed its benchmark, the BofA Merrill Lynch U.S. High Yield Master II Constrained Index, which provided a 13.15% return for the period. The use of leverage (typically a performance enhancer in up markets and a detractor during market retreats) was beneficial for performance as well.

The high yield market posted a strong return during the reporting period. Supporting the market were generally positive fundamentals as corporate earnings were typically solid and balance sheets were often flush with cash. Sentiment for the high yield market was also boosted by relatively low defaults. Against this backdrop, demand was mostly robust as investors looked to generate yield in what appears to be an extended period of extremely low interest rates. Overall, the high yield market outperformed equal-duration Treasuries and lower-quality securities performed better than their higher-rated counterparts. For the 12 months ended October 31, 2012, CCC-rated (a relatively low rating) securities in the benchmark and BB-rated (rated higher) securities returned 15.23% and 12.97%, respectively.

For the Fund, sector positioning detracted from relative performance during the reporting period. In particular, underweights, relative to the benchmark, in banking, real estate/homebuilders and insurance were negative for results. This was partially offset by our overweights in printing/publishing and media-broadcast, along with an underweight in aerospace/defense. On the upside, security selection in aggregate was beneficial for the Fund's performance relative to the index. The largest contributions came from our holdings in the telecommunications, technology/electronics and packaging sectors. This was somewhat mitigated by security selection in the utilities, chemicals and energy sectors.

The Fund's quality biases produced mixed results during the reporting period. While an overweight to BB-rated issues and a slight underweight to CCC-rated securities detracted from relative performance, this was offset by security selection in B-rated issues.

We made several adjustments to the portfolio during the reporting period. From a sector perspective, we increased the portfolio's exposures to energy, technology and health care. In contrast, we reduced the portfolio's exposures to utilities, diversified financials and automotive. From a quality perspective, we added to the portfolio's allocation to B-rated issues.

As previously mentioned, the use of leverage enhanced the Fund's performance during the reporting period. Conversely, the Fund's use of derivatives detracted from performance during the fiscal year.

We continue to have a positive outlook for the high yield market as, in our view, many of the factors supporting the market over the last 12 months remain in place. From a fundamentals perspective, we find that corporate balance sheets are generally solid and earnings remain respectable. We also believe the economy will continue expanding at a modest pace, which could keep inflation in check. Furthermore, many corporations have taken advantage of extremely low borrowing costs to extend their maturities at very favorable rates. We believe this will result in below-average high yield defaults in 2013.

In terms of market technicals, we anticipate ongoing robust supply. However, we feel that much of this will continue to be driven by refinancing activity. We anticipate that investor demand will remain strong given the low interest rate

environment. That being said, there could be periods of volatility given numerous macro issues, including the upcoming fiscal cliff and ongoing issues in Europe.

Sincerely,

Ann Benjamin, Tom O'Reilly, Russ Covode, Portfolio Co-Managers

The portfolio composition, industries and holdings of the Fund are subject to change.

TICKER SYMBOL

| High Yield | | |
|---------------------------------------|-----|--------|
| Strategies Fund | NHS | |
| | | |
| PORTFOLIO BY MATURITY DISTRIBUTION | | |
| (as a % of Total Investments) | | |
| Less than One | | |
| Year | | 0.3% |
| One to less than | | |
| Five Years | | 22.9 |
| Five to less | | |
| than Ten Years | | 70.6 |
| Ten Years or | | |
| Greater | | 6.2 |
| Total | | 100.0% |
| PERFORMANCE HIGHLIGHTS1 | | |

Average Annual Total ReturnInceptionEnded 10/31/2012

| | | | | Life of |
|-------------|------------|--------|---------|---------|
| | Date | 1 Year | 5 Years | Fund |
| At NAV2 | 07/28/2003 | 17.24% | 11.74% | 11.26% |
| At Market | | | | |
| Price3 | 07/28/2003 | 13.68% | 14.01% | 10.83% |
| Index | | | | |
| BofA | | | | |
| Merrill | | | | |
| Lynch | | | | |
| U.S. High | | | | |
| Yield | | | | |
| Master II | | | | |
| Constrained | | | | |
| Index4 | | 13.15% | 9.28% | 9.02% |

Closed-end funds, unlike open-end funds, are not continually offered. Generally, there is an initial public offering and, once issued, common shares of closed-end funds are sold in the open market through a stock exchange.

The performance data quoted represent past performance and do not indicate future results. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. For more current performance data, please visit www.nb.com.

The results shown in the table reflect the reinvestment of income dividends and other distributions, if any. The results do not reflect the effect of taxes a shareholder would pay on Fund distributions or on the sale of Fund shares.

Investment return and market price will fluctuate and common shares may trade at prices below NAV. Common shares, when sold, may be worth more or less than their original cost.

Returns would have been lower if Neuberger Berman Management LLC ("Management") had not waived a portion of its investment management fees during the periods shown. Please see Note B in the Notes to Financial Statements for specific information regarding fee waiver arrangements.

Endnotes (Unaudited)

1 The performance information for periods prior to August 6, 2010 is that of Neuberger Berman High Yield Strategies Fund, a predecessor to the Fund.

2 Returns based on the net asset value ("NAV") of the Fund.

3 Returns based on the market price of Fund common shares on the NYSE MKT.

4 Please see "Glossary of Index" starting on page 6 for a description of the index. Please note that the index does not take into account any fees, expenses or tax consequences of investing in the individual securities that it tracks, and that individuals cannot invest directly in any index. Data about the performance of the index are prepared or obtained by Management and reflect the reinvestment of income dividends and other distributions, if any. The Fund may invest in securities not included in the described index and/or may not invest in all securities included in the described index.

For more complete information on Neuberger Berman High Yield Strategies Fund Inc., call Management at (800) 877-9700, or visit our website at www.nb.com.

Glossary of Index (Unaudited)

| BofA Merrill | An unmanaged market value-weighted index of all domestic and |
|--------------|--|
| Lynch U.S. | Yankee high yield bonds, including deferred interest bonds and |
| High | payment-in-kind securities. Qualifying bonds must have at least one |
| Yield | year remaining to maturity, a fixed coupon schedule and a minimum |
| Master II | amount outstanding of \$100 million. Qualifying bonds are |
| Constrained | capitalization weighted provided the total allocation to an individual |
| Index: | issuer does not exceed 2%. |

| PRINCIPAL A | | | VALUE† |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|--|--------------|
| Bank Loan Ob | ligationsµ (10.6%) | | |
| Automotive (1 | 201) | | |
| Automotive (1. | .3%) | Chauslan Automativa Tarm | |
| \$ | 2 077 022 | Chrysler Automotive, Term | \$ 2,020,545 |
| Φ | 2,977,932 | Loan B, 6.00%, due 5/24/17 Navistar International, Term | \$ 3,039,545 |
| | 625,000 | Loan B, 7.00%, due 8/15/17 | 626,563¢^^ |
| | 023,000 | Loan D, 7.00%, due 8/15/17 | 3,666,108 |
| | | | 5,000,108 |
| Building & De | velopment (1.0%) | | |
| | velopment (1.070) | Realogy Corporation, Term | |
| | 2,745,000 | Loan, 4.46%, due 10/10/16 | 2,737,643 |
| Business Equir | oment & Services (0.7%) | Loui, 1.10%, due 10/10/10 | 2,131,013 |
| | | Ceridian Corp., Term Loan, | |
| | 1,105,000 | 5.96%, due 5/9/17 | 1,100,856 |
| | 1,100,000 | Monitronics, Term Loan, | 1,100,000 |
| | 905,101 | 5.50%, due 3/23/18 | 909,627 |
| | | , | 2,010,483 |
| Ecological Ser (0.4%) | vices & Equipment | | ,, |
| | | ADS Waste Holdings, Inc., | |
| | | Term Loan B, 5.25%, due | |
| | 980,000 | 9/28/19 | 988,820¢^^ |
| Electronics—E | Electrical (0.3%) | | |
| | | Sophia LP, Term Loan, 6.25%, | |
| | 770,122 | due 7/19/18 | 778,978 |
| Financial Inter | mediaries (1.1%) | | |
| | | First Data Corporation, Term | |
| | 777,007 | Loan, 5.21%, due 3/24/17 | 763,410 |
| | | Springleaf, Term Loan, 5.50%, | |
| | 2,148,000 | due 5/10/17 | 2,117,391 |
| | | | 2,880,801 |
| Health Care (1 | .3%) | | |
| | | EMS, Term Loan, 5.25%, due | |
| | 1,099,380 | 5/25/18 | 1,107,031 |
| | | Pharmaceutical Product | |
| | | Development, Inc., Term Loan, | |
| | 1,270,400 | 6.25%, due 12/5/18 | 1,286,598 |
| | | United Surgical Partners, Term | |
| | 1,269,810 | Loan B, 6.00%, due 4/3/19 | 1,280,387 |
| | | | 3,674,016 |
| Lodging & Cas | sinos (2.9%) | | |
| | | Ceasers Entertainment | |
| | | Operating Co., Term Loan B5, | |
| | 4,290,774 | 4.46%, due 1/28/18 | 3,706,628¢^^ |
| | 2,849,000 | | 2,908,345 |
| | | | |

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|--|---|-----------|--|--|
| | Graton Resort & Casino, Term Loan B, 9.00%, due 8/3/18 | | | |
| | Station Casinos, Term Loan | | | |
| 1,496,823 | B-2, 4.21%, due 6/17/16 | 1,427,595 | | |
| | | 8,042,568 | | |
| Nonferrous Metals—Minerals (0.3%) | | | | |
| | Arch Coal, Term Loan, 5.75%, | | | |
| 753,113 | due 5/16/18 | 759,032 | | |
| Oil & Gas (0.4%) | | | | |
| | Chesapeake Energy, Term | | | |
| 1,104,408 | Loan B, 8.50%, due 12/2/17 | 1,105,468 | | |
| Publishing (0.3%) | | | | |
| | Cengage Learning, Term Loan | | | |
| 1,041,400 | B1, 5.72%, due 7/31/17 | 944,633 | | |
| Radio & Television (0.2%) | | | | |
| Clear Channe | el, Term Loan A, 3.61%, | | | |
| 555,000 due 7/30/14 | 537,357 | | | |

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| PRINCIPAL AMOUNT | | VALUE [†] |
|---------------------------------------|--|--------------------|
| Retailers (Except Food & Drug) (0.4%) | | |
| \$ 959,000 | Amscan Holdings, Inc., Term Loan, 5.75%, due 7/27/19 | \$ 967,151 |
| | Total Bank Loan Obligations (Cost \$28,553,735) | 29,093,058 |
| Corporate Debt Securities (125.9%) | | |
| Airlines (1.2%) | | |
| 1.025.000 | Continental Airlines, Inc., Senior Secured Notes, 6.75%, | 1 125 101~ |
| 1,085,000 | due 9/15/15 United Airlines, Inc., Senior Secured Notes, 9.88%, due | 1,135,181ñ |
| 1,271,000 | 8/1/13 | 1,296,420ñ |
| 1,211,000 | United Airlines, Inc., Pass-Through Certificates, Ser. 2009-2, Class A, 9.75%, due | 1,220,1201 |
| 765,439 | 1/15/17 | 885,996 |
| | | 3,317,597 |
| Automakers (0.9%) | Ford Holdings Inc | |
| 945,000 | Ford Holdings, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 9.30%, due 3/1/30 | 1,326,543 |
| | Ford Motor Co., Senior Unsecured Notes, 9.98%, due | |
| 845,000 | 2/15/47 | 1,173,494 |
| Popling (2.40%) | | 2,500,037 |
| Banking (3.4%) | Ally Financial, Inc., | |
| 2,470,000 | Guaranteed Notes, 6.25%, due 12/1/17 | 2,712,662 |
| | Ally Financial, Inc., Subordinated Notes, 8.00%, | |
| 185,000 | due 12/31/18 | 208,819 |
| 4,080,000 | Ally Financial, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 8.00%, due 3/15/20 | 4,865,808 |
| 1,000,000 | Ally Financial, Inc., | 1,000,000 |
| 820,000 | Guaranteed Notes, 7.50%, due 9/15/20 | 966,575 |
| | Ally Financial, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 8.00%, due | |
| 486,000 | 11/1/31 | 578,340 |
| Building & Construction (0.8%) | | 9,332,204 |
| 650,000 | | 682,500 |

| | Beazer Homes USA, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 9.13%, due 5/15/19 | |
|---------------------------|--|-------------|
| 0.65 000 | D.R. Horton, Inc., Guaranteed | 0(7.412 |
| 965,000 | Notes, 4.38%, due 9/15/22 Standard Projific Corm | 967,413 |
| | Standard Pacific Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 8.38%, due | |
| 490,000 | 1/15/21 | 568,400 |
| | | 2,218,313 |
| Building Materials (2.1%) | | |
| | Masco Corp., Senior Unsecured | |
| 905,000 | Notes, 6.13%, due 10/3/16 | 990,579 |
| | Ply Gem Industries, Inc., Senior | |
| | Secured Notes, 8.25%, due | |
| 310,000 | 2/15/18 | 330,925 |
| 1 000 000 | USG Corp., Senior Unsecured | 2 174 075 |
| 1,990,000 | Notes, 9.75%, due 1/15/18 | 2,174,075 |
| 2,050,000 | USG Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 8.38%, due 10/15/18 | 2,234,500ñ |
| 2,030,000 | 8.56%, due 10/15/18 | 5,730,079 |
| Chemicals (4.7%) | | 5,150,017 |
| | Huntsman Int'l LLC, | |
| | Guaranteed Notes, 8.63%, due | |
| 485,000 | 3/15/20 | 546,838 |
| | Huntsman Int'l LLC, | |
| | Guaranteed Notes, 8.63%, due | |
| 1,530,000 | 3/15/21 | 1,740,375 |
| | LyondellBasell Industries NV, | |
| 505 000 | Senior Unsecured Notes, | 000 001 |
| 725,000 | 6.00%, due 11/15/21 | 838,281 |
| | Momentive Performance Materials, Inc., Senior Secured | |
| 3,935,000 | Notes, 10.00%, due 10/15/20 | 3,777,600ñ |
| 5,755,000 | Momentive Performance | 5,777,00011 |
| | Materials, Inc., Secured Notes, | |
| 4,640,000 | 9.00%, due 1/15/21 | 3,201,600 |
| | MPM Escrow LLC/MPM | |
| | Finance Escrow Corp., Senior | |
| | Secured Notes, 8.88%, due | |
| 2,835,000 | 10/15/20 | 2,778,300ñ |
| | | 12,882,994 |
| Computer Hardware (0.6%) | | |
| 1 505 000 | Seagate HDD Cayman, Guaranteed | 1 570 705 |
| 1,505,000 | Notes, 7.00%, due 11/1/21 | 1,572,725 |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments

| PRINCIPAL AN | MOUNT | | VALUE† |
|---------------------------------|--------------|--|---|
| Consumer—Con Financing (4.3% | | | |
| \$ | 1,915,000 | CIT Group, Inc., Senior Unsecured Notes, 6.63%, due 4/1/18 | \$ 2,135,225ñ |
| | 3,160,000 | CIT Group, Inc., Senior Unsecured Notes, 5.50%, due 2/15/19 | 3,369,350ñ |
| | 2,340,000 | Int'l Lease Finance Corp., Senior Unsecured Notes, 8.75%, due 3/15/17 | 2,732,301 |
| | 1,240,000 | Int'l Lease Finance Corp., Senior Unsecured Notes, 8.88%, due 9/1/17 | 1,460,100 |
| | 1,965,000 | Int'l Lease Finance Corp., Senior Unsecured Notes, 6.25%, due 5/15/19 | 2,117,781 |
| Consumer Produ | ucts (0.1%) | | 11,814,757 |
| Department Stor | 365,000 | Alphabet Holding Co., Inc., Senior Unsecured Notes, 7.75%, due 11/1/17 | 368,194ñc |
| | 7,069,000 | Sears Holdings Corp., Secured Notes, 6.63%, due 10/15/18 | 6,609,515 |
| Electric—Gener | 572,000 | Calpine Corp., Senior Secured Notes, 7.25%, due 10/15/17 | 606,320ñØØ |
| | 670,000 | Calpine Corp., Senior Secured Notes, 7.88%, due 7/31/20 | 733,650ñØØ |
| | 565,000 | NRG Energy, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 7.63%, due 1/15/18 | 617,263 |
| | 2,045,000 | NRG Energy, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 8.25%, due 9/1/20 | 2,254,612 |
| | 3,315,000 | NRG Energy, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 7.88%, due 5/15/21 | 3,629,925ØØ 7,841,770 |
| Electric—Integr | rated (0.7%) | | ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,, |
| | 1,735,000 | IPALCO Enterprises, Inc., Senior Secured Notes, 7.25%, due 4/1/16 | 1,932,358ñ |
| Electronics (3.1 | %) | Ceridian Corp., Guaranteed | |
| | 1,775,000 | Notes, 11.25%, due 11/15/15 Ceridian Corp., Guaranteed | 1,730,625 |
| | 4,510,125 | Notes, 12.25%, due 11/15/15 | 4,431,198c |

| 1,230,000 | Ceridian Corp., Senior Secured Notes, 8.88%, due 7/15/19 | 1,303,800ñ |
|---|--|-------------------------|
| | Freescale Semiconductor, Inc., Senior Secured Notes, 9.25%, | |
| 935,000 | due 4/15/18 | 1,000,450ñ 8,466,073 |
| Energy—Exploration & Production (13.3%) | | |
| 1,535,000 | Chesapeake Energy Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 6.50%, due 8/15/17 | 1,629,019 |
| 170,000 | Chesapeake Energy Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 6.88%, due 8/15/18 | 178,500 |
| 1,250,000 | Chesapeake Energy Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 7.25%, due 12/15/18 | 1,331,250 |
| 1,080,000 | Chesapeake Energy Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 6.63%, due 8/15/20 | 1,134,000 |
| 1,870,000 | Chesapeake Energy Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 6.13%, due 2/15/21 | 1,893,375 |
| 1,025,000 | EP Energy LLC/Everest Acquisition Finance, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 7.75%, due 9/1/22 | 1,060,875ñ |
| 4,107,000 | Everest Acquisition LLC, Senior Unsecured Notes, 9.38%, due 5/1/20 | 4,538,235ñ |
| 7,107,000 | EXCO Resources, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 7.50%, due | 4,550,2551 |
| 3,895,000 | 9/15/18 Forest Oil Corp., Guaranteed | 3,661,300ØØ |
| 1,460,000 | Notes, 7.50%, due 9/15/20 Linn Energy LLC, Guaranteed | 1,492,850ñ |
| 2,205,000 | Notes, 6.25%, due 11/1/19 | 2,205,000ñ |
| 1,255,000 | Linn Energy LLC, Guaranteed Notes, 8.63%, due 4/15/20 | 1,372,656 |
| 2,190,000 | Linn Energy LLC, Guaranteed Notes, 7.75%, due 2/1/21 | 2,337,825 |
| 930,000 | Plains Exploration & Production Co Guaranteed Notes, 7.63%, due 6/1/18 Plains Exploration & Production Co Guaranteed Notes, 6.13%, due | 985,800 o., |
| 85,000 | 6/15/19 Plains Exploration & Production Co | 84,788 |
| 845,000 1,525,000 | Guaranteed Notes, 8.63%, due 10/15/19 | 931,612 1,525,000 |
| 1,020,000 | | 1,020,000 |

| | Plains Exploration & Production Co., | |
|-----------|--------------------------------------|------------|
| | Guaranteed Notes, 6.50%, due | |
| | 11/15/20 | |
| | | |
| | Plains Exploration & Production Co., | |
| | Guaranteed Notes, 6.63%, due | |
| 805,000 | 5/1/21 | 805,000 |
| | Plains Exploration & Production Co., | |
| | Guaranteed Notes, 6.75%, due | |
| 2,710,000 | 2/1/22 | 2,723,550 |
| 2,710,000 | _, _, | 2,723,330 |
| | Plains Exploration & Production Co., | |
| | Guaranteed Notes, 6.88%, due | |
| 1,430,000 | 2/15/23 | 1,428,212 |
| | SandRidge Energy, Inc., Guaranteed | |
| 1,805,000 | Notes, 8.00%, due 6/1/18 | 1,895,250ñ |
| 1,005,000 | SandRidge Energy, Inc., Guaranteed | 1,075,2501 |
| (45,000 | | |
| 645,000 | Notes, 7.50%, due 2/15/23 | 667,575ñ |
| | WPX Energy, Inc., Senior | |
| | Unsecured Notes, 6.00%, due | |
| 2,330,000 | 1/15/22 | 2,493,100 |
| _,, | | 36,374,772 |
| | | 50,577,772 |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments

| PRINCIPAL AN | AOUNT | | VALUE† |
|----------------|-----------------|---|-------------|
| Food & Drug Re | etailers (1.1%) | | |
| \$ | 675,000 | Rite Aid Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 9.50%, due 6/15/17 | \$ 693,562 |
| | 560,000 | Rite Aid Corp., Secured Notes, 10.25%, due 10/15/19 | 639,800 |
| | 1,442,000 | Rite Aid Corp., Senior Secured Notes, 8.00%, due 8/15/20 | 1,656,858 |
| | | | 2,990,220 |
| Gaming (7.0%) | | Boyd Acquisition Sub | |
| | | LLC/Boyd Acquisition Finance Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 8.38%, due | |
| | 1,155,000 | 2/15/18 Boyd Gaming Corp., Senior | 1,180,987ñ |
| | 465,000 | Subordinated Notes, 7.13%, due 2/1/16 | 454,538 |
| | 102,000 | CityCenter Holdings LLC, | 10 1,000 |
| | 725,000 | Senior Secured Notes, 7.63%, due 1/15/16 | 773,938 |
| | 1,090,000 | CityCenter Holdings LLC, Senior Secured Notes, 7.63%, due 1/15/16 | 1,160,850ñ |
| | 250,271 | CityCenter Holdings LLC, Secured Notes, 10.75%, due 1/15/17 | 264,662c |
| | | Graton Economic Development Authority, Senior Secured | |
| | 3,085,000 | Notes, 9.63%, due 9/1/19 | 3,281,669ñ |
| | 975,000 | MGM Mirage, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 7.50%, due 6/1/16 | 1,033,500 |
| | 730,000 | MGM Mirage, Inc., Senior Secured Notes, 9.00%, due 3/15/20 | 813,950 |
| | 1,775,000 | MGM Resorts Int'l, Guaranteed Notes, 6.75%, due 10/1/20 | 1,761,687ñ |
| | 3,655,000 | MGM Resorts Int'l, Guaranteed Notes, 7.75%, due 3/15/22 | 3,778,356ØØ |
| | | Mohegan Tribal Gaming Authority, Secured Notes, | |
| | 400,000 | 10.50%, due 12/15/16 Mohegan Tribal Gaming Authority, Guaranteed Notes, | 377,000ñ |
| | 1,920,000 | 11.00%, due 9/15/18 | 1,423,200ñ |
| | 890,979 | Pinnacle Entertainment, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 7.75%, due | 964,485 |
| | | | |

| | 4/1/22 | |
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| | Seminole Indian Tribe of | |
| | Florida, Notes, 7.75%, due | |
| 1,090,000 | 10/1/17 | 1,188,100ñ |
| | Wynn Las Vegas LLC, 1st | |
| 691,000 | Mortgage, 7.75%, due 8/15/20 | 775,647 |
| | | 19,232,569 |
| Gas Distribution (8.0%) | | |
| | Access Midstream Partner L.P., | |
| | Guaranteed Notes, 5.88%, due | |
| 25,000 | 4/15/21 | 26,000 |
| | Access Midstream Partner L.P., | |
| | Guaranteed Notes, 6.13%, due | |
| 1,740,000 | 7/15/22 | 1,840,050 |
| | AmeriGas Finance LLC, | |
| | Guaranteed Notes, 6.75%, due | |
| 1,710,000 | 5/20/20 | 1,838,250 |
| | AmeriGas Finance LLC, | |
| | Guaranteed Notes, 7.00%, due | |
| 1,825,000 | 5/20/22 | 1,982,406 |
| | El Paso Corp., Senior | |
| | Unsecured Notes, 7.00%, due | |
| 970,000 | 6/15/17 | 1,108,260 |
| | El Paso Corp., Senior | |
| | Unsecured Notes, 7.25%, due | |
| 225,000 | 6/1/18 | 259,797 |
| | El Paso Corp., Senior | |
| | Unsecured Global | |
| | Medium-Term Notes, 7.75%, | |
| 1,145,000 | due 1/15/32 | 1,366,437 |
| | El Paso Energy Corp., Senior | |
| | Unsecured Global | |
| | Medium-Term Notes, 7.80%, | |
| 1,315,000 | due 8/1/31 | 1,565,062 |
| | Energy Transfer Equity L.P., | |
| | Senior Secured Notes, 7.50%, | |
| 2,700,000 | due 10/15/20 | 3,071,250ØØ |
| | Ferrellgas L.P., Senior | |
| | Unsecured Notes, 9.13%, due | |
| 1,990,000 | 10/1/17 | 2,129,300 |
| | Kinder Morgan Finance Co., | |
| | Guaranteed Notes, 5.70%, due | |
| 665,000 | 1/5/16 | 727,994 |
| | MarkWest Energy Partners | |
| | L.P., Guaranteed Notes, Ser. B, | |
| 2,505,000 | 8.75%, due 4/15/18 | 2,680,350 |
| | Regency Energy Partners L.P., | |
| | Guaranteed Notes, 6.88%, due | |
| 1,360,000 | 12/1/18 | 1,462,000 |
| 958,000 | Suburban Propane Partners | 1,029,850ñ |
| | L.P./Suburban Energy Finance | |
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| | Corp., Soniar Unscourad Notes | |
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| | Senior Unsecured Notes, 7.50%, due 10/1/18 | |
| | Suburban Propane Partners L.P./Suburban Energy Finance Corp., | 708,340ñ |
| 662,000 | Senior Unsecured Notes, 7.38%, due 8/1/21 | |
| 002,000 | 7.58 %, due 8/1/21 | 21,795,346 |
| Health Facilities (5.9%) | | |
| | CHS/Community Health | |
| • / • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • | Systems, Inc., Senior Secured | |
| 2,455,000 | Notes, 5.13%, due 8/15/18 | 2,547,062 |
| | Columbia Healthcare Corp., Senior Unsecured Notes, 7.50%, | |
| 695,000 | due 12/15/23 | 695,000 |
| | Columbia/HCA Corp., Senior | |
| | Unsecured Notes, 7.69%, due | |
| 4,000,000 | 6/15/25 | 4,040,000 |
| | Columbia/HCA Corp., Senior | |
| 545,000 | Unsecured Notes, 7.05%, due 12/1/27 | 515,025 |
| 545,000 | DaVita, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, | 515,025 |
| 630,000 | 5.75%, due 8/15/22 | 658,350 |
| | HCA, Inc., Senior Secured | |
| 230,000 | Notes, 6.50%, due 2/15/20 | 254,150 |
| | OMEGA Healthcare Investors, | |
| 2,090,000 | Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 6.75%, due 10/15/22 | 2 278 100 |
| 2,090,000 | Tenet Healthcare Corp., Senior | 2,278,100 |
| | Secured Notes, 8.88%, due | |
| 2,225,000 | 7/1/19 | 2,486,438 |
| | United Surgical Partners Int'l, | |
| | Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 9.00%, | |
| 1,890,000 | due 4/1/20 | 2,069,550 |
| | Universal Health Services, Inc., Senior Secured Notes, 7.13%, | |
| 470,000 | due 6/30/16 | 532,275 |
| .,., | | 16,075,950 |
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| Hotels (0.3%) | | | |
| \$ | 670,000 | Host Hotels & Resorts L.P., Unsubordinated Notes, Ser. W, 5.88%, due 6/15/19 | \$ 737,000 |
| | 180,000 | Host Hotels & Resorts L.P., Senior Unsecured Notes, 6.00%, due 10/1/21 | 208,800 |
| Investments & Misc. Services (2.3%) | Financial | | 945,800 |
| | 680,000 | Icahn Enterprises L.P., Guaranteed Notes, 7.75%, due 1/15/16 Icahn Enterprises L.P., | 3,845,600 |
| | 980,000 | Guaranteed Notes, 8.00%, due 1/15/18 | 1,053,500 |
| 1, | 310,000 | Icahn Enterprises L.P., Guaranteed Notes, 8.00%, due 1/15/18 | 1,408,250ñ |
| | | | 6,307,350 |
| Leisure (0.5%) | | | |
| | 155,000 | Cedar Fair L.P., Guaranteed Notes, 9.13%, due 8/1/18 | 1,306,594 |
| Machinery (1.5%) | | | |
| 2, | 655,000 | Case New Holland, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 7.88%, due 12/1/17 | 3,119,625 |
| | 910,000 | The Manitowoc Co., Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 8.50%, due 11/1/20 | 1,021,475 |
| | ,10,000 | 11,1,20 | 4,141,100 |
| Media—Broadcast (5 | .1%) | | |
| | 685,000 | AMC Networks, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 7.75%, due 7/15/21 | 775,763 |
| 4, | 075,000 | Clear Channel Communications, Inc., Senior Unsecured Notes, 5.50%, due 9/15/14 | 3,810,125 |
| 1, | 100,000 | Clear Channel Communications, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 10.75%, due 8/1/16 | 814,000 |
| 3 | 215,000 | Cumulus Media Holdings, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 7.75%, due 5/1/19 | 3,142,662 |
| | 330,000 | Sirius XM Radio, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 8.75%, due | 1,509,550ñ |

| | 4/1/15 | |
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| | Univision Communications, | |
| | Inc., Senior Secured Notes, | |
| 1,080,000 | 6.88%, due 5/15/19 | 1,104,300ñ |
| | Univision Communications, | |
| | Inc., Senior Secured Notes, | |
| 375,000 | 7.88%, due 11/1/20 | 397,500ñ |
| 575,000 | Univision Communications, | 577,5001 |
| | Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 8.50%, | |
| 1,160,000 | due 5/15/21 | 1,165,800ñ |
| 1,100,000 | XM Satellite Radio, Inc., | 1,105,8001 |
| | | |
| 1 005 000 | Guaranteed Notes, 7.63%, due | 1 200 075~ |
| 1,095,000 | 11/1/18 | 1,209,975ñ |
| | | 13,929,675 |
| Media—Cable (5.6%) | | |
| | CCO Holdings LLC, | |
| | Guaranteed Notes, 7.88%, due | |
| 210,000 | 4/30/18 | 226,800 |
| | CCO Holdings LLC, | |
| | Guaranteed Notes, 7.00%, due | |
| 70,000 | 1/15/19 | 75,250 |
| | CCO Holdings LLC, | |
| | Guaranteed Notes, 8.13%, due | |
| 1,040,000 | 4/30/20 | 1,170,000 |
| | Cequel Communications Escrow | 273,375ñ |
| | 1 LLC/Cequel Communications | |
| | Escrow Capital Corp., | |
| | Senior Unsecured Notes, 6.38%, | |
| 270,000 | due 9/15/20 | |
| , | Cequel Communications | 2,161,400ñ |
| | Holdings I LLC/Cequel Capital | , - , |
| | Corp., | |
| | Senior Unsecured Notes, 8.63%, | |
| 2,020,000 | due 11/15/17 | |
| 2,020,000 | CSC Holdings LLC, Senior | |
| | Unsecured Notes, 7.63%, due | |
| 270,000 | 7/15/18 | 312,525 |
| 270,000 | CSC Holdings LLC, Senior | 512,525 |
| | Unsecured Notes, 6.75%, due | |
| 2,280,000 | 11/15/21 | 2,536,500ñ |
| 2,280,000 | DISH DBS Corp., Guaranteed | 2,550,5001 |
| 485,000 | Notes, 7.75%, due 5/31/15 | 545,625 |
| 465,000 | | 345,025 |
| 2 2/5 000 | DISH DBS Corp., Guaranteed | 2 (2(204 |
| 3,265,000 | Notes, 6.75%, due 6/1/21 | 3,636,394 |
| 2 (05 000 | DISH DBS Corp., Guaranteed | 2 705 250 |
| 3,605,000 | Notes, 5.88%, due 7/15/22 | 3,785,250 |
| | EchoStar DBS Corp., | |
| | Guaranteed Notes, 7.13%, due | |
| 530,000 | 2/1/16 | 592,275 |
| | | 15,315,394 |

Media—Services (1.9%)

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| | Clear Channel Worldwide | |
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| | Holdings, Inc., Guaranteed | |
| | Notes, Ser. B, 9.25%, due | |
| 650,000 | 12/15/17 | 697,125 |
| | Clear Channel Worldwide | |
| | Holdings, Inc., Guaranteed | |
| | Notes, Ser. B, 7.63%, due | |
| 450,000 | 3/15/20 | 428,625 |
| | WMG Acquisition Corp., | |
| | Senior Secured Notes, 9.50%, | |
| 3,320,000 | due 6/15/16 | 3,656,150 |
| | WMG Acquisition Corp., | |
| | Senior Secured Notes, 9.50%, | |
| 135,000 | due 6/15/16 | 148,331 |
| | WMG Acquisition Corp., | |
| | Senior Secured Notes, 6.00%, | |
| 330,000 | due 1/15/21 | 330,825ñØ |
| | | 5,261,056 |
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| Medical Product | s (1.4%) | | |
| \$ | 970,000 | Biomet, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 6.50%, due 8/1/20 | \$ 1,001,525ñ |
| | 410,000 | Fresenius Medical Care US Finance II, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 5.88%, due 1/31/22 | 436,137ñ |
| | 1,520,000 | Fresenius Medical Care US Finance, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 6.50%, due 9/15/18 | 1,702,400ñ |
| | 645,000 | Hologic, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 6.25%, due 8/1/20 | 683,700ñ 3,823,762 |
| Metals—Mining | Excluding Steel (4.3%) | | 5,825,702 |
| | 625,000 | Arch Coal, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 7.25%, due 10/1/20 | 553,125 |
| | 550,000 | Arch Coal, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 7.25%, due 6/15/21 | 485,375 |
| | 4,870,000 | FMG Resources (August 2006) Pty Ltd., Guaranteed Notes, 7.00%, due 11/1/15 | 4,918,700ñ |
| | 1,385,000 | FMG Resources (August 2006) Pty Ltd., Senior Unsecured Notes, 6.00%, due 4/1/17 | 1,329,600ñ |
| | 1,490,000 | FMG Resources (August 2006) Pty Ltd., Guaranteed Notes, 8.25%, due 11/1/19 | 1,490,000ñ |
| | 2,005,000 | FMG Resources (August 2006) Pty Ltd., Senior Unsecured Notes, 6.88%, due 4/1/22 | 1,884,700ñ |
| | | Peabody Energy Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 6.00%, due 11/15/18 | 1,245,000 |
| | 1,200,000 | 11/13/18 | 11,906,500 |
| Packaging (6.9% |) | Derma Direction Comments | |
| | 2,300,000 | Berry Plastics Corp., Secured Notes, 9.50%, due 5/15/18 | 2,501,250ØØ |
| | 5,055,000 | Berry Plastics Corp., Secured Notes, 9.75%, due 1/15/21 | 5,737,425 |
| | 1,040,000 | Owens-Brockway Glass Container, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 7.38%, due 5/15/16 | 1,190,800 |
| | 050.000 | Reynolds Group Issuer, Inc, Guaranteed Notes, 8.50%, due | |
| | 950,000 1,970,000 | 5/15/18 Reynolds Group Issuer, Inc., Senior Secured Notes, 7.88%, | 945,250 2,137,450 |
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| | due 8/15/19 | |
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| | Reynolds Group Issuer, Inc., | |
| | Guaranteed Notes, 9.88%, due | |
| 3,060,000 | 8/15/19 | 3,205,350 |
| _,, | Reynolds Group Issuer, Inc., | -, |
| | Senior Secured Notes, 5.75%, | |
| 2,205,000 | due 10/15/20 | 2,227,050ñ |
| 2,203,000 | Reynolds Group Issuer, Inc., | 2,227,0300 |
| | Senior Secured Notes, 6.88%, | |
| 905,000 | due 2/15/21 | 961,562 |
| 903,000 | uue 2/15/21 | |
| Pharmacauticals (2.7%) | | 18,906,137 |
| Pharmaceuticals (2.7%) | En de Dhermeseuties le | |
| | Endo Pharmaceuticals | |
| 005 000 | Holdings, Inc., Guaranteed | 1 000 000 |
| 935,000 | Notes, 7.00%, due 7/15/19 | 1,009,800 |
| | Jaguar Holding Co., Senior | |
| 540,000 | Notes, 9.38%, due 10/15/17 | 548,100ñc |
| | Jaguar Holding Co., Senior | |
| | Unsecured Notes, 9.50%, due | |
| 1,445,000 | 12/1/19 | 1,614,787ñ |
| | Valeant Pharmaceuticals Int'l, | |
| | Guaranteed Notes, 6.75%, due | |
| 630,000 | 10/1/17 | 675,675ñ |
| | Valeant Pharmaceuticals Int'l, | |
| | Senior Notes, 6.38%, due | |
| 365,000 | 10/15/20 | 384,163ñ |
| | VPI Escrow Corp., Guaranteed | |
| 3,080,000 | Notes, 6.38%, due 10/15/20 | 3,241,700ñ |
| | | 7,474,225 |
| Printing & Publishing (6.4%) | | |
| | Cengage Learning Acquisitions, | |
| | Inc., Senior Secured Notes, | |
| 2,965,000 | 11.50%, due 4/15/20 | 3,179,962ñ |
| _,_ ,_ , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , | Gannett Co., Inc., Guaranteed | |
| 920,000 | Notes, 9.38%, due 11/15/17 | 1,023,500 |
| ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,, | Gannett Co., Inc., Guaranteed | 1,023,300 |
| 2,180,000 | Notes, 7.13%, due 9/1/18 | 2,378,925 |
| 2,100,000 | R. R. Donnelley & Sons Co., | 2,370,723 |
| | Senior Unsecured Notes, 8.60%, | |
| 885,000 | due 8/15/16 | 964,650 |
| 005,000 | R. R. Donnelley & Sons Co., | 704,050 |
| | Senior Unsecured Notes, 7.25%, | |
| 5,720,000 | due 5/15/18 | 5,684,250 |
| 5,720,000 | | 5,004,250 |
| | R. R. Donnelley & Sons Co., Sonior Unsequred Notes | |
| 2 755 000 | Senior Unsecured Notes, | 2 027 650 |
| 2,755,000 | 8.25%, due 3/15/19 | 2,837,650 |
| | R. R. Donnelley & Sons Co., | |
| 1 255 000 | Senior Unsecured Notes, | 1 22 4 675 |
| 1,355,000 | 7.63%, due 6/15/20 | 1,334,675 |
| | | 17,403,612 |

Real Estate Dev. & Mgt. (0.4%)

| | Realogy Corp., Senior Secured | |
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| 1,005,000 | Notes, 7.63%, due 1/15/20 | 1,128,113ñ |

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| Software—Serv | vices (4.1%) | | |
| \$ | 820,000 | Fidelity National Information Services, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 7.88%, due 7/15/20 | \$ 916,350 |
| ψ | | First Data Corp., Guaranteed | |
| | 3,435,000 | Notes, 11.25%, due 3/31/16 First Data Corp., Senior Secured | 3,357,712ØØ |
| | 1,055,000 | Notes, 7.38%, due 6/15/19 First Data Corp., Senior Secured | 1,091,925ñ |
| | 1,405,000 | Notes, 6.75%, due 11/1/20 | 1,405,000ñ |
| | 1,420,000 | Sophia, L.P., Guaranteed Notes, 9.75%, due 1/15/19 | 1,517,625ñ |
| | 1,810,000 | SunGard Data Systems, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 6.63%, due 11/1/19 | 1,825,838ñØ |
| | 515,000 | SunGard Data Systems, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 7.63%, due 11/15/20 | 559,419 |
| | 505,000 | Syniverse Holdings, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 9.13%, due 1/15/19 | 537,825 |
| | 505,000 | 1/13/19 | 11,211,694 |
| Specialty Retail | l (2.5%) | | |
| | 685,000 | PC Merger Sub, Inc., Senior Notes, 8.88%, due 8/1/20 | 727,813ñ |
| | 4,320,000 | Toys "R" Us Property Co. I LLC, Guaranteed Notes, 10.75%, due 7/15/17 | 4,671,000 |
| | | Toys "R" Us Property Co. II LLC, Senior Secured Notes, | |
| | 1,358,000 | 8.50%, due 12/1/17 | 1,458,152 6,856,965 |
| Steel Producers | —Products (1.5%) | | , -, |
| | 920,000 | ArcelorMittal, Senior Unsecured Notes, 6.13%, due 6/1/18 | 916,951 |
| | 3,060,000 | ArcelorMittal, Senior Unsecured Notes, 5.50%, due 8/5/20 | 2,951,248 |
| | | ArcelorMittal, Senior Unsecured Notes, 5.75%, due | |
| | 210,000 | 3/1/21 | 202,765 4,070,964 |
| Support—Servi | ces (2.1%) | | 1,070,201 |
| | 2,205,000 | ADS Waste Holdings, Inc., Senior Notes, 8.25%, due | 2,282,175ñ |

| | 10/1/20 | |
|------------------------------------|---|----------------------|
| | HDTFS, Inc., Guaranteed | |
| 730,000 | Notes, 5.88%, due 10/15/20 | 737,300ñ |
| | Iron Mountain, Inc., Guaranteed | |
| 990,000 | | 1,116,225 |
| | Knowledge Learning Corp., | |
| | Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 7.75%, | |
| 1,240,000 | due 2/1/15 | 1,091,200ñ |
| | RSC Equipment Rental, Inc., | |
| 570.000 | Senior Unsecured Notes, 8.25%, | (20.050 |
| 570,000 | due 2/1/21 | 629,850 5 856 750 |
| Telecom—Integrated Services (9.1%) | | 5,856,750 |
| Telecom—Integrated Services (9.1%) | CenturyLink, Inc., Senior | |
| | Unsecured Notes, Ser. S, 6.45%, | |
| 460,000 | due 6/15/21 | 504,290 |
| , | Citizens Communications Co., | |
| | Senior Unsecured Notes, 9.00%, | |
| 3,655,000 | | 3,901,712 |
| | Integra Telecom Holdings, Inc., | |
| | Senior Secured Notes, 10.75%, | |
| 1,030,000 | due 4/15/16 | 1,050,600ñ |
| | Intelsat Bermuda Ltd., | |
| | Guaranteed Notes, 11.50%, due | |
| 4,163,290 | | 4,381,863c |
| | Intelsat Jackson Holdings SA, | |
| 670,000 | Guaranteed Notes, 8.50%, due 11/1/19 | 752 075 |
| 670,000 | Level 3 Communications, Inc., | 752,075 |
| | Senior Unsecured Notes, 8.88%, | |
| 355,000 | due 6/1/19 | 372,750ñ |
| , | Level 3 Financing, Inc., | |
| | Guaranteed Notes, 8.13%, due | |
| 1,370,000 | 7/1/19 | 1,462,475 |
| | Level 3 Financing, Inc., | |
| | Guaranteed Notes, 8.63%, due | |
| 1,225,000 | | 1,335,250 |
| | PAETEC Holding Corp., Senior | |
| 1 000 000 | Secured Notes, 8.88%, due | 1 270 200 |
| 1,280,000 | 6/30/17 BAETEC Holding Corp | 1,379,200 |
| | PAETEC Holding Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 9.88%, due | |
| 510,000 | 12/1/18 | 582,675 |
| 510,000 | Qwest Communications Int'l, | 562,015 |
| | Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 7.13%, | |
| 1,475,000 | due 4/1/18 | 1,557,998 |
| | Qwest Corp., Senior Unsecured | |
| 500,000 | Notes, 6.75%, due 12/1/21 | 598,014 |
| | U.S. West Communications Group, | |
| | Senior Unsecured Notes, 6.88%, due | |
| 1,874,000 | 9/15/33 | 1,883,370 |
| | | |

| | Windstream Corp., Guaranteed | |
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| 715,000 | Notes, 7.88%, due 11/1/17 | 796,331 |
| | Windstream Corp., Guaranteed | |
| 65,000 | Notes, 7.00%, due 3/15/19 | 66,544 |
| | Windstream Corp., Guaranteed | |
| 460,000 | Notes, 7.75%, due 10/15/20 | 495,650 |
| | Windstream Corp., Guaranteed | |
| 1,610,000 | Notes, 7.75%, due 10/1/21 | 1,740,813 |
| | Windstream Corp., Guaranteed | |
| 2,065,000 | Notes, 7.50%, due 6/1/22 | 2,188,900 |
| | | 25,050,510 |

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| Telecom— | Wireless (4.8%) | | |
| | | Clearwire Communications LLC, | |
| . | 2 5 00 000 | Senior Secured Notes, 12.00%, | |
| \$ | 3,500,000 | due 12/1/15 | \$ 3,727,500ñ |
| | | SBA Telecommunications, Inc., | |
| | | Guaranteed Notes, 5.75%, due | |
| | 570,000 | 7/15/20 | 592,800ñ |
| | | Sprint Capital Corp., Guaranteed | |
| | 2,245,000 | Notes, 6.88%, due 11/15/28 | 2,295,512ØØ |
| | | Sprint Capital Corp., Guaranteed | |
| | 1,975,000 | Notes, 8.75%, due 3/15/32 | 2,330,500 |
| | | Sprint Nextel Corp., Guaranteed | |
| | 475,000 | Notes, 9.00%, due 11/15/18 | 586,625ñ |
| | | Sprint Nextel Corp., Guaranteed | |
| | 1,147,000 | Notes, 7.00%, due 3/1/20 | 1,330,520ñ |
| | | Wind Acquisition Finance SA, | |
| | | Senior Secured Notes, 7.25%, | |
| | 410,000 | due 2/15/18 | 399,750ñ |
| | , | Wind Acquisition Finance SA, | , |
| | | Senior Secured Notes, 7.25%, | |
| | 2,035,000 | due 2/15/18 | 1,973,950ñ |
| | _,,, | | 13,237,157 |
| | | Total Corporate Debt Securities | 10,207,107 |
| | | (Cost \$331,802,506) | 345,188,831 |
| NUMBER (| OF SHARES | (0031 \$351,002,500) | 343,100,031 |
| | Investments (0.0%) | | |
| Short-Term | investments (0.070) | State Street Institutional Liquid | |
| | | Reserves Fund Institutional Class | |
| | 1 | | 1 |
| | 1 | (Cost \$1) | 1 |
| | | Total Investments (136.5%) | 274 291 999 44 |
| | | (Cost \$360,356,242) | 374,281,890## |
| | | Liabilities, less cash, receivables | |
| | | and other assets [(26.6%)] | $(72,970,408) \pm$ |
| | | Liquidation Value of Perpetual | |
| | | Preferred Shares [(9.9%)] | (27,175,000) |
| | | Total Net Assets Applicable to | |
| | | Common Shareholders (100.0%) | \$274,136,482 |
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[†] In accordance with Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 820 "Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures" ("ASC 820"), all investments held by Neuberger Berman High Yield Strategies Fund Inc. (the "Fund") are carried at the value that Neuberger Berman Management LLC ("Management") believes the Fund would receive upon selling an investment in an orderly transaction to an independent buyer in the principal or most advantageous market for the investment under current market conditions. Various inputs, including the volume and level of activity for the asset or liability in the market, are considered in valuing the Fund's investments, some of which are discussed below. Significant management judgment may be necessary to value investments in accordance with ASC 820.

ASC 820 established a three-tier hierarchy of inputs to create a classification of value measurements for disclosure purposes. The three-tier hierarchy of inputs is summarized in the three broad Levels listed below.

Level 1 – quoted prices in active markets for identical investments

Level 2 – other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar investments, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, amortized cost, etc.)

Level 3 – significant unobservable inputs (including the Fund's own assumptions in determining the fair value of investments)

The inputs or methodology used for valuing an investment are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities.

The value of the Fund's investments in debt securities is determined by Management primarily by obtaining valuations from independent pricing services based on readily available bid quotations, or if quotations are not available, by methods which include various considerations based on security type (generally Level 2 inputs). In addition to the consideration of yields or prices of securities of comparable quality, coupon, maturity and type; indications as to values from dealers; and general market conditions, the following is a description of other Level 2 inputs and related valuation techniques used by an independent pricing service to value certain types of debt securities of the Fund:

Corporate Debt Securities. Inputs used to value corporate debt securities generally include relative credit information, observed market movements, sector news, spread to the U.S. Treasury market, and other market information which may include benchmark yields, reported trades, broker-dealer quotes, issuer spreads, benchmark securities, bids, offers, and reference data, such as market research publications, when available ("Other Market Information").

High Yield Securities. Inputs used to value high yield securities generally include a number of observations of equity and credit default swap curves related to the issuer and Other Market Information.

Bank Loans. Inputs used by independent pricing services to value bank loan securities include multiple broker quotes (generally Level 2 inputs).

The value of the Fund's investments in interest rate swap contracts is determined by Management primarily by obtaining valuations from independent pricing services based on references to the underlying rates including the overnight index swap rate and London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR") forward rate to produce the daily settlement price (generally Level 2 inputs).

Management has developed a process to periodically review information provided by independent pricing services for all types of securities.

Investments in State Street Institutional Liquid Reserves Fund Institutional Class are valued using the fund's daily calculated net asset value per share (Level 2 inputs).

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If a valuation is not available from an independent pricing service, or if Management has reason to believe that the valuation received does not represent the amount the Fund might reasonably expect to receive on a current sale in an orderly transaction, the Fund seeks to obtain quotations from principal market makers (generally considered Level 3 inputs). If such quotations are not readily available, the security is valued using methods the Fund's Board of Directors (the "Board") has approved on the belief that they reflect fair value. Numerous factors may be considered when determining the fair value of a security based on Level 2 or 3 inputs, including available analyst, media or other reports, trading in futures or ADRs and whether the issuer of the security being fair valued has other securities outstanding.

Fair value prices are necessarily estimates, and there is no assurance that such a price will be at or close to the price at which the security is next quoted or next trades.

The following is a summary, categorized by Level, of inputs used to value the Fund's investments as of October 31, 2012:

| Investments: | Level 1 | Level 2 | | Level 3§ | | Total |
|---------------------------|---------|---------|------------|----------|---|------------|
| Bank Loan | | | | | | \$ |
| Obligations [^] | \$ — | \$ | 29,093,058 | \$ | | 29,093,058 |
| Corporate Debt Securities | | | | | | |
| Airlines | | | 2,431,601 | 885,99 | 6 | 3,317,597 |
| Automakers | | | 2,500,037 | | | 2,500,037 |
| Banking | | | 9,332,204 | | | 9,332,204 |
| Building & | | | | | | |
| Construction | | | 2,218,313 | | | 2,218,313 |
| Building Materials | | | 5,730,079 | | | 5,730,079 |
| Chemicals | | | 12,882,994 | | | 12,882,994 |
| Computer Hardware | | | 1,572,725 | | | 1,572,725 |
| Consumer—Commercial | | | | | | |
| Lease Financing | | | 11,814,757 | | | 11,814,757 |
| Consumer Products | | | 368,194 | | | 368,194 |
| Department Stores | | | 6,609,515 | | | 6,609,515 |
| Electric—Generation | | | 7,841,770 | | | 7,841,770 |
| Electric—Integrated | | | 1,932,358 | | | 1,932,358 |
| Electronics | | | 8,466,073 | | | 8,466,073 |
| Energy—Exploration & | | | | | | |
| Production | | | 36,374,772 | | | 36,374,772 |
| Food & Drug | | | | | | |
| Retailers | | | 2,990,220 | | | 2,990,220 |
| Gaming | | | 19,232,569 | | | 19,232,569 |
| Gas Distribution | | | 21,795,346 | | | 21,795,346 |
| Health Facilities | | | 16,075,950 | | | 16,075,950 |
| Hotels | | | 945,800 | | | 945,800 |
| Investments & Misc. | | | | | | |
| Financial Services | | | 6,307,350 | | | 6,307,350 |
| Leisure | | | 1,306,594 | | | 1,306,594 |
| | | | | | | |

Asset Valuation Inputs

| Machinery | 4,141,100 | 4,141,100 |
|-----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Media—Broadcast | 13,929,675 | 13,929,675 |
| Media—Cable | 15,315,394 | 15,315,394 |

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Notes to Schedule of Investments cont'd

| Investments: | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3§ | Total |
|-----------------------|---------|------------|----------|------------|
| | | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Media—Services | \$ — | 5,261,056 | | 5,261,056 |
| Medical Products | — | 3,823,762 | | 3,823,762 |
| Metals—Mining | | | | |
| Excluding Steel | — | 11,906,500 | | 11,906,500 |
| Packaging | — | 18,906,137 | | 18,906,137 |
| Pharmaceuticals | — | 7,474,225 | | 7,474,225 |
| Printing & Publishing | — | 17,403,612 | | 17,403,612 |
| Real Estate Dev. & | | | | |
| Mgt. | — | 1,128,113 | | 1,128,113 |
| Software—Services | — | 11,211,694 | | 11,211,694 |
| Specialty Retail | — | 6,856,965 | | 6,856,965 |
| Steel | | | | |
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Producers—Products