${\bf Table\ IV}$  Abnormal Returns by Measures of Financial Constraints and Purpose of Transaction

This table shows cumulative abnormal returns aggregated over the window [-10,3] for the sub-samples of each measure of financial constraints. Measures of financial constraints are equal to those presented in Section 3. Mean [median] target abnormal returns of each measure are reported for the sample of financially constrained (column 1) and unconstrained investors (column 2). Column (3) presents the t-stat [Z-stat.] for differences in means [medians] of Columns (1) and (2). Panel A shows the cumulative abnormal returns for the complete sample of targets wheras Panel B presents the cumulative abnormal returns for targets based on the purpose of transaction. The purposes are equal to those presented in Section 3. See Appendix A for Measure and Appendix B for Purpose definitions. All data are winsorized at the 1% and 99% levels.

	Complete Sample	Whited-Wu Index			Dividend Payout Ratio			HP-Index			S&P Long-Term Credit Rating		
		Investor Constr.	Investor Unconstr.	t-Stat [Z-stat] for Diff. Bet. Column (1) and (2)	Investor Constr.	Investor Unconstr.	t-Stat [Z-stat] for Diff. Bet. Column (1) and (2)	Investor Constr.	Investor Unconstr.	t-Stat [Z-stat] for Diff. Bet. Column (1) and (2)	Investor Constr.	Investor Unconstr.	t-Stat [Z-stat] for Diff. Bet. Column (1) and (2)
		(1)	(2)	(3)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(1)	(2)	(3)
Panel A	A: Complete Sa	ample											
	13.36%***	6.01%***	16.81%***	3.6856***	9.79%***	15.76%***	2.3935**	9.18%***	16.20%***	2.0678**	11.74%***	14.80%***	1.3357
	[ 7.95 ]***	[~2.85%~]	[ 10.88% ]***	[ 3.980 ]***	[ 6.26% ]***	[ 8.86% ]***	[ 1.791 ]*	[ 6.69% ]**	[ 10.12 ]***	[ 1.804 ]*	[ 7.65% ]***	[ 8.69% ]***	[ 0.835 ]
	N=561	N=126	N=307		N=184	N=310		N=78	N=355		N=265	N=296	
Panel I	B: Purpose of T	Γransaction											
Engaging into Takeover	21.45%***	14.48%***	25.96%***	2.6896***	17.03%***	25.85%***	2.4404**	18.22%***	25.85%***	1.6634*	18.26%***	24.75%***	2.0704**
	[ 19.31 ]***	[ 9.56% ]**	[ 22.27% ]***	[ 3.080 ]***	[ 15.67% ]***	[ 24.16% ]***	[ 2.242 ]**	[ 21.08% ]***	[ 22.27% ]***	[ 1.290 ]***	[ 16.37% ]***	[ 22.22% ]***	[ 1.719 ]*
	N=271	N=53	N=143		N=84	N=153		N=43	N=163		N=138	N=133	
Strategic Investments	7.92%**	1.14%	10.20%**	1-0278	9.44%*	3.58%	-0.8641	11.17%	8.38%**	-0.1841	2.42%	9.69%**	0.9
	[ 1.13 ]	[ -0.61% ]	[ 1.23% ]	[ 0.434 ]	[ 14.16% ]	[ -0.88% ]	[ -2.078 ]**	[ 21.09% ]	[ 10.96% ]	[ -0.667 ]	[ 5.68% ]	[ 1.09% ]	[ 0.101 ]
	N=74	N=16	N=46		N=15	N=53		N=3	N=58		N=18	N=56	
	1.01%	-0.49%	8.31%***	2.1685**	2.65%	7.12%	1.2405	-3.22%	7.86%***	2.5283***	5.03%*	5.12%	0.00267
Other Purposes	[ -0.09% ]	[ -2.9% ]	[ 3.17% ]*	[ 2.705 ]***	[ 1.02% ]	[ 1.43% ]	[ 0.871 ]	[ -2.92% ]	[ 5.47% ]***	[ 3.070 ]***	[ 1.33% ]	[ 1.81% ]	[ 0.506 ]
	N=117	N=57	N=118		N=85	N=104		N=34	N=62		N=109	N=107	

6.57%\*\* 11.13%\*\*\* 1.0896 [ 2.49% ] [ 6.67% ]\*\* [ 0.976 ] N=44 N=44 9.10% 8.03%\*\*\* 10.97% [ 6.67% ]\*\*\* N=5 N=76

13.62%\*\*\* 6.75%\*\*\* -1.5323 7.09

	Z-Score			
Distressed (1)	Not Distressed (2)	Test for Difference (3)		
10.62%*** [ 6.73% ]*** N=107	13.94%*** [ 9.02% N=410	1.1603 [ 1.339 ]		
24.15%*** [ 25.57% ]*** N=40	[ 20.33% [ 19.66% N=211	-0.9332 -1.154		
9.93% [ 10.03% ] N=10	8.07%* [ 9.56% ] N=58	-0.1753 [ -0.883 ]		
1.24% [ -0.98% ] N=57	6.79%*** [ 2.50% ]* N=141	1.4039 2.034**		