

HERCULES TECHNOLOGY GROWTH CAPITAL INC

Form 10-Q

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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20549  
FORM 10-Q**

(Mark One)

**QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES  
EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934  
For The Quarterly Period Ended September 30, 2006**  
**OR**

**TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES  
EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**Commission File Number: 814-00702**

**HERCULES TECHNOLOGY GROWTH CAPITAL, INC.**  
*(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)*

**Maryland**  
**(State or Other Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation or Organization)**

**74-3113410**  
**(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)**

**400 Hamilton Avenue, Suite 310**  
**Palo Alto, California 94301**  
**(Address of Principal Executive Offices)**

**94301**  
**(Zip Code)**

**(650) 289-3060**

**(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)**

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter periods as the Registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. YES  NO

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a non-accelerated filer. See definition of "accelerated filer and large accelerated filer" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large Accelerated Filer  Accelerated Filer  Non-Accelerated Filer

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act) YES  NO

On November 3, 2006, there were 16,188,402 shares outstanding of the Registrant's common stock, \$0.001 par value.

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In this Quarterly Report, the Company, Hercules, we, us and our refer to Hercules Technology Growth Capital Inc. and its wholly owned subsidiaries and its affiliated securitization trusts unless the context otherwise requires.

**ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**HERCULES TECHNOLOGY GROWTH CAPITAL, INC.  
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

	<b>September 30, 2006 (unaudited)</b>	<b>December 31, 2005</b>
<b>Assets</b>		
Investments, at value		
Non-affiliate investments (cost of \$230,371,469 and \$176,004,865, respectively)	\$ 234,259,608	\$ 176,673,226
Affiliate investments (cost of \$3,218,204 and \$0, respectively)	3,214,704	
Total investments (cost of \$233,589,673 and \$176,004,865, respectively)	237,474,312	176,673,226
Deferred loan origination revenue	(3,567,304)	(2,729,982)
Cash and cash equivalents	7,127,982	15,362,447
Interest receivable	2,216,976	1,479,375
Prepaid expenses	762,740	1,310,594
Deferred Tax Asset		1,454,000
Property and equipment, net	360,050	77,673
Other assets	1,280,182	20,546
Total assets	245,654,938	193,647,879
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Accounts payable	377,962	150,081
Income tax payable		1,709,000
Accrued liabilities	2,982,157	1,436,468
Short-term loan payable	91,000,000	76,000,000
Total liabilities	94,360,119	79,295,549
<b>Net assets</b>	<b>\$ 151,294,819</b>	<b>\$ 114,352,330</b>
<b>Net assets consist of:</b>		
Par value	\$ 13,676	\$ 9,802
Capital in excess of par value	154,124,549	114,524,833
Unrealized appreciation on investments	3,380,344	353,093
Accumulated realized gains (losses) on investments	(2,089,011)	481,694
Distributions in excess of investment income	(4,134,739)	(1,017,092)
<b>Total net assets</b>	<b>\$ 151,294,819</b>	<b>\$ 114,352,330</b>
	13,676,318	9,801,965

**Shares of common stock outstanding (\$0.001 par value, 30,000,000 authorized)**

<b>Net asset value per share</b>	\$	11.06	\$	11.67
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See notes to consolidated financial statements (unaudited).

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Portfolio Company	Industry	Type of Investment <sup>(1)</sup>	Principal Amount	Cost <sup>(2)</sup>	Value <sup>(3)</sup>
Acceleron Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (2.23%)* <sup>(4)</sup>	Biopharmaceuticals	Senior Debt Matures June 2009 Interest rate 10.25%	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 2,947,348	\$ 2,947,348
		Preferred Stock Warrants		69,106	423,960
Acceleron Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (0.73%)		Preferred Stock		1,000,000	1,111,111
Total Acceleron Pharmaceuticals, Inc.				4,016,454	4,482,420
Aveo Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (9.92%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Biopharmaceuticals	Senior Debt Matures September 2009 Interest rate 10.75%	\$ 15,000,000	14,834,952	14,834,952
		Preferred Stock Warrants		144,056	128,800
		Preferred Stock Warrants		46,288	48,490
Total Aveo Pharmaceuticals, Inc.				15,025,296	15,012,242
EpiCept Corporation (6.51%)	Biopharmaceuticals	Senior Debt Matures August 2009 Interest rate 11.70%	\$ 10,000,000	9,248,320	9,248,320
		Common Stock Warrants		794,633	597,250
Total EpiCept Corporation				10,042,953	9,845,570
Guava Technologies, Inc. (2.98%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Biopharmaceuticals	Senior Debt Matures July 2009 Interest rate Prime + 3.25%	\$ 4,500,000	4,419,696	4,419,696
		Preferred Stock Warrants		105,399	94,380
Total Guava Technologies, Inc.				4,525,095	4,514,076
Labopharm USA, Inc. (4.98%) <sup>(4)(6)</sup>	Biopharmaceuticals	Senior Debt Matures July 2008 Interest rate 11.95%	\$ 7,618,798	7,528,743	7,528,743
Total Labopharm USA, Inc.				7,528,743	7,528,743
Herrimack Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (4.92%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Biopharmaceuticals	Convertible Senior Debt Matures October 2008 Interest rate 11.15%	\$ 6,812,285	6,725,078	7,012,078
		Preferred Stock Warrants		155,456	424,710

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Total Merrimack Pharmaceuticals, Inc.			6,880,534	7,436,79
Omrix Biopharmaceuticals, Inc. (0.32%)	Biopharmaceuticals	Common Stock Warrants	11,370	484,75
Total Omrix Biopharmaceuticals, Inc.			11,370	484,75
Paratek Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (5.06%)(4)	Biopharmaceuticals	Senior Debt		
		Matures June 2008		
		Interest rate 11.10%	\$ 7,599,089	7,522,758
		Preferred Stock Warrants	137,396	125,59
Total Paratek Pharmaceuticals, Inc.			7,660,154	7,648,35
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Portola Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (3.72%)	Biopharmaceuticals	Senior Debt			
		Matures September 2010			
		Interest rate Prime + 1.75%	\$ 5,625,000	\$ 5,513,700	\$ 5,513,700
		Preferred Stock Warrants		113,668	119,078
Total Portola Pharmaceuticals, Inc.				5,627,368	5,632,778
Quatrx Pharmaceuticals Company (3.98%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Biopharmaceuticals	Senior Debt			
		Matures January 2010			
		Interest rate Prime + 3.00%	\$ 6,000,000	5,820,962	5,820,962
		Preferred Stock Warrants		220,354	201,655
Total Quatrx Pharmaceuticals Company				6,041,316	6,022,617
Sirtris Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (6.61%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Biopharmaceuticals	Senior Debt			
		Matures April 2011			
		Interest rate 10.60%	\$ 10,000,000	9,920,054	9,920,054
		Preferred Stock Warrants		88,829	79,266
Total Sirtris Pharmaceuticals, Inc.				10,008,883	9,999,320
TransOral Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (2.64%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Biopharmaceuticals	Senior Debt			
		Matures October 2009			
		Interest rate 10.69%	\$ 4,000,000	3,968,824	3,968,824
		Preferred Stock Warrants		35,630	31,572
				4,004,454	4,000,396



Total TransOral  
Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

**Total  
Biopharmaceuticals  
(54.60%)**

81,372,620 82,608,077

Atrenta, Inc. (3.43%)( <sup>4</sup> )	Software	Senior Debt			
		Matures June 2009			
		Interest rate 11.50%	\$ 5,000,000	4,916,357	4,916,357
		Preferred Stock Warrants		102,396	210,615
		Preferred Stock Warrants		33,760	69,109
Atrenta, Inc. (0.17%)		Preferred Stock		250,000	250,000
Total Atrenta, Inc.				5,302,513	5,446,081
Compete, Inc. (2.65%)( <sup>4</sup> )	Software	Senior Debt			
		Matures March 2009			
		Interest rate			
		Prime+3.50%	\$ 4,000,00	3,949,675	3,949,675
		Preferred Stock Warrants		62,067	55,122
Total Compete, Inc.				4,011,742	4,004,797
Concuity, Inc. (2.12%)( <sup>5</sup> )	Software	Senior Debt			
		Matures March 2008			
		Interest rate 9.95%	\$ 3,216,454	3,214,704	3,214,704
		Preferred Stock Warrants		3,500	
		Preferred Stock			
Total Concuity, Inc.				3,218,204	3,214,704
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Forescout Technologies, Inc. (0.66%)	Software	Senior Debt			
		Matures August 2009			
		Interest rate 11.15%	\$1,000,000	\$ 945,951	\$ 945,951
		Preferred Stock			
		Warrants		55,593	56,346
Total Forescout Technologies, Inc.				1,001,544	1,002,297
GameLogic, Inc. (1.98%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Software	Senior Debt			
		Matures December 2009			
		Interest rate Prime + 4.125%	\$3,000,000	2,953,658	2,953,658
		Preferred Stock			
		Warrants		52,604	46,692
Total GameLogic, Inc.				3,006,262	3,000,350
Gomez, Inc. (0.98%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Software	Senior Debt			
		Matures December 2007			
		Interest rate 12.25%	\$1,470,357	1,456,746	1,456,746
		Preferred Stock			
		Warrants		35,000	23,752
Total Gomez, Inc.				1,491,746	1,480,498
HighRoads, Inc. (1.43%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Software	Senior Debt			
		Matures February 2009			
		Interest rate 11.65%	\$2,151,949	2,117,364	2,117,364
		Preferred Stock			
		Warrants		44,466	39,772
Total HighRoads, Inc.				2,161,830	2,157,136
Intelliden, Inc. (1.98%)	Software	Senior Debt			
		Matures February 2010			

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		Interest rate 13.20%	\$3,000,000	2,982,886	2,982,886
		Preferred Stock			
		Warrants		17,542	18,489
Total Intelliden, Inc.				3,000,428	3,001,375
Inxight Software, Inc. (2.91%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Software	Senior Debt			
		Matures February 2008			
		Interest rate 10.00%	\$4,391,196	4,363,214	4,363,214
		Preferred Stock			
		Warrants		55,963	36,189
Total Inxight Software, Inc.				4,419,177	4,399,403
Oatsystems, Inc. (3.97%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Software	Senior Debt			
		Matures September 2009			
		Interest rate 11.00%	\$6,000,000	5,970,476	5,970,476
		Preferred Stock			
		Warrants		33,742	29,995
Total Oatsystems, Inc.				6,004,218	6,000,471
Proficiency, Inc. (2.01%) <sup>(6)</sup>	Software	Senior Debt			
		Matures July 2008			
		Interest rate 12.00%	\$4,000,000	3,943,312	3,035,191
		Preferred Stock			
		Warrants		96,370	
Total Proficiency, Inc.				4,039,682	3,035,191
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Savvion, Inc. (1.34%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Software	Revolving Line of Credit			
		Matures March 2007			
		Interest rate Prime + 2.00%	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 1,978,277	\$ 1,978,277
		Preferred Stock			
		Warrants		52,135	46,671
Total Savvion, Inc.				2,030,412	2,024,948
Sportvision, Inc. (0.02%)	Software	Preferred Stock			
		Warrants		39,339	33,832
Total Sportvision, Inc.				39,339	33,832
Talisma Corp. (1.51%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Software	Subordinated Debt			
		Matures December 2007			
		Interest rate 11.25%	\$ 2,274,339	2,255,284	2,255,284
		Preferred Stock			
		Warrants		49,000	31,823
Total Talisma Corp.				2,304,284	2,287,107
<b>Total Software (27.16%)</b>				<b>42,031,381</b>	<b>41,088,190</b>
BabyUniverse, Inc. (3.25%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Consumer & Business Products	Senior Debt			
		Matures July 2009			
		Interest rate Prime+2.35%	\$ 5,000,000	4,701,878	4,701,878
		Common Stock			
		Warrants		325,224	214,057
Total BabyUniverse, Inc.				5,027,102	4,915,935
	Consumer &	Senior Debt			

Market Force Information, Inc. (1.25%)( <sup>4</sup> )	Business Products	Matures May 2009			
		Interest rate 10.45%	\$ 1,890,274	1,870,839	1,870,839
		Preferred Stock			
		Warrants		23,823	21,479
Total Market Force Information, Inc.				1,894,662	1,892,318
Wageworks, Inc. (10.73%)( <sup>4</sup> )	Consumer & Business Products	Senior Debt			
		Matures November 2008			
		Interest rate Prime + 4.00%	\$ 15,221,265	15,071,286	15,071,286
		Preferred Stock			
		Warrants		251,964	1,167,833
Wageworks, Inc. (0.17%)		Preferred Stock		249,995	249,995
Total Wageworks, Inc.				15,573,245	16,489,114
<b>Total Consumer &amp; Business Products (15.40%)</b>				22,495,009	23,297,367
IKANO Communications, Inc. (0.07%)	Communications & Networking	Preferred Stock			
		Warrants		45,460	38,190
		Preferred Stock			
		Warrants		72,344	63,006
Total IKANO Communications, Inc.				117,804	101,196
Interwise, Inc. (1.51%)( <sup>4</sup> )	Communications & Networking	Senior Debt			
		Matures August 2008			
		Interest rate 17.50%	\$ 2,285,864	2,028,199	2,028,199
		Preferred Stock			
		Warrants		268,401	257,524
Total Interwise, Inc.				2,296,600	2,285,723

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Pathfire, Inc. (3.12%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Communications & Networking	Senior Debt			
		Matures			
		December 2008			
		Interest rate Prime + 3.65%	\$4,713,221	\$4,667,522	\$4,667,522
		Preferred Stock		63,276	58,353
		Warrants			
Total Pathfire, Inc.				4,730,798	4,725,875
Ping Identity Corporation (1.93%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Communications & Networking	Senior Debt			
		Matures June 2009			
		Interest rate 11.50%	\$2,787,816	2,745,557	2,745,557
		Preferred Stock		51,801	165,396
		Warrants			
Total Ping Identity Corporation				2,797,358	2,910,953
Rivulet Communications, Inc. (2.31%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Communications & Networking	Senior Debt			
		Matures			
		September 2009			
		Interest rate 10.60%	\$3,500,000	3,455,962	3,455,962
		Preferred Stock		50,710	45,010
		Warrants			
Rivulet Communications, Inc. (0.17%)		Preferred Stock		250,000	250,000
Total Rivulet Communications, Inc.				3,756,672	3,750,972
Simpler Networks Corp. (3.72%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Communications & Networking	Senior Debt			
		Matures July 2009			
		Interest rate 11.75%	\$5,000,000	4,874,934	4,874,934
		Preferred Stock		160,241	758,808
		Warrants			
Simpler Networks Corp. (0.33%)		Preferred Stock		500,000	500,000
Total Simpler Networks Corp.				5,535,175	6,133,742

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Optiscan Biomedical, Corp. (0.80%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Medical Devices & Equipment	Senior Debt			
		Matures March 2008 Interest rate 15.00%	\$ 1,189,322	\$ 1,142,588	\$ 1,142,588
		Preferred Stock			
		Warrants		80,486	72,786
Optiscan Biomedical, Corp. (0.66%)		Preferred Stock		1,000,000	1,000,000
Total Optiscan Biomedical, Corp.				2,223,074	2,215,374
Power Medical Interventions, Inc. (1.95%)	Medical Devices & Equipment	Senior Debt			
		Matures June 2008 Interest rate 10.71%	\$ 2,909,831	2,889,145	2,889,145
		Common Stock			
		Warrants		39,195	61,375
Total Power Medical Interventions, Inc.				2,928,340	2,950,520
Xillix Technologies Corp. (2.56%) <sup>(4)(6)</sup>	Medical Devices & Equipment	Senior Debt			
		Matures December 2008 Interest rate 12.40%	\$ 3,975,834	3,749,400	3,749,400
		Common Stock			
		Warrants		313,108	125,804
Total Xillix Technologies Corp.				4,062,508	3,875,204
<b>Total Medical Devices &amp; Equipment (13.61%)</b>				<b>20,777,019</b>	<b>20,594,359</b>
Affinity Express, Inc. (1.12%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Internet Consumer &	Senior Debt			

	Business Services				
		Matures November 2007			
		Interest rate 13.50%	\$1,180,670	1,165,557	1,165,557
		Senior Debt			
		Matures April 2009			
		Interest rate 13.75%	296,298	279,627	279,627
		Common Stock			
		Warrants		17,000	182,933
		Common Stock			
		Warrants		15,000	54,636
		Preferred Stock			
		Warrants		17,782	17,152
Affinity Express, Inc. (0.17%)		Preferred Stock		250,000	250,000
Total Affinity Express, Inc.				1,744,966	1,949,905
Hedgestreet, Inc. (3.11%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Internet Consumer & Business Services	Senior Debt			
		Matures March 2009			
		Interest rate 11.30%	\$4,709,457	4,667,869	4,667,869
		Preferred Stock			
		Warrants		54,956	50,302
Total Hedgestreet, Inc.				4,722,825	4,718,171
Invoke Solutions, Inc. (1.82%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Internet Consumer & Business Services	Senior Debt			
		Matures December 2008			
		Interest rate 11.25%	\$2,737,496	2,705,844	2,705,844
		Preferred Stock			
		Warrants		43,826	40,180
Total Total Invoke Solutions, Inc.				2,749,670	2,746,024
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RazorGator Interactive Group, Inc. (2.36%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Internet Consumer & Business Services	Senior Debt  Matures January 2008 Interest rate 9.95%	\$2,992,941	\$ 2,984,504 13,050	\$ 2,984,504 579,510
RazorGator Interactive Group, Inc. (1.13%)		Preferred Stock Warrants		1,000,000	1,708,170
Total RazorGator Interactive Group, Inc.				3,997,554	5,272,190
<b>Total Internet Consumer &amp; Business Services (9.71%)</b>				<b>13,215,015</b>	<b>14,686,290</b>
Legami Systems, Inc. (4.63%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Electronics & Computer Hardware	Senior Debt Matures August 2009 Interest rate 11.00%	\$7,000,000	6,941,305 60,416	6,941,305 60,620

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<b>Portfolio Company</b>	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Type of Investment<sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>Principal Amount</b>	<b>Cost<sup>(2)</sup></b>	<b>Value<sup>(3)</sup></b>
iWatt Inc. (1.32%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Semiconductors	Senior Debt Matures September 2009 Interest rate Prime + 2.75%	\$2,000,000	\$ 1,955,621	\$ 1,955,621
		Preferred Stock Warrants		45,684	45,909
Total iWatt Inc.				2,001,305	2,001,530
<b>Total Semiconductors (6.69%)</b>				10,140,281	10,117,065
Lilliputian Systems, Inc. (0.99%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Energy	Senior Debt Matures March 2010 Interest rate 9.75%	\$1,500,000	1,460,263	1,460,263
		Preferred Stock Warrants		48,460	44,407
Total Lilliputian Systems, Inc.				1,508,723	1,504,670
<b>Total Energy (0.99%)</b>				1,508,723	1,504,670
Total Investments (156.96%)				\$233,589,673	\$237,474,312

\* Value as a percent of net assets

(1) All debt investments are income

producing.  
Preferred and  
common stock  
and all warrants  
are non-income  
producing.

(2) Tax cost at  
September 30,  
2006 equals  
book cost. Gross  
unrealized  
appreciation,  
gross unrealized  
depreciation,  
and net  
appreciation  
totaled  
\$5,678,291,  
\$1,793,652 and  
\$3,884,639,  
respectively.

(3) Except for  
warrants in four  
publicly traded  
companies, all  
investments are  
restricted at  
September 30,  
2006 and were  
valued at fair  
value as  
determined in  
good faith by  
the Board of  
Directors. No  
unrestricted  
securities of the  
same issuer are  
outstanding.  
The Company  
uses the  
Standard  
Industrial Code  
for classifying  
the industry  
grouping of its  
portfolio  
companies.

- (4) Debt and warrant investments of this portfolio company have been pledged as collateral under the Citigroup facility. (See Note 5) Citigroup has an equity participation right on loans collateralized under the Citigroup facility. The value of their participation right on unrealized gains in the related equity investments was approximately \$454,000 at September 30, 2006 and is included in accrued liabilities and reduces the unrealized gain recognized by the Company at September 30, 2006.
- (5) Except for Concuity, Inc. all other investments are less than 5% owned. Concuity, Inc. is an affiliate investment, which is defined under the Investment

Company Act of 1940 as companies in which HTGC owns at least 5% but not more than 25% of the voting securities of the company.

- (6) Non-U.S. company or the company's principal place of business is outside the United States.

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**HERCULES TECHNOLOGY GROWTH CAPITAL, INC.**  
**CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2005**

Portfolio Company	Industry	Type of Investment <sup>(1)(5)</sup>	Principal Amount	Cost <sup>(2)</sup>	Value <sup>(3)(4)</sup>
Acceleron Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (3.50%)*	Biopharmaceuticals	Senior Debt			
		Matures June 2009			
		Interest rate 10.25%	\$4,000,000	\$ 3,932,539	\$ 3,932,539
		Preferred Stock Warrants		69,106	68,054
Total Acceleron Pharmaceuticals, Inc.			4,001,645	4,000,593	
Guava Technologies, Inc. (3.94%)	Biopharmaceuticals	Senior Debt			
		Matures July 2009			
		Interest rate Prime + 3.25%	\$4,500,000	4,397,111	4,397,111
		Preferred Stock Warrants		105,399	103,837
Total Guava Technologies, Inc.			4,502,510	4,500,948	
Labopharm USA, Inc. (8.63%)(4)(6)	Biopharmaceuticals	Senior Debt			
		Matures July 2008			
		Interest rate 11.95%	\$9,837,901	9,869,420	9,869,420
Labopharm USA, Inc. (1.20%)		Common Stock		112,335	1,367,268
Total Labopharm USA, Inc.				9,981,755	11,236,688
Merrimack Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (7.89%)(4)	Biopharmaceuticals	Senior Debt			
		Matures October 2008			
		Interest rate 11.15%	\$9,000,000	8,878,668	8,878,668
		Preferred Stock Warrants		155,456	140,675
Total Merrimack Pharmaceuticals, Inc.				9,034,124	9,019,343
Omxix Biopharmaceuticals, Inc. (4.16%)	Biopharmaceuticals	Senior Debt			



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		Matures March 2008			
		Interest rate	\$4,709,994	4,701,782	4,701,782
		11.45%			
		Common Stock Warrants		11,370	58,399
Total Omrix Biopharmaceuticals, Inc.				4,713,152	4,760,181
Paratek Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (8.76%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Biopharmaceuticals	Senior Debt			
		Matures June 2008			
		Interest rate	\$10,000,000	9,889,320	9,889,320
		10.6%			
		Preferred Stock Warrants		137,396	141,881
Total Paratek Pharmaceuticals, Inc.				10,026,716	10,031,201
<b>Total Biopharmaceuticals (38.08%)</b>				42,259,902	43,548,954
Atrenta, Inc. (4.38%)	Software	Senior Debt			
		Matures June 2009			
		Interest rate	\$5,000,000	4,869,095	4,869,095
		11.50%			
		Preferred Stock Warrants		102,396	102,886
		Preferred Stock Warrants		33,760	33,760
Total Atrenta, Inc.				5,005,251	5,005,741
Concuity, Inc. (3.99%)	Software	Senior Debt			
		Matures March 2008			
		Interest rate	\$4,570,498	4,567,873	4,567,873
		9.95%			
		Preferred Stock Warrants		3,500	
Total Concuity, Inc.				4,571,373	4,567,873
Gomez, Inc. (1.93%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Software	Senior Debt			
		Matures December 2007			
		Interest rate	\$2,197,436	2,175,075	2,175,075
		12.25%			
				35,000	32,467

		Preferred Stock Warrants		
Total Gomez, Inc.			2,210,075	2,207,542
Inxight Software, Inc. (4.38%)(4)	Software	Senior Debt Matures February 2008		
		Interest rate	\$5,000,000	4,956,279
		10.00%		4,956,279
		Preferred Stock Warrants	55,963	46,735
Total Inxight Software, Inc.			5,012,242	5,003,014

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Company	Industry	Type of Investment <sup>(1)(5)</sup>	Principal Amount	Cost <sup>(2)</sup>
(1.11%)	Software	Senior Debt Matures November 2007 Interest rate 12.95%	\$500,000	\$ 4,525,714
		Preferred Stock Warrants		50,000
				4,575,714
Inc. (3.51%)	Software	Senior Debt Matures July 2008 Interest rate 12.00%	\$4,000,000	3,917,802
		Preferred Stock Warrants		96,370
				4,014,172
Inc. (3.08%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Software	Senior Debt Matures June 2008 Interest rate 9.95%	\$3,518,716	3,488,119
		Preferred Stock Warrants		39,339
				3,527,458
p. (2.99%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Software	Subordinated Debt Matures December 2007 Interest rate 11.25%	\$3,410,120	3,378,814
		Preferred Stock Warrants		49,000
				3,427,814
<b>are (25.37%)</b>				<b>32,344,099</b>
Inc. (17.12%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Consumer & Business Products	Senior Debt Matures November 2008 Interest rate Prime + 4.00%	\$18,583,966	18,379,995
		Preferred Stock Warrants		251,964
Inc. (0.22%)		Preferred Stock		249,995
				18,881,954
<b>mer &amp; Business Products (17.34%)</b>				<b>18,881,954</b>

Communications, Inc.	Communications & Networking	Senior Debt		
		Matures December 2008		
		Interest rate 9.25%	\$16,454,540	16,402,789
		Preferred Stock Warrants		45,460
		Preferred Stock Warrants		72,344
Communications, Inc.				16,520,593
c. (2.46%)(4)	Communications & Networking	Senior Debt		
		Matures August 2008		
		Interest rate 17.50%	\$2,809,653	2,809,653
ise, Inc.				2,809,653
orks, Inc. (2.79%)	Communications & Networking	Senior Debt		
		Matures December 2007		
		Interest rate 11.95%	\$2,559,827	2,540,021
		Preferred Stock Warrants		14,000
		Common Stock Warrants		17,000
Networks, Inc.				2,571,021
poration (4.37%)	Communications & Networking	Senior Debt		
		Matures September 2006		
		Interest rate Prime + 7.25%	\$5,000,000	5,000,000
a Corporation				5,000,000
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Portfolio Company	Industry	Type of Investment <sup>(1)(5)</sup>	Principal Amount	Cost <sup>(2)</sup>	Value <sup>(3)(4)</sup>
Pathfire, Inc. (4.38%)	Communications & Networking	Senior Debt			
		Matures December 2008			
		Interest rate Prime + 3.65%	\$5,000,000	\$ 4,938,482	\$ 4,938,482
		Preferred Stock Warrants		63,276	64,144
Total Pathfire, Inc.			5,001,758	5,002,626	
<b>Total Communications &amp; Networking (28.44%)</b>				31,903,025	32,525,098
Adiana, Inc. (1.76%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Medical Devices & Equipment	Senior Debt			
		Matures June 2008			
		Interest rate Prime + 6.00%	\$2,000,000	1,943,979	1,943,979
		Preferred Stock Warrants		67,225	66,404
Adiana, Inc. (0.44%)		Preferred Stock		500,000	500,000
Total Adiana, Inc.			2,511,204	2,510,383	
Optiscan Biomedical, Corp. (1.54%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Medical Devices & Equipment	Senior Convertible Term Loan			
		Matures March 2008			
		Interest rate 15.00%	\$1,753,164	1,683,063	1,683,063
		Preferred Stock Warrants		80,486	81,185
Optiscan Biomedical, Corp. (0.87%)		Preferred Stock		1,000,000	1,000,000
Total Optiscan Biomedical, Corp.			2,763,549	2,764,248	
Power Medical Interventions, Inc. (3.52%)	Medical Devices & Equipment	Senior Debt			

		Matures June 2008			
		Interest rate			
		10.71%	\$4,000,000	3,969,515	3,969,515
		Common Stock			
		Warrants		39,195	56,490
Total Power Medical Interventions, Inc.				4,008,710	4,026,005
Xillix Technologies Corp. (4.83%)(6)	Medical Devices & Equipment	Senior Debt			
		Matures December 2008			
		Interest rate			
		12.40%	\$5,500,000	5,195,589	5,195,589
		Preferred Stock			
		Warrants		313,108	325,601
Total Xillix Technologies Corp.				5,508,697	5,521,190
<b>Total Medical Devices &amp; Equipment (12.96%)</b>				14,792,160	14,821,826
Affinity Express, Inc. (1.54%)(4)	Internet Consumer & Business Services	Senior Debt			
		Matures November 2007			
		Interest rate			
		13.50%	\$1,583,531	1,560,450	1,560,450
		Common Stock			
		Warrants		17,000	187,922
		Common Stock			
		Warrants		15,000	12,995
Affinity Express, Inc. (0.22%)		Preferred Stock		250,000	250,000
Total Affinity Express, Inc.				1,842,450	2,011,367
Invoke Solutions, Inc. (1.31%)	Internet Consumer & Business Services	Senior Debt			
		Matures December 2008			
		Interest rate			
		11.25%	\$1,500,000	1,457,391	1,457,391
		Preferred Stock			
		Warrants		43,826	44,155
Total Invoke Solutions, Inc.				1,501,217	1,501,546

RazorGator Interactive Group, Inc. (3.64%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Internet Consumer & Business Services	Senior Debt			
		Matures January 2008			
		Interest rate 9.95%	\$4,104,553	4,095,853	4,095,853
		Preferred Stock			
		Warrants		13,050	64,833
RazorGator Interactive Group, Inc. (0.87%)		Preferred Stock		1,000,000	1,000,000
Total RazorGator Interactive Group, Inc.				5,108,903	5,160,686
<b>Total Internet Consumer &amp; Business Service (7.58%)</b>				8,452,570	8,673,599

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Portfolio Company	Industry	Type of Investment <sup>(1)(5)</sup>	Principal Amount	Cost <sup>(2)</sup>	Value <sup>(3)(4)</sup>
Cornice Inc. (11.24%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Electronics & Computer Hardware	Senior Debt			
		Matures November 2008			
		Interest rate Prime + 4.50%	\$5,000,000	\$ 4,915,455	\$ 4,915,455
		Revolving Line of Credit			
		Matures November 2006			
		Interest rate Prime + 3.00%	\$7,834,131	7,663,375	7,663,375
		Preferred Stock Warrants		101,597	99,336
		Preferred Stock Warrants		35,353	34,230
		Preferred Stock Warrants		135,403	132,390
Total Cornice, Inc.				12,851,183	12,844,786
Sling Media, Inc. (4.29%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Electronics & Computer Hardware	Senior Debt			
		Matures January 2009			
		Interest rate 10.25%	\$4,000,000	3,965,029	3,965,029
		Preferred Stock Warrants		38,968	945,365
Total Sling Media, Inc.				4,003,997	4,910,394
<b>Total Electronics &amp; Computer Hardware (15.53%)</b>				<b>16,855,180</b>	<b>17,755,180</b>
Ageia Technologies (7.00%) <sup>(4)</sup>	Semiconductor	Senior Debt			
		Matures August 2008			
		Interest rate 10.25%	\$8,000,000	7,914,586	7,914,586
		Preferred Stock Warrants		99,190	93,518
Ageia Technologies			500,000	500,000	
Total Ageia Technologies				8,513,776	8,508,104
Cradle Technologies (1.75%)	Semiconductors	Senior Debt			
		Matures December 2008			
		Interest rate Prime + 4.70%	\$2,000,000	1,923,049	1,923,049
		Preferred Stock Warrants		79,150	78,730



Total Cradle Technologies	2,002,199	2,001,779
<b>Total Semiconductors (9.20%)</b>	10,515,975	10,509,883
Total Investments (154.50%)	\$176,004,865	\$176,673,226

\* Value as a percent of net assets

(1) All debt investments are income producing. Preferred and common stock and all warrants are non-income producing.

(2) Tax cost at December 31, 2005 equals book cost. Gross unrealized appreciation, gross unrealized depreciation, and net appreciation totaled \$4,035,789, \$3,367,428 and \$668,361, respectively, at December 31, 2005.

(3) Except for common stock held in Labopharm Biopharmaceuticals, all investments are restricted at December 31, 2005 and were valued at fair value as determined in good faith by the Board of

Directors. No unrestricted securities of the same issuer are outstanding. The Company uses the Standard Industrial Code for classifying the industry grouping of its portfolio companies.

- (4) Debt and warrant investments of this portfolio company have been pledged as collateral under the Citigroup facility. (see Note 5) Citigroup has an equity participation right on warrants collateralized under the Citigroup facility. The value of their participation right on unrealized gains in the related equity investments was approximately \$342,000 at December 31, 2005 and is included in accrued liabilities and reduces the unrealized gain recognized by the Company at December 31, 2005.
- (5) All investments are less than 5% owned.
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**HERCULES TECHNOLOGY GROWTH CAPITAL, INC.**  
**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS**  
**(unaudited)**

	<b>Three Months Ended</b>		<b>Nine Months Ended</b>	
	<b>September 30,</b>		<b>September 30,</b>	
	<b>2006</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2005</b>
Investment income:				
Interest				
Non-affiliate investments (less than 5% owned)	\$ 6,611,239	\$ 3,419,119	\$ 18,421,609	\$ 5,815,004
Affiliate investments (5% to 25% owned)	86,052		86,052	
Total interest income	6,697,291	3,419,119	18,507,661	5,815,004
Fees				
Non-affiliate investments (less than 5% owned)	840,908	235,046	2,293,915	498,180
Affiliate investments (5% to 25% owned)	5,833	5,833	17,500	13,611
Total fee income	846,741	240,879	2,311,415	511,791
Total investment income	7,544,032	3,659,998	20,819,076	6,326,795
Operating expenses:				
Interest	1,420,140	585,773	4,455,015	1,030,217
Loan fees	149,677	253,333	687,158	686,666
Compensation and benefits	1,244,993	987,096	3,577,313	2,351,924
General and administrative	1,436,467	833,962	4,040,445	1,479,381
Stock-based compensation	175,600	115,000	428,600	195,000
Total operating expenses	4,426,877	2,775,164	13,188,531	5,743,188
Net investment income before provision for income tax and investment gains and losses	3,117,155	884,834	7,630,545	583,607
Income tax (benefit) expense	(345,089)		643,088	
Net investment income (loss)	3,462,244	884,834	6,987,457	583,607
Net realized loss on investments	(2,482,465)		(2,570,705)	
Net increase in unrealized appreciation on investments	592,860	677,090	3,027,251	1,720,482
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(1,889,605)	677,090	456,546	1,720,482

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Net increase in net assets resulting from operations	\$ 1,572,639	\$ 1,561,924	\$ 7,444,003	\$ 2,304,089
Net investment income before provision for income tax and investment gains and losses:				
Basic	\$ 0.23	\$ 0.09	\$ 0.63	\$ 0.10
Diluted	\$ 0.23	\$ 0.09	\$ 0.62	\$ 0.10
Change in net assets per common share:				
Basic	\$ 0.12	\$ 0.16	\$ 0.61	\$ 0.39
Diluted	\$ 0.11	\$ 0.16	\$ 0.61	\$ 0.38
Cash dividend declared per common share	\$ .30	\$	\$ .90	\$
Weighted average shares outstanding				
Basic	13,660,604	9,802,000	12,157,953	5,975,000
Diluted	13,779,192	9,917,000	12,276,541	6,084,000

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**HERCULES TECHNOLOGY GROWTH CAPITAL, INC.**  
**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS**  
**(unaudited)**

	Common Stock Shares	Par Value	Capital in excess of par value	Unrealized Appreciation on Investments	Accumulated Realized Gains(Losses) on Investments	Distributions in Excess of Investment Income	Net Assets
Balance at December 31, 2004	2,059,270	\$ 2,059	\$ 27,117,896	\$	\$	\$ (2,041,822)	\$ 25,078,133
Net increase in stockholders equity resulting from operations				1,720,482		583,607	2,304,089
Issuance of common shares, net of offering costs	268,134	268	3,870,542				3,870,810
Issuance of shares in lieu of 5 year warrants	298,598	299	(299)				
Issuance of shares on exercise of 1 year warrants	1,175,963	1,176	12,428,744				12,429,920
Issuance of common shares in IPO, net of offering costs	6,000,000	6,000	70,885,820				70,891,820
Stock-based compensation			195,000				195,000
Balance at September 30, 2005	9,801,965	\$ 9,802	\$ 114,497,703	\$ 1,720,482	\$	\$ (1,458,215)	\$ 114,769,772
Balance at December 31, 2005	9,801,965	\$ 9,802	\$ 114,524,833	\$ 353,093	\$ 481,694	\$ (1,017,092)	\$ 114,352,330

Net increase in stockholders equity resulting from operations				3,027,251	(2,570,705)	6,987,457	7,444,003
Issuance of common shares	444,150	444	5,133,431				5,133,875
Issuance of common shares in Rights Offering, net of offering costs	3,411,992	3,412	33,825,908				33,829,320
Issuance of common stock under dividend reinvestment plan	18,211	18	211,777				211,795
Dividends declared						(10,105,104)	(10,105,104)
Stock-based compensation			428,600				428,600
Balance at September 30, 2006	13,676,318	\$13,676	\$154,124,549	\$3,380,344	\$(2,089,011)	\$(4,134,739)	\$151,294,819

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**HERCULES TECHNOLOGY GROWTH CAPITAL, INC.**  
**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**  
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	<b>Nine Months Ended September</b>	
	<b>30,</b>	
	<b>2006</b>	<b>2005</b>
<b>Cash flows from operating activities:</b>		
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations	\$ 7,444,003	\$ 2,304,089
Adjustments to reconcile net increase in net assets resulting from operations to net cash used in operating activities:		
Purchase of investments	(133,021,298)	(114,580,000)
Principal payments received on investments	70,758,413	2,907,656
Net unrealized appreciation on investments	(3,216,279)	(1,720,482)
Net unrealized appreciation on investments due to lender	247,838	
Net realized depreciation on investments	2,579,481	
Accretion of loan discounts	(1,189,178)	(194,942)
Accretion of loan exit fees	(468,405)	(209,951)
Depreciation	32,959	
Stock-based compensation	562,475	195,000
Amortization of deferred loan origination revenue	(1,970,143)	(449,141)
Change in operating assets and liabilities:		
Interest receivable	(269,196)	(884,140)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(42,654)	(1,067,169)
Income tax receivable	(878,512)	
Deferred tax asset	1,454,000	
Accounts payable	227,881	320,297
Income tax payable	(1,709,000)	
Accrued liabilities	1,492,746	1,189,598
Deferred loan origination revenue	2,807,465	2,011,750
Net cash used in operating activities	(55,157,404)	(110,177,435)
<b>Cash flows from investing activities:</b>		
Proceeds from sale of investments	3,683,388	
Purchases of capital equipment	(315,336)	(49,104)
Other long-term assets	(381,124)	(18,046)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	2,986,928	(67,150)
<b>Cash flows from financing activities:</b>		
Proceeds from issuance of common stock, net	38,829,320	87,192,550
Dividends paid	(9,893,309)	
Net proceeds of credit facilities	15,000,000	25,000,000
Net cash provided by financing activities	43,936,011	112,192,550

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Net decrease (increase) in cash	(8,234,465)	1,947,965
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	15,362,447	8,678,329
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 7,127,982	\$ 10,626,294

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**HERCULES TECHNOLOGY GROWTH CAPITAL, INC.  
NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
(unaudited)**

**1. Description of Business and Unaudited Interim Consolidated Financial Statements Basis of Presentation**

Hercules Technology Growth Capital, Inc. (the Company) is a specialty finance company that provides debt and equity growth capital to technology-related and life-science companies at all stages of development. The Company sources its investments through its principal office located in Silicon Valley, as well as through its additional offices in the Boston, Massachusetts, Boulder, Colorado, Chicago, Illinois, and Columbus, Ohio areas. The Company was incorporated under the General Corporation Law of the State of Maryland in December 2003. The Company commenced operations on February 2, 2004 and commenced investment activities in September 2004.

The Company is an internally managed, non-diversified closed-end investment company that has elected to be regulated as a business development company (BDC) under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the 1940 Act). The Company intends to elect to be regulated for federal income tax purposes as a regulated investment company (RIC) for the 2006 tax year. If the Company qualifies as a RIC for the year ended December 31, 2006, the election will be effective as of January 1, 2006.

On June 11, 2005, the Company raised approximately \$70.9 million, net of issuance costs, from an initial public offering (IPO) of 6,000,000 shares of its common stock. On April 21, 2006, the Company raised approximately \$34.0 million, net of issuance costs, from a rights offering of 3,411,992 shares of its common stock. The shares were sold at \$10.55 per share which was equivalent to 95% of the volume weighted average price of shares traded during the ten days immediately prior to the expiration date of the offering. On October 20, 2006, the Company raised approximately \$30.0 million, net of estimated issuance costs, in a public offering of 2.5 million shares of its common stock. (See Note 14).

In January 2005, the Company formed Hercules Technology II, L.P. (HT II) and Hercules Technology SBIC Management, LLC (HTM). On May 3, 2005, HT II filed an application with the Small Business Administration (the SBA) to become licensed as a Small Business Investment Company (SBIC) and on September 27, 2006, the HT II received its license as an SBIC. HT II will be able to borrow funds from the SBA against eligible pre-approved investments and additional contributions to regulatory capital. At September 30, 2006, the Company had a net investment of \$2.5 million in HT II, there is one outstanding investment in the amount of \$3.0 million and the Company has not drawn any leverage. HTM is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company. The Company is the sole limited partner of HT II and HTM is the general partner.

In July 2005, the Company formed Hercules Funding I LLC and Hercules Funding Trust I, an affiliated statutory trust, and executed a \$125 million securitized credit facility, as amended, with Citigroup Global Markets Realty Corp. (See Note 4).

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its subsidiaries. All inter-company accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. The accompanying consolidated interim financial statements are presented in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (U.S. GAAP) for interim financial information, and pursuant to the requirements for reporting on Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, certain disclosures accompanying annual consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP are omitted. In the opinion of management, all adjustments, apart from the reclassification described in Note 2, consisting solely of normal recurring accruals considered necessary for the fair presentation of consolidated financial statements for the interim period, have been included. The current period's results of operations are not necessarily indicative of results that ultimately may be achieved for the year. Therefore, the interim unaudited consolidated financial statements and notes should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto for the period ended December 31, 2005. Financial statements prepared on a U.S. GAAP basis require management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts and disclosures reported in the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. Such estimates and assumptions could change in the future as more information becomes known, which could impact the amounts reported and disclosed herein.

**2. Reclassifications**

Certain prior period information has been reclassified to conform to current year presentation. When the Company exits an investment and realizes a gain or loss, the Company makes an accounting entry to reverse any unrealized appreciation or depreciation, respectively, that the Company previously recorded to reflect the appreciated or depreciated value of the investment. The Company recorded a reversal of \$3.3 million from unrealized depreciation and recorded a realized loss of \$3.3 million

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for the nine months ended September 30, 2006. During the fourth quarter of 2005, the Company recorded an unrealized depreciation of approximately \$3.3 million in one portfolio company. As disclosed in Footnote 16 Subsequent Events; to the financial statements filed under Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005, the assets of the portfolio company were sold in January 2006, and a realized loss was incurred. The difference between the unrealized depreciation as recorded in 2005 and the actual realized loss was not material. The Company did not reverse the loss from an unrealized depreciation to a realized loss in the first quarter of 2006. If the loss had been reversed, the net realized gain of approximately \$1.5 million as reported in the first quarter would have resulted in a net realized loss of \$1.7 million and the net unrealized appreciation of approximately \$674,000 as reported in the first quarter would have resulted in an unrealized appreciation of \$3.9 million. This reversal does not affect the reported Net Investment Income, Net Income, Earnings per Share, Net Asset Value or Net Asset Value per Share for the first quarter or on a year to date basis. The total realized loss for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2006 was \$2.6 million and net unrealized appreciation was \$3.0 million after the reversal. There were no realized gains or losses during the three and nine-months periods ended September 30, 2005.

**3. Valuation of Investments**

Value is defined in Section 2(a)(41) of the 1940 Act, as (i) the market price for those securities for which a market quotation is readily available and (ii) for all other securities and assets, fair value is as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors. Because the Company invests primarily in structured mezzanine debt investments ( debt ) and equity growth capital ( equity ) of privately-held technology-related and life-science companies backed by leading venture capital and private equity firms, the Company values substantially all of its investments at fair value, as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors in accordance with established valuation policies and consistently applied procedures and the recommendations of the Valuation Committee of the Board of Directors. At September 30, 2006, approximately 97% of the Company's total assets represented investments in portfolio companies of which greater than 99% are valued at fair value by the Board of Directors.

Estimating fair value requires that judgment be applied to the specific facts and circumstances of each portfolio investment. Fair value is the amount for which an investment could be exchanged in an orderly disposition over a reasonable period of time between willing parties other than in a forced or liquidation sale. Due to the inherent uncertainty in the valuation process, fair value may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had a ready market for the securities existed, and the differences could be material. In addition, changes in the market environment and other events that may occur over the life of the investments may cause the gains or losses ultimately realized on these investments to be different than the valuations currently assigned.

When originating a debt instrument, the Company expects to receive warrants or other equity-related securities from the borrower. The Company determines the cost basis of the warrants or other equity-related securities received based upon their respective fair values on the date of receipt in proportion to the total fair value of the debt and warrants or other equity-related securities received.

At each reporting date, privately held debt and equity securities are valued based on an analysis of various factors including, but not limited to, the portfolio company's operating performance and financial condition and general market conditions that could impact the valuation. When an external event occurs, such as a purchase transaction, public offering, or subsequent equity sale, the pricing indicated by that external event is utilized to corroborate the Company's valuation of the debt and equity securities. An unrealized loss is recorded when an investment has decreased in value, including: where collection of a loan is doubtful, there is an adverse change in the underlying collateral or operational performance, there is a change in the borrower's ability to pay, or there are other factors that lead to a determination of a lower valuation for the debt or equity security. Conversely, unrealized appreciation is recorded when the investment has appreciated in value. Securities that are traded in the over the counter markets or on a stock exchange will be valued at the prevailing bid price at period end. The Board of Directors estimates the fair value of warrants and other equity-related securities in good faith using a Black-Scholes pricing model and consideration of the issuer's earnings, sales to third parties of similar securities, the comparison to publicly traded securities, and other factors. Any resulting discount on the loan from recordation of the warrant or other equity instruments is accreted into interest income over the life of the loan.

As required by the 1940 Act, the Company classifies its investments by level of control. Control Investments are defined in the 1940 Act as investments in those companies that the Company is deemed to Control. Generally, under the 1940 Act, the Company is deemed to Control a company in which it has invested if it owns 25% or more of the voting securities of such company or has greater than 50% representation on its board. Affiliate Investments are investments in those companies that are Affiliated Companies of the Company, as defined in the 1940 Act, which are not Control Investments. The Company is deemed to be an Affiliate of a company in which it has invested if it owns 5% or more but less than 25% of the voting securities of such company. Non-Control/Non-Affiliate Investments are those investments that are neither Control Investments nor Affiliate Investments. At September 30, 2006, the Company owned greater than 5% but less than 25% of the voting securities in one investment. At December 31, 2005, all of the Company's investments were in Non-Control/Non-Affiliate companies.

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Security transactions are recorded on the trade-date basis.

A summary of the composition of the Company's investment portfolio as of September 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005 at fair value is shown as follows:

(\$ in millions)	September 30, 2006		December 31, 2005	
	Investments at Fair Value	Percentage of Total Portfolio	Investments at Fair Value	Percentage of Total Portfolio
Senior debt with warrants	\$ 226.9	95.5%	\$ 168.4	95.3%
Subordinated debt	2.3	1.0%	3.4	1.9%
Preferred stock	8.3	3.5%	3.5	2.0%
Common stock		0.0%	1.4	0.8%
	\$ 237.5	100.0%	\$ 176.7	100.0%

A Summary of the Company's investment portfolio, at value, by geographic location is as follows:

(\$ in millions)	September 30, 2006		December 31, 2005	
	Investments at Fair Value	Percentage of Total Portfolio	Investments at Fair Value	Percentage of Total Portfolio
United States	\$ 223.1	93.9%	\$ 155.9	88.2%
Canada	11.4	4.8%	16.8	9.5%
Israel	3.0	1.3%	4.0	2.3%
	\$ 237.5	100.0%	\$ 176.7	100.0%

The following table shows the fair value of our portfolio by industry sector at September 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005 (excluding unearned income):

(\$ in millions)	September 30, 2006		December 31, 2005	
	Investments at Fair Value	Percentage of Total Portfolio	Investments at Fair Value	Percentage of Total Portfolio
Biopharmaceuticals	\$ 82.6	34.8%	\$ 43.6	24.7%
Software	41.1	17.3%	29.0	16.4%
Electronics & computer hardware	23.7	10.0%	17.8	10.1%
Consumer & business products	23.3	9.8%	19.8	11.2%
Medical devices & equipment	20.6	8.7%	14.8	8.4%
Communications & networking	19.9	8.4%	32.5	18.4%
Internet consumer & business services	14.7	6.2%	8.7	4.9%
Semiconductors	10.1	4.2%	10.5	5.9%
Energy	1.5	0.6%		0.0%
	\$ 237.5	100.0%	\$ 176.7	100.0%

During the three and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2006, the Company made investments in debt securities totaling \$65.4 million and \$130.0 million, respectively, and made investments in equity securities of approximately \$1.8 million and \$3.0 million, respectively. In addition, during the quarter ended September 30, 2006,

the Company exercised an equity participation right with one portfolio company and converted \$1.0 million of debt to equity.

Loan origination and commitment fees received in full at the inception of a loan are deferred and amortized into fee income as an enhancement to the related loan's yield over the contractual life of the loan. Loan exit fees to be paid at the termination of the loan are accreted into fee income over the contractual life of the loan. Original discount fees are reflected as adjustments to the loan yield. The

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Company had approximately \$3.6 million and \$2.7 million of unamortized fees at September 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005, respectively, and approximately \$847,000 and \$351,000 in exit fees receivable at September 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005, respectively.

**4. Credit Facility**

On April 12, 2005, the Company entered into a bridge loan credit facility (the Bridge Loan Credit Facility or the Loan ) with Alcmene Funding, L.L.C. ( Alcmene ), a special purpose vehicle that is an affiliate of Farallon Capital Management, L.L.C., a shareholder of the Company. The Loan was subsequently amended on August 1, 2005 and March 6, 2006. The Loan was originally a \$25 million senior secured term loan, allowing for up to an additional \$25 million of discretionary supplemental senior secured loans. On August 1, 2005, the Company amended the Loan with an agreement extending the term of the Bridge Loan Credit Facility to April 12, 2006. The amendment eliminated the loan extension fee, revised the interest rate effective August 1, 2005 to LIBOR plus 5.6% through December 31, 2005 and thereafter to 13.5% per annum, and amended certain collateral rights and financial covenants. On March 6, 2006, the Company entered into an agreement to repay \$10.0 million of the \$25.0 million outstanding under its Bridge Loan Credit Facility. The Company also extended the maturity of the remaining \$15.0 million to June 30, 2006 and decreased the interest rate from 13.5% to 10.86% per annum. On May 10, 2006, the Company repaid the \$15.0 million outstanding under the Bridge Loan Credit Facility and paid a \$500,000 loan fee due on maturity plus all accrued and unpaid interest through the date of repayment. At September 30, 2006, the Bridge Loan Credit Facility is no longer outstanding.

**5. Securitization Agreement**

On August 1, 2005, the Company, through Hercules Funding Trust I, an affiliated statutory trust, executed a \$100 million securitized credit facility (the Citigroup Facility ) with Citigroup Global Markets Realty Corp. ( Citigroup ). Interest on borrowings under the Citigroup Facility are paid monthly and are charged at one-month LIBOR plus a spread of 1.65%. The Company paid a loan origination fee equal to 0.25% of the Citigroup Facility. On March 6, 2006, the Company amended the Citigroup facility with an agreement that increased the borrowing capacity under the facility to \$125.0 million, increased the advance rate to 60% of eligible loans and increased the eligible capacity for loans by geographic region. The amendment allows for an interest rate of LIBOR plus 2.5% on amounts borrowed in excess of \$100.0 million and an interest rate of LIBOR plus 5.0% for amounts borrowed in excess of 55% of eligible loans. The Company paid a restructuring fee of \$150,000 that was expensed ratably through initial maturity on July 31, 2006.

The Company's ability to make draws on the Citigroup Facility was to expire on July 31, 2006, however, it was extended for an additional 364-day period with the lenders' consent on July 28, 2006. Prior to its July 31, 2007 expiration date, the Citigroup Facility may be extended for an additional 364-day period with the lenders' consent. If the Citigroup Facility is not extended, any principal amounts then outstanding will be amortized over a six-month period through a termination date in January 2008. The Company paid an extension fee equal to 0.25% of the Citigroup Facility borrowing capacity which will be expensed ratably through maturity.

The Citigroup Facility is collateralized by loans and warrants from the Company's portfolio companies, and includes an advance rate of approximately 55% of eligible loans. The Citigroup Facility contains covenants that, among other things, require the Company to maintain a minimum net worth and to restrict the loans securing the Citigroup Facility to certain dollar amounts, to concentrations in certain geographic regions and industries, to certain loan grade classifications, to certain security interests, and to certain interest payment terms. Citigroup has an equity participation right through a warrant participation agreement on the pool of loans and warrants collateralized under the Citigroup facility. Pursuant to the warrant participation agreement, the Company granted to Citigroup a 10% participation in all warrants held as collateral. As a result, Citigroup is entitled to 10% of the realized gains on the warrants until the realized gains paid to Citigroup pursuant to the agreement equals \$3,750,000 (the Maximum Participation Limit ). The obligations under the warrant participation agreement continue even after the Citigroup facility is terminated until the Maximum Participation Limit has been reached. During the nine months ended September 30, 2006, the Company reduced its realized gain by approximately \$136,000 for Citigroup's participation in the gain on sale of an equity security and recorded an additional liability and reduced its unrealized gains by approximately \$248,000 for Citigroup's participation in unrealized gains in the warrant portfolio. The value of their

participation right on unrealized gains in the related equity investments since inception of the agreement was approximately \$454,000 at September 30, 2006 and is included in accrued liabilities and reduces the unrealized gain recognized by the Company at September 30, 2006. Since inception of the agreement, the Company has paid Citigroup approximately \$195,000 under the warrant participation agreement thereby reducing its realized gains.

At September 30, 2006, the Company, through its special purpose entity (SPE), had transferred pools of loans and warrants with a fair value of approximately \$182.1 million to Citibank and had drawn \$91.0 million under the facility. Transfers of loans have not met the requirements of SFAS No. 140, Accounting for Transfers and Servicing of Financial Assets and Extinguishments of Liabilities,



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for sales treatment and are, therefore, treated as secured borrowings, with the transferred loans remaining in investments and the related liability recorded in borrowings. The average debt outstanding under the Citigroup Facility for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2006 was approximately \$71.1 and \$66.9 million, respectively, and the average interest rates were approximately 7.00% and 6.96%, respectively.

**6. Income Taxes**

During the second quarter ended June 30, 2006, the Company determined that it was more likely than not that it would be able to qualify as a RIC for tax reporting purposes for the year ended December 31, 2006. The Company intends to elect to be regulated as a RIC for 2006. The election will be submitted with the filing of its 2006 tax return and would be effective as of January 1, 2006. If the Company meets the required qualification tests of a RIC, any income timely distributed to its shareholders will not be subject to corporate level federal income or excise taxes in those years that the company qualifies as a RIC. At March 31, 2006, the Company had a deferred tax asset of approximately \$181,000. During the second quarter, a full valuation reserve was recorded against this asset in anticipation that the Company would not have a future federal tax expense to offset the deferred tax asset. In addition, during the first quarter of 2006, the Company recorded a tax expense in the amount of approximately \$1.8 million that was reversed in the second quarter as the Company would not be subject to federal income or excise taxes in 2006. As a result, the Company recorded a tax benefit of approximately \$800,000 in the second quarter. Upon completion of the 2005 tax returns during the third quarter, the Company recorded an additional tax benefit of approximately \$345,000.

**7. Shareholders Equity**

The Company is authorized to issue 30,000,000 shares of common stock with a par value of \$0.001. Each share of common stock entitles the holder to one vote.

In January 2005 the Company notified its shareholders of its intent to elect to be regulated as a BDC. In conjunction with the Company's decision to elect to be regulated as a BDC, approximately 55% of the 5 Year Warrants were subject to mandatory cancellation under the terms of the Warrant Agreement with the warrant holder receiving one share of common stock for every two warrants cancelled and the exercise price of all warrants was adjusted to the then current net asset value of the common stock, subject to certain adjustments described in the Warrant Agreement. In addition, the 1 Year Warrants became subject to expiration immediately prior to the Company's election to become a BDC, unless exercised. Concurrent with the announcement of the BDC election, the Company reduced the exercise price of all remaining 1 and 5 Year Warrants from \$15.00 to \$10.57. On February 22, 2005, the Company cancelled 47% of all outstanding 5 Year Warrants and issued 298,598 shares of common stock to holders of warrants upon exercise. In addition, the majority of shareholders owning 1 Year Warrants exercised them, and purchased 1,175,963 of common shares at \$10.57 per share, for total consideration to the Company of \$12,429,920. All unexercised 1 Year Warrants were then cancelled.

On January 26, 2005, the Chief Executive Officer ( CEO ), the President, and four employees purchased 40,000, 13,500, and 8,567 units for \$1,200,000, \$405,000 and \$257,010, respectively. On January 26, 2005, JMP Group LLC ( JMPG ) also purchased 72,000 units for \$2,008,800, which is net of a placement fee of \$151,200 paid to an affiliate of JMPG. Each unit consisted of two shares of common stock, a 1-year warrant and a 5-year warrant.

On June 9, 2005, the Company raised approximately \$70.9 million, net of offering costs, from an IPO of 6,000,000 shares of its common stock.

On September 7, 2005, the Company registered 3,801,905 shares of common stock and 673,223 5-year warrants pursuant to its obligations under a registration rights agreement between the Company and certain shareholders. The Company will not receive any proceeds from the sale of these securities.

On March 7, 2006, the Company issued 432,900 shares of common stock for approximately \$5.0 million in a private placement. The shares of common stock are subject to a registration rights agreement between the Company and the purchasers. The shares were registered pursuant to a registration statement that was declared effective on June 7, 2006.

On April 21, 2006, the Company raised approximately \$33.8 million, net of issuance costs, from a rights offering of 3,411,992 shares of its common stock. The shares were sold at \$10.55 per share which was equivalent to 95% of the volume weighted average price of shares traded during the ten days immediately prior to the expiration date of the offering.



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On October 20, 2006, the Company raised approximately \$30.0 million, net of estimated issuance costs, in a public offering of 2.5 million shares of its common stock. (See Note 14).

A summary of activity in the 5 Year Warrants initially attached to units issued for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 is as follows:

	<b>Five-Year Warrants</b>
Warrants outstanding at December 31, 2005	616,672
Warrants issued	
Warrants cancelled	
Warrants exercised	
Warrants outstanding at September 30, 2006	616,672

**8. Earnings per Share**

Shares used in the computation of the Company's basic and diluted earnings per share are as follows:

	<b>Three Months Ended September 30,</b>		<b>Nine Months Ended September 30,</b>	
	<b>2006</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2005</b>
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations	\$ 1,572,639	\$ 1,561,924	\$ 7,444,003	\$ 2,304,089
Weighted average common shares outstanding	13,660,604	9,802,000	12,157,953	5,975,000
Change net assets per common share basic	\$ 0.12	\$ 0.16	\$ 0.61	\$ 0.39
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations	\$ 1,572,639	\$ 1,561,924	\$ 7,444,003	\$ 2,304,089
Weighted average common shares outstanding	13,660,604	9,802,000	12,157,953	5,975,000
Dilutive effect of warrants	118,588	115,000	118,588	109,000
Weighted average common shares outstanding, assuming dilution	13,779,192	9,917,000	12,276,541	6,084,000
Change net assets per common share assuming dilution	\$ 0.11	\$ 0.16	\$ 0.61	\$ 0.38

Weighted average common shares outstanding, assuming dilution, includes the incremental effect of shares that would be issued upon the assumed exercise of warrants. The Company has excluded all outstanding stock options from the calculation of diluted net income per share because these securities are antidilutive for all periods presented. These excluded common share equivalents could be dilutive in the future. Options for approximately 1,849,000 and 1,337,000 shares of common stock have been excluded for the three months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005, respectively.

**9. Related-Party Transactions**

In January 2005, the CEO, the President, and four employees purchased 40,000, 13,500, and 8,567 units for \$1,200,000, \$405,000 and \$257,010, respectively. On January 26, 2005, JMPG also purchased 72,000 units for \$2,008,800, which is net of an underwriting discount of \$151,200. Each unit consisted of two shares of our common stock, a 1 Year Warrant and a 5 Year Warrant.

On June 8, 2005, the Company entered into an Underwriting Agreement with JMP Securities LLC pursuant to which JMP Securities LLC served as the lead underwriter in the Company's initial public offering completed on June 9, 2006. The Company paid JMP Securities LLC a fee of approximately \$3.8 million in connection with their services as the lead underwriter.

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In conjunction with the Company's Rights offering completed on April 21, 2006, the Company agreed to pay JMP Securities LLC a fee of approximately \$700,000 as co-manager of the offering.

**10. Equity Incentive Plan**

The Company and its stockholders have authorized and adopted an equity incentive plan (the 2004 Plan) for purposes of attracting and retaining the services of its executive officers and key employees. Under the 2004 Plan, the Company is authorized to issue 7,000,000 shares of common stock. Unless terminated earlier by the Company's Board of Directors, the 2004 Plan will terminate on June 9, 2014, and no additional awards may be made under the 2004 Plan after that date.

In 2004, each employee stock option to purchase two shares of common stock was accompanied by a warrant to purchase one share of common stock within one year and a warrant to purchase one share of common stock within five years. Both options and warrants had an exercise price of \$15.00 per share on date of grant. On January 14, 2005, the Company notified all shareholders of its intent to elect to be regulated as a BDC and reduced the exercise price of all remaining 1 and 5 Year Warrants from \$15.00 to \$10.57 but did not reduce the strike price of the options (see Note 7). The unexercised one-year warrants expired and 55% of the five-year warrants were cancelled immediately prior to the Company's election to become a BDC.

A summary of common stock options and warrant activity under the Company's 2004 Plan for the nine months ended September 30, 2006, is as follows:

	<b>Common Stock Options</b>	<b>Five-Year Warrants</b>
Outstanding at December 31, 2005	1,337,436	56,551
Granted	623,500	
Exercised		
Cancelled	(111,590)	
Outstanding at September 30, 2006	1,849,346	56,551

At September 30, 2006 options for approximately 522,000 shares were exercisable at a weighted average exercise price of approximately \$13.60 per share with a weighted average exercise term of 4.5 years. The outstanding five year warrants have an expected life of five years.

The Company determined that the fair value of options and warrants granted during the nine month periods ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 was approximately \$817,000 and \$1.4 million, respectively. During the nine months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005, approximately \$428,000 and \$195,000 of share-based cost was expensed, respectively. The fair value of options granted in 2006 and 2005 was based upon a Black-Scholes option pricing model using the assumptions in the following table at September 30, 2006 and 2005:

	<b>2006</b>	<b>2005</b>
Expected volatility	24%	25%
Expected dividends	8%	8%
Expected term (in years)	4.5	4.5
Risk-free rate	4.53 - 5.05%	3.88 - 4.06%

The Company and its stockholders have authorized and adopted the 2006 Non-Employee Director Plan (the 2006 Plan) for purposes of attracting and retaining the services of its Board of Directors. Under the 2006 Plan, the Company is authorized to issue 1,000,000 shares of common stock. Unless terminated earlier by the Company's Board of Directors, the 2006 Plan will terminate on May 29, 2016 and no additional awards may be made under the 2006 Plan after that date. The Company has filed an exemptive relief request with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) to allow options to be issued under the 2006 Plan. No shares may be issued out of the 2006 Plan until such time as relief is provided by the SEC, and, as such, no shares were issued as of September 30, 2006.



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Following is a schedule of financial highlights for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005:

	<b>Nine Months Ended September 30,</b>	
	<b>2006</b>	<b>2005</b>
Per share data:		
Net asset value at beginning of period	\$ 11.67	\$ 12.18
Net investment income	0.58	0.06
Net realized loss on investments	(0.21)	
Net unrealized appreciation on investments	0.25	0.17
Total from investment operations	0.62	0.23
Net decrease in net assets from capital share transactions	(0.44)	(0.72)
Dividends paid	(0.83)	
Stock-based compensation expense included in investment loss <sup>(1)</sup>	0.04	0.02
Net asset value at end of period	\$ 11.06	\$ 11.71
Ratios and supplemental data:		
Per share market value at end of period	\$ 12.83	12.75
Total return	13.93% <sup>(2)</sup>	8.59% <sup>(3)</sup>
Shares outstanding at end of period	13,676,318	9,801,965
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	12,157,953	5,974,769
Net assets at end of period	\$ 151,294,819	\$ 114,769,772
Ratio of operating expense to average net assets (annualized)	12.87%	11.41%
Ratio of net investment income before provision for income tax expense and investment gains and losses (annualized)	7.45%	1.16%
Average debt outstanding	\$ 76,458,000	\$ 15,717,000
Weighted average debt per common share	\$ 6.29	\$ 2.63
Portfolio turnover	1.23%	n/a

(1) Stock option expense is a non-cash expense that has no effect on net asset value. Pursuant to Financial Accounting Standards No. 123R, net investment loss includes the expense associated with the granting of

stock options  
which is offset  
by a  
corresponding  
increase in  
paid-in capital.

(2) The total return  
for the period  
ended  
September 30,  
2006 equals the  
change in the  
ending market  
value over the  
beginning of  
period price per  
share plus  
dividends paid  
per share during  
the period,  
divided by the  
beginning price.

(3) The total return  
for the period  
ended  
September 30,  
2005 is for a  
shareholder who  
owned common  
shares  
throughout the  
period, and  
received one  
additional  
common share  
for every two 5  
Year Warrants  
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2005, exercised  
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common shares  
in the initial  
public offering



will have a different total return. The Company completed its initial public offering on June 11, 2005; prior to that date shares were issued in private placements.

## **12. Commitments and Contingencies**

In June 2006, the Company entered into a lease agreement for new office headquarters located in Palo Alto, California. The lease commenced in October 2006 and terminates in December 2013.

The Company and its executives are covered by Directors and Officers Insurance, with the directors and officers being indemnified by the Company to the maximum extent permitted by Maryland law subject to the restrictions in the 1940 Act.

## **13. Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

In June 2006, the FASB issued FASB Interpretation No. 48 ( FIN No. 48 ), *Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes - an interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109*, which clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in income taxes recognized in an enterprise's financial statements in accordance with FASB Statement No. 109, *Accounting for Income Taxes*. FIN No. 48 prescribes a recognition threshold and measurement attribute for the financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. FIN No. 48 also provides guidance on derecognition, classification, interest and penalties, accounting in interim periods, disclosure, and transition. FIN No. 48 will be effective as of the beginning of an entity's first fiscal year that begins after December 15, 2006. The Company will adopt this Interpretation effective January 1, 2007. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of FIN No. 48 on its financial position and results of operations.

In September 2006, the FASB issued SFAS No. 157 ( SFAS No. 157 ), *Fair Value Measurements*. Among other requirements, SFAS No. 157 defines fair value and establishes a framework for measuring fair value and also expands disclosure about the use of fair value to measure assets and liabilities. SFAS No. 157 is effective for the first fiscal year that begins after November 15, 2007. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of SFAS No. 157 on its financial position and results of operations.

## **14. Subsequent Events**

On October 16, 2006, the Board of Directors approved a dividend of \$0.30 per share to shareholders of record as of November 6, 2006 and payable on December 1, 2006.

On October 20, 2006, the Company raised approximately \$30.0 million, net of estimated issuance costs, in a public offering of 2.5 million shares of common stock delivered on October 25, 2006. The Company intends to use the net proceeds from the sale of the shares in the offering to reduce its credit borrowings, originate investments and for general corporate purposes.

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**ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

**Forward-Looking Statements**

The information set forth in both this Item 2 Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and the following Item 3 Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosure about Market Risk include forward-looking statements. Such forward-looking statements are subject to the safe harbor created by that section. Such statements may include, but are not limited to: projections of revenues, income or loss, capital expenditures, plans for product development and cooperative arrangements, future operations, financing needs, or plans of Hercules, as well as assumptions relating to the foregoing. The terms may, will, should, expects, plans, anticipates, continues, intends, target, projects, contemplates, believes, estimates, predicts, potential, or continue, or the negative terms, or other similar expressions generally identify forward-looking statements.

The forward-looking statements made in these Items 2 and 3 speak only to events as of the date on which the statements are made. You should not place undue reliance on such forward-looking statements, as substantial risks and uncertainties could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected in or implied by these forward-looking statements due to a number of risks and uncertainties affecting its business. The forward-looking statements contained in this Form 10-Q are made as of the date hereof, and Hercules assumes no obligation to update the forward-looking statements for subsequent events.

**Overview**

We are a specialty finance company that provides debt and equity growth capital to technology-related companies at all stages of development. We primarily finance privately-held companies backed by leading venture capital and private equity firms and also may finance certain publicly-traded companies. We source our investments through our principal office located in Silicon Valley, as well as our additional offices in the Boston, Boulder, Chicago and Columbus areas. Our goal is to be the leading structured mezzanine capital provider of choice for venture capital and private equity backed technology-related companies requiring sophisticated and customized financing solutions. Our strategy is to evaluate and invest in a broad range of ventures active in the technology and life science industries and to offer a full suite of growth capital products up and down the capital structure. We invest primarily in structured mezzanine debt and, to a lesser extent, in senior debt and equity investments. We use the term structured mezzanine debt investment to refer to any debt investment, such as a senior or subordinated secured loan, that is coupled with an equity component, including warrants, options or rights to purchase common or preferred stock. Our structured mezzanine debt investments will typically be secured by some or all of the assets of the portfolio company.

Our investment objective is to maximize our portfolio's total return by generating current income from our debt investments and capital appreciation from our equity-related investments. We are an internally managed, non-diversified closed-end investment company that has elected to be regulated as a business development company under the 1940 Act. As a business development company, we are required to comply with certain regulatory requirements. For instance, we generally have to invest at least 70% of our total assets in qualifying assets, including securities of private U.S. companies, cash, cash equivalents, U.S. government securities and high-quality debt investments that mature in one year or less.

From incorporation through December 31, 2005, we were taxed as a corporation under Subchapter C of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). During the second quarter ended June 30, 2006, we determined that it is more likely than not that we will be able to qualify as a RIC for tax reporting purposes for the year ended December 31, 2006. We intend to elect to be regulated as a RIC for 2006. The election will be submitted with the filing of our 2006 tax return and would be effective as of January 1, 2006. If we meet the required qualification tests of a RIC, any income timely distributed to our shareholders will not be subject to corporate level federal income or excise taxes in those years that we qualify as a RIC.

**Portfolio and Investment Activity**

We commenced investment operations in September 2004 and entered into our first debt investment in November 2004. The total value of our investment portfolio was \$237.5 million at September 30, 2006 as compared to \$176.7 million at December 31, 2005. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2006, we made debt commitments to 10 and 27 portfolio companies totaling \$81.5 million and \$194.6 million, respectively. We funded

\$65.4 million to 14 companies including five existing portfolio companies, and \$130.0 million to 34 companies including three existing portfolio companies during the three and nine-months ended September 30, 2006, respectively. During the quarter, we also made equity investments in two portfolio companies totaling \$1.7 million bringing

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total equity investments to five investments of \$3.0 million during the nine-months ended September 30, 2006. In addition, during the quarter ended September 30, 2006, we exercised an equity participation right with one portfolio company converting \$1.0 million of debt to equity, bringing total equity investments at fair value to approximately \$8.3 million at September 30, 2006. We had unfunded contractual commitments of \$95.7 million at September 30, 2006 that are subject to the same underwriting and ongoing portfolio maintenance as are the financial instruments that we hold.

During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2006, we received normal principal repayments of approximately \$9.5 million and \$24.9 million, respectively. We received repayments under one working capital line of credit of \$7.1 million and \$10.9 million for the three and nine-months ended September 30, 2006, respectively. We also received \$1.0 million repaid through a loan restructuring agreement during the three months ended September 30, 2006. In addition, we had two companies make early repayments totaling \$4.3 million during the third quarter bringing total early repayments from eight companies to \$34.0 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2006. Total portfolio investment activity (exclusive of unearned income) as of and for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2006 was as follows:

(\$ in millions)	September 30, 2006
Beginning Portfolio	\$ 176.7
Purchase of investments	130.0
Equity Investments	3.0
Principal payments received on investments	(36.8)
Early pay-offs	(34.0)
Accretion of loan discounts	1.2
Net realized and unrealized change in investments	(2.6)
Ending Portfolio	\$ 237.5

The following table shows the fair value of our portfolio of investments by asset class as of September 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005 (excluding unearned income):

(\$ in millions)	September 30, 2006		December 31, 2005	
	Investments at Fair Value	Percentage of Total Portfolio	Investments at Fair Value	Percentage of Total Portfolio
Senior debt with warrants	\$ 226.9	95.5%	\$ 168.4	95.3%
Subordinated debt	2.3	1.0%	3.4	1.9%
Preferred stock	8.3	3.5%	3.5	2.0%
Common stock		0.0%	1.4	0.8%
	\$ 237.5	100.0%	\$ 176.7	100.0%

A Summary of the company's investment portfolio at value by geographic location is as follows:

(\$ in millions)	September 30, 2006		December 31, 2005	
	Investments at Fair Value	Percentage of Total Portfolio	Investments at Fair Value	Percentage of Total Portfolio
United States	\$ 223.1	93.9%	\$ 155.9	88.2%

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Canada	11.4	4.8%	16.8	9.5%
Israel	3.0	1.3%	4.0	2.3%
	\$ 237.5	100.0%	\$ 176.7	100.0%

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The following table shows the fair value of our portfolio by industry sector at September 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005 (excluding unearned income):

(\$ in millions)	September 30, 2006		December 31, 2005	
	Investments	Percentage of	Investments	Percentage of
	at Fair Value	Total Portfolio	at Fair Value	Total Portfolio
Biopharmaceuticals	\$ 82.6	34.8%	\$ 43.6	24.7%
Software	41.1	17.3%	29.0	16.4%
Electronics & computer hardware	23.7	10.0%	17.8	10.1%
Consumer & business products	23.3	9.8%	19.8	11.2%
Medical devices & equipment	20.6	8.7%	14.8	8.4%
Communications & networking	19.9	8.4%	32.5	18.4%
Internet consumer & business services	14.7	6.2%	8.7	4.9%
Semiconductors	10.1	4.2%	10.5	5.9%
Energy	1.5	0.6%		0.0%
	\$ 237.5	100.0%	\$ 176.7	100.0%

We use the following investment grading system as amended January 2006 and approved by our Board of Directors:

1. Loans involve the least amount of risk in our portfolio. The borrower is performing above expectations, and the trends and risk profile is generally favorable.

2. The borrower is performing as expected and the risk profile is neutral to favorable. All new loans are initially graded 2.

3. The borrower may be performing below expectations, and the loan's risk has increased materially since origination. We increase procedures to monitor a borrower that may have limited amounts of cash remaining on the balance sheet, is approaching its next equity capital raise within the next three to six months, or if the estimated fair value of the enterprise may be lower than when the loan was originated. We will generally lower the loan grade to a level 3 even if the company is performing in accordance to plan as it approaches the need to raise additional cash to fund its operations. Once the borrower closes its new equity capital raise, we may increase the loan grade back to grade 2.

4. The borrower is performing materially below expectations, and the loan risk has substantially increased since origination. Loans graded 4 may experience some partial loss or full return of principal but are expected to realize some loss of interest which is not anticipated to be repaid in full, which, to the extent not already reflected, may require the fair value of the loan to be reduced to the amount we anticipate will be recovered. Grade 4 investments are closely being monitored.

5. The borrower is in workout, materially performing below expectations and significant risk of principal loss is probable. Loans graded 5 will experience some partial principal loss or full loss of remaining principal outstanding is expected. Grade 5 loans will require the fair value of the loans be reduced to the amount we anticipate, if any, will be recovered.

The following table shows the distribution of our outstanding debt investments on the 1 to 5 investment grading scale at fair value as of September 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005:

	September 30, 2006	December 31, 2005
(\$ in millions)		

Investment Grading	Investments	Percentage of	Investments	Percentage of
	at Fair Value	Total Portfolio	at Fair Value	Total Portfolio
1	\$ 10.5	4.8%	\$ 9.9	5.8%
2	174.4	79.3%	150.3	87.5%
3	24.6	11.2%	5.8	3.4%
4	10.5	4.7%	4.5	2.6%
5		%	1.3 <sup>(1)</sup>	0.7%
	\$ 220.0	100.0%	\$ 171.8	100.00%

(1) Reflects the value of the assets of this portfolio company that were sold in January 2006 for which we received approximately \$1.3 million in cash distributions. We received an additional contingent payment of approximately \$469,000 in the first quarter of 2006, and approximately \$361,000 in the second quarter of 2006. We may receive future distributions related to this sale but such distributions are contingent on future deliverables.

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As of September 30, 2006, our investments had a weighted average investment grading of 2.17 as compared to 2.05 at December 31, 2005. Our policy is to reduce the grading on our portfolio companies as they approach the point in time when they will require additional equity capital. Additionally, we may downgrade our portfolio companies if they are not meeting our financing criteria and their respective business plans. Various companies in our portfolio will require additional funding in the near term or have not met their business plans and have therefore been downgraded until the funding is complete or their operations improve. At September 30, 2006, 10 portfolio companies have been graded at 3, and four portfolio companies have been graded 4 as compared to four and one portfolio companies, respectively, at December 31, 2005.

At September 30, 2006, the weighted average yield to maturity of our loan obligations was approximately 12.75% as compared to 12.87% at December 31, 2005. Yields to maturity are computed using interest rates at inception and include amortization of loan facility fees, commitment fees and market premiums or discounts over the expected life of the debt investments, weighted by their respective costs when averaged and are based on the assumption that all contractual loan commitments have been fully funded.

We generate revenue in the form of interest income, primarily from our investments in debt securities, and commitment and facility fees. Fees generated in connection with our debt investments are recognized over the life of the loan or, in some cases, recognized as earned. In addition, we generate revenue in the form of capital gains, if any, on warrants or other equity-related securities that we acquire from our portfolio companies. Our investments generally range from \$1.0 million to \$20.0 million, with an average initial principal balance of between \$3.0 million and \$7.0 million. Our debt investments have a term of between two and seven years and typically bear interest at a rate ranging from 8.0% to 14.0% (based on current interest rate conditions). In addition to the cash yields received on our loans, in some instances, our loans may also include any of the following: end-of-term payments, exit fees, balloon payment fees, or prepayment fees, and diligence fees, which may be required to be included in income prior to receipt. In some cases, we collateralize our investments by obtaining security interests in our portfolio companies' assets, which may include their intellectual property. In other cases, we may obtain a negative pledge covering a company's intellectual property. Interest on debt securities is generally payable monthly, with amortization of principal typically occurring over the term of the security for emerging-growth and expansion-stage companies. In addition, certain loans may include an interest-only period ranging from three to nine months. In limited instances in which we choose to defer amortization of the loan for a period of time from the date of the initial investment, the principal amount of the debt securities and any accrued but unpaid interest become due at the maturity date. Our mezzanine debt investments also generally have equity enhancement features, typically in the form of warrants or other equity-related securities designed to provide us with an opportunity for capital appreciation.

**Results of Operations*****Comparison of the Three and nine-Months Ended September 30, 2006 and 2005*****Operating Income**

Interest income totaled approximately \$6.7 million and \$18.5 million for the three and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2006, respectively, compared with \$3.4 million and \$5.8 million for the three and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2005. Income from commitment and facility fees totaled approximately \$847,000 and \$2.3 million for the three and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2006, respectively, as compared with \$241,000 and \$512,000 for the three and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2005. The increases in investment income and income from commitment and facility fees for both periods presented are the result of higher average loan balances outstanding due to origination activity and yield from the related investments. At September 30, 2006, we had approximately \$3.6 million of deferred revenue related to commitment and facility fees, as compared to approximately \$1.8 million as of September 30, 2005. We expect to generate additional interest income and loan fees as we continue to originate additional investments.

**Operating Expenses**

Operating expenses totaled approximately \$4.4 million and \$13.2 million during the three and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2006, respectively, compared with \$2.8 million and \$5.7 million during the three and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2005, respectively. Operating expenses for the three and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2006 included





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interest expense, loan fees and unused commitment fees under our Bridge Loan Credit Facility and the Citigroup Facility of approximately \$1.6 million and \$5.1 million, respectively, compared with \$839,000 and \$1.7 million for the three and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2005, respectively. The increase in interest expense and loan fees was due to the additional debt outstanding under the Citigroup Facility that was not outstanding during the first nine months of 2005. This increase was offset by a lower interest rate under our debt facilities as a result of the repayment of the Bridge Loan Facility which bore a higher average rate of interest.

Employee compensation and benefits were approximately \$1.2 million and \$3.6 million for the three and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2006, respectively, compared with \$987,000 and \$2.4 million during the three and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2005, respectively. The increase in compensation expense was directly related to increasing our headcount from 18 employees at September 30, 2005 to 23 employees at September 30, 2006.

General and administrative expenses increased to \$1.4 million and \$4.0 million for the three and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2006, respectively, up from \$834,000 and \$1.5 million during the three and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2005, respectively. The increase for both periods was primarily due to increased Board of Director expenses, professional service costs related to our status as a public company and the creation of our SBIC subsidiaries, legal expenses, higher business insurance expense as a public company as well as increased business development expenses. In addition, our Board of Directors elected to take part of their compensation in common stock of the Company. As such, we issued 11,250 shares of our common stock with a fair market value of approximately \$134,000 during the third quarter.

In addition, we incurred approximately \$176,000 and \$429,000 of stock-based compensation expense in the three and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2006, respectively, as compared to \$115,000 and \$195,000 in 2005, respectively. The increase in stock-based compensation expense was the result of the options outstanding for the entire period in 2006 as compared to a partial period in 2005 as well as additional options granted in 2006.

We anticipate that operating expenses will continue to increase as we continue to incur higher interest expense on higher average outstanding debt balances, increase the number of our employees to support our growth, incur higher expenses for our office facilities and incur additional expenses related to being a public company, including expenses related to the implementation of the requirements under the Sarbanes-Oxley Act.

**Net Investment Income Before Income Tax Expense and Investment Gains and Losses**

Net investment income before provision for income tax expense for the three and nine-months ended September 30, 2006 totaled \$3.1 million and \$7.6 million as compared with net investment income before provision for income tax expense of approximately \$885,000 and \$584,000 for the three and nine-months ended September 30, 2005. These changes are made up of the items described above.

**Net Investment Gains (Losses)**

During the three-months ended September 30, 2006, we generated a net realized loss totaling approximately \$2.5 million from the sale of one portfolio company.

When we exit an investment and realize a gain or loss, we make an accounting entry to reverse any unrealized appreciation or depreciation we previously recorded to reflect the appreciated or depreciated value of the investment. We recorded a reversal of \$3.3 million from unrealized depreciation and recorded a realized loss of \$3.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2006. During the fourth quarter of 2005, we recorded unrealized depreciation of approximately \$3.3 million in one portfolio company. As disclosed in Footnote 16 Subsequent Events; to the financial statements filed under Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005, the assets of the portfolio company were sold in January 2006, and a realized loss was incurred. The difference between the unrealized depreciation as recorded in 2005 and the actual realized loss was not material. We did not reverse the loss from an unrealized depreciation to a realized loss in the first quarter of 2006. If the loss had been reversed, the net realized gain of approximately \$1.5 million as reported in the first quarter would have resulted in a net realized loss of \$1.7 million and the net unrealized appreciation of approximately \$674,000 as reported in the first quarter would have resulted in an unrealized appreciation of \$3.9 million. This reversal does not affect the reported Net Investment Income, Net Income, Earnings per Share, Net Asset Value or Net Asset Value per Share for the first quarter or on a year to date basis. The total realized loss for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2006 was \$2.6 million and net unrealized

appreciation was \$3.0 million after the reversal. There were no realized gains or losses during the three and nine-months periods ended September 30, 2005.

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The Citigroup Facility is collateralized by loans and warrants from our portfolio companies, and includes in advance rate of approximately 55% of eligible loans. The Citigroup Facility contains covenants that, among other things, requires us to maintain a minimum net worth and to restrict the loans securing the Citigroup Facility to certain dollar amounts, to concentrations in certain geographic regions and industries, to certain loan grade classifications, to certain security interests, and to certain interest payment terms. Citigroup has an equity participation right through a warrant participation agreement on the pool of loans and warrants collateralized under the Citigroup facility. Pursuant to the warrant participation agreement, we granted to Citigroup a 10% participation in all warrants held as collateral. As a result, Citigroup is entitled to 10% of the realized gains on the warrants until the realized gains paid to Citigroup pursuant to the agreement equals \$3,750,000 (the Maximum Participation Limit). The obligations under the warrant participation agreement continue even after the Citigroup facility is terminated until the Maximum Participation Limit has been reached. During the nine months ended September 30, 2006, we reduced our realized gain by approximately \$136,000 for Citigroup's participation in the gain on sale of an equity security and recorded an additional liability and reduced unrealized gains by approximately \$248,000 for Citigroup's participation in unrealized gains in the warrant portfolio. The value of their participation right on unrealized appreciation in the related equity investments since inception of the agreement was approximately \$454,000 at September 30, 2006 and is included in accrued liabilities and reduces the unrealized appreciation recognized by us at September 30, 2006. Since inception of the agreement, we have paid Citigroup approximately \$195,000 under the warrant participation agreement thereby reducing its realized gains.

For the three and nine-months ended September 30, 2006, the net increase in unrealized investment appreciation totaled approximately \$593,000 and \$3.0 million, compared with a net increase in unrealized investment appreciation of \$677,000 and \$1.7 million for the three and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2005. The net unrealized appreciation and depreciation of investments is based on portfolio asset valuations determined in good faith by our Board of Directors.

At September 30, 2006, net unrealized appreciation in our investment portfolio totaled approximately \$3.9 million and was comprised of \$5.7 million of appreciation in 16 of our portfolio investment companies and approximately \$1.8 million of gross unrealized depreciation on 35 of our portfolio investment companies. At September 30, 2005, the net unrealized appreciation totaled approximately \$1.7 million and was comprised of unrealized gains of \$1.8 million in nine of our portfolio companies and approximately \$93,000 of gross unrealized depreciation in 15 of our portfolio investment companies.

The net increase in unrealized appreciation totaling approximately \$593,000 for the three-months ended September 30, 2006 was primarily the result of an increase in value of a debt conversion right in one investment of approximately \$287,000 and the net increase in our warrant and equity portfolio of approximately \$306,000. The net increase in unrealized appreciation totaling approximately \$3.0 million for the nine-months ended September 30, 2006 was the result of the reversal of \$3.3 million of unrealized depreciation to a realized loss on one portfolio company and the net increase in the warrant, equity and debt conversion right of approximately \$2.6 million offset by the reversal of unrealized appreciation of warrants in two portfolio companies of \$1.9 million to realized gains upon the exercise and sale of the portfolio company's common stock and an unrealized depreciation of \$1.0 million in one portfolio company.

**Income Taxes**

During the second quarter ended June 30, 2006, we determined that it is more likely than not that we qualify as a RIC for tax reporting purposes for the year ended December 31, 2006. We intend to elect to be regulated as a RIC for 2006. The election will be submitted with the filing of our 2006 tax return and would be effective as of January 1, 2006. If we meet the required qualification tests of a RIC, any income timely distributed to our shareholders will not be subject to corporate level federal income or excise taxes in those years that we qualify as a RIC. At March 31, 2006, we had a deferred tax asset of approximately \$181,000. During the second quarter, a full valuation reserve was recorded against this asset in anticipation that we would not have a future federal tax expense to offset the deferred tax asset. In addition, during the first quarter of 2006, we recorded a tax expense in the amount of approximately \$1.8 million that was reversed in the second quarter as we would not be subject to federal income or excise taxes in 2006. As a result, we recorded a tax benefit of approximately \$800,000 in the second quarter. Upon completion of the

2005 tax returns during the third quarter, we recorded an additional tax benefit of approximately \$345,000.

**Net Increase in Net Assets Resulting from Operations and Earnings Per Share**

For the three and nine-months ended September 30, 2006, net income totaled approximately \$1.6 million and \$7.4 million, respectively, compared to net income of approximately \$1.6 million and \$2.3 million for the three and nine-months ended September 30, 2005. These changes are made up of the items previously described.

Basic and diluted net income per share for the three and nine-months ended September 30, 2006 was \$0.12, \$0.11, \$0.61 and \$0.61, respectively, as compared to a basic and diluted income per share of \$0.16, \$0.16, \$0.39 and \$0.38 for the three and

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nine-months ended September 30, 2005. The weighted average basic shares outstanding for the three and nine-months ended September 30, 2006 was approximately 13.7 million and 12.2 million shares, respectively, as compared to approximately 9.8 million and 6.0 million shares for the comparable periods of 2005.

**Financial Condition, Liquidity, and Capital Resources**

At September 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005, we had approximately \$7.1 million and \$15.4 million in cash and cash equivalents, respectively. In addition, at September 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005, we had approximately \$34.0 million and \$49.0 million, respectively, in available borrowing capacity under our Citigroup Facility, subject to existing terms and advance rates. We primarily invest cash on hand in interest bearing deposit accounts.

On April 21, 2006, we raised approximately \$34.0 million, net of issuance costs, from a rights offering of 3,411,992 shares of common stock. Funds raised in the offering were partially used to pay off the remaining \$15.0 million outstanding under the Bridge Loan Credit Facility and to pay down \$10.0 million under our Citigroup Facility.

On October 20, 2006, we raised approximately \$30.0 million, net of estimated issuance costs, in a public offering of 2.5 million shares of common stock delivered on October 25, 2006.

For the nine-months ended September 30, 2006, net cash used in operating activities totaled approximately \$55.2 million. This use of cash was primarily due to \$133.0 million used for investments in our portfolio companies, net unrealized appreciation of \$3.2 million, accretion of loan discounts of \$1.2 million, and an income tax payment of \$1.7 million offset by net income of \$7.4 million, proceeds of \$70.8 million in principal repayments, net realized loss of \$2.6 million, an increase in accrued liabilities of \$1.5 million and a net increase in deferred revenue of \$837,000. Cash provided by investing activities for the nine-months ended September 30, 2006 totaled \$3.0 million and was primarily due to proceeds from the sale of common stock in two portfolio companies and proceeds from contingent payments from the sale of one portfolio company. Net cash provided by financing activities totaled \$43.9 million for the nine-months ended September 30, 2006. In March and April, we received \$43.9 million in proceeds from the sale of common stock, respectively, we drew an additional \$15.0 million under our Citigroup Facility, and paid cash dividends totaling \$9.9 million.

As of September 30, 2006, net assets totaled \$151.3 million, with a net asset value per share of \$11.06, and we had approximately \$7.1 million in cash and cash equivalents. We intend to generate additional cash primarily from future borrowings as well as cash flows from operations, including income earned from investments in our portfolio companies and, to a lesser extent, from the temporary investment of cash in U.S. government securities and other high-quality debt investments that mature in one year or less. Our primary use of funds will be investments in portfolio companies and cash distributions to holders of our common stock. After we have used our current capital resources, we expect to raise additional capital to support our future growth through future equity offerings, issuances of senior securities and/or future borrowings, to the extent permitted by the 1940 Act.

As required by the 1940 Act, our asset coverage must be at least 200% after each issuance of senior securities. Our asset coverage as of September 30, 2006 was approximately 266%.

We anticipate that we will continue to fund our investment activities through a combination of debt and additional equity capital over the next year. As of September 30, 2006, based on eligible loans in the investment portfolio and existing advance rates, we have access to approximately \$6.7 million of the \$34.0 million of borrowing capacity available under our existing \$125.0 million securitized credit facility from Citigroup and \$182.1 million of loans and warrants collateralized outstanding under the facility. As additional new loans are funded and pledged as collateral, we will be able to increase our borrowing capacity under the Citigroup Facility beyond the current \$6.7 million. As of September 30, 2006, we had \$91.0 million outstanding under the Citigroup Facility. Advances under the facility bear interest at one-month LIBOR plus 165 basis points. There was \$51.0 million outstanding under the Citigroup Facility as of December 31, 2005. In addition, Citigroup has an equity participation right of 10% of the realized gains on warrants collateralized under the Citigroup facility. See Note 5 for discussion of the participation. We anticipate that portfolio fundings entered into in succeeding periods will allow us to utilize the full borrowing capacity of the Citigroup Facility.

On September 27, 2006, HT II received a license to operate as a Small Business Investment Company under the SBIC program and will be able to borrow funds from the SBA against eligible previously approved investments and

additional contributions to regulatory capital. At September 30, 2006, we had a net investment of \$2.5 million in HT II, and there is one outstanding investment in the amount of \$3.0 million and we have not drawn any leverage. HTM is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company. The Company is the sole limited partner of HT II and HTM is the general partner.

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On October 20, 2006, we raised approximately \$30.0 million, net of estimated issuance costs, in a public offering of 2.5 million shares of common stock. The net proceeds from the sale of the shares in the offering are intended to be used to reduce credit borrowings, originate investments and for general corporate purposes. We believe these funding sources combined with cash on hand at September 30, 2006, cash provided from operations and financing activities will allow us to continue investing activities for six to nine months.

**Off Balance Sheet Arrangements**

In the normal course of business, we are party to financial instruments with off-balance sheet risk. These consist primarily of unfunded commitments to extend credit, in the form of loans, to our portfolio companies. Unfunded commitments to provide funds to portfolio companies will not be reflected on our balance sheet. Our unfunded commitments may be significant from time to time. As of September 30, 2006, we had unfunded commitments of approximately \$95.7 million. These commitments will be subject to the same underwriting and ongoing portfolio maintenance as are the on-balance sheet financial instruments that we hold. Since these commitments may expire without being drawn upon, the total commitment amount does not necessarily represent future cash requirements.

**Contractual Obligations**

The following table shows our contractual obligations as of September 30, 2006:

	Total	Payments due by period (dollars in thousands)			
		Less than 1 year	1-3 years	4-5 years	After 5 years
<b>Contractual Obligations<sup>(1)</sup></b>					
Borrowings <sup>(2)(3)</sup>	\$ 91,000	\$ 91,000	\$	\$	\$
Operating Lease Obligations	3,973	634	1,646	1,098	595
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 94,973</b>	<b>\$ 91,634</b>	<b>\$ 1,646</b>	<b>\$ 1,098</b>	<b>\$ 595</b>

(1) Excludes commitments to extend credit to our portfolio companies.

(2) Borrowings under our Citigroup credit facility are listed based on the contractual maturity of the credit facility. Actual repayments could differ significantly due to prepayments by our existing portfolio companies, modifications of



our current  
agreements with  
our existing  
portfolio  
companies and  
modification of  
the credit  
facility.

- (3) We also have a  
warrant  
participation  
agreement with  
Citigroup as  
discussed  
below.

### **Borrowings**

In April 2005, we entered into a bridge loan credit facility with Alcmene, a special purpose vehicle that is an affiliate of Farallon Capital Management, L.L.C., a shareholder of Hercules, which we refer to as the Bridge Loan Credit Facility. The Bridge Loan Credit Facility was a \$25 million secured term loan, which provided for \$25 million of available borrowings, all of which was drawn down on April 12, 2005. The Bridge Loan Credit Facility allows for up to an additional \$25 million of discretionary supplemental senior secured loans. All amounts outstanding under this credit facility were initially due and payable on October 12, 2005.

On August 1, 2005, we amended our Bridge Loan Credit Facility with Alcmene Funding, LLC. The amended agreement extended the term of the loan to April 12, 2006, eliminated the loan extension fee, revised the interest rate effective August 1, 2005 to LIBOR plus 5.6% through December 31, 2005 and thereafter to 13.5% per annum, and amended certain collateral rights and financial covenants. At December 31, 2005, the interest rate under the Bridge Loan Credit Facility was 9.76% per year. We had \$25.0 million of outstanding borrowings under the Bridge Loan Credit Facility at December 31, 2005. On March 6, 2006, we repaid \$10 million of the Bridge Loan Credit Facility, and the interest rate was reduced to 10.86%. On May 10, 2006, we repaid the remaining \$15.0 million of the Bridge Loan Credit Facility and paid a \$500,000 loan fee due on maturity and all accrued and unpaid interest through the date of repayment. At September 30, 2006, the Bridge Loan Credit Facility is no longer outstanding.

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On August 1, 2005, we, through Hercules Funding Trust I, our affiliated statutory trust, executed a \$100 million securitized credit facility with Citigroup Global Markets Realty Corp., which we refer to as the Citigroup Facility. Our ability to make draws on the Citigroup Facility expires on July 31, 2007 as the result of an extension for an additional one year period under the existing terms and conditions. The Citigroup Facility is collateralized by loans and warrants from our portfolio companies, and includes an advance rate of approximately 55% of eligible loans. Interest on borrowings under the Citigroup Facility will be paid monthly and will be charged at one-month LIBOR plus a spread of 1.65%. We also paid a loan origination fee equal to 0.25% of the Citigroup Facility and will be subject to an unused commitment fee of 0.25%. The Citigroup Facility contains covenants that, among other things, require us to maintain a minimum net worth and to restrict the loans securing the Citigroup Facility to certain dollar amounts, to concentrations in certain geographic regions and industries, to certain loan grade classifications, to certain security interests and to certain interest payment terms. Citigroup has an equity participation right through a warrant participation agreement on the pool of loans and warrants collateralized under the Citigroup facility. Pursuant to the warrant participation agreement, we granted to Citigroup a 10% participation in all warrants held as collateral. As a result, Citigroup is entitled to 10% of the realized gains on the warrants until the realized gains paid to Citigroup pursuant to the agreement equals \$3,750,000 (the Maximum Participation Limit). The obligations under the warrant participation agreement continue even after the Citigroup facility is terminated until the Maximum Participation Limit has been reached. During the nine months ended September 30, 2006, we reduced our realized gain by approximately \$136,000 for Citigroup's participation in the gain on sale of an equity security and recorded an additional liability and reduced unrealized gain by approximately \$248,000 for Citigroup's participation in unrealized gains in the warrant portfolio. The value of their participation right on unrealized gains in the related equity investments since inception of the agreement was approximately \$454,000 at September 30, 2006 and is included in accrued liabilities and reduces the unrealized gain recognized by us at September 30, 2006. Since inception of the agreement, we have paid Citigroup approximately \$195,000 under the warrant participation agreement thereby reducing its realized gains. There was \$91.0 million of outstanding borrowings under the Citigroup Facility at September 30, 2006.

In addition, we expect to pursue additional debt financing from the Small Business Administration under its Small Business Investment Company program. We may also seek to enter into an additional securitization facility.

**Dividends**

The following table summarizes our dividends declared and paid on all shares, including restricted stock, to date:

<b>Date Declared</b>	<b>Record Date</b>	<b>Payment Date</b>	<b>Amount Per Share</b>
October 27, 2005	November 1, 2005	November 17, 2005	\$ 0.025
December 9, 2005	January 6, 2006	January 27, 2006	0.300
April 3, 2006	April 10, 2006	May 5, 2006	0.300
July 19, 2006	July 31, 2006	August 28, 2006	0.300
			\$ 0.925

On October 16, 2006, we declared a dividend of \$0.30 per common share for holders of record as of November 6, 2006. This dividend will total approximately \$4.9 million and will be distributed on December 1, 2006.

**RIC Election**

During the second quarter ended June 30, 2006, we determined that it was more likely than not that we will be able to qualify as a RIC for tax reporting purposes for the year ended December 31, 2006. If we meet the required qualification tests of a RIC, any income timely distributed to our shareholders will not be subject to corporate level federal income or excise taxes in those years that we qualify as a RIC. We intend to elect to be regulated as a RIC for 2006. The election will be submitted with the filing of our 2006 tax return and would be effective as of January 1, 2006. At March 31, 2006, we had a deferred tax asset of approximately \$181,000. During the second quarter, a full valuation reserve was recorded against this asset in anticipation that we would not have a future federal tax expense to offset the deferred tax asset. In addition, during the first quarter of 2006, we recorded a tax expense in the amount of

approximately \$1.8 million that was reversed in the second quarter as we would not be subject to federal income or excise taxes in 2006. As a result, we recorded a tax benefit of approximately \$800,000 in the second quarter. Upon completion of the 2005 tax returns during the third quarter, the Company recorded an additional tax benefit of approximately \$345,000.

As long as we qualify as a RIC, we will not be taxed on our investment company taxable income or realized net capital gains, to the extent that such taxable income and gains are distributed to stockholders on a timely basis. We may be required, however, to pay federal income taxes on any unrealized net built-in gains in the assets held by us during the period in which we were not (or in which we failed to qualify as) a RIC that are recognized within the following 10 years, unless we make a special election to pay corporate-

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level tax on such built-in gains at the time of our RIC election or an exception applies. Annual tax distributions generally will differ from net income for the fiscal year due to temporary and permanent timing differences in the recognition of income and expenses, returns of capital and net unrealized appreciation or depreciation, which are not included in taxable income.

In order to qualify as a RIC under Subchapter M of the Code, and to avoid corporate level tax on any distributed income, we must, in general, for each taxable year: (1) have in effect at all times during the taxable year an election to be treated as a business development company, (2) derive at least 90% of our gross income from dividends, interest, gains from the sale of securities and other specified types of income, (3) meet asset diversification requirements as defined in the Code, and (4) distribute to stockholders at least 90% of our investment company taxable income as set forth in the Code. In addition, prior to the end of our first taxable year as a RIC, we must distribute to our stockholders all earnings and profits from periods prior to our qualification as a RIC.

If we qualify and elect for tax treatment as a RIC, we intend to take the steps necessary to qualify for the federal tax benefits allowable to RICs, including distributing annually to our stockholders at least 90% of our ordinary income and realized net short-term capital gains in excess of realized net long-term capital losses. Unless a stockholder elects otherwise, these distributions will be reinvested in additional shares of our common stock through our dividend reinvestment plan. While we are a RIC, we generally intend to retain any realized net long-term capital gains in excess of realized net short-term capital losses and to elect to treat such net capital gain as deemed distributions to our stockholders. We may, in the future, make actual distributions to our stockholders of some or all of such net capital gains. There can be no assurance that we will qualify for treatment as a RIC in 2006 or in any future years.

We may not be able to achieve operating results that will allow us to make distributions at a specific level or to increase the amount of these distributions from time to time. In addition, we may be limited in our ability to make distributions due to (i) the asset coverage test for borrowings applicable to us as a business development company under the 1940 Act and (ii) provisions in our future credit facilities, if any. If we do not distribute a certain percentage of our income annually, we will suffer adverse tax consequences, including possible loss of the federal income tax benefits allowable to a RIC. We cannot assure stockholders that they will receive any distributions or distributions at any particular level.

**Critical Accounting Policies**

The preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements, and revenues and expenses during the period reported. On an ongoing basis, our management evaluates its estimates and assumptions, which are based on historical experience and on various other assumptions that we believe to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Changes in our estimates and assumptions could materially impact our results of operations and financial condition.

**Valuation of Portfolio Investments.** The most significant estimate inherent in the preparation of our consolidated financial statements is the valuation of investments and the related amounts of unrealized appreciation and depreciation of investments recorded.

As a BDC, we invest primarily in illiquid securities, including debt and equity-related securities of private companies. Our investments are generally subject to some restrictions on resale and generally have no established trading market. Because of the type of investments that we make and the nature of our business, our valuation process requires an analysis of various factors. Our valuation methodology includes the examination of, among other things, the underlying investment performance, financial condition and market changing events that impact valuation.

At September 30, 2006, approximately 97% of our total assets represented investments in portfolio companies of which greater than 99% are valued at fair value by the Board of Directors. Value, as defined in Section 2(a) (41) of the 1940 Act, is (i) the market price for those securities for which a market quotation is readily available and (ii) for all other securities and assets, fair value is as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors. Since there is typically no readily available market value for the investments in our portfolio, we value substantially all of our investments at fair value as determined in good faith by our Board pursuant to a valuation policy and a consistently applied valuation process. Due to the inherent uncertainty in determining the fair value of investments that do not have a readily

available market value, the fair value of our investments determined in good faith by our Board may differ significantly from the value that would have been used had a ready market existed for such investments, and the differences could be material.

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There is no single standard for determining fair value in good faith. As a result, determining fair value requires that judgment be applied to the specific facts and circumstances of each portfolio investment. Unlike banks, we are not permitted to provide a general reserve for anticipated loan losses. Instead, we must determine the fair value of each individual investment on a quarterly basis. We will record unrealized depreciation on investments when we believe that an investment has decreased in value, including where collection of a loan or realization of an equity security is doubtful. Conversely, where appropriate, we will record unrealized appreciation if we believe that the underlying portfolio company has appreciated in value and, therefore, that our investment has also appreciated in value.

With respect to private debt and equity securities, each investment is valued using industry valuation benchmarks, and, where appropriate, the value is assigned a discount reflecting the illiquid nature of the investment, and our minority, non-control position. When a qualifying external event such as a significant purchase transaction, public offering, or subsequent debt or equity sale occurs, the pricing indicated by the external event will be used to corroborate our private debt or equity valuation.

**Interest Income.** Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis to the extent that such amounts are expected to be collected. Loan facility fees, original issue discount, commitment fees, and market premium or discount are deferred and amortized into interest income as adjustments to the related loan's yield over the contractual life of the loan. The Company stops accruing interest on its investments when it is determined that interest is no longer collectible.

**Fee Income.** Fee income includes fees for due diligence and structuring, as well as fees for transaction services and management services rendered by us to portfolio companies and other third parties. These fees are generally recognized as income when the services are rendered.

**Stock-Based Compensation.** We have issued and may, from time to time, issue additional stock options to employees under our 2004 Equity Incentive Plan. We follow Financial Accounting Standards No. 123 (revised 2004), *Share-Based Payments* ( FAS 123R ), to account for stock options granted. Under FAS 123R, compensation expense associated with stock-based compensation is measured at the grant date based on the fair value of the award and is recognized over the vesting period.

**ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK**

We are subject to financial market risks, including changes in interest rates. As of September 30, 2006, 39 of our loan agreements were at fixed rates and 11 loans were at variable rates. Over time, some of our investments will be at variable rates. We may, in the future, hedge against interest rate fluctuations by using standard hedging instruments such as futures, options, and forward contracts. While hedging activities may insulate us against changes in interest rates, they may also limit our ability to participate in the benefits of lower interest rates with respect to our borrowed funds and higher interest rates with respect to our portfolio of investments.

**ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES****Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

Our chief executive and chief financial officers, under the supervision and with the participation of our management, conducted an evaluation of our disclosure controls and procedures, as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Based on that evaluation, as of the end of the period covered by this quarterly report on Form 10-Q, our chief executive and chief financial officers have concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were ineffective due to the control deficiency described below to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure of any material information relating to us that is required to be disclosed by us in the reports we file or submit under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

As of September 30, 2006, our management and the Board concluded that we did not maintain effective control over the presentation and classification of certain items in our Consolidated Statements of Operations. Specifically, it has come to management's attention that we did not properly classify a realized loss from unrealized depreciation on the sale of one portfolio company, which occurred during the first quarter of 2006. This control deficiency resulted in a misstatement in the net realized loss on investments and net increase in unrealized appreciation in investments in the Statements of Operations in our interim financial statements for the first and second quarters of 2006.

To address and remediate this control deficiency in our disclosure controls and procedures, we implemented a new accounting system, added additional review controls and added a Corporate Controller to the finance staff in October 2006.

**Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

Other than the changes described above, there have been no other changes in our internal control over financial reporting, as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, that occurred during the Company's most recently completed fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

**Table of Contents****PART II: OTHER INFORMATION****ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS**

The Company is not a party to any pending legal proceedings. From time to time, we may become party to certain legal proceedings incidental to the normal course of business, including the enforcement of our rights under contracts with portfolio companies. While the outcome of these legal proceedings cannot at this time be predicted with any certainty, we do not expect that these proceedings will have a material effect on our financial condition or results of operations.

**ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS**

Important risk factors that could cause results or events to differ from current expectations are described in Part I, Item 1A Risk Factors of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005. These factors are supplemented by the following:

***Our financial results could be negatively affected if a significant portfolio investment fails to perform as expected.***

Our total investment in companies may be significant individually or in the aggregate. As a result, if a significant investment in one or more companies fails to perform as expected, our financial results could be more negatively affected and the magnitude of the loss could be more significant than if we had made smaller investments in more companies. At September 30, 2006, our largest investment at value was in Wageworks, Inc. and represented 6.7% of our total assets and 8.6% of our total investment income for the nine months ended September 30, 2006. Our financial results could be negatively affected if this portfolio company or any of our other significant portfolio companies encounter financial difficulty and fail to repay their obligations or to perform as expected.

***Our cost of borrowing is increased by the warrant participation agreement we have with one of our lenders. In addition, our realized gains are reduced by amounts paid pursuant to the warrant participation agreement.***

Citigroup has an equity participation right through a warrant participation agreement on the pool of loans and warrants collateralized under the Citigroup facility. Pursuant to the warrant participation agreement, we granted to Citigroup a 10% participation in all warrants held as collateral. As a result, Citigroup is entitled to 10% of the realized gains on the warrants until the realized gains paid to Citigroup pursuant to the agreement equals \$3,750,000 (the Maximum Participation Limit). The obligations under the warrant participation agreement continue even after the Citigroup facility is terminated until the Maximum Participation Limit has been reached.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2006, we reduced our realized gain by approximately \$136,000 for Citigroup's participation in the gain on sale of an equity security and we recorded an additional liability and reduced our unrealized gain by approximately \$248,000 for Citigroup's participation in unrealized appreciation in the warrant portfolio. Since inception of the agreement, we have paid Citigroup approximately \$195,000 under the warrant participation agreement thereby reducing our realized gains. In addition, our realized gains will be reduced by the amounts owed to Citigroup under the warrant participation agreement. The value of Citigroup's participation right on unrealized appreciation in the related equity investments since inception of the agreement was approximately \$454,000 at September 30, 2006 and is included in accrued liabilities and reduces the unrealized appreciation recognized by us at September 30, 2006. Citigroup's rights under the warrant participation agreement increase our cost of borrowing and reduce our realized gains.

***We may be unable or decide not to make additional cash investments in our portfolio companies which could result in our losing our initial investment if the portfolio company fails.***

We may have to make additional cash investments in our portfolio companies to protect our overall investment value in the particular company. We retain the discretion to make any additional investments as our management determines. The failure to make such additional investments may jeopardize the continued viability of a portfolio company, and our initial (and subsequent) investments. Moreover, additional investments may limit the number of companies in which we can make initial investments. In determining whether to make an additional investment our management will exercise its business judgment and apply criteria similar to those used when making the initial investment. We cannot assure you that we will have sufficient funds to make any necessary additional investments, which could adversely affect our success and result in the loss of a substantial portion or all of our investment in a portfolio company.



***Interpretations of the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission regarding the appropriateness of the consolidation of certain of our subsidiaries may have an impact on our financial statements.***

The staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the Staff ) is reviewing the appropriateness of the consolidation of certain types of subsidiaries on an industry-wide basis under generally accepted accounting principles ( GAAP ) and Rule 6-03 of Regulation S-X. In connection with such review, the Staff is in the process of reviewing the appropriateness of our consolidation of certain of our subsidiaries (the Subsidiaries ). In the event that the Staff disagrees with our position with respect to the appropriateness of consolidation of any of the Subsidiaries, then we will make such additional disclosures and prospective changes in accounting methods as the Staff requires on a prospective basis which will be discussed and reviewed with us.

Although we believe that our consolidation of the Subsidiaries conforms with GAAP, there can be no assurance that the Staff will ultimately concur with our position. Such events could have a material impact on our future reported results.

***We currently invest in businesses with significant operations located in the Middle East, including Israel, and as a result, we may encounter risks specific to one or more countries in which we operate.***

We invest in businesses and may make additional investments in businesses located in or having some relationship to Israel. As of September 30, 2006, approximately 1.28% of the total fair value of our portfolio related to investments in Israel. As a result, our investee companies are subject to political, economic, and military conditions in that country. The State of Israel experiences continued civil unrest primarily in the areas that have been under its control since 1967 and has also recently been engaged in escalated conflict with Hezbollah groups near the border with Lebanon. No prediction can be made as to whether these problems will be resolved. These investments could be

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adversely affected if major hostilities involving Israel should occur or if trade between Israel and its current trading partners were interrupted or curtailed. In addition, in such event, if the peace process in the Middle East were interrupted or discontinued, these investments may be materially adversely affected.

In addition, we are exposed to risks that could negatively affect our future results of operations. The additional risks we are exposed to in these cases include but are not limited to:

tariffs and trade barriers;

tax issues, such as tax law changes and variations in tax laws as compared to the United States;

cultural and language differences;

foreign exchange controls;

crime, strikes, riots, civil disturbances, terrorist attacks and wars; and

deterioration of political relations with the United States.

**ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS**

During the three months ended September 30, 2006, we issued 18,211 shares of our common stock under our dividend reinvestment plan pursuant to an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act of 1933. The aggregate offering price for the shares of common stock sold under the dividend reinvestment plan was approximately \$212,000.

On July 26, 2006, our Board of Directors approved additional retainer fees for each of our non-interested directors, each of whom elected to receive a portion of their retainer fees in shares of our common stock in lieu of cash. As a result, we issued the following number of our shares of our common stock to each non-interested director in lieu of the additional retainer fees: Mr. Badavas received 1,250 shares of our common stock in lieu of approximately \$13,700 of additional retainer fees; Mr. Chow received 5,000 shares of our common stock in lieu of approximately \$54,700 of additional retainer fees; and Mr. Woodward received 5,000 shares of our common stock in lieu of approximately \$54,700 of additional retainer fees. We issued these shares pursuant to an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act of 1933.

**ITEM 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES**

Not Applicable.

**ITEM 4. SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS**

Not Applicable.

**ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION**

Not Applicable.

**ITEM 6. EXHIBITS**

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

HERCULES TECHNOLOGY GROWTH CAPITAL, INC.  
(Registrant)

Dated: November 14, 2006

/s/ Manuel A. Henriquez

**Manuel A. Henriquez**  
**Chairman, President, and Chief Executive Officer**

Dated: November 14, 2006

/s/ David M. Lund

**David M. Lund**  
**Chief Financial Officer**

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