

Edgar Filing: CENTRAL SECURITIES CORP - Form N-Q

CENTRAL SECURITIES CORP  
 Form N-Q  
 October 25, 2007

United States  
 Securities and Exchange Commission  
 Washington, DC 20549

FORM N-Q

QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS OF  
 REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY

Investment Company Act file number 811-00179

Central Securities Corporation  
 (Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)  
 630 Fifth Avenue, Suite 820  
 New York, N.Y. 10111  
 (Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number including area code: 212-698-2020

Date of fiscal year end: December 31

Date of reporting period: September 30, 2007

Item 1. Schedule of Investments.

CENTRAL SECURITIES CORPORATION  
 Statement of Investments  
 September 30, 2007  
 (Unaudited)

PORTFOLIO SECURITIES 89.5%  
 STOCKS (COMMON UNLESS SPECIFIED OTHERWISE)

Prin. Amt. or Shares -----		Value -----
	Banking and Finance 8.8%	
825,475	The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation .....	\$ 36,436,467
340,000	Capital One Financial Corporation .....	22,586,200
		-----
		59,022,667
		-----
	Business Services 4.8%	
1,715,800	Convergys Corporation (a) .....	29,786,288
80,000	IMS Health Inc. ....	2,451,200
		-----
		32,237,488
		-----
	Chemicals 1.2%	
150,000	Rohm and Haas Company .....	8,350,500
		-----
	Communications 0.9%	
1,005,000	Arbinet-thexchange, Inc. (a) .....	6,030,000
		-----
	Electronics 18.3%	
942,400	Agilent Technologies, Inc. (a) .....	34,755,712
430,000	Analog Devices, Inc. ....	15,548,800

Edgar Filing: CENTRAL SECURITIES CORP - Form N-Q

100,000	Coherent, Inc. (a) .....	3,208,000
900,000	Intel Corporation .....	23,274,000
350,000	Motorola, Inc. ....	6,485,500
1,000,000	Radisys Corporation (a) .....	12,450,000
1,800,000	Solelectron Corporation (a) .....	7,020,000
2,500,000	Sonus Networks, Inc. (a) .....	15,250,000
90,000	Tyco Electronics Ltd. ....	3,188,700
60,000	Verigy Ltd. (a) .....	1,482,600
		-----
		122,663,312
		-----
	Energy 13.7%	
375,000	Berry Petroleum Company Class A .....	14,846,250
200,000	Devon Energy Corporation .....	16,640,000
1,000,000	GeoMet, Inc. (a) .....	5,090,000
555,000	McMoRan Exploration Co. (a) .....	7,464,750
550,000	Murphy Oil Corporation .....	38,439,500
320,000	Nexen Inc. ....	9,772,800
		-----
		92,253,300
		-----
	Health Care 1.7%	
120,000	Abbott Laboratories .....	6,434,400
100,000	Covidien Ltd. ....	4,150,000
134,900	Vical Inc. (a) .....	661,010
		-----
		11,245,410
		-----
	Homebuilding 0.2%	
90,000	Meritage Homes Corporation (a) .....	1,270,800
		-----
Prin. Amt. or Shares		Value
-----		-----
	Information Technology Services 2.6%	
990,000	The TriZetto Group, Inc. (a) .....	\$ 17,334,900
		-----
	Insurance 22.4%	
10,000	Erie Indemnity Co. Class A .....	611,300
70,000	The Plymouth Rock Company, Inc. Class A (b) (c) (d) .....	148,400,000
2,000	White Mountains Insurance Group .....	1,039,500
		-----
		150,050,800
		-----
	Manufacturing 14.8%	
680,000	A.S.V. Inc. (a) .....	9,540,400
875,600	Brady Corporation Class A .....	31,416,528
140,000	Carlisle Companies Inc. ....	6,804,000
400,000	Dover Corporation .....	20,380,000
410,000	Roper Industries, Inc. ....	26,855,000
100,000	Tyco International Ltd. ....	4,434,000
		-----
		99,429,928
		-----
	Retail Trade 0.1%	
28,751	AeroGroup International, Inc. (a) (c) (d) .....	773,114

Edgar Filing: CENTRAL SECURITIES CORP - Form N-Q

	Total Portfolio Securities	-----
	(cost \$235,494,717) .....	600,662,219
	SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS 6.9%	
	Commercial Paper 2.8%	
9,375,000	American Express Credit Corp. 4.6688% - 5.1863%	
	due 10/10/07 - 11/14/07 .....	9,345,572
7,751,000	General Electric Capital Corp. 4.6218% - 5.0799%	
	due 10/3/07 - 11/7/07 .....	7,733,665
1,584,000	Toyota Motor Corp. 5.1356% due 10/31/07 .....	1,577,268
		-----
		18,656,505
		-----
	U.S. Treasury Bills 4.1%	
28,081,000	U.S. Treasury Bills 4.7013% - 4.8285%	
	due 10/18/07 - 12/20/07 .....	27,886,101
		-----
	Total Short-Term Investments	
	(cost \$46,542,606) .....	46,542,606
		-----
	Total Investments (cost \$282,037,323) (96.4%) .	647,204,825
	Cash, receivables and other assets	
	less liabilities (3.6%) .....	24,222,109
		-----
	Net Assets (100%) .....	\$671,426,934
		=====

- (a) Non-dividend paying.
- (b) Affiliate as defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940.
- (c) Valued at estimated fair value.
- (d) Restricted security. See footnote 2.

See accompanying notes to statement of investments.

CENTRAL SECURITIES CORPORATION  
NOTES TO STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS

1. Security Valuation - Securities are valued at the last sale price or, if unavailable, at the closing bid price. Corporate discount notes are valued at amortized cost, which approximates value. Securities for which no ready market exists are valued at estimated fair value by the Board of Directors.

As of September 30, 2007, the tax cost of investments was \$282,037,323. Net unrealized appreciation was \$365,167,503 consisting of gross unrealized appreciation and gross unrealized depreciation of \$373,904,757 and \$8,737,254, respectively.

2. Restricted Securities - The Corporation has from time to time invested in securities the resale of which is restricted. On September 30, 2007, such investments had an aggregate value of \$149,173,114, which was equal to 22.2% of the Corporation's net assets. Investments in restricted securities at September 30, 2007 were:

Company	Shares	Security	Date Purchased	Cost
-----	-----	-----	-----	-----

Edgar Filing: CENTRAL SECURITIES CORP - Form N-Q

AeroGroup International, Inc.	28,751	Common Stock	6/14/05	\$17,200
The Plymouth Rock Company, Inc.	60,000	Class A Common Stock	12/15/82	1,500,000
The Plymouth Rock Company, Inc.	10,000	Class A Common Stock	6/9/84	699,986

The Corporation does not have the right to demand registration of the restricted securities.

Item 2. Controls and Procedures.

(a) Disclosure Controls and Procedures. The Principal Executive and Financial Officers have concluded that the Registrant's Disclosure Controls and Procedures are effective based on their evaluation of the Disclosure Controls and Procedures as of a date within 90 days of the filing date of this report.

(b) Internal Control Over Financial Reporting. During the last fiscal quarter, there was no significant change in the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Item 3. Exhibits.

(a) Certifications.

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.

CENTRAL SECURITIES CORPORATION

By: /s/ Wilmot H. Kidd

-----  
President

Date: October 25, 2007

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/ Wilmot H. Kidd

-----  
President

Date: October 25, 2007

By: /s/ Charles N. Edgerton

-----  
Vice President and Treasurer

Date: October 25, 2007

I Wilmot H. Kidd, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this report on Form N-Q of Central Securities Corporation;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a

Edgar Filing: CENTRAL SECURITIES CORP - Form N-Q

material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;

3. Based on my knowledge, the schedules of investments included in this report fairly present in all material respects the investments of the registrant as of the end of the fiscal quarter for which the report is filed;

4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 30a-3(c) under the Investment Company Act of 1940) for the registrant and have:

(a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;

(b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;

(c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of a date within 90 days prior to the filing date of this report, based on such evaluation; and

(d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and

5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing equivalent functions):

(a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial information; and

(b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

10/12/07  
-----  
Date

/s/ Wilmot H. Kidd  
-----  
Signature  
  
President  
-----  
Title

## Edgar Filing: CENTRAL SECURITIES CORP - Form N-Q

I Charles N. Edgerton, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this report on Form N-Q of Central Securities Corporation;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the schedules of investments included in this report fairly present in all material respects the investments of the registrant as of the end of the fiscal quarter for which the report is filed;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 30a-3(c) under the Investment Company Act of 1940) for the registrant and have:
  - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of a date within 90 days prior to the filing date of this report, based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing equivalent functions):
  - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial information; and
  - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

10/12/07

-----

Date

/s/ Charles N. Edgerton

-----

Signature

VP and Treasurer

-----

Title