## UNITED STATES

## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

## FORM 8-K

## CURRENT REPORT

## Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported):

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)
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of incorporation)

January 31, 2011
Gladstone Investment Corporation
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

814-00704
(Commission
File Number)

83-0423116 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

1521 Westbranch Drive, Suite 200 McLean, Virginia 22102
(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (703) 287-5800
Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:
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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On January 31, 2011, Gladstone Investment Corporation issued a press release announcing its financial results for the quarter ended December 31, 2010. The text of the press release is included as an exhibit to this Form 8-K. Pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission, such exhibit and the information set forth therein and herein are deemed to be furnished and shall not be deemed to be filed.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.
(d) Exhibits
$\frac{\text { Exhibit No. }}{99.1} \quad \frac{\text { Description }}{\text { Press Release issued by Gladstone Investment Corporation on January 31, } 2011 .}$

## SIGNATURES

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

Gladstone Investment Corporation (Registrant)

January 31, 2011
By: /s/ David Watson
(David Watson, Chief Financial Officer)

- Net Investment Income for the three and nine months ended December 31, 2010 was $\$ 7.6$ million and $\$ 14.2$ million, or $\$ 0.34$ and $\$ 0.65$ per share, respectively

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- Net Increase in Net Assets Resulting From Operations for the three and nine months ended December 31, 2010 was $\$ 15.1$ million and $\$ 13.6$ million, or $\$ 0.69$ and $\$ 0.62$ per share, respectively
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MCLEAN, Va., Jan. 31, 2011 /PRNewswire/ -- Gladstone Investment Corporation (Nasdaq: GAIN) (the "Company") today announced earnings for the third quarter ended December 31, 2010. All per share references are per basic and diluted weighted average common share outstanding, unless noted otherwise.
(Logo: http://photos.prnewswire.com/prnh/20101005/GLADSTONEINVESTMENT)
Net Investment Income for 3 Months: Net Investment Income for the quarters ended December 31, 2010 and 2009 was $\$ 7.6$ million, or $\$ 0.34$ per share, and $\$ 3.1$ million, or $\$ 0.14$ per share, respectively, an increase in Net Investment Income of $147.0 \%$. The increase in Net Investment Income was primarily driven by income recognized during the current quarter from the sale of one of the Company's portfolio companies, Chase II Holding Corp. ("Chase"), which was partially offset by lower interest income resulting from a reduction in the size of the Company's investment portfolio prior to September $30,2010$.

Net Investment Income for 9 Months: Net Investment Income for the nine months ended December 31, 2010 and 2009 was $\$ 14.2$ million, or $\$ 0.65$ per share, and $\$ 7.9$ million, or $\$ 0.36$ per share, respectively, an increase in Net Investment Income of $80.5 \%$. The increase in Net Investment Income was primarily driven by income recognized during the nine months ended December 31, 2010 from the sales of two portfolio companies, A. Stucki Holding Corp. ("A. Stucki") and Chase, and income recognized from the prepayments of success fees by certain portfolio companies, partially offset by lower interest income resulting from a reduction in the size of the Company's investment portfolio subsequent to December 31, 2009.

Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets Resulting from Operations for 3 Months: Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets Resulting from Operations for the quarters ended December 31, 2010 and 2009 was $\$ 15.1$ million, or $\$ 0.69$ per share, and ( $\$ 4.4$ million), or ( $\$ 0.20$ ) per share, respectively. The increase in the Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets Resulting from Operations between the quarter ended December 31, 2010 and the prior year's period was primarily due to the net gain (loss) on the Company's investment portfolio. The Company recorded a net gain on investments of $\$ 7.5$ million for the quarter ended December 31, 2010, compared to a net loss of $\$ 7.5$ million for the prior year period, which was largely impacted by significant devaluations, primarily in the Company's equity holdings of its Control investments.

Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets Resulting from Operations for 9 Months: Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets Resulting from Operations for the nine months ended December 31, 2010 and 2009 was $\$ 13.6$ million, or $\$ 0.62$ per share, and ( $\$ 31.7$ ) million, or ( $\$ 1.44$ ) per share, respectively. The increase in the Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets Resulting from Operations between the nine months ended December 31, 2010 and the prior year period was primarily due to the large net loss on the Company's investment portfolio during the prior year period. The Company recorded a net loss on investments of $\$ 0.1$ million for the nine months ended December 31, 2010, compared to a net loss on investments of $\$ 39.6$ million for the prior year period, which was largely impacted by significant devaluations, primarily in the Company's equity holdings of its Control investments.

Investment Portfolio Fair Value: The aggregate investment portfolio appreciated during the quarter ended December 31, 2010, primarily due to notable appreciations in the equity of certain of the Company's proprietary investments. As of December 31, 2010, the entire portfolio was fair valued at $77.1 \%$ of cost, compared to $90.9 \%$ as of March 31, 2010. The decrease was primarily due to the monetization of A. Stucki and Chase, both of which had significant unrealized appreciation as of March 31, 2010.

Net Asset Value: Net asset value was $\$ 9.00$ per share outstanding at December 31, 2010, as compared to $\$ 8.74$ per share outstanding at March 31 , 2010.
Asset Characteristics: Total assets were $\$ 277.9$ million at December 31, 2010, as compared to $\$ 297.2$ million at March 31, 2010. At December 31, 2010, the Company had investments in 17 portfolio companies with an aggregate cost basis of $\$ 195.9$ million and an aggregate fair value of $\$ 151.1$ million. As of December 31, 2010, the Company's investment portfolio at fair value was comprised of $79.7 \%$ in debt securities and $20.3 \%$ in equity securities. Additionally, the Company held $\$ 80.0$ million in cash and cash equivalents at December 31, 2010, including $\$ 67.4$ million from a short-term loan that was subsequently repaid.

Investment Yield: The annualized weighted average yield on the Company's portfolio, excluding cash and cash equivalents, was $10.8 \%$ for the quarter ended December 31, 2010, as compared to $10.7 \%$ for the quarter ended December 31, 2009. The weighted average yield varies from period to period based on the current stated interest rate on interest-bearing investments and the amounts of loans for which interest is not accruing. The increase in the weighted average yield for the quarter ended December 31, 2010 resulted primarily from the Company's sales and exits of lower interest-bearing loans.

Highlights for Quarter: During the quarter ended December 31, 2010, the following significant events occurred:

- Chase Sale: In December 2010, the Company sold its equity investment and received full repayment of its debt investment in Chase. The net cash proceeds to the Company from the sale of its equity in Chase were $\$ 13.9$ million, resulting in a realized gain of $\$ 6.9$ million. In connection with the equity sale, the company accrued and received cash dividend proceeds of $\$ 4.0$ million from its preferred stock investment in Chase. At the same time, the Company also received $\$ 22.9$ million in repayment of its principal, accrued interest and success fees on the loans to Chase.
- New Control Investments: In October 2010, the Company invested $\$ 25.0$ million in senior subordinated debt and preferred equity of Venyu Solutions, Inc. In December 2010, the Company invested $\$ 10.8$ million in senior debt and preferred and common equity in connection with the management-led buyout of Precision Southeast, Inc.
- Short Term Investment: On December 30, 2010, the Company purchased $\$ 75.0$ million of short-term U. S. Treasury securities, which matured on January 6, 2011.
- Distributions: The Company paid monthly cash distributions to stockholders of $\$ 0.04$ per common share for each of October, November and December 2010.

Comments from President Dave Dullum: "We are finding an increase in the number of new investment opportunities consistent with our investing strategy, as demonstrated by our new investments in Venyu and Precision during the quarter. Additionally, we continue to devote management resources to our existing portfolio, which is performing well, and, where prudent, we are seeking to execute on strategic liquidity events, as we did with Chase. We hope to finish out the current fiscal year ending March 31, 2011 with continued investment activity and to carry that momentum into the next fiscal year."

Subsequent Events: After December 31, 2010, the following occurred:

- Dividends Declared:

| Declared | X-Date | Record Date | Payment Date | Cash Distribution |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| January 11 | January 19 | January 21 | January 31 | 0.04 |
| January 11 | February 16* | February 21 | February 28 | 0.04 |
| January 11 | March 17 | March 21 | March 31 | 0.04 |
|  |  |  | Total for the Quarter: | 0.12 |

*Please note that the Company's press release, dated January 11, 2011, had erroneously used an ex-dividend date of February 17 , 2011. The proper ex-dividend date for the February dividend is February 16, 2011.

Summary Information: The following chart is a summary of some of the information reported above (dollars in thousands, except per share data):

|  | December 31, 2010 |  | December 31, 2009 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| For quarter ended: |  |  |  |  |
| Net investment income | \$ | 7,591 | \$ | 3,073 |
| Net increase (decrease) in net assets from operations |  | 15,135 |  | $(4,420)$ |
| Average yield on portfolio |  | 10.81\% |  | 10.68\% |
| Total dollars invested | \$ | 36,622 | \$ | 595 |
| Total dollars repaid |  | 21,130 |  | 4,496 |
| For 9 months ended: |  |  |  |  |
| Net investment income |  | 14,238 |  | 7,889 |
| Net increase (decrease) in net assets from operations |  | 13,643 |  | $(31,699)$ |
| Average yield on portfolio |  | 10.61\% |  | 10.16\% |
| Total dollars invested | \$ | 41,616 | \$ | 2,413 |
| Total dollars repaid |  | 61,774 |  | 14,828 |


| As of: | December 31, 2010 |  | March 31, 2010 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Fair value as a percent of cost |  | 77.1\% |  | 90.9\% |
| Net asset value per share | \$ | 9.00 | \$ | 8.74 |
| Number of investments |  | 17 |  | 16 |
| Total assets | \$ | 277,940 | \$ | 297,161 |

Conference Call for Stockholders: The Company will hold a conference call Tuesday, February 1, 2011 at 8:30 am EST. Please call (800) $860-2442$ to enter the conference. An operator will monitor the call and set a queue for the questions. A replay of the conference call will be available through March 3 , 2011. To hear the replay, please dial (877) 344-7529 and use conference number 447110 . The replay will be available approximately one hour after the call concludes.

The live audio broadcast of the Company's quarterly conference call will be available online at www. Gladstonelnvestment.com. The event will be archived and available for replay on the Company's website through April 2, 2011.

Warning: The financial statements below are without footnotes, so readers should obtain and carefully review the Company's Form 10-Q for the quarter ended December 31, 2010, including the footnotes to the financial statements contained therein. The Company has filed the Form 10-Q today with the SEC, which can be retrieved from the SEC's website at www.sec.gov or from the Company's website at www. Gladstonelnvestment.com. A paper copy can be obtained free of charge by writing to the Company at 1521 Westbranch Drive, Suite 200, McLean, VA 22102.

Who we are: Gladstone Investment Corporation is a publicly traded business development company that seeks to make debt and equity investments in small and mid-sized businesses in the United States in connection with acquisitions, changes in control and recapitalizations. Information on the business activities of all the Gladstone funds can be found at www.gladstonecompanies.com.

For Investor Relations inquiries related to any of the monthly dividend paying Gladstone funds, please visit www.gladstone.com.
The statements in this press release regarding the soundness and performance of the Company's portfolio, the Company's projected investment activities, the Company's ability to generate liquidity events and provide financial support to existing portfolio companies and other such statements are "forwardlooking statements." These forward-looking statements inherently involve certain risks and uncertainties, although they are based on the Company's current plans that are believed to be reasonable as of the date of this press release. Factors that may cause the Company's actual results to differ from these forward-looking statements include, among others, the duration and effects of current economic instability, the Company's ability to access debt and equity capital and those factors listed under the caption "Risk Factors" of the Company's Post-Effective Amendment No. 2 to the Registration Statement on Form N-2 (No. 333-160720) as filed with the SEC on November 22, 2010. The risk factors set forth in the Form N-2 under the caption "Risk Factors" are specifically incorporated by reference into this press release. The Company undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

GLADSTONE INVESTMENT CORPORATION
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
(DOLLAR AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS, EXCEPT PER SHARE AMOUNTS)
(UNAUDITED)

March 31,
2010 $\qquad$

| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ | 79,963 | \$ | 87,717 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Investments at fair value |  |  |  |  |
| Non-Control/Non-Affiliate investments (Cost of \$15,784 and \$22,674, respectively) |  | 14,565 |  | 20,946 |
| Control investments (Cost of \$134,293 and \$152,166, respectively) |  | 101,791 |  | 148,248 |
| Affiliate investments (Cost of \$45,805 and \$52,727, respectively) |  | 34,754 |  | 37,664 |
| Total investments (Cost of \$195,882 and \$227,567, respectively) |  | 151,110 |  | 206,858 |
| Interest receivable |  | 748 |  | 1,234 |
| Due from custodian |  | 40,289 |  | 935 |
| Deferred financing fees |  | 480 |  | 83 |
| Prepaid assets |  | 319 |  | 221 |
| Other assets |  | 5,031 |  | 113 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | \$ | 277,940 | \$ | 297,161 |

## LIABILITIES

Borrowings at fair value
Short-term loan (Cost of $\$ 67,400$ and $\$ 75,000$, respectively)

Credit Facility (Cost of $\$ 8,000$ and $\$ 27,800$, respectively)
Total borrowings (Cost of $\$ 75,400$ and $\$ 102,800$, respectively)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses
Fee due to Administrator
Fees due to Adviser
Other liabilities
total Liabilities
NET ASSETS

| \$ | 67,400 | \$ | 75,000 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 8,000 |  | 27,812 |
|  | 75,400 |  | 102,812 |
|  | 198 |  | 206 |
|  | 143 |  | 149 |
|  | 2,184 |  | 721 |
|  | 1,333 |  | 295 |
|  | 79,258 |  | 104,183 |
| \$ | 198,682 | \$ | 192,978 |

## ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS:

Common stock, $\$ 0.001$ par value per share, $100,000,000$ shares authorized, 22,080,133
shares issued and outstanding at December 31, 2010 and March 31, 2010
Capital in excess of par value

Net unrealized depreciation of investment portfolio
Net unrealized depreciation of derivatives
Net unrealized appreciation of borrowings
Accumulated net realized investment loss
TOTAL NET ASSETS

NET ASSETS PER SHARE

| \$ | 22 | \$ | 22 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 257,216 |  | 257,206 |
|  | $(44,772)$ |  | $(20,710)$ |
|  | (74) |  | (39) |
|  | - |  | (12) |
|  | $(13,710)$ |  | $(43,489)$ |
| \$ | 198,682 | \$ | 192,978 |
| \$ | 9.00 | \$ | 8.74 |

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|  | Three Months Ended December 31, |  |  |  | Nine Months Ended December 31, |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2010 |  | 2009 |  | 2010 |  | 2009 |  |
| INVESTMENT INCOME |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Interest income |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Non-Control/Non-Affiliate investments | \$ | 391 | \$ | 489 | \$ | 1,175 | \$ | 1,840 |
| Control investments |  | 2,557 |  | 2,856 |  | 7,701 |  | 8,593 |
| Affiliate investments |  | 970 |  | 1,605 |  | 3,031 |  | 4,533 |
| Cash and cash equivalents |  | 7 |  | 1 |  | 21 |  | 1 |
| Total interest income |  | 3,925 |  | 4,951 |  | 11,928 |  | 14,967 |
| Other income |  | 6,812 |  | 970 |  | 10,358 |  | 1,066 |
| Total investment income |  | 10,737 |  | 5,921 |  | 22,286 |  | 16,033 |

## EXPENSES

| Loan servicing fee | 634 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Base management fee | 343 |

$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Incentive fee } & \text { 1,898 }\end{array}$
886
113
588

2,124
2,892
-


| Net assets at end of period | \$ | 198,682 | \$ | 175,001 | \$ | 198,682 | \$ | 175,001 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Average net assets ${ }^{(5)}$ |  | 189,420 |  | 179,155 |  | 191,299 |  | 194,783 |
| Senior Securities Data: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total borrowings | \$ | 75,400 | \$ | 101,883 | \$ | 75,400 | \$ | 101,883 |
| Asset coverage ratio ${ }^{(6)}$ |  | 343\% |  | 270\% |  | 343\% |  | 270\% |
| Asset coverage per unit ${ }^{(7)}$ | \$ | 3,429 | \$ | 2,703 | \$ | 3,429 | \$ | 2,703 |
| Ratios/Supplemental Data: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ratio of expenses to average net assets ${ }^{(8), ~(9)}$ |  | 7.59\% |  | 6.64\% |  | 6.05\% |  | 5.98\% |
| Ratio of net expenses to average net assets ${ }^{(8),(10)}$ |  | 6.64 |  | 6.36 |  | 5.61 |  | 5.57 |
| Ratio of net investment income to average net assets ${ }^{(8)}$ |  | 16.03 |  | 6.86 |  | 9.92 |  | 5.40 |

(1) Based on actual shares outstanding at the end of the corresponding period.
(2) Based on weighted average basic per share data.
(3) Distributions are determined based on taxable income calculated in accordance with income tax regulations which may differ from amounts determined under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.
(4) Total return equals the change in the market value of the Company's common stock from the beginning of the period, taking into account dividends reinvested in accordance with the terms of the Company's dividend reinvestment plan.
(5) Calculated using the average of the balance of net assets at the end of each month of the reporting period.
(6) As a business development company, the Company is generally required to maintain an asset coverage ratio of at least $200 \%$ of total consolidated assets, less all liabilities and indebtedness not represented by senior securities, to total borrowings and guaranty commitments.
(7) Asset coverage per unit is the asset coverage ratio expressed in terms of dollar amounts per one thousand dollars of indebtedness
(8) Amounts are annualized.
(9) Ratio of expenses to average net assets is computed using expenses before credits from the Adviser
(10) Ratio of net expenses to average net assets is computed using total expenses net of credits to the management fee.

