

COHEN & STEERS REIT & PREFERRED INCOME FUND INC

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COHEN & STEERS REIT AND PREFERRED INCOME FUND, INC.

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To Our Shareholders:

We are pleased to submit to you our report for the quarter and nine months ended September 30, 2004. The net asset value per share at that date was \$27.63 per share. During the quarter, three monthly dividends of \$0.175 per share were paid to common shareholders. In addition, three monthly dividends of \$0.175 per share were declared and will be paid on October 29, 2004, November 30, 2004 and December 31, 2004.

INVESTMENT REVIEW

For the quarter, Cohen & Steers REIT and Preferred Income Fund had a total return, based on income and change in net asset value, of 7.7%. Based on the market price of the fund's shares, which ended the quarter at \$25.14, the fund's total return was 11.0%. (The fund's common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange and its share price can differ from its net asset value per share.) This compares with the third quarter NAREIT Equity REIT Index(a) total return of 8.2% and the Merrill Lynch Fixed Rate Preferred Index total return of 5.8%. For the nine months ended September 30, 2004, the fund's total return was 10.2% (3.3% based on the fund's market price), compared to NAREIT Equity REIT Index and Merrill Lynch Fixed Rate Preferred Index total returns of 14.2% and 28%, respectively.

The fund may invest up to 60% and no less than 40% of its assets in both REIT common stocks and corporate preferred securities. This combination pairs the highest yielding common equity sector with the highest yielding fixed income investments outside of the speculative grade, or 'junk,' bond market. It reflects the fund's primary investment objective: high current income. However, a secondary objective of the fund is total return, and we balance the fund's asset mix with that goal in mind. We are pleased to report that, in addition to the monthly dividends the fund has paid, the fund's net asset value per share has appreciated 16% since its inception in June of 2003.

In the third quarter, REITs enjoyed a very strong rebound from the correction that occurred in the second quarter. In fact, the NAREIT Equity REIT Index went on to reach new highs for the year. Recall that REIT prices fell 19% in April and May amid investor concerns about valuations. Since mid-May REITs have returned 24%.

What was the impetus for the dramatic REIT recovery? We believe the reason is clear. There is a real economic recovery underway, and it has fostered higher occupancy levels for most property types, higher-than-

(a) The NAREIT Equity REIT Index is an unmanaged, market capitalization weighted index of all publicly traded REITs that invest predominantly in the equity ownership of real estate. The index is designed to reflect the performance of all publicly traded equity REITs as a whole. The Merrill Lynch Fixed Rate Preferred Index is an unmanaged, market capitalization weighted index composed of 287 members with an average credit rating of A3.

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expected reported earnings for REITs, higher earnings expectations, and higher real estate asset values. In short, the recovery has ushered in a steady improvement in most every aspect of REIT fundamentals, and this improvement has been reflected in equity prices.

Preferreds had a somewhat similar, but less dramatic swoon in the second quarter, as well as a shallower but nonetheless noteworthy rebound in the third. The nearly 7% price drop in the second quarter was the largest in the history of the Merrill Lynch Fixed Rate Preferred index, which goes back to 1989. By contrast, the 4.2% price gain in the most recent quarter was among the best quarterly performance figures for that index.

The volatility in preferred prices over the past few quarters has largely reflected similar movements in the broader bond market. For perspective, the ten-year benchmark Treasury yield, which began the year around 4.25%, touched 3.75% late in the first quarter, then rose to a year-to-date high of 4.80% in mid-June before falling again to end the most recent quarter near 4.10%.

The economic expansion to date has boosted REIT occupancy levels and pricing power. More cyclical property types -- office, industrial, apartment, hotel and self storage -- demonstrated some of the largest improvements in fundamentals. For example, office REIT occupancy levels were flat in the first quarter but then improved by 0.5% in the second quarter, and industrial occupancies swung from a decline of 0.4% in the first quarter to an increase of 0.7% in the second quarter. Similar strengthening occurred in the apartment and mixed office/industrial segments.

Commensurate with the fundamental climate, REITs experienced earnings growth in the first quarter that was essentially flat and in-line with consensus expectations. In the second quarter, however, REIT earnings growth accelerated and pulled away from continued subdued expectations. Whereas the consensus expectation for the second quarter called for 1.6% earnings growth across the REIT sector, actual reported earnings instead increased by 3.8%. The more economically sensitive property types experienced the greatest acceleration in earnings growth, and many swung from a year-over-year decline to a year-over-year increase in earnings for the first time in many quarters.

The jolt in fundamentals has forced many analysts to revise their earnings expectations upward. Just since the end of June, consensus REIT earnings growth expectations for 2005 have increased by 2.9 percentage points, from 6.4% to 9.3%. And again, the more cyclical the sector, the further behind the curve the analysts have been in their estimates for 2005. For example, hotel earnings expectations have increased by 7.8 percentage points, office earnings expectations by 5 percentage points, and mall earnings expectations by 3.3 percentage points since June.

The fund's best performing REIT investments during the quarter were in the regional mall and health care sectors, which produced total returns of 12.2% and 10.5% respectively, while the worst performing sector for the fund was the office/industrial sector, which had a 0.9% total return. Shopping center

companies Cedar Shopping Centers and Ramco-Gershenson Properties Trust were the fund's best performing holdings during the quarter, contributing total returns of 23.6% and 13.5%, respectively. Laggards during the quarter included Mission West

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Properties, a company focused on Silicon Valley research properties, with a total return of -12.6% and CRT Properties, an office REIT with operations in the southern states, that had a total return of -5.7%.

While nearly every fixed income holding of the fund experienced a rise in value during the quarter, real estate sector preferreds, including those of Forest City Enterprises and Glimcher Realty, were some of the best price performers. In addition, the fund's holdings of non-callable preferreds, which tend to respond more aggressively to rate changes than callable ones -- such as HSBC 10.176% and Dominion Resources 8.4% -- generally performed very well. A credit upgrade of Allmerica Financial also helped those holdings perform well. Laggards over the quarter included the fund's floating-rate New York Community Bancorp issues. In addition to the floating rate structure, New York Community announced a large charge related to the swift upward move in interest rates in the second quarter. The fund's Liberty Media bonds also lagged as a large stock buyback and the Cox Communications leveraged buyout caused some concern about the company maintaining its investment grade ratings.

INVESTMENT OUTLOOK

For now, it seems that the consensus view of future REIT earnings growth is finally catching up with our own. One implication of the REIT market having now more or less correctly anticipated the improving fundamental picture is that the period of multiple expansion for REITs is likely drawing to a close. This implies to us that returns going forward are likely to be more in accordance with historical norms. For example, with REITs yielding 5.1% at quarter-end, and growth anticipated to be approximately 10% in 2005, the potential total return for REITs would be in line with historical norms over the next 12 months if earnings multiples remain unchanged. In short, we believe the REIT bull market is maturing. Accordingly, it is reasonable to expect that returns going forward are going to be lower than they have been over the last 18 months.

However, REITs generally are not at peak valuation levels, in our view. On average, our estimates indicate that REITs are trading at about a 6% premium to NAV. This is above the historical average of 2%, but certainly far from the 25% premiums generally associated with past valuation peaks. This NAV premium, if sustained, may actually contribute to REIT earnings growth as companies seeking to issue stock will generally have the ability to do so at a premium to NAV and acquire or develop new assets at par.

The growing economy and strengthening of balance sheets has continued in our view to improve the credit quality of most preferred issuers. Narrowing credit spreads could continue to help preferreds perform well. A relative paucity of new supply -- somewhat the result of lower borrowing needs amid stronger cash flow funding and delevering -- has also lifted preferred valuations. However,

the near-term direction of bond yields, which is vital to preferred pricing, remains somewhat uncertain. That said, the trend over the past few quarters, while erratic, has been toward higher yields over time, and we expect to see that pattern continue. Our view that the economic expansion will continue apace supports this thesis.

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Since we believe the potential for rising interest rates remains, we intend to remain defensively postured in our fixed income holdings. Given this stance and our ongoing positive view of REIT fundamentals, we intend to continue to manage the fund with a relatively lower allocation to preferreds than to REITs.

We believe the fund remains well-positioned to meet its goal of delivering high current income as well as portfolio diversification, considering that REITs and preferreds have low correlations, generally, to other asset classes and to each other. We also believe that the balance of REIT equities and preferreds will continue to provide the potential for attractive income and long-term returns for our shareholders.

Sincerely,

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In addition, our Web site contains comprehensive information about our firm, including our most recent press releases, profiles of our senior investment professionals, and an overview of our investment approach.

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OUR LEVERAGE STRATEGY (UNAUDITED)

While we do not attempt to predict what future interest rates will be, it has been our philosophy to utilize interest rate swap transactions to seek to reduce the interest rate risk inherent in our utilization of leverage. Our leverage strategy involves issuing auction market preferred shares (AMPS) to raise additional capital for the fund, with an objective of increasing the net income available for shareholders. As of September 30, 2004, AMPS represented 33% of the fund's managed net assets. Considering that AMPS have variable dividend rates, we seek to lock in the rate on a majority of this additional capital through interest rate swap agreements (where we effectively convert our variable rate obligation to a fixed rate obligation for the term of the swap agreements). Specifically, we have fixed the rate on 68% of our leverage at an average interest rate of 3.7%, for an average remaining period of 4.2 years (when we first entered into the swaps, the average term was 5.3 years). By locking in a large portion of our leveraging costs, we have endeavored to adequately protect the dividend-paying ability of the fund, which is one of the reasons the fund was recently able to increase its monthly dividend. The use of leverage increases the volatility of the fund's net asset value in both up and down markets. However, we believe that locking in a portion of the fund's leveraging costs for the term of the swap agreements partially protects the fund from any impact that an increase in short-term interest rates may have as a result of the use of leverage. The swap contracts also provide a modest NAV cushion, as they are assets of the fund that are marked-to-market daily and will rise in value in a rising rate environment.

Leverage Facts (a)

Leverage (as % of managed net assets).....	33%
% Fixed Rate.....	68%
% Variable Rate.....	32%
Average Rate on Swaps.....	3.7%
Average Term on Swaps.....	4.2 years
Current Rate on AMPS.....	1.9%

 (a) Data as of September 30, 2004. Information is subject to change.

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SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS
SEPTEMBER 30, 2004 (UNAUDITED)

		NUMBER OF SHARES	VALUE	DIVIDEND YIELD (a)
COMMON STOCK	84.77% (b)			
DIVERSIFIED	7.06%			
Capital Trust Class A.....		97,400	\$ 2,834,340	6.19%
Colonial Properties Trust.....		300,000	12,066,000	6.66
Crescent Real Estate Equities Co.....		1,490,500	23,460,470	9.53
iStar Financial.....		990,000	40,817,700	6.77
Vornado Realty Trust.....		239,100	14,986,788	4.53
			94,165,298	
HEALTH CARE	13.04%			
Health Care Property Investors.....		2,900,600	75,415,600	6.42
Health Care REIT.....		1,745,600	61,445,120	6.82
Nationwide Health Properties.....		1,362,200	28,265,650	7.13
Ventas.....		335,000	8,683,200	5.02
			173,809,570	
HOTEL	2.07%			
Hospitality Properties Trust.....		545,200	23,165,548	6.78
Strategic Hotel Capital.....		323,800	4,377,776	6.51
			27,543,324	
INDUSTRIAL	4.08%			
First Industrial Realty Trust.....		1,472,200	54,324,180	7.43
MORTGAGE	2.36%			
Newcastle Investment Corp.....		1,024,274	31,445,212	7.82
OFFICE	24.35%			
Arden Realty.....		1,488,700	48,501,846	6.20
Brandywine Realty Trust.....		787,800	22,436,544	6.18
CarrAmerica Realty Corp.....		942,300	30,813,210	6.12
CRT Properties.....		290,000	6,220,500	6.53
Equity Office Properties Trust.....		2,943,300	80,204,925	7.34
Highwoods Properties.....		910,200	22,400,022	6.91
HRPT Properties Trust.....		1,228,400	13,500,116	7.64
Mack-Cali Realty Corp.....		1,259,500	55,795,850	5.69
Maguire Properties.....		1,286,100	31,265,091	6.58
Prentiss Properties Trust.....		374,900	13,496,400	6.22
			324,634,504	

(a) Dividend yield is computed by dividing the security's current annual

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dividend rate by the last sale price on the principal exchange, or market, on which such security trades.

(b) Percentages indicated are based on the net assets of the fund.

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SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS -- (CONTINUED)
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	NUMBER OF SHARES	VALUE	DIVIDEND YIELD
OFFICE/INDUSTRIAL	4.31%		
Liberty Property Trust.....	1,143,300	\$ 45,549,072	6.12%
Mission West Properties.....	908,900	9,407,115	9.28
Reckson Associates Realty Corp.....	87,500	2,515,625	5.91
		57,471,812	
RESIDENTIAL -- APARTMENT	13.28%		
AMLI Residential Properties Trust....	590,400	18,036,720	6.28
Archstone-Smith Trust.....	2,324,000	73,531,360	5.44
Camden Property Trust.....	581,800	26,879,160	5.50
Gables Residential Trust.....	1,186,100	40,505,315	7.06
Mid-America Apartment Communities....	349,000	13,593,550	6.01
Town & Country Trust.....	173,400	4,413,030	6.76
		176,959,135	
SELF STORAGE	0.65%		
Sovran Self Storage.....	222,200	8,705,796	6.18
SHOPPING CENTER	13.57%		
COMMUNITY CENTER	8.10%		
Cedar Shopping Centers.....	400,000	5,580,000	6.45
Heritage Property Investment Trust...	2,002,300	58,407,091	7.20
New Plan Excel Realty Trust.....	1,340,500	33,512,500	6.60
Ramco-Gershenson Properties Trust....	390,000	10,561,200	6.20
		108,060,791	
REGIONAL MALL	5.47%		
Glimcher Realty Trust.....	2,121,600	51,554,880	7.90
Macerich Co.....	215,200	11,468,008	4.58
Mills Corp.....	190,200	9,865,674	4.59
		72,888,562	
TOTAL SHOPPING CENTER.....		180,949,353	

TOTAL COMMON STOCK			
(Identified cost --			

	\$943,674,848).....		1,130,008,184

PREFERRED SECURITIES -- \$25			
PAR VALUE	26.14%		
AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS	0.20%		
Agrium, 8.00% (COPrS).....	107,600	2,715,824	7.92

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	NUMBER OF SHARES	VALUE	DIVIDEND YIELD
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AUTOMOTIVE			
			1.16%
DaimlerChrysler, 7.25% (CBTCS).....	23,708	\$ 600,049	7.15%
DaimlerChrysler, 7.50% (CBTCS).....	37,300	967,935	7.24
Delphi Trust I, 8.25%, due 10/15/33, Series A.....	456,100	11,785,624	7.97
Ford Motor Co., 8.00% (CORTS).....	80,000	2,085,600	7.67

		15,439,208	

BANK			
			2.49%
ASBC Capital I, 7.625%, Series A (TOPrS).....	75,500	2,023,400	7.13
Cobank ACB, 7.00%, 144A(a).....	200,000	10,315,960	6.79
Colonial Capital Trust IV, 7.875%....	310,000	8,292,500	7.36
Countrywide Capital IV, 6.75%.....	71,100	1,793,853	6.70
First Republic Bank, 6.70%.....	200,000	5,010,000	6.71
Fleet Capital Trust VII, 7.20% Series.....	94,800	2,488,500	6.86
Fleet Capital Trust VIII, 7.20% Series.....	87,900	2,314,407	6.84
Old Second Bancorp Capital Trust I, 7.80%.....	90,000	979,110	7.16

		33,217,730	

BANK -- FOREIGN			
			1.39%
Abbey National PLC, 7.375%, Series B.	105,700	2,858,128	6.80
Abbey National PLC, 7.375%, Series C.	493,264	13,140,553	6.91
Northern Rock PLC, 8.00%, Series.....	30,000	753,339	7.96

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Royal Bank of Scotland Group, 7.25%, Series H.....	69,300	1,750,518	7.17

		18,502,538	

ELECTRIC -- INTEGRATED 1.49%			
EIX Trust I, 7.875%, due 7/26/29, Series.....	165,900	4,182,339	7.81
Energy East Capital Trust I, 8.25%...	61,000	1,628,090	7.72
Enterprise Capital Trust, 7.44%.....	74,200	1,864,646	7.40
Northern States Power Co., 8.00%, Notes (PINES).....	41,700	1,132,155	7.37
PSEG Funding Trust II, 8.75% Series.....	199,900	5,509,244	7.95
Puget Sound Energy Capital Trust II, 8.40% (TOPrs).....	95,800	2,542,532	7.91
Southern California Edison, 7.23%, due 4/30/07, Series M.....	12,300	1,245,375	7.14
Virginia Power Capital Trust II, 7.375%, (TruPS).....	62,061	1,669,441	6.84

		19,773,822	

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	NUMBER OF SHARES	VALUE	DIVIDEND YIELD
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FINANCE 0.91%			
CREDIT CARD 0.81%			
MBNA Capital, 8.125%, Series D (TruPS).....	234,100	\$ 6,250,470	7.60%
MBNA Capital, 8.10%, Series E (TOPrs).....	166,300	4,491,763	7.52

		10,742,233	

DIVERSIFIED FINANCIAL SERVICES 0.10%			
National Rural Utilities, 7.40% (QUICS).....	48,300	1,283,814	6.96

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TOTAL FINANCE.....			12,026,047	

GAS -- DISTRIBUTION	3.59%			
Dominion CNG Capital, 8.40%.....		78,700	2,105,225	7.29
Laclede Capital Trust I, 7.70%				
(TOPrS).....		56,300	1,517,285	7.16
Southern Union Co., 7.55%, Series C..		1,040,000	28,017,600	7.02
Southwest Gas Capital Trust II,				
7.70%.....		600,000	16,200,000	7.15

			47,840,110	

INSURANCE	2.20%			
LIFE/HEALTH INSURANCE	0.21%			
Lincoln National Capital V, 7.65%,				
Series E (TruPS).....		63,700	1,688,050	7.21
Torchmark Capital Trust I, 7.75%.....		41,000	1,103,720	7.21

			2,791,770	

MULTI-LINE	0.81%			
ING Groep NV, 7.05% Series.....		241,600	6,313,008	6.74
ING Groep NV, 7.20% Series.....		165,700	4,407,620	6.77

			10,720,628	

PROPERTY/CASUALTY	0.99%			
ACE Ltd., 7.80%, Series C.....		380,400	10,232,760	7.25
St. Paul Capital Trust I, 7.60%				
(TruPS).....		115,130	3,003,742	7.27

			13,236,502	

REINSURANCE -- FOREIGN	0.19%			
RenaissanceRE Holdings Ltd., 8.10%,				
Series A.....		30,900	829,974	7.56
RenaissanceRE Holdings Ltd., 7.30%,				
Series B.....		65,900	1,743,055	6.92

			2,573,029	

TOTAL INSURANCE.....			29,321,929	

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	NUMBER OF SHARES	VALUE	DIVIDEND YIELD
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MEDIA			2.11%
CABLE TELEVISION			1.28%
Shaw Communications, 8.45%, Series A (COPrS).....	199,092	\$ 5,007,164	8.39%
Shaw Communications, 8.50%, Series B (COPrS).....	479,700	12,064,455	8.47

		17,071,619	

DIVERSIFIED SERVICES			0.83%
AOL Time Warner, 7.625%, Series A-1 (CABCO).....	109,900	2,900,261	7.24
Liberty Media Corp., 8.75% (CBTCS)...	198,500	5,250,325	8.28
Liberty Media Corp., 8.75% (PPLUS)...	108,745	2,926,328	8.14

		11,076,914	

TOTAL MEDIA.....		28,148,533	

MEDICAL -- HMO			0.06%
Aetna, 8.50%, Senior Notes.....	32,000	861,120	7.92

OIL -- EXPLORATION			1.22%
Nexen, 7.35%, due 11/1/43, Series B..	608,660	16,306,001	6.87

REAL ESTATE			7.42%
Apartment Investment and Management Co., 8.00%, Series T.....	93,700	2,335,941	8.02
Cousins Properties, 7.75%, Series A..	457,500	11,798,925	7.52
Developers Diversified Realty Corp., 8.00%, Series G.....	38,700	1,021,293	7.58
Forest City Enterprises, 7.375%, Senior Notes.....	50,000	1,257,000	7.32
Glimcher Realty Trust, 8.75%, Series F.....	280,000	7,417,200	8.27
Glimcher Realty Trust, 8.125%, Series G.....	240,000	6,108,000	7.98
Health Care REIT, 7.875%, Series D...	100,000	2,534,000	7.77
Innkeepers USA Trust, 8.00%, Series C.....	88,000	2,226,400	7.91
iStar Financial, 7.875%, Series E....	400,000	10,076,000	7.82
iStar Financial, 7.80%, Series F.....	292,400	7,374,328	7.73
iStar Financial, 7.65%, Series G.....	80,000	2,000,000	7.64
Kilroy Realty Corp, 7.80%, Series E.....	100,000	2,589,000	7.53
Maguire Properties, 7.625%, Series A.....	288,900	7,193,610	7.67
Mid-America Apartment Communities, 8.30%, Series H.....	690,600	17,796,762	8.07
Mills Corp., 8.75%, Series E.....	197,600	5,335,200	8.11
Omega Healthcare Investors, 8.375%, Series D.....	200,000	5,210,000	8.02
Saul Centers, 8.00%, Series A.....	94,400	2,515,760	7.50
SL Green Realty Corp., 7.625%, Series C.....	100,000	2,563,000	7.45
SL Green Realty Corp., 7.875%, Series D.....	60,000	1,530,000	7.73

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TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES			1.90%
Centaur Funding Corp., 9.08%(a) .. .	13,908	\$ 17,412,794	7.25%
Telephone & Data Systems, 7.60%, Series A.....	197,800	5,208,074	7.22
United States Cellular Corp., 7.50%, due 6/15/34, Series.....	105,000	2,756,250	7.16

		25,377,118	

TOTAL PREFERRED SECURITIES -- \$25 PAR VALUE (Identified cost -- \$337,940,464).....		348,412,399	

PREFERRED SECURITIES --			
CAPITAL TRUST			32.64%
BANK			7.04%
AgFirst Farm Credit Bank, 7.30%, due 10/14/49, 144A.....	29,100,000	29,392,455	7.23
Astoria Capital Trust I, 9.75%, due 11/1/29, Series B.....	13,500,000	16,051,500	8.20
BankBoston Capital Trust II, 7.75%, due 12/15/26.....	1,500,000	1,658,877	7.01
BT Preferred Capital Trust II, 7.875%, due 2/25/27.....	5,000,000	5,603,045	7.03
Great Western Financial Trust II, 8.206%, due 2/1/27, Series A.....	5,232,000	5,928,186	7.25
ML Capital Trust I, 9.875%, due 3/1/27, Series B.....	1,800,000	2,124,225	8.37
Republic New York Capital I, 7.75%, due 11/15/26 (TruPS).....	1,000,000	1,099,698	7.05
Roslyn Preferred Trust FRN, 4.78%, due 4/1/32, 144A.....	10,000,000	9,975,000	4.77
Roslyn Real Estate Asset Corp. FRN, 4.813%, due 9/30/08, Series D.....	100	10,000,000	4.76
Sky Financial Capital Trust I, 9.75%, due 5/1/30, Series B.....	3,000,000	3,516,000	7.97

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Webster Capital Trust I, 9.36%, due 1/29/27, 144A.....	7,300,000	8,420,090	8.11

		93,769,076	

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BANK -- FOREIGN			
BNP Paribas Capital Trust V, 7.20%...	19,550,000	\$ 20,537,685	6.85%
CA Preferred Fund Trust, 7.00% (Eurobond).....	25,200,000	26,139,733	6.75
HBOS Capital Funding LP, 6.85%.....	24,000,000	24,614,544	6.68
HSBC Capital Funding LP, 10.176%.....	9,680,000	14,827,892	6.65
RBS Capital Trust B, 6.80%.....	20,700,000	21,291,316	6.61

		107,411,170	

ELECTRIC -- INTEGRATED			
Dominion Resources Capital Trust III, 8.40%, due 1/15/31.....	21,732,000	26,687,005	7.80
DPL Capital Trust, 8.125%, due 9/1/31.....	3,000,000	3,127,500	7.80

		29,814,505	

FINANCE			
CREDIT CARD			
MBNA Capital, 8.278%, due 12/1/26, Series A.....	6,200,000	6,921,767	7.42

DIVERSIFIED FINANCIAL SERVICES			
Old Mutual Capital Funding, 8.00%, due 5/29/49 (Eurobond).....	27,000,000	27,768,204	7.78

INVESTMENT BANKER/BROKER			
Chase Capital I, 7.67%, due 12/1/06.....	2,519,000	2,732,387	7.07

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JPM Capital Trust I, 7.54%, due 1/15/27.....	3,925,000	4,200,649	7.05
JPM Capital Trust II, 7.95%, due 2/27/07.....	6,400,000	7,146,112	7.12
		----- 14,079,148 -----	
MORTGAGE LOAN/BROKER 0.99%			
Countrywide Capital III, 8.05%, due 6/15/27, Series B (SKIS).....	11,285,000	13,245,126	6.86
		----- 62,014,245 -----	
TOTAL FINANCE.....			
FOOD -- DAIRY PRODUCTS 0.79%			
Dairy Farmers of America, 7.875%, 144A(a).....	105,000	10,555,734	7.84

INSURANCE 8.09%			
BROKERS 0.17%			
Aon Capital Trust A, 8.205%, due 1/1/27.....	2,000,000	2,302,776	7.13

LIFE/HEALTH 0.33%			
AmerUS Capital, 8.85%, due 2/1/27, Series A.....	4,000,000	4,334,580	8.17

(a) The fund prices this security at fair value using procedures approved by the fund's board of directors.

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SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS -- (CONTINUED)
SEPTEMBER 30, 2004 (UNAUDITED)

	NUMBER OF SHARES	VALUE	DIVIDEND YIELD
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MULTI-LINE 5.99%			
AFC Capital Trust I, 8.207%, due 2/03/27, Series B.....	5,000,000	\$ 5,000,000	8.21%
AXA, 7.10%, (Eurobond).....	26,500,000	27,328,125	6.88
GenAmerica Capital I, 8.525%, due 6/30/27.....	14,000,000	16,256,744	7.35
USF&G Capital, 8.312%, due 7/01/46...	2,000,000	2,428,220	6.84
Zurich Capital Trust I, 8.376%, due 6/01/37.....	25,212,000	28,860,580	7.32

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			79,873,669	

PROPERTY/CASUALTY	1.60%			
Oil Casualty Insurance, 8.00%, due				
9/15/34.....	5,000,000		4,983,265	8.03
W.R. Berkley Capital Trust, 8.197%,				
due 12/15/45.....	15,100,000		16,399,959	7.55

			21,383,224	

TOTAL INSURANCE.....			107,894,249	

PIPELINES	1.77%			
K N Capital Trust I, 8.56%, due				
4/15/27 (TruPS).....	9,513,000		11,103,174	7.33
K N Capital Trust III, 7.63%, due				
4/15/28 (TruPS).....	11,330,000		12,474,092	6.93

			23,577,266	

TOTAL PREFERRED				
SECURITIES -- CAPITAL TRUST				
(Identified cost --				
\$421,059,937).....			435,036,245	

				PRINCIPAL AMOUNT

CORPORATE BOND	5.74%			
AUTOMOTIVE	3.97%			
Ford Holdings, 9.30%, due 3/1/30.....		\$ 2,500,000	2,858,047	
Ford Motor Co., 9.98%, due 2/15/47.....		14,400,000	17,780,026	
General Motors Corp., 7.375%, due				
5/23/48.....		19,377,000	18,557,585	
General Motors Corp., 8.25%, due				
7/15/23.....		13,000,000	13,707,993	

			52,903,651	

DIVERSIFIED FINANCIAL SERVICES	0.38%			
BF Saul Real Estate Investment Trust,				
7.50%, due 3/1/14, 144A.....		5,000,000	5,125,000	

INVESTMENT BANKER/BROKER	0.62%			
NBP Capital Trust III, 7.375%, due				
10/29/49.....		7,900,000	8,231,255	

COHEN & STEERS REIT AND PREFERRED INCOME FUND, INC.

SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS -- (CONTINUED)
 SEPTEMBER 30, 2004 (UNAUDITED)

	PRINCIPAL AMOUNT	VALUE
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MEDIA -- DIVERSIFIED SERVICES	0.77%	
Liberty Media Corp., 8.25%, due 2/1/30.....	\$ 9,250,000	\$ 10,295,564

TOTAL CORPORATE BOND (Identified cost -- \$72,007,883)		76,555,470

COMMERCIAL PAPER	0.24%	
State Street Boston Corp., 1.40%, due 10/01/04 (Identified cost -- \$3,178,000).....	3,178,000	3,178,000

TOTAL INVESTMENTS (Identified cost -- \$1,777,861,132).....	149.53%	1,993,190,298 (a)
OTHER ASSETS IN EXCESS OF LIABILITIES.....	0.81%	10,790,608
LIQUIDATION VALUE OF AUCTION MARKET PREFERRED SHARES: SERIES M7, SERIES T7, SERIES W7, SERIES TH7, SERIES F7 (Equivalent to \$25,000 per share based on 3,280 shares outstanding per class), SERIES W28A, SERIES W28B, SERIES W28C (Equivalent to \$25,000 per share based on 2,800 shares outstanding per class), AND SERIES T28 (Equivalent to \$25,000 per share based on 2,040 shares outstanding per class).....	(50.34)%	(671,000,000)

NET ASSETS APPLICABLE TO COMMON SHARES (Equivalent to \$27.63 per share based on 48,251,666 shares of capital stock outstanding).....	100.00%	\$1,332,980,906

GLOSSARY OF PORTFOLIO ABBREVIATIONS

CABCO	Corporate Asset Backed Corporation
CBTCS	Corporate Backed Trust Certificates
COPrS	Canadian Origin Preferred Securities
CORTS	Corporate Backed Trust Securities
FRN	Floating Rate Note
PINES	Public Income Notes
PPLUS	Preferred Plus Trust
QUICS	Quarterly Income Capital Securities
SKIS	Subordinated Capital Income Securities

TOPrS Trust Originated Preferred Securities
 TruPS Trust Preferred Securities

(a) At September 30, 2004, net unrealized appreciation was \$215,329,166 based on cost for federal income tax purposes of \$1,777,861,132. This consisted of aggregate gross unrealized appreciation on investments of \$217,890,933 and aggregate gross unrealized depreciation on investments of \$2,561,767.

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SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS -- (CONTINUED)
 SEPTEMBER 30, 2004 (UNAUDITED)

NOTE 1. INVESTMENTS IN INTEREST RATE SWAPS

The fund has entered into interest rate swap agreements with Merrill Lynch Derivative Products AG, UBS AG, and Royal Bank of Canada. Under the agreements the fund receives a floating rate and pays a respective fixed rate. Details of the swaps at September 30, 2004 are as follows:

COUNTERPARTY	NOTIONAL AMOUNT	FIXED RATE	FLOATING RATE (a) (RESET MONTHLY)	TERMINATION DATE
Royal Bank of Canada.....	\$58,125,000	3.3980%	1.840%	August 25, 2007
Royal Bank of Canada.....	\$43,250,000	3.4525%	1.77875%	September 16, 2008
UBS AG.....	\$58,125,000	2.8325%	1.840%	August 25, 2006
UBS AG.....	\$58,125,000	3.9900%	1.840%	August 25, 2009
UBS AG.....	\$58,125,000	4.3975%	1.840%	August 25, 2010
UBS AG.....	\$58,125,000	4.5950%	1.840%	August 25, 2011
Merrill Lynch Derivative Products AG.....	\$43,625,000	3.3200%	1.8275%	October 22, 2007
Merrill Lynch Derivative Products AG.....	\$58,500,000	3.2075%	1.670%	October 2, 2008
Merrill Lynch Derivative Products AG.....	\$20,000,000	3.4100%	1.750%	January 13, 2009

(a) Based on LIBOR (London Interbank Offered Rate). Represents rates in effect at September 30, 2004.

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FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (a)
 SEPTEMBER 30, 2004 (UNAUDITED)

	TOTAL NET ASSETS	NET ASSET VALUE PER SHARE
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NET ASSET VALUE:		
Beginning of period: 12/31/03.....	\$1,287,187,821	\$26.68
Net investment income.....	\$ 69,605,291	\$ 1.43
Net realized and unrealized gain on investments and interest rate swap transactions.....	58,135,751	1.21
Distributions from net investment income to:		
Common shareholders.....	(75,272,600)	(1.56)
Preferred shareholders.....	(6,941,791)	(0.14)
Increase in net assets from preferred offering cost adjustment.....	266,434	0.01
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Net increase in net asset value.....	45,793,085	0.95
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End of period: 9/30/2004.....	\$1,332,980,906	\$27.63
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 (a) Financial information included in this report has been taken from the records of the fund without examination by independent accountants.

 COHEN & STEERS REIT AND PREFERRED INCOME FUND, INC.

AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (a)
 (PERIOD ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2004) (UNAUDITED)

ONE YEAR	SINCE INCEPTION (6/27/03)
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21.54%	21.16%

The performance data quoted represent past performance. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. The rate of return will vary and the principal value of an investment will fluctuate and shares, if sold, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted.

REINVESTMENT PLAN

We urge shareholders who want to take advantage of this plan and whose shares are held in 'Street Name' to consult your broker as soon as possible to determine if you must change registration into your own name to participate.

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 23(c) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 that the fund may purchase, from time to time, shares of its common stock in the open market.

A description of the policies and procedures that the fund uses to determine how to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities is available (i) without charge, upon request, by calling 1-800-330-7348, (ii) on our Web site at cohenandsteers.com, or (iii) on the Securities and Exchange Commission's (SEC) Web site at <http://www.sec.gov>. In addition, the fund's proxy voting record for the most recent 12-month period ended June 30 is available (i) without charge upon request, by calling 1-800-330-7348, or (ii) on the SEC's Web site at <http://www.sec.gov>.

(a) Based on net asset value.

COHEN & STEERS REIT AND PREFERRED INCOME FUND, INC.

PRIVACY POLICY

The fund is committed to maintaining the privacy of its shareholders and to safeguarding their personal information. The following is provided to help you understand what personal information the fund collects, how we protect that information, and why in certain cases we may share this information with others.

The fund does not receive any personal information relating to shareholders who purchase shares through an intermediary

that acts as the record owner of the shares. In the case of shareholders who are record owners of the fund, to conduct and process your business in an accurate and efficient manner, we must collect and maintain certain personal information about you. This is the information we collect on applications or other forms, and from the transactions you make with us.

The fund does not disclose any personal information about its shareholders or former shareholders to anyone, except as required or permitted by law or as is necessary to service shareholder accounts. We will share information with organizations, such as the fund's transfer agent, that assist the fund in carrying out its daily business operations. These organizations will use this information only for purposes of providing the services required or as otherwise as may be required by law. These organizations are not permitted to share or use this information for any other purpose. In addition, the fund restricts access to personal information about its shareholders to employees of the adviser who have a legitimate business need for the information.

COHEN & STEERS REIT AND PREFERRED INCOME FUND, INC.

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FOR HIGH CURRENT INCOME:

COHEN & STEERS
REALTY INCOME FUND

IDEAL FOR INVESTORS SEEKING A HIGH
DIVIDEND YIELD AND CAPITAL APPRECIATION,
INVESTING PRIMARILY IN REITS
A, B, C AND I SHARES AVAILABLE
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IN UTILITIES
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