

RENAISSANCE CAPITAL GROWTH & INCOME FUND III INC

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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**Form 10-Q**

**[X] QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d)  
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2005

OR

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

For the Transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ .

**Commission file number: 0-20671**

**Renaissance Capital Growth & Income Fund III, Inc.**  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**TX**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation or organization)

**75-2533518**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**8080 N. Central Expressway, Suite 210, LB-59, Dallas, TX 75206**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **214-891-8294**

None  
(Former name, former address and former fiscal year  
if changed since last report)

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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 period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes o 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 ☒.

As of December 15, 2006, the issuer had 4,463,967 shares of common stock outstanding.

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## PART I - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Renaissance Capital Growth & Income Fund III, Inc.  
Statements of Assets and Liabilities  
(Unaudited)

ASSETS

	September 30, 2005	December 31, 2004
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 7,724,583	\$ 37,278,871
Investments at fair value, cost of \$34,715,228 and \$38,096,399 at September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004, respectively	57,053,862	76,203,302
Accounts receivable - settlement with affiliate	3,775,872	3,775,872
Accounts receivable - broker	1,194,290	-
Interest and dividends receivable	42,907	95,689
Prepaid and other assets	82,992	33,375
	\$ 69,874,506	\$ 117,387,109

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

## Liabilities:

Due to broker	\$ 2,045,613	\$ 27,001,414
Accounts payable	133,618	51,477
Accounts payable - affiliate	4,217,526	3,697,461
Accounts payable - dividends	-	12,054,258
	6,396,757	42,804,610

## Net assets:

Common stock, \$1 par value; authorized 20,000,000 shares; 4,673,867 and 4,561,618 issued; 4,463,967 and 4,351,718 shares outstanding	4,673,867	4,561,618
Additional paid-in-capital	34,029,145	33,641,903
Treasury stock at cost, 209,900 shares	(1,734,967)	(1,734,967)
Distributable earnings	4,171,070	7,042
Net unrealized appreciation of investments	22,338,634	38,106,903

Net assets, equivalent to \$14.22 and \$17.14 per share

at September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004, respectively

	63,477,749	74,582,499
	\$ 69,874,506	\$ 117,387,109

See accompanying notes

Renaissance Capital Growth & Income Fund III, Inc.  
Schedules of Investments  
(unaudited)

	Interest Rate	Due Date	September 30, 2005 Cost		Fair Value	% of Net Investments
Eligible Portfolio Investments -						
Convertible Debentures and						
Promissory Notes						
CaminoSoft Corp.						
Promissory notes (4)	7.00%	07/19/06	\$	250,000	\$ 250,000	0.44%
Digital Learning Management Corp.						
-						
Convertible debenture (2)	7.00	02/27/11		1,000,000	134,228	0.23
iLinc Communications, Inc. -						
Convertible redeemable note (2)	12.00	03/29/12		500,000	500,000	0.88
Integrated Security Systems, Inc. -						
Promissory notes (4)	8.00	09/30/06		525,000	525,000	0.92
Promissory notes (4)	7.00	09/30/06		200,000	200,000	0.35
Promissory note (4)	8.00	09/30/06		175,000	175,000	0.31
Simtek Corporation -						
Convertible debenture	7.50	06/28/09		1,000,000	1,185,897	2.08
			\$	3,650,000	\$ 2,970,125	5.21%

See accompanying notes

Renaissance Capital Growth & Income Fund III, Inc.  
Schedules of Investments, continued  
(unaudited)

			September 30, 2005	
	Shares	Cost	Fair Value	% of Net Investments
<b>Eligible Portfolio Investments -</b>				
<b>Common Stock, Preferred Stock, and Miscellaneous Securities</b>				
<b>CaminoSoft Corp. -</b>				
Common stock	1,750,000	\$ 4,000,000	\$ 1,837,500	3.22%
Common stock (2)	1,539,414	1,150,000	1,616,385	2.83
Common stock (2)	250,000	125,000	262,500	0.46
<b>eOriginal, Inc. -</b>				
Series A, preferred stock (1)(3)	10,680	4,692,207	387,671	0.68
Series B, preferred stock (1)(3)	25,646	620,329	1,052,420	1.84
Series C, preferred stock (1)(3)	51,249	1,059,734	1,391,463	2.44
Series D, preferred stock (1)(3)	16,057	500,000	500,000	0.88
<b>Gaming &amp; Entertainment Group, Inc.-</b>				
Common stock	612,500	550,625	128,625	0.23
<b>Gasco Energy, Inc. -</b>				
Common stock	1,541,667	1,250,000	10,252,086	17.97
<b>Global Axxess Corporation -</b>				
Common stock (2)	953,333	1,261,667	1,267,933	2.22
<b>Hemobiotech, Inc. -</b>				
Common stock (2)	549,164	520,347	520,347	0.91
<b>Integrated Security Systems, Inc. -</b>				
Common stock (2)	27,314,351	5,636,545	5,736,014	10.05
Series D, preferred stock (2)	187,500	150,000	39,375	0.07

See accompanying notes



Renaissance Capital Growth & Income Fund III, Inc.  
Schedules of Investments, continued  
(unaudited)

			September 30, 2005	
	Shares	Cost	Fair Value	% of Net Investments
<b>Eligible Portfolio Investments -</b>				
Common Stock, Preferred Stock, and Miscellaneous Securities, continued				
<b>Inyx, Inc. -</b>				
Common stock (2)	300,000	300,000	390,000	0.68
<b>Laserscope -</b>				
Common stock	600,000	750,000	16,908,000	29.64
<b>PracticeXpert, Inc. -</b>				
Common stock (2)	4,166,666	500,000	300,000	0.53
<b>Simtek Corp. -</b>				
Common stock	1,000,000	195,000	370,000	0.65
Common stock - private placement (2)	550,661	500,000	203,745	0.36
<b>Miscellaneous Securities</b>				
		-	1,615,569	2.83
	\$	23,761,454	\$	44,779,633
				78.49%

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Renaissance Capital Growth & Income Fund III, Inc.  
Schedules of Investments, continued  
(unaudited)

	Shares	Cost	September 30, 2005 Fair Value	% of Net Investments
<b>Other Portfolio Investments -</b>				
Common Stock, Preferred Stock, and Miscellaneous Securities				
<b>AdStar, Inc. -</b>				
Common stock (2)	269,231	\$ 350,000	\$ 659,616	1.16%
<b>Advance Nanotech, Inc. -</b>				
Common stock (2)	165,000	330,000	957,000	1.68
<b>Bovie Medical Corporation -</b>				
Common stock (2)	500,000	904,545	1,105,000	1.94
<b>Comtech Group, Inc. -</b>				
Common stock (2)	300,000	1,186,019	1,794,000	3.14
<b>iLinc Communications, Inc.-</b>				
Common stock	48,266	27,033	9,653	0.02
<b>Gasco Energy, Inc. -</b>				
Common stock	249,999	232,499	1,662,493	2.91
<b>i2 Telecom -</b>				
Convertible Preferred (2)	625	618,750	234,377	0.41
<b>Medical Action Industries, Inc. -</b>				
Common stock	20,100	237,209	344,313	0.60
<b>Metasolv, Inc. -</b>				
Common stock	100,000	210,838	327,000	0.57
<b>PhotoMedex, Inc. -</b>				
Common stock	70,000	176,400	145,600	0.25

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Renaissance Capital Growth & Income Fund III, Inc.  
Schedules of Investments, continued  
(unaudited)

			September 30, 2005	
	Shares	Cost	Fair Value	% of Net Investments
<b>Other Portfolio Investments -</b>				
Common Stock, Preferred Stock, and Miscellaneous Securities, continued				
<b>Precis, Inc. -</b>				
Common stock	800,000	1,998,894	1,208,000	2.12
<b>Stonepath Group, Inc. -</b>				
Common stock	131,240	246,000	132,552	0.23
<b>US Home Systems, Inc. -</b>				
Common stock	110,000	535,587	627,000	1.10
<b>Vaso Active Pharmaceuticals, Inc. -</b>				
Common stock	150,000	250,000	97,500	0.17
		7,303,774	9,304,104	16.30%
		\$ 34,715,228	\$ 57,053,862	100.00%
<b>Allocation of Investments -</b>				
Restricted Shares, Unrestricted Shares, and Other Securities				
Restricted Securities (2)		\$ 15,032,873	\$ 15,720,520	27.55%
Unrestricted Securities		\$ 11,660,085	\$ 35,236,219	61.76%
Other Securities (5)		\$ 8,022,270	\$ 6,097,123	10.69%

(1) Valued at fair value as determined by the Investment Adviser (Note 6).

(2) Restricted securities - securities that are not fully registered and freely tradable.

(3) Securities in a privately owned company.

(4) Securities that have no provision allowing conversion into a security for which there is a public market.

(5) Includes Miscellaneous Securities, securities of privately owned companies, securities with no conversion feature, and securities for which there is no market.

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Renaissance Capital Growth & Income Fund III, Inc.  
Schedules of Investments (continued)

	Interest Rate	Due Date	December 31, 2004		% of Net Investments
			Cost	Fair Value	
<b>Eligible Portfolio Investments -</b>					
<b>Convertible Debentures and</b>					
<b>Promissory Notes</b>					
<b>CaminoSoft Corp. -</b>					
Promissory note (4)	7.00%	07/19/06	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000	0.33%
<b>Digital Learning, Inc. -</b>					
Convertible debenture (2)	7.00	02/27/11	1,000,000	1,342,282	1.76
<b>Hemobiotech, Inc. -</b>					
Promissory note (2)	10.00	10/27/05	250,000	250,000	0.33
<b>iLinc Communications, Inc. -</b>					
Convertible promissory note (2)	12.00	03/29/12	500,000	500,000	0.66
<b>Integrated Security Systems, Inc. -</b>					
Promissory note (4)	8.00	09/30/05	525,000	525,000	0.69
Promissory note (4)	7.00	09/30/05	200,000	200,000	0.26
<b>Simtek Corporation -</b>					
Convertible debenture (2)	7.50	06/28/09	1,000,000	1,923,077	2.52
			\$ 3,725,000	\$ 4,990,359	6.55%

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Renaissance Capital Growth & Income Fund III, Inc.  
Schedules of Investments (continued)

	Interest Rate	Due Date	December 31, 2004		Fair Value	% of Net Investments
Cost						
Other Portfolio Investments -						
Convertible Debentures and						
Promissory Notes						
Interpool, Inc. -						
Convertible debenture (2)	9.25	12/27/22	\$ 375,000	\$ 375,000	\$ 375,000	0.49%
			\$ 375,000	\$ 375,000	\$ 375,000	0.49%

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Renaissance Capital Growth & Income Fund III, Inc.  
Schedules of Investments (continued)

			December 31, 2004	
	Shares	Cost	Fair Value	% of Net Investments
<b>Eligible Portfolio Investments -</b>				
<b>Common Stock, Preferred Stock, and Miscellaneous Securities</b>				
<b>CaminoSoft Corp. -</b>				
Common stock	2,458,333	\$ 4,875,000	\$ 1,696,250	2.23%
Common stock (2)	1,081,081	400,000	745,946	0.98
<b>eOriginal, Inc. -</b>				
Series A, preferred stock (1)(3)	10,680	4,692,207	332,575	0.44
Series B, preferred stock (1)(3)	25,646	620,329	798,616	1.05
Series C, preferred stock (1)(3)	51,249	1,059,734	1,595,894	2.09
Series D, preferred stock (1)(3)	16,057	500,000	500,015	0.66
<b>Gaming &amp; Entertainment Group -</b>				
Common stock (2)	500,000	500,000	210,000	0.28
<b>Gasco Energy, Inc. -</b>				
Common stock (2)	1,541,667	1,250,000	6,567,501	8.62
<b>Global Axcess Corporation -</b>				
Common stock (2)	4,766,667	1,261,667	1,716,000	2.25
<b>Hemobiotech, Inc. -</b>				
Common stock (2)	294,120	250,000	250,000	0.33
<b>Integrated Security Systems, Inc. -</b>				
Common stock (2)	27,074,179	5,568,056	13,537,090	17.76
Series D, preferred stock (2)	187,500	150,000	112,500	0.15

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Renaissance Capital Growth & Income Fund III, Inc.  
Schedules of Investments (continued)

			December 31, 2004	
	Shares	Cost	Fair Value	% of Net Investments
<b>Eligible Portfolio Investments -</b>				
Common Stock, Preferred Stock, and Miscellaneous Securities, continued				
<b>Inyx, Inc. -</b>				
Common stock (2)	300,000	300,000	417,000	0.55
<b>Laserscope -</b>				
Common stock	600,000	750,000	21,546,000	28.27
<b>Poore Brothers, Inc. -</b>				
Common stock (2)	1,507,791	1,544,294	5,262,191	6.91
<b>PracticeXpert, Inc. -</b>				
Common stock (2)	4,166,666	500,000	562,500	0.74
<b>Simtek Corp. -</b>				
Common stock (2)	550,661	500,000	330,397	0.43
Common stock	1,000,000	195,000	600,000	0.79
<b>Tarantella, Inc. -</b>				
Common stock (2)	714,286	1,000,000	1,200,000	1.57
<b>ThermoView Industries, Inc. -</b>				
Common stock	234,951	563,060	122,175	0.16
<b>Miscellaneous Securities</b>				
		-	1,051,436	1.38
	\$	26,479,347	\$	59,154,086
				77.63%

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Renaissance Capital Growth & Income Fund III, Inc.  
Schedules of Investments (continued)

			December 31, 2004	
	Shares	Cost	Fair Value	% of Net Investments
<b>Other Portfolio Investments -</b>				
<b>Common Stock, Preferred Stock, and Miscellaneous Securities</b>				
<b>AdStar, Inc. -</b>				
Common stock (2)	269,231	\$ 350,000	\$ 293,462	0.39%
<b>Bovie Medical Corporation -</b>				
Common stock (2)	300,000	525,000	762,000	1.00
<b>Comtech Group, Inc. -</b>				
Common stock (2)	480,000	840,000	1,435,200	1.88
<b>Cybox International -</b>				
Common stock (2)	145,000	478,500	593,050	0.78
<b>Dave &amp; Busters, Inc. -</b>				
Common stock	100,000	653,259	2,020,000	2.65
<b>iLinc Communications, Inc. (formerly EDT Learning, Inc.) -</b>				
Common stock	48,266	27,033	22,685	0.03
<b>Gasco Energy, Inc. -</b>				
Common stock	750,000	639,105	3,195,000	4.19
<b>i2 Telecom -</b>				
Convertible preferred stock (2)	500	500,000	500,000	0.66
<b>Intrusion, Inc. -</b>				
Convertible preferred stock (2)	100,000	500,000	500,000	0.66
<b>Medical Action Industries, Inc. -</b>				
Common stock	20,100	237,209	395,970	0.52
<b>PhotoMedex, Inc. -</b>				
Common stock	70,000	176,400	189,000	0.25

See accompanying notes



Renaissance Capital Growth & Income Fund III, Inc.  
Schedules of Investments (continued)

	December 31, 2004				
	Shares	Cost	Fair Value	% of Net Investments	
Other Portfolio Investments -					
Common Stock, Preferred Stock, and Miscellaneous Securities, continued					
Precis, Inc. -					
Common stock	200,700	1,372,417	533,862	0.70	
Stonepath Group, Inc. -					
Common stock	131,240	246,000	157,488	0.21	
Tarantella, Inc. -					
Common stock	202,762	186,541	340,640	0.45	
US Home Systems, Inc. -					
Common stock	110,000	535,587	676,500	0.89	
Vaso Active Pharmaceuticals, Inc. -					
Common stock	150,000	250,000	69,000	0.09	
		7,517,051	11,683,857	15.33	
	\$	38,096,398	\$	76,203,302	100.00%
Allocation of Investments -					
Restricted Shares, Unrestricted Shares, and Other Securities					
Restricted Securities (2)	\$	19,542,517	\$	39,385,196	51.69%
Unrestricted Securities	\$	10,706,611	\$	31,564,570	41.42%
Other Securities (5)	\$	7,847,270	\$	5,253,536	6.89%

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Renaissance Capital Growth & Income Fund III, Inc.  
Statements of Operations  
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended September 30,	
	2005	2004
<b>Income:</b>		
Interest income	\$ 91,546	\$ 95,997
Dividend income	45,661	48,848
Write-off of interest receivable	(140,199)	-
Other income	5,386	9,920
	2,394	154,765
<b>Expenses:</b>		
General and administrative	166,376	67,844
Interest expense	24,464	27,428
Legal and professional fees	17,420	117,150
Management fee to affiliate	278,937	316,320
	487,197	528,742
Net investment loss	(484,803)	(373,977)
<b>Realized and unrealized gain (loss)</b>		
on investments:		
Net change in unrealized appreciation of investments	583,608	(6,313,300)
Net realized gain on investments	1,304,189	258,022
Net gain (loss) in investments	1,887,797	(6,055,278)
Net income (loss)	\$ 1,402,994	\$ (6,429,255)
Net income (loss) per share	\$ .31	\$ (1.48)
Weighted average shares outstanding	4,463,967	4,351,718

See accompanying notes

Renaissance Capital Growth & Income Fund III, Inc.  
Statements of Operations  
(Unaudited)

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2005	2004
<b>Income:</b>		
Interest income	\$ 263,308	\$ 266,998
Dividend income	106,705	100,652
Write-off of interest receivable	(140,199)	-
Other income	72,957	43,510
	302,771	411,160
<b>Expenses:</b>		
General and administrative	267,562	278,208
Interest expense	63,485	55,455
Legal and professional fees	197,022	474,880
Management fee to affiliate	826,961	1,074,847
	1,355,030	1,883,390
Net investment loss	(1,052,259)	(1,472,230)
Realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments:		
Net change in unrealized appreciation of investments	(15,768,269)	(7,601,580)
Net realized gain on investments	5,493,584	12,958,824
Net gain (loss) in investments	(10,274,685)	5,357,244
Net income (loss)	\$ (11,326,944)	\$ 3,885,014
Net income (loss) per share	(2.55)	\$ .89
Weighted average shares outstanding	4,447,109	4,351,718

See accompanying notes

Renaissance Capital Growth & Income Fund III, Inc.  
Statements of Changes in Net Assets  
(Unaudited)

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2005	2004
From operations:		
Net investment loss	\$ (1,052,259)	\$ (1,472,230)
Net realized gain on investments	5,493,584	12,958,824
Net change in unrealized appreciation on investments	(15,768,269)	(7,601,580)
Net income (loss)	(11,326,944)	3,885,014
From distributions to stockholders:		
Common stock dividends declared from realized capital gains	(1,339,189)	(1,305,515)
From capital transactions:		
Sale of common stock	1,561,383	-
Total increase (decrease) in net assets	(11,104,750)	2,579,499
Net assets:		
Beginning of period	74,582,499	69,405,964
End of period	\$ 63,477,749	\$ 71,985,463

See accompanying notes

Renaissance Capital Growth & Income Fund III, Inc.  
Statements of Cash Flows  
(Unaudited)

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2005	2004
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income (loss)	\$ (11,326,944)	\$ 3,885,014
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Net change in unrealized appreciation on investments	15,768,269	7,601,580
Net realized gain on investments	(5,493,584)	(12,958,824)
Decrease in interest and dividends receivable	52,782	179,843
Increase in accounts receivable-broker	(1,194,291)	-
(Increase) decrease in prepaid and other assets	(49,616)	142,407
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	82,141	(12,943)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable-affiliate	520,065	(322,796)
Decrease in due to broker	(24,955,801)	(1,648)
Purchase of investments	(2,828,590)	(8,276,323)
Proceeds from sale of investments	11,703,345	17,571,734
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	(17,722,224)	7,808,044
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Sale of common stock	1,561,383	-
Cash dividends	(13,393,447)	(5,004,475)
Net cash used in financing activities	(11,832,064)	(5,004,475)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(29,554,288)	2,803,569
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period	37,278,871	35,255,687
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 7,724,583	\$ 38,059,256
Cash paid during the period		
Interest	\$ 63,485	\$ 55,455

See accompanying notes

RENAISSANCE CAPITAL GROWTH & INCOME FUND III, INC.

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Note 1-

Organization and Business Purpose

Renaissance Capital Growth & Income Fund III, Inc. (the “Fund”), a Texas corporation, was formed on January 20, 1994. The Fund seeks to achieve current income and capital appreciation potential by investing primarily in unregistered equity investments and convertible issues of small and medium size companies which are in need of capital and which RENN Capital Group, Inc. (the “Investment Adviser”), believes offer the opportunity for growth. The Fund is a non-diversified closed-end fund and has elected to be treated as a business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (“1940 Act”).

Note 2 -

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

**Basis of Presentation**

We have prepared the accompanying unaudited interim financial statements pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission, which reflect all adjustments which, in the opinion of management, are necessary to present fairly the results for the interim periods. We have omitted certain information and disclosures normally included in annual financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States pursuant to those rules and regulations, although we believe that the disclosures we have made are adequate to make the information presented not misleading. You should read these unaudited interim financial statements in conjunction with our audited financial statements and notes included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2004.

The results of operations for the interim periods are not necessarily indicative of the results we expect for the full year.

**Valuation of Investments**

Portfolio investments are stated at quoted market or fair value as determined by the Investment Adviser (Note 6). The securities held by the Fund are primarily unregistered and their value does not necessarily represent the amounts that may be realized from their immediate sale or disposition.

**Other**

The Fund records security transactions on the trade date. Dividend income is recorded on the record date. Interest income is recorded as earned on the accrual basis.

**Cash and Cash Equivalents**

The Fund considers all highly liquid debt instruments with original maturities of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

**Federal Income Taxes**

The Fund has elected the special income tax treatment available to “regulated investment companies” (“RIC”) under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code (“IRC”) in order to be relieved of federal income tax on that part of its net

investment income and realized capital gains that it pays out to its shareholders. The Fund's policy is to comply with the requirements of the IRC that are applicable to regulated investment companies. Such requirements include, but are not limited to certain qualifying income tests, asset diversification tests and distribution of substantially all of the Fund's taxable investment income to its shareholders. It is the intent of management to comply with all IRC requirements as they pertain to the RIC and to distribute all of the Fund's taxable investment income and long-term capital gains within the defined period under the IRC to qualify as a RIC. Failure to qualify as a RIC would subject the Fund to federal income tax as if the Fund were an ordinary corporation, which could result in a substantial reduction in the Fund's net assets as well as the amount of income available for distribution to shareholders.

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Note 2 -

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, continued

**Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

Note 3 -

Due to Broker

The Fund conducts business with various brokers for its investment activities. The clearing and depository operations for the investment activities are performed pursuant to agreements with these brokers. Due to broker represents a margin loan payable to one of these brokers, which is secured by investments in securities maintained with the lending broker as collateral for the margin loan. Cash and cash equivalents related to the margin loan payable are held by the lending broker as additional collateral for the margin loan. The Fund is subject to credit risk to the extent the brokers are unable to deliver cash balances or securities, or clear security transactions on the Fund's behalf. The Investment Adviser actively monitors the Fund's exposure to these brokers and believes the likelihood of loss under those circumstances is remote.

Accounts receivable-broker represents proceeds due from the settlement of open market sales of equity that are not due to settle until after September 30, 2005. At September 30, 2005 the Fund was due to receive \$1,194,290 in proceeds from the sale of 200,000 shares of Gasco Energy, Inc. common stock with trade dates of September 28 and 29, 2005 and settlement dates of October 1 and 2, 2005.

Note 4 -

Management and Incentive Fees

The Investment Adviser for the Fund is registered as an investment adviser under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (the "Advisers Act"). Pursuant to an Investment Advisory Agreement (the "Agreement"), the Investment Adviser performs certain services, including certain management, investment advisory and administrative services necessary for the operation of the Fund. In addition, under the Agreement, the Investment Adviser is reimbursed by the Fund for certain directly allocable administrative expenses. A summary of fees and reimbursements paid by the Fund under the Agreement, the prospectus and the original offering document are as follows:

- The Investment Adviser receives a management fee equal to a quarterly rate of 0.4375% of the Fund's net assets, as determined at the end of such quarter with each such payment to be due as of the last day of the calendar quarter. The Fund incurred \$826,961 and \$1,074,847 for management fees during the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004, respectively.
- The Investment Adviser receives an incentive fee in an amount equal to 20% of the Fund's cumulative realized capital gains in excess of cumulative realized capital losses of the Fund after allowance for any unrealized capital depreciation on the portfolio investments of the Fund at the end of the period being calculated less cumulative incentive fees previously accrued. Unrealized capital depreciation equals net unrealized capital loss on each class of security without netting net unrealized capital gains on other classes of securities. Because the incentive fee is calculated, accrued, and paid on an annual basis as of each year end and no probability or estimate of the ultimate fee can be ascertained, no incentive fee was recorded during the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004.





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Note 4 -

Management and Incentive Fees, continued

The Investment Adviser was reimbursed by the Fund for administrative expenses paid by the Investment Adviser on behalf of the Fund. Such reimbursements were \$95,672 and \$169,766 during the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004, respectively.

As of September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004, the Fund had an account payable of \$4,217,526 and \$3,647,461, respectively, for the amount due for the fees and expense reimbursements above.

As explained in Note 9, the Investment Adviser resolved a dispute with the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission involving the appropriate interpretation of section 205(b)(3) of the Advisers Act. As part of the settlement, the Investment Adviser agreed to pay \$2,851,362 as a reduction of incentive fees for the period from inception through December 31, 2003. The Fund reported a receivable of \$3,775,872 as of September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004 to reflect the settlement which included interest income of \$924,510, all of which was recognized in periods prior to January 1, 2004.

Note 5 -

Eligible Portfolio Companies and Investments

**Eligible Portfolio Companies**

The Fund invests primarily in convertible securities and equity investments of companies that qualify as Eligible Portfolio Companies as defined in Section 2(a)(46) of the 1940 Act or in securities that otherwise qualify for investment as permitted in Section 55(a)(1) through (5). Under the provisions of the 1940 Act at least 70% of the Fund's assets, as defined under the 1940 Act, must be invested in Eligible Portfolio Companies. In the event the Fund has less than 70% of its assets invested in Eligible Portfolio Investments, then it will be prohibited from making non-eligible investments until such time as the percentage of eligible investments again exceeds the 70% threshold. The Fund was in compliance with these provisions at September 30, 2005.

**Investments**

Investments are carried in the statements of assets and liabilities at fair value, as determined in good faith by the Investment Adviser. The convertible debt securities held by the Fund generally have maturities between five and seven years and are convertible into the common stock of the issuer at a set conversion price at the discretion of the Fund. The common stock underlying these securities is generally unregistered and thinly to moderately traded but is not otherwise restricted. Generally, the Fund may register and sell such securities at any time with the Fund paying the costs of registration. Interest on convertible securities is generally payable monthly. The convertible debt securities generally contain embedded call options giving the issuer the right to call the underlying issue. In these instances, the Fund has the right of redemption or conversion. The embedded call option will generally not vest until certain conditions are achieved by the issuer. Such conditions may require that minimum thresholds be met relating to underlying market prices, liquidity, or other factors.

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Note 6 -

Valuation of Investment

On a quarterly basis, the Investment Adviser prepares a valuation of the assets of the Fund subject to the approval of the Board of Directors of the Fund. The valuation principles are described below.

- The common stock of companies listed on an exchange, Nasdaq or in the over-the-counter market is valued at the closing price on the date of valuation.
- The unlisted preferred stock of companies with common stock listed on an exchange, Nasdaq or in the over-the-counter market is valued at the closing price of the common stock into which the preferred stock is convertible on the date of valuation. If the preferred stock is redeemable, the preferred stock is valued at the greater of cost or market.
- The unlisted in-the-money options or warrants of companies with the underlying common stock listed on an exchange, Nasdaq or in the over-the-counter market are valued at the positive difference between the closing price of the underlying common stock and the strike price of the warrant or option. An out-of-the money warrant or option has no intrinsic value; thus, we assign no value to it.
- Debt securities are valued at the greater of (i) cost or (ii) the market value of the underlying common stock into which the debt instrument is convertible. In cases where the debt instrument is in default or the company is in bankruptcy, the value will be (i) the value of the underlying common stock, (ii) the value of the collateral, if secured, or (iii) zero, if the common stock has no value and there is no collateral.
- If there is no independent and objective pricing authority (i.e. a public market) for investments in privately held entities, the latest sale of equity securities to independent third parties by the entity governs the value of that enterprise. This valuation method causes the Fund's initial investment in the private entity to be valued at cost. Thereafter, new issuances or offers of equity or equity-linked securities by the portfolio company to new investors will be used to determine enterprise value as they will provide the most objective and independent basis for determining the worth of the issuer. Where a private entity does not have an independent value established over an extended period of time, then the Investment Adviser will determine fair value on the basis of appraisal procedures established in good faith and approved by the Fund's Board of Directors.

As of September 30, 2005, and December 31, 2004, the net unrealized appreciation associated with investments held by the Fund was \$22,338,634 and \$38,106,903, respectively. For the periods ended September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004, the Fund had gross unrealized gains of \$32,344,916 and \$47,453,782, respectively, and gross unrealized losses of \$10,006,282 and \$9,346,879, respectively.

Note 7 -

Restricted Securities

As indicated on the schedules of investments as of September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004, the Fund holds investments in shares of common stock, the sale of which is restricted. These securities have been valued by the Investment Adviser after considering certain pertinent factors relevant to the individual securities (Note 6).

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Note 8 -

Distributions to Shareholders

During the three months ended September 30, 2004, the Fund declared dividends of \$435,171, resulting in total declared dividends for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 of \$1,305,515. During the three months ended September 30, 2005, the Fund declared dividends of \$446,395 resulting in total declared dividends for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 of \$1,339,189.

Note 9 -

Settlement with Securities and Exchange Commission

During 2004, the staff ("Staff") of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") informed the Fund's counsel of significant potential regulatory issues in connection with the Staff's review of a registration statement for a proposed rights offering. On December 1, 2005, the Investment Adviser consented, without admitting or denying the findings, to the entry of an order by the SEC instituting public administrative and cease and desist proceedings and imposing remedial sanctions (the "Order").

In summary, the dispute concerned the definition of the wording of the incentive fee calculation in the Advisers Act. Under Section 205(b)(3) of the Advisers Act, a performance fee may be earned. The Investment Adviser, for many years, believed the word "capital" referred to the Fund's shareholders equity as a whole. In 2004, the SEC informed the Investment Adviser that capital depreciation in the formula referred only to unrealized capital losses on marketable securities in the portfolio and therefore the calculations in previous years were incorrect. In the Order, the SEC states that in calculating a performance-based fee under Section 205(b)(3), an Investment Adviser must account for its client's assets on a security-by-security basis and may not take into consideration unrealized capital appreciation on any individual security or the portfolio as a whole. Section 205(b)(3) does not require that fees earned in one period be subject to repayment based upon performance in a subsequent period. If the performance fee is calculated on a cumulative basis and is based on the period since inception, the unrealized capital depreciation may be calculated for each calculation period by subtracting each security's valuation at the end of the applicable calculation period from the original cost, as adjusted, of purchasing that security. In practice, the Investment Adviser also took into account unrealized capital appreciation, which offset unrealized capital depreciation, to calculate its performance-based fee. Thus, beginning in fiscal year 1996, the first period in which the Fund realized capital gains, the Investment Adviser's formula for calculating that fee was not consistent with the agreed formula permitted under Section 205(b)(3).

As part of the settlement of the SEC proceedings, the Investment Adviser agreed to pay \$2,851,362 for adjustments in the incentive fee from the inception through December 31, 2003, plus prejudgment interest of \$924,509 and a penalty of \$100,000 to the Fund. The Investment Adviser satisfied this obligation in full as of December 8, 2005.

The effect of the SEC settlement, was reflected retroactively. As such the effect of the adjustments in incentive fees were reported in prior years as though the agreed methodology had been in place since inception. Interest received by the fund upon settlement was allocated to the years in which it was earned. The \$100,000 penalty received upon settlement was reflected in the year settlement was reached (2005).

## RENAISSANCE CAPITAL GROWTH &amp; INCOME FUND III, INC.

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Note 10 -

Commitments and Contingencies

As disclosed in Note 4, the Fund is obligated to pay to the Investment Adviser an incentive fee equal to 20% of the funds cumulative realized capital gains in excess of cumulative capital losses of the Fund after allowance for any capital depreciation on the portfolio investments of the Fund. As incentive fees on capital gains are not due to the Investment Adviser until the capital gains are realized, any obligations for incentive fees based on unrealized capital gains are not reflected in the accompanying financial statements as there is no assurance that the unrealized gains as of the end of any period will ultimately become realized. Had an incentive fee been accrued as a liability based on all unrealized capital gains, net assets of the Fund would have been reduced by \$9,447,335 as of December 31, 2004.

Note 11 -

Financial Highlights - unaudited

Selected per share data and ratios for each share of common stock outstanding throughout the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004 are as follows:

	2005	2004
Net asset value, beginning of period	\$ 17.14	\$ 15.95
Effect of share change	(0.43)	-
Net investment income (loss)	(0.24)	(0.34)
Net realized and unrealized gain on investments	(2.30)	1.23
Total return from investment operations	(2.97)	0.89
Capital Shares Transactions	0.35	0.00
Distributions	(0.30)	(0.30)
Net asset value, end of period	\$ 14.22	\$ 16.54
Per share market value, end of period	\$ 11.25	\$ 11.25
Portfolio turnover rate	4.54%	12.75%
Quarterly return (a)	(13.13%)	(15.98%)
Ratio to average net assets (b):		
Net investment income (loss)	(1.60%)	(1.88%)
Expenses	2.06%	2.41%

(a) Nine month returns (not annualized) were calculated by comparing the common stock price on the first day of the period to the common stock price on the last day of the period, in accordance with American Institute of Certified Public Account guidelines.

(b)

Average net assets have been computed based on quarterly valuations.



## Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

### Material Changes in Portfolio Investments

The following material portfolio transactions occurred during the quarter ended September 30, 2005:

**Advanced Refractive Technologies, Inc.** (OTCBB:ARFR) During the third quarter of 2005, the Fund purchased a \$2,500 promissory note. Later that quarter, the company declared bankruptcy. As a result, the Fund wrote off its \$502,500 investment in the company.

**Bovie Medical Corporation** (AMEX:BVX) The Fund purchased 100,000 shares of the company's common stock for \$164,000.

**Cybex International, Inc.** (AMEX:CYB) During the third quarter of 2005, the Fund sold 129,625 shares of the company's common stock realizing proceeds of \$444,206, representing a gain of \$16,444.

**Dexterity Surgical, Inc.** (OTCBB:DEXT) The Fund wrote off its entire investment in the company when the company declared bankruptcy in 2004. Nonetheless, during the third quarter of 2005, the Fund received \$112,500 from the company as part of the bankruptcy process.

**Gasco Energy, Inc.** (AMEX:CYB) During the third quarter of 2005, the Fund sold 500,001 shares of the company's common stock, realizing proceeds of \$3,008,609, representing a gain of \$2,602,004.

**Hemobiotech, Inc.** (OTCBB:HMBT) During the third quarter of 2005, the Fund converted its \$250,000 promissory note and accrued interest of \$20,347 into 255,045 shares of common stock.

**Integrated Security Systems, Inc.** (OTCBB:IZZI) In the third quarter of 2005, the Fund received 63,016 shares of common stock as payment in kind for interest on promissory notes held by the Fund.

**Precis, Inc.** (OTCBB:PCIS) In the quarter ended September 30, 2005, the Fund bought 127,317 shares of the company's common stock for \$151,360.

**Tarantella, Inc.** (OTCBB:TTLA) In the quarter ended September 30, 2005, the Fund sold 917,048 shares of the company's common stock in connection with a cash merger involving the company. The Fund realized proceeds of \$825,343, representing a gain of \$361,198.

**Thermoview Industries, Inc.** (AMEX:THV) During the quarter ended September 30, 2005, the company declared bankruptcy. Thus, the Fund wrote off its \$563,060 investment in the company.

Results of Operations for the Three Months Ended September 30, 2005

For the quarter ended September 30, 2005, the Fund had a net investment loss of \$484,803 compared to \$373,977 for the third quarter of 2004. This change was due in part to a decrease in investment income from \$154,765 for the third quarter of 2004 to \$2,394 for the comparable period of 2005. This decrease in investment income was attributable to the Fund realizing a loss on interest receivables that were written off from Digital Learning Institute, Advanced Refractive Technologies, Inc., and iLinc Communications, Inc. during the third quarter of 2005.

Expenses decreased from \$528,742 for the quarter ended September 30, 2004 to \$487,197 for the third quarter 2005. Legal and professional fees decreased from \$117,150 for the third quarter of 2004 to \$17,420 in the same period 2005. The 2004 legal and professional fees were higher as a result of expenses relating to the rights offering and settlement issues with the Securities and Exchange Commission in the third quarter of 2004.

Net change in unrealized appreciation was a decrease of \$6,313,300 for the quarter ended September 30, 2004. Net change in unrealized appreciation was an increase of \$583,608 for the quarter ended September 30, 2005. The change is the result of fluctuations in market values of securities at each quarter end and the realization of gains upon sales of investments, primarily GASCO Energy, Inc. common stock.

Realized gains increased from \$258,022 for the quarter ended September 30, 2004 to \$1,304,189 for the same period in 2005 as a result of higher gains on investments being sold during the quarter ended September 30, 2005.

Results of Operations for the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2005

For the nine months ended September 30, 2005, the Fund experienced a net investment loss in the amount of \$1,052,259 compared to \$1,472,230 for the same nine-month period in 2004. Interest receivables of \$140,199 for Digital Learning Institute, Advanced Refractive Technologies, Inc., and iLinc Communications, Inc. were written off during the nine months ended September 30, 2005. Other income for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2005 increased to \$72,957 from \$43,510 for the same period in 2004 due to the receipt of a late S-3 filing fee from Gaming & Entertainment during the nine months ended September 30, 2005.

Expenses decreased from \$1,883,390 for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 to \$1,355,030 for the same period in 2005. Legal and professional fees decreased from \$474,880 for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 to \$197,022 for the same nine month period of 2005. These expenses were higher in 2004 as a result of rights offering and Securities and Exchange Commission settlement issue expenses. Management fees decreased from \$1,074,847 for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 to \$826,961 for the same period in 2005 due to lower net asset values during 2005.



The net change in unrealized appreciation was a decrease of \$7,601,580 for the nine months ended September 30, 2004. The net change in unrealized appreciation was a decrease of \$15,768,269 for the nine months ended September 30, 2005. The variance is the result of fluctuations in market values of securities at each quarter end and the realization of gains upon sale of investments, primarily Poore Brothers, Inc. and Dave & Buster's, Inc. common stock.

Realized gains decreased from \$12,958,824 for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 to \$5,493,584 for the same period in 2005 as a result of fewer gains being earned from the sale of investments during the nine months ended September 30, 2005.

#### Liquidity and Capital Resources

For the nine months ended September 30, 2005, net assets decreased from \$74,582,499 at December 31, 2004 to \$63,477,749 at September 30, 2005.

At the end of the third quarter of 2005, the Fund had cash and cash equivalents of \$7,724,583 versus cash and cash equivalents of \$37,278,871 at December 31, 2004. This decrease is primarily attributable to the maturity of the margin T-Bill holding and the payment of the December 31, 2004 dividend payable on January 20, 2005. For the nine months ended September 30, 2005, the fair value of investments decreased from \$76,203,302 to \$57,053,862 due to fluctuations in the market value of securities.

At September 30, 2005, there was an accounts receivable-broker balance of \$1,194,290 for proceeds due from the sale of GASCO Energy, Inc. The Fund's interest and dividends receivable decreased from \$95,689 at December 31, 2004 to \$42,907 at September 30, 2005 due primarily to the write off of interest receivables from Digital Learning Institute, VisiJet, Inc., and ILinc Communications, Inc. Prepaid and other assets increased from \$33,375 at September 30, 2004 to \$82,992 at September 30, 2005. The increase was the result of pre-payment of insurance and legal fees.

Accounts payable increased from \$51,477 at December 31, 2004 to \$133,618 at September 30, 2005 primarily due to the accrual of an insurance deductible at September 30, 2005. Accounts payable to affiliate increased from \$3,697,461 at December 31, 2004 to \$4,217,526 at September 30, 2005, reflecting the accrual of management fee payable to the Fund's investment adviser for the first three quarters of 2005.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2005 the Fund paid \$13,393,447 of dividends to shareholders of which \$12,054,258 was capital gains dividend payable at December 31, 2004 and \$1,339,190 of dividends declared and payable during the nine months ended September 30, 2005.

The majority of the Fund's investments in portfolio companies are individually negotiated, non-registered for public trading, and are subject to legal and contractual investment restrictions. Accordingly, the Fund's portfolio investments are generally considered non-liquid. This lack of liquidity primarily affects the Fund's ability to make new investments and distributions to shareholders.

Pending investment in portfolio investments, funds are invested in temporary cash accounts and in government securities. Government securities used as cash equivalents will typically consist of U. S. Treasury securities or other U. S. Government and Agency obligations having slightly higher yields and maturity dates of three months or less. These investments qualify for investment as permitted in Section 55(a)(1) through (5) of the 1940 Act.

#### Contractual Obligations

The Fund has a contract for the purchase of services under which it will have future commitments: the investment advisory agreement, pursuant to which RENN Capital Group, Inc. has agreed to serve as the Fund's investment adviser. Such agreement has contractual obligations with fees which are based on values of the portfolio investments which the Fund owns. For further information regarding the Fund's obligations under the investment advisory agreement see Note 4 of the Financial Statements.

Because the Fund does not enter into other long-term debt obligations, capital lease obligations, operating lease obligations, or purchase obligations, a table of contractual obligations has not been presented.

#### **Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosure About Market Risk**

The Fund is subject to financial market risks, including changes in market interest rates as well as changes in marketable equity security prices. The Fund does not use derivative financial instruments to mitigate any of these risks. The return on the Fund's investments is generally not affected by foreign currency fluctuations.

A majority of the Fund's net assets consists of common stocks and warrants and options to purchase common stock in publicly traded companies. These investments are directly exposed to equity price risk, in that a percentage change in these equity prices would result in a similar percentage change in the fair value of these securities.

A lesser percentage of the Fund's net assets consist of fixed rate convertible debentures and other debt instruments as well as convertible preferred securities. Since these instruments are generally priced at a fixed rate, changes in market interest rates do not directly impact interest income, although they could impact the Fund's yield on future investments in debt instruments. In addition, changes in market interest rates are not typically a significant factor in the Fund's determination of fair value of its debt instruments, as it is generally assumed they will be held to maturity, and their fair values are determined on the basis of the terms of the particular instrument and the financial condition of the issuer.

A small percentage of the Fund's net assets consist of equity investments in private companies. The Fund would anticipate no impact on these investments from modest changes in public market equity prices. However, should significant changes in market prices occur, there could be a longer-term effect on valuations of private companies which could affect the carrying value and the amount and timing of proceeds realized on these investments.

#### **Item 4. Controls and Procedures.**

The Fund has in place systems relating to disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934). Our principal executive officer and principal financial officer evaluated the effectiveness of these disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of our quarter ended September 30, 2005 in connection with the preparation of this report. They concluded that the controls and procedures were effective and adequate at that time. There were no significant changes in the Fund's internal control over financial reporting during the third quarter of fiscal 2005 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect the Fund's control over financial reporting.

PART II

Item 1.

**Legal Proceedings**

None

Item A.

**Risk Factors**

You should carefully consider the risks described below and all other information contained in this quarterly report on Form 10-Q, including our financial statements and the related notes thereto before making a decision to purchase our common stock. The risks and uncertainties described below are not the only ones facing us. Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known to us, or not presently deemed material by us, may also impair our operations and performance. If any of the following risks actually occur, our business, financial condition or results of operations could be materially adversely affected. If that happens, the trading price of our common stock could decline, and you may lose all or part of your investment.

*Failure to Meet Listing Standards.* It is uncertain whether our common stock will meet the requirements for listing on Nasdaq, or any other stock exchange or quotation service.

In July 2004, due to our inability to complete our audit and file our Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003 in a timely manner, the Fund's common stock was delisted from Nasdaq. As we become current with the delinquent filings, we will attempt to relist with Nasdaq or a national stock exchange, but there is no certainty that we will be able to do so.

*Our Growth is Dependent on Investing in Quality Transactions.* Sustaining growth depends on our ability to identify, evaluate, finance, and invest in companies that meet our investment criteria. Accomplishing such results on a cost-effective basis is a function of our marketing capabilities and skillful management of the investment process. Failure to achieve future growth could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, and results of operations.

*Failure to Invest Capital Effectively May Decrease Our Stock Price.* If we fail to invest our capital effectively, our return on equity may be decreased, which could reduce the price of the shares of our common stock.

*Highly Competitive Market for Investments.* We compete with a number of private equity funds, other investment entities and individuals for investment opportunities. Some of these competitors are substantially larger and have greater financial resources, and some are subject to different and frequently less stringent regulation. As a result of this competition, we may not be able to take advantage of attractive investment opportunities from time to time and there can be no assurance that we will be able to identify and make investments that satisfy our objectives.

*Lack of Publicly Available Information on Certain Portfolio Companies.* Some of the securities in our portfolio are issued by privately held companies. There is generally little or no publicly available information about such companies, and we must rely on the diligence of our management to obtain the information necessary for our decision to invest. There can be no assurance that such diligence efforts will uncover all material information necessary to make fully informed investment decisions.

*Dependence on Key Management.* Selecting, structuring and closing our investments depends upon the diligence and skill of our management, which is responsible for identifying, evaluating, negotiating, monitoring and disposing of our investments. Our management's capabilities will significantly impact our results of operations. If we lose any member of our management team and he/she cannot be promptly replaced with an equally capable team member, our results of operations could be significantly impacted.

*Failure to Deploy Capital may Lower Returns.* Our failure to successfully deploy sufficient capital may reduce our return on equity.

*Results May Fluctuate.* Our operating results may fluctuate materially due to a number of factors including, among others, variations in and the timing of the recognition of realized and unrealized gains or losses, the degree to which we encounter competition in our portfolio companies' markets, the ability to find and close suitable investments, and general economic conditions. As a result of these factors, results for any period should not be relied upon as being indicative of performance in future periods.

*Uncertain Value of Certain Restricted Securities.* Our net asset value is based on the values assigned to the various investments in our portfolio, determined in good faith by our board of directors. Because of the inherent uncertainty of the valuation of portfolio securities which do not have readily ascertainable market values, our fair value determinations may differ materially from the values which would be applicable to unrestricted securities having a public market.

*Illiquid Securities May Adversely Affect Our Business.* Our portfolio contains securities which are subject to restrictions on sale because they were acquired from issuers in "private placement" transactions or because we are deemed to be an affiliate of the issuer. Unless an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act of 1933 is available, we will not be able to sell these securities publicly without the expense and time required to register the securities under applicable federal and state securities laws. In addition, contractual or practical limitations may restrict our ability to liquidate our securities in portfolio companies, because we may own a relatively large percentage of the issuer's outstanding securities. Sales may also be limited by unfavorable market conditions. The illiquidity of our investments may preclude or delay the disposition of such securities, which may make it difficult for us to obtain cash equal to the value at which we record our investments.

*Regulated Industry.* Publicly traded investment funds are highly regulated. Changes in securities laws or regulations governing our operations or our failure to comply with those laws or regulations may adversely affect our business.

*Failure to Qualify for Favorable Tax Treatment.* We may not qualify for conduit tax treatment as a Regulated Investment Company ("RIC") if we are unable to comply with the requirements of Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code. If we fail to satisfy such requirements and cease to qualify for conduit tax treatment, we will be subject to federal taxes on our net investment income. The loss of this pass-through tax treatment could have a material adverse effect on the total return, if any, obtainable from an investment in our common stock.

*Highly Leveraged Portfolio Companies.* Some of our portfolio companies could incur substantial indebtedness in relation to their overall capital base. Such indebtedness often has a term that will require the balance of the loan to be refinanced when it matures. If portfolio companies cannot generate adequate cash flow to meet the principal and interest payments on their indebtedness, the value of our investments could be reduced or eliminated through foreclosure on the portfolio company's assets or by the portfolio company's reorganization or bankruptcy.

*Our Common Stock Often Trades at a Discount.* Our common stock often trades at a discount from net asset value. Our common stock is traded over-the-counter in the pink sheets. Stockholders desiring liquidity may sell their shares at current market value, which has often been below net asset value. Shares of closed-end investment companies frequently trade at discounts from net asset value, which is a risk separate and distinct from the risk that a fund's performance will cause its net asset value to decrease.

*Nature of Investment in Our Common Stock.* Our stock is intended for investors seeking long-term capital appreciation. Our investments in portfolio securities generally require some time to reach maturity, and such investments generally are illiquid. An investment in our shares should not be considered a complete investment program. Each prospective purchaser should take into account his or her investment objectives as well as his or her other investments when considering the purchase of our shares.

*Our Stock Price May Fluctuate Significantly.* The market price of our common stock may fluctuate significantly. The market price and marketability of shares of our common stock may from time to time be significantly affected by numerous factors, including our investment results, market conditions, and other influences and events over which we have no control and that may not be directly related to us.

**Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds**

**None**

**Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities**

**None**

**Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders**

**None**

**Item 5. Other Information**

**None**

**Item 6. Exhibits**

31.1 Certification of the principal executive officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

31.2 Certification of the principal financial officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

32.1 Certification of the principal executive officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

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SIGNATURES

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

RENAISSANCE CAPITAL GROWTH & INCOME FUND III, INC.

/s/ Russell Cleveland  
Russell Cleveland, President  
and Chief Executive Officer  
(Principal Executive Officer)

December 19, 2006

/s/ Barbe Butschek  
Barbe Butschek, Chief Financial Officer  
(Principal Financial Officer)

December 19, 2006