

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

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SCHEDULE 13D

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

THE MACERICH COMPANY

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(Name of issuer as specified in its Charter)

Common Stock, Par Value \$0.01 Per Share

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(Title of class of securities)

0005543821

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(CUSIP Number)

Cornelius J. Dwyer, Jr.  
Shearman & Sterling  
599 Lexington Avenue  
New York, New York 10022  
Telephone: (212) 848-7019

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(Name, address and telephone number of person  
authorized to receive notices and communications)

October 31, 1996

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(Date of event which requires filing of this statement)

If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition which is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this statement because of Rule 13d-1(b)(3) or (4), check the following .

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

Stichting Pensioenfonds ABP

S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

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2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\*

(a)

(b)

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS\* 00

5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED  
PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e)

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION The Kingdom of the Netherlands

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	7	SOLE VOTING POWER	1,056,400
	8	SHARED VOTING POWER	--
	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER	1,056,400
	10	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER	138,000

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
1,194,400

12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES  
CERTAIN SHARES\*

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11) 6.0%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\* EP

Item 1. Security and Issuer.

This statement relates to the Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Common Stock"), of The Macerich Company (the "Issuer"). The Issuer is incorporated in Maryland and has its principal executive offices located at 233 Wilshire Boulevard, #700, Santa Monica, California 90401.

Item 2. Identity and Background.

This statement is filed by Stichting Pensioenfonds ABP, an entity established under the laws of The Kingdom of the Netherlands (the "Fund"), whose principal business is investing funds held on behalf of public sector employees of The Kingdom of the Netherlands. The address of the Fund's principal executive office is Oude Lindestraat 70; postbus 2889, 6401 DL Heerlen, The Netherlands. The name, principal occupation, citizenship and business address of each director and of each executive officer of the Fund are as follows:

NAME	PRINCIPAL OCCUPATION	CITIZENSHIP	BUSINESS ADDRESS
- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -
J. Kleiterp	Executive Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Fund	The Netherlands	Bestuur Abp P.O. Box 30909 2500 GX DEN HAAG
H.J. Albersen	Trustee of the Fund	The Netherlands	CMHF P.O. Box 80204 2508 AM DEN HAAG
E.J. Anneveld	Trustee of the Fund	The Netherlands	C.F.O. P.O. Box 84501 2508 AM DEN HAAG
W. Drees	Trustee of the Fund	The Netherlands	Wieringenmeen 36 3844 NA HARDERWIJK
P.H. Holthuis	Trustee of the Fund	The Netherlands	Ministerie van O&W/ BR/DG P.O. Box 25000 2700 LZ ZOETERMEER
L. Koopmans	Trustee of the Fund	The Netherlands	Lange Voorhout 86, app. 24 2514 EJ DEN HAAG
R. van Leeuwen	Trustee of the Fund	The Netherlands	ABOP Herengracht 54 1015 BN AMSTERDAM

NAME -----	PRINCIPAL OCCUPATION -----	CITIZENSHIP -----	BUSINESS ADDRESS -----
C.L.J. V. Overbeek	Trustee of the Fund	The Netherlands	Katholieke Onderwijs Vakorganisatie Verrijn Stuartlaan 36 2280 EL RIJSWIJK
A.C. van Pelt	Trustee of the Fund	The Netherlands	Ned. Genootschap van Leraren P.O. Box 407 3300 AK DORDRECHT
D.M. Sluimers	Trustee of the Fund	The Netherlands	Ministerie van Financien Casuariestraat 32 2511 VB DEN HAAG
A.F.P.M. Scherf	Trustee of the Fund	The Netherlands	Icaruslaan 20 5631 LD EINDHOVEN
X.J. den Uyl	First Deputy Chairman of the Fund	The Netherlands	Linnaeuslaan 14 2012 PP HAARLEM
J.W.E. Neervens	Executive Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Fund	The Netherlands	ABP Oude Lindestraat 70 6411 EJ HEERLEN
J.F. Maassen	Member of the Board of Directors of the Fund	The Netherlands	ABP Oude Lindestraat 70 6411 EJ HEERLEN
J.M.G. Frijns	Member of the Board of Directors of the Fund	The Netherlands	APB Oude Lindestraat 70 6411 EJ HEERLEN

During the last five years, neither the Fund nor any of its executive officers or directors has been (i) convicted in a criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations or similar misdemeanors) or (ii) a party to a civil proceeding of a judicial or administrative body of competent jurisdiction and as a result of such proceeding was or is subject to a judgment, decree or final order enjoining future violations of, or prohibiting or mandating activities subject to, United States federal or state securities laws or finding any violation with respect to such laws.

Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration.

On October 31, 1996, the Fund acquired 212,500 shares of the Common Stock in the open market for a purchase price of U.S. \$21.75 per share, raising the number of shares of the Common Stock beneficially owned by the Fund to 1,194,400 (approximately 6.0% of aggregate number of shares outstanding) and requiring the Fund to file this statement on Schedule 13D.

The funds for the foregoing purchase of shares of the Common Stock by the Fund were supplied from Dutch public sector pensioners' contributions to the Fund.

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction.

The Fund has acquired the Common Stock for the purpose of making an investment in the Issuer and not with the present intention of acquiring control of the Issuer's business.

The Fund from time to time intends to review its investment in the Issuer on the basis of various factors, including the Issuer's business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects, general economic and industry conditions, the securities markets in general and those for the Issuer's securities in particular, as well as other developments and other investment opportunities. Based on such review, the Fund will take such actions in the future as the Fund may deem appropriate in light of the circumstances existing from time to time. If the Fund believes that further investment in the Issuer is attractive, whether because of the market price of the Issuer's securities or otherwise, it may acquire shares of the Common Stock or other securities of the Issuer either in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions. Similarly, depending on market and other factors, the Fund may determine to dispose of some or all of the Common Stock currently owned by the Fund or otherwise acquired by the Fund either in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions.

Except as set forth above, the Fund has not formulated any plans or proposals which relate to or would result in: (a) the acquisition by any person of additional securities of the Issuer or the disposition of securities of the Issuer, (b) an extraordinary corporate transaction involving the Issuer or any of its subsidiaries, (c) a sale or transfer of a material amount of the assets of the Issuer or any of its subsidiaries, (d) any change in the present board of directors or management of the Issuer, (e) any material change in the Issuer's capitalization or dividend policy, (f) any other material change in the Issuer's business or corporate structure, (g) any change in the Issuer's charter or bylaws or other instrument corresponding thereto or other action which may impede the acquisition of control of the Issuer by any person, (h) causing a class of the Issuer's securities to be deregistered or delisted, (i) a class of equity securities of the Issuer becoming eligible for termination of registration or (j) any action similar to any of those enumerated above.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

(a)-(b) As of the date hereof, the Fund beneficially owns and has the sole power to vote and dispose of 1,056,400 shares of the Common Stock. The Fund beneficially owns and has shared power to dispose of an additional 138,000 shares of the Common Stock held by the Fund in two securities accounts with ABN AMRO BANK N.V. managed by ABKB/LaSalle Securities and Cohen & Steers Capital Management, respectively. Based on information provided by the Issuer to the Fund on October 31, 1996, the 1,194,400 shares of the Common Stock beneficially owned by the Fund constitute approximately 6.0% of the outstanding shares of the Common Stock. To the knowledge of the Fund, no shares of the Common Stock are beneficially owned by any director or executive officer listed under Item 2 above.

(c) The Fund has effected the following open market purchases of the Common Stock during the past 60 days:

DATE OF PURCHASE -----	NUMBER OF SHARES PURCHASED -----	PRICE PER SHARE -----
October 31, 1996	212,500	U.S. \$21.75

(d) To the knowledge of the Fund, no other person has the right to receive or the power to direct the receipt of dividends from, or the proceeds from the sale of, any shares of the Common Stock beneficially owned by the Fund.

(e) Not applicable.

Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer.

Neither the Fund nor any of its executive officers or directors has any contracts, arrangements or understandings with any person with respect to any securities of the Issuer.

Item 7. Material to Be Filed as Exhibits.

None.

Signature

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After due inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief,  
I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and  
correct.

Dated: November 7, 1996

STICHTING PENSIOENFONDS ABP

By s/s J. Mensonides  
Name: J. Mensonides  
Title: Managing Director  
Equity Investments

By s/s P.A.W.M. Spijkers  
Name: P.A.W.M. Spijkers  
Title: Managing Director  
Fixed Income Investments

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