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This report is signed on behalf of the registrant (or depositor or trustee).

City of: Boston State of: Massachusetts Date: February 21, 2012

Name of Registrant, Depositor, or Trustee: Tri-Continental Corporation

/s/ Michael G. Clarke

Michael G. Clarke
Treasurer

/s/ Wade M. Voigt

Wade M. Voigt
Assistant Treasurer
Witness

TRI-CONTINENTAL CORPORATION