

TCW STRATEGIC INCOME FUND INC  
Form N-Q  
November 14, 2008

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

**FORM N-Q**

**QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS OF REGISTERED  
MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY**

Investment Company Act file number 811-4980

TCW Strategic Income Fund, Inc.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

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Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (213) 244-0000

Date of fiscal year end: December 31, 2008

Date of reporting period: September 30, 2008

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**Item 1. Schedule of Investments.** The schedule of investments for the period ending July 1, 2008 through September 30, 2008 is filed herewith.

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TCW Strategic Income Fund, Inc.

SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS SEPTEMBER 30, 2008 (UNAUDITED)

| Principal Amount                                    |  | Value            |
|---|--|------------------|
| <b>Fixed Income Securities</b>                      |  |                  |
| <b>Asset Backed Securities (0.6% of Net Assets)</b> |  |                  |
| <b>Banking (0.6%)</b>                               |  |                  |
| \$ 2,500,000  | Ameriquest Mortgage Securities, Inc., (06-R2-M10), 5.707%, due 04/25/36 (1) (2)  | \$ 50,000        |
| 2,213,429   | Argent Securities, Inc., (06-W3-M10), (144A), 5.707%, due 04/25/36 (Cost \$1,870,491, Acquired 03/15/2006) (1) (2) (3) (4)                                 | 18,814           |
| 1,632,450   | Argent Securities, Inc., (06-W4-M10), 5.707%, due 05/25/36 (1) (2)   | 16,324           |
| 2,000,000   | Carrington Mortgage Loan Trust, (06-FRE2-M10), (144A), 5.207%, due 10/25/36 (Cost \$1,762,231, Acquired 10/05/2006) (1) (2) (3) (4)                        | 40,000           |
| 2,000,000   | Carrington Mortgage Loan Trust, (06-NC1-M10), (144A), 6.207%, due 01/25/36 (Cost \$1,882,813, Acquired 05/19/2006) (1) (2) (3) (4)                         | 120,000          |
| 1,500,000   | Countrywide Asset-Backed Certificates, (06-26-B), (144A), 4.957%, due 06/25/37 (Cost \$1,229,772, Acquired 12/19/2006) (1) (2) (3) (4)                     | 39,000           |
| 2,000,000   | Countrywide Asset-Backed Certificates, (07-6-M8), 5.207%, due 09/25/37 (1) (2)   | 78,000           |
| 2,000,000   | Countrywide Asset-Backed Certificates, (06-5-B), 5.607%, due 08/25/36 (1) (2)  | 66,000           |
| 1,868,100   | Countrywide Asset-Backed Certificates, (06-6-B), (144A), 6.207%, due 09/25/36 (Cost \$1,611,776, Acquired 03/20/2006) (1) (2) (3) (4)                      | 59,406           |
| 2,000,000   | First Franklin Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, (06-FF5-M10), (144A), 5.207%, due 04/25/36 (Cost \$1,800,266, Acquired 04/28/2006) (1) (2) (3) (4) | 30,000           |
| 174,616   | First Franklin Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, (06-FF7-M10), (144A), 5.207%, due 05/25/36 (Cost \$1,809,382, Acquired 05/19/2006) (1) (2) (3) (4) | 436              |
| 1,664,733   | First Franklin Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, (06-FF17-B), (144A), 5.707%, due 12/25/36 (Cost \$1,802,408, Acquired 11/15/2006) (1) (2) (3) (4)  | 8,324            |
| 2,000,000   | Fremont Home Loan Trust, (06-2-M9), 5.607%, due 02/25/36 (1) (2)   | 100,000          |
| 2,000,000   | HSI Asset Securitization Corp. Trust, (06-OPT3-M9), 5.207%, due 02/25/36 (1) (2)   | 35,000           |
| 1,740,000   | HSI Asset Securitization Corp. Trust, (07-HE2-M8), 5.707%, due 04/25/37 (1) (2)  | 87,000           |
| 2,000,000   | JP Morgan Mortgage Acquisition Corp., (06-NC1-M10), (144A), 5.707%, due 04/25/36 (Cost \$1,778,268, Acquired 04/05/2006) (1) (2) (3) (4)                   | 30,000           |
| 1,000,000   | Saxon Asset Securities Trust, (07-1-B2), 5.457%, due 01/25/47 (1) (2)  | 35,000           |
| 2,000,000   | Saxon Asset Securities Trust, (06-2-B4), 5.707%, due 09/25/36 (1) (2)  | 20,000           |
| 2,000,000   | Securitized Asset-Backed Receivables LLC Trust, (07-BR1-B2), 5.457%, due 02/25/37 (1) (2)  | 40,000           |
| 2,000,000   | Soundview Home Equity Loan Trust, (06-OPT2-M9), (144A), 5.707%, due 05/25/36 (Cost \$1,745,625, Acquired 03/14/2006) (1) (2) (3) (4)                       | 30,000           |
| 2,000,000   | Soundview Home Equity Loan Trust, (06-OPT3-M9), (144A), 5.707%, due 06/25/36 (Cost \$1,811,875, Acquired 04/13/2006) (1) (2) (3) (4)                       | 40,000           |
| 2,000,000   | Structured Asset Securities Corp., (06-WF1-M9), 5.207%, due 02/25/36 (1) (2)   | 50,000           |
| 1,367,983   | Structured Asset Securities Corp., (06-NC1-B1), (144A), 5.707%, due 05/25/36 (Cost \$1,203,825, Acquired 09/29/2006) (1) (2) (3) (4)                       | 13,680           |
| 2,700,000   | Structured Asset Securities Corp., (07-EQ1-M9), 5.707%, due 03/25/37 (1) (2)   | 67,500           |
|   | <b>Total Banking</b>   | <b>1,074,484</b> |
|   | <b>Total Asset Backed Securities (Cost: \$39,645,885)</b>  | <b>1,074,484</b> |
| <b>Collateralized Debt Obligations (8.0%)</b>       |  |                  |
| <b>Banking (0.2%)</b>                               |  |                  |
| 1,000,000   | FM Leveraged Capital Fund, (06-2A-E), (144A), 6.76%, due 11/15/20 (Cost \$1,000,000, Acquired 10/31/2006) (1) (2) (3) (4)                                  | 270,535          |

**Diversified Financial Services-Multi-Sector Holdings (0.0%)**

|          |   |
|----------|---|
| 1,500(6) | Mantoloking CDO, Ltd., (144A), 0%, due 09/28/46 (Cost \$1,417,500, Acquired 11/21/2006) (1) (2) (3) (4) (5) |
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See accompanying Notes to Schedule of Investments.

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| Principal Amount |   | Value      |
|------------------|---|------------|
| \$ 487,728       | Mantoloking CDO, Ltd., (06-1A-E), (144A), 0%, due 08/28/46 (Cost \$487,728, Acquired 11/21/2006) (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)            | \$         |
|                  | Total Diversified Financial Services-Multi-Sector Holdings  |            |
|                  | <b>Diversified Financial Services-Specialized Finance (7.8%)</b>  |            |
| 1,500(6)         | ACA CLO, Ltd., (06-2), (144A), 13.07%, due 01/09/21 (Cost \$1,395,000, Acquired 11/28/2006) (1) (2) (3) (4)                     | 225,000    |
| 4,000,000        | ARES CLO, (06-5RA), (144A), 15.64%, due 02/24/18 (Cost \$3,840,000, Acquired 03/08/2006) (1) (3) (4)                            | 1,560,000  |
| 2,000,000        | Avenue CLO, Ltd., (07-6A), (144A), 8.49%, due 07/17/19 (Cost \$1,840,000, Acquired 04/24/2007) (1) (3) (4)                      | 760,000    |
| 1,000(6)         | Centurion CDO VII, Ltd., (144A), 17.56%, due 01/30/16 (Cost \$760,000, Acquired 11/01/2006) (1) (2) (3) (4)                     | 345,000    |
| 2,000,000        | Clydesdale CLO, Ltd., (06-1A), (144A), 15.14%, due 12/19/18 (Cost \$1,860,000, Acquired 01/16/2007) (1) (3) (4)                 | 980,000    |
| 1,000,000        | CW Capital Cobalt, (06-2A-K), (144A), 7.68%, due 04/26/50 (Cost \$1,000,000, Acquired 04/12/2006) (1) (2) (3) (4)               | 170,000    |
| 1,000,000        | CW Capital Cobalt II, (06-2A-PS), (144A), 7.21%, due 04/26/50 (Cost \$940,000, Acquired 04/12/2006) (1) (2) (3) (4)             | 319,150    |
| 1,771,501        | De Meer Middle Market CLO, Ltd., (06-1A), (144A), 23.81%, due 10/20/18 (Cost \$1,734,261, Acquired 08/03/2006) (1) (3) (4)      | 865,765    |
| 857,103          | De Meer Middle Market CLO, Ltd., (06-1A-E), (144A), 23.62%, due 10/20/18 (Cost \$918,497, Acquired 08/03/2006) (1) (2) (3) (4)  | 408,200    |
| 2,000,000        | Duane Street CLO, (06-3-A), (144A), 19.67%, due 01/11/21 (Cost \$1,860,000, Acquired 11/15/2006) (1) (3) (4)                    | 800,000    |
| 2,000(6)         | FM Leveraged Capital Fund II, (06-1A-PS), (144A), 12.67%, due 11/20/20 (Cost \$1,860,000, Acquired 10/31/2006) (1) (2) (3) (4)  | 690,238    |
| 2,000,000        | Galaxy CLO, Ltd., (06-6I), 4.03%, due 06/13/18 (1)  | 760,000    |
| 2,000,000        | Galaxy CLO, Ltd., (06-7A), (144A), 11.53%, due 10/13/18 (Cost \$1,900,000, Acquired 08/04/2006) (1) (3) (4)                     | 920,000    |
| 2,000,000        | LCM CDO, LP, (5I), 12.22%, due 03/21/19 (1)   | 920,000    |
| 3,500,000        | Octagon Investment Partners X, Ltd., (06-10A), (144A), 11.41%, due 10/18/20 (Cost \$3,325,000, Acquired 08/10/2006) (1) (3) (4) | 1,368,792  |
| 3,000,000        | Prospect Park CDO, Ltd., (06-1I), 9.8%, due 07/15/20 (1)  | 1,350,000  |
| 1,750,000(6)     | Vertical CDO, Ltd., (06-1), (144A), 0%, due 04/22/46 (Cost \$1,697,500, Acquired 05/16/2006) (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)                | 350,000    |
| 1,000,000(6)     | Whitehorse III, Ltd., (144A), 11.49%, due 05/01/18 (Cost \$900,000, Acquired 02/22/2007) (1) (2) (3) (4)                        | 320,000    |
|                  | Total Diversified Financial Services-Specialized Finance  | 13,112,145 |
|                  | <b>Thriffs &amp; Mortgage Finance (0.0%)</b>  |            |
| 10,000           | Bering CDO, Ltd., (06-1A), (144A), 0%, due 09/07/46 (Cost \$870,000, Acquired 08/03/2006) (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)                   |            |
| 1,097,181        | Bering CDO, Ltd., (06-1A-C), (144A), 0%, due 09/07/46 (Cost \$1,000,000, Acquired 08/03/2006) (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)               |            |
| 2,000,000        | Fortius Funding, Ltd., (06-2-A), (144A), 0%, due 02/03/42 (Cost \$1,900,000, Acquired 11/03/2006) (1) (3) (4) (5)               | 200        |
| 1,008,686        | Fortius Funding, Ltd., (06-2-AE), (144A), 0%, due 02/03/42 (Cost \$955,559, Acquired 11/06/2006) (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)            | 101        |
| 1,000(6)         | Fortius I Funding, Ltd., (144A), 0%, due 07/12/41 (Cost \$970,000, Acquired 03/13/2006) (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)                     | 100        |

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|---|---|-------------------|
| \$ 1,044,706  | GSC ABS CDO, Ltd., (06-3GA-D), (144A), 0%, due 06/02/42 (Cost \$985,103, Acquired 12/07/2006) (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)         | \$                |
| 1,676,105   | Hudson Mezzanine Funding, (06-1-AE), (144A), 0%, due 04/12/42 (Cost \$1,553,359, Acquired 10/25/2006) (1) (2) (3) (4) (5) |                   |
| 1,500,000   | Hudson Mezzanine Funding, (06-1A-INC), (144A), 0%, due 04/12/42 (Cost \$1,395,000, Acquired 10/25/2006) (1) (3) (4) (5)   | 150               |
| 2,000,000   | Vertical CDO, Ltd., (06-2A), (144A), 0%, due 05/09/46 (Cost \$1,860,000, Acquired 05/19/2006) (1) (3) (4) (5)             |                   |
| 2,171,422   | Vertical CDO, Ltd., (06-2A-C), (144A), 0%, due 05/09/46 (Cost \$2,171,422, Acquired 05/19/2006) (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)       |                   |
|   | Total Thrifts & Mortgage Finance  | 551               |
|   | <b>Total Collateralized Debt Obligations (Cost: \$13,383,231)</b>   | <b>13,383,231</b> |
| <b>Collateralized Mortgage Obligations (100.9%)</b> |   |                   |
| <b>Private Mortgage-Backed Securities (40.1%)</b>   |   |                   |
| 5,250,000   | Adjustable Rate Mortgage Trust, (05-11-2A3), 5.325%, due 02/25/36 (2)   | 3,144,380         |
| 3,192,360   | Adjustable Rate Mortgage Trust, (05-4-6A22), 5.29%, due 08/25/35 (2)  | 1,760,240         |
| 4,476,121   | American Home Mortgage Assets, (05-2-2A1A), 5.986%, due 01/25/36 (2)  | 3,389,050         |
| 4,008,132   | Banc of America Funding Corp., (07-6-A2), 3.487%, due 07/25/37 (2)  | 2,559,839         |
| 2,727,890   | Bear Stearns Alternative Loan Trust, (06-2-22A1), 5.96%, due 03/25/36   | 1,602,795         |
| 3,500,000   | Citi Mortgage Alternative Loan Trust, (06-A3-1A7), 6%, due 07/25/36   | 2,238,354         |
| 3,000,000   | Countrywide Alternative Loan Trust, (07-11T1-A21), 6%, due 05/25/37   | 1,682,636         |
| 4,000,000   | Countrywide Alternative Loan Trust, (07-12T1-A5), 6%, due 06/25/37  | 2,599,018         |
| 3,000,000   | Countrywide Alternative Loan Trust, (07-19-1A4), 6%, due 08/25/37   | 1,790,636         |
| 2,793,926   | Countrywide Alternative Loan Trust, (07-9T1-2A3), 6%, due 05/25/37  | 2,045,377         |
| 2,387,453   | Countrywide Home Loans, (04-HYB4-B1), 4.586%, due 09/20/34 (2)  | 1,533,714         |
| 213,718,030   | Countrywide Home Loans, (06-14-X), 0.341%, due 09/25/36 (I/O)(2)  | 1,734,939         |
| 256,080,849   | Countrywide Home Loans, (06-15-X), 0.385%, due 10/25/36 (I/O)(2)  | 2,290,336         |
| 3,900,000   | Countrywide Home Loans, (07-J2-2A6), 6%, due 07/25/37   | 2,367,890         |
| 3,864,231   | Credit Suisse First Boston Mortgage Securities Corp., (05-12-1A1), 6.5%, due 01/25/36                                     | 3,135,396         |
| 37,440,363  | Credit Suisse Mortgage Capital Certificates, (06-9-7A2), 3.343%, due 11/25/36 (I/O) (I/F)(2)                              | 2,141,134         |
| 2,493,435   | Credit Suisse Mortgage Capital Certificates, (07-5-DB1), 7.1%, due 08/25/37 (2)   | 187,008           |
| 6,554,096   | GSR Mortgage Loan Trust, (03-7F-1A4), 5.25%, due 06/25/33   | 4,309,756         |
| 1,061,817   | GSR Mortgage Loan Trust, (04-3F-2A10), 9.056%, due 02/25/34 (I/F)(2)  | 997,834           |
| 3,909,940   | GSR Mortgage Loan Trust, (06-1F-1A5), 12.887%, due 02/25/36 (I/F) (TAC)(2)  | 3,163,789         |
| 4,451,086   | JP Morgan Alternative Loan Trust, (07-A1-2A1), 5.938%, due 03/25/37 (2)   | 3,090,537         |
| 4,228,919   | JP Morgan Mortgage Trust, (07-S2-1A1), 5%, due 06/25/37   | 3,069,949         |
| 2,500,000   | Novastar Home Equity Loan, (04-2-M4), 4.407%, due 09/25/34 (2)  | 1,148,946         |
| 2,447,476   | Residential Accredit Loans, Inc., (05-QA7-M1), 5.428%, due 07/25/35 (2)   | 607,453           |
| 2,779,000   | Residential Asset Securitization Trust, (05-A8CB-A3), 5.5%, due 07/25/35  | 1,740,214         |
| 13,145,015  | Residential Asset Securitization Trust, (07-A5-AX), 6%, due 05/25/37 (I/O)  | 1,971,752         |
| 291,164,790   | Residential Funding Mortgage Securities, (06-S9-AV), 0.298%, due 09/25/36 (I/O)(2)  | 2,171,536         |
| 3,093,266   | Structured Adjustable Rate Mortgage Loan Trust, (05-20-1A1), 5.87%, due 10/25/35 (2)                                      | 1,990,266         |
| 3,598,826   | Structured Adjustable Rate Mortgage Loan Trust, (05-23-3A1), 6.13%, due 01/25/36 (2)                                      | 2,778,009         |
| 2,767,508   | Structured Adjustable Rate Mortgage Loan Trust, (06-3-4A), 6%, due 04/25/36   | 2,094,341         |
| 1,947,970   | Terwin Mortgage Trust, (06-17HE-A2A), (144A), 3.287%, due 01/25/38 (2) (3)  | 1,597,335         |
|   | <b>Total Private Mortgage-Backed Securities</b>   | <b>66,934,459</b> |

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| <b>U.S. Government Agency Obligations (60.8%)</b> |  |              |
| \$ 4,460,936                                      | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (2654-CO), 0%, due 08/15/33 (P/O)                          | \$ 1,967,575 |
| 3,258,000   | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (2684-SN), 15.813%, due 10/15/33 (I/F)(2)                  | 2,120,816    |
| 5,688,598   | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (2691-CO), 0%, due 10/15/33 (P/O)                          | 3,913,822    |
| 1,670,011   | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (2727-AS), 5.344%, due 07/15/32 (I/F)(2)                   | 954,373      |
| 3,278,006   | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (2857-OM), 0%, due 09/15/34 (P/O)                          | 1,891,823    |
| 1,950,546   | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (2870-EO), 0%, due 10/15/34 (P/O)                          | 1,298,321    |
| 3,358,313   | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (2937-SW), 12.375%, due 02/15/35 (I/F) (TAC)(2)            | 2,380,376    |
| 832,360   | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (2950-GS), 9.813%, due 03/15/35 (I/F)(2)                   | 264,319      |
| 3,144,097   | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (2951-NS), 9.813%, due 03/15/35 (I/F)(2)                   | 2,299,830    |
| 1,529,079   | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (2962-GT), 16%, due 04/15/35 (I/F) (TAC)(2)                | 1,562,682    |
| 987,732   | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (2990-JK), 12.052%, due 03/15/35 (I/F)(2)                  | 886,444      |
| 3,352,073   | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (3000-SR), 11.875%, due 03/15/35 (I/F) (TAC)(2)            | 2,671,348    |
| 2,242,315   | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (3014-SJ), 6.863%, due 08/15/35 (I/F)(2)                   | 1,334,553    |
| 1,607,354   | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (3019-SQ), 17.019%, due 06/15/35 (I/F)(2)                  | 1,355,240    |
| 2,223,595   | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (3035-TP), 6.5%, due 12/15/33 (I/F)(2)                     | 1,880,875    |
| 2,041,582   | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (3062-HO), 0%, due 11/15/35 (P/O)                          | 1,315,145    |
| 3,226,609   | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (3063-JS), 15.359%, due 11/15/35 (I/F)(2)                  | 1,946,946    |
| 1,556,700   | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (3074-LO), 0%, due 11/15/35 (P/O)                          | 920,662      |
| 468,454   | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (3076-ZQ), 5.5%, due 11/15/35 (PAC)                        | 427,190      |
| 2,628,760   | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (3077-ZW), 4.5%, due 08/15/35                              | 2,313,306    |
| 1,813,343   | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (3081-PO), 0%, due 07/15/33 (P/O)                          | 1,409,226    |
| 2,184,497   | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (3092-CS), 12.81%, due 12/15/35 (I/F) (TAC)(2)             | 2,245,626    |
| 2,274,394   | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (3092-LO), 0%, due 12/15/35 (P/O) (TAC)                    | 1,928,030    |
| 2,819,318   | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (3092-OL), 0%, due 12/15/35 (P/O)                          | 1,945,334    |
| 25,533,931  | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (3122-SG), 3.143%, due 03/15/36 (I/O) (I/F) (TAC) (PAC)(2) | 985,794      |
| 2,602,891   | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (3128-OJ), 0%, due 03/15/36 (P/O)                          | 2,287,718    |
| 1,948,802   | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (3146-SB), 14.529%, due 04/15/36 (I/F)(2)                  | 1,550,594    |
| 1,258,231   | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (3153-NK), 14.456%, due 05/15/36 (I/F)(2)                  | 1,138,232    |
| 2,009,874   | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (3161-SA), 14.346%, due 05/15/36 (I/F)(2)                  | 1,592,845    |
| 3,139,334   | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (3171-GO), 0%, due 06/15/36 (P/O) (PAC)                    | 2,830,843    |
| 5,966,846   | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (3171-OJ), 0%, due 06/15/36 (P/O)                          | 3,387,405    |
| 3,404,911   | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (3185-SA), 6.683%, due 07/15/36 (I/F)(2)                   | 2,254,780    |
| 1,387,996   | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (3186-SB), 13.613%, due 07/15/36 (I/F)(2)                  | 1,165,246    |
| 4,829,506   | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (3225-AO), 0%, due 10/15/36 (P/O)                          | 3,204,799    |
| 2,403,002   | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (3330-SB), 14.713%, due 06/15/37 (I/F) (TAC)(2)            | 2,420,508    |
| 3,271,682   | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (3349-SD), 13.429%, due 07/15/37 (I/F)(2)                  | 2,758,156    |
| 1,874,281   | Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., (3457-PO), 0%, due 09/15/36 (P/O)                          | 1,143,327    |
| 3,602,272   | Federal National Mortgage Association, (05-1-GZ), 5%, due 02/25/35                           | 3,344,995    |
| 3,704,674   | Federal National Mortgage Association, (05-13-JS), 7.216%, due 03/25/35 (I/F)(2)             | 1,427,544    |
| 1,942,239   | Federal National Mortgage Association, (05-44-TS), 9.144%, due 03/25/35 (I/F) (TAC)(2)       | 1,497,953    |
| 2,094,842   | Federal National Mortgage Association, (05-62-BO), 0%, due 07/25/35 (P/O)                    | 1,746,164    |
| 2,923,909   | Federal National Mortgage Association, (05-69-HO), 0%, due 08/25/35 (P/O)                    | 2,023,213    |
| 1,169,544   | Federal National Mortgage Association, (05-87-ZQ), 4.5%, due 10/25/25                        | 1,073,386    |
| 1,360,071   | Federal National Mortgage Association, (05-92-DT), 6%, due 10/25/35 (I/F) (TAC)              | 1,390,804    |
| 1,067,520   | Federal National Mortgage Association, (06-14-SP), 15.422%, due 03/25/36 (I/F) (TAC)(2)      | 1,039,125    |
| 1,390,081   | Federal National Mortgage Association, (06-15-LO), 0%, due 03/25/36 (P/O)                    | 935,400      |

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| Principal Amount                                    |   | Value              |
|---|---|--------------------|
| \$ 2,373,613  | Federal National Mortgage Association, (06-44-C), 0%, due 12/25/33 (P/O)                        | \$ 1,759,181       |
| 3,604,348   | Federal National Mortgage Association, (06-45-SP), 11.451%, due 06/25/36 (I/F)(2)               | 3,618,012          |
| 1,876,092   | Federal National Mortgage Association, (06-57-SA), 11.231%, due 06/25/36 (I/F)(2)               | 1,620,897          |
| 2,000,000   | Federal National Mortgage Association, (06-67-DS), 11.19%, due 07/25/36 (I/F)(2)                | 1,752,463          |
| 28,010,009  | Federal National Mortgage Association, (07-48-SD), 2.893%, due 05/25/37 (I/O) (I/F)(2)          | 1,330,671          |
| 2,340,578   | Federal National Mortgage Association, (07-58-SL), 8.108%, due 06/25/36 (I/F)(2)                | 1,572,564          |
| 5,956,506   | Government National Mortgage Association, (05-45-DK), 12.048%, due 06/16/35 (I/F)(2)            | 5,578,438          |
| 81,554,873  | Government National Mortgage Association, (06-61-SA), 1.563%, due 11/20/36 (I/F) (I/O) (TAC)(2) | 1,656,844          |
|   | Total U.S. Government Agency Obligations  | 101,321,763        |
|   | <b>Total Collateralized Mortgage Obligations (Cost: \$175,548,505)</b>                          | <b>168,256,222</b> |
| <b>Other Fixed Income (10.5%)</b>                   |   |                    |
| <b>Financial Services (10.5%)</b>                   |   |                    |
| 19,435,000  | Dow Jones CDX, Series 10, (144A), 8.875%, due 06/29/13 (3) (7)                                  | 17,491,500         |
|   | <b>Total Other Fixed Income (Cost: \$18,913,888)</b>  | <b>17,491,500</b>  |
|   | <b>Total Fixed Income Securities (Cost: \$ 247,491,509) (120.0%)</b>                            | <b>200,205,437</b> |
| <b>Convertible Securities</b>                       |   |                    |
| <b>Convertible Corporate Bonds (4.7%)</b>           |   |                    |
| <b>Banking (0.6%)</b>                               |   |                    |
| 907,000   | Euronet Worldwide, Inc., 3.5%, due 10/15/25   | 697,256            |
| 683,000   | National City Corp., 4%, due 02/01/11   | 321,010            |
|   | Total Banking   | 1,018,266          |
| <b>Electronics (1.0%)</b>                           |   |                    |
| 736,000   | Agere Systems, Inc., 6.5%, due 12/15/09   | 747,040            |
| 45,000  | JA Solar Holdings Co., Ltd., 4.5%, due 05/15/13   | 32,605             |
| 751,000   | LSI Logic Corp., 4%, due 05/15/10 (8)   | 714,389            |
| 339,000   | Xilinx, Inc., (144A), 3.125%, due 03/15/37 (3)  | 283,065            |
|   | Total Electronics   | 1,777,099          |
| <b>Healthcare Providers (0.5%)</b>                  |   |                    |
| 1,186,000   | Omnicare, Inc., 3.25%, due 12/15/35 (8)   | 808,378            |
| <b>Media - Broadcasting &amp; Publishing (0.1%)</b> |   |                    |
| 319,000   | Ciena Corp., 0.875%, due 06/15/17   | 159,500            |
| <b>Medical Supplies (0.2%)</b>                      |   |                    |
| 160,000   | Integra LifeSciences Holdings Corp., (144A), 2.375%, due 06/01/12 (3)                           | 136,000            |
| 160,000   | Integra LifeSciences Holdings Corp., (144A), 2.75%, due 06/01/10 (3)                            | 145,800            |
|   | Total Medical Supplies  | 281,800            |
| <b>Metals (0.1%)</b>                                |   |                    |
| 370,000   | Coeur d Alene Mines Corp., 3.25%, due 03/15/28  | 227,147            |
| <b>Oil &amp; Gas (0.8%)</b>                         |   |                    |
| 99,000  | Hercules Offshore, Inc., (144A), 3.375%, due 06/01/38 (1) (3) (4)                               | 73,568             |
| 443,000   | Transocean, Inc., Class A, 1.625%, due 12/15/37   | 419,742            |

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| Principal Amount |   | Value            |
|------------------|---|------------------|
| \$ 442,000       | Transocean, Inc., Class B, 1.5%, due 12/15/37   | \$ 407,193       |
| 442,000          | Transocean, Inc., Class C, 1.5%, due 12/15/37   | 402,220          |
|                  | <b>Total Oil &amp; Gas</b>  | <b>1,302,723</b> |
|                  | <b>Pharmaceuticals (0.3%)</b>   |                  |
| 357,000          | United Therapeutics Corp., (144A), 0.5%, due 10/15/11 (3)   | 516,311          |
|                  | <b>Real Estate (1.0%)</b>   |                  |
| 1,517,000        | Affordable Residential Communities, Inc., (144A), 7.5%, due 08/15/25 (Cost \$1,516,330, Acquired 08/03/2005-05/12/2006) (1) (3) (4) | 1,520,793        |
| 180,000          | ProLogis, 2.625%, due 05/15/38 (8)  | 129,825          |
|                  | <b>Total Real Estate</b>  | <b>1,650,618</b> |
|                  | <b>Retailers (0.1%)</b>   |                  |
| 140,000          | RadioShack Corp., (144A), 2.5%, due 08/01/13 (3) (8)  | 135,534          |
|                  | <b>Total Convertible Corporate Bonds (Cost: \$9,258,041)</b>  | <b>7,877,376</b> |

| Number of Shares |  |                  |
|------------------|--|------------------|
|                  | <b>Convertible Preferred Stocks (5.2%)</b>   |                  |
|                  | <b>Airlines (0.5%)</b>                       |                  |
| 17,850           | Bristow Group, Inc. \$2.75                   | 767,550          |
|                  | <b>Commercial Services (0.1%)</b>            |                  |
| 10,940           | United Rentals Trust I, \$3.25               | 243,415          |
|                  | <b>Containers &amp; Packaging (0.2%)</b>     |                  |
| 25,261           | Smurfit-Stone Container Corp., \$1.75        | 335,496          |
|                  | <b>Diversified Financial Services (1.2%)</b> |                  |
| 1,160            | Bank of America Corp., \$72.50               | 972,080          |
| 38,900           | CIT Group, Inc., \$1.9375                    | 346,988          |
| 11,500           | Credit Suisse, Inc. \$1.9602                 | 737,886          |
| 1,568            | Lehman Brothers Holdings, Inc., \$87.50 (9)  | 1,568            |
|                  | <b>Total Diversified Financial Services</b>  | <b>2,058,522</b> |
|                  | <b>Electric Utilities (0.4%)</b>             |                  |
| 16,500           | AES Corp., \$3.375                           | 632,775          |
|                  | <b>Financial Services (0.1%)</b>             |                  |
| 2,724            | Vale Capital, Ltd., Series A, \$2.75         | 105,044          |
| 1,612            | Vale Capital, Ltd., Series B, \$2.75 (8)     | 65,387           |
|                  | <b>Total Financial Services</b>              | <b>170,431</b>   |
|                  | <b>Insurance (0.6%)</b>                      |                  |
| 13,105           | Reinsurance Group of America, Inc., \$2.875  | 779,747          |
| 41,687           | XL Capital, Ltd., \$1.75 (8)                 | 291,809          |
|                  | <b>Total Insurance</b>                       | <b>1,071,556</b> |

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| Number of Shares                                     |  | Value             |
|--|--|-------------------|
| <b>Media (0.3%)</b>                                  |  |                   |
| 800  | Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc., (144A), \$52.50 (3)        | \$ 527,200        |
| <b>Oil, Gas &amp; Consumable Fuels (0.5%)</b>        |  |                   |
| 8,445  | Chesapeake Energy Corp., \$4.50 (8)                              | 840,278           |
| <b>Pharmaceuticals (0.2%)</b>                        |  |                   |
| 330  | Mylan, Inc., \$65.00   | 259,050           |
| <b>Road &amp; Rail (0.6%)</b>                        |  |                   |
| 660  | Kansas City Southern, \$51.25                                    | 1,010,790         |
| <b>Utilities (0.5%)</b>                              |  |                   |
| 16,100   | Entergy Corp., \$2.125   | 843,238           |
|  | <b>Total Convertible Preferred Stocks (Cost: \$12,313,401)</b>   | <b>8,760,301</b>  |
|  | <b>Total Convertible Securities (Cost: \$ 21,571,442) (9.9%)</b> | <b>16,637,677</b> |
| <b>Common Stock</b>                                  |  |                   |
| <b>Aerospace &amp; Defense (0.1%)</b>                |  |                   |
| 1,900  | Honeywell International, Inc.                                    | 78,945            |
| <b>Automobiles (0.1%)</b>                            |  |                   |
| 8,150  | General Motors Corp. (8)   | 77,018            |
| <b>Chemicals (0.1%)</b>                              |  |                   |
| 5,500  | Du Pont (E.I.) de Nemours & Co.                                  | 221,650           |
| <b>Commercial Services &amp; Supplies (0.1%)</b>     |  |                   |
| 1,900  | Avery Dennison Corp.   | 84,512            |
| 3,000  | Waste Management, Inc. (8)                                       | 94,470            |
|  | <b>Total Commercial Services &amp; Supplies</b>                  | <b>178,982</b>    |
| <b>Computers &amp; Peripherals (0.2%)</b>            |  |                   |
| 4,100  | Dell, Inc. (10)  | 67,568            |
| 1,400  | Hewlett-Packard Co. (8)  | 64,736            |
| 1,800  | International Business Machines Corp.                            | 210,528           |
|  | <b>Total Computers &amp; Peripherals</b>                         | <b>342,832</b>    |
| <b>Containers &amp; Packaging (0.1%)</b>             |  |                   |
| 7,800  | Packaging Corp. of America                                       | 180,804           |
| <b>Diversified Financial Services (0.3%)</b>         |  |                   |
| 6,100  | Citigroup, Inc.  | 125,111           |
| 5,600  | JPMorgan Chase & Co. (8)   | 261,520           |
| 1,000  | NYSE Euronext (8)  | 39,180            |
|  | <b>Total Diversified Financial Services</b>                      | <b>425,811</b>    |
| <b>Diversified Telecommunication Services (0.2%)</b> |  |                   |
| 5,500  | AT&T, Inc.   | 153,560           |
| 38,400   | Qwest Communications International, Inc. (8)                     | 124,032           |

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| Number of<br>Shares |  | Value     |
|---------------------|--|-----------|
| 7,837               | Windstream Corp. (8)                                 | \$ 85,737 |
|                     | Total Diversified Telecommunication Services         | 363,329   |
|                     | <b>Electric Utilities (0.1%)</b>                     |           |
| 4,300               | American Electric Power Co., Inc. (8)                | 159,229   |
|                     | <b>Electronic Equipment &amp; Instruments (0.1%)</b> |           |
| 4,000               | Tyco Electronics, Ltd.                               | 110,640   |
|                     | <b>Financial Services (0.1%)</b>                     |           |
| 7,200               | Blackstone Group, LP (The) (8)                       | 110,448   |
|                     | <b>Food &amp; Staples Retailing (0.0%)</b>           |           |
| 3,300               | Whole Foods Market, Inc. (8)                         | 66,099    |
|                     | <b>Food Products (0.2%)</b>                          |           |
| 6,900               | Kraft Foods, Inc., Class A                           | 225,975   |
| 13,500              | Sara Lee Corp. (8)                                   | 170,505   |
|                     | Total Food Products                                  | 396,480   |
|                     | <b>Health Care Equipment &amp; Supplies (0.0%)</b>   |           |
| 1,100               | Boston Scientific Corp. (10)                         | 13,497    |
|                     | <b>Health Care Providers &amp; Services (0.1%)</b>   |           |
| 1,900               | Aetna, Inc.  | 68,609    |
| 23,740              | Tenet Healthcare Corp. (8) (10)                      | 131,757   |
|                     | Total Health Care Providers & Services               | 200,366   |
|                     | <b>Household Durables (0.0%)</b>                     |           |
| 1,700               | Sony Corp. (ADR) (8)                                 | 52,479    |
|                     | <b>Household Products (0.1%)</b>                     |           |
| 3,400               | Kimberly-Clark Corp. (8)                             | 220,456   |
|                     | <b>Industrial Conglomerates (0.2%)</b>               |           |
| 7,700               | General Electric Co. (8)                             | 196,350   |
| 3,100               | Tyco International, Ltd.                             | 108,562   |
|                     | Total Industrial Conglomerates                       | 304,912   |
|                     | <b>Insurance (0.2%)</b>                              |           |
| 4,300               | Travelers Cos., Inc. (The)                           | 194,360   |
| 4,900               | XL Capital, Ltd. , Class A                           | 87,906    |
|                     | Total Insurance                                      | 282,266   |
|                     | <b>Leisure Equipment &amp; Products (0.1%)</b>       |           |
| 6,900               | Mattel, Inc.   | 124,476   |
|                     | <b>Media (0.2%)</b>                                  |           |
| 5,750               | Comcast Corp., Class A                               | 112,872   |
| 9,600               | Regal Entertainment Group, Class A (8)               | 151,488   |

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| Number of<br>Shares |  | Value            |
|---------------------|--|------------------|
| 3,500               | Time Warner, Inc. (8)                                      | \$ 45,885        |
|                     | Total Media  | 310,245          |
|                     | <b>Metals &amp; Mining (0.1%)</b>                          |                  |
| 3,400               | Alcoa, Inc. (8)  | 76,772           |
|                     | <b>Multi-Utilities (0.0%)</b>                              |                  |
| 1,500               | Ameren Corp. (8)   | 58,545           |
|                     | <b>Oil, Gas &amp; Consumable Fuels (0.3%)</b>              |                  |
| 500                 | BP plc (ADR)   | 25,085           |
| 2,800               | Chevron Corp. (8)  | 230,944          |
| 3,200               | ConocoPhillips (8)   | 234,400          |
| 2,000               | Valero Energy Corp. (8)                                    | 60,600           |
|                     | Total Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels                          | 551,029          |
|                     | <b>Paper &amp; Forest Products (0.1%)</b>                  |                  |
| 6,200               | Louisiana-Pacific Corp. (8)                                | 57,660           |
| 6,000               | MeadWestvaco Corp. (8)                                     | 139,860          |
|                     | Total Paper & Forest Products                              | 197,520          |
|                     | <b>Pharmaceuticals (0.2%)</b>                              |                  |
| 4,800               | Bristol-Myers Squibb Co.                                   | 100,080          |
| 9,600               | Pfizer, Inc.   | 177,024          |
| 4,400               | Watson Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (8) (10)                      | 125,400          |
|                     | Total Pharmaceuticals                                      | 402,504          |
|                     | <b>Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) (0.0%)</b>        |                  |
| 2,400               | Hospitality Properties Trust (8)                           | 49,248           |
|                     | <b>Road &amp; Rail (0.0%)</b>                              |                  |
| 1                   | Kansas City Southern (10)                                  | 44               |
|                     | <b>Semiconductors &amp; Semiconductor Equipment (0.1%)</b> |                  |
| 3,500               | Intel Corp. (8)  | 65,555           |
| 9,000               | LSI Corp. (10)   | 48,240           |
|                     | Total Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment             | 113,795          |
|                     | <b>Specialty Retail (0.1%)</b>                             |                  |
| 8,300               | Gap, Inc. (The) (8)  | 147,574          |
| 3,100               | Home Depot, Inc. (The)                                     | 80,259           |
|                     | Total Specialty Retail                                     | 227,833          |
|                     | <b>Thrifts &amp; Mortgage Finance (0.1%)</b>               |                  |
| 7,700               | New York Community Bancorp, Inc. (8)                       | 129,283          |
|                     | <b>Wireless Telecommunication Services (0.1%)</b>          |                  |
| 12,900              | Motorola, Inc.   | 92,106           |
|                     | <b>Total Common Stock (Cost: \$ 7,486,985) (3.7%)</b>      | <b>6,119,643</b> |

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| Number of Shares                           |  | Value                 |
|--|--|-----------------------|
| <b>Short-Term Investments</b>              |  |                       |
| <b>Money Market Investments (7.3%)</b>     |  |                       |
| 12,175,880                                 | State Street Navigator Securities Lending Trust, 2.83% (11)    | \$ 12,175,880         |
| <b>Principal Amount</b>                    |  |                       |
| <b>Other Short-Term Investments (0.2%)</b> |  |                       |
| \$ 333,739                                 | State Street Bank & Trust Co. Depository Reserve, 1%           | 333,739               |
|  | <b>Total Short-Term Investments (cost \$12,509,619) (7.5%)</b> | <b>12,509,619</b>     |
|  | <b>TOTAL INVESTMENTS (Cost \$289,059,555) (141.1%)</b>         | <b>235,472,376</b>    |
|  | <b>LIABILITIES IN EXCESS OF OTHER ASSETS (-41.1%)</b>          | <b>(68,641,305)</b>   |
|  | <b>NET ASSETS (100.0%)</b>                                     | <b>\$ 166,831,071</b> |

- (1) Illiquid security.
- (2) Floating or variable rate security. The interest shown reflects the rate in effect at September 30, 2008.
- (3) Security exempt from registration under Rule 144A of the Securities Act of 1933. These securities may be resold in transactions exempt from registration, normally to qualified institutional buyers. At September 30, 2008, the value of these securities amounted to \$33,209,997 or 19.9% of net assets. These securities are determined to be liquid by the Advisor, unless otherwise noted, under procedures established by and under the general supervision of the Company's Board of Directors.
- (4) Restricted Security (Note 4)
- (5) As of September 30, 2008, security is not accruing interest.
- (6) Represents number of preferred shares.
- (7) Index bond which consists of high yield credit default swaps, and tracks the B rated high yield index.
- (8) Security partially or fully lent (Note 3).
- (9) Company is in default and is not making interest and/or dividend payments.
- (10) Non-income producing security.
- (11) Represents investment of security lending collateral (Note 3)
- ADR - American Depositary Receipt. Shares of a foreign based corporation held in U.S. banks entitling the shareholder to all dividends and capital gains.
- CDO - Collateralized Debt Obligation.
- CLO - Collateralized Loan Obligation.
- I/F - Inverse Floating rate security whose interest rate moves in the opposite direction of prevailing interest rates.
- I/O - Interest Only Security.
- PAC - Planned Amortization Class.
- P/O - Principal Only Security.
- TAC - Target Amortization Class.

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| Industry*  | Percentage of<br>Net Assets |
|--|-----------------------------|
| U.S. Government Agency Obligations                 | 60.8%                       |
| Private Mortgage-Backed Securities                 | 40.1                        |
| Financial Services                                 | 10.7(1)                     |
| Diversified Financial Services-Specialized Finance | 7.8                         |
| Diversified Financial Services                     | 1.5                         |
| Banking  | 1.4                         |
| Electronics  | 1.0                         |
| Real Estate  | 1.0                         |
| Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels                        | 0.8                         |
| Insurance  | 0.8                         |
| Oil & Gas  | 0.8                         |
| Pharmaceuticals                                    | 0.7                         |
| Road & Rail  | 0.6                         |
| Utilities  | 0.5                         |
| Media  | 0.5                         |
| Healthcare Providers                               | 0.5                         |
| Electric Utilities                                 | 0.5                         |
| Airlines   | 0.5                         |
| Containers & Packaging                             | 0.3                         |
| Food Products                                      | 0.2                         |
| Diversified Telecommunication Services             | 0.2                         |
| Computers & Peripherals                            | 0.2                         |
| Industrial Conglomerates                           | 0.2                         |
| Medical Supplies                                   | 0.2                         |
| Commercial Services                                | 0.1                         |
| Specialty Retail                                   | 0.1                         |
| Metals   | 0.1                         |
| Chemicals  | 0.1                         |
| Household Products                                 | 0.1                         |
| Health Care Providers & Services                   | 0.1                         |
| Paper & Forest Products                            | 0.1                         |
| Commercial Services & Supplies                     | 0.1                         |
| Media - Broadcasting & Publishing                  | 0.1                         |
| Retailers  | 0.1                         |
| Thrifts & Mortgage Finance                         | 0.1                         |
| Leisure Equipment & Products                       | 0.1                         |
| Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment           | 0.1                         |
| Electronic Equipment & Instruments                 | 0.1                         |
| Wireless Telecommunication Services                | 0.1                         |
| Aerospace & Defense                                | 0.1                         |
| Automobiles  | 0.1                         |

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|                                       |        |
|---------------------------------------|--------|
| Metals & Mining                       | 0.1    |
| Food & Staples Retailing              | 0.0*   |
| Multi-Utilities                       | 0.0*   |
| Household Durables                    | 0.0*   |
| Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) | 0.0*   |
| Health Care Equipment & Supplies      | 0.0*   |
| Short-Term Investments                | 7.5    |
| Total                                 | 141.1% |

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\* Value rounds to less than 0.1% of net assets.

(1) The percentage includes the Fund's investment in Dow Jones CDX, Series 10, a pass through index bond consisting of high yield credit default swaps, originally of 100 companies across more than 30 industries. For industry classification purposes, the Fund looks through the bond to the underlying companies.

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**TCW Strategic Income Fund, Inc.**

**Notes to Schedule of Investments (Unaudited)**

**September 30, 2008**

**Note 1 Significant Accounting Policies:**

TCW Strategic Income Fund, Inc. (the Fund) was incorporated in Maryland on January 13, 1987 as a diversified, closed-end investment management company and is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended and is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol TSI. The Fund commenced operations on March 5, 1987. The Fund's investment objective is to seek a total return comprised of current income and capital appreciation by investing in convertible securities, marketable equity securities, investment-grade debt securities, high-yield debt securities, options, securities issued or guaranteed by the United States Government, its agencies and instrumentalities ( U.S. Government Securities ), repurchase agreements, mortgage related securities, asset-backed securities, money market securities and other securities without limit believed by the Fund's investment advisor to be consistent with the Fund's investment objective. TCW Investment Management Company ( the Advisor ) is the Investment Advisor to the Fund and is registered under the Investment Advisors Act of 1940.

**Security Valuation:** Securities traded on national exchanges are valued at the last reported sales price or the mean of the current bid and asked prices if there are no sales in the trading period. Other securities which are traded on the over-the-counter market are valued at the mean of the current bid and asked prices. Short-term debt securities with maturities of 60 days or less at the time of purchase are valued at amortized cost. Other short-term debt securities are valued on a mark-to-market basis until such time as they reach a remaining maturity of 60 days, where upon they will be valued at amortized value using their value of the 61<sup>st</sup> day prior to maturity.

The Fund invests in asset-backed securities and collateralized debt obligation securities which are valued based on prices supplied by dealers who make markets in such securities. However, such markets have become illiquid, and therefore, the values of these securities may differ from the realizable values had a liquid market existed for these investments, and the differences could be material. At September 30, 2008, the total value of these securities amount to \$14,457,715 or 8.7% of the Fund's net assets.

The Fund invests a portion of its assets in below-investment grade debt securities, including asset-backed securities and collateralized debt obligations. The value and related income of these securities is sensitive to changes in economic conditions, including delinquencies and/or defaults. Recent instability in the markets for fixed-income securities, particularly securities with sub-prime exposure, has resulted in increased volatility of market prices and periods of illiquidity that have adversely impacted the valuation of certain securities held by the Fund.

Securities for which market quotations are not readily available, including circumstances under which it is determined by the Advisor that sale or mean prices are not reflective of a security's market value, are valued at their fair value as determined in good faith under procedures established by and under the general supervision of the Company's Board of Directors. At September 30, 2008, there were no fair valued securities in the Fund.

The Fund adopted Financial Accounting Standards Board Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 157, Fair Value Measurements ( FAS 157 ), effective January 1, 2008. In accordance with FAS 157, fair value is defined as the price that the Fund would receive upon selling an

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investment in a timely transaction to an independent buyer in the principal or most advantageous market of the investment. FAS 157 established a three-tier hierarchy to maximize the use of observable market data and minimize the use of unobservable inputs and to establish classification of fair value measurements for disclosure purposes. Inputs refer broadly to the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability, including assumptions about risk, for example, the risk inherent in a particular valuation technique used to measure fair value including such a pricing model and/or the risk inherent in the inputs to the valuation technique. Inputs may be observable or unobservable. Observable inputs are inputs that reflect the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability developed based on market data obtained from sources independent of the reporting entity. Unobservable inputs are inputs that reflect the reporting entity's own assumptions about the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability developed based on

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the best information available in the circumstances. The three-tier hierarchy of inputs is summarized in the three broad Levels listed below.

Level 1 quoted prices in active markets for identical investments

Level 2 other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar investments, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, etc.)

Level 3 significant unobservable inputs (including the Fund's own assumptions in determining the fair value of investments)

The following is a summary of the inputs used as of September 30, 2008 in valuing the Fund's investments:

| Valuation Inputs                              | Investments in Securities |                    |
|---|---------------------------|--------------------|
| Level 1 - Quoted Prices                       | \$                        | 12,023,589         |
| Level 2 - Other Significant Observable Inputs |                           | 208,991,072        |
| Level 3 - Significant Unobservable Inputs     |                           | 14,457,715         |
| Total   | \$                        | <b>235,472,376</b> |

Following is a reconciliation of investments in which significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) were used in determining value:

|  | Investments in Securities |              |
|--|---------------------------|--------------|
| Balance as of 12/31/2007   | \$                        | 33,493,021   |
| Accrued discounts/premiums   |                           | 19,650       |
| Realized gain (loss) and change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation                      |                           | (18,172,300) |
| Net purchases (sales)  |                           | (882,656)    |
| Net transfers in and/or out of Level 3   |                           |              |
| Balance, as of 9/30/08   | \$                        | 14,457,715   |
| Net change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation from investments still held as of 9/30/08 | \$                        | (10,021,486) |

### Note 2 Federal Income Taxes:

It is the policy of the Fund to comply with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code applicable to regulated investment companies and distribute all of its net taxable income, including any net realized gains on investments, to its shareholders. Therefore, no federal income tax provision is required.

At September 30, 2008, net unrealized appreciation for federal income tax purposes is comprised of the following components:



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|  |    |              |
|--|----|--------------|
| Appreciated securities                             | \$ | 10,084,229   |
| Depreciated securities                             |    | (64,786,278) |
| Net unrealized appreciation/(depreciation)         |    | (54,702,049) |
| Cost of securities for federal income tax purposes | \$ | 290,174,425  |

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The Fund is subject to the provisions of Financial Accounting Standards Board Interpretation No. 48 ( FIN 48 ) Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes an interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109 . FIN 48 sets forth a minimum threshold for financial statement recognition of the benefit of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. The Fund did not have any unrecognized tax benefits at September 30, 2008, nor were there any increases or decreases in unrecognized tax benefits for the period then ended; and therefore, no interest or penalties were accrued. The Fund is subject to examination by U.S. federal and state tax authorities for returns filed for the prior three fiscal years.

**Note 3 Security Lending:**

During the period ended September 30, 2008, the Fund lent securities to brokers. The brokers provided cash as collateral, which must be maintained at not less than 100% of the value of the loaned securities, to secure the obligation. At September 30, 2008, the cash collateral received from borrowing brokers was \$12,175,880, which was 102.46% of the value of loaned securities.

**Note 4 Restricted Securities:**

The Fund is permitted to invest in securities that are subject to legal or contractual restrictions on resale. These securities generally may be resold in transactions exempt from registration or to the public if the securities are registered. Disposal of these securities may involve time consuming negotiations and expense, and prompt sale at an acceptable price may be difficult. There were no restricted securities (excluding 144A issues) at September 30, 2008. However, certain 144A securities were deemed illiquid as of September 30, 2008 and therefore were considered restricted. Aggregate cost and fair value of such securities held at September 30, 2008 were as follows:

| Aggregate Cost | Aggregate Value | Value as a<br>Percentage of<br>Fund's Net Assets |
|----------------|-----------------|--|
| \$ 30,668,047  | \$ 12,660,317   | 7.60%  |

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**Item 2. Controls and Procedures.**

(a) The Registrant's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that the Registrant's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 30a-3(c) under the Investment Company Act of 1940) provided reasonable assurances that material information relating to the Registrant is made known to them by appropriate persons as of a date within 90 days prior to the filing date of this report, based on their evaluation of controls and procedures required by Rule 30a-3(b) under the Investment Company Act of 1940 and Rule 15d-15(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

(b) There were no changes in the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 30a-3(d) under the Investment Company Act of 1940) that occurred during the Registrant's last fiscal quarter covered by this report that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

**Item 3. Exhibits.**

(a) Certification of Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer of the Registrant as required by Rule 30a-2(a) under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (17 CFR 270.30a-2(a)) is attached hereto as Exhibit 99CERT.

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

(Registrant) TCW Strategic Income Fund, Inc.

By (Signature and Title) /s/ Ronald R. Redell  
Ronald R. Redell  
Chief Executive Officer

Date November 14, 2008

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

By (Signature and Title) /s/ Ronald R. Redell  
Ronald R. Redell  
Chief Executive Officer

Date November 14, 2008

By (Signature and Title) /s/ David S. DeVito  
David S. DeVito  
Chief Financial Officer

Date November 14, 2008

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