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**FORM 10-K**

ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011

Commission file number 000-32191

**T. ROWE PRICE GROUP, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland 52-2264646  
State of incorporation IRS Employer Identification No.  
100 East Pratt Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Address, including zip code, of principal executive offices

(410) 345-2000

Registrant's telephone number, including area code

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

**Common stock, \$.20 par value per share**  
(Title of class)

**The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC**  
(Name of exchange on which registered)

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. ☒ **Yes** ☐ **No**

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. ☐ **Yes** ☒ **No**

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, and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. ☒ **Yes** ☐ **No**

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate website every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulations S-T during the preceding 12 months. ☒ **Yes** ☐ **No**

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K. ☐ **Yes** ☒ **No**

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

**Large accelerated filer** ☒ [X]

Accelerated filer ☐ [ ]

Non-accelerated filer ☐ [ ]

Smaller reporting company ☐ [ ]

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act). ☐ [ ] Yes ☒ [X] No

The aggregate market value of the common equity (all voting) held by non-affiliates (excludes current executive officers and directors) computed using \$60.34 per share (the NASDAQ Official Closing Price on June 30, 2011, the last business day of the registrant's most recently completed second fiscal quarter) was \$15.0 billion.

The number of shares outstanding of the registrant's common stock as of the latest practicable date, February 1, 2012, is 253,483,961.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE: In Part III, the Definitive Proxy Statement for the 2012 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be filed pursuant to Regulation 14A.

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**PART I**

**Item 1. Business.**

T. Rowe Price Group is a financial services holding company that provides global investment management services through its subsidiaries to individual and institutional investors in the sponsored T. Rowe Price mutual funds and other investment portfolios, including separately managed accounts, subadvised funds, and other sponsored investment funds offered to investors outside the U.S. and through variable annuity life insurance plans in the U.S.

The late Thomas Rowe Price, Jr., founded our firm in 1937, and the common stock of T. Rowe Price Associates was first offered to the public in 1986. The T. Rowe Price Group corporate holding company structure was established in 2000.

We derive the majority of our consolidated revenue and net income from investment advisory services provided by our subsidiaries, primarily T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc. and T. Rowe Price International Ltd. Our revenues depend largely on the total value and composition of assets under our management. Accordingly, fluctuations in financial markets and in the composition of assets under management impact our revenues and results of operations.

Our assets under management are accumulated from a diversified client base across four primary distribution channels: third-party financial intermediaries that distribute our managed investment portfolios in the U.S. and other countries; individual U.S. investors on a direct basis; U.S. defined contribution retirement plans; and institutional investors in the U.S. and other countries. In general, over a third of our assets under management are sourced from our third-party financial intermediary distribution channel with the remaining three distribution channels making up the balance.

We manage a broad range of U.S. and international stock, blended asset, bond, and money market mutual funds and other investment portfolios that are designed to meet the varied and changing needs and objectives of individual and institutional investors.

Investment objectives for our managed investment portfolios, including the Price funds, accommodate a variety of strategies. Investors select from among the mutual funds based on the distinct objective that is described in each fund's prospectus and can exchange balances among the funds as permitted when economic and market conditions and their investment needs change. Investment management of other client portfolios includes approaches similar to those employed in the Price funds.

Equity investment strategies may emphasize large-cap, mid-cap or small-cap investing; growth, value or core investing; and U.S., global, or international investing. We also offer systematic, tax-efficient, and blended equity and asset allocation investment strategies including target retirement-date investment portfolios, as well as active, systematic and municipal tax-free management strategies for fixed income investments. Our specialized advisory services include management of stable value investment contracts and a distribution management service for the disposition of equity securities received from third-party venture capital investment pools.

We employ fundamental and quantitative security analyses in the performance of the investment advisory function. We maintain substantial internal equity and fixed income investment research capabilities. We perform original industry and company

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research using such sources as inspection of corporate activities, management interviews, company-published financial and other information, financial newspapers and magazines, corporate rating services, and field checks with suppliers and competitors in the same industry and particular business sector. Our research staff operates primarily from offices located in the United States and England with additional staff resident in Argentina, Australia, Hong Kong, Japan, and Singapore. We also use research provided by brokerage firms and security analysts in a supportive capacity and information received from private economists, political observers, commentators, government experts, and market analysts. Our stock selection process for some investment portfolios is based on quantitative analyses using computerized data modeling.

From time to time, we introduce new funds and other investment portfolios to complement and expand our investment offerings, respond to competitive developments in the financial marketplace, and meet the changing needs of our investment advisory clients. We will open a new mutual fund or investment portfolio if we believe that we have the appropriate investment management expertise and that its objective will be useful for investors over a long period. Conversely, we may also limit new investments into a mutual fund or investment mandate in order to maintain the integrity of the investment strategy and to protect the interests of its existing fund shareholders and investors. At present, the following funds are closed to all new investors.

| Fund                                | Date Closed       |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Institutional Mid-Cap Equity Growth | December 8, 2003  |
| Institutional Small-Cap Stock       | February 20, 2004 |
| Mid-Cap Growth                      | May 31, 2010      |
| Mid-Cap Value                       | May 31, 2010      |

We also provide certain administrative services as ancillary services to our investment advisory clients. These administrative services are provided by several of our subsidiaries and include mutual fund transfer agent, accounting, distribution, and shareholder services; participant recordkeeping and transfer agent services for defined contribution retirement plans investing in our sponsored mutual funds; recordkeeping services for defined contribution retirement plans investing in mutual funds outside the T. Rowe Price complex; brokerage; and trust services. Nearly 91% of our administrative and distribution and servicing fee revenues in 2011 were determined based generally on the recovery of our related costs to provide these services. Changes in our administrative revenues, distribution and servicing fees, and related expenses, therefore, do not significantly affect our net operating income or net income.

Information concerning our revenues, results of operations and total assets, and our assets under management during the past three years is contained in our consolidated financial statements and in note 2 thereto, which are both included in Item 8 of this Form 10-K.

## 2011 DEVELOPMENTS.

Global markets were unusually volatile during 2011 as economic and geopolitical concerns weighed heavily on investor confidence at times. In this uncertain and volatile environment, our assets under management increased \$7.5 billion over the course of 2011 and ended the year at \$489.5 billion. Our strong relative investment performance and brand awareness contributed significantly to attracting net inflows of \$14.1 billion that were sourced primarily from third-party financial intermediaries. Lower market valuations and fund distributions not reinvested, reduced assets under management by \$6.6 billion in 2011.

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The firm's long-term investment advisory results relative to our peers remain strong, with 76% of the T. Rowe Price funds across their share classes surpassing their comparable Lipper averages on a total return basis for the three-year period ended December 31, 2011, 86% outperforming for the five-year period, 77% outperforming for the 10-year period, and 60% outperforming for the one-year period. In addition, T. Rowe Price stock, bond and blended asset funds that ended the quarter with an overall rating of four or five stars from Morningstar account for 83% of our rated funds' assets under management.

Details of our assets under management (in billions) at December 31, 2011 are as follows:

|   |          |
|---|----------|
| <b><u>Assets under management by investment portfolio</u></b> |          |
| T. Rowe Price mutual funds distributed in U.S.                | \$ 289.4 |
| Other investment portfolios                                   | 200.1    |
|   | \$ 489.5 |
| <b><u>Assets under management by asset class</u></b>          |          |
| Stock and blended asset portfolios                            | \$ 352.4 |
| Fixed income portfolios                                       | 137.1    |
|   | \$ 489.5 |
| <b><u>Assets under management by account type</u></b>         |          |
| Retirement accounts and variable annuity portfolios           | \$ 293.2 |
| Other portfolios  | 196.3    |
|   | \$ 489.5 |

Non-U.S. dollar denominated securities account for about \$63.0 billion of our total assets under management at December 31, 2011.

Our target-date retirement portfolios, which provide shareholders with single, diversified portfolios that invest in the underlying T. Rowe Price funds and other investment portfolios, continue to be a significant source of asset growth. Of the firm's net inflows of \$14.1 billion in 2011, \$8.0 billion originated in these portfolios. Assets under management in these portfolios were \$66.9 billion at December 31, 2011 and represent more than 13% of our managed assets at year-end.

Six Price funds - Growth Stock, Mid-Cap Growth, Equity Income, Value, Blue Chip Growth, Capital Appreciation - accounted for 25% of our investment advisory revenues in 2011 and 20% of our assets under management at December 31, 2011. Our largest client account relationship outside the T. Rowe Price funds is with a third-party financial intermediary that accounted for about 3% of our investment advisory revenues in 2011. Our international clients account for 11% of our total assets under management at December 31, 2011.

See the Background section of Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations in Item 7 of this report for more information on the 2011 market environment in which we operated.

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**PRICE FUNDS.**

We provide investment advisory, distribution and other administrative services to the Price funds under various agreements. Investment advisory services are provided to each fund under individual investment management agreements that grant the fund the right to use the T. Rowe Price name. The boards of the respective funds, including a majority of directors who are not interested persons of the funds or of T. Rowe Price Group (as defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940), must approve the investment management agreements annually. Fund shareholders must approve material changes to these investment management agreements. Each agreement automatically terminates in the event of its assignment (as defined in the Investment Company Act) and, generally, either party may terminate the agreement without penalty after a 60-day notice. The termination of one or more of these agreements could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations. Independent directors and trustees of the Price funds regularly review our fee structures.

**Advisory and Distribution Services.**

Investment advisory revenues earned from the Price funds are determined daily based on the net assets managed in each fund. The advisory fee paid monthly by each of the Price funds is computed on a daily basis by multiplying a fund's net assets by a specific fee rate. For the majority of the Price funds, the fee rate is equal to the sum of a tiered group rate that is set based on the aggregate net assets of nearly all of the Price funds and an individual fund rate that is set based on the fund's specific investment objective.

The effective tiered group rate when combined net assets of nearly all of the Price funds exceed \$220 billion is calculated based on a weighted-average fee across pricing tiers of 30.0 basis points for the first \$220 billion of net assets plus 28.5 basis points for net assets in excess of \$220 billion. To the extent that the combined net assets of these funds increase, the group charge component of a fund's advisory fee rate, and therefore the advisory fee rate paid by each fund, will decrease. The individual fund rate for the Growth Stock, Mid-Cap Growth, Equity Income, and Blue Chip Growth is the weighted average of the base individual rate plus a 15% reduction in the individual rate for net assets in excess of \$15 billion.

The total effective fee rates determined in the above manner for those stock and bond funds that incurred advisory fees of at least \$5 million in 2011 varied from a low of 40 basis points for the Short Term Bond, Maryland Tax-Free Bond and Tax-Free Short-Intermediate funds to a high of 105 basis points for the Emerging Europe & Mediterranean, International Discovery, Latin America, and Emerging Markets Stock funds.

Several of the Price funds, including the Index and Summit funds as well as specific funds offered solely to institutional investors; do not include a group fee component but rather an individual fund fee or an all-inclusive fee, which covers both investment management and ordinary operating expenses. Each of the funds in the series of Spectrum Funds and in the series of target-date Retirement Funds invest in a diversified portfolio of other Price funds and have no separate investment advisory fee. However, they indirectly bear the expenses of the funds in which they invest.

Our money market funds experienced advisory fee rates in 2011 from a low of negative seven basis points for the California Tax-Free Money Fund to a high of 18 basis points for the Summit Cash Reserves Fund, as we continued to voluntarily waive money market advisory fees to maintain a zero or positive yield for fund

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investors. We waived \$36.4 million fees in 2011 compared to \$25.1 million in 2010. We began waiving our money market advisory fees during the second half of 2009 and anticipate these fee waivers will continue in 2012.

Details of each fund's fee arrangement are available in its prospectus.

Each of the Price funds has a distinct investment objective that has been developed as part of our strategy to provide a broad, comprehensive selection of investing opportunities. The Investor class of all Price funds can be purchased in the United States on a no-load basis, without a sales commission or 12b-1 fee. No-load mutual fund shares offer investors a low-cost and relatively easy method of directly investing in a variety of stock and fixed income portfolios.

Certain of the Price funds also offer Advisor and R classes of shares that are distributed to mutual fund shareholders, and defined contribution retirement plans, respectively, through third-party financial intermediaries. These share classes incur 12b-1 fees of 25 and 50 basis points, respectively, for distribution, administration, and personal services. In addition, those Price funds offered to investors through variable annuity life insurance plans have a share class that incurs a 12b-1 fee of 25 basis points. Our subsidiary, T. Rowe Price Investment Services, is the principal distributor of the Price funds and enters into agreements with each intermediary. Payment of 12b-1 fees is made by each fund directly to the applicable intermediaries.

In accounting for 12b-1 fees, the applicable mutual fund share classes incur the related expense and we recognize the corresponding distribution and servicing fee revenue in our consolidated statement of income. We also recognize, as distribution and servicing costs in the consolidated statement of income, the corresponding payment of these fees from each fund to the third-party financial intermediaries. The fee revenue that we recognize from the funds and the expense that we recognize for the fees paid to third-party intermediaries are equal in amount and, therefore, do not impact our net operating income.

We believe that our lower fund cost structure, distribution methods, and fund shareholder and administrative services help promote the stability of our fund assets under management through market cycles.

Each Price fund typically bears all expenses associated with its operation and the issuance and redemption of its securities. In particular, each fund pays investment advisory fees; shareholder servicing fees and expenses; fund accounting fees and expenses; transfer agent fees; custodian fees and expenses; legal and auditing fees; expenses of preparing, printing and mailing prospectuses and shareholder reports to existing shareholders; registration fees and expenses; proxy and annual meeting expenses; and independent trustee or director fees and expenses.

We usually provide that a newly organized fund's expenses will not exceed a specified percentage of its net assets during an initial operating period. Generally, during the earlier portion of the period, we will waive advisory fees and absorb other mutual fund expenses in excess of these self-imposed limits. During the latter portion of the period, we may recover some or all of the waived fees and absorbed costs.

Except as noted above for 12b-1 fees, we bear all advertising and promotion expenses associated with our distribution of the Price funds. These costs are recognized currently, and include advertising and direct mail communications to potential fund shareholders as well as substantial staff and communications



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capabilities to respond to investor inquiries. Marketing and promotional efforts are focused in the print media, television, and the Internet. In addition, we direct considerable marketing efforts to defined contribution plans that invest in mutual funds. Advertising and promotion expenditures vary over time based on investor interest, market conditions, new and existing investment offerings, and the development and expansion of new marketing initiatives, including enhancements to our website.

**Administrative Services.**

We provide advisory-related administrative services to the Price funds through our subsidiaries. T. Rowe Price Services provides mutual fund transfer agency and shareholder services, including maintenance of staff, facilities, and technology and other equipment to respond to inquiries from fund shareholders. T. Rowe Price Associates provides mutual fund accounting services, including maintenance of financial records, preparation of financial statements and reports, daily valuation of portfolio securities and computation of daily net asset values per share. T. Rowe Price Retirement Plan Services provides participant accounting, plan administration and transfer agent services for defined contribution retirement plans that invest in the Price funds. Plan sponsors and participants compensate us for some services while the Price funds compensate us for maintaining and administering the individual participant accounts for those plans that invest in the funds.

Our trustee services are provided by another subsidiary, T. Rowe Price Trust Company. Through this Maryland-chartered limited-service trust company, we offer collective investment trust funds for investment by qualified retirement plans and serve as trustee for retirement plans and IRAs. T. Rowe Price Trust Company may not accept deposits and cannot make personal or commercial loans. Another subsidiary, T. Rowe Price Savings Bank, issues federally insured certificates of deposit.

We also provide non-discretionary advisory planning services to fund shareholders and potential investors through our subsidiary T. Rowe Price Advisory Services. These services are limited in scope and include retirement planning services, such as saving for retirement, transitioning into retirement, and income in retirement. An investment portfolio evaluation service is an integral part of these services. An ongoing checkup service is also available to assist an investor in remaining on track to achieve their financial goals.

**Fund Assets under Management.**

At December 31, 2011, assets under our management in the Price funds aggregated \$289.4 billion, an increase of 2.4% or \$6.8 billion from the beginning of the year. The following table presents the net assets (in billions) of our largest funds (net assets in excess of \$.7 billion at December 31) and the year each fund was started.

|  | 2010   | 2011   |
|--|--------|--------|
| Stock and blended asset funds:         |        |        |
| Balanced (1991)                        | \$ 2.9 | \$ 2.8 |
| Blue Chip Growth (1993)                | 11.9   | 11.6   |
| Capital Appreciation (1986)            | 10.4   | 10.9   |
| Dividend Growth (1992)                 | 1.7    | 2.1    |
| Emerging Europe & Mediterranean (2000) | .8     | .4     |
| Emerging Markets Stock (1995)          | 5.5    | 5.6    |
| Equity Income (1985)                   | 20.4   | 21.3   |
| Equity Index 500 (1990)                | 13.2   | 13.4   |
| European Stock (1990)                  | .7     | .6     |

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|  |       |       |
|--|-------|-------|
| Global Stock (1995)                          | .8    | .6    |
| Growth & Income (1982)                       | 1.1   | 1.1   |
| Growth Stock (1950)                          | 24.8  | 25.3  |
| Health Sciences (1995)                       | 2.5   | 3.1   |
| Institutional Emerging Markets Equity (2002) | .7    | .8    |
| Institutional Large-Cap Growth (2001)        | 2.6   | 3.2   |
| Institutional Large-Cap Value (2000)         | .5    | .7    |
| Institutional Mid-Cap Equity Growth (1996)   | .8    | 1.9   |
| International Discovery (1988)               | 2.7   | 2.2   |
| International Growth & Income (1998)         | 3.6   | 4.2   |
| International Stock (1980)                   | 6.5   | 7.0   |
| Latin America (1993)                         | 3.2   | 2.0   |
| Media & Telecommunications (1993)            | 1.9   | 1.9   |
| Mid-Cap Growth (1992)                        | 20.3  | 17.5  |
| Mid-Cap Value (1996)                         | 9.3   | 8.4   |
| New America Growth (1985)                    | 1.3   | 2.6   |
| New Asia (1990)                              | 5.2   | 3.6   |
| New Era (1969)                               | 5.8   | 4.5   |
| New Horizons (1960)                          | 7.7   | 7.9   |
| Overseas Stock (2006)                        | 2.5   | 3.6   |
| Personal Strategy Balanced (1994)            | 1.4   | 1.3   |
| Personal Strategy Growth (1994)              | 1.0   | .9    |
| Personal Strategy Income (1994)              | .7    | .7    |
| Real Assets (2010)                           | 1.6   | 2.4   |
| Real Estate (1997)                           | 2.6   | 2.9   |
| Science & Technology (1987)                  | 3.1   | 2.7   |
| Small-Cap Stock (1992)                       | 6.8   | 6.6   |
| Small-Cap Value (1988)                       | 7.1   | 6.8   |
| Value (1994)                                 | 11.8  | 11.6  |
| Other stock and blended asset funds          | 5.0   | 5.0   |
|  | 212.4 | 211.7 |

### Bond and money market funds:

|                                      |      |      |
|--------------------------------------|------|------|
| Corporate Income (1995)              | .7   | .6   |
| Emerging Markets Bond (1994)         | 2.7  | 3.1  |
| GNMA (1985)                          | 1.6  | 1.7  |
| High Yield (1984)                    | 8.2  | 8.5  |
| Inflation Focused Bond (2006)        | 2.4  | 2.8  |
| Institutional Floating Rate (2008)   | 1.0  | 1.8  |
| Institutional High Yield (2002)      | 1.3  | 2.1  |
| International Bond (1986)            | 4.9  | 5.2  |
| Maryland Tax-Free Bond (1987)        | 1.8  | 1.9  |
| New Income (1973)                    | 12.6 | 14.8 |
| Prime Reserve (1976)                 | 5.6  | 5.8  |
| Short-Term Bond (1984)               | 5.7  | 5.6  |
| Summit Cash Reserves (1993)          | 5.5  | 5.9  |
| Summit Municipal Intermediate (1993) | 1.7  | 1.9  |
| Tax-Exempt Money (1981)              | .9   | .9   |
| Tax-Free High Yield (1985)           | 1.7  | 1.8  |
| Tax-Free Income (1976)               | 2.9  | 2.9  |
| Tax-Free Short-Intermediate (1983)   | 1.4  | 1.6  |
| U.S. Bond Enhanced Index (2000)      | 0.6  | 1.2  |
| U.S. Treasury Money (1982)           | 1.9  | 1.9  |
| Virginia Tax-Free Bond (1991)        | .8   | .9   |
| Other bond and money market funds    | 4.3  | 4.8  |

70.2

77.7

\$ 282.6

\$ 289.4

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The Spectrum and Retirement fund of fund series are not presented in the table because their assets are already included in their underlying fund holdings.

Our operating subsidiaries invest in many of the T. Rowe Price funds.

### **OTHER INVESTMENT PORTFOLIOS.**

We managed \$200.1 billion at December 31, 2011, in other client investment portfolios, up \$.7 billion from the beginning of the year. We provide investment advisory services to these clients through our subsidiaries on a separately managed or subadvised account basis and through sponsored investment portfolios, such as collective investment trusts, Luxembourg-based mutual funds, and variable annuity insurance plans. At December 31, these portfolios included the following investment assets:

|                                   | 2010     | 2011     |
|-----------------------------------|----------|----------|
| U.S. stocks                       | \$ 114.0 | \$ 114.9 |
| International stocks              | 34.2     | 25.8     |
| Stable value assets               | 16.7     | 18.8     |
| Bonds and money market securities | 34.5     | 40.6     |
|                                   | \$ 199.4 | \$ 200.1 |

We charge fees for investment management to these clients based on, among other things, the specific investment services to be provided. Our standard form of investment advisory agreement for client accounts provides that the agreement may be terminated at any time and that any unearned fees paid in advance will be refunded.

Our fees for managing these investment portfolios are computed using the value of assets under our management at a contracted annual fee rate. The value of assets under management billed is generally based on daily valuations, month-end average valuations, or end of billing period valuations. In 2011, approximately 53% of advisory fees were recognized based on daily portfolio valuations, 27% were based on month-end averages, and 19% were based on end of billing period valuations.

### **REGULATION.**

T. Rowe Price Associates, T. Rowe Price International Ltd, T. Rowe Price (Canada), T. Rowe Price Hong Kong Limited, T. Rowe Price Singapore Private Ltd., and T. Rowe Price Advisory Services are registered with the SEC as investment advisers under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940. T. Rowe Price International Ltd is also regulated by the Financial Services Authority (FSA) in the United Kingdom and, in certain cases, by other foreign regulators. The Securities and Futures Commission and Monetary Authority of Singapore also regulate T. Rowe Price Hong Kong Limited and T. Rowe Price Singapore Private Ltd., respectively. Our transfer agent services subsidiaries are registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and our trust company is regulated by the State of Maryland, Commissioner of Financial Regulation. T. Rowe Price (Canada) is also registered with several of the provincial securities commissions in Canada.

Due to changes resulting from the Dodd-Frank Act, the T. Rowe Price Savings Bank is now regulated by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, U.S. Department of the Treasury. In addition, the Federal Reserve is now responsible for supervision of T. Rowe Price Group and T. Rowe Price Associates, as savings and loan holding companies, as well as the other T. Rowe Price non-depository subsidiaries.

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T. Rowe Price Investment Services is a registered broker-dealer and member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA) and the Securities Investor Protection Corporation. We provide brokerage services through this subsidiary primarily to complement the other services provided to shareholders of the Price funds. Pershing, a third-party clearing broker and affiliate of the Bank of New York, maintains our brokerage's customer accounts and clears all transactions.

All aspects of our business are subject to extensive federal, state and foreign laws and regulations. These laws and regulations are primarily intended to benefit or protect our clients and the Price funds' shareholders. They generally grant supervisory agencies and bodies broad administrative powers, including the power to limit or restrict the conduct of our business in the event that we fail to comply with laws and regulations. Possible sanctions that may be imposed on us in the event that we fail to comply include the suspension of individual employees, limitations on engaging in certain business activities for specified periods of time, revocation of our investment adviser and other registrations, censures, and fines.

Certain of our subsidiaries are subject to net capital requirements including those of various federal, state, and international regulatory agencies. Each of our subsidiaries' net capital, as defined, meets or exceeds all minimum requirements.

### **COMPETITION.**

As a member of the financial services industry, we are subject to substantial competition in all aspects of our business. A significant number of proprietary and other sponsors' mutual funds are sold to the public by other investment management firms, broker-dealers, mutual fund companies, banks and insurance companies. We compete with brokerage and investment banking firms, insurance companies, banks, and other financial institutions in all aspects of our business and in every country in which we offer our advisory services. Many of these financial institutions have substantially greater resources than we do. We compete with other providers of investment advisory services primarily based on the availability and objectives of the investment portfolios offered, investment performance, and the scope and quality of investment advice and other client services. In order to maintain and enhance our competitive position, we may review acquisition and venture opportunities and, if appropriate, engage in discussions and negotiations that could lead to the acquisition of a new equity or other financial relationship.

### **EMPLOYEES.**

At December 31, 2011, we employed 5,255 associates, up 4% from the 5,052 associates employed at the end of 2010. We may add additional temporary and part-time personnel to our staff from time to time to meet periodic and special project demands, primarily for technology and mutual fund administrative services.

### **SEC FILINGS.**

We make available free of charge through our Internet web site our annual report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K, and any amendments to those reports filed or furnished pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act as soon as reasonably practicable after we electronically file them with, or furnish them to, the Securities and Exchange Commission. To obtain any of this information, access our web page at <http://trow.client.shareholder.com/financials.cfm>. We also make our financial statement information from our periodic SEC filings available on our website in the form of XBRL data files that may be used to facilitate computer-assisted investor analysis.

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### **Item 1A. Risk Factors.**

An investment in our common stock involves various risks, including those mentioned below and those that are discussed from time to time in our periodic filings with the SEC. Investors should carefully consider these risks, along with the other information contained in this report, before making an investment decision regarding our common stock. There may be additional risks of which we are currently unaware, or which we currently consider immaterial. Any of these risks could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations, and value of our common stock.

#### **RISKS RELATING TO OUR BUSINESS AND THE FINANCIAL SERVICES INDUSTRY.**

Our revenues are based on the market value and composition of the assets under our management, all of which are subject to fluctuation caused by factors outside of our control.

We derive our revenues primarily from investment advisory services provided by our subsidiaries to individual and institutional investors in the T. Rowe Price mutual funds and other investment portfolios. Our investment advisory fees typically are calculated as a percentage of the market value of the assets under our management. We generally earn higher fees on assets invested in our equity funds and equity investment portfolios than we earn on assets invested in our fixed income funds and portfolios. Among equity investments, there is a significant variation in fees earned from index-based investments at the low end and emerging markets funds and portfolios at the high end. Fees also vary across the fixed income funds and portfolios, though not as widely as equity investments, with stable value portfolios and money market securities at the lower end and non-U.S. dollar denominated bonds at the high end. As a result, our revenues are dependent on the value and composition of the assets under our management, all of which are subject to substantial fluctuation due to many factors, including:

Investor Mobility. Our investors generally may withdraw their funds at any time, on very short notice and without any significant penalty.

General Market Declines. A downturn in stock or bond prices would cause the value of assets under our management to decrease, and may also cause investors to withdraw their investments, thereby further decreasing the level of assets under our management.

Investment Performance. If the investment performance of our managed portfolios is less than that of our competitors or applicable third-party benchmarks, we could lose existing and potential customers and suffer a decrease in assets under management. Institutional investors in particular consider changing investment advisers based upon poor relative investment performance. Individual investors in contrast are more likely to react to poor absolute investment performance.

Investing Trends. Changes in investing trends and, in particular, retirement savings trends, including the prevalence of defined contribution retirement plans, may reduce interest in our funds and portfolios and may alter our mix of assets under management.

Interest Rate Changes. Investor interest in and the valuation of our fixed income investment funds and portfolios are affected by changes in interest rates. The performance of our money market funds is dependent on the income from the

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underlying securities exceeding the operating costs of the fund. When interest rates are at the historic lows that presently exist, the operating costs of the funds will become a greater portion of the portfolio's income and reduce the yield of the funds to very low levels. Since the second half of 2009 and presently, such an environment has caused us to waive a portion of our advisory fees on money market funds in order to maintain yields at or above 0% to fund investors. Such actions reduce our advisory fee income and net income. Also, bank deposits may become more attractive to investors and money market funds have and could continue to experience redemptions. Client losses decrease our revenues and net income.

**International Exposure.** Our managed portfolios may have significant investments in international markets that are subject to risk of loss from political or diplomatic developments, government policies, civil unrest, currency fluctuations and changes in legislation related to foreign ownership. International markets, particularly emerging markets, which are often smaller, may not have the liquidity of established markets, may lack established regulations and may experience significantly more volatility than established markets.

**Tax Regulation Changes.** Changes in the status of tax deferred retirement plan investments and tax-free municipal bonds, the capital gains and corporate dividend tax rates, and other individual and corporate tax rates and regulations could adversely affect investor behavior and may cause investors to view certain investment offerings less favorably and withdraw their investment assets, thereby decreasing the level of assets under our management.

A decrease in the value of assets under our management, or an adverse change in their composition, could have a material adverse effect on our investment advisory fees and revenues. For any period in which revenues decline, net income and operating margins will likely decline by a greater proportion because certain expenses will be fixed over that finite period.

A significant majority of our revenues are based on contracts with the Price funds that are subject to termination without cause and on short notice.

We provide investment advisory, distribution and other administrative services to the Price funds under various agreements. Investment advisory services are provided to each Price fund under individual investment management agreements. The board of each Price fund must annually approve the terms of the investment management and service agreements and can terminate the agreement upon 60-day notice. If a Price fund seeks to lower the fees that we receive or terminate its contract with us, we would experience a decline in fees earned from the Price funds, which could have a material adverse effect on our revenues and net income.

We operate in an intensely competitive industry, which could cause a loss of customers and their assets, thereby reducing our assets under management and our revenues and net income.

We are subject to competition in all aspects of our business from:

asset management firms,

mutual fund companies,

commercial banks and thrift institutions,

insurance companies,

hedge funds,

exchange traded funds,

brokerage and investment banking firms, and

other financial institutions including multinational firms and subsidiaries of diversified conglomerates.

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Many of these financial institutions have substantially greater resources than we do and may offer a broader range of financial products across more markets. Some operate in a different regulatory environment than we do which may give them certain competitive advantages in the investment products and portfolio structures that they offer. We compete with other providers of investment advisory services primarily based on the availability and objectives of the investment portfolios offered, investment performance, and the scope and quality of investment advice and other client services. Some institutions have proprietary products and distribution channels that make it more difficult for us to compete with them. We believe that competition within the investment management industry will intensify as a result of consolidation and acquisition activity and because new competitors face few barriers to entry. Most of our investment portfolios are available without sales or redemption fees, which means that investors may be more willing to transfer assets to competing funds.

If current or potential customers decide to use one of our competitors, we could face a significant decline in market share, assets under management, revenues, and net income. If we are required to lower our fees in order to remain competitive, our net income could be significantly reduced because some of our expenses are fixed, especially over shorter periods of time, and others may not decrease in proportion to the decrease in revenues.

Our success depends on our key personnel and our financial performance could be negatively affected by the loss of their services.

Our success depends on our highly skilled personnel, including our portfolio and fund managers, investment analysts, management and client relationship personnel, and corporate officers, many of whom have specialized expertise and extensive experience in our industry. Strong financial services professionals are in demand, and we face significant competition for highly qualified employees. Our key employees do not have employment contracts, and generally can terminate their employment with us at any time. We cannot assure that we will be able to retain or replace key personnel. In order to retain or replace our key personnel, we may be required to increase compensation, which would decrease net income. The loss of key personnel could damage our reputation and make it more difficult to retain and attract new employees and investors. Losses of assets from our client investors would decrease our revenues and net income, possibly materially.

Our operations are complex and a failure to perform operational tasks or the misrepresentation of products and services could have an adverse affect on our reputation and subject us to regulatory sanctions, fines, penalties, and litigation.

Operating risks include:

failure to properly perform fund or portfolio recordkeeping responsibilities, including portfolio accounting, security pricing, corporate actions, investment restrictions compliance, daily net asset value computations, account reconciliations, and required distributions to fund shareholders to comply with tax regulations;

failure to properly perform transfer agent and participant recordkeeping responsibilities, including transaction processing, supervision of staff, tax reporting and record retention; and failure to identify excessive trading in mutual funds by our customers or plan participants;

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sales and marketing risks, including the intentional or unintentional misrepresentation of products and services in advertising materials, public relations information, or other external communications, and failure to properly calculate and present investment performance data accurately and in accordance with established guidelines and regulations.

Any damage to our reputation could harm our business and lead to a loss of revenues and net income.

We have spent many years developing our reputation for integrity, strong investment performance, and superior client services. Our brand is a valuable intangible asset, but it is vulnerable to a variety of threats that can be difficult or impossible to control, and costly or even impossible to remediate. Regulatory inquiries and rumors can tarnish or substantially damage our reputation, even if they are satisfactorily addressed. Any damage to our brand could impede our ability to attract and retain customers and key personnel, and reduce the amount of assets under our management, any of which could have a material adverse effect on our revenues and net income.

Our expenses are subject to significant fluctuations that could materially decrease net income.

Our operating results are dependent on the level of our expenses, which can vary significantly for many reasons, including:

changes in the level of our advertising expenses, including the costs of expanding investment advisory services to investors outside of the United States and further penetrating U.S. distribution channels;

variations in the level of total compensation expense due to, among other things, bonuses, stock option grants and other stock-based awards, changes in employee benefit costs due to regulatory or plan design changes, changes in our employee count and mix, competitive factors, and inflation;

a future impairment of our investment in UTI Asset Management Company Limited (UTI);

a future impairment of goodwill that is recognized in our balance sheet;

unanticipated material fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates applicable to the costs of our operations abroad;

expenses and capital costs incurred to maintain and enhance our administrative and operating services infrastructure, such as technology assets, depreciation, amortization, and research and development;

unanticipated costs incurred to protect investor accounts and client goodwill; and

disruptions of third-party services such as communications, power, and mutual fund transfer agent and accounting systems.

Under our agreements with the T. Rowe Price mutual funds, we charge the mutual funds certain administrative fees and related expenses based upon contracted terms. If we fail to accurately estimate our underlying expense levels or otherwise are required to incur expenses relating to the mutual funds that are not otherwise paid by the funds, our operating results will be adversely affected.

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We have contracted with third-party financial intermediaries that distribute our investment portfolios in the U.S. and abroad and such relationships may not be available or profitable to us in the future.

These contracted third-party intermediaries generally offer their clients various investment products in addition to, and in competition with, our investment offerings, and have no contractual obligation to encourage investment in our portfolios. It would be difficult for us to acquire or retain the management of those assets without the assistance of the intermediaries, and we cannot assure that we will be able to maintain an adequate number of successful distribution relationships. In addition, some investors rely on third-party financial planners, registered investment advisers, and other consultants or financial professionals to advise them on the choice of investment adviser and investment portfolio. These professionals and consultants can favor a competing investment portfolio as better meeting their particular client's needs. We cannot assure that our investment offerings will be among their recommended choices in the future. Further, their recommendations can change over time and we could lose their recommendation and their client assets under our management. Mergers, acquisitions, and other ownership or management changes could also adversely impact our relationships with these third-party intermediaries. The presence of any of the adverse conditions discussed above would reduce revenues and net income, possibly by material amounts.

Natural disasters and other unpredictable events could adversely affect our operations.

Armed conflict, terrorist attacks, power failures, and natural disasters could adversely affect our revenues, expenses and net income by:

decreasing investment valuations in, and returns on, the investment portfolios that we manage,

causing disruptions in national or global economies that decrease investor confidence and make investment products generally less attractive,

incapacitating or inflicting losses of lives among our associates,

interrupting our business operations,

triggering technology delays or failures, and

requiring substantial capital expenditures and operating expenses to remediate damage, replace our facilities, and restore our operations. We have developed various backup systems and contingency plans but we cannot be assured that they will be adequate in all circumstances that could arise or that material interruptions and disruptions will not occur. In addition, we rely to varying degrees on outside vendors for disaster contingency support, and we cannot be assured that these vendors will be able to perform in an adequate and timely manner. If we lose any associates, or if we are unable to respond adequately to such an event in a timely manner, we may be unable to continue our business operations, which could lead to a tarnished reputation and loss of customers that results in a decrease in assets under management, lower revenues and materially reduced net income.

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### **Our investment income and asset levels may be negatively impacted by fluctuations in our investment portfolio.**

We currently have a substantial portion of our assets invested in our stock, blended asset and bond mutual funds. All of these investments are subject to investment market risk and our non-operating investment income could be adversely affected by the realization of losses upon the disposition of our investments or the recognition of significant other than temporary impairments. In addition, related investment income has fluctuated significantly over the years depending upon the performance of our corporate investments, including the impact of market conditions and interest rates, and the size of our corporate money market and longer-term mutual fund holdings. Fluctuations in other investment income are expected to occur in the future.

### **The investment performance of our savings bank subsidiary could adversely affect our assets and results of operations.**

We have a savings bank subsidiary that accepts time deposits from customers, pays a fixed rate of interest to them, and invests in asset-backed debt securities. Although we generally hold these investments to maturity, which generally correlates to the maturities of our customer deposits, fluctuations in credit risk could result in impairments among the bank's fixed income investments and, in turn, could result in a mismatch between a lower or negative return on our investment portfolio and the interest paid on our customer deposits. To the extent that this occurs, our assets and results of operations would be adversely affected.

### **We may elect to pursue growth in the United States and abroad through acquisitions or joint ventures, which exposes us to risks inherent in assimilating new operations, expanding into new jurisdictions, and making non-controlling minority investments in other entities.**

In order to maintain and enhance our competitive position, we may review and pursue acquisition and venture opportunities. We cannot assure that we will identify and consummate any such transactions on acceptable terms or have sufficient resources to accomplish such a strategy. In addition, any strategic transaction can involve a number of risks, including additional demands on our staff; unanticipated problems regarding integration of investor account and investment security recordkeeping, operating facilities and technologies, and new employees; adverse effects in the event acquired intangible assets or goodwill become impaired; and the existence of liabilities or contingencies not disclosed to or otherwise known by us prior to closing a transaction.

We own a 26% investment in UTI (India) and we may consider non-controlling minority investments in other entities in the future. We may not realize future returns from such investments or any collaborative activities that may develop in the future.

### **We are exposed to a number of risks arising from our international operations.**

We operate in a number of jurisdictions outside of the United States. In addition, we have a large investment in UTI, an Indian asset management company. Our international operations require us to comply with the legal requirements of various foreign jurisdictions and expose us to the political consequences of operating in foreign jurisdictions. Our foreign business operations are also subject to the following risks:

difficulty in managing, operating and marketing our international operations;

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fluctuations in currency exchange rates which may result in substantial negative effects on assets under our management, revenues, expenses and assets in our U.S. dollar based financial statements; and

significant adverse changes in international legal and regulatory environments.

### **LEGAL AND REGULATORY RISKS.**

Compliance within a complex regulatory environment imposes significant financial and strategic costs on our business, and non-compliance could result in fines and penalties.

We are subject to extensive regulation by foreign and domestic governments, regulatory agencies such as the SEC, the FED, and OCC in the United States and the FSA in the United Kingdom, and self-regulatory organizations such as FINRA. The conduct of our business is in large part dictated by adherence to such regulation, including federal laws such as the Dodd-Frank Act of 2010, the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, the USA Patriot Act of 2001, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), regulations relating to the mutual fund industry specifically and securities laws generally, accounting standards, and banking and tax laws. Compliance with these complex regulations and our disclosure and financial reporting obligations requires significant investments of time and money and could limit our ability to enter into new lines of business. Further, the regulations imposed by one jurisdiction may conflict with the regulations imposed by another, and these differences may be difficult or impossible to reconcile.

Our regulatory environment is frequently altered by new regulations and by revisions to, and evolving interpretations of, existing regulations. Future changes could require us to modify or curtail our investment offerings and business operations. For example, the Volker Rule as currently proposed has led us to begin evaluating whether it remains prudent to maintain our savings bank in light of the potential restrictions the rule could place on our other business activities.

If we are unable to maintain compliance with applicable laws and regulations, we could be subject to criminal and civil liability, the suspension of our employees, fines, penalties, sanctions, injunctive relief, exclusion from certain markets, or temporary or permanent loss of licenses or registrations necessary to conduct our business. A regulatory proceeding, even if it does not result in a finding of wrongdoing or sanctions, could consume substantial expenditures of time and capital. Any regulatory investigation and any failure to maintain compliance with applicable laws and regulations could severely damage our reputation, adversely affect our ability to conduct business, and decrease revenue and net income.

Legal and regulatory developments in the mutual fund and investment advisory industry could increase our regulatory burden, cause a loss of mutual fund investors, and reduce our revenues.

As a result of the economic downturn in 2008 and 2009 and the significant turmoil in the investment banking, banking and financial services industry, including the need for government intervention, regulators both in and outside the United States have shown increasing interest in the oversight of the broad financial and investment industry. Some of the newly adopted and proposed regulations are focused directly on the investment management industry, while others are more

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broadly focused but in many cases will impact our industry as well. These new laws and regulations can be expected to place greater compliance and administrative burdens on us, which likely would increase our expenses without increasing revenues and could adversely impact our business operations. In addition, new regulations could require the Price funds to reduce the level of certain mutual fund fees paid to us or require us to bear additional expenses, which would affect our operating results. Further, adverse results of regulatory investigations of mutual fund, investment advisory and financial services firms could tarnish the reputation of the financial services industry generally and mutual funds and investment advisers more specifically, causing investors to avoid further fund investments or redeem their account balances. Redemptions would decrease the assets under our management, which would reduce our advisory revenues and net income.

### **We may become involved in legal and regulatory proceedings that may not be covered by insurance.**

We are subject to regulatory and governmental inquiries and civil litigation. An adverse outcome of any such proceeding could involve substantial financial penalties. From time to time, various claims against us arise in the ordinary course of business, including employment-related claims. There also has been an increase of litigation and in regulatory investigations in the financial services industry in recent years, including customer claims and class action suits alleging substantial monetary damages.

We carry insurance in amounts and under terms that we believe are appropriate. We cannot assure that our insurance will cover most liabilities and losses to which we may be exposed, or that our insurance policies will continue to be available at acceptable terms and fees. Certain insurance coverage may not be available or may be prohibitively expensive in future periods. As our insurance policies come up for renewal, we may need to assume higher deductibles or co-insurance liabilities, or pay higher premiums, which would increase our expenses and reduce our net income.

### **Net capital requirements may impede the business operations of our subsidiaries.**

Certain of our subsidiaries are subject to net capital requirements imposed by various federal, state, and foreign authorities. Each of our subsidiaries' net capital meets or exceeds all minimum requirements; however, a significant operating or investment loss or an extraordinary charge against net capital could adversely affect the ability of our subsidiaries to expand or even maintain their operations if we were unable to make additional investments in them.

## **TECHNOLOGY RISKS.**

### **We require specialized technology to operate our business and would be adversely affected if our technology became inoperative or obsolete.**

We depend on highly specialized and, in many cases, proprietary technology to support our business functions, including among others:

securities analysis,

securities trading,

portfolio management,

customer service,

accounting and internal financial reporting processes and controls, and

regulatory compliance and reporting.



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All of our technology systems are vulnerable to disability or failures due to hacking, viruses, natural disasters, power failures, acts of war or terrorism, and other causes. Some of our software is licensed from and supported by outside vendors upon whom we rely to prevent operating system failure. A suspension or termination of these licenses or the related support, upgrades and maintenance could cause system delays or interruption. Although we have robust business and disaster recovery plans, if our technology systems were to fail and we were unable to recover in a timely way, we would be unable to fulfill critical business functions, which could lead to a loss of customers and could harm our reputation. A technological breakdown could also interfere with our ability to comply with financial reporting and other regulatory requirements, exposing us to disciplinary action and to liability to our customers.

In addition, our continued success depends on our ability to effectively integrate operations across many countries, and to adopt new or adapt existing technologies to meet client, industry and regulatory demands. We might be required to make significant capital expenditures to maintain competitive technology. If we are unable to upgrade our technology in a timely fashion, we might lose customers and fail to maintain regulatory compliance, which could affect our results of operations and severely damage our reputation.

### **We could be subject to losses if we fail to properly safeguard sensitive and confidential information.**

As part of our normal operations, we maintain and transmit confidential information about our clients as well as proprietary information relating to our business operations. We maintain a system of internal controls designed to provide reasonable assurance that fraudulent activity, including misappropriation of assets, fraudulent financial reporting, and unauthorized access to sensitive or confidential data is either prevented or timely detected. Our systems or our third-party service providers' systems could be victimized by unauthorized users or corrupted by computer viruses or other malicious software code, or authorized persons could inadvertently or intentionally release confidential or proprietary information. Such disclosure could, among other things:

seriously damage our reputation,

allow competitors access to our proprietary business information,

subject us to liability for a failure to safeguard client data,

result in the termination of contracts by our existing customers,

subject us to regulatory action, and

require significant capital and operating expenditures to investigate and remediate the breach.

### **Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments.**

None.

### **Item 2. Properties.**

Our operating and servicing activities are largely conducted at owned facilities in campus settings comprising 294,000 square feet in Colorado Springs, Colorado, and 822,000 square feet on three parcels of land in close proximity in Owings Mills, Maryland. We have an additional 381,000 square feet of space in two facilities at the largest Owings Mills site that were completed in late 2009. Our current expectation is that these facilities will not be placed into service until 2013 at



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the earliest. Our recently completed 60,000 square foot technology support facility in Hagerstown, Maryland was placed into service in the first quarter of 2011. We own a 72-acre parcel of land in Pasco County, Florida to accommodate future development as business demands require.

We presently maintain investor centers for walk-in traffic and investor meetings in leased facilities located in the Baltimore, Maryland; Boca Raton, Florida; Boston (Wellesley, Massachusetts); Chicago (Oak Brook and Northbrook, Illinois); Los Angeles (Century City, California); New York City/New Jersey (Garden City, New York, and Paramus and Short Hills, New Jersey); San Francisco (Walnut Creek, California); Tampa, Florida; and Washington, D.C. (Washington, D.C. and McLean, Virginia) areas. We also have investor centers in our owned facilities in Colorado Springs and Owings Mills. These investor centers allow us to be available in person to meet with a large number of our individual investors.

Our corporate offices include 421,000 square feet under lease until mid-2017 at 100 East Pratt Street in Baltimore. We lease our other offices, including those in London, our business recovery site in Maryland, and our customer service call center in Tampa. We operate offices in 13 countries around the world.

Information concerning our anticipated capital expenditures in 2012 and our future minimum rental payments under noncancelable operating leases at December 31, 2011, is set forth in the capital resources and liquidity and contractual obligations discussions in Item 7 of this Form 10-K.

### **Item 3. Legal Proceedings.**

From time to time, various claims against us arise in the ordinary course of business, including employment-related claims. In the opinion of management, after consultation with counsel, the likelihood that an adverse determination in one or more pending claims would have a material adverse effect on our financial position or results of operations is remote.

### **Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures.**

Not applicable.

### **Item. Executive Officers of the Registrant.**

The following information includes the names, ages, and positions of our executive officers. There are no arrangements or understandings pursuant to which any person serves as an officer. The first seven individuals are members of our management committee.

James A.C. Kennedy (58), Chief Executive Officer and President since 2007. Mr. Kennedy was previously a Vice President from 1981-2006.

Brian C. Rogers (56), Chairman since 2007 and a Vice President since 1985.

Edward C. Bernard (55), Vice Chairman since 2007 and a Vice President since 1989.

William J. Stromberg (51), a Vice President since 1990.

Christopher D. Alderson (49), a Vice President since 2002.

Michael C. Gitlin (41), a Vice President since 2007. Mr. Gitlin was Head of U.S. Equity Sales for Citigroup Global Markets from 2005 to 2007.

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John D. Linehan (47), a Vice President since 2001.

Kenneth V. Moreland (55), Chief Financial Officer and a Vice President since 2004. Mr. Moreland assumed the Treasurer position in 2010.

Wayne D. O Melia (59), a Vice President since 1987. Mr. O Melia plans to retire on March 31, 2012.

Jessica M. Hiebler (36), Principal Accounting Officer since 2010 and a Vice President since 2009. Ms. Hiebler has been a Vice President of T. Rowe Price Associates since she joined the firm in 2005.

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### PART II

#### Item 5. Market for Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities.

Our common stock (\$.20 par value per share) trades on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol TROW. The high and low trade price information and dividends per share during the past two years were:

|                         | 1st<br>Quarter | 2nd<br>Quarter | 3rd<br>Quarter | 4th<br>Quarter |
|-------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| 2010 High price         | \$ 56.25       | \$ 59.44       | \$ 51.21       | \$ 65.38       |
| Low price               | \$ 47.42       | \$ 44.28       | \$ 42.81       | \$ 49.35       |
| Cash dividends declared | \$ .27         | \$ .27         | \$ .27         | \$ .27         |
| 2011 High price         | \$ 71.29       | \$ 68.59       | \$ 62.25       | \$ 59.55       |
| Low price               | \$ 60.58       | \$ 55.94       | \$ 45.75       | \$ 44.68       |
| Cash dividends declared | \$ .31         | \$ .31         | \$ .31         | \$ .31         |

We presently plan to declare and pay quarterly cash dividends in 2012 that, taken together, will exceed the \$1.24 per share declared and paid in 2011. Our annual dividends per share have increased every year since we became a public company in 1986; however, there can be no assurance that we will continue to pay dividends at increasing rates or at all.

Our common stockholders have approved all of our equity compensation plans. These plans provide for the issuance of up to 52,887,988 shares of our common stock at December 31, 2011, including 39,239,722 shares that may be issued upon the exercise of outstanding stock options at a weighted average price of \$45.27, and 385,934 shares that may be issued upon settlement of our outstanding stock units. Additionally, 13,262,332 shares remain available for future issuances. Under the terms of the 2004 Stock Incentive Plan, the number of shares provided and available for future issuance will increase as we repurchase common stock in the future with the proceeds from stock option exercises.

The following table presents repurchase activity during the fourth quarter of 2011.

| Month    | Total Number of<br>Shares Purchased | Average Price<br>Paid per<br>Share | Total Number of<br>Shares Purchased<br>as<br>Part of Publicly<br>Announced Program | Maximum Number of<br>Shares that May Yet<br>Be Purchased Under<br>the Program |
|----------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|---|
| October  | 184,179                             | \$ 47.76                           | 152,164  | 13,765,681  |
| November | 59,307                              | \$ 50.63                           | 50,000   | 13,715,681  |
| December | 110,018                             | \$ 57.63                           | -  | 13,715,681  |
| Total    | 353,504                             | \$ 51.31                           | 202,164  |   |

Shares repurchased by us in a quarter may include repurchases conducted pursuant to publicly announced board authorizations, and outstanding shares surrendered to the company to pay the exercise price in connection with swap exercises of employee stock options. Of the shares repurchased in the fourth quarter of 2011, 202,164 were repurchased pursuant to the Board of Directors' September 8, 2010 publicly announced authorization.

During 2011, we repurchased 8,695,229 shares of our common stock pursuant to the Board of Directors' June 5, 2008 and September 8, 2010 authorizations. There are approximately 140,000 beneficial stockholder accounts holding our common stock.

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|  | 2007                                 | 2008     | 2009                 | 2010     | 2011     |
|--|--------------------------------------|----------|----------------------|----------|----------|
|  | (in millions, except per-share data) |          |                      |          |          |
| Net revenues   | \$ 2,228                             | \$ 2,116 | \$ 1,867             | \$ 2,367 | \$ 2,747 |
| Net operating income   | \$ 996                               | \$ 849   | \$ 702               | \$ 1,037 | \$ 1,227 |
| Net income   | \$ 671                               | \$ 491   | \$ 434               | \$ 672   | \$ 773   |
| Net cash provided by operating activities                    | \$ 758                               | \$ 742   | \$ 536               | \$ 733   | \$ 948   |
| Per common share information                                 |                                      |          |                      |          |          |
| Basic earnings   | \$ 2.53                              | \$ 1.89  | \$ 1.69              | \$ 2.60  | \$ 3.01  |
| Diluted earnings   | \$ 2.40                              | \$ 1.81  | \$ 1.65              | \$ 2.53  | \$ 2.92  |
| Cash dividends declared                                      | \$ .75                               | \$ .96   | \$ 1.00              | \$ 1.08  | \$ 1.24  |
| Weighted average common shares outstanding                   | 264.8                                | 259.3    | 255.9                | 257.2    | 255.6    |
| Weighted average common shares outstanding assuming dilution | 279.1                                | 269.9    | 262.3                | 265.1    | 263.3    |
|  | 2007                                 | 2008     | December 31,<br>2009 | 2010     | 2011     |
| Balance sheet data   | (in millions)                        |          |                      |          |          |
| Total assets   | \$ 3,177                             | \$ 2,819 | \$ 3,210             | \$ 3,642 | \$ 3,770 |
| Stockholders' equity   | \$ 2,777                             | \$ 2,489 | \$ 2,882             | \$ 3,297 | \$ 3,421 |
| Assets under management (in billions)                        | \$ 400.0                             | \$ 276.3 | \$ 391.3             | \$ 482.0 | \$ 489.5 |

**Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.****GENERAL.**

Our revenues and net income are derived primarily from investment advisory services provided to individual and institutional investors in our sponsored mutual funds and other managed investment portfolios. The other managed investment portfolios include separately managed accounts, subadvised funds, and other sponsored investment portfolios including common trust funds and mutual funds offered to investors outside the United States and through variable annuity life insurance plans. Investment advisory clients outside the United States account for 11% of our assets under management at December 31, 2011.

We manage a broad range of U.S., international and global stock, bond, and money market mutual funds and other investment portfolios, which meet the varied needs and objectives of individual and institutional investors. Investment advisory

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revenues depend largely on the total value and composition of assets under our management. Accordingly, fluctuations in financial markets and in the composition of assets under management affect our revenues and results of operations.

### **BACKGROUND.**

U.S. equity markets ended 2011 virtually unchanged from the end of 2010 despite experiencing wide trading ranges over the course of the year. Economic and geopolitical concerns weighed heavily on markets at times during the year and contributed to high volatility. The positive momentum in equity markets in late 2010 continued into 2011 as signs of an improving U.S. economy and the release of strong corporate earnings helped lift major indexes by the end of April to new highs not seen since March 2009. Equities began to fall in May and continued to decline through the summer, as the U.S. and European economies showed signs of weakening, the European debt crisis intensified, and U.S. Congress struggled to reach an agreement on deficit reduction and raising the federal debt ceiling. The uncertainties surrounding these macro concerns combined with Standard & Poor's downgrade in August of the U.S. government's long-term sovereign credit rating led investors in search of less risky assets and increased selling pressure on markets through early October. Volatility in the markets continued through the end of the year, despite favorable U.S. economic data, as the bipartisan congressional super committee failed to reach a deficit reduction agreement and European leaders failed to develop a concrete plan to address their own debt crisis.

In this volatile environment, the global stock indexes produced flat to negative results. The S&P 500 Index of large-cap companies in leading industries of the U.S. economy returned 2.1% in 2011, while the NASDAQ Composite Index, which is heavily weighted with technology companies, was down 1.8% (excluding dividends) and the Russell 2000, which generally reflects smaller companies, decreased 4.2%. Performance for stock markets outside the U.S. was notably worse, although a strengthening U.S. dollar decreased the magnitude of the losses in dollar terms. In 2011, the MSCI EAFE Index, which measures the performance of mostly large-cap stocks in Europe, Australasia, and the Far East, produced an 11.7% loss while the MSCI Emerging Markets Index decreased 18.2%.

Despite the S&P downgrade, Treasury yields fell to historic lows in the third quarter of 2011 and prices rose as investors sought the safety of these securities in the wake of the equity market weakness, the intensifying European debt crisis, and slowing economic growth. To support the U.S. economy, the Federal Reserve announced in the third quarter of 2011 that it would keep the federal funds target rate near 0% until at least mid-2013, trade short-term Treasury holdings for longer-term issues, and resume mortgage-backed security purchases. Treasury yields ended the year below their levels at the end of 2010 as nervous global investors continued to seek out less risky investments. The yield on the benchmark 10-year U.S. Treasury at December 31, 2011, was 1.9%, a decrease of 141 basis points from the end of 2010.

Bonds produced positive overall returns in 2011, as strong gains among long-term government bonds compensated for lower returns in other categories. Municipal and corporate bonds did very well, while high yield securities trailed as solid returns in the first half of 2011 were followed by flat performance in the second half of 2011 as investors sought less risky assets.

For 2011, the Barclays Capital Municipal Bond Index returned 10.7%, the Barclays Capital U.S. Aggregate Index gained 7.8%, and the Credit Suisse High Yield Index was up 5.5%. A similar trend was seen in the non-U.S. bond markets though the

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gains were limited by a stronger U.S. dollar versus other currencies. The J.P. Morgan Emerging Markets Index Plus gained 9.2% in 2011, while the Barclays Capital Global Aggregate Ex-U.S. Dollar Bond Index was up 4.4%.

**ASSETS UNDER MANAGEMENT.**

With an uncertain and volatile market environment as a backdrop, our assets under management increased \$7.5 billion over the course of 2011 and ended the year at \$489.5 billion. Net cash inflows from investors in 2011 of \$14.1 billion were partially offset by market depreciation and distributions not reinvested of \$6.6 billion. Assets under management (in billions) at the end of the year and changes over the year are detailed below.

**Assets under management by investment portfolio**

|                             |                 | December 31     |                 |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|                             | 2009            | 2010            | 2011            |
| T. Rowe Price mutual funds  | \$ 232.7        | \$ 282.6        | \$ 289.4        |
| Other investment portfolios | 158.6           | 199.4           | 200.1           |
| <b>Total</b>                | <b>\$ 391.3</b> | <b>\$ 482.0</b> | <b>\$ 489.5</b> |

**Assets under management by asset class**

|                         |                 | December 31     |                 |
|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|                         | 2009            | 2010            | 2011            |
| Stock and blended asset | \$ 290.4        | \$ 360.6        | \$ 352.4        |
| Fixed income portfolios | 100.9           | 121.4           | 137.1           |
| <b>Total</b>            | <b>\$ 391.3</b> | <b>\$ 482.0</b> | <b>\$ 489.5</b> |

**Components of changes in assets under management**

|   |                 | Year ended      |                 |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|   | 2009            | 2010            | 2011            |
| Assets under management at beginning of year  | \$ 276.3        | \$ 391.3        | \$ 482.0        |
| Net cash inflows                              |                 |                 |                 |
| Sponsored mutual funds in the U.S.            | 12.5            | 13.6            | 11.0            |
| Other portfolios                              | 10.2            | 16.7            | 3.1             |
|   | 22.7            | 30.3            | 14.1            |
| Net market gains (losses) and income          | 92.7            | 60.8            | (5.8)           |
| Mutual fund distributions not reinvested      | (.4)            | (.4)            | (.8)            |
| Increase during year                          | 115.0           | 90.7            | 7.5             |
| <b>Assets under management at end of year</b> | <b>\$ 391.3</b> | <b>\$ 482.0</b> | <b>\$ 489.5</b> |

Our 2009 and 2010 net cash inflows were sourced most significantly from third-party financial intermediaries and from institutional investors around the world, whereas net cash flows in 2011 were sourced primarily from third-party financial intermediaries. Our relative investment performance over much of this period and brand awareness contributed significantly to attracting net inflows to our firm.

We incur significant expenditures to attract new investment advisory clients and additional investments from our existing clients. These efforts often involve costs that precede any future revenues that we may recognize from increases to our assets under management.



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In 2011, we changed the presentation of our consolidated statements of income. We are presenting distribution and servicing fees earned from 12b-1 plans of the Advisor, R, and VIP II classes of our sponsored mutual funds, previously included in administrative fees, as a separate line to enhance transparency of these fees. We also are presenting as a separate line the offsetting distribution and servicing costs, previously included in other operating expenses, paid to third-party financial intermediaries who source those share classes noted above. Investment income earned by our savings bank subsidiary, previously presented on its own, is being reported net of interest expense paid on savings bank deposits. The line was renamed net revenue of savings bank subsidiary and the details of this line are included in note 4 to the consolidated financial statements. All amounts for the comparable calendar years have been reclassified to conform to the 2011 presentation.

**2011 versus 2010.**

Investment advisory revenues were up 15.9%, or \$322.2 million, to \$2.3 billion in 2011, as average assets under our management increased \$74.5 billion to \$497.1 billion. The average annualized fee rate earned on our assets under management was 47.3 basis points during 2011 compared to 48.0 basis points earned in 2010. The decrease in our average annualized fee rate is primarily a result of the \$11.3 million increase in money market management fees voluntarily waived by the firm in order to maintain a positive yield for fund investors. The firm waived \$36.4 million in money market fees in 2011 compared to \$25.1 million in 2010. The firm expects that these fee waivers will continue in 2012.

Net revenues increased \$379.9 million, or 16.0%, to \$2.7 billion. Operating expenses were \$1.5 billion in 2011, an increase of \$189.5 million, or 14.2%. Overall, net operating income for 2011 increased \$190.4 million, or 18.4%, to \$1.2 billion. The increase in our average assets under management and resulting advisory revenue increased our operating margin for 2011 to 44.7% from 43.8% in 2010. Net income increased \$101.0 million, or 15.0%, to \$773.2 million from the 2010 period. Our diluted earnings per share on our common stock increased 15.4% to \$2.92 from the \$2.53 earned in 2010.

***Revenues***

Investment advisory revenues earned from the T. Rowe Price mutual funds distributed in the United States were \$1.6 billion in 2011, an increase of 15.3%, or \$213.3 million, on higher average mutual fund assets. Average mutual fund assets in 2011 were \$292.1 billion, an increase of 16.5% from the 2010 average. Mutual fund assets at December 31, 2011, were \$289.4 billion, up \$6.8 billion from the end of 2010.

Net inflows to the mutual funds during 2011 were \$11.0 billion. These net inflows include \$7.5 billion that originated in our target-date retirement funds, which in turn invest in a broadly diversified portfolio of other Price funds, and automatically rebalance to maintain their specific asset allocation weightings. Net cash inflows of \$6.6 billion were added to our stock and blended asset funds, \$3.9 billion to our bond funds, and \$.5 billion were added to our money market funds. The Overseas Stock, International Stock, New America Growth, Emerging Markets Stock, and New Income funds each added more than \$1.2 billion in net inflows for a combined total of \$6.8 billion. Fund net inflow amounts in 2011 are presented net of \$1.4 billion that was transferred to the other investment portfolios during the year. Market depreciation and income not reinvested lowered our mutual fund assets under management by \$4.2 billion in 2011.



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Investment advisory revenues earned on the other investment portfolios that we manage increased \$108.9 million, or 17.2%, to \$741.4 million. Average assets in these portfolios were \$205.0 billion during 2011, an increase of \$33.2 billion, or 19.3%, from the 2010 year. Ending assets at December 31, 2011, were \$200.1 billion, an increase of \$.7 billion from the end of 2010. Net inflows into these portfolios in 2011 were \$3.1 billion. We experienced strong cash inflows into our subadvised funds from third-party intermediaries, into our fixed income portfolios from institutional investors, and into our other sponsored portfolios during the year. These inflows were partially offset by outflows from our equity portfolios by a few institutional investors that were reducing risk in their portfolios in the wake of the volatile market environment experienced in 2011. Lower market valuations reduced assets under management in these portfolios by \$2.4 billion.

Administrative fees increased \$26.9 million to \$321.2 million in 2011. The increase is attributable to our mutual fund servicing activities and defined contribution recordkeeping services for the mutual funds and their investors. Changes in administrative fees are generally offset by similar changes in related operating expenses that are incurred to provide services to the funds and their investors.

Distribution and servicing fees earned from 12b-1 plans of the Advisor, R, and VIP II classes of our sponsored mutual funds were \$74.6 million in 2011, an increase of \$31.4 million from 2010. The increase includes \$7.3 million recognized on greater assets under management in these share classes, and \$24.1 million earned primarily on R class shares in the last nine months of 2011 for which the comparable 2010 fees were netted against related distribution and servicing costs. The 12b-1 fees earned are offset entirely by the cost paid to third-party intermediaries who source these assets. These costs are reported as distribution and servicing costs on the face of the consolidated income statements.

### *Operating expenses*

Compensation and related costs were \$969.8 million, an increase of \$109.4 million, or 12.7%, compared to 2010. The largest part of the increase is attributable to a \$46.9 million increase in salaries and related benefits, which results from a 5.6% annual increase in our average staff size. The 2011 change also includes a \$36.4 million increase in our annual variable compensation programs. Greater use of outside contractors to meet growing business demands increased our 2011 costs by \$11.2 million. The remainder of the change from 2010 is attributable to higher non-cash stock-based compensation expense and other employee related costs. At December 31, 2011, we employed 5,255 associates, an increase of 4.0% from the end of 2010, to support both business growth and added capabilities.

Advertising and promotion expenditures were \$90.8 million, up \$3.9 million, or 4.5%, compared to 2010. We currently estimate that advertising and promotion expenditures for 2012 will increase modestly from 2011 levels. We vary our level of spending based on market conditions and investor demand as well as our efforts to expand our investor base globally.

Occupancy and facility costs together with depreciation expense increased \$15.3 million, or 8.9%, versus 2010. The change includes the impact of placing our new technology support facility into service in February 2011, as well as the added costs to update our technology capabilities, including related maintenance programs, to meet increasing business demands.

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Other operating expenses increased \$29.5 million, or 17.5%, from 2010. The charitable contribution made to the T. Rowe Price Foundation in 2011 was higher than in 2010, and we increased our spending on professional fees, information, and other third-party services, and travel to meet increasing business demands. The increases in these costs were offset by the \$16.4 million charge incurred in 2010 from the one-time contribution made to certain money market funds that did not reoccur in 2011.

### *Non-operating investment income*

Our non-operating investment income, which includes interest income as well as the recognition of investment gains and losses, was down \$9.8 million from the 2010 period. This decrease is primarily due to the 2010 period including \$7.6 million in gains realized on the sale of certain mutual fund investments and \$2.2 million recognized in early 2010 on the settlement and valuation of the forward contracts used to hedge the foreign currency exposure associated with our investment in UTI Asset Management Company Limited (UTI). The 2011 period includes \$6.4 million in net earnings from our investment in UTI, an increase of \$1.1 million over the earnings recognized in 2010.

### *Provision for income taxes*

Our effective tax rate for 2011 is 38.2% as compared to 37.2% in 2010. The increase is primarily attributable to higher effective state tax rates as well as greater discrete tax benefits recognized in 2010 from the settlement of state income tax positions and the firm's international reorganization. The firm currently estimates its effective tax rate for 2012 will be about 37.7%.

### 2010 versus 2009.

Investment advisory revenues were up 31.1%, or \$480.7 million, to \$2.0 billion in 2010, as average assets under our management increased \$101.3 billion to \$422.6 billion. The average annualized fee rate earned on our assets under management was 48.0 basis points during 2010, virtually unchanged from the 48.1 basis points earned in 2009, including the effect of the voluntary fee waivers made to our money market funds.

Net revenues increased \$499.8 million, or 26.8%, to nearly \$2.4 billion. Operating expenses were \$1.3 billion in 2010, an increase of \$164.9 million, or 14.1%. This increase includes the \$16.4 million charge related to the one-time contribution made to certain of our money market funds. Overall, net operating income for 2010 increased \$334.9 million, or 47.7%, to more than \$1.0 billion. The increase in our average assets under management and resulting advisory revenue increased our operating margin for 2010 to 43.8% from 37.6% for 2009. We recognized non-operating investment income of \$33.5 million in 2010 compared to investment losses in 2009 of \$12.7 million. The 2009 year included \$36.1 million in other than temporary impairment charges recognized in the first quarter on our investments in sponsored mutual funds. Net income increased \$238.6 million, or 55%, to \$672.2 million from the 2009 period resulting in diluted earnings per share on our common stock to increase 53% to \$2.53 from the \$1.65 earned in 2009.

### *Revenues*

Investment advisory revenues earned from the T. Rowe Price mutual funds distributed in the United States increased 30.5%, or \$326.0 million, to nearly \$1.4 billion. Average mutual fund assets in 2010 were \$250.8 billion, an increase of 30.8% from the 2009 average.

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Net inflows to the mutual funds during 2010 were \$13.6 billion, including \$5.9 billion originating in our target-date Retirement Funds. Fund net inflow amounts in 2010 are presented net of \$1.0 billion that was transferred to our target-date retirement trusts from the Retirement Funds. Our bond funds had net inflows of \$7.7 billion. The New Income Fund had net inflows of \$2.2 billion and the Short-Term Bond Fund added \$1.4 billion. The stock and blended asset funds added \$6.3 billion of net inflows, including \$1.4 billion into the Value Fund. The Mid-Cap Value, Equity Income, Institutional Large-Cap Growth, and Dividend Growth funds each added more than \$500 million for a combined total of \$2.2 billion in net inflows. The money market funds had net outflows of \$400 million. Higher market valuations and income increased fund assets by \$36.3 billion.

Investment advisory revenues earned on the other investment portfolios that we manage increased \$154.7 million, or 32.4%, to \$632.5 million. Average assets in these portfolios were \$171.8 billion during 2010, an increase of \$42.3 billion, or 32.7%, from the 2009 year. Net inflows primarily from institutional investors and third-party financial intermediaries were \$16.7 billion, while market appreciation and income added \$24.1 billion. These net inflows were invested primarily in our equity mandates, though we also saw strong demand for our fixed income strategies. Net inflows include a transfer of \$1.0 billion from the target-date retirement funds.

Administrative fees increased \$6.5 million to \$294.3 million in 2010. Increases in our mutual fund servicing and defined contribution plan revenues of \$10.2 million were offset by a \$3.7 million decrease in brokerage fees due to a reduction in per-trade commissions charged beginning July 1, 2010, to customers with substantial assets. Changes in administrative fees are generally offset by similar changes in related operating expenses that are incurred to provide services to the funds and their investors.

Distribution and servicing fees earned from 12b-1 plans of the Advisor and R classes of our sponsored mutual fund shares were \$43.2 million in 2010, an increase of \$12.2 million from 2009. We recognized higher fees in 2010 on greater assets under management in these share classes. Changes in these fees are offset by an equal increase in the distribution and servicing costs paid to those third-party financial intermediaries that distribute these assets.

### *Operating expenses*

Compensation and related costs, increased \$87.0 million, or 11.2%, compared to 2009. The largest part of the change is attributable to a \$63.9 million increase in our annual variable compensation programs. Greater use of outside contractors increased our 2010 costs by \$14.1 million with the remainder of the change primarily attributable to higher other employee benefits and employee related costs. At December 31, 2010, we employed 5,052 associates, an increase of 5.2% from the end of 2009, to support both business growth and added capabilities.

Advertising and promotion expenditures were up \$13.7 million, or 18.7%, compared to 2009 in response to investor interest in recovering markets over the 2010 period.

Distribution and servicing costs paid to third-party financial intermediaries that distribute our Advisor and R classes of mutual fund shares increased \$12.2 million from 2009, as average assets under management in these classes was greater. These costs are offset by an equal increase in our distribution and servicing fees earned from 12b-1 plans of these classes, as discussed above.

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Occupancy and facility costs together with depreciation expense increased \$4.1 million, or 2.4%, versus 2009. The amount of office space occupied, and the operating costs of our facilities have all risen to meet increased business demands. These increasing business demands have also led us to upgrade our technology capabilities and related maintenance programs.

Other operating expenses increased \$47.9 million, or 39.7%, from 2009. This increase includes a \$16.4 million charge related to the one-time contribution made to certain money market funds to offset the effects of cumulative net losses realized in recent years. The remainder of the increase relates to higher consulting fees, travel costs, and other professional services, incurred to meet increasing business demands.

### *Non-operating investment income (loss)*

Our non-operating investment income activity resulted in a net gain of \$33.5 million in 2010, compared to a net loss of \$12.7 million in the 2009 period. This change of \$46.2 million includes \$36.1 million in other than temporary impairments recognized on our investments in sponsored mutual funds in 2009. The change also includes \$1.3 million in more gains recognized in the 2010 period for the settlement and valuation of a series of non-deliverable forward contracts used to economically hedge the foreign currency exposure associated with the UTI acquisition price and \$5.3 million in net earnings from our investment in UTI.

### *Provision for income taxes*

The 2010 provision for income taxes as a percentage of pretax income is 37.2%. The 2010 income tax provision includes nonrecurring discrete benefits of .4% related to the settlement of prior years state income tax positions and .2% from the firm's reorganization of its international entities, which was completed to help realize additional operational efficiencies.

## **CAPITAL RESOURCES AND LIQUIDITY.**

During 2011, stockholders' equity increased from \$3.3 billion to \$3.4 billion. We repurchased nearly 8.7 million common shares for \$479.7 million in 2011 from existing cash balances and cash generated from operations. Tangible book value is \$2.8 billion at December 31, 2011, and our cash and cash equivalents and our mutual fund investment holdings total nearly \$1.7 billion. Given the availability of these financial resources, we do not maintain an available external source of liquidity.

At December 31, 2011, we had outstanding commitments to make additional contributions totaling \$42.5 million to various investment partnerships in which we have an existing investment. We presently anticipate funding 2012 property and equipment expenditures of about \$100 million from our cash balances and operating cash inflows.

### **2011 versus 2010.**

Operating activities during 2011 provided cash flows of \$948.4 million, up \$215.6 million from 2010, including a \$101.0 million increase in net income. The increase also includes an \$81.7 million change in the timing differences in the cash settlement of our income taxes, accounts receivable and accrued revenues and payables, and accrued liabilities.

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Net cash used in investing activities totaled \$165.0 million, down \$111.9 million from the 2010 period. Cash flows in 2010 included \$143.6 million in cash used to purchase our 26% equity interest in UTI. We spent \$35.7 million less in property and equipment expenditures in 2011 compared to 2010 due to the construction of our technology support facility being substantially complete at the end of 2010. These reductions in cash used in 2011 were offset by an increase of \$57.0 million in net investments made into our sponsored mutual funds compared to the 2010 period.

Net cash used in financing activities was \$698.6 million in 2011, up \$312.5 million from the 2010 period. We increased our stock repurchases by expending \$239.7 million more in 2011 compared to the 2010 year. Dividends paid during 2011 increased \$39.0 million from the 2010 period due primarily to a \$.04 increase in our quarterly per-share dividend. The impact of dividends paid and stock repurchases was greater in 2011, as proceeds related to our stock-based compensation plans decreased \$47.8 million on reduced exercise activity.

### **2010 versus 2009.**

Operating activities during 2010 provided cash flows of \$732.8 million, up \$197.2 million from 2009, including a \$238.6 million increase in net income. Cash flows in 2009 also included the impact of \$36.1 million in other than temporary impairments of our investments in sponsored mutual funds that did not recur in 2010.

Net cash used in investing activities totaled \$276.9 million, up \$110.2 million from the 2009 period, primarily from the purchase of a 26% equity interest in UTI for \$142.4 million plus related transaction costs incurred in the 2010 period of \$1.2 million. We spent \$15.9 million less in property and equipment expenditures in 2010 compared to 2009 due to the construction of our two new facilities in Owings Mills, Maryland being completed in late 2009.

Net cash used in financing activities was \$386.1 million in 2010, up \$141.4 million from the 2009 period. We increased our stock repurchases by expending \$169.0 million more in 2010 compared to the 2009 year. Dividends paid during 2010 increased \$22.0 million from the 2009 period due primarily to a \$.02 increase in our quarterly per-share dividend. These uses of cash were offset by \$35.3 million more in cash proceeds from option exercises compared to 2009 as the higher market valuations of our common stock experienced in 2010 led employees to exercise.

### **CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS.**

The following table presents a summary of our future obligations (in millions) under the terms of existing operating leases and other contractual cash purchase commitments at December 31, 2011. Other purchase commitments include contractual amounts that will be due for the purchase of goods or services to be used in our operations and may be cancelable at earlier times than those indicated, under certain conditions that may involve termination fees. Because these obligations are generally of a normal recurring nature, we expect that we will fund them from future cash flows from operations. The information presented does not include operating expenses or capital expenditures that will be committed in the normal course of operations in 2012 and future years. The information also excludes the \$4.7 million of uncertain tax positions discussed in Note 9 to our consolidated financial statements because it is not possible to estimate the time period in which a payment might be made to the tax authorities.

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|                                | Total         | 2012          | 2013-14       | 2015-16      | Later        |
|--------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| Noncancelable operating leases | \$ 185        | \$ 31         | \$ 63         | \$ 57        | \$ 34        |
| Other purchase commitments     | 160           | 112           | 38            | 10           | -            |
| <b>Total</b>                   | <b>\$ 345</b> | <b>\$ 143</b> | <b>\$ 101</b> | <b>\$ 67</b> | <b>\$ 34</b> |

We also have outstanding commitments to fund additional contributions to investment partnerships in which we have an existing investment totaling \$42.5 million at December 31, 2011.

**CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES.**

The preparation of financial statements often requires the selection of specific accounting methods and policies from among several acceptable alternatives. Further, significant estimates and judgments may be required in selecting and applying those methods and policies in the recognition of the assets and liabilities in our balance sheet, the revenues and expenses in our statement of income, and the information that is contained in our significant accounting policies and notes to consolidated financial statements. Making these estimates and judgments requires the analysis of information concerning events that may not yet be complete and of facts and circumstances that may change over time. Accordingly, actual amounts or future results can differ materially from those estimates that we include currently in our consolidated financial statements, significant accounting policies, and notes.

We present those significant accounting policies used in the preparation of our consolidated financial statements as an integral part of those statements within this 2011 Annual Report. In the following discussion, we highlight and explain further certain of those policies that are most critical to the preparation and understanding of our financial statements.

Other than temporary impairments of available-for-sale securities. We generally classify our investment holdings in sponsored mutual funds and the debt securities held for investment by our savings bank subsidiary as available-for-sale. At the end of each quarter, we mark the carrying amount of each investment holding to fair value and recognize an unrealized gain or loss as a component of comprehensive income within the statement of stockholders' equity. We next review each individual security position that has an unrealized loss or impairment to determine if that impairment is other than temporary.

In determining whether a mutual fund holding is other than temporarily impaired, we consider many factors, including the duration of time it has existed, the severity of the impairment, any subsequent changes in value, and our intent and ability to hold the security for a period of time sufficient for an anticipated recovery in fair value. Subject to the other considerations noted above, with respect to duration of time, we believe a mutual fund holding with an unrealized loss that has persisted daily throughout the six months between quarter-ends is generally presumed to have an other than temporary impairment. We may also recognize an other than temporary loss of less than six months in our statement of income if the particular circumstances of the underlying investment do not warrant our belief that a near-term recovery is possible.

An impaired debt security held by our savings bank subsidiary is considered to have an other than temporary loss that we will recognize in our statement of income if the impairment is caused by a change in credit quality that affects our ability to recover our amortized cost or if we intend to sell the security or believe that it is more likely than not that we will be required to sell the security before recovering cost. Minor impairments of 5% or less are generally considered temporary.

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**Other than temporary impairments of equity method investments.** We evaluate our equity method investments, including our investment in UTI, for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of the investment exceeds its fair value, and the decline in fair value is other than temporary.

**Goodwill.** We internally conduct, manage and report our operations as one investment advisory business. We do not have distinct operating segments or components that separately constitute a business. Accordingly, we attribute goodwill to a single reportable business segment and reporting unit – our investment advisory business.

We evaluate the carrying amount of goodwill in our balance sheet for possible impairment on an annual basis in the third quarter of each year using a fair value approach. Goodwill would be considered impaired whenever our historical carrying amount exceeds the fair value of our investment advisory business. Our annual testing has demonstrated that the fair value of our investment advisory business (our market capitalization) exceeds our carrying amount (our stockholders' equity) and, therefore, no impairment exists. Should we reach a different conclusion in the future, additional work would be performed to ascertain the amount of the non-cash impairment charge to be recognized. We must also perform impairment testing at other times if an event or circumstance occurs indicating that it is more likely than not that an impairment has been incurred. The maximum future impairment of goodwill that we could incur is the amount recognized in our balance sheet, \$665.7 million.

**Stock options.** We recognize stock option-based compensation expense in our consolidated statement of income using a fair value based method. Fair value methods use a valuation model for shorter-term, market-traded financial instruments to theoretically value stock option grants even though they are not available for trading and are of longer duration. The Black-Scholes option-pricing model that we use includes the input of certain variables that are dependent on future expectations, including the expected lives of our options from grant date to exercise date, the volatility of our underlying common shares in the market over that time period, and the rate of dividends that we will pay during that time. Our estimates of these variables are made for the purpose of using the valuation model to determine an expense for each reporting period and are not subsequently adjusted. Unlike most of our expenses, the resulting charge to earnings using a fair value based method is a non-cash charge that is never measured by, or adjusted based on, a cash outflow.

**Provision for income taxes.** After compensation and related costs, our provision for income taxes on our earnings is our largest annual expense. We operate in numerous states and countries through our various subsidiaries, and must allocate our income, expenses, and earnings under the various laws and regulations of each of these taxing jurisdictions. Accordingly, our provision for income taxes represents our total estimate of the liability that we have incurred in doing business each year in all of our locations. Annually, we file tax returns that represent our filing positions with each jurisdiction and settle our return liabilities. Each jurisdiction has the right to audit those returns and may take different positions with respect to income and expense allocations and taxable earnings determinations. From time to time, we may also provide for estimated liabilities associated with uncertain tax return filing positions that are subject

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to, or in the process of, being audited by various tax authorities. Because the determination of our annual provision is subject to judgments and estimates, it is likely that actual results will vary from those recognized in our financial statements. As a result, we recognize additions to, or reductions of, income tax expense during a reporting period that pertain to prior period provisions as our estimated liabilities are revised and actual tax returns and tax audits are settled. We recognize any such prior period adjustment in the discrete quarterly period in which it is determined.

### **NEWLY ISSUED BUT NOT YET ADOPTED ACCOUNTING GUIDANCE.**

In May 2011, the FASB issued amended guidance clarifying how to measure and disclose fair value. We do not believe the adoption of such amended guidance on January 1, 2012, will have a significant effect on our consolidated financial statements.

We have also considered all other newly issued accounting guidance that is applicable to our operations and the preparation of our consolidated statements, including that which we have not yet adopted. We do not believe that any such guidance will have a material effect on our financial position or results of operation.

### **FORWARD-LOOKING INFORMATION.**

From time to time, information or statements provided by or on behalf of T. Rowe Price, including those within this report, may contain certain forward-looking information, including information or anticipated information relating to: our revenues, net income, and earnings per share on common stock; changes in the amount and composition of our assets under management; our expense levels; our estimated effective income tax rate; and our expectations regarding financial markets, future transactions, dividends, investments, capital expenditures, and other conditions. Readers are cautioned that any forward-looking information provided by or on behalf of T. Rowe Price is not a guarantee of future performance. Actual results may differ materially from those in forward-looking information because of various factors including, but not limited to, those discussed below and in Item 1A, Risk Factors, of this Form 10-K Annual Report. Further, forward-looking statements speak only as of the date on which they are made, and we undertake no obligation to update any forward-looking statement to reflect events or circumstances after the date on which it is made or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

Our future revenues and results of operations will fluctuate primarily due to changes in the total value and composition of assets under our management. Such changes result from many factors including, among other things: cash inflows and outflows in the T. Rowe Price mutual funds and other managed investment portfolios; fluctuations in global financial markets that result in appreciation or depreciation of the assets under our management; our introduction of new mutual funds and investment portfolios; and changes in retirement savings trends relative to participant-directed investments and defined contribution plans. The ability to attract and retain investors' assets under our management is dependent on investor sentiment and confidence; the relative investment performance of the Price mutual funds and other managed investment portfolios as compared to competing offerings and market indexes; the ability to maintain our investment management and administrative fees at appropriate levels; competitive conditions in the mutual fund, asset management, and broader financial services sectors; and our level of success in implementing our strategy to expand our business. Our revenues are substantially dependent on fees earned under contracts with the Price funds and



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could be adversely affected if the independent directors of one or more of the Price funds terminated or significantly altered the terms of the investment management or related administrative services agreements. Non-operating investment income (loss) will also fluctuate primarily due to the size of our investments, changes in their market valuations, and any other than temporary impairments that may arise or, in the case of our equity method investments, our proportionate share of the investee's net income.

Our future results are also dependent upon the level of our expenses, which are subject to fluctuation for the following or other reasons: changes in the level of our advertising expenses in response to market conditions, including our efforts to expand our investment advisory business to investors outside the United States and to further penetrate our distribution channels within the United States; variations in the level of total compensation expense due to, among other things, bonuses, stock option grants, other incentive awards, changes in our employee count and mix, and competitive factors; any goodwill or other asset impairment that may arise; fluctuation in foreign currency exchange rates applicable to the costs of our international operations; expenses and capital costs, such as technology assets, depreciation, amortization, and research and development, incurred to maintain and enhance our administrative and operating services infrastructure; unanticipated costs that may be incurred to protect investor accounts and the goodwill of our clients; and disruptions of services, including those provided by third parties, such as facilities, communications, power, and the mutual fund transfer agent and accounting systems.

Our business is also subject to substantial governmental regulation, and changes in legal, regulatory, accounting, tax, and compliance requirements may have a substantial effect on our operations and results, including but not limited to effects on costs that we incur and effects on investor interest in mutual funds and investing in general, or in particular classes of mutual funds or other investments.

**Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.**

The following table (in millions) presents the equity price risk from investments in sponsored mutual funds that are accounted for as available-for-sale securities by assuming a hypothetical decline in the fair values of mutual fund shares. This potential future loss of value, before any income tax benefits, reflects the valuation of mutual fund investments at year-end using each fund's lowest net asset value per share during 2011. In considering this presentation, it is important to note that: not all funds experienced their lowest net asset value per share on the same day; it is likely that the composition of the mutual fund investment portfolio would be changed if adverse market conditions persisted; and we could experience future losses in excess of those presented below.

|                               | Fair value<br>12/31/2011 | Percentage<br>of portfolio | Potential<br>lower<br>value | Percentage<br>of portfolio | Potential<br>loss |     |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|-----|
| Stock and blended asset funds | \$ 417.9                 | 55%                        | \$ 377.7                    | 53%                        | \$ 40.2           | 10% |
| Bond funds                    | 346.6                    | 45%                        | 338.7                       | 47%                        | 7.9               | 2%  |
|                               | \$ 764.5                 | 100%                       | \$ 716.4                    | 100%                       | \$ 48.1           | 6%  |

The comparable potential loss of value presented in our 2010 annual report was \$109.1 million on sponsored mutual fund investments of \$747.9 million. During 2011, we actually experienced net unrealized losses of \$40.2 million.

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Because our fund holdings are considered available-for-sale securities, we recognize unrealized losses that are considered temporary in other comprehensive income. We review the carrying amount of each investment on a quarterly basis and recognize an impairment charge in non-operating investment income (loss) whenever an unrealized loss is considered other than temporary.

Investments in mutual funds generally moderate market risk because funds, by their nature, are diversified investment portfolios that invest in a number of different financial instruments. T. Rowe Price further manages its exposure to market risk by diversifying its investments among many domestic and international funds. In addition, investment holdings may be altered from time to time in response to changes in market risks and other factors, as management deems appropriate.

The investment portfolio and customer deposit liabilities of our savings bank subsidiary are subject to interest rate risk. If interest rates change 1%, the change in the net value of these assets and liabilities would not be material.

We also hold other investments of \$206.3 million at December 31, 2011, including our \$144.8 million equity investment in UTI. Given the nature of UTI's business, should conditions deteriorate in markets in which they operate, we are at risk for loss up to our carrying amount. In addition, our investment in UTI exposes us to foreign currency risk related to translating our proportionate share of their financial statements, which are denominated in Indian rupees (INR), to U.S. dollars(USD) each reporting period. We do not use derivative financial instruments to manage this foreign currency risk, so both positive and negative fluctuations in the INR against the USD will affect accumulated other comprehensive income and the carrying amount of our investment. Our cumulative translation loss, net of tax, at December 31, 2011, was \$5.6 million.

We operate in several foreign countries of which the United Kingdom is the most prominent. We incur operating expenses and have foreign currency-denominated assets and liabilities associated with these operations, though our revenues are predominately realized in USD. We do not believe that foreign currency fluctuations materially affect our results of operations.

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**Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data.**

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(in millions, except share data)

|  | 12/31/2010        | 12/31/2011        |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| <b>ASSETS</b>  |                   |                   |
| Cash and cash equivalents (Notes 1 and 6)  | \$ 813.1          | \$ 897.9          |
| Accounts receivable and accrued revenue (Note 2)   | 307.9             | 304.5             |
| Investments in sponsored mutual funds (Notes 3 and 6)  | 747.9             | 764.5             |
| Debt securities held by savings bank subsidiary (Notes 4 and 6)  | 184.7             | 198.4             |
| Other investments (Notes 5 and 6)  | 209.7             | 206.3             |
| Property and equipment (Note 7)  | 560.3             | 567.4             |
| Goodwill   | 665.7             | 665.7             |
| Other assets (Notes 8 and 9)   | 152.7             | 165.6             |
| <b>Total assets</b>  | <b>\$ 3,642.0</b> | <b>\$ 3,770.3</b> |
| <b>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>  |                   |                   |
| <b>Liabilities</b>   |                   |                   |
| Accounts payable and accrued expenses  | \$ 79.4           | \$ 82.9           |
| Accrued compensation and related costs   | 71.9              | 63.2              |
| Income taxes payable (Note 9)  | 33.8              | 30.0              |
| Customer deposits at savings bank subsidiary (Note 4)  | 160.4             | 173.5             |
| <b>Total liabilities</b>   | <b>345.5</b>      | <b>349.6</b>      |
| <b>Commitments and contingent liabilities (Notes 5, 7 and 13)</b>  |                   |                   |
| <b>Stockholders' equity (Notes 10, 12 and 13)</b>  |                   |                   |
| Preferred stock, undesignated, \$.20 par value - authorized and unissued 20,000,000 shares                               | -                 | -                 |
| Common stock, \$.20 par value - authorized 750,000,000; issued 258,760,000 shares in 2010 and 253,272,000 shares in 2011 | 51.7              | 50.7              |
| Additional capital in excess of par value  | 506.3             | 502.0             |
| Retained earnings  | 2,599.4           | 2,765.2           |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income   | 139.1             | 102.8             |
| <b>Total stockholders' equity</b>  | <b>3,296.5</b>    | <b>3,420.7</b>    |
| <b>Total liabilities and stockholders' equity</b>  | <b>\$ 3,642.0</b> | <b>\$ 3,770.3</b> |

The accompanying summary of significant accounting policies and notes to consolidated financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

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## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(in millions, except earnings per share)

|   | Year ended December 31, |              |              |
|---|-------------------------|--------------|--------------|
|   | 2009                    | 2010         | 2011         |
| <b>Revenues</b>   |                         |              |              |
| Investment advisory fees (Note 2)                       | \$ 1,546.1              | \$ 2,026.8   | \$ 2,349.0   |
| Administrative fees (Note 2)                            | 287.8                   | 294.3        | 321.2        |
| Distribution and servicing fees (Note 2)                | 31.0                    | 43.2         | 74.6         |
| Net revenue of savings bank subsidiary (Note 4)         | 2.5                     | 2.9          | 2.3          |
| <br>Net revenues  | <br>1,867.4             | <br>2,367.2  | <br>2,747.1  |
| <b>Operating expenses</b>                               |                         |              |              |
| Compensation and related costs (Notes 7, 10 and 13)     | 773.4                   | 860.4        | 969.8        |
| Advertising and promotion                               | 73.2                    | 86.9         | 90.8         |
| Distribution and servicing costs                        | 31.0                    | 43.2         | 74.6         |
| Depreciation and amortization of property and equipment | 65.2                    | 62.6         | 72.0         |
| Occupancy and facility costs (Note 7)                   | 102.4                   | 109.1        | 115.0        |
| Other operating expenses                                | 120.6                   | 168.5        | 198.0        |
| <br>Total operating expenses                            | <br>1,165.8             | <br>1,330.7  | <br>1,520.2  |
| <br>Net operating income                                | <br>701.6               | <br>1,036.5  | <br>1,226.9  |
| <br>Non-operating investment income (loss)              | <br>(12.7)              | <br>33.5     | <br>23.7     |
| <br>Income before income taxes                          | <br>688.9               | <br>1,070.0  | <br>1,250.6  |
| Provision for income taxes (Note 9)                     | 255.3                   | 397.8        | 477.4        |
| <br>Net income  | <br>\$ 433.6            | <br>\$ 672.2 | <br>\$ 773.2 |
| <br><br>Earnings per share on common stock (Note 11)    |                         |              |              |
| Basic   | \$ 1.69                 | \$ 2.60      | \$ 3.01      |
| <br>Diluted   | <br>\$ 1.65             | <br>\$ 2.53  | <br>\$ 2.92  |

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## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(in millions)

|  | Year ended December 31, |          |          |
|--|-------------------------|----------|----------|
|  | 2009                    | 2010     | 2011     |
| Cash flows from operating activities   |                         |          |          |
| Net income   | \$ 433.6                | \$ 672.2 | \$ 773.2 |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities |                         |          |          |
| Depreciation and amortization of property and equipment                          | 65.2                    | 62.6     | 72.0     |
| Stock-based compensation expense   | 89.1                    | 89.5     | 98.7     |
| Intangible asset amortization  | .5                      | .4       | .4       |
| Other than temporary impairments of investments in sponsored mutual funds        | 36.1                    | -        | -        |
| Changes in accounts receivable and accrued revenue                               | (69.3)                  | (62.5)   | 2.8      |
| Changes in payables and accrued liabilities                                      | (15.6)                  | 26.7     | (4.9)    |
| Other changes in assets and liabilities  | (4.0)                   | (56.1)   | 6.2      |
| Net cash provided by operating activities  | 535.6                   | 732.8    | 948.4    |
| Cash flows from investing activities   |                         |          |          |
| Investment in UTI Asset Management Company Limited                               | -                       | (143.6)  | -        |
| Investments in sponsored mutual funds  | (74.3)                  | (26.3)   | (62.2)   |
| Dispositions of sponsored mutual funds   | 56.6                    | 21.2     | 0.1      |
| Investments in debt securities held by savings bank subsidiary                   | (62.3)                  | (55.7)   | (65.0)   |
| Proceeds from debt securities held by savings bank subsidiary                    | 53.0                    | 53.6     | 52.0     |
| Other investments made   | (7.1)                   | (11.3)   | (9.4)    |
| Proceeds from other investments  | 1.3                     | 3.2      | 1.8      |
| Additions to property and equipment  | (133.9)                 | (118.0)  | (82.3)   |
| Net cash used in investing activities  | (166.7)                 | (276.9)  | (165.0)  |
| Cash flows from financing activities   |                         |          |          |
| Repurchases of common stock  | (71.0)                  | (240.0)  | (479.7)  |
| Common share issuances under stock-based compensation plans                      | 47.7                    | 83.0     | 50.6     |
| Excess tax benefits from stock-based compensation plans                          | 32.0                    | 50.7     | 35.3     |
| Dividends  | (256.9)                 | (278.9)  | (317.9)  |
| Change in savings bank subsidiary deposits                                       | 3.5                     | (0.9)    | 13.1     |
| Net cash used in financing activities  | (244.7)                 | (386.1)  | (698.6)  |
| Cash and cash equivalents  |                         |          |          |
| Net change during year   | 124.2                   | 69.8     | 84.8     |
| At beginning of year   | 619.1                   | 743.3    | 813.1    |
| At end of year   | \$ 743.3                | \$ 813.1 | \$ 897.9 |

The accompanying summary of significant accounting policies and notes to consolidated financial statements are an integral part of these statements.



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### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

(shares in thousands; dollars in millions)

|  | Common<br>shares<br>outstanding | Common<br>stock | Additional<br>capital in<br>excess of par<br>value | Retained<br>earnings | Accumulated<br>other<br>comprehensive<br>income<br>(loss) | Total<br>stockholders<br>equity |
|--|---------------------------------|-----------------|--|----------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| Balances at December 31, 2008                              | 256,856                         | \$ 51.4         | \$ 363.7   | \$ 2,086.8           | \$ (13.1)   | \$ 2,488.8                      |
| Comprehensive income                                       |                                 |                 |  |                      |   |                                 |
| Net income   |                                 |                 |  | 433.6                |   | 433.6                           |
| Net unrealized holding gains, net of tax                   |                                 |                 |  |                      | 115.0   | 115.0                           |
| Total comprehensive income                                 |                                 |                 |  |                      |   | 548.6                           |
| Dividends  |                                 |                 |  | (256.9)              |   | (256.9)                         |
| Common stock-based compensation plans activity             |                                 |                 |  |                      |   |                                 |
| Shares issued upon option exercises                        | 3,660                           | .7              | 48.0   |                      |   | 48.7                            |
| Restricted shares issued, net of shares withheld for taxes | 257                             | .1              | (.7)   |                      |   | (.6)                            |
| Shares issued upon vesting of restricted stock units       | 52                              | .0              | (.4)   |                      |   | (.4)                            |
| Forfeiture of restricted awards                            | (21)                            | .0              | .0   |                      |   | .0                              |
| Net tax benefits   |                                 |                 | 31.9   |                      |   | 31.9                            |
| Stock-based compensation expense                           |                                 |                 | 89.1   |                      |   | 89.1                            |
| Common shares repurchased                                  | (2,270)                         | (.5)            | (43.1)   | (23.4)               |   | (67.0)                          |
| Balances at December 31, 2009                              | 258,534                         | 51.7            | 488.5  | 2,240.1              | 101.9   | 2,882.2                         |
| Comprehensive income                                       |                                 |                 |  |                      |   |                                 |
| Net income   |                                 |                 |  | 672.2                |   | 672.2                           |
| Net unrealized holding gains, net of tax                   |                                 |                 |  |                      | 33.6  | 33.6                            |
| Currency translation adjustment, net of tax                |                                 |                 |  |                      | 3.6   | 3.6                             |
| Total comprehensive income                                 |                                 |                 |  |                      |   | 709.4                           |
| Dividends  |                                 |                 |  | (278.9)              |   | (278.9)                         |
| Common stock-based compensation plans activity             |                                 |                 |  |                      |   |                                 |
| Shares issued upon option exercises                        | 4,933                           | 1.0             | 85.5   |                      |   | 86.5                            |
| Restricted shares issued, net of shares withheld for taxes | 234                             | .0              | (1.8)  |                      |   | (1.8)                           |
| Shares issued upon vesting of restricted stock units       | 71                              | .0              | (1.3)  |                      |   | (1.3)                           |
| Forfeiture of restricted awards                            | (14)                            | .0              | .0   |                      |   | .0                              |
| Net tax benefits   |                                 |                 | 50.9   |                      |   | 50.9                            |
| Stock-based compensation expense                           |                                 |                 | 89.5   |                      |   | 89.5                            |
| Common shares repurchased                                  | (4,998)                         | (1.0)           | (205.0)  | (34.0)               |   | (240.0)                         |
| Balances at December 31, 2010                              | 258,760                         | 51.7            | 506.3  | 2,599.4              | 139.1   | 3,296.5                         |
| Comprehensive income                                       |                                 |                 |  |                      |   |                                 |
| Net income   |                                 |                 |  | 773.2                |   | 773.2                           |
| Net unrealized holding losses, net of tax                  |                                 |                 |  |                      | (27.1)  | (27.1)                          |
| Currency translation adjustment, net of tax                |                                 |                 |  |                      | (9.2)   | (9.2)                           |
| Total comprehensive income                                 |                                 |                 |  |                      |   | 736.9                           |
| Dividends  |                                 |                 |  | (317.9)              |   | (317.9)                         |
| Common stock-based compensation plans activity             |                                 |                 |  |                      |   |                                 |
| Shares issued upon option exercises                        | 2,920                           | .6              | 54.1   |                      |   | 54.7                            |
| Restricted shares issued, net of shares withheld for taxes | 224                             | .1              | (3.0)  |                      |   | (2.9)                           |
| Shares issued upon vesting of restricted stock units       | 92                              | .0              | (1.5)  |                      |   | (1.5)                           |
| Forfeiture of restricted awards                            | (29)                            | .0              | .0   |                      |   | -                               |
| Net tax benefits   |                                 |                 | 35.9   |                      |   | 35.9                            |



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|                                  |         |         |          |            |          |            |         |
|----------------------------------|---------|---------|----------|------------|----------|------------|---------|
| Stock-based compensation expense |         |         |          | 98.7       |          |            | 98.7    |
| Common shares repurchased        | (8,695) | (1.7)   | (188.5)  | (289.5)    |          |            | (479.7) |
| Balances at December 31, 2011    | 253,272 | \$ 50.7 | \$ 502.0 | \$ 2,765.2 | \$ 102.8 | \$ 3,420.7 |         |

The accompanying summary of significant accounting policies and notes to consolidated financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

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### **SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

T. Rowe Price Group derives its consolidated revenues and net income primarily from investment advisory services that its subsidiaries provide to individual and institutional investors in the sponsored T. Rowe Price mutual funds and other investment portfolios. We also provide our investment advisory clients with related administrative services, including distribution, mutual fund transfer agent, accounting and shareholder services; participant recordkeeping and transfer agent services for defined contribution retirement plans; brokerage; and trust services.

Investment advisory revenues depend largely on the total value and composition of assets under our management. Accordingly, fluctuations in financial markets and in the composition of assets under management impact our revenues and results of operations.

### **BASIS OF PREPARATION.**

These consolidated financial statements have been prepared by our management in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. These principles require that we make certain estimates and assumptions. Actual results may vary from our estimates.

In 2011, we changed the presentation of our consolidated statements of income. We are presenting distribution and servicing fees earned from 12b-1 plans of the Advisor, R, and VIP II classes of our sponsored mutual funds previously included in administrative fees, as a separate line to enhance transparency of these fees. We also are presenting as a separate line the offsetting distribution and servicing costs, previously included in other operating expenses, paid to third-party financial intermediaries who source those share classes noted above. Investment income earned by our savings bank subsidiary, previously presented on its own, is being classified net of interest expense paid on savings bank deposits. The line was renamed net revenue of savings bank subsidiary and the details of this line are included in note 4 to the consolidated financial statements. All amounts for the comparable calendar years have been reclassified to conform to the 2011 presentation.

Our financial statements include the accounts of all subsidiaries in which we have a majority or controlling interest. All material intercompany accounts and transactions are eliminated in consolidation.

We are not the primary beneficiary, and do not consolidate the accounts, of a high-yield collateralized bond obligation (CBO) that held assets of \$5.4 million at December 31, 2011. This variable interest entity is a non-recourse, limited liability company for which we are the collateral manager and receive related investment advisory fees. We recognized the full impairment of our investment in this CBO in 2002 and do not expect to recognize any future gains or losses from this investment.

### **CASH EQUIVALENTS.**

Cash equivalents consist primarily of short-term, highly liquid investments in our sponsored money market mutual funds. The cost of these funds is equivalent to fair value.

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### **INVESTMENTS IN SPONSORED MUTUAL FUNDS.**

We value our investments in sponsored mutual funds at the quoted closing net asset values, or NAVs, per share of each mutual fund last reported as of the balance sheet date, and generally classify these holdings as available-for-sale. Changes in net unrealized holding gains on these investments are recognized in accumulated other comprehensive income.

We review the carrying amount of each investment on a quarterly basis and recognize an impairment charge in non-operating investment income whenever an unrealized loss is considered other than temporary. In determining whether a mutual fund holding is other than temporarily impaired we consider many factors, including the duration of time it has existed, the severity of the impairment, any subsequent changes in value and our intent and ability to hold the security for a period of time sufficient for an anticipated recovery in fair value. Subject to the other considerations noted above, with respect to duration of time, we believe a mutual fund holding with an unrealized loss that has persisted daily throughout the six months between quarter-ends is generally presumed to have an other than temporary impairment. We may also recognize an other than temporary loss if particular circumstances of the underlying investment do not warrant our belief that a near-term recovery is possible.

### **DEBT SECURITIES HELD BY SAVINGS BANK SUBSIDIARY.**

Our investments in marketable debt securities, including mortgage- and other asset-backed securities held by our savings bank subsidiary, are classified as available-for-sale and reported at fair value. Changes in net unrealized holding gains on these debt securities are recognized in accumulated other comprehensive income.

These debt securities are generally traded in the over-the-counter market. Securities with remaining maturities of one year or more at the time of acquisition are valued by us based on prices furnished by dealers who make markets in such securities or by an independent pricing service, which considers the yield or price of bonds of comparable quality, coupon, maturity, and type, as well as prices quoted by dealers who make markets in such securities. Securities with remaining maturities of less than one year at the time of acquisition generally are valued at amortized cost, which approximates fair value; however, if amortized cost is deemed not to reflect fair value, such securities are valued by us based generally on prices furnished by dealers who make markets in such securities or by an independent pricing service. Our investment valuation policies, methods and sources are the same as those employed by the sponsored mutual funds to price similar investment holdings.

We review the carrying amount of each investment on a quarterly basis. We will recognize an impairment charge in non-operating investment income if the impairment is caused by a change in credit quality that affects our ability to recover our amortized cost. An impairment charge will also be taken if we intend to sell the security before its maturity, which generally correlates to the maturities of our customer deposits, or if we believe that it is more likely than not that, we will be required to sell the security before recovering cost.

### **OTHER INVESTMENTS.**

We classify some investments in sponsored mutual funds made at fund formation as trading because they are expected to be held for only a short period of time.

Investments that give us the ability to exercise significant influence over the operating and financial policies of the investee are recognized using the equity method of accounting. The carrying value of these investments are adjusted to reflect our proportionate share of income or loss, any unrealized gain or loss

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resulting from the translation of foreign denominated financial statements into U.S. dollars and dividends received. Our proportionate share of income or loss is included in non-operating investment income (loss) in the consolidated statements of income. As permitted under existing accounting guidance, we adopted a policy by which we recognize our share of UTI Asset Management Company Limited's (UTI) earnings on a quarter lag as current financial information is not available in a timely manner.

We evaluate our equity method investments for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of the investment exceeds its fair value, and the decline in fair value is other than temporary.

Those other investments to which we do not exercise significant influence over the operating and financial policies of the investee are recognized using the cost method of accounting.

### **CONCENTRATIONS OF RISK.**

Concentration of credit risk in accounts receivable is believed to be minimal in that our clients generally have substantial assets, including those in the investment portfolios that we manage for them.

Our investments in sponsored mutual funds expose us to market risk in the form of equity price risk; that is, the potential future loss of value that would result from a decline in the fair values of the mutual funds. Each fund and its underlying net assets are also subject to market risk, which may arise from changes in equity prices, credit ratings, foreign currency exchange rates, and interest rates.

Investments by our savings bank subsidiary in debt securities expose us to market risk, which may arise from changes in credit ratings and interest rates.

### **PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT.**

Property and equipment is stated at cost net of accumulated depreciation and amortization computed using the straight-line method. Provisions for depreciation and amortization are based on the following weighted average estimated useful lives: computer and communications software and equipment, 3.4 years; buildings and improvements, 32.1 years; leasehold improvements, 8.6 years; furniture and other equipment, 6.6 years; and leased land, 99 years.

### **GOODWILL.**

We evaluate the carrying amount of goodwill in our balance sheet for possible impairment on an annual basis in the third quarter of each year using a fair value approach. Our evaluations have indicated that no impairment exists.

We internally conduct, manage and report our operations as one investment advisory business. We do not have distinct operating segments or components that separately constitute a business. Accordingly, we attribute goodwill to a single reportable business segment and reporting unit our investment advisory business.

### **REVENUE RECOGNITION.**

Fees for investment advisory services, which are based on a percentage of assets under management, and related administrative services that we provide to investment advisory clients, including our sponsored mutual funds, are recognized in the period that our services are provided.

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Our assets under management are valued in accordance with a valuation and pricing policy that defines the valuation and pricing processes for each major type of investment held in our sponsored mutual funds and other client investment portfolios. Fair values used in our processes are primarily determined from quoted market prices, prices furnished by dealers who make markets in such securities, or from data provided by an independent pricing service that considers yield or price of investments of comparable quality, coupon, maturity, and type. Investments for which market prices are not readily available are not a material portion of our total assets under management.

Distribution and servicing fees earned from 12b-1 plans of the Advisor, R, and VIP II classes of our sponsored mutual funds are recognized in the period that they are earned, which is the same period that the related mutual funds recognize their expense. These fees are offset entirely by the distribution and servicing costs paid to third-party financial intermediaries that source these share classes.

We provide all services to the sponsored U.S. mutual funds under contracts that are subject to periodic review and approval by each of the funds boards. Regulations require that the funds' shareholders also approve material changes to investment advisory contracts.

Taxes billed to our clients based on our fees for services rendered are not included in revenues.

### **ADVERTISING.**

Costs of advertising are expensed the first time that the advertising takes place.

### **STOCK AWARDS AND OPTIONS.**

Our stockholders have approved the 2001 and 2004 Stock Incentive Plans under which we have issued restricted shares and restricted stock units that convert to shares after vesting. Vesting of these awards generally occurs over a four to five-year graded schedule. All restricted shareholders and restricted stock unit holders receive non-forfeitable cash dividends and cash dividend-equivalents, respectively, on our dividend payable date.

Under the two stockholder approved employee plans (the 2001 and 2004 Stock Incentive Plans), we have granted qualified incentive and nonqualified fixed stock options with a maximum term of 10 years to employees. Vesting of our employee option grants is based solely on the individual continuing to render service and generally occurs over a five- to six-year graded schedule. The exercise price of each option granted is equivalent to the market price of the common stock at the date of grant.

We semiannually grant options with a maximum term of 10 years, restricted shares and restricted stock units to non-employee directors under the stockholder approved 2007 plan. These grants vest over six months to one year, and in the case of restricted stock units are settled upon the non-employee directors' departure from the board. Non-employee directors holding restricted shares receive non-forfeitable dividends while restricted stock unit holders are issued non-forfeitable dividend equivalents in the form of vested stock units on our dividend payable date.

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We recognize the grant-date fair value of these awards as compensation expense ratably over the awards service period. The expense recognized includes an estimate of awards that will be forfeited. The restricted shares and units are valued on the grant-date using the closing market price of our common stock. We used the Black-Scholes option-pricing model to estimate the fair value of each option grant, including reloads, as follows:

|   | Weighted-average |          |          |
|---|------------------|----------|----------|
|   | 2009             | 2010     | 2011     |
| Grant-date fair value per option awarded, including reload grants | \$ 10.07         | \$ 14.26 | \$ 17.94 |
| Assumptions used:   |                  |          |          |
| Expected life in years  | 6.7              | 6.7      | 6.9      |
| Expected volatility   | 32%              | 32%      | 33%      |
| Dividend yield  | 2.4%             | 2.1%     | 1.9%     |
| Risk-free interest rate   | 2.5%             | 2.7%     | 2.2%     |

Our expected life assumptions are based on the vesting period for each option grant and our historical experience with respect to the average holding period from vesting to option exercise. The assumptions for expected volatility are based on historical experience for the same periods as our expected lives. Dividend yields are based on recent historical experience and future expectations. Risk-free interest rates are set using grant-date U.S. Treasury yield curves for the same periods as our expected lives.

**EARNINGS PER SHARE.**

We compute our basic and diluted earnings per share under the two-class method, which considers our outstanding restricted stock and stock units, on which we pay non-forfeitable dividends, as if they were a separate class of stock.

**COMPREHENSIVE INCOME.**

Total comprehensive income is reported in our consolidated statements of stockholders' equity and includes net income, the change in net unrealized security holding gains (losses), after income taxes (tax benefits), and the change in the currency translation adjustment, after income taxes (tax benefits).

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### NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### NOTE 1 CASH EQUIVALENTS.

Cash equivalent investments in our sponsored money market mutual funds aggregate \$726.9 million at December 31, 2010, and \$823.2 million at December 31, 2011. Dividends earned on these investments totaled \$1.6 million in 2009, \$.1 million in 2010, and \$.1 million in 2011.

#### NOTE 2 INFORMATION ABOUT RECEIVABLES, REVENUES, AND SERVICES.

Accounts receivable from our sponsored mutual funds for advisory fees and advisory-related administrative services aggregate \$154.0 million at December 31, 2010, and \$155.9 million at December 31, 2011.

Revenues (in millions) from investment advisory services provided under agreements with our sponsored mutual funds and other investment clients include:

|   | 2009              | 2010              | 2011              |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Sponsored mutual funds in the U.S.</b> |                   |                   |                   |
| Stock and blended asset                   | \$ 843.7          | \$ 1,116.3        | \$ 1,304.5        |
| Bond and money market                     | 224.6             | 278.0             | 303.1             |
|   | 1,068.3           | 1,394.3           | 1,607.6           |
| <b>Other portfolios</b>                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Stock and blended asset                   | 391.6             | 514.4             | 604.8             |
| Bond, money market, and stable value      | 86.2              | 118.1             | 136.6             |
|   | 477.8             | 632.5             | 741.4             |
| <b>Total</b>                              | <b>\$ 1,546.1</b> | <b>\$ 2,026.8</b> | <b>\$ 2,349.0</b> |

The following table summarizes the various investment portfolios and assets under management (in billions) on which we earn advisory fees.

|   | 2009            | Average during<br>2010 | 2011            | December 31,<br>2010 | 2011            |
|---|-----------------|------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Sponsored mutual funds in the U.S.</b> |                 |                        |                 |                      |                 |
| Stock and blended asset                   | \$ 139.5        | \$ 184.7               | \$ 217.6        | \$ 212.4             | \$ 211.7        |
| Bond and money market                     | 52.3            | 66.1                   | 74.5            | 70.2                 | 77.7            |
|   | 191.8           | 250.8                  | 292.1           | 282.6                | 289.4           |
| <b>Other portfolios</b>                   |                 |                        |                 |                      |                 |
| Stock and blended asset                   | 93.3            | 126.2                  | 149.6           | 148.2                | 140.7           |
| Bond, money market, and stable value      | 36.2            | 45.6                   | 55.4            | 51.2                 | 59.4            |
|   | 129.5           | 171.8                  | 205.0           | 199.4                | 200.1           |
| <b>Total</b>                              | <b>\$ 321.3</b> | <b>\$ 422.6</b>        | <b>\$ 497.1</b> | <b>\$ 482.0</b>      | <b>\$ 489.5</b> |

Investors that we serve are primarily domiciled in the United States of America; investment advisory clients outside the United States account for 11% of our assets under management at December 31, 2011.

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Fees for advisory-related administrative and distribution services provided to our sponsored mutual funds were \$249.9 million in 2009, \$266.8 million in 2010, and \$321.6 million in 2011.

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These investments (in millions) at December 31 include:

|                               | Aggregate<br>cost | Unrealized holding<br>gains | losses   | Aggregate<br>fair value |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|----------|-------------------------|
| <b>2010</b>                   |                   |                             |          |                         |
| Stock and blended asset funds | \$ 281.7          | \$ 178.6                    | \$ -     | \$ 460.3                |
| Bond funds                    | 248.5             | 39.1                        | -        | 287.6                   |
| Total                         | \$ 530.2          | \$ 217.7                    | \$ -     | \$ 747.9                |
| <b>2011</b>                   |                   |                             |          |                         |
| Stock and blended asset funds | \$ 281.7          | \$ 137.0                    | \$ (.8)  | \$ 417.9                |
| Bond funds                    | 310.6             | 38.5                        | (2.5)    | 346.6                   |
| Total                         | \$ 592.3          | \$ 175.5                    | \$ (3.3) | \$ 764.5                |

The unrealized holding losses at December 31, 2011, are attributable to ten fund holdings with an aggregate fair value of \$86.3 million and are considered temporary.

Dividends, excluding capital gain distributions, earned on sponsored mutual fund investments totaled \$9.8 million in 2009, \$10.3 million in 2010, and \$10.6 million in 2011.

**NOTE 4 SAVINGS BANK SUBSIDIARY.****DEBT SECURITIES.**

Our savings bank subsidiary holds investments in marketable debt securities, including mortgage- and other asset-backed securities, which are accounted for as available-for-sale. The following table (in millions) details the components of these investments at December 31.

|  | 2010          |  | 2011          |  |
|--|---------------|--|---------------|--|
|  | Fair<br>value | Unrealized<br>holding<br>gains<br>(losses) | Fair<br>value | Unrealized<br>holding<br>gains<br>(losses) |
| Investments with temporary impairment (43 securities in 2011) of |               |  |               |  |
| Less than 12 months  | \$ 25.0       | \$ (.4)                                    | \$ 22.8       | \$ (.2)                                    |
| 12 months or more  | 6.1           | (.4)                                       | 6.3           | (.2)                                       |
| Total  | 31.1          | (.8)                                       | 29.1          | (.4)                                       |
| Investments with unrealized holding gains                        | 153.6         | 4.1  | 169.3         | 3.5  |
| Total  | \$ 184.7      | \$ 3.3                                     | \$ 198.4      | \$ 3.1                                     |
| Aggregate cost   | \$ 181.4      |  | \$ 195.3      |  |

The unrealized losses in these investments were generally caused by changes in interest rates and market liquidity, and not by changes in credit quality. Impairments of these investments are considered temporary.

CUSTOMER DEPOSITS.

The estimated fair value of our customer deposit liability, based on discounting expected cash outflows at maturity dates that range up to five years, using current interest rates offered for deposits with the same dates of maturity, was \$164.1 million at December 31, 2010, and \$176.9 million at December 31, 2011.

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## NET REVENUE.

Net revenue (in millions) includes the following:

|  | 2009   | 2010   | 2011   |
|--|--------|--------|--------|
| Investment income from debt securities | \$ 7.0 | \$ 6.4 | \$ 5.4 |
| Interest expense on customer deposits  | 4.5    | 3.5    | 3.1    |
| Net revenue                            | \$ 2.5 | \$ 2.9 | \$ 2.3 |

## NOTE 5 OTHER INVESTMENTS.

These investments (in millions) at December 31 include:

|  | 2010     | 2011     |
|--|----------|----------|
| Cost method investments                                      |          |          |
| 10% interest in Daiwa SB Investments Ltd.(Japan)             | \$ 13.6  | \$ 13.6  |
| Other investments  | 34.2     | 39.9     |
| Equity method investments                                    |          |          |
| 26% interest in UTI Asset Management Company Limited (India) | 154.1    | 144.8    |
| Other investments  | 2.0      | 2.6      |
| Sponsored mutual fund investments held as trading            | 4.8      | 4.4      |
| U.S. Treasury Note   | 1.0      | 1.0      |
| Total  | \$ 209.7 | \$ 206.3 |

On January 20, 2010, we completed the purchase of a 26% equity interest in UTI and an affiliate from existing stockholders for 6.5 billion Indian rupees (INR) or \$142.4 million, plus transaction costs of \$3.2 million of which a portion was paid in 2009. The basis difference between our carrying value and our proportionate share of UTI's book value is primarily related to consideration paid in excess of the stepped-up basis of assets and liabilities on the date of purchase.

At December 31, 2011, we had outstanding commitments to make additional contributions totaling \$42.5 million to various investment partnerships in which we have an existing investment.

## NOTE 6 FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS.

We determine the fair value of our investments using the following broad levels of inputs as defined by related accounting standards:

Level 1 quoted prices in active markets for identical securities.

Level 2 observable inputs other than Level 1 quoted prices including, but not limited to, quoted prices for similar securities, interest rates, prepayment speeds, and credit risk. These inputs are based on market data obtained from independent sources.

Level 3 unobservable inputs reflecting our own assumptions based on the best information available. We do not value any of our investments using Level 3 inputs.

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These levels are not necessarily an indication of the risk or liquidity associated with our investments. There were no transfers in or out of the levels in 2010 or 2011. The following table summarizes our investments (in millions) that are recognized in our balance sheet at year end using fair value measurements determined based on the differing levels of inputs.

|   | Level 1           | Level 2         |
|---|-------------------|-----------------|
| <b>2010</b>                                     |                   |                 |
| Cash equivalents                                | \$ 726.9          |                 |
| Investments in sponsored mutual funds           |                   |                 |
| Held as available-for-sale                      | 747.9             |                 |
| Held as trading                                 | 4.8               |                 |
| Debt securities held by savings bank subsidiary | -                 | \$ 184.7        |
| <b>Total</b>                                    | <b>\$ 1,479.6</b> | <b>\$ 184.7</b> |

|   |                   |                 |
|---|-------------------|-----------------|
| <b>2011</b>                                     |                   |                 |
| Cash equivalents                                | \$ 823.2          |                 |
| Investments in sponsored mutual funds           |                   |                 |
| Held as available-for-sale                      | 764.5             |                 |
| Held as trading                                 | 4.4               |                 |
| Debt securities held by savings bank subsidiary | -                 | \$ 198.4        |
| <b>Total</b>                                    | <b>\$ 1,592.1</b> | <b>\$ 198.4</b> |

**NOTE 7 PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT.**

Property and equipment (in millions) at December 31 consists of:

|  | 2010            | 2011            |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|
| Computer and communications software and equipment | \$ 317.8        | \$ 342.8        |
| Buildings and improvements                         | 394.8           | 391.5           |
| Leasehold improvements                             | 80.7            | 95.3            |
| Furniture and other equipment                      | 108.5           | 114.3           |
| Land   | 36.3            | 40.3            |
| Leased land  | 2.7             | 2.7             |
|  | 940.8           | 986.9           |
| Less accumulated depreciation and amortization     | 380.5           | 419.5           |
| <b>Total</b>                                       | <b>\$ 560.3</b> | <b>\$ 567.4</b> |

Compensation and related costs attributable to the development of computer software for internal use totaling \$7.5 million in 2009, \$8.1 million in 2010, and \$7.5 million in 2011 have been capitalized.

We occupy certain office facilities, and rent computer and other equipment under noncancelable operating leases. Related rental expense was \$29.1 million in 2009, \$29.6 million in 2010, and \$26.5 million in 2011. Future minimum payments under these leases aggregate \$31.0 million in 2012, \$32.1 million in 2013, \$31.3 million in 2014, \$29.1 million in 2015, \$27.4 million in 2016, and \$33.7 million in later years.

**NOTE 8 INTANGIBLE ASSETS.**

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Other assets include mutual fund customer-relationship intangible assets acquired in 2006. Our unamortized cost was \$1.6 million at December 31, 2010, and \$1.1 million at December 31, 2011.

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The provision for income taxes (in millions) consists of:

|                                      | 2009            | 2010            | 2011            |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| <b>Current income taxes</b>          |                 |                 |                 |
| U.S. federal                         | \$ 232.5        | \$ 323.4        | \$ 375.8        |
| Foreign                              | 26.5            | 50.1            | 29.9            |
| State and local                      | 32.0            | 47.5            | 68.8            |
| Deferred income taxes (tax benefits) | (35.7)          | (23.2)          | 2.9             |
| <b>Total</b>                         | <b>\$ 255.3</b> | <b>\$ 397.8</b> | <b>\$ 477.4</b> |

Deferred income taxes arise from temporary differences between taxable income for financial statement and income tax return purposes. Deferred tax benefits include \$22.4 million in 2009 and \$27.6 million in 2010 relating to the recognition of stock-based compensation expense. Deferred tax benefits in 2009 also include \$12.4 million attributable to other than temporary impairments recognized on our sponsored mutual fund investments.

Significant temporary differences in 2011 include deferred income taxes of \$13.9 million related to property and equipment offset by deferred tax benefits of \$15.1 million related to the recognition of stock-based compensation expense.

The following table reconciles the statutory federal income tax rate to the effective income tax rate.

|   | 2009         | 2010         | 2011         |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Statutory U.S. federal income tax rate                                  | 35.0%        | 35.0%        | 35.0%        |
| State income taxes for current year, net of federal income tax benefits | 3.1          | 3.0          | 3.5          |
| Other items   | (1.0)        | (.8)         | (.3)         |
| <b>Effective income tax rate</b>  | <b>37.1%</b> | <b>37.2%</b> | <b>38.2%</b> |

The net deferred tax asset recognized in our balance sheet in other assets includes the following (in millions) at December 31.

|  | 2010           | 2011           |
|--|----------------|----------------|
| <b>Deferred tax liabilities</b>  |                |                |
| Related to property and equipment  | \$ (17.6)      | \$ (31.5)      |
| Recognized in other comprehensive income on net unrealized holding gains   | (85.5)         | (67.1)         |
| Other  | (9.2)          | (11.7)         |
|  | <b>(112.3)</b> | <b>(110.3)</b> |
| <b>Deferred tax assets</b>   |                |                |
| Related to stock-based compensation  | 117.2          | 131.8          |
| Related to other than temporary impairments of investments in mutual funds | 49.2           | 49.3           |
| Related to accrued compensation  | 2.2            | 2.9            |
| Other  | 4.4            | 6.9            |
|  | <b>173.0</b>   | <b>190.9</b>   |

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|                        |         |         |
|------------------------|---------|---------|
| Net deferred tax asset | \$ 60.7 | \$ 80.6 |
|------------------------|---------|---------|

A deferred tax liability for unremitted earnings of our foreign subsidiaries has not been recognized, as it is our intention to indefinitely reinvest these earnings

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outside the U.S. The unremitted earnings of these subsidiaries are estimated to be \$143.2 million at December 31, 2011. If these earnings were distributed to the U.S. in the form of dividends or otherwise, or if the entity was sold or otherwise transferred, we would be subject to U.S. income taxes, less any foreign tax credits. Determination of the amount of the unrecognized deferred tax liability related to these earnings is not practicable.

Other assets also include tax refund receivables of \$31.9 million at December 31, 2010, and \$20.1 million at December 31, 2011.

Cash outflows from operating activities include income taxes paid of \$221.6 million in 2009, \$383.0 million in 2010, and \$430.1 million in 2011.

Additional income tax benefits of \$33.1 million in 2009, \$51.9 million in 2010, and \$36.3 million in 2011 arising from stock-based compensation plans activity reduced the amount of income taxes that would have otherwise been payable.

The following table reconciles our unrecognized tax benefits (in millions) during the year:

|                                     | 2009   | 2010   | 2011   |
|-------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Balance at beginning of year        | \$ 6.3 | \$ 7.0 | \$ 3.8 |
| Changes in tax positions related to |        |        |        |
| Current year                        | 1.1    | .8     | .9     |
| Prior years                         | (.4)   | (4.0)  | .4     |
| Expired statute of limitations      | -      | -      | (.4)   |
| Balance at year end                 | \$ 7.0 | \$ 3.8 | \$ 4.7 |

If recognized, these tax benefits would affect our effective tax rate; however, we do not expect that unrecognized tax benefits for tax positions taken with respect to 2011 and prior years will significantly change in 2012. Our United States federal tax obligations have been settled through the year 2000. Net interest recoverable recognized in our balance sheets was \$5.6 million at December 31, 2010, and \$5.9 million at December 31, 2011. Our accounting policy with respect to interest and penalties arising from income tax settlements is to recognize them as part of our provision for income taxes. Interest recognized as part of our provision for income taxes was not material.

**NOTE 10 STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION.****SHARES AUTHORIZED FOR STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION PROGRAMS.**

At December 31, 2011, 52,887,988 shares of unissued common stock were authorized for issuance under our stock-based compensation plans. Additionally, 3,360,000 shares are authorized for issuance under a plan whereby substantially all employees may acquire common stock through payroll deductions at prevailing market prices. We believe that our stock-based compensation programs align the interests of our employees and directors with those of our common stockholders.

**STOCK OPTIONS.**

The following table summarizes the status of and changes in our stock option grants during 2011.



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|                                  | Options     | Weighted-average exercise price | Weighted-average remaining contractual term in years |
|----------------------------------|-------------|---------------------------------|--|
| Outstanding at beginning of year | 37,759,580  | \$ 41.34                        |  |
| Semiannual grants                | 5,793,805   | \$ 60.43                        |  |
| Reload grants                    | 80,080      | \$ 58.73                        |  |
| New hire grants                  | 41,519      | \$ 57.74                        |  |
| Non-employee director grants     | 16,000      | \$ 60.74                        |  |
| Exercised                        | (3,814,074) | \$ 29.11                        |  |
| Forfeited                        | (499,410)   | \$ 47.73                        |  |
| Expired                          | (137,778)   | \$ 55.69                        |  |
| Outstanding at end of year       | 39,239,722  | \$ 45.27                        | 6.2  |
| Exercisable at end of year       | 22,964,004  | \$ 41.01                        | 4.7  |

Net income includes a charge for stock option-based compensation expense of \$72.1 million in 2009, \$71.5 million in 2010, and \$79.5 million in 2011, including \$4.1 million, \$3.2 million, and \$.5 million, respectively, for reload option grants.

The total intrinsic value of options exercised was \$115.7 million in 2009, \$189.4 million in 2010, and \$123.5 million in 2011. At December 31, 2011, the aggregate intrinsic value of in-the-money options outstanding was \$499.4 million including \$368.6 million related to options exercisable.

**STOCK AWARDS.**

The following table summarizes the status of and changes in our nonvested restricted shares and restricted stock units during 2011.

|  | Restricted shares | Restricted stock units | Weighted-average fair value |
|--|-------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Nonvested at beginning of year                 | 638,532           | 368,201                | \$ 46.92                    |
| Granted to employees and directors             | 274,841           | 152,450                | \$ 59.75                    |
| Vested (value at vest date was \$21.9 million) | (246,988)         | (129,105)              | \$ 48.32                    |
| Forfeited                                      | (28,992)          | (40,529)               | \$ 48.47                    |
| Nonvested at end of year                       | 637,393           | 351,017                | \$ 51.83                    |

We recognized compensation expense for restricted shares and restricted stock units of \$17.0 million in 2009, \$18.0 million in 2010, and \$19.2 million in 2011.

At December 31, 2011, non-employee directors hold 34,917 vested stock units that will convert to common shares upon their separation from the board.

**FUTURE STOCK BASED COMPENSATION EXPENSE.**

The following table presents the compensation expense (in millions) to be recognized over the remaining vesting periods of the stock-based awards outstanding at December 31, 2011. Estimated future compensation expense will change to reflect future option grants, including reloads; future awards of unrestricted shares, restricted shares, and restricted stock units; changes in estimated forfeitures; and adjustments for actual forfeitures.

|                     |          |
|---------------------|----------|
| First quarter 2012  | \$ 21.8  |
| Second quarter 2012 | 21.4     |
| Third quarter 2012  | 21.0     |
| Fourth quarter 2012 | 15.3     |
| Total 2012          | 79.5     |
| 2013 through 2016   | 80.4     |
| Total               | \$ 159.9 |

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The following table presents the reconciliation (in millions) of our net income to net income allocated to our common stockholders and the weighted average shares (in millions) that are used in calculating the basic and the diluted earnings per share on our common stock. Weighted average common shares outstanding assuming dilution reflects the potential additional dilution, determined using the treasury stock method that could occur if outstanding stock options were exercised.

|   | 2009     | 2010     | 2011     |
|---|----------|----------|----------|
| Net income  | \$ 433.6 | \$ 672.2 | \$ 773.2 |
| Less: net income allocated to outstanding restricted stock and stock unit holders | (1.5)    | (2.8)    | (3.5)    |
| Net income allocated to common stockholders                                       | \$ 432.1 | \$ 669.4 | \$ 769.7 |
| Weighted average common shares  |          |          |          |
| Outstanding   | 255.9    | 257.2    | 255.6    |
| Outstanding assuming dilution   | 262.3    | 265.1    | 263.3    |

The following table shows the weighted average outstanding stock options (in millions) and their average exercise price that are excluded from the calculation of diluted earnings per common share as the inclusion of such shares would be anti-dilutive.

|   | 2009     | 2010     | 2011     |
|---|----------|----------|----------|
| Weighted average outstanding stock options excluded | 19.9     | 12.4     | 7.2      |
| Average exercise price                              | \$ 48.20 | \$ 52.07 | \$ 60.03 |

**NOTE 12 COMPREHENSIVE INCOME AND ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME.**

The following table presents the components (in millions) of comprehensive income.

|  | 2009     | 2010     | 2011     |
|--|----------|----------|----------|
| Net income   | \$ 433.6 | \$ 672.2 | \$ 773.2 |
| Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax                              |          |          |          |
| Unrealized holding gains (losses)  |          |          |          |
| Investments in sponsored mutual funds:                                     |          |          |          |
| Net unrealized holding gains (losses)                                      | 150.8    | 67.9     | (40.2)   |
| Capital gain distributions   | (2.0)    | (2.6)    | (5.3)    |
| Other than temporary impairments recognized in income                      | 36.1     | -        | -        |
| Net losses (gains) realized on dispositions, determined using average cost | (7.4)    | (7.6)    | -        |
| Deferred tax benefits (income taxes)                                       | (66.6)   | (24.0)   | 18.3     |

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|   |          |          |          |
|---|----------|----------|----------|
| Net unrealized holding gains (losses) of investments in sponsored mutual funds recognized in other comprehensive income   | 110.9    | 33.7     | (27.2)   |
| Debt securities held by savings bank subsidiary:  |          |          |          |
| Net unrealized holding gains (losses)   | 6.0      | -        | (.2)     |
| Net losses (gains) realized on dispositions, determined using average cost  | .3       | -        | -        |
| Deferred tax benefits (income taxes)  | (2.2)    | (.1)     | .1       |
| Net unrealized holding gains (losses) of debt securities held by savings bank subsidiary recognized in other comprehensive income                                 | 4.1      | (.1)     | (.1)     |
| Investment in UTI Asset Management Company Limited  |          |          |          |
| Proportionate share of net unrealized holding gains (losses) of available-for-sale securities held by UTI Asset Management Company Limited, net of deferred taxes | -        | -        | .2       |
| Total net unrealized holding gains (losses) recognized in other comprehensive income  | 115.0    | 33.6     | (27.1)   |
| Currency translation adjustment   |          |          |          |
| Investment in UTI Asset Management Company Limited  | -        | 5.6      | (14.2)   |
| Deferred tax benefits (income taxes)  | -        | (2.0)    | 5.0      |
| Total currency translation adjustment   | -        | 3.6      | (9.2)    |
| Total other comprehensive income (loss)   | 115.0    | 37.2     | (36.3)   |
| Total comprehensive income  | \$ 548.6 | \$ 709.4 | \$ 736.9 |

The currency translation adjustment results from translating our proportionate share of the financial statements of UTI, our equity method investment, into U.S. dollars. Assets and liabilities are translated into U.S. dollars using year-end exchange rates, and revenues and expenses are translated using weighted-average exchange rates for the period.

Accumulated other comprehensive income(in millions) at December 31 includes:

|   | 2010     | 2011     |
|---|----------|----------|
| Net unrealized holding gains on   |          |          |
| Investments in sponsored mutual funds   | \$ 217.7 | \$ 172.2 |
| Debt securities held by savings bank subsidiary   | 3.3      | 3.1      |
| Proportionate share of investments held by UTI Asset Management Company Limited   | -        | .4       |
|   | 221.0    | 175.7    |
| Deferred income taxes   | (85.5)   | (67.3)   |
| Net unrealized holding gains  | 135.5    | 108.4    |
| Currency translation adjustment, net of deferred income taxes (benefits) of \$2.0 million in 2010 and (\$3.0) million in 2011 | 3.6      | (5.6)    |
| Total   | \$ 139.1 | \$ 102.8 |

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## NOTE 13 OTHER DISCLOSURES.

## SHARE REPURCHASES.

The Board of Directors has authorized the future repurchase of up to 13,715,681 common shares as of December 31, 2011.

## DIVIDENDS.

Cash dividends declared per share were \$1.00 in 2009, \$1.08 in 2010, and \$1.24 in 2011.

## RESTRICTED CAPITAL.

Our consolidated stockholders' equity at December 31, 2011, includes about \$92 million that is restricted as to use by various regulations and agreements arising in the ordinary course of our business.

## CONTINGENCIES.

From time to time, various claims against us arise in the ordinary course of business, including employment-related claims. In the opinion of management, after consultation with counsel, the likelihood that an adverse determination in one or more pending claims would have a material adverse effect on our financial position or results of operations is remote.

## RETIREMENT PLANS.

Compensation expense recognized for our defined contribution retirement plans was \$41.2 million in 2009, \$48.2 million in 2010, and \$54.5 million in 2011.

## NOTE 14 SUPPLEMENTARY QUARTERLY FINANCIAL DATA (Unaudited).

|                    | Net<br>revenues<br>( in millions ) | Net<br>income | Basic<br>earnings<br>per<br>share on<br>common<br>stock | Diluted<br>earnings<br>per<br>share<br>on<br>common<br>stock |
|--------------------|------------------------------------|---------------|---|--|
| <b><u>2010</u></b> |                                    |               |   |  |
| 1st quarter        | \$ 556.2                           | \$ 153.0      | \$ .59  | \$ .57   |
| 2nd quarter        | \$ 577.4                           | \$ 158.5      | \$ .61  | \$ .59   |
| 3rd quarter        | \$ 586.1                           | \$ 169.1      | \$ .66  | \$ .64   |
| 4th quarter        | \$ 647.5                           | \$ 191.6      | \$ .74  | \$ .72   |
| <b><u>2011</u></b> |                                    |               |   |  |
| 1st quarter        | \$ 682.4                           | \$ 194.6      | \$ .75  | \$ .72   |
| 2nd quarter        | \$ 713.7                           | \$ 204.7      | \$ .79  | \$ .76   |
| 3rd quarter        | \$ 679.4                           | \$ 185.5      | \$ .73  | \$ .71   |
| 4th quarter        | \$ 671.6                           | \$ 188.4      | \$ .74  | \$ .73   |

The sums of quarterly earnings per share do not equal annual earnings per share because the computations are done independently.

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**REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

The Board of Directors and Stockholders

T. Rowe Price Group, Inc.:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of T. Rowe Price Group, Inc. and subsidiaries ( the Company ) as of December 31, 2011 and 2010, and the related consolidated statements of income, stockholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2011. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of T. Rowe Price Group, Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2011 and 2010, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2011, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2011, based on criteria established in *Internal Control - Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO), and our report dated February 3, 2012, expressed an unqualified opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

/s/ KPMG LLP

Baltimore, Maryland  
February 3, 2012

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**Item 9. Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure.**

None.

**Item 9A. Controls and Procedures.**

Our management, including our principal executive and principal financial officers, has evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures as of December 31, 2011. Based on that evaluation, our principal executive and principal financial officers have concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures as of December 31, 2011, are effective at the reasonable assurance level to ensure that the information required to be disclosed by us in the reports that we file or submit under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, including our Form 10-K annual report, is recorded, processed, summarized and reported, within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms, and to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

Our management, including our principal executive and principal financial officers, has evaluated any change in our internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the fourth quarter of 2011, and has concluded that there was no change during the fourth quarter of 2011 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

Management's report on our internal control over financial reporting and the attestation report of KPMG LLP follow.

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**REPORT OF MANAGEMENT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING**

To the Stockholders of T. Rowe Price Group, Inc.:

We, together with other members of management of T. Rowe Price Group, are responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over the company's financial reporting. Internal control over financial reporting is the process designed under our supervision, and effected by the company's board of directors, management, and other personnel, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of the company's financial statements for external purposes in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

There are inherent limitations in the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, including the possibility that misstatements may not be prevented or detected. Accordingly, even effective internal controls over financial reporting can provide only reasonable assurance with respect to financial statement preparation. Furthermore, the effectiveness of internal controls can change with circumstances.

Management has evaluated the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2011, in relation to criteria described in *Internal Control - Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). Based on management's assessment, we believe that the company's internal control over financial reporting was effective as of December 31, 2011.

KPMG LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, has audited our financial statements that are included in this annual report and expressed an unqualified opinion thereon. KPMG has also expressed an unqualified opinion on the effective operation of our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2011.

February 3, 2012

/s/ James A.C. Kennedy  
Chief Executive Officer and President

/s/ Kenneth V. Moreland  
Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer



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**REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

The Board of Directors and Stockholders

T. Rowe Price Group, Inc.:

We have audited T. Rowe Price Group, Inc. and subsidiaries (the Company) internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2011, based on criteria established in *Internal Control – Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). The Company's management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in the accompanying Report of Management on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. Our audit also included performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, T. Rowe Price Group, Inc. and subsidiaries maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2011, based on criteria established in *Internal Control – Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission.

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We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated balance sheets of T. Rowe Price Group, Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2011 and 2010, and the related consolidated statements of income, stockholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2011, and our report dated February 3, 2012, expressed an unqualified opinion on those consolidated financial statements.

/s/ KPMG LLP

Baltimore, Maryland  
February 3, 2012

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**Item 9B. Other Information.**

None.

**PART III**

**Item 10. Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance.**

Information required by this item as to the identification of our executive officers is furnished in a separate item at the end of Part I of this Report. Other information required by this item is incorporated by reference from the definitive proxy statement required to be filed pursuant to Regulation 14A for the 2012 Annual Meeting of our stockholders.

**Item 11. Executive Compensation.**

**Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters.**

**Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence.**

**Item 14. Principal Accountant Fees and Services.**

Information required by these items is incorporated by reference from the definitive proxy statement required to be filed pursuant to Regulation 14A for the 2012 Annual Meeting of our stockholders.

**PART IV**

**Item 15. Exhibits, Financial Statement Schedules.**

The following documents are filed as part of this report.

(1) Financial Statements: See Item 8 of Part II of this report.

(2) Financial Statement Schedules: None.

(3) The following exhibits required by Item 601 of Regulation S-K are filed herewith, except for Exhibit 32 that is furnished herewith. Management contracts and compensatory plans and arrangements are filed as Exhibits 10.07 through 10.17.

3(i) Charter of T. Rowe Price Group, Inc., as Amended by Articles of Amendment dated April 10, 2008. (Incorporated by reference from Form 10-Q Report for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2008 filed on April 24, 2008; File No. 033-07012-99.)

3(ii) Amended and Restated By-Laws of T. Rowe Price Group, Inc. as of February 12, 2009. (Incorporated by reference from Form 8-K Current Report as of February 17, 2009; File No. 033-07012-99.)

10.01.1 Representative Investment Management Agreement for the T. Rowe Price mutual funds that pay a management fee consisting of two components - a group management fee and individual management fee. (Incorporated by reference from Form N-1A filed on August 22, 2008; File No. 333-153130.)



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- 10.01.2 Representative Investment Management Agreement for the T. Rowe Price mutual funds that pay an individual management fee. (Incorporated by reference from Form 485APOS filed on August 11, 2010; File No. 033-29697)
  
- 10.01.3 Representative Investment Management Agreement for the T. Rowe Price mutual funds that pay an all-inclusive fee (i.e., a single fee that covers investment management and ordinary recurring operating expenses). (Incorporated by reference from Form 485APOS filed on March 15, 2007; File No. 033-29697)
  
- 10.02 Representative Underwriting Agreement between a T. Rowe Price mutual fund and T. Rowe Price Investment Services, Inc. (Incorporated by reference from Form N-1A/A filed on August 29, 2006; File No. 333-136805.)
  
- 10.03 Transfer Agency and Service Agreement as of January 1, 2011, between T. Rowe Price Services, Inc. and the T. Rowe Price Funds. (Incorporated by reference from Form 485BPOS filed on April 29, 2011; File No. 033-38791.)
  
- 10.04 Agreement as of January 1, 2011, between T. Rowe Price Retirement Plan Services, Inc. and certain of the T. Rowe Price Funds. (Incorporated by reference from Form 485BPOS filed on April 29, 2011; File No. 033-38791.)
  
- 10.05 Second Amended, Restated and Consolidated Lease Agreement dated November 9, 2004, between East Pratt Street Associates Limited Partnership and T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc. (Incorporated by reference from Form 10-K for 2004 filed on March 1, 2005; File No. 033-07012-99.)
  
- 10.07 1998 Director Stock Option Plan, as Amended and Restated effective December 16, 2004, including forms of option agreements. (Incorporated by reference from Form 10-K for 2004 filed on March 1, 2005; File No. 033-07012-99.)
  
- 10.08 Amended and Restated 2007 Non-Employee Director Equity Plan as of February 12, 2009, including statements of additional terms and conditions for awards granted after that date. (Incorporated by reference from Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2009 filed on April 22, 2009; File No. 033-07012-99.)
  
- 10.10 T. Rowe Price Group, Inc. Outside Directors Deferred Compensation Plan. (Incorporated by reference from Form 10-K for 2004 filed on March 1, 2005; File No. 033-07012-99.)
  
- 10.13.1 2001 Stock Incentive Plan. (Incorporated by reference from Form DEFR 14A filed on February 26, 2001; File No. 033-07012-99.)
  
- 10.13.2 First Amendment to 2001 Stock Incentive Plan dated April 8, 2004. (Incorporated by reference from Form DEF 14A filed on February 27, 2004; File No. 033-07012-99.)
  
- 10.13.3 Second Amendment to 2001 Stock Incentive Plan dated December 12, 2008. (Incorporated by reference from Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2009 filed on April 22, 2009; File No. 033-07012-99.)

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| 10.14.1 | 2004 Stock Incentive Plan. (Incorporated by reference from Form 10-K for 2007 filed on February 7, 2008; File No. 033-07012-99.)  |
| 10.14.2 | HM Revenue and Customs Approved Sub-Plan for UK Employees under the 2004 Stock Incentive Plan. (Incorporated by reference from Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended June 30, 2010 filed on July 23, 2010; File No. 033-07012-99.)   |
| 10.14.3 | First Amendment to 2004 Stock Incentive Plan dated December 12, 2008. (Incorporated by reference from Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2009 filed on April 22, 2009; File No. 033-07012-99.)  |
| 10.15   | Forms of agreements available for stock-based awards issued under the 2001 and 2004 Stock Incentive Plans. (Incorporated by reference from Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended June 30, 2010 filed on July 23, 2010; File No. 033-07012-99.)   |
| 10.15.1 | Forms of agreement for stock options issued under the HM Revenue and Customs Approved Sub-Plan for UK Employees under the 2004 Stock Incentive Plan. (Incorporated by reference from Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended June 30, 2010 filed on July 23, 2010; File No. 033-07012-99.) |
| 10.15.2 | Forms of agreement for stock options issued after February 2, 2012 under the 2004 Stock Incentive Plan.   |
| 10.15.3 | Forms of agreement for restricted stock units issued after February 2, 2012 under the 2004 Stock Incentive Plan.  |
| 10.15.4 | Forms of agreement for restricted stock awards issued after February 2, 2012 under the 2004 Stock Incentive Plan.   |
| 10.16   | Annual Incentive Compensation Pool. (Incorporated by reference from Form DEF 14A filed on March 3, 2003; File No. 033-07012-99.)  |
| 10.17   | Policy for Recoupment of Incentive Compensation. (Incorporated by reference from Form 8-K Current Report as of April 14, 2010 filed on April 16, 2010; File No. 033-07012-99.)  |
| 21      | Subsidiaries of T. Rowe Price Group, Inc.   |
| 23      | Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm, KPMG LLP.   |
| 31(i).1 | Rule 13a-14(a) Certification of Principal Executive Officer.  |
| 31(i).2 | Rule 13a-14(a) Certification of Principal Financial Officer.  |
| 32      | Section 1350 Certifications.  |

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- 101 The following series of unaudited XBRL-formatted documents are collectively included herewith as Exhibit 101. The financial information is extracted from T. Rowe Price Group's consolidated financial statements and notes that are included in this Form 10-K Report.

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101.INS XBRL Instance Document(File name: throw-20111231.xml)

101.SCH XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document (File name: throw-20111231.xsd)

101.CAL XBRL Taxonomy Calculation Linkbase Document (File name: throw-20111231\_cal.xml)

101.LAB XBRL Taxonomy Label Linkbase Document (File name: throw-20111231\_lab.xml)

101.PRE XBRL Taxonomy Presentation Linkbase Document (File name: throw-20111231\_pre.xml)

101.DEF XBRL Taxonomy Definition Linkbase Document (File name: throw-20111231\_def.xml)



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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, on February 3, 2012.

T. Rowe Price Group, Inc.

By: /s/ James A.C. Kennedy, Chief Executive Officer and President

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities indicated on February 3, 2012.

/s/ Brian C. Rogers, Chairman of the Board of Directors

/s/ Edward C. Bernard, Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors

/s/ James A.C. Kennedy, Chief Executive Officer and President, Director

/s/ James T. Brady, Director

/s/ J. Alfred Broaddus, Jr., Director

/s/ Donald B. Hebb, Jr., Director

/s/ Robert F. MacLellan, Director

/s/ Alfred Sommer, Director

/s/ Dwight S. Taylor, Director

/s/ Anne Marie Whittemore, Director

/s/ Kenneth V. Moreland, Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

/s/ Jessica M. Hiebler, Vice President and Principal Accounting Officer