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QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANIES Investment Company Act File Number 811-00266 TRI-CONTINENTAL CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

50606 Ameriprise Financial Center, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55474

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code) Scott R. Plummer - 5228 Ameriprise Financial Center, Minneapolis, MN 55474

(Name and address of agent for service)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (612) 671-1947

Date of fiscal year end: <u>December 31</u> Date of reporting period: <u>March 31, 2011</u>

Item 1. Schedule of Investments

Portfolio of Investments

Tri-Continental Corporation

March 31, 2011 (Unaudited)

Multiline Retail (0.5%)

(Percentages represent value of investments compared to net assets)

Issuer	Shares	Value
Common Stocks (99.0%)		
CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY (10.2%)		
Automobiles (0.1%)		
Ford Motor Co.(a)	53,800	\$ 802,158
Diversified Consumer Services (0.8%)		
Apollo Group, Inc., Class A ^(a)	224,800	9,376,408
Internet & Catalog Retail (0.4%)		
priceline.com, Inc. ^{(a)(b)}	10,093	5,111,499
Media (2.9%)		
Comcast Corp., Class A	491,500	12,149,880
DIRECTV, Class A ^(a)	444,900	20,821,320
Time Warner Cable, Inc.	16,400	1,169,976
Total		34,141,176

Family Dollar Stores, Inc. Macy s, Inc.	87,615 40,628	4,496,402 985,635
Total		5,482,037
Specialty Retail (5.4%)		
AutoZone, Inc.(a)(b)	68,700	18,793,572
Best Buy Co., Inc. ^(b)	81,252	2,333,558
GameStop Corp., Class A ^{(a)(b)}	308,200	6,940,664
Limited Brands, Inc.	544,430	17,900,858
Ross Stores, Inc.	180,749	12,854,869
TJX Companies, Inc.	67,893	3,376,319
Total		62,199,840
Textiles, Apparel & Luxury Goods (0.1%)		
Coach, Inc.	18,435	959,357
TOTAL CONSUMER DISCRECTIONARY		118,072,475
CONSUMER STAPLES (9.9%)		
CONSUMER STAPLES (9.9%) Beverages (1.0%)		
	177,215	11,758,215
Beverages (1.0%)	177,215	11,758,215
Beverages (1.0%) Coca-Cola Co. (The) Food & Staples Retailing (3.0%)		
Beverages (1.0%) Coca-Cola Co. (The)	177,215 515,129 190,782	11,758,215 26,812,464 7,657,990
Beverages (1.0%) Coca-Cola Co. (The) Food & Staples Retailing (3.0%) Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.(b) Walgreen Co.(b)	515,129	26,812,464 7,657,990
Beverages (1.0%) Coca-Cola Co. (The) Food & Staples Retailing (3.0%) Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.(b)	515,129	26,812,464

Food Products (1.6%)

Campbell Soup Co. ^(b) Hershey Co. (The) Hormel Foods Corp. ^(b) Total	5,700 322,100 22,091	188,727 17,506,135 615,013 18,309,875
Issuer	Shares	Value
Common Stocks (continued)		
CONSUMER STAPLES (CONTINUED)		
Household Products (0.2%)		
Kimberly-Clark Corp.	40,100	\$ 2,617,327
Tobacco (4.1%)		
Lorillard, Inc.	190,264	18,076,983
Philip Morris International, Inc. ^(b)	445,300	29,225,039
Total		47,302,022
TOTAL CONSUMER STAPLES		114,457,893
ENERGY (12.9%)		
Energy Equipment & Services (2.2%)		
National Oilwell Varco, Inc.	321,337	25,472,384
Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels (10.7%)		
Apache Corp.	188,100	24,626,052
Chevron Corp. ^(c) ConocoPhillips	382,942 408,014	41,139,459 32,583,998
Conocor manps	100,017	52,505,770

Devon Energy Corp. Exxon Mobil Corp. Marathon Oil Corp. Valero Energy Corp. Total TOTAL ENERGY	1,900 238,743 53,568 81,000	174,363 20,085,449 2,855,710 2,415,420 123,880,451 149,352,835
FINANCIALS (15.4%)		
Capital Markets (2.3%)		
Franklin Resources, Inc. Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. (The) ^(b) T Rowe Price Group, Inc. ^(b) Total	92,008 55,234 96,900	11,508,361 8,752,932 6,436,098 26,697,391
Commercial Banks (1.8%)		
Fifth Third Bancorp KeyCorp ^(b)	883,636 1,007,471	12,264,868 8,946,342
Total		21,211,210
Consumer Finance (2.4%)		
Capital One Financial Corp. ^(b) Discover Financial Services	459,035 169,896	23,851,459 4,097,891
Total		27,949,350
Diversified Financial Services (3.8%)		
Citigroup, Inc. ^(a) JPMorgan Chase & Co.	1,450,493 749,657	6,411,179 34,559,188

Moody s Corp. 73,300 2,485,603

Total 43,455,970

Issuer	Shares	Value
Common Stocks (continued)		
FINANCIALS (CONTINUED)		
Insurance (4.0%)		
Aflac, Inc.	136,212	\$ 7,189,269
Hartford Financial Services Group, Inc.(b)	349,587	9,414,378
Lincoln National Corp.(b)	365,230	10,971,509
MetLife, Inc.	83,200	3,721,536
Prudential Financial, Inc.	191,500	11,792,570
Travelers Companies, Inc. (The) ^(b)	61,796	3,675,626
Total		46,764,888
Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) (1.1%)		
Apartment Investment & Management Co., Class A(b)	134,300	3,420,621
Public Storage ^(b)	12,900	1,430,739
Simon Property Group, Inc.	73,686	7,896,192
Total		12,747,552
TOTAL FINANCIALS		178,826,361
HEALTH CARE (11.1%)		
Biotechnology (2.4%)		
Biogen Idec, Inc.(a)	192,900	14,156,931
Cephalon, Inc. (a)(b)	6,689	506,892
Gilead Sciences, Inc.(a)(b)	315,000	13,368,600
Total		28,032,423

Health Care Equipment	& Supplies ((0.1%)
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Becton Dickinson and Co.	20,425	1,626,239
Health Care Providers & Services (3.6%)		
Aetna, Inc.	17,085	639,492
Cardinal Health, Inc.	35,079	1,442,799
Humana, Inc.(a)	24,709	1,728,148
Medco Health Solutions, Inc.(a)	220,400	12,377,664
UnitedHealth Group, Inc.	563,656	25,477,251
Total		41,665,354
Pharmaceuticals (5.0%)		
Abbott Laboratories	253,106	12,414,849
Eli Lilly & Co.	593,448	20,871,566
Forest Laboratories, Inc. (a)	264,565	8,545,450
Johnson & Johnson	266,844	15,810,507
Total		57,642,372
TOTAL HEALTH CARE		128,966,388
INDUSTRIALS (11.3%)		
Aerospace & Defense (4.8%)		
General Dynamics Corp.	107,607	8,238,392
Huntington Ingalls Industries, Inc.(a)	14,106	585,399
Lockheed Martin Corp.	69,023	5,549,449
Northrop Grumman Corp.	84,636	5,307,524
Issuer	Shares	Value
Common Stocks (continued)		

INDUSTRIALS (CONTINUED)

Raytheon Co. ^(b) United Technologies Corp.	374,184 195,563	\$ 19,034,740 16,554,408
Total		55,269,912
Air Freight & Logistics (0.6%)		
United Parcel Service, Inc., Class B	96,441	7,167,495
Commercial Services & Supplies (0.9%)		
Pitney Bowes, Inc.(b)	63,334	1,627,051
RR Donnelley & Sons Co.	483,797	9,153,439
Total		10,780,490
Electrical Equipment (0.7%)		
Emerson Electric Co.	142,657	8,335,448
Industrial Conglomerates (3.2%)		
General Electric Co.	1,864,858	37,390,403
Professional Services (0.6%)		
Dun & Bradstreet Corp.	86,700	6,956,808

Trading Companies & Distributors (0.5%)

WW Grainger, Inc.(b)	40,000	5,507,200
TOTAL INDUSTRIALS		131,407,756
INTEGRALATION TECHNIOLOGY (19.10)		
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (18.1%)		
Computers & Peripherals (7.3%)		
Apple, Inc.(a)	150,621	52,483,888
Dell, Inc. ^{(a)(b)}	192,487	2,792,986
Lexmark International, Inc., Class A ^{(a)(b)}	202,000	7,482,080
SanDisk Corp.(a)	379,800	17,504,982
Western Digital Corp.(a)	108,800	4,057,152
Total		84,321,088
IT Services (3.5%)		
IBM Corp.(b)	224,900	36,674,443
Teradata Corp. ^(a)	83,000	4,208,100
Total		40,882,543
Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment (4.3%)		
Intel Corp.	740,100	14,927,817
NVIDIA Corp.(a)(b)	242,700	4,480,242
Teradyne, Inc. ^{(a)(b)}	321,300	5,722,353
Texas Instruments, Inc.	704,600	24,350,976
Total		49,481,388

Issuer	Shares	Value
Common Stocks (continued)		
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (CONTINUED)		
Software (3.0%)		
Microsoft Corp.	1,374,194	\$ 34,849,560
TOTAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY		209,534,579
MATERIALS (3.9%)		
Chemicals (0.6%)		
CF Industries Holdings, Inc. Eastman Chemical Co. EI du Pont de Nemours & Co. Total	500 46,093 31,327	68,395 4,577,957 1,722,045 6,368,397
Metals & Mining (3.3%) Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold, Inc. Newmont Mining Corp. (b)	404,788 295,400	22,485,973 16,122,932
Total	_,,,,,	38,608,905
TOTAL MATERIALS		44,977,302
TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES (3.2%)		
Diversified Telecommunication Services (3.2%)		
AT&T, Inc.	696,794	21,321,896

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Verizon Communications, Inc.(b)	410,598		15,824,447
Total			37,146,343
TOTAL TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES			37,146,343
UTILITIES (3.0%)			
Electric Utilities (1.7%)			
Exelon Corp.	479,635		19,780,148
Multi-Utilities (1.3%)			
Public Service Enterprise Group, Inc.	473,600		14,923,136
TOTAL UTILITIES			34,703,284
Total Common Stocks (Cost: \$962,033,580)		\$ 1,1	47,445,216
Limited Partnerships (0.2%)			
FINANCIALS (0.2%)			
Capital Markets (0.2%)			
WCAS Capital Partners II LP(a)(d)(e)(f)(g)	4,292,803	\$	1,913,162
TOTAL FINANCIALS			1,913,162
Total Limited Partnerships (Cost: \$4,212,138)		\$	1,913,162

Shares

Value

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Money Market Fund (0.2%) Columbia Short-Term Cash Fund, 0.229%(h)(i)		2,680,558	3	\$ 2,680,558
Total Money Market Fund (Cost: \$2,680,558)				\$ 2,680,558
Issuer	Effective Yield	Par/ rincipal		Value
Investments of Cash Collateral Received for Securities on Loan (7.1%)				
Asset-Backed Commercial Paper (0.3%)				
Royal Park Investments Funding Corp. 06/17/11	0.601%	\$ 2,995,400	\$	2,995,400
Certificates of Deposit (2.5%)				
Australia and New Zealand Bank Group, Ltd. 06/30/11 Barclays Bank PLC	0.400%	4,000,000		4,000,000
06/15/11	0.400%	3,000,000		3,000,000
Credit Industrial et Commercial 06/13/11 Development Bank of Singapore Ltd.	0.400%	2,000,000		2,000,000
05/09/11	0.400%	2,000,000		2,000,000
Erste Bank der Oesterreichischen Sparkassen A 04/04/11 KBC Bank NV	0.380%	1,000,000		1,000,000
04/29/11 N.V. Bank Nederlandse Gemeenten	0.450%	3,000,000		3,000,000
04/27/11	0.380%	4,000,000		4,000,000
Norinchukin Bank 04/25/11	0.340%	1,500,000		1,500,000
Societe Generale 07/01/11 Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corp.	0.363%	2,000,000		2,000,000
04/14/11	0.330%	3,000,000		3,000,000
Sumitomo Trust & Banking Co., Ltd. 05/25/11 Swedbank AB	0.370%	1,998,172		1,998,172
04/05/11	0.170%	2,000,000		2,000,000

Total			29,498,172
Commercial Paper (0.4%)			
Macquarie Bank Ltd.			
06/30/11	0.400%	2,996,933	2,996,933
PB Capital Corp. 05/16/11	0.591%	1,996,886	1,996,886
05/10/11	0.57170	1,770,000	1,770,000
Total			4,993,819
Other Short-Term Obligations (0.2%)			
Natixis Financial Products LLC			
04/01/11	0.470%	2,000,000	2,000,000

Issuer	Effective Yield		Par/ Principal	Value
Investments of Cash Collateral Received for Securities on Loan (continued)	r			
Repurchase Agreements (3.7%)				
Barclays Capital, Inc. dated 10/13/10, matures 04/15/11, repurchase price \$5,000,563 ^(j)	0.270%	\$	5,000,000	\$ 5,000,000
Cantor Fitzgerald & Co. dated 03/31/11, matures 04/01/11, repurchase price \$20,000,128 ^(j)				
Goldman Sachs & Co. dated 03/31/11, matures 04/01/11, repurchase price \$2,997,795 ^(j)	0.230%		20,000,000	20,000,000
1	0.160%		2,997,781	2,997,781
Issuer	Effective Yield		Par/ Principal	Value
Investments of Cash Collateral Received for Securities on Loan (continued)	r			
Repurchase Agreements (continued)				
MF Global Holdings Ltd. dated 03/31/11, matures 04/01/11, repurchase price \$5,000,040 ^(j)				
Mizuho Securities USA, Inc. dated 03/31/11, matures 04/01/11, repurchase price \$5,000,039 ^(j)	0.290%	\$	5,000,000	\$ 5,000,000
Nomura Securities dated 03/31/10, matures 04/01/11, repurchase price \$5,000,033 ^(j)	0.280%		5,000,000	5,000,000
Topatenase price \$5,000,055	0.240%		5,000,000	5,000,000
Total				42,997,781
Total Investments of Cash Collateral Receiv (Cost: \$82,485,172)	ved for Securities o	n Loan		\$ 82,485,172

Total Investments

(Cost: \$1,051,411,448)^(k) \$ 1,234,524,108^(l)
Other Assets & Liabilities, Net (75,103,337)

Net Assets \$ 1,159,420,771

The industries identified above are based on the Global Industry Classification Standard (GICS), which was developed by, and is the exclusive property of, Morgan Stanley Capital International Inc. and Standard & Poor s, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc.

Investments in Derivatives

Futures Contracts Outstanding at March 31, 2011

Number of					
Contracts Long	Notional Market	Expiration	Un	realized	Unrealized
(Short)	Value	Date	App	preciation	Depreciation
14	\$ 4,623,500	June 2011	\$	49,727	\$
	of Contracts Long (Short)	of Contracts Notional Long Market (Short) Value	of Contracts Notional Expiration Long Market (Short) Value Date June	of Contracts Notional Expiration Ur Long Market (Short) Value Date App	of Contracts Notional Expiration Unrealized Long Market (Short) Value Date Appreciation June

Notes to Portfolio of Investments

- (a) Non-income producing.
- (b) At March 31, 2011, security was partially or fully on loan.
- (c) At March 31, 2011, investments in securities included securities valued at \$702,447 that were partially pledged as collateral to cover initial margin deposits on open stock index futures contracts.
- (d) The share amount for Limited Liability Companies (LLC) or Limited Partnerships (LP) represents capital contributions. At March 31, 2011, there was no capital committed to the LLC or LP for future investment.
- (e) Identifies issues considered to be illiquid as to their marketability. The aggregate value of such securities at March 31, 2011 was \$1,913,162, representing 0.17% of net assets. Information concerning such security holdings at March 31, 2011 was as follows:

Security	Acquisition Dates	Cost
	12/11/90 thru	
WCAS Capital Partners II LP	03/24/98	\$ 4.292.803

(f) At March 31, 2011, the Fund owned one limited partnership investment that was purchased through a private offering and cannot be sold without prior registration under the Securities Act of 1933 or pursuant to an exemption therefrom. The investment is valued at fair value as determined in accordance with procedures approved by the Board of Directors of the Fund. The acquisition dates of investment in the limited partnership, along with the cost and value at March 31, 2011, were as follows:

	Acquisition		
Security	Dates	Cost	Value

12/11/90 thru

WCAS Capital Partners II LP 03/24/98 \$4,292,803 \$1,913,162

(h) Investments in affiliates during the period ended March 31, 2011:

						Sales Cos	st/				Div	idends	
	n				Pı	roceeds fi	rom l	Real	ized		In	or iterest	
Issuer	В	eginning Cost	Pur	chase Cost		Sales	G	ain	/LossEn	ding Cost	In	come	Value
Columbia Short-Term Cash Fund	\$	3,118,708	\$	10,556,335	\$	(10,994	,485)	\$	\$	2,680,558	\$	6,050	\$ 2,680,558
(i) The rate sho	wn i	s the seven-	day c	urrent annua	ılize	ed yield at	t Mar	ch 3	1, 2011.				. ,

⁽i) The table below represents securities received as collateral for repurchase agreements. This collateral, which is generally high quality short-term obligations, is deposited with the Fund s custodian and, pursuant to the terms of the repurchase agreement, must have an aggregate market value greater than or equal to the repurchase price plus accrued interest at all times. The value of securities and/or cash held as collateral for repurchase agreements is monitored on a daily basis to ensure the existence of the proper level of collateral.

Barclays Capital, Inc. (0.270%)

Security Description	V			
Abbey National NA	\$	331,297		
Arabella Ltd		470,994		
BP Capital Markets PLC		170,734		
BPCE		666,641		
Dexia Delaware LLC		762,938		
Electricite De France		599,720		
European Investment Bank		475,799		
Nationwide Building		326,024		
Skandin Ens Banken AG		579,663		
Societe Generale		866,190		
Total Market Value of Collateral Securities	\$	5,250,000		

Cantor Fitzgerald & Co. (0.230%)

Security Description	Value
Breeds Hill Capital Ltd	\$ 2,778
Fannie Mae Interest Strip	1,080,954
Fannie Mae Pool	9,520,712
Fannie Mae Principal Strip	101,881
Fannie Mae REMICS	317,028
Federal Farm Credit Bank	181,845

⁽g) Represents fair value as determined in good faith under procedures approved by the Board of Directors. At March 31, 2011, the value of these securities amounted to \$1,913,162, which represents 0.17% of net assets.

Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp Federal National Mortgage Association FHLMC Structured Pass Through Securities Freddie Mac Coupon Strips Freddie Mac Gold Pool Freddie Mac Non Gold Pool Freddie Mac REMICS Freddie Mac Strips Ginnie Mae I Pool Ginnie Mae II Pool Government National Mortgage Association LMA SA & LMA Americas Metlife Short Term Funding Sanofi-Aventis Silver Tower US Fund Suncorp-Metway Ltd United States Treasury Inflation Indexed Bonds United States Treasury Strip Coupon United States Treasury Strip Principal	269,812 158,069 123,639 55,363 1,198 1,349,259 4,088,133 404,989 105,315 286,128 870,363 337,982 957 1,314 4,085 912 2,804 60,090 979,121 95,271
Total Market Value of Collateral Securities	\$20,400,002
Goldman Sachs & Co. (0.160%)	
Security Description	Value
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Government National Mortgage Association	\$ 3,057,737
Government National Mortgage Association Total Market Value of Collateral Securities	
	\$ 3,057,737
Total Market Value of Collateral Securities	\$ 3,057,737
Total Market Value of Collateral Securities MF Global Holdings Ltd. (0.290%)	\$ 3,057,737 \$ 3,057,737
Total Market Value of Collateral Securities MF Global Holdings Ltd. (0.290%) Security Description Fannie Mae REMICS Freddie Mac Gold Pool Freddie Mac REMICS Ginnie Mae I Pool Ginnie Mae II Pool Government National Mortgage Association	\$ 3,057,737 \$ 3,057,737 Value \$ 109,833 3,194,796 70,742 318,423 1,316,470 89,763

Fannie Mae Grantor Trust	\$ 46,111
Fannie Mae Pool	2,588,750
Fannie Mae Principal Strip	44,321
Fannie Mae Whole Loan	42,136
Federal Farm Credit Bank	530,995
Federal Farm Credit Discount Notes	64,458
Federal Home Loan Bank Discount Notes	238,394
Federal Home Loan Banks	366,061
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp	26,254
Federal National Mortgage Association	303,199
FHLMC Structured Pass Through Securities	36,482
Freddie Mac Gold Pool	242,535
Freddie Mac Non Gold Pool	568,546
Government National Mortgage Association	1,758
Total Market Value of Collateral Securities	\$ 5,100,000

Nomura Securities (0.240%)

Security Description	Value
Fannie Mae Pool Freddie Mac Gold Pool	\$ 3,714,073 1,385,927
Total Market Value of Collateral Securities	\$ 5,100,000

(k) At March 31, 2011, the cost of securities for federal income tax purposes was approximately \$1,051,411,000 and the approximate aggregate gross unrealized appreciation and depreciation based on that cost was:

Unrealized Appreciation Unrealized Depreciation	\$ 199,564,000 (16,451,000)
Net Unrealized Appreciation	\$ 183,113,000

⁽¹⁾ Securities are valued using policies described in the notes to financial statements in the most recent shareholder report.

Fair Value Measurements

Generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) require disclosure regarding the inputs and valuation techniques used to measure fair value and any changes in valuation inputs or techniques. In addition, investments shall be disclosed by major category.

The Fund categorizes its fair value measurements according to a three-level hierarchy that maximizes the use of observable inputs and minimizes the use of unobservable inputs by prioritizing that the most observable input be used when available. Observable inputs are those that market participants would use in pricing an investment based on market data obtained from sources independent of the reporting entity. Unobservable inputs are those that reflect the Fund s assumptions about the information market participants would use in pricing an investment. An investment s level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is deemed significant to the asset or liability s fair value measurement. The input levels are not necessarily an indication of the risk or liquidity associated with investments at that level. For example, certain U.S. government securities are generally high quality and liquid, however, they are reflected as Level 2 because the inputs used to determine fair value may not always be quoted prices in an active market.

Fair value inputs are summarized in the three broad levels listed below:

Level 1 Valuations based on quoted prices for investments in active markets that the Fund has the ability to access at the measurement date (including NAV for open-end mutual funds). Valuation adjustments are not applied to Level 1 investments.

Level 2 Valuations based on other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar securities, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risks, etc.).

Level 3 Valuations based on significant unobservable inputs (including the Fund s own assumptions and judgment in determining the fair value of investments).

Inputs that are used in determining fair value of an investment may include price information, credit data, volatility statistics, and other factors. These inputs can be either observable or unobservable. The availability of observable inputs can vary between investments, and is affected by various factors such as the type of investment, and the volume and level of activity for that investment or similar investments in the marketplace. The inputs will be considered by the Fund Administrator, along with any other relevant factors in the calculation of an investment s fair value. The Fund uses prices and inputs that are current as of the measurement date, which may include periods of market dislocations. During these periods, the availability of prices and inputs may be reduced for many investments. This condition could cause an investment to be reclassified between the various levels within the hierarchy.

Investments falling into the Level 3 category are primarily supported by quoted prices from brokers and dealers participating in the market for those investments. However, these may be classified as Level 3 investments due to lack of market transparency and corroboration to support these quoted prices. Additionally, valuation models may be used as the pricing source for any remaining investments classified as Level 3. These models rely on one or more significant unobservable inputs and/or significant assumptions by the Fund Administrator. Inputs used in valuations may include, but are not limited to, financial statement analysis, capital account balances, discount rates and estimated cash flows, and comparable company data.

The following table is a summary of the inputs used to value the Fund s investments as of March 31, 2011:

		Fair value at March 31, 2011		
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
Description ^(a)	quoted prices	other	significant	Total
	in active	significant	unobservable	
	markets for	observable	inputs	
	identical			
	assets(b)	inputs		

Equity Securities				
Common Stocks				
Consumer Discretionary	\$ 118,072,475	\$	\$	\$ 118,072,475
Consumer Staples	114,457,893			114,457,893
Energy	149,352,835			149,352,835
Financials	178,826,361			178,826,361
Health Care	128,966,388			128,966,388
Industrials	131,407,756			131,407,756
Information Technology	209,534,579			209,534,579
Materials	44,977,302			44,977,302
Telecommunication Services	37,146,343			37,146,343
Utilities	34,703,284			34,703,284
Total Facility Consulting	1 147 445 216			1 147 445 016
Total Equity Securities	1,147,445,216			1,147,445,216
Other				
Limited Partnerships				
Financials			1,913,162	1,913,162
Affiliated Money Market Fund(c)	2,680,558			2,680,558
Investments of Cash Collateral Received				
for Securities on Loan		82,485,172		82,485,172
Total Other	2,680,558	82,485,172	1,913,162	87,078,892
Investments in Securities	1,150,125,774	82,485,172	1,913,162	1,234,524,108
Derivatives ^(d)	1,130,123,774	02,403,172	1,913,102	1,234,324,100
Assets				
Futures Contracts	49,727			49,727
rutures Contracts	49,727			49,727
Total	\$ 1,150,175,501	\$82,485,172	\$1,913,162	\$ 1,234,573,835

⁽a) See the Portfolio of Investments for all investment classifications not indicated in the table.

The following table is a reconciliation of Level 3 assets for which significant unobservable inputs were used to determine fair value.

	Limited Partnerships
Balance as of December 31, 2010	\$ 2,019,088
Accrued discounts/premiums	
Realized gain (loss)	
Change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation)*	(105,926)
Sales	
Purchases	

⁽b) There were no significant transfers between Levels 1 and 2 during the period.

⁽c) Money market fund that is a sweep investment for cash balances in the Fund at March 31, 2011.

⁽d) Derivative instruments are valued at unrealized appreciation (depreciation).

Transfers into Level 3
Transfers out of Level 3

Balance as of March 31, 2011 \$1,913,162

^{*} Change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) relating to securities held at March 31, 2011 was \$(105,926). Transfers in and/or out of Level 3 are determined based on the fair value at the beginning of the period for security positions held throughout the period.

Item 2. Control and Procedures.

- (a) The registrant s principal executive officer and principal financial officer, based on their evaluation of the registrant s disclosure controls and procedures as of a date within 90 days of the filing of this report, have concluded that such controls and procedures are adequately designed to ensure that material information required to be disclosed by the registrant in Form N-Q is accumulated and communicated to the registrant s management, including the principal executive officer and principal financial officer, or persons performing similar functions, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.
- (b) There was no change in the registrant s internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant s last fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant s internal control over financial reporting.

Item 3. Exhibits.

Certifications pursuant to Rule 30a-2(a) under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (17 CFR 270.30a-2(a)) attached hereto as Exhibit 99.CERT.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized. (Registrant) Tri-Continental Corporation

By /s/ J. Kevin Connaughton

J. Kevin Connaughton President and Principal Executive Officer

Date May 20, 2011

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

By /s/ J. Kevin Connaughton

J. Kevin Connaughton President and Principal Executive Officer

Date May 20, 2011

By /s/ Michael G. Clarke

Michael G. Clarke Treasurer and Principal Financial Officer

Date May 20, 2011