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# FINANCIAL INFORMATION 2008

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### **SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA**

The following table sets forth our selected financial data and should be read in conjunction with our Financial Statements and notes thereto and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in this Annual Report.

In connection with this Annual Report, we are restating our historical audited consolidated financial statements as a result of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 144, or SFAS No. 144, "Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets." During the periods presented below, we classified properties as held for sale and, in compliance with SFAS No. 144, have reported revenue and expenses from these properties as discontinued operations, net of minority interest, for each period presented in our Annual Report. This reclassification had no effect on our reported net income or funds from operations.

We are also providing updated summary selected financial information, which is included below reflecting the prior period reclassification as discontinued operations of the property classified as held for sale during 2008.

|   | Year Ended December 31, |     |             |            |          |    |           |    |           |
|---|-------------------------|-----|-------------|------------|----------|----|-----------|----|-----------|
| (in thousands, except per share data)   | 200                     | 8   | 2007        |            | 2006     |    | 2005      |    | 2004      |
| Operating Data  |                         |     |             |            |          |    |           |    |           |
| Total revenue   | \$ 1,116,86             | 1 9 | 1,017,149   | \$ 4       | 469,854  | \$ | 350,368   | \$ | 257,995   |
| Operating expenses  | 229,71                  | 2   | 209,420     |            | 102,548  |    | 77,541    |    | 60,194    |
| Real estate taxes   | 127,130                 | )   | 121,594     |            | 62,915   |    | 45,935    |    | 34,171    |
| Ground rent   | 31,49                   | 4   | 32,389      |            | 20,150   |    | 19,250    |    | 15,617    |
| Interest  | 281,76                  |     | 251,537     |            | 89,394   |    | 71,752    |    | 55,899    |
| Amortization of deferred finance costs  | 6,430                   |     | 15,893      |            | 4,424    |    | 4,461     |    | 3,275     |
| Depreciation and amortization   | 217,624                 |     | 175,171     |            | 62,523   |    | 46,670    |    | 34,539    |
| Loan loss and other investment reserves   | 115,882                 |     | -           |            | -        |    | -         |    | -         |
| Marketing, general and administration   | 120,880                 | 5   | 105,044     |            | 65,741   |    | 44,215    |    | 30,279    |
| Total expenses  | 1,130,930               | )   | 911,048     |            | 407,695  |    | 309,824   |    | 233,974   |
| Equity in net income of unconsolidated joint ventures   | 59,96                   | 1   | 46,765      |            | 40,780   |    | 49,349    |    | 44,037    |
| Minority interests  | (13,26                  | 2)  | (23,173)    |            | (9,657)  |    | (5,366)   |    | (4,098    |
| Income before gains on sale   | 32,630                  | )   | 129,693     |            | 93,282   |    | 84,527    |    | 63,960    |
| Gain on early extinguishment of debt  | 88,54                   | 1   | _           |            | -        |    | -         |    | -         |
| Loss on equity investment in marketable securities  | (147,489                | 9)  | _           |            | _        |    | _         |    | -         |
| Gain on sale of properties/partial interests  | 103,014                 | 1   | 31,509      |            | 3,451    |    | 11,550    |    | 22,012    |
| Income from continuing operations   | 76,690                  | 5   | 161,202     |            | 96,733   |    | 96,077    |    | 85,972    |
| Discontinued operations (net of minority interest)  | 333,063                 | 3   | 499,208     |            | 123,986  |    | 61,342    |    | 123,458   |
| Net income  | 409,759                 | 9   | 660,410     |            | 220,719  |    | 157,419   |    | 209,430   |
| Preferred dividends and accretion   | (19,87                  | 5)  | (19,875)    |            | (19,875) |    | (19,875)  |    | (16,258   |
| Income available to common stockholders   | \$ 389,884              | 1 9 | 640,535     | \$         | 200,844  | \$ | 137,544   | \$ | 193,172   |
| Net income per common share – Basic   | \$ 6.72                 | 2   | 10.90       | \$         | 4.50     | \$ | 3.29      | \$ | 4.93      |
| Net income per common share – Diluted   | \$ 6.69                 | 9 9 | 10.78       | \$         | 4.38     | \$ | 3.20      | \$ | 4.75      |
| Cash dividends declared per common share  | \$ 2.737                | 5   | 2.89        | \$         | 2.50     | \$ | 2.22      | \$ | 2.04      |
| Basic weighted average common shares outstanding  | 57,990                  | 5   | 58,742      |            | 44,593   |    | 41,793    |    | 39,171    |
| Diluted weighted average common shares and common share equivalents outstanding                 | 60,598                  | 3   | 61,885      |            | 48,495   |    | 45,504    |    | 43,078    |
|   |                         |     |             |            |          |    |           |    |           |
| Balance Sheet Data  | ¢ 0 001 70              | •   |             | <b>4</b> 2 | 055 150  | Φ0 | 000 000   | ф1 | 756 104   |
| Commercial real estate, before accumulated depreciation  Total assets                           | \$ 8,201,789            |     | 8,622,496   |            | 055,159  |    | ,222,922  |    | ,756,104  |
| Mortgage notes payable, revolving credit facilities, term loans,                                | 10,984,35               | 3   | 11,430,078  | 4,         | 632,227  | 3  | ,309,777  | ۷, | 2,751,881 |
| unsecured notes and trust preferred securities  | 5,516,37                | 2   | 5,623,082   | 1 :        | 815,379  | 1  | ,542,252  | 1  | ,150,376  |
| Minority interests  | 622,742                 |     | 714,407     |            | 127,893  | 1  | 99,061    | Ι, | 75,064    |
| Stockholders' equity  | 3,911,73                |     | 3,826,875   |            | 394,883  | 1  | ,459,441  | 1  | ,347,880  |
| Other Data  |                         |     |             |            |          |    |           |    |           |
| Funds from operations available to common stockholders <sup>(1)</sup>                           | \$ 374,974              | 1 ( | 357,957     | \$         | 223,634  | \$ | 189,513   | \$ | 162,377   |
| Funds from operations available to all stockholders <sup>(1)</sup>                              | 374,974                 |     | 357,957     |            | 223,634  | Ψ  | 189,513   |    | 162,377   |
| Net cash provided by operating activities   | 384,55                  |     | 406,705     |            | 225,644  |    | 138,398   |    | 164,458   |
| Net cash provided by operating activities  Net cash provided by (used in) investment activities | 396,219                 |     | (2,334,337) |            | 786,912) |    | (465,674) |    | (269,045  |
| Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities   | (99,84)                 |     | 1,856,418   |            | 654,342  |    | 315,585   |    | 101,836   |

(1) Funds From Operations, or FFO, is a widely recognized measure of REIT performance. We compute FFO in accordance with standards established by the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts, or NAREIT, which may not be comparable to FFO reported by other REITs that do not compute FFO in accordance with the NAREIT definition, or that interpret the NAREIT definition differently than we do. The revised White Paper on FFO approved by the Board of Governors of NAREIT in April 2002 defines FFO as net income (loss) (computed in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, or GAAP), excluding gains (or losses) from debt restructuring and sales of properties, plus real estate related depreciation and amortization and after adjustments for unconsolidated partnerships and joint ventures. We present FFO because we consider it an important supplemental measure of our operating

performance and believe that it is frequently used by securities analysts, investors and other interested parties in the evaluation of REITS, particularly those that own and operate commercial office properties. We also use FFO as one of several criteria to determine performance-based bonuses for members of our senior management. FFO is intended to exclude GAAP historical cost depreciation and amortization of real estate and related assets, which assumes that the value of real estate assets diminishes ratably over time. Historically, however, real estate values have risen or fallen with market conditions. Because FFO excludes depreciation and amortization unique to real estate, gains and losses from property dispositions and extraordinary items, it provides a performance measure that, when compared year over year, reflects the impact to operations from trends in occupancy rates, rental rates, operating costs,

interest costs, providing perspective not immediately apparent from net income. FFO does not represent cash generated from operating activities in accordance with GAAP and should not be considered as an alternative to net income (determined in accordance with GAAP), as an indication of our financial performance or to cash flow from operating activities (determined in accordance with GAAP) as a measure of our liquidity, nor is it indicative of funds available to fund our cash needs, including our ability to make cash distributions.

A reconciliation of FFO to net income computed in accordance with GAAP is provided under the heading of "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations – Funds From Operations."

### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

### **OVERVIEW**

SL Green Realty Corp., or the Company, a Maryland corporation, and SL Green Operating Partnership, L.P., or the operating partnership, a Delaware limited partnership, were formed in June 1997 for the purpose of combining the commercial real estate business of S.L. Green Properties, Inc. and its affiliated partnerships and entities. We are a self-managed real estate investment trust, or REIT, with in-house capabilities in property management, acquisitions, financing, development, construction and leasing. Unless the context requires otherwise, all references to "we," "our" and "us" means the Company and all entities owned or controlled by the Company, including the operating partnership.

The following discussion related to our consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the financial statements appearing in this Annual Report.

On January 25, 2007, we completed the acquisition, or the Reckson Merger, of all of the outstanding shares of common stock of Reckson Associates Realty Corp., or Reckson, pursuant to the terms of the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of August 3, 2006, as amended, the Merger Agreement, among SL Green, Wyoming Acquisition Corp., or Wyoming, Wyoming Acquisition GP LLC, Wyoming Acquisition Partnership LP, Reckson and Reckson Operating Partnership, L.P. or ROP. Pursuant to the terms of the Merger Agreement, each of the issued and outstanding shares of common stock of Reckson were converted into the right to receive (i) \$31.68 in cash, (ii) 0.10387 of a share of the common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of SL Green and (iii) a prorated dividend in an amount equal to approximately \$0.0977 in cash. We also assumed an aggregate of approximately \$226.3 million of Reckson mortgage debt, approximately \$287.5 million of Reckson convertible public debt and approximately \$967.8 million of Reckson public unsecured notes.

On January 25, 2007, we completed the sale, or Asset Sale, of certain assets of ROP to an asset purchasing venture led by certain of Reckson's former executive management, or the Buyer, for a total consideration of approximately \$2.0 billion. SL Green caused ROP to transfer the following assets to the Buyer in the Asset Sale: (1) certain real property assets and/or entities owning such real property assets, in either case, of ROP and 100% of certain loans secured by real property, all of which are located in Long Island, New York; (2) certain real property assets and/ or entities owning such real property assets, in either case, of ROP located in White Plains and Harrison, New York; (3) all of the real property assets and/or entities owning 100% of the interests in such real property assets, in either case, of ROP located in New Jersey; (4) the entity owning a 25% interest in Reckson Australia Operating Company LLC, Reckson's Australian management company (including its Australian licensed responsible entity), and other related entities, and ROP and ROP subsidiaries' rights to and interests in, all related contracts and assets, including, without limitation, property management and leasing, construction services and asset management contracts and services contracts; (5) the direct or indirect interest of Reckson in Reckson Asset Partners, LLC, an affiliate of Reckson Strategic Venture Partners, LLC, or RSVP, and all of ROP's rights in and to certain loans made by ROP to Frontline Capital Group, the bankrupt parent of RSVP, and other related entities, which were purchased by a 50/50 joint venture with an affiliate of SL Green; (6) a 50% participation interest in certain loans made by a subsidiary of ROP that are secured by four real property assets located in Long Island, New York; and (7) 100% of certain loans secured by real property located in White Plains and New Rochelle, New York.

Beginning in the third quarter of 2007, the sub-prime residential lending and single family housing markets in the U.S. began to experience significant default rates, declining real estate values and increasing backlog of housing supply, and other lending markets experienced higher volatility and decreased liquidity resulting from the poor credit performance in the residential lending markets. The residential sector capital markets issues quickly spread more broadly into the asset-backed commercial real estate, corporate and other credit and equity markets. These factors have resulted in substantially reduced mortgage loan originations and securitizations, and caused more generalized credit market dislocations and a significant contraction in available credit. As a result, most financial industry participants, including commercial real estate owners, operators, investors and lenders continue to find it extremely difficult to obtain cost-effective debt capital to finance new investment activity or to refinance maturing debt. In the few instances in which debt is available, it is at a cost much higher than in

Credit spreads on commercial mortgages (i.e., the interest rate spread over given benchmarks such as LIBOR or U.S. Treasury securities) are significantly influenced by: (a) supply and demand for such mortgage loans; (b) perceived risk of the underlying real estate collateral cash flow; and (c) capital markets execution for the sale or financing of such commercial mortgage assets. In the case of (a), the number of potential lenders in the marketplace and the amount of funds they are willing to devote to commercial mortgage assets will impact credit spreads. As liquidity increases, spreads on equivalent commercial mortgage loans will decrease. Conversely, a lack of liquidity will result in credit spreads increasing. During periods of volatility, such as the markets are currently experiencing, the number of lenders participating in the market may change at an accelerated pace.

For existing loans, when credit spreads widen, the fair value of these existing loans decreases. If a lender were to originate a similar loan today, such loan would carry a greater credit spread than the existing loan. Even though a loan may be performing in accordance with its loan agreement and the underlying collateral has not changed, the fair value of the loan may be negatively impacted by the incremental interest foregone from the widened credit spread. Accordingly, when a lender wishes to sell or finance the loan, the reduced value of the loan will impact the total proceeds that the lender will receive.

The recent credit crisis has put many borrowers, including some of our borrowers, on our structured finance portfolio under increasing amounts of financial and capital distress. For the year ended December 31, 2008, we recorded a gross provision for loan losses of approximately \$98.9 million primarily related to non-New York City structured finance investments.

The New York City real estate market has seen an increase in the direct vacancy rate as well as an increase in the amount of sublease space on the market. We expect that the total vacancy rate in Manhattan will continue to rise in 2009. This directly impacts a landlord's ability to increase rents and may also result in a landlord needing to reduce its rents and provide a longer free rent period or a greater tenant improvement allowance in order to attract a tenant to rent the space. Property sales have slowed down to a trickle, primarily due to a lack of financing for purchasers due to tighter lending standards and the other factors noted above.

New York City sales activity in 2008 decreased by approximately \$27.4 billion when compared to 2007, as total volume only reached approximately \$20.4 billion. In 2007, 16 transactions were consummated at prices in excess of \$1,000.00 per square foot, including three deals that closed in the fourth quarter of 2007. This compares to only four such deals in 2008.

Leasing activity for Manhattan, a borough of New York City, totaled approximately 19.1 million square feet compared to approximately 23.6 million square feet in 2007. Of the total 2008 leasing activity in Manhattan, the Midtown submarket accounted for approximately 13.0 million square feet, or 67.9%. As a result, Midtown's overall vacancy increased from 5.8% in 2007 to 8.5% in 2008.

Overall asking rents for direct space in Midtown decreased from \$77.57 at year-end 2007 to \$72.08 at year-end 2008, a decrease of 7.1%. The decrease in rents has been driven by the financial crisis. Management believes that rental rates will continue to decrease during 2009.

During 2008, minimal new office space was added to the Midtown office inventory. In a supply-constrained market, there is only 1.8 million square feet under construction in Midtown as of year-end and which becomes available in the next two years, 2.3% of which is already pre-leased.

We saw significant fluctuations in short-term interest rates, although they still remain low compared to historical levels. The 30-day LIBOR rate ended 2008 at 0.44%, a 416 basis point decrease from the end of 2007. Ten-year U.S. Treasuries ended 2008 at 2.21%, a 182 basis point decrease from the end of 2007.

Our activities for 2008 included:

- Acquired a fee position and a retail redevelopment property for approximately \$62.8 million;
- Sold four properties for an aggregate gross sales price of approximately \$792.0 million generating gains to us of approximately \$442.3 million;
- Signed 243 office leases totaling 3.3 million square feet during 2008 while increasing the cash rents paid by new tenants on previously occupied space by 31.1% and 14.4% over the most recent cash rent paid by the previous tenants for the same space for the Manhattan and Suburban properties, respectively;
- Repurchased approximately \$262.6 million of our convertible bonds, realizing gains on early extinguishment of debt of approximately \$88.5 million;
- Originated approximately \$41.5 million of new structured finance investments, net of redemptions and recorded approximately \$98.9 million in loan
- Wrote down our investment in Gramercy Capital Corp. by approximately \$147.5 million and in GKK Manager LLC by approximately \$14.9 million;
- Closed on approximately \$496.0 million of mortgage financings; and
- We purchased and settled approximately \$300.0 million, or 3.3 million shares of our common stock, at an average price of approximately \$90.49 per share pursuant to our stock repurchase program, which expired on December 31, 2008.

As of December 31, 2008, we owned the following interests in commercial office properties in the New York Metro area, primarily in midtown Manhattan, a borough of New York City, or Manhattan, Our investments in the New York Metro area also include investments in Brooklyn, Queens, Long Island, Westchester County, Connecticut and New Jersey, which are collectively known as the Suburban assets:

| Location  | Ownership      | Number of Properties |            | Weighted<br>Average<br>Occupancy(1) |
|-----------|----------------|----------------------|------------|-------------------------------------|
| Manhattan | Consolidated   |                      |            |                                     |
|           | properties     | 21                   | 13,782,200 | 97.5%                               |
|           | Unconsolidated | l                    |            |                                     |
|           | properties     | 8                    | 9,429,000  | 95.4%                               |
| Suburban  | Consolidated   |                      |            |                                     |
|           | properties     | 28                   | 4,714,800  | 89.0%                               |
|           | Unconsolidated | d                    |            |                                     |
|           | properties     | 6                    | 2,941,700  | 93.8%                               |
|           |                | 63                   | 30,867,700 |                                     |

<sup>(1)</sup> The weighted average occupancy represents the total leased square feet divided by total available rentable square feet.

We also own investments in eight retail properties encompassing approximately 400,212 square feet, two development properties encompassing approximately 363,000 square feet and two land interests. In addition, we manage three office properties owned by third parties and affiliated companies encompassing approximately 1.0 million rentable square feet.

As of December 31, 2008, we also owned approximately 12.48% of the outstanding common stock of Gramercy Capital Corp. (NYSE: GKK), or Gramercy, as well as all the units of the Class B limited partner interest in Gramercy's operating partnership. See Financial Statements, Note 6.

### **CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

Our discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations is based on our consolidated financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. The preparation of these financial statements requires us to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, and contingencies as of the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting periods. We evaluate our assumptions and estimates on an ongoing basis. We base our estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions that we believe to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions. We believe the following critical accounting policies affect our more significant judgments and estimates used in the preparation of our consolidated financial statements.

### **Rental Property**

On a periodic basis, our management team assesses whether there are any indicators that the value of our real estate properties, including joint venture properties and assets held for sale, and structured finance investments may be impaired. If the carrying amount of the property is greater than the estimated expected future cash flow (undiscounted and without interest charges for consolidated properties and discounted for unconsolidated properties) of the asset or sales price, impairment has occurred. We will then record an impairment loss equal to the difference between the carrying amount and the fair value of the asset. We do not believe that the value of any of our rental properties or development properties was impaired at December 31, 2008 and 2007.

A variety of costs are incurred in the acquisition, development and leasing of our properties. After determination is made to capitalize a cost, it is allocated to the specific component of a project that is benefited. Determination of when a development project is substantially complete and capitalization must cease involves a degree of judgment. Our capitalization policy on our development properties is guided by SFAS No. 34 "Capitalization of Interest Cost" and SFAS No. 67 "Accounting for Costs and Initial Rental Operations of Real Estate Projects." The costs of land and building under development include specifically identifiable costs. The capitalized costs include pre-construction costs essential to the development of the property, development costs, construction costs, interest costs, real estate taxes, salaries and related costs and other costs incurred during the period of development. We consider a construction project as substantially completed and held available for occupancy upon the completion of tenant improvements, but no later than one year from cessation of major construction activity. We cease capitalization on the portions substantially completed and occupied or held available for occupancy, and capitalize only those costs associated with the portions under construction.

In accordance with SFAS 141, "Business Combinations," we allocate the purchase price of real estate to land and building and, if determined to be material, intangibles, such as the value of above-, below-, and at-market leases and origination costs associated with the in-place leases. We depreciate the amount allocated to building and other intangible assets over their estimated useful lives, which generally range from three to 40 years and from one to 14 years, respectively. The values of the above- and below-market leases are amortized and recorded as either an increase (in the case of below-market leases) or a decrease (in the case of above-market leases) to rental income over the remaining term of the associated lease, which range from one to 14 years. The value associated with in-place leases are amortized over the expected term of the associated lease, which includes an estimated probability of the lease renewal, and its estimated term, which range from one to 14 years. If a tenant vacates its space prior to the contractual termination of the lease and no rental payments are being made on the lease, any unamortized balance of the related intangible will be written off. The tenant improvements and origination costs are amortized as an expense over the remaining life of the lease (or charged against earnings if the lease is terminated prior to its contractual expiration date). We assess fair value of the leases based on estimated cash flow projections that utilize appropriate discount and capitalization rates and available market information. Estimates of future cash flows are based on a number of factors including the historical operating results, known trends, and market/economic conditions that may affect the property.

### **Investment in Unconsolidated Joint Ventures**

We account for our investments in unconsolidated joint ventures under the equity method of accounting in cases where we exercise significant influence, but do not control these entities and are not considered to be the primary beneficiary under FIN 46R. We consolidate those joint ventures where we are considered to be the primary beneficiary, even though we do not control the entity. In all these joint ventures, the rights of the minority investor are both protective as well as participating. Unless we are determined to be the primary beneficiary, these rights preclude us from consolidating these investments. These investments are recorded initially at cost, as investments in unconsolidated joint ventures, and subsequently adjusted for equity in net income (loss) and cash contributions and distributions. Any difference between the carrying amount of these investments on our balance sheet and the underlying equity in net assets is amortized as an adjustment to equity in net income (loss) of unconsolidated joint ventures over the lesser of the joint venture term or 10 years. Equity income (loss) from unconsolidated joint ventures is allocated based on our ownership interest in each joint venture. When a capital event (as defined in each joint venture agreement) such as a refinancing occurs, if return thresholds are met, future equity income will be allocated at our increased economic percentage. We recognize incentive income from unconsolidated real estate joint ventures as income to the extent it is earned and not subject to a clawback feature. Distributions we receive from unconsolidated real estate joint ventures in excess of our basis in the investment are recorded as offsets to our investment balance if we remain liable for future obligations of the joint venture or may otherwise be committed to provide future additional financial support. None of the joint venture debt is recourse to us.

### **Revenue Recognition**

Rental revenue is recognized on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease. The excess of rents recognized over amounts contractually due pursuant to the underlying leases are included in deferred rents receivable on the accompanying balance sheets. We establish, on a current basis, an allowance for future potential tenant credit losses, which may occur against this account. The balance reflected on the balance sheet is net of such allowance.

Interest income on structured finance investments is recognized over the life of the investment using the effective interest method and recognized on the accrual basis. Fees received in connection with loan commitments are deferred until the loan is funded and are then recognized over the term of the loan as an adjustment to yield. Anticipated exit fees, whose collection is expected, are also recognized over the term of the loan as an adjustment to yield. Fees on commitments that expire unused are recognized at expiration.

Income recognition is generally suspended for structured finance investments at the earlier of the date at which payments become 90 days past due or when, in the opinion of management, a full recovery of income and principal becomes doubtful. Income recognition is resumed when the loan becomes contractually current and performance is demonstrated to be resumed.

### **Allowance for Doubtful Accounts**

We maintain an allowance for doubtful accounts for estimated losses resulting from the inability of our tenants to make required rent payments. If the financial condition of a specific tenant were to deteriorate, resulting in an impairment of its ability to make payments, additional allowances may be required.

### **Reserve for Possible Credit Losses**

The expense for possible credit losses in connection with structured finance investments is the charge to earnings to increase the allowance for possible credit losses to the level that we estimate to be adequate considering delinquencies, loss experience and collateral quality. Other factors considered relate to geographic trends and product diversification, the size of the portfolio and current economic conditions. Based upon these factors, we establish the provision for possible credit losses by loan. When it is probable that we will be unable to collect all amounts contractually due, the investment is considered impaired.

Where impairment is indicated, a valuation allowance is measured based upon the excess of the recorded investment amount over the net fair value of the collateral, as reduced by selling costs. Any deficiency between the carrying amount of an asset and the net sales price of repossessed collateral is charged to expense. In 2008, we recorded approximately \$45.8 million in loan loss reserves. No reserve for impairment was required at December 31, 2007.

Structured finance investments held for sale are carried at the lower of cost or fair market value using available market information obtained through consultation with dealers or other originators of such investments as well as discounted cash flow models. During the year ended December 31, 2008, we redesignated loans with a gross carrying value of \$121.2 million from structured finance investments to assets held for sale. We recorded a mark-tomarket adjustment of approximately \$53.1 million against these investments.

### **Derivative Instruments**

In the normal course of business, we use a variety of derivative instruments to manage, or hedge, interest rate risk. We require that hedging derivative instruments be effective in reducing the interest rate risk exposure that they are designated to hedge. This effectiveness is essential for qualifying for hedge accounting. Some derivative instruments are associated with an anticipated transaction. In those cases, hedge effectiveness criteria also require that it be probable that the underlying transaction occurs. Instruments that meet these hedging criteria are formally designated as hedges at the inception of the derivative contract.

To determine the fair values of derivative instruments, we use a variety of methods and assumptions that are based on market conditions and risks existing at each balance sheet date. For the majority of financial instruments including most derivatives, long-term investments and long-term debt, standard market conventions and techniques such as discounted cash flow analysis, optionpricing models, replacement cost, and termination cost are used to determine fair value. All methods of assessing fair value result in a general approximation of value, and such value may never actually be realized.

### **RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

### Comparison of the year ended December 31, 2008 to the year ended December 31, 2007

The following comparison for the year ended December 31, 2008, or 2008, to the year ended December 31, 2007, or 2007, makes reference to the following: (i) the effect of the "Same-Store Properties," which represents all properties owned by us at January 1, 2007 and at December 31, 2008 and total 40 of our 49 consolidated properties, inclusive of the Reckson assets (January 2007), representing approximately 69.2% of our share of annualized rental revenue, (ii) the effect of the "Acquisitions," which represents all properties or interests in properties acquired in 2007, namely, 300 Main Street, 399 Knollwood (all January 2007), 333 West 34th Street, 331 Madison Avenue and 48 East 43rd Street (April), 1010 Washington Avenue, CT, and 500 West Putnam Avenue, CT (June), and 180 Broadway and One Madison Avenue (August) and (iii) "Other," which represents corporate level items not allocable to specific properties, the Service Corporation and eEmerge. There were no acquisitions of commercial office properties in 2008. Assets classified as held for sale, are excluded from the following discussion.

### Rental Revenues

| (in millions)  | 2008    | 2007    | \$ Change | % Change |
|----------------|---------|---------|-----------|----------|
| Rental revenue | \$777.3 | \$665.7 | \$111.6   | 16.8%    |
| Escalation and |         |         |           |          |
| reimbursement  |         |         |           |          |
| revenue        | 123.6   | 109.5   | 14.1      | 12.9     |
| Total          | \$900.9 | \$775.2 | \$125.7   | 16.2%    |
| Same-Store     |         |         |           |          |
| Properties     | \$765.3 | \$691.4 | \$ 73.9   | 12.6%    |
| Acquisitions   | 130.0   | 77.9    | 52.1      | 66.9     |
| Other          | 5.6     | 5.9     | (0.3)     | (5.1)    |
| Total          | \$900.9 | \$775.2 | \$125.7   | 16.2%    |

Occupancy in the Same-Store Properties increased from 95.0% at December 30, 2007 to 95.2% at December 31, 2008. The increase in the Acquisitions is primarily due to owning these properties for a period during the year in 2008 compared to a partial period or not being included in 2007. This includes the Reckson properties.

At December 31, 2008, we estimated that the current market rents on our consolidated Manhattan properties and consolidated Suburban properties were approximately 20.2% and 14.4% higher, respectively, than then existing in-place fully escalated rents. Approximately 8.1% of the space leased at our consolidated properties expires during 2009. We believe that occupancy rates at the Same-Store Properties will remain relatively unchanged in 2009.

The increase in escalation and reimbursement revenue was due to the recoveries at the Acquisitions (\$0.9 million) and the Same-Store Properties (\$13.4 million). The increase in recoveries at the Same-Store Properties was primarily due to operating expense escalations (\$9.0 million) and electric reimbursement (\$3.7 million) and was primarily offset by decreases in real estate tax recoveries (\$0.7 million).

### **Investment and Other Income**

| (in millions)                          | 2008    | 2007    | \$ Change | % Change |
|--|---------|---------|-----------|----------|
| Equity in net income of unconsolidated |         |         |           |          |
| joint ventures                         | \$ 60.0 | \$ 46.8 | \$ 13.2   | 28.2%    |
| Investment and                         |         |         |           |          |
| preferred equity                       |         |         |           |          |
| income                                 | 119.1   | 91.0    | 28.1      | 30.9     |
| Other income                           | 96.9    | 150.9   | (54.0)    | (35.8)   |
| Total                                  | \$276.0 | \$288.7 | \$(12.7)  | (4.4)%   |

The increase in equity in net income of unconsolidated joint ventures was primarily due to higher net income contributions from 388 Greenwich Street (\$6.4 million), 1515 Broadway (\$11.4 million), 1250 Broadway (\$1.7 million), 521 Fifth Avenue (\$1.5 million), 2 Herald Square (\$1.9 million), One Madison Avenue (\$1.0 million), Mack-Green (\$1.9 million), 800 Third Avenue (\$1.3 million) and 885 Third Avenue (\$3.7 million). This was partially offset by lower net income contributions primarily from our investments in 100 Park which was under redevelopment (\$3.3 million), Gramercy (\$9.9 million) and 16 Court Street (\$1.0 million). Occupancy at our joint venture properties decreased from 95.2% in 2007 to 95.0% in 2008. At December 31, 2008, we estimated that current market rents at our Manhattan and Suburban joint venture properties were approximately 25.0% and 6.7% higher, respectively, than then existing in-place fully escalated rents. Approximately 3.8% of the space leased at our joint venture properties expires during 2009.

Investment and preferred equity income increased during the current period. The weighted average investment balance outstanding and weighted average yield were \$816.9 million and 10.5%, respectively, for 2008 compared to \$717.1 million and 10.3%, respectively, for 2007. During 2008, we sold approximately \$99.7 million of structured finance investments and realized net gains of approximately \$9.3 million. We also settled the RSVP investment which resulted in a gain of approximately \$6.9 million. No structured finance investments were sold in 2007.

The decrease in other income was primarily due to an incentive distribution earned in 2007 upon the sale of One Park Avenue (approximately \$77.2 million) and One Madison Clocktower (approximately \$5.1 million) as well as a decrease in fee income earned by GKK Manager LLC, an affiliate of ours and the external manager of Gramercy (approximately \$3.1 million). This was partially offset by an incentive distribution earned in 2008 upon the sale of 1250 Broadway (\$25.0 million) and an advisory fee earned by us in connection with Gramercy closing its acquisition of AFR (\$6.6 million). The reduction in fee income from GKK Manager LLC, was primarily due to us waiving our rights to receive incentive fees and CDO Management fees since July 2008. In addition, in 2008 we returned approximately \$5.1 million of incentive fees to Gramercy pursuant to a written agreement.

### **Property Operating Expenses**

| (in millions)      | 2008    | 2007    | \$ Change % | 6 Change |
|--------------------|---------|---------|-------------|----------|
| Operating expenses | \$229.7 | \$209.4 | \$20.3      | 9.7%     |
| Real estate taxes  | 127.1   | 121.6   | 5.5         | 4.5      |
| Ground rent        | 31.5    | 32.4    | (0.9)       | (2.8)    |
| Total              | \$388.3 | \$363.4 | \$24.9      | 6.9%     |
| Same-Store         |         |         |             |          |
| Properties         | \$348.5 | \$325.1 | \$23.4      | 7.2%     |
| Acquisitions       | 24.3    | 20.8    | 3.5         | 16.8     |
| Other              | 15.5    | 17.5    | (2.0)       | (11.4)   |
| Total              | \$388.3 | \$363.4 | \$24.9      | 6.9%     |

Same-Store Properties operating expenses increased approximately \$18.7 million. There were increases in payroll expenses (\$3.8 million), contract maintenance and repairs and maintenance (\$2.1 million), utilities (\$8.4 million), insurance (\$1.0 million), ground rent expense (\$0.3 million) and other miscellaneous expenses (\$3.1 million), respectively.

The increase in real estate taxes was primarily attributable to the Same-Store Properties (\$4.7 million) due to higher assessed property values and the Acquisitions (\$0.8 million).

### Other Expenses

| Other Expenses                                 |         |         |           |          |
|--|---------|---------|-----------|----------|
| (in millions)                                  | 2008    | 2007    | \$ Change | % Change |
| Interest expense Depreciation and amortization | \$288.2 | \$267.4 | \$ 20.8   | 7.8%     |
| expense<br>Loan loss and other                 | 217.6   | 175.2   | 42.4      | 24.2     |
| investment reserves Marketing,                 | 115.9   | -       | 115.9     | 100.0    |
| general and administrative expense             | 120.9   | 105.0   | 15.9      | 15.1     |
| Total  | \$742.6 | \$547.6 | \$195.0   | 35.6%    |

The increase in interest expense was primarily attributable to draw downs on our 2007 unsecured revolving credit facility which were done in response to uncertainty in the financial sector. The weighted average interest rate decreased from 5.66% for the year ended December 31, 2007 to 5.24% for the year ended December 31, 2008. As a result of the new investment activity in 2007 and drawing down on our 2007 unsecured revolving credit facility in 2008, the weighted average debt balance increased from \$4.7 billion as of December 31, 2007 to \$5.7 billion as of December 31, 2008.

In 2008, we recorded approximately \$98.9 million in loan loss reserves primarily against our non-New York City structured finance investments. During the fourth quarter of 2008, we entered into an agreement with Gramercy which, among other matters, obligates Gramercy and us to use commercially reasonable efforts to obtain the consents of certain lenders of Gramercy and its subsidiaries to a potential internalization. We also expensed our approximately \$14.9 million investment in GKK Manager LLC.

Marketing, general and administrative expenses, or MG&A, represented 10.8% of total revenues in 2008 compared to 10.3% in 2007. During the fourth quarter, we and certain of our employees agreed to cancel, without compensation, certain employee stock options as well as a portion of our 2006 long-term outperformance plan. These cancellations resulted in a non-cash charge of approximately \$18.0 million. MG&A for 2008 includes personnel hired by GKK Manager LLC in connection with the AFR acquisition which added approximately \$4.3 million to MG&A. MG&A for 2008 also includes a non-recurring expense of approximately \$2.0 million for costs incurred in connection with the pursuit of redevelopment projects.

Due to market conditions, we recognized a loss on our investment in Gramercy of approximately \$147.5 million. In addition, we repurchased approximately \$262.6 million of our convertible bonds in 2008 and realized approximately \$88.5 million of gains due to the early extinguishment of debt.

### Comparison of the year ended December 31, 2007 to the year ended December 31, 2006

The following comparison for the year ended December 31, 2007, or 2007, to the year ended December 31, 2006, or 2006, makes reference to the following: (i) the effect of the "Same-Store Properties," which represents all properties owned by us at January 1, 2006 and at December 31, 2007 and total 12 of our 53 consolidated properties, representing approximately 31.0% of our share of annualized rental revenue, (ii) the effect of the "Acquisitions," which represents all properties or interests in properties acquired in 2006, namely, 25-27 and 29 West 34th Street (January), 521 Fifth Avenue (March), 609 Fifth Avenue (June), 717 Fifth Avenue (September), 485 Lexington (December) and in 2007, namely, 300 Main Street, 399 Knollwood, and the Reckson assets (January), 333 West 34th Street, 331 Madison Avenue and 48 East 43rd Street (April), 1010 Washington Avenue, CT, and 500 West Putnam Avenue, CT (June), and 180 Broadway and One Madison Avenue (August) and (iii) "Other," which represents corporate level items not allocable to specific properties, the Service Corporation and eEmerge. Assets classified as held for sale, are excluded from the following discussion.

### **Rental Revenues**

| (in millions)  | 2007    | 2006    | \$ Change | % Change |
|----------------|---------|---------|-----------|----------|
| Rental revenue | \$665.7 | \$302.0 | \$363.7   | 120.4%   |
| Escalation and |         |         |           |          |
| reimbursement  |         |         |           |          |
| revenue        | 109.5   | 53.9    | 55.6      | 103.2    |
| Total          | \$775.2 | \$355.9 | \$419.3   | 117.8%   |
| Same-Store     |         |         |           |          |
| Properties     | \$392.1 | \$321.8 | \$ 70.3   | 21.9%    |
| Acquisitions   | 377.2   | 25.4    | 351.8     | 1,385.0  |
| Other          | 5.9     | 8.7     | (2.8)     | (32.2)   |
| Total          | \$775.2 | \$355.9 | \$419.3   | 117.8%   |

Occupancy in the Same-Store Properties decreased from 97.3% at December 31, 2006 to 97.1% at December 31, 2007. This was offset by increases in rental rates on new leases signed in 2007.

At December 31, 2007, we estimated that the current market rents at our consolidated Manhattan properties and consolidated Suburban properties were approximately 37.4% and 19.1% higher, respectively, than then existing in-place fully escalated rents. We believe that rental rates will moderate during 2008. Approximately 4.8% of the space leased at our consolidated properties expires during 2008. We believe that occupancy rates will moderate at the Same-Store Properties in 2008.

The increase in the Acquisitions is primarily due to owning these properties for a period during 2007 compared to a partial period or not being included in 2006.

The increase in escalation and reimbursement revenue was due to the recoveries at the Same-Store Properties (\$2.9 million) and the Acquisitions (\$53.6 million). The increase in recoveries at the Same-Store Properties was primarily due to electric reimbursements (\$1.7 million), and operating expense escalations (\$2.4 million) which were partially offset by a reduction in recoveries from real estate tax escalations (\$1.2 million).

### **Investment and Other Income**

| (in millions)                          | 2007    | 2006    | \$ Change | % Change |
|--|---------|---------|-----------|----------|
| Equity in net income of unconsolidated |         |         |           |          |
| joint ventures                         | \$ 46.8 | \$ 40.8 | \$ 6.0    | 14.7%    |
| Investment and                         |         |         |           |          |
| preferred equity                       |         |         |           |          |
| income                                 | 91.0    | 61.4    | 29.6      | 48.2     |
| Other income                           | 150.9   | 52.6    | 98.3      | 186.9    |
| Total                                  | \$288.7 | \$154.8 | \$133.9   | 86.5%    |

The increase in equity in net income of unconsolidated joint ventures was primarily due to increased net income contributions from Gramercy (\$6.1 million), 2 Herald Square (\$4.1 million), 885 Third Avenue (\$3.5 million), One Court Square (\$1.3 million) and 800 Third Avenue (\$2.3 million). This was partially offset by lower net income contributions from our investments in 521 Fifth Avenue which was under redevelopment (\$1.4 million), 485 Lexington Avenue which is wholly-owned since December 2006 (\$1.0 million), 1745 Broadway (\$2.7 million), 100 Park Avenue which is under redevelopment (\$2.3 million), 1221 Avenue of the Americas due to planned vacancy (\$1.6 million) and the Mack-Green joint venture (\$2.1 million). Occupancy at our joint venture same-store properties decreased from 96.1% in 2006 to 93.1% in 2007 primarily due to the redevelopment at 100 Park Avenue and the planned vacancy at 1221 Avenue of the Americas. At December 31, 2007, we estimated that current market rents at our Manhattan and Suburban unconsolidated joint venture properties were approximately 47.5% and 11.2% higher, respectively, than then existing in-place fully escalated rents. Approximately 6.2% of the space leased at our unconsolidated joint venture properties expires during 2008.

The increase in investment and preferred equity income was primarily due to higher outstanding balances during the current period. The weighted average investment balance outstanding and weighted average yield were \$717.1 million and 10.3%, respectively, for 2007 compared to \$398.5 million and 10.3%, respectively, for 2006.

The increase in other income was primarily due to an incentive distribution earned in 2007 upon the sale of One Park Avenue (approximately \$77.2 million) and Five Madison Avenue - the Clock Tower (\$5.1 million), other incentive distributions and asset management fees (\$1.9 million) as well by fee income earned by GKK Manager LLC, an affiliate of ours and the external manager of Gramercy (approximately \$12.6 million) and the Service Corporation (\$3.2 million). This was offset by an incentive distribution earned in 2006 (\$5.0 million).

### **Property Operating Expenses**

| (in millions)      | 2007    | 2006    | \$ Change | % Change |
|--------------------|---------|---------|-----------|----------|
| Operating expenses | \$209.4 | \$102.5 | \$106.9   | 104.3%   |
| Real estate taxes  | 121.6   | 62.9    | 58.7      | 93.3     |
| Ground rent        | 32.4    | 20.2    | 12.2      | 60.4     |
| Total              | \$363.4 | \$185.6 | \$177.8   | 95.8%    |
| Same-Store         |         |         |           |          |
| Properties         | \$188.4 | \$161.8 | \$ 26.6   | 16.4%    |
| Acquisitions       | 157.5   | 9.3     | 148.2     | 1,593.6  |
| Other              | 17.5    | 14.5    | 3.0       | 20.7     |
| Total              | \$363.4 | \$185.6 | \$177.8   | 95.8%    |

Same-Store Properties operating expenses, excluding real estate taxes (\$0.1 million), increased approximately \$8.8 million. There were increases in repairs, maintenance and payroll expenses (\$1.9 million), utilities (\$5.2 million), ground rent expense (\$3.1 million) and other miscellaneous expenses (\$0.5 million), respectively. This was partially offset by a decrease in insurance costs (\$1.9 million).

The increase in real estate taxes was primarily attributable to the Acquisitions (\$60.5 million). This was partially offset by a reduction in real estate taxes at the Same-Store properties (\$0.1 million) and due to properties that were sold and other (\$0.5 million).

| Other Expenses   |         |         |           |          |
|--|---------|---------|-----------|----------|
| (in millions)  | 2007    | 2006    | \$ Change | % Change |
| Interest expense Depreciation and amortization         | \$267.4 | \$ 93.8 | \$173.6   | 185.1%   |
| expense<br>Marketing,<br>general and<br>administrative | 175.2   | 62.5    | 112.7     | 180.3    |
| expense  | 105.0   | 65.7    | 39.3      | 59.8     |
| Total  | \$547.6 | \$222.0 | \$325.6   | 146.7%   |

The increase in interest expense was primarily attributable to borrowings associated with new investment activity, primarily the Reckson Merger, and the funding of ongoing capital projects and working capital requirements as well as the write-off for exit fees, make-whole payments and the write-off of unamortized deferred financing costs in connection with the early redemption of unsecured notes and loans (\$9.1 million). The weighted average interest rate decreased from 5.93% for the year ended December 31, 2006 to 5.66% for the year ended December 31, 2007. As a result of the new investment activity, the weighted average debt balance increased from \$1.95 billion as of December 31, 2006 to \$4.7 billion as of December 31, 2007.

Marketing, general and administrative expense represented 10.0% of total revenues in 2007 compared to 13.3% in 2006. The increase in actual cost is primarily due to higher compensation costs due to increased hiring primarily as a result of the Reckson Merger as well as the amended and restated employment agreements entered into with certain of our executive officers in 2007.

### LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

We are currently experiencing a global economic downturn and credit crunch. As a result, many financial industry participants, including commercial real estate owners, operators, investors and lenders continue to find it extremely difficult to obtain cost-effective debt capital to finance new investment activity or to refinance maturing debt. In the few instances in which debt is available, it is at a cost much higher than in the recent past.

We currently expect that our principal sources of working capital and funds for acquisition and redevelopment of properties, tenant improvements and leasing costs and for structured finance investments will include:

- (1) Cash flow from operations;
- (2) Cash on hand;
- (3) Borrowings under our 2007 unsecured revolving credit facility;
- (4) Other forms of secured or unsecured financing;
- (5) Net proceeds from divestitures of properties and redemptions, participations and dispositions of structured finance investments; and
- (6) Proceeds from common or preferred equity or debt offerings by us or the operating partnership (including issuances of limited partnership units in the operating partnership and trust preferred securities).

Cash flow from operations is primarily dependent upon the occupancy level of our portfolio, the net effective rental rates achieved on our leases, the collectability of rent and operating escalations and recoveries from our tenants and the level of operating and other costs. Additionally, we believe that our joint venture investment programs will also continue to serve as a source of capital for acquisitions.

We believe that our sources of working capital, specifically our cash flow from operations, borrowings available under our 2007 unsecured revolving credit facility, cash on hand and our ability to access private and public debt and equity capital, are adequate for us to meet our short-term and long-term liquidity requirements for the foreseeable future.

### **CASH FLOWS**

The following summary discussion of our cash flows is based on our consolidated statements of cash flows in the "Financial Statements" and is not meant to be an allinclusive discussion of the changes in our cash flows for the periods presented below.

Cash and cash equivalents were \$726.9 million and \$46.0 million at December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007, respectively, representing an increase of \$680.9 million. The increase was a result of the following increases and decreases in cash flows (in thousands):

|               | Yea         | Year ended December 31, |               |  |  |
|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|---------------|--|--|
|               |             |                         | Increase      |  |  |
|               | 2008        | 2007                    | (Decrease)    |  |  |
| Net cash      |             |                         |               |  |  |
| provided by   |             |                         |               |  |  |
| operating     |             |                         |               |  |  |
| activities    | \$384,552   | \$ 406,705              | \$ (22,153)   |  |  |
| Net cash used |             |                         |               |  |  |
| in investing  |             |                         |               |  |  |
| activities    | \$396,219   | \$(2,334,337)           | \$ 2,730,556  |  |  |
| Net cash      |             |                         |               |  |  |
| provided by   |             |                         |               |  |  |
| financing     |             |                         |               |  |  |
| activities    | \$ (99,846) | \$ 1,856,418            | \$(1,956,264) |  |  |

Our principal source of operating cash flow is related to the leasing and operating of the properties in our portfolio. Our properties provide a relatively consistent stream of cash flow that provides us with resources to pay operating expenses, debt service and fund quarterly dividend and distribution payment requirements. At December 31, 2008, our portfolio was 95.2% occupied. Our structured finance and joint venture investments also provide a steady stream of operating cash flow to us.

Cash is used in investing activities to fund acquisitions, redevelopment projects and recurring and nonrecurring capital expenditures. We selectively invest in new projects that enable us to take advantage of our development, leasing, financing and property management skills and invest in existing buildings that meet our investment criteria. In the first quarter of 2007, we acquired Reckson for approximately \$4.0 billion which included the assumption of approximately \$1.5 billion of consolidated debt and the issuance of approximately \$1.0 billion of common stock. During the year ended December 31, 2008, when compared to the year ended December 31, 2007, we used cash primarily for the following investing activities (in thousands):

| Acquisitions of real estate                   | \$(4,120,567) |
|---|---------------|
| Capital expenditures and capitalized interest | 38,613        |
| Escrow cash-capital improvements/             |               |
| acquisition deposits                          | 137,961       |
| Joint venture investments                     | (777,267)     |
| Distributions from joint ventures             | (375,787)     |
| Proceeds from sales of real estate            | 814,934       |
| Structured finance and other investments      | (413,357)     |
| Proceeds from asset sale                      | 1,964,914     |

We generally fund our investment activity through property-level financing, our 2007 unsecured revolving credit facility, term loans, unsecured notes, construction loans and, from time to time, we issue common and preferred stock. During the year ended December 31, 2008, when compared to the year ended December 31, 2007, the following financing activities provided the funds to complete the investing activity noted above (in thousands):

| Proceeds from our debt obligations          | \$ 2,818,706 |
|---|--------------|
| Repayments under our debt obligations       | (1,413,266)  |
| Repurchases of common stock                 | 1,267        |
| Minority interest in other partnerships and |              |
| other financing activities                  | 534,708      |
| Dividends and distributions paid            | 14,849       |

### Capitalization

As of December 31, 2008, we had 57,043,835 shares of common stock, 2,339,853 units of limited partnership interest in our operating partnership, 6,300,000 shares of our 7.625% Series C cumulative redeemable preferred stock, or Series C preferred stock and 4,000,000 shares of our 7.875% Series D cumulative redeemable preferred stock, or Series D preferred stock, outstanding.

In March 2007, our board of directors approved a stock repurchase plan under which we can buy up to \$300.0 million shares of our common stock. This plan expired on December 31, 2008. As of December 31, 2008, we purchased and settled approximately \$300.0 million, or 3.3 million shares of our common stock, at an average price of \$90.49 per share.

### Rights Plan

We adopted a shareholder rights plan which provides, among other things, that when specified events occur, our common stockholders will be entitled to purchase from us a newly created series of junior preferred shares, subject to our ownership limit described below. The preferred share purchase rights are triggered by the earlier to occur of (1) ten days after the date of a purchase announcement that a person or group acting in concert has acquired, or obtained the right to acquire, beneficial ownership of 17% or more of our outstanding shares of common stock or (2) ten business days after the commencement of or announcement of an intention to make a tender offer or exchange offer, the consummation of which would result in the acquiring person becoming the beneficial owner of 17% or more of our outstanding common stock. The preferred share purchase rights would cause substantial dilution to a person or group that attempts to acquire us on terms not approved by our board of directors.

### **Dividend Reinvestment and Stock Purchase Plan**

We filed a registration statement with the SEC for our dividend reinvestment and stock purchase plan, or DRIP, which was declared effective on September 10, 2001. The DRIP commenced on September 24, 2001. We registered 3,000,000 shares of common stock under the DRIP.

During the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, we issued approximately 4,300 and 108,000 shares of our common stock and received approximately \$0.3 million and \$13.8 million of proceeds from dividend reinvestments and/or stock purchases under the DRIP, respectively. DRIP shares may be issued at a discount to the market price.

### 2003 Long-Term Outperformance Compensation Program

Our board of directors adopted a long-term, seven-year compensation program for certain members of senior management. The program, which measured our performance over a 48-month period (unless terminated earlier) commencing April 1, 2003, provided that holders of our common equity were to achieve a 40% total return during the measurement period over a base share price of \$30.07 per share before any restricted stock awards were granted. Plan participants would receive an award of restricted stock in an amount between 8% and 10% of the excess total return over the baseline return. At the end of the four-year measurement period, 40% of the award will vest on the measurement date and 60% of the award will vest ratably over the subsequent three years based on continued employment. Any restricted stock to be issued under the program will be allocated from our 2005 Stock Option and Incentive Plan (as defined below), which was previously approved through a stockholder vote in May 2002. In April 2007, the Compensation Committee determined that under the terms of the 2003 Outperformance Plan, as of March 31, 2007, the performance hurdles had been met and the maximum performance pool of \$22,825,000, taking into account forfeitures, was established. In connection with this event, approximately 166,312 shares of restricted stock (as adjusted for forfeitures) were allocated under the 2005 Stock Option and Incentive Plan. These awards are subject to vesting as noted above. We record the expense of the restricted stock award in accordance with SFAS 123-R. The fair value of the award on the date of grant was determined to be \$3.2 million. Forty percent of the value of the award was amortized over four years and the balance will be amortized at 20% per year over five, six and seven years, respectively, such that 20% of year five, 16.67% of year six, and 14.29% of year seven will be recorded in year one. Compensation expense of \$0.2 million, \$0.4 million and \$0.65 million related to this plan was recorded during the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

### 2005 Long-Term Outperformance Compensation Program

In December 2005, the compensation committee of our board of directors approved a long-term incentive compensation program, the 2005 Outperformance Plan. Participants in the 2005 Outperformance Plan will share in a "performance pool" if our total return to stockholders for the period from December 1, 2005 through November 30, 2008 exceeds a cumulative total return to stockholders of 30% during the measurement period over a base share price of \$68.51 per share. The size of the pool was to be 10% of the outperformance amount in excess of the 30% benchmark, subject to a maximum dilution cap equal to the lesser of 3% of our outstanding shares and units of limited partnership interest as of December 1, 2005 or \$50.0 million. In the event the potential performance pool reached this dilution cap before November 30, 2008 and remained at that level or higher for 30 consecutive days, the performance period was to end early and the pool would be formed on the last day of such 30-day period. Each participant's award under the 2005 Outperformance Plan would be designated as a specified percentage of the aggregate performance pool to be allocated to him or her assuming the 30% benchmark is achieved. Individual awards would be made in the form of partnership units, or LTIP Units, that may ultimately become exchangeable for shares of our common stock or cash, at our election. LTIP Units would be granted prior to the determination of the performance pool; however, they were only to vest upon satisfaction of performance and other thresholds, and were not entitled to distributions until after the performance pool was established.

The 2005 Outperformance Plan provides that if the pool was established, each participant would also be entitled to the distributions that would have been paid on the number of LTIP Units earned, had they been issued at the beginning of the performance period. Those distributions were to be paid in the form of additional LTIP Units.

After the performance pool was established, the earned LTIP Units are to receive regular quarterly distributions on a per unit basis equal to the dividends per share paid on our common stock, whether or not they are vested. Any LTIP Units not earned upon the establishment of the performance pool were to be automatically forfeited, and the LTIP Units that are earned are subject to time-based vesting, with one-third of the LTIP Units earned vesting on November 30, 2008 and each of the first two anniversaries thereafter based on continued employment. On June 14, 2006, the Compensation Committee determined that under the terms of the 2005 Outperformance Plan, as of June 8, 2006, the performance period had accelerated and the maximum performance pool of \$49,250,000, taking into account forfeitures, was established. Individual awards under the 2005 Outperformance Plan are in the form of partnership units, or LTIP Units, in our operating partnership, that, subject to certain conditions, are convertible into shares of the Company's common stock or cash, at our election. The total number of LTIP Units earned by all participants as a result of the establishment of the performance pool was 490,475 and are subject to time-based vesting.

The cost of the 2005 Outperformance Plan (approximately \$8.0 million, subject to adjustment for forfeitures) will continue to be amortized into earnings through the final vesting period in accordance with SFAS 123-R. We recorded approximately \$3.9 million, \$2.1 million and \$2.0 million of compensation expense during the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively, in connection with the 2005 Outperformance Plan.

### 2006 Long-Term Outperformance Compensation Program

On August 14, 2006, the compensation committee of our board of directors approved a long-term incentive compensation program, the 2006 Outperformance Plan. Participants in the 2006 Outperformance Plan will share in a "performance pool" if our total return to stockholders for the period from August 1, 2006 through July 31, 2009 exceeds a cumulative total return to stockholders of 30% during the measurement period over a base share price of \$106.39 per share. The size of the pool will be 10% of the outperformance amount in excess of the 30% benchmark, subject to a maximum award of \$60 million. The maximum award will be reduced by the amount of any unallocated or forfeited awards. In the event the potential performance pool reaches the maximum award before July 31, 2009 and remains at that level or higher for 30 consecutive days, the performance period will end early and the pool will be formed on the last day of such 30-day period. Each participant's award under the 2006 Outperformance Plan will be designated as a specified percentage of the aggregate performance pool. Assuming the 30% benchmark is achieved, the pool will be allocated among the participants in accordance with the percentage specified in each participant's participation agreement. Individual awards will be made in the form of partnership units, or LTIP Units, that, subject to vesting and the satisfaction of other conditions, are exchangeable for a per unit value equal to the then trading price of one share of our common stock. This value is payable in cash or, at our election, in shares of common

stock. LTIP Units will be granted prior to the determination of the performance pool; however, they will only vest upon satisfaction of performance and time vesting thresholds under the 2006 Outperformance Plan, and will not be entitled to distributions until after the performance pool is established. Distributions on LTIP Units will equal the dividends paid on our common stock on a per unit basis. The 2006 Outperformance Plan provides that if the pool is established, each participant will also be entitled to the distributions that would have been paid had the number of earned LTIP Units been issued at the beginning of the performance period. Those distributions will be paid in the form of additional LTIP Units. Thereafter, distributions will be paid currently with respect to all earned LTIP Units that are a part of the performance pool, whether vested or unvested. Although the amount of earned awards under the 2006 Outperformance Plan (i.e., the number of LTIP Units earned) will be determined when the performance pool is established, not all of the awards will vest at that time. Instead, one-third of the awards will vest on July 31, 2009 and each of the first two anniversaries thereafter based on continued employment.

In the event of a change in control of our company on or after August 1, 2007 but before July 31, 2009, the performance pool will be calculated assuming the performance period ended on July 31, 2009 and the total return continued at the same annualized rate from the date of the change in control to July 31, 2009 as was achieved from August 1, 2006 to the date of the change in control; provided that the performance pool may not exceed 200% of what it would have been if it was calculated using the total return from August 1, 2006 to the date of the change in control and a pro rated benchmark. In either case, the performance pool will be formed as described above if the adjusted benchmark target is achieved and all earned awards will be fully vested upon the change in control. If a change in control occurs after the performance period has ended, all unvested awards issued under our 2006 Outperformance Plan will become fully vested upon the change in control.

The cost of the 2006 Outperformance Plan (approximately \$9.6 million, subject to adjustment for forfeitures) will be amortized into earnings through the final vesting period in accordance with SFAS 123-R. We recorded approximately \$12.2 million, \$2.5 million and \$1.1 million of compensation expense during the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively, in connection with the 2006 Outperformance Plan. During the fourth quarter of 2008, we and certain of our employees, including our executive officers, mutually agreed to cancel a portion of the 2006 Outperformance Plan. This charge of approximately \$9.2 million is included in the compensation expense above.

### Amended and Restated 2005 Stock Option and Incentive Plan

Subject to adjustments upon certain corporate transactions or events, up to a maximum of 6,000,000 shares, or the Fungible Pool Limit, may be granted as options, restricted stock, phantom shares, dividend equivalent rights and other equity-based awards under the amended and restated 2005 Stock Option and Incentive Plan, or the 2005 Plan. At December 31, 2008, approximately 4.5 million shares of our common stock, calculated on a weighted basis, were available for issuance under the 2005 Plan, or 6.5 million shares if all shares available under the 2005 Plan were issued as five-year options.

### **Deferred Stock Compensation Plan for Directors**

Under our Independent Director's Deferral Program, which commenced July 2004, our non-employee directors may elect to defer up to 100% of their annual retainer fee, chairman fees and meeting fees. Unless otherwise elected by a participant, fees deferred under the program shall be credited in the form of phantom stock units. The phantom stock units are convertible into an equal number of shares of common stock upon such directors' termination of service from the board of directors or a change in control by us, as defined by the program. Phantom stock units are credited to each non-employee director quarterly using the closing price of our common stock on the applicable dividend record date for the respective quarter. Each participating non-employee director's account is also credited for an equivalent amount of phantom stock units based on the dividend rate for each quarter.

During the year ended December 31, 2008, approximately 7,000 phantom stock units were earned. As of December 31, 2008, there were approximately 22,513 phantom stock units outstanding.

### **Employee Stock Purchase Plan**

On September 18, 2007, our board of directors adopted the 2008 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, or ESPP, to encourage our employees to increase their efforts to make our business more successful by providing equity-based incentives to eligible employees. The ESPP is intended to qualify as an "employee stock purchase plan" under Section 423 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and has been adopted by the board to enable our eligible employees to purchase our shares of common stock through payroll deductions. The ESPP became effective on January 1, 2008 with a maximum of 500,000 shares of the common stock available for issuance, subject to adjustment upon a merger, reorganization, stock split or other similar corporate change. We filed a registration statement on Form S-8 with the Securities and Exchange Commission with respect to the ESPP. The common stock will be offered for purchase through a series of successive offering periods. Each offering period will be three months in duration and will begin on the first day of each calendar quarter, with the first offering period having commenced on January 1, 2008. The ESPP provides for eligible employees to purchase the common stock at a purchase price equal to 85% of the lesser of (1) the market value of the common stock on the first day of the offering period or (2) the market value of the common stock on the last day of the offering period. The ESPP was approved by our stockholders at our 2008 annual meeting of stockholders. As of December 31, 2008, approximately 4,900 shares of our common stock had been issued under the ESPP.

### Market Capitalization

At December 31, 2008, borrowings under our mortgage loans, 2007 unsecured revolving credit facility, senior unsecured notes, and trust preferred securities (including our share of joint venture debt of approximately \$1.9 billion) represented 81.0% of our combined market capitalization of approximately \$9.4 billion (based on a common stock price of \$25.90 per share, the closing price of our common stock on the New York Stock Exchange on December 31, 2008). Market capitalization includes our consolidated debt, common and preferred stock and the conversion of all

units of limited partnership interest in our operating partnership, and our share of joint venture debt. This ratio has increased significantly compared to 2007 primarily due to the significant decrease in our stock price in 2008.

### Indebtedness

The table below summarizes our consolidated mortgage debt, 2007 unsecured revolving credit facility, senior unsecured notes and trust preferred securities outstanding at December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively (dollars in thousands).

| December 31,              |             |             |  |  |  |  |
|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|--|--|--|--|
| Debt Summary:             | 2008        | 2007        |  |  |  |  |
| Balance                   |             |             |  |  |  |  |
| Fixed rate                | \$3,953,268 | \$4,607,144 |  |  |  |  |
| Variable rate – hedged    | 60,000      | 160,000     |  |  |  |  |
| Total fixed rate          | 4,013,268   | 4,767,144   |  |  |  |  |
| Variable rate             | 1,427,677   | 764,011     |  |  |  |  |
| Variable rate – supportin | g           |             |  |  |  |  |
| variable rate assets      | 175,428     | 191,927     |  |  |  |  |
| Total variable rate       | 1,603,105   | 955,938     |  |  |  |  |
| Total                     | \$5,616,373 | \$5,723,082 |  |  |  |  |
| Percent of Total Debt:    |             |             |  |  |  |  |
| Total fixed rate          | 71.5%       | 83.3%       |  |  |  |  |
| Variable rate             | 28.5%       | 16.7%       |  |  |  |  |
| Total                     | 100.0%      | 100.0%      |  |  |  |  |
| Effective Interest Rate   |             |             |  |  |  |  |
| for the Year:             |             |             |  |  |  |  |
| Fixed rate                | 5.37%       | 5.35%       |  |  |  |  |
| Variable rate             | 4.05%       | 6.57%       |  |  |  |  |
| Effective interest rate   | 5.24%       | 5.66%       |  |  |  |  |

The variable rate debt shown above bears interest at an interest rate based on 30-day LIBOR (0.44% and 4.60% at December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively). Our consolidated debt at December 31, 2008 had a weighted average term to maturity of approximately 7.0 years.

Certain of our structured finance investments, totaling approximately \$175.4 million, are variable rate investments which mitigate our exposure to interest rate changes on our unhedged variable rate debt at December 31, 2008.

### Mortgage Financing

As of December 31, 2008, our total mortgage debt (excluding our share of joint venture debt of approximately \$1.9 billion) consisted of approximately \$2.3 billion of fixed rate debt, including hedged variable rate debt, with an effective weighted average interest rate of approximately 5.95% and approximately \$274.0 million of variable rate debt with an effective weighted average interest rate of approximately 5.25%.

### **CORPORATE INDEBTEDNESS**

### 2007 Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility

We have a \$1.5 billion unsecured revolving credit facility, or the 2007 unsecured revolving credit facility. We increased the capacity under the 2007 unsecured revolving credit facility by \$300.00 million in January 2007, by an additional \$450.0 million in June 2007 and by an additional \$250.0 million in October 2007. The 2007 unsecured revolving credit facility bears interest at a spread ranging from 70 basis points to 110 basis points over the 30-day LIBOR, based on our leverage ratio. As of December 31, 2008, the spread was 90 basis points. This facility matures in June 2011 and has a one-year extension option. The 2007 unsecured revolving credit facility also

requires a 12.5 to 20 basis point fee on the unused balance payable annually in arrears. The 2007 unsecured revolving credit facility had approximately \$1.4 billion outstanding at December 31, 2008. Availability under the 2007 unsecured revolving credit facility was further reduced at December 31, 2008 by the issuance of approximately \$22.0 million in letters of credit and by a defaulted lender's unfunded committed amount of approximately \$33.4 million. The 2007 unsecured revolving credit facility includes certain restrictions and covenants (see restrictive covenants below).

### **Term Loans**

We had a \$325.0 million unsecured term loan, which was scheduled to mature in August 2009. This unsecured term loan bore interest at a spread ranging from 110 basis points to 140 basis points over the 30-day LIBOR. The unsecured term loan was repaid and terminated in March 2007.

We had a \$200.0 million five-year non-recourse term loan, secured by a pledge of our ownership interest in 1221 Avenue of the Americas. The loan was scheduled to mature in May 2010. This term loan had a floating rate of 125 basis points over the current 30-day LIBOR rate. The secured term loan was repaid and terminated in June 2007.

In January 2007, we closed on a \$500.0 million unsecured bridge loan, which matures in January 2010. This term loan bore interest at a spread ranging from 85 basis points to 125 basis points over the 30-day LIBOR, based on our leverage ratio. This unsecured bridge loan was repaid and terminated in June 2007.

In December 2007, we closed on a \$276.7 million ten-year term loan which carried an effective fixed interest rate of 5.19%. This loan was secured by our interest in 388 and 390 Greenwich Street. This secured term loan, which was scheduled to mature in December 2017, was repaid and terminated in May 2008.

### **Senior Unsecured Notes**

The following table sets forth our senior unsecured notes and other related disclosures by scheduled maturity date as of December 31, 2008 (in thousands):

|                                 |             | Coupon              | Term       |                  |
|---------------------------------|-------------|---------------------|------------|------------------|
| Issuance                        | Face Amount | Rate <sup>(4)</sup> | (in Years) | Maturity         |
| March 26, 1999 <sup>(1)</sup>   | \$200,000   | 7.75%               | 10         | March 15, 2009   |
| January 22, 2004 <sup>(1)</sup> | 150,000     | 5.15%               | 7          | January 15, 2011 |
| August 13, 2004 <sup>(1)</sup>  | 150,000     | 5.875%              | 10         | August 15, 2014  |
| March 31, 2006 <sup>(1)</sup>   | 275,000     | 6.00%               | 10         | March 31, 2016   |
| June 27, 2005 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> | 185,098     | 4.00%               | 20         | June 15, 2025    |
| March 26, 2007 <sup>(3)</sup>   | 589,800     | 3.00%               | 20         | March 30, 2027   |
|                                 | 1,549,898   |                     |            |                  |
| Net discount                    | (13,950)    |                     |            |                  |
|                                 | \$1,535,948 |                     |            |                  |

- (1) Assumed as part of the Reckson Merger.
- (2) Exchangeable senior debentures which are callable after June 17, 2010 at 100% of par. In addition, the debentures can be put to us, at the option of the holder at par plus accrued and unpaid interest, on June 15, 2010, 2015 and 2020 and upon the occurrence of certain change of control transactions. As a result of the Reckson Merger, the adjusted exchange rate for the debentures is 7.7461 shares of our common stock per \$1,000 of principal amount of debentures and the adjusted reference dividend for the debentures is \$1.3491. In 2008 we repurchased approximately \$102.4 million of these bonds and realized net gains on early extinguishment of debt of approximately \$18.3 million.
- (3) In March 2007, we issued \$750.0 million of these convertible bonds. Interest on these notes is payable semi-annually on March 30 and September 30. The notes have an initial exchange rate representing an exchange price that is at a 25.0% premium to the last reported sale price of our common stock on March 20, 2007, or \$173.30. The initial exchange rate is subject to adjustment under certain circumstances. The notes are senior unsecured obligations of our operating partnership and are exchangeable upon the occurrence of specified events, and during the period beginning on the twenty-second scheduled trading day prior to the maturity date and ending on the second business day prior to the maturity date, into cash or a combination of cash and shares of our common stock, if any, at our option. The notes are redeemable, at our option, on and after April 15, 2012. We may
- be required to repurchase the notes on March 30, 2012, 2017 and 2022, and upon the occurrence of certain designated events. The net proceeds from the offering were approximately \$736.0 million, after deducting estimated fees and expenses. The proceeds of the offering were used to repay certain of our existing indebtedness, make investments in additional properties, and make open market purchases of our common stock and for general corporate purposes. In 2008 we repurchased approximately \$160.2 million of these bonds and realized net gains on early extinguishment of debt of approximately \$70.2 million.
- (4) Interest on the senior unsecured notes is payable semi-annually with principal and unpaid interest due on the scheduled maturity dates.

On April 27, 2007, the \$50.0 million 6.0% unsecured notes scheduled to mature in June 2007 and the \$150.0 million 7.20% unsecured notes scheduled to mature in August 2007, assumed as part of the Reckson Merger, were redeemed.

### **Junior Subordinate Deferrable Interest Debentures**

In June 2005, we issued \$100.0 million of Trust Preferred Securities, which are reflected on the balance sheet at December 31, 2007 as Junior Subordinate Deferrable Interest Debentures. The proceeds were used to repay our unsecured revolving credit facility. The \$100.0 million of junior subordinate deferrable interest debentures have a 30-year term ending July 2035. They bear interest at a fixed rate of 5.61% for the first 10 years ending July 2015. Thereafter, the rate will float at three-month LIBOR plus 1.25%. The securities are redeemable at par beginning in July 2010.

### **Restrictive Covenants**

The terms of our 2007 unsecured revolving credit facility and senior unsecured notes include certain restrictions and covenants which limit, among other things, the

payment of dividends (as discussed below), the incurrence of additional indebtedness, the incurrence of liens and the disposition of assets, and which require compliance with financial ratios relating to the minimum amount of tangible net worth, the minimum amount of debt service coverage, the minimum amount of fixed charge coverage, the maximum amount of unsecured indebtedness, the minimum amount of unencumbered property debt service coverage and certain investment limitations. The dividend restriction referred to above provides that, except to enable us to continue to qualify as a REIT for Federal income tax purposes, we will not during any four consecutive fiscal quarters make distributions with respect to common stock or other equity interests in an aggregate amount in excess of 95% of funds from operations for such period, subject to certain other adjustments. As of December 31, 2008 and 2007, we were in compliance with all such covenants.

### Market Rate Risk

We are exposed to changes in interest rates primarily from our floating rate borrowing arrangements. We use interest rate derivative instruments to manage exposure to interest rate changes. A hypothetical 100 basis point increase in

interest rates along the entire interest rate curve for 2008 and 2007, would increase our annual interest cost by approximately \$15.3 million and \$9.2 million and would increase our share of joint venture annual interest cost by approximately \$7.4 million and \$6.9 million, respectively.

We recognize all derivatives on the balance sheet at fair value. Derivatives that are not hedges must be adjusted to fair value through income. If a derivative is a hedge, depending on the nature of the hedge, changes in the fair value of the derivative will either be offset against the change in fair value of the hedged asset, liability, or firm commitment through earnings, or recognized in other comprehensive income until the hedged item is recognized in earnings. The ineffective portion of a derivative's change in fair value is immediately recognized in earnings.

Approximately \$4.0 billion of our long-term debt bears interest at fixed rates, and therefore the fair value of these instruments is affected by changes in the market interest rates. The interest rate on our variable rate debt and joint venture debt as of December 31, 2008 ranged from LIBOR plus 62.5 basis points to LIBOR plus 275 basis points.

### **Contractual Obligations**

Combined aggregate principal maturities of mortgages and notes payable, 2007 unsecured revolving credit facility, senior unsecured notes and bonds (net of discounts), trust preferred securities, our share of joint venture debt, including as-of-right extension options, estimated interest expense, and our obligations under our capital lease, air rights and ground leases, as of December 31, 2008 are as follows (in thousands):

|                            | 2009      | 2010      | 2011      | 2012        | 2013      | Thereafter  | Total        |
|----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-----------|-------------|--------------|
| Property Mortgages         | \$ 28,124 | \$134,252 | \$266,223 | \$ 159,538  | \$451,272 | \$1,551,948 | \$ 2,591,357 |
| Revolving Credit Facility  | _         | _         | _         | 1,389,067   | _         | _           | 1,389,067    |
| Trust Preferred Securities | _         | _         | _         | _           | _         | 100,000     | 100,000      |
| Senior Unsecured Notes     | 200,000   | _         | 150,000   | _           | _         | 1,185,949   | 1,535,949    |
| Capital lease              | 1,416     | 1,451     | 1,555     | 1,555       | 1,555     | 47,204      | 54,736       |
| Ground leases              | 31,953    | 31,512    | 29,388    | 28,638      | 28,638    | 578,636     | 728,765      |
| Estimated interest expense | 273,225   | 256,493   | 210,836   | 172,361     | 158,602   | 739,274     | 1,810,791    |
| Joint venture debt         | 55,265    | 459,944   | 171,285   | 34,192      | 1,677     | 1,211,270   | 1,933,633    |
| Total                      | \$589,983 | \$883,652 | \$829,287 | \$1,785,351 | \$641,744 | \$5,414,281 | \$10,144,298 |

### **Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

We have a number of off-balance sheet investments, including joint ventures and structured finance investments. These investments all have varying ownership structures. Substantially all of our joint venture arrangements are accounted for under the equity method of accounting as we have the ability to exercise significant influence, but not control over the operating and financial decisions of these joint venture arrangements. Our off-balance sheet arrangements are discussed in Note 5, "Structured Finance Investments" and Note 6, "Investments in Unconsolidated Joint Ventures" in the accompanying financial statements. Additional information about the debt of our unconsolidated joint ventures is included in "Contractual Obligations" above.

### Capital Expenditures

We estimate that for the year ending December 31, 2009, we will incur, approximately \$93.8 million of capital expenditures (including tenant improvements and leasing commissions) on existing wholly-owned properties and our share of capital expenditures at our joint venture properties will be approximately \$28.1 million. We expect to fund these capital expenditures with operating cash flow, additional property level mortgage financings, and cash on hand. Future property acquisitions may require substantial capital investments for refurbishment and leasing costs. We expect that these financing requirements will be met in a similar fashion. We believe that we will have sufficient resources to

satisfy our capital needs during the next 12-month period. Thereafter, we expect our capital needs will be met through a combination of cash on hand, net cash provided by operations, borrowings, potential asset sales or additional equity or debt issuances.

### Dividends

We expect to pay dividends to our stockholders based on the distributions we receive from the operating partnership primarily from property revenues net of operating expenses or, if necessary, from working capital or borrowings.

To maintain our qualification as a REIT, we must pay annual dividends to our stockholders of at least 90% of our REIT taxable income, determined before taking into consideration the dividends paid deduction and net capital gains. We intend to continue to pay regular quarterly dividends to our stockholders. Based on our current annual dividend rate of \$1.50 per share, we would pay approximately \$85.9 million in dividends to our common stockholders on an annual basis. Before we pay any dividend, whether for Federal income tax purposes or otherwise, which would only be paid out of available cash to the extent permitted under our unsecured revolving credit facility, we must first meet both our operating requirements and scheduled debt service on our mortgages and loans payable. We reduced our annual dividend from \$3.15 in 2008 in order to conserve liquidity.

### RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

### Cleaning/ Security/ Messenger and Restoration Services

Through Alliance Building Services, or Alliance, First Quality Maintenance, L.P., or First Quality, provides cleaning, extermination and related services, Classic Security LLC provides security services, Bright Star Couriers LLC provides messenger services, and Onyx Restoration Works provides restoration services with respect to certain properties owned by us. Alliance is owned by Gary Green, a son of Stephen L. Green, the chairman of our board of directors. First Quality also provides additional services directly to tenants on a separately negotiated basis. In addition, First Quality has the non-exclusive opportunity to provide cleaning and related services to individual tenants at our properties on a basis separately negotiated with any tenant seeking such additional services. First Quality leases 26,800 square feet of space at 70 West 36th Street pursuant to a lease that expires on December 31, 2015. We received approximately \$75,000 in rent from Alliance in 2007. We sold this property in March 2007. We paid Alliance approximately \$15.1 million, \$14.8 million and \$13.6 million for three years ended December 31, 2008, respectively, for these services (excluding services provided directly to tenants).

### Leases

Nancy Peck and Company leases 1,003 square feet of space at 420 Lexington Avenue under a lease that ends in August 2015. Nancy Peck and Company is owned by

Nancy Peck, the wife of Stephen L. Green. The rent due under the lease is \$35,516 per year. From February 2007 through December 2008, Nancy Peck and Company leased 507 square feet of space at 420 Lexington Avenue pursuant to a lease which provided for annual rental payments of approximately \$15,210. Prior to February 2007, Nancy Peck and Company leased 2,013 square feet of space at 420 Lexington Avenue, pursuant to a lease that expired on June 30, 2005 and which provided for annual rental payments of approximately \$66,000. The rent due pursuant to that lease was offset against a consulting fee of \$11,025 per month an affiliate paid to her pursuant to a consulting agreement, which was canceled in July 2006.

### Management Fees

S.L. Green Management Corp. receives property management fees from certain entities in which Stephen L. Green owns an interest. The aggregate amount of fees paid to S.L. Green Management Corp. from such entities was approximately \$353,500 in 2008, \$297,100 in 2007 and \$205,000 in 2006.

### **Brokerage Services**

Sonnenblick-Goldman Company, or Sonnenblick, a nationally recognized real estate investment banking firm, provided mortgage brokerage services to us. Mr. Morton Holliday, the father of Mr. Marc Holliday, was a Managing Director of Sonnenblick at the time of the financings. In 2007, our 1604–1610 Broadway joint venture paid approximately \$146,500 to Sonnenblick in connection with obtaining a \$27.0 million first mortgage and we paid \$759,000 in connection with the refinancing of 485 Lexington Avenue. In 2008, our 1250 Broadway joint venture paid approximately \$1.7 million to Sonnenblick in connection with the sale of 1250 Broadway.

In 2007, we paid a consulting fee of \$525,000 to Stephen Wolff, the brother-in-law of Marc Holliday, in connection with our aggregate investment of \$119.1 million in the joint venture that owns 800 Third Avenue and approximately \$68,000 in connection with our acquisition of 16 Court Street for \$107.5 million.

### **Gramercy Capital Corp.**

Our related party transactions with Gramercy are discussed in Note 13, "Related Party Transactions" in the accompanying financial statements. Management has evaluated its investment in Gramercy in accordance with notice 2008 - 234 issued by the joint SEC Office of the Chief Accountant and the FASB Staff which provided further guidance on fair value accounting. Management evaluated (1) the length of time and the extent to which the market value of our investment in Gramercy has been less than cost, (2) the financial condition and near-term prospects of Gramercy, the issuer, and (3) the intent and ability of SL Green, the holder, to retain its investment for a period of time sufficient enough to allow for anticipated recovery. Based on this evaluation, we recognized a loss on our investment in Gramercy of approximately \$147.5 million in the fourth quarter of 2008.

### Insurance

We maintain "all-risk" property and rental value coverage (including coverage regarding the perils of flood, earthquake and terrorism) within two property insurance portfolios and liability insurance. The first property portfolio maintains a blanket limit of \$600.0 million per occurrence for the majority of the New York City properties in our portfolio with a sub-limit of \$450.0 million for acts of terrorism. The second portfolio maintains a limit of \$600.0 million per occurrence, including terrorism, for a few New York

City properties and the majority of the Suburban properties. Both property policies expire on December 31, 2009. Additional coverage may be purchased on a stand-alone basis for certain assets. The liability policies cover all our properties and provide limits of \$200.0 million per property. The liability policies expire on October 31, 2009.

In October 2006, we formed a wholly-owned taxable REIT subsidiary, Belmont Insurance Company, or Belmont, to act as a captive insurance company and be one of the elements of our overall insurance program. Belmont was formed in an effort to, among other reasons; stabilize to some extent the fluctuations of insurance market conditions. Belmont is licensed in New York to write Terrorism, NBCR (nuclear, biological, chemical, and radiological), General Liability and D&O coverage.

- Terrorism: Belmont acts as a direct property insurer with respect to a portion of our terrorism coverage for the New York City properties. Effective December 31, 2008, Belmont increased its terrorism coverage from \$50 million to \$250 million in an upper layer. In addition Belmont purchased reinsurance to reinsure the retained insurable risk not otherwise covered under Terrorism Risk Insurance Program Reauthorization and Extension Act of 2007, or TRIPRA, as detailed below.
- NBCR: Belmont acts as a direct insurer of NBCR coverage up to \$250 million on the entire property portfolio.
- General Liability: Belmont insures a deductible on the general liability insurance with a \$250,000 deductible per occurrence and a \$2.4 million annual aggregate stop loss limit. We have secured an excess insurer to protect against catastrophic liability losses above the \$250,000 deductible per occurrence and a stop loss if aggregate claims exceed \$2.4 million. Belmont has retained a third party administrator to manage all claims within the deductible and we anticipate that direct management of liability claims will improve loss experience and ultimately lower the cost of liability insurance in future years. In addition, we have an umbrella liability policy of \$200.0 million.
- D&O: Effective August 10, 2008, a directors and officers liability policy was added by Belmont to provide reimbursement for SEC claims reducing the deductible from \$2,500,000 to \$1,000,000.

As long as we own Belmont, we are responsible for its liquidity and capital resources, and the accounts of Belmont are part of our consolidated financial statements. If we experience a loss and Belmont is required to pay under its insurance policy, we would ultimately record the loss to the extent of Belmont's required payment. Therefore, insurance coverage provided by Belmont should not be considered as the equivalent of third-party insurance, but rather as a modified form of self-insurance.

TRIA, which was enacted in November 2002, was renewed on December 31, 2007. Congress extended TRIA, now called TRIPRA (Terrorism Risk Insurance Program Reauthorization and Extension Act of 2007) until December 31, 2014. The law extends the federal Terrorism Insurance Program that requires insurance companies to offer terrorism coverage and provides for compensation for insured losses resulting from acts of foreign and domestic terrorism. Our debt instruments, consisting of mortgage loans secured by our properties (which are generally nonrecourse to us), mezzanine loans, ground leases and our 2007 unsecured revolving credit facility, contain customary covenants requiring us to maintain insurance. There can be no assurance that the lenders or ground lessors under these instruments will not take the position that a total or partial exclusion from "all-risk" insurance coverage for losses due to terrorist acts is a breach of these debt and ground lease instruments that allows the lenders or ground lessors to declare an event of default and accelerate repayment of debt or recapture of ground lease positions. In addition, if lenders insist on full coverage for these risks and prevail in asserting that we are required to maintain such coverage, it could result in substantially higher insurance premiums.

We have a 45% interest in the property at 1221 Avenue of the Americas, where we participate with The Rockefeller Group Inc., which carries a blanket policy providing \$1.0 billion of "all-risk" property insurance, including terrorism coverage, and a 49.9% interest in the property at 100 Park Avenue, where we participate with Prudential, which carries a blanket policy of \$500.0 million of "all-risk" property insurance, including terrorism coverage. We own One Madison Avenue, which is under a triple net lease with insurance provided by the tenant, Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC, or CS. We monitor the coverage provided by CS to make sure that our asset is adequately protected. We own 388 and 390 Greenwich Street, which is leased on a triple net basis to Citigroup, N.A., which provides insurance coverage directly. We monitor all triple net leases to ensure that tenants are providing adequate coverage. Although we consider our insurance coverage to be appropriate, in the event of a major catastrophe, such as an act of terrorism, we may not have sufficient coverage to replace certain properties.

### **Funds from Operations**

Funds From Operations, or FFO, is a widely recognized measure of REIT performance. We compute FFO in accordance with standards established by the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts, or NAREIT, which may not be comparable to FFO reported by other REITs that do not compute FFO in accordance with the NAREIT definition, or that interpret the NAREIT definition differently than we do. The revised White Paper on FFO approved by the Board of Governors of NAREIT in April 2002 defines FFO as net income (loss) (computed in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, or GAAP), excluding gains (or losses) from debt restructuring and sales of properties, plus real estate related depreciation and amortization and after adjustments for unconsolidated partnerships and joint ventures. We present FFO because we consider it an important supplemental measure of our operating performance and believe that it is frequently used by securities analysts, investors and other interested parties in the evaluation of REITs, particularly those that own and operate commercial office properties.

We also use FFO as one of several criteria to determine performance-based bonuses for members of our senior management. FFO is intended to exclude GAAP historical cost depreciation and amortization of real estate and related assets, which assumes that the value of real estate assets diminishes ratably over time. Historically, however, real estate values have risen or fallen with market conditions. Because FFO excludes depreciation and amortization unique to real estate, gains and losses from property dispositions and extraordinary items, it provides a performance measure that, when compared year over year, reflects the impact to operations from trends in occupancy rates, rental rates, operating costs, interest costs, providing perspective not immediately apparent from net income. FFO does not represent cash generated from operating activities in accordance with GAAP and should not be considered as an alternative to net income (determined in accordance with GAAP), as an indication of our financial performance or to cash flow from operating activities (determined in accordance with GAAP) as a measure of our liquidity, nor is it indicative of funds available to fund our cash needs, including our ability to make cash distributions.

FFO for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006 are as follows (in thousands):

|  | <u></u>     | Year Ended December 31, |             |  |  |
|--|-------------|-------------------------|-------------|--|--|
|  | 2008        | 2007                    | 2006        |  |  |
| Net income available to common stockholders              | \$ 389,884  | \$ 640,535              | \$ 200,844  |  |  |
| Add:   |             |                         |             |  |  |
| Depreciation and amortization                            | 217,624     | 175,171                 | 62,523      |  |  |
| Minority interest  | 13,262      | 23,173                  | 9,657       |  |  |
| FFO from discontinued operations                         | 3,500       | 30,062                  | 44,982      |  |  |
| FFO adjustment for unconsolidated joint ventures         | 40,266      | 20,635                  | 34,049      |  |  |
| Loss on equity investment in marketable securities       | 147,489     | -                       | _           |  |  |
| Less:  |             |                         |             |  |  |
| Income from discontinued operations                      | 2,034       | (17,458)                | (30,010)    |  |  |
| Gain on sale of discontinued operations                  | (335,097)   | (481,750)               | (93,976)    |  |  |
| Gain on sale of joint venture property/partial interest  | (103,014)   | (31,509)                | (3,451)     |  |  |
| Depreciation on non-rental real estate assets            | (974)       | (902)                   | (984)       |  |  |
| Funds from Operations – available to common stockholders | 374,974     | 357,957                 | 223,634     |  |  |
| Dividends on convertible preferred shares                | -           | _                       | _           |  |  |
| Funds from Operations – available to all stockholders    | \$ 374,974  | \$ 357,957              | \$ 223,634  |  |  |
| Cash flows provided by operating activities              | \$ 384,552  | \$ 406,705              | \$ 225,644  |  |  |
| Cash flows used in investing activities                  | \$ 396,219  | \$(2,334,337)           | \$(786,912) |  |  |
| Cash flows provided by financing activities              | \$ (99,846) | \$ 1,856,418            | \$ 654,342  |  |  |

### Inflation

Substantially all of the office leases provide for separate real estate tax and operating expense escalations as well as operating expense recoveries based on increases in the Consumer Price Index or other measures such as porters' wage. In addition, many of the leases provide for fixed base rent increases. We believe that inflationary increases may be at least partially offset by the contractual rent increases and expense escalations described above.

### **Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements**

The Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements are discussed in Note 2, "Significant Accounting Policies – Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements" in the accompanying financial statements.

### Forward-Looking Information

This report includes certain statements that may be deemed to be "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Act, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the Exchange Act. Such forward-looking statements relate to, without limitation, our future capital expenditures, dividends and acquisitions (including the amount and nature thereof) and other development trends of the real estate industry and the Manhattan, Westchester County, Connecticut, Long Island and New Jersey office markets, business strategies, and the expansion and growth of our operations. These statements are based on certain assumptions and analyses made by us in light of our experience and our perception of historical

trends, current conditions, expected future developments and other factors we believe are appropriate. We intend such forward-looking statements to be covered by the safe harbor provisions for forward-looking statements contained in Section 27A of the Act and Section 21E of the Exchange Act. Such statements are subject to a number of assumptions, risks and uncertainties which may cause our actual results, performance or achievements to be materially different from future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by these forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are generally identifiable by the use of the words "may," "will," "should," "expect," "anticipate," "estimate," "believe," "intend," "project," "continue," or the negative of these words, or other similar words or terms. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. Among the factors about which we have made assumptions are:

- general economic or business (particularly real estate) conditions, either nationally or in the New York Metro area being less favorable than expected if the credit crisis continues;
- reduced demand for office space;
- risks of real estate acquisitions;
- risks of structured finance investments and borrowers;
- availability and creditworthiness of prospective tenants and borrowers;
- adverse changes in the real estate markets, including increasing vacancy, increasing availability of sublease space, decreasing rental revenue and increasing insurance costs;
- availability of capital (debt and equity);
- unanticipated increases in financing and other costs, including a rise in interest rates;
- our ability to comply with financial covenants in our debt instruments;
- market interest rates could adversely affect the market price of our common stock, as well as our performance and cash flows;

- our ability to satisfy complex rules in order for us to qualify as a REIT, for federal income tax purposes, our operating partnership's ability to satisfy the rules in order for it to qualify as a partnership for federal income tax purposes, the ability of certain of our subsidiaries to qualify as REITs and certain of our subsidiaries to qualify as taxable REIT subsidiaries for federal income tax purposes and our ability and the ability of our subsidiaries to operate effectively within the limitations imposed by these rules;
- accounting principles and policies and guidelines applicable to REITs;
- competition with other companies;
- the continuing threat of terrorist attacks on the national, regional and local economies including, in particular, the New York City area and our tenants;
- legislative or regulatory changes adversely affecting REITs and the real estate business; and
- environmental, regulatory and/or safety requirements.
   We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of future events, new information or otherwise.

The risks included here are not exhaustive. Other sections of this report may include additional factors that could adversely affect the Company's business and financial performance. Moreover, the Company operates in a very competitive and rapidly changing environment. New risk factors emerge from time to time and it is not possible for management to predict all such risk factors, nor can it assess the impact of all such risk factors on the Company's business or the extent to which any factor, or combination of factors, may cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statements. Given these risks and uncertainties, investors should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements as a prediction of actual results.

### QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURE ABOUT MARKET RISK

See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations – Market Rate Risk" for additional information regarding our exposure to interest rate fluctuations.

The table below presents principal cash flows based upon maturity dates of our debt obligations and structured finance investments and the related weighted-average interest rates by expected maturity dates, excluding extension options, as of December 31, 2008 (in thousands):

|            |             | Long-Te       | rm Debt     | Structured Finance Investments |              |          |
|------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|--------------------------------|--------------|----------|
|            |             | Average       | Variable    | Average                        |              | Weighted |
| Date       | Fixed Rate  | Interest Rate | Rate        | Interest Rate                  | Amount       | Yield    |
| 2009       | \$ 226,750  | 5.28%         | \$ 1,374    | 3.80%                          | \$138,209    | 9.14%    |
| 2010       | 132,779     | 5.23%         | 129,473     | 3.75%                          | 164,676      | 11.55%   |
| 2011       | 453,461     | 5.10%         | 1,351,829   | 3.92%                          | _            | - %      |
| 2012       | 29,845      | 5.04%         | 1,692       | 6.22%                          | _            | - %      |
| 2013       | 332,536     | 5.02%         | 118,737     | 6.22%                          | _            | - %      |
| Thereafter | 2,837,897   | 3.86%         | -           | - %                            | 444,998      | 9.68%    |
| Total      | \$4,013,268 | 3.86%         | \$1,603,105 | 3.92%                          | \$747,883(1) | 9.99%    |
| Fair Value | \$3,002,800 |               | \$1,474,100 |                                |              |          |

(1) Our structured finance investments had an estimated fair value ranging between \$408.0 million and \$612.0 million at December 31, 2008.

The table below presents the gross principal cash flows based upon maturity dates of our share of our joint venture debt obligations and the related weighted-average interest rates by expected maturity dates as of December 31, 2008 (in thousands):

|            | Long-Term Debt |               |           |               |  |  |  |
|------------|----------------|---------------|-----------|---------------|--|--|--|
|            |                | Average       | Variable  | Average       |  |  |  |
| Date       | Fixed Rate     | Interest Rate | Rate      | Interest Rate |  |  |  |
| 2009(1)    | \$ 438         | 4.44%         | \$398,576 | 4.08%         |  |  |  |
| 2010       | 29,955         | 4.44%         | 86,239    | 4.54%         |  |  |  |
| 2011       | 1,702          | 4.41%         | 169,583   | 4.97%         |  |  |  |
| 2012       | 13,330         | 4.40%         | 20,862    | 3.98%         |  |  |  |
| 2013       | 1,677          | 4.40%         | _         | - %           |  |  |  |
| Thereafter | 1,203,175      | 4.02%         | 8,095     | 3.51%         |  |  |  |
| Total      | \$1,250,277    | 4.31%         | \$683,355 | 4.30%         |  |  |  |
| Fair Value | \$1,053,200    |               | \$639,600 |               |  |  |  |

(1) Included in this item is \$343,750 based on the contractual maturity date of the debt on 1515 Broadway. This loan has a one-year as-of-right extension option.

The table below lists all of our derivative instruments, which are hedging variable rate debt, including joint ventures, and their related fair value as of December 31, 2008 (in thousands):

|                           |                  |                  | Notional  | Strike | Effective | Expiration | Fair       |
|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------|--------|-----------|------------|------------|
|                           | Asset Hedged     | Benchmark Rate   | Value     | Rate   | Date      | Date       | Value      |
| Interest Rate Swap        | Credit facility  | LIBOR            | \$ 60,000 | 4.364% | 1/2007    | 5/2010     | \$ (2,703) |
| Interest Rate Swap        | Anticipated debt | 10-Year Treasury | 105,000   | 4.910% | 12/2009   | 12/2019    | (18,586)   |
| Interest Rate Swap        | Anticipated debt | 10-Year Treasury | 100,000   | 4.705% | 12/2009   | 12/2019    | (15,998)   |
| Interest Rate Cap         | Mortgage         | LIBOR            | 128,000   | 6.000% | 1/2007    | 2/2009     | _          |
| Total Consolidated Hedges |                  |                  | \$393,000 |        |           |            | \$(37,287) |

In addition to these derivative instruments, some of our joint venture loan agreements require the joint venture to purchase interest rate caps on its debt. All such interest rate caps were out of the money and had no value at December 31, 2008. One of our joint ventures had a LIBOR swap in place on a national amount of \$560.0 million. This hedge, which matures in December 2017, had a fair value of approximately \$(48.0) million at December 31, 2008.

### **CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS**

|   | Decem        | ber 31,                |
|---|--------------|------------------------|
| (Amounts in thousands, except per share data)   | 2008         | 2007                   |
| Assets  |              |                        |
| Commercial real estate properties, at cost:   |              |                        |
| Land and land interests   | \$ 1,386,090 | \$ 1,436,569           |
| Building and improvements   | 5,544,019    | 5,919,746              |
| Building leasehold and improvements   | 1,259,472    | 1,253,973              |
| Property under capital lease  | 12,208       | 12,208                 |
|   | 8,201,789    | 8,622,496              |
| Less: accumulated depreciation  | (546,545)    | (381,510)              |
| Less: accumulated depreciation  | ·            |                        |
|   | 7,655,244    | 8,240,986              |
| Assets held for sale  | 184,035      | 41,568                 |
| Cash and cash equivalents   | 726,889      | 45,964                 |
| Restricted cash   | 105,954      | 105,475                |
| Tenant and other receivables, net of allowance of \$16,898 and \$13,932 in 2008 and 2007, respectively                        | 30,882       | 49,015                 |
| Related party receivables   | 7,676        | 13,082                 |
| Deferred rents receivable, net of allowance of \$19,648 and \$13,400 in 2008 and 2007, respectively                           | 145,561      | 136,595                |
| Structured finance investments, net of discount of \$18,764 and \$30,783 in 2008 and 2007, respectively                       | 679,814      | 805,215                |
| Investments in unconsolidated joint ventures  | 975,483      | 1,438,123              |
| Deferred costs, net   | 133,052      | 134,354                |
| Other assets  | 339,763      | 419,701                |
| Total assets  | \$10,984,353 | \$11,430,078           |
|   |              |                        |
| Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity  | ¢ 0.501.350  | <b>A O O A A C A A</b> |
| Mortgage notes payable  | \$ 2,591,358 | \$ 2,844,644           |
| Revolving credit facility   | 1,389,067    | 708,500                |
| Term loans and unsecured notes  | 1,535,948    | 2,069,938              |
| Accrued interest payable and other liabilities  | 70,692       | 45,194                 |
| Accounts payable and accrued expenses   | 133,098      | 180,898                |
| Deferred revenue/gain   | 427,936      | 819,022                |
| Capitalized lease obligation  | 16,704       | 16,542                 |
| Deferred land leases payable  | 17,650       | 16,960                 |
| Dividend and distributions payable  | 26,327       | 52,077                 |
| Security deposits   | 34,561       | 35,021                 |
| Liabilities related to assets held for sale   | 106,534      | -                      |
| Junior subordinate deferrable interest debentures held by trusts that issued trust preferred securities                       | 100,000      | 100,000                |
| Total liabilities   | 6,449,875    | 6,888,796              |
| Commitments and Contingencies   | _            | _                      |
| Minority interest in operating partnership  | 91,334       | 82,007                 |
| Minority interests in other partnerships  | 531,408      | 632,400                |
| Stockholders' Equity  |              |                        |
| Series C preferred stock, \$0.01 par value, \$25.00 liquidation preference, 6,300 issued and outstanding at December 31, 2008 |              |                        |
| and 2007, respectively  | 151,981      | 151,981                |
| Series D preferred stock, \$0.01 par value, \$25.00 liquidation preference, 4,000 issued and outstanding at December 31, 2008 | 101,501      | 101,301                |
| and 2007, respectively  | 96,321       | 96,321                 |
| Common stock, \$0.01 par value 160,000 shares authorized and 60,404 and 60,071 issued and outstanding at December 31, 2008    | 30,321       | 30,021                 |
| and 2007, respectively (including 3,360 and 1,312 shares at December 31, 2008 and 2007 held in Treasury, respectively)        | 604          | 601                    |
| Additional paid-in-capital  | 2,999,456    | 2,931,887              |
| Treasury stock at cost  | (302,705)    | (150,719)              |
| Accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income   | (56,992)     | 4,943                  |
| Retained earnings   | 1,023,071    | 791,861                |
| Total stockholders' equity  | 3,911,736    | 3,826,875              |
| Total liabilities and stockholders' equity  | \$10,984,353 | \$11,430,078           |
| Total nashings and stockholders equity  | Ψ10,204,333  | Ψ11,730,070            |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

|   | V          | ear Ended December 31 |                  |
|---|------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| (Amounts in thousands, except per share data)   | 2008       | 2007                  | 2006             |
| Revenues  |            |                       |                  |
| Rental revenue, net   | \$ 777,284 | \$ 665,707            | \$301,998        |
| Escalation and reimbursement  | 123,598    | 109,517               | 53,854           |
| Preferred equity and investment income  | 119,091    | 91,004                | 61,403           |
| Other income  | 96,888     | 150,921               | 52,599           |
| Total revenues  | 1,116,861  | 1,017,149             | 469,854          |
| Expenses  |            |                       |                  |
| Operating expenses including \$15,104 (2008), \$14,820 (2007) and \$13,594 (2006) to affiliates             | 229,712    | 209,420               | 102,548          |
| Real estate taxes   | 127,130    | 121,594               | 62,915           |
| Ground rent   | 31,494     | 32,389                | 20,150           |
| Interest  | 281,766    | 251,537               | 89,394           |
| Amortization of deferred financing costs  | 6,436      | 15,893                | 4,424            |
| Depreciation and amortization   | 217,624    | 175,171               | 62,523           |
| Loan loss and other investment reserves   | 115,882    | _                     | _                |
| Marketing, general and administrative   | 120,886    | 105,044               | 65,741           |
| Total expenses  | 1,130,930  | 911,048               | 407,695          |
| Income from continuing operations before equity in net income of unconsolidated joint ventures,             |            |                       |                  |
| gain on sale, minority interest and discontinued operations   | (14,069)   | 106,101               | 62,159           |
| Equity in net income from unconsolidated joint ventures   | 59,961     | 46,765                | 40,780           |
| Income from continuing operations before gain on sale, minority interest and discontinued operations        | 45,892     | 152,866               | 102,939          |
| Equity in net gain on sale of interest in unconsolidated joint venture                                      | 103,014    | 31,509                | 102,555          |
| Gain on sale of partial interest  | 103,014    | 51,505                | 3,451            |
| Loss on equity investment in marketable securities  | (147,489)  |                       | 5,451            |
| Gain on early extinguishment of debt  | 88,541     | _                     | _                |
| Minority interest in other partnerships   | (10,967)   | (17,287)              | (5,210)          |
| Minority interest in operating partnership attributable to continuing operations                            | (2,295)    | (5,886)               | (4,447)          |
|   | 76,696     | <u> </u>              |                  |
| Income from continuing operations  Net (loss) income from discontinued operations, net of minority interest | •          | 161,202               | 96,733<br>30,010 |
| ·   | (2,034)    | 17,458                |                  |
| Gain on sale of discontinued operations, net of minority interest   | 335,097    | 481,750               | 93,976           |
| Net income  | 409,759    | 660,410               | 220,719          |
| Preferred stock dividends   | (19,875)   | (19,875)              | (19,875)         |
| Net income available to common stockholders   | \$ 389,884 | \$ 640,535            | \$200,844        |
| Basic earnings per share:   |            |                       |                  |
| Net (loss) income from continuing operations before gain on sale and discontinued operations                | \$ (0.73)  | \$ 1.89               | \$ 1.64          |
| Net (loss) income from discontinued operations, net of minority interest                                    | (0.04)     | 0.29                  | 0.67             |
| Gain on sale of discontinued operations, net of minority interest   | 5.78       | 8.20                  | 2.11             |
| Gain on sale of joint venture property/partial interest   | 1.71       | 0.52                  | 0.08             |
| Net income available to common stockholders   | \$ 6.72    | \$ 10.90              | \$ 4.50          |
| Diluted earnings per share:   |            |                       |                  |
| Net (loss) income from continuing operations before gain on sale and discontinued operations                | \$ (0.73)  | \$ 1.87               | \$ 1.61          |
| Net (loss) income from discontinued operations, net of minority interest                                    | (0.03)     | 0.29                  | 0.65             |
| Gain on sale of discontinued operations, net of minority interest   | 5.75       | 8.11                  | 2.05             |
| Gain on sale of joint venture property/partial interest   | 1.70       | 0.51                  | 0.07             |
| Net income available to common stockholders   | \$ 6.69    | \$ 10.78              | \$ 4.38          |
| Basic weighted average common shares outstanding  | 57,996     | 58,742                | 44,593           |
| Diluted weighted average common shares and common share equivalents outstanding                             | 60,598     | 61,885                | 48,495           |
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

|  | Series C           | Series D           | Commo   | n Stock      | Additional          |                      | ccumulated<br>her Compre- |                      |             | Compre-           |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|---------|--------------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------------|
| (Amounts in thousands, except per share data)  | Preferred<br>Stock | Preferred<br>Stock | Shares  | Par<br>Value | Paid-<br>In-Capital | Treasury<br>Stock Ir | hensive<br>ncome (Loss)   | Retained<br>Earnings | Total       | hensive<br>Income |
| Balance at December 31, 2005   | \$151,981          | \$96,321           | 42,456  | \$425        | \$ 959,858          | \$ -                 | \$ 15,316                 | \$ 235,540           | \$1,459,441 | \$166,421         |
| Comprehensive Income:  |                    |                    |         |              |                     |                      |                           |                      |             |                   |
| Net income   |                    |                    |         |              |                     |                      |                           | 220,719              | 220,719     | \$220,719         |
| Net unrealized loss on derivative instruments  |                    |                    |         |              |                     |                      | (1,345)                   |                      | (1,345)     | (1,345)           |
| SL Green's share of joint venture net unrealized gain on derivative instruments      |                    |                    |         |              |                     |                      |                           |                      |             | 1,281             |
| Preferred dividends  |                    |                    |         |              |                     |                      |                           | (19,875              | (19,875)    |                   |
| Redemption of units  |                    |                    | 214     | 2            | 6,520               |                      |                           |                      | 6,522       |                   |
| Proceeds from dividend reinvestment plan   |                    |                    | 132     | 1            | 12,965              |                      |                           |                      | 12,966      |                   |
| Deferred compensation plan & stock award, net  |                    |                    | 94      | 1            | 302                 |                      |                           |                      | 303         |                   |
| Amortization of deferred compensation plan   |                    |                    | 6.400   |              | 10,068              |                      |                           |                      | 10,068      |                   |
| Net proceeds from common stock offering  |                    |                    | 6,498   | 64           | 800,200             |                      |                           |                      | 800,264     |                   |
| Proceeds from stock options exercised<br>Stock-based compensation – fair value       |                    |                    | 446     | 5            | 14,452              |                      |                           |                      | 14,457      |                   |
| Cash distributions declared (\$2.50 per common                                       |                    |                    |         |              | 5,528               |                      |                           |                      | 5,528       |                   |
| share of which none represented a return of  |                    |                    |         |              |                     |                      |                           |                      |             |                   |
| capital for federal income tax purposes)   |                    |                    |         |              |                     |                      |                           | (114,165             | (114,165)   |                   |
| Balance at December 31, 2006   | \$151,981          | \$96,321           | 49,840  | \$498        | \$1,809,893         | \$ -                 | \$ 13,971                 |                      | \$2,394,883 | \$220,655         |
| Comprehensive Income:  | Ψ101,501           | Ψ30,021            |         | Ψ130         | Ψ1,003,030          | Ψ                    | Ψ 10,571                  | Ψ 022,213            | Ψ2,034,000  | ΨΖΖΟ,000          |
| Net income   |                    |                    |         |              |                     |                      |                           | 660,410              | 660,410     | \$660,410         |
| Net unrealized loss on derivative instruments  |                    |                    |         |              |                     |                      | (9,028)                   | 000,110              | (9,028)     | (9,028)           |
| SL Green's share of joint venture net unrealized                                     |                    |                    |         |              |                     |                      | (-,,                      |                      |             | , ,               |
| loss on derivative instruments   |                    |                    |         |              |                     |                      |                           |                      |             | (788)             |
| Preferred dividends  |                    |                    |         |              |                     |                      |                           | (19,875              | (19,875)    |                   |
| Redemption of units and DRIP proceeds  |                    |                    | 451     | 5            | 24,436              |                      |                           |                      | 24,441      |                   |
| Deferred compensation plan & stock award, net  |                    |                    | 418     | 4            | 650                 |                      |                           |                      | 654         |                   |
| Amortization of deferred compensation plan   |                    |                    |         |              | 35,907              |                      |                           |                      | 35,907      |                   |
| Proceeds from stock options exercised  |                    |                    | 349     | 4            | 12,913              |                      |                           |                      | 12,917      |                   |
| Common stock issued in connection with   |                    |                    | 0.012   | 00           | 1 040 000           |                      |                           |                      | 1 040 170   |                   |
| Reckson Merger   |                    |                    | 9,013   | 90           | 1,048,088           | (150.710)            |                           |                      | 1,048,178   |                   |
| Treasury stock-at cost Cash distribution declared (\$2.89 per common                 |                    |                    | (1,312) |              |                     | (150,719)            |                           |                      | (150,719)   |                   |
| share of which none represented a return of  |                    |                    |         |              |                     |                      |                           |                      |             |                   |
| capital for federal income tax purposes)   |                    |                    |         |              |                     |                      |                           | (170,893             | (170,893)   |                   |
| Balance at December 31, 2007   | \$151,981          | \$96,321           | 58,759  | \$601        | \$2,931,887         | \$(150,719)          | \$ 4.943                  |                      | \$3,826,875 | \$650,594         |
| Comprehensive Income:  | , , , , , ,        | 1 7 -              | ,       | ,            | , , , , , , , ,     | , , , , , ,          | , ,-                      | , , , , , ,          | , ,         | 111111111         |
| Net income   |                    |                    |         |              |                     |                      |                           | 409,759              | 409,759     | \$409,759         |
| Net unrealized loss on derivative instruments  |                    |                    |         |              |                     |                      | (32,368)                  | ,.                   | (32,368)    | (32,368)          |
| SL Green's share of joint venture net unrealized                                     |                    |                    |         |              |                     |                      | ,                         |                      | , ,         | , .               |
| loss on derivative instruments   |                    |                    |         |              |                     |                      | (29,567)                  |                      | (29,567)    | (29,567)          |
| Preferred dividends  |                    |                    |         |              |                     |                      |                           | (19,875              |             |                   |
| Redemption of units and DRIP proceeds  |                    |                    | 4       | _            | 312                 |                      |                           |                      | 312         |                   |
| Deferred compensation plan & stock award, net  |                    |                    | 133     | 1            | 583                 |                      |                           |                      | 584         |                   |
| Amortization of deferred compensation plan   |                    |                    |         |              | 59,616              |                      |                           |                      | 59,616      |                   |
| Proceeds from stock options exercised  |                    |                    | 196     | 2            | 7,058               | /1=1 0=0             |                           |                      | 7,060       |                   |
| Treasury stock-at-cost   |                    |                    | (2,048) |              |                     | (151,986)            |                           |                      | (151,986)   |                   |
| Cash distribution declared (\$2.7375 per common                                      |                    |                    |         |              |                     |                      |                           |                      |             |                   |
| share of which none represented a return of capital for federal income tax purposes) |                    |                    |         |              |                     |                      |                           | (158,674             | (158,674)   |                   |
|  | ¢151 001           | ¢06 221            | E7 044  | ¢604         | ¢2 000 450          | ¢/202 705\           | ¢/E6 000\                 |                      |             | ¢247.924          |
| Balance at December 31, 2008   | \$151,981          | \$96,321           | 57,044  | <b>\$604</b> | \$2,999,456         | \$(302,705)          | ৯(১৫,৬৬১)                 | <b>Φ1,U23,U/1</b>    | \$3,911,736 | \$347,824         |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

|  |                    | Year Ended December 3 | 1,                     |
|--|--------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| mounts in thousands, except per share data)  | 2008               | 2007                  | 2006                   |
| perating Activities  |                    |                       |                        |
| et income  | \$ 409,759         | \$ 660,410            | \$ 220,719             |
| djustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:   |                    |                       |                        |
| Depreciation and amortization  | 229,510            | 204,831               | 80,230                 |
| Gain on sale of discontinued operations  | (348,614)          | (481,750)             | (93,976)               |
| Equity from net income from unconsolidated joint ventures  | (59,961)           | (46,765)              | (40,780)               |
| Distributions of cumulative earnings of unconsolidated joint ventures  | 67,136             | 45,856                | 70,692                 |
| Equity in net gain on sale of unconsolidated joint venture/partial interest  | (103,014)          | (31,509)              | (3,451)                |
| Loan loss and other investment reserves  | 115,882            | _                     | -                      |
| Loss on equity investment in marketable securities   | 147,489            | _                     | _                      |
| Minority interests   | 26,697             | 24,437                | 11,347                 |
| Deferred rents receivable  | (38,866)           | (51,863)              | (12,398)               |
| Other non-cash adjustments   | 15,631             | 30,460                | 9,105                  |
| nanges in operating assets and liabilities:  |                    |                       |                        |
| Restricted cash – operations   | (13,283)           | (15,444)              | (9,402)                |
| Tenant and other receivables   | 11,553             | (17,362)              | (12,159)               |
| Related party receivables  | 5,505              | (6,238)               | 512                    |
| Deferred lease costs   | (39,709)           | (32,933)              | (15,583)               |
| Other assets   | (2,056)            | 36,460                | (15,118)               |
| Accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities   | (49,295)           | 83,314                | 43,417                 |
| Deferred revenue and land lease payable  | 10,188             | 4,801                 | (7,511)                |
| et cash provided by operating activities   | 384,552            | 406,705               | 225,644                |
|  |                    |                       |                        |
| vesting Activities equisitions of real estate property   | (67,751)           | (4,188,318)           | (572,785)              |
|  | (67,751)           |                       | (372,763)              |
| roceeds from Asset Sale  | (122 275)          | 1,964,914             | (50.257)               |
| dditions to land, buildings and improvements   | (132,375)          | (93,762)              | (52,357)               |
| scrowed cash – capital improvements/acquisitions deposits  | 11,376             | 149,337               | (184,120)<br>(166,892) |
| vestments in unconsolidated joint ventures stributions in excess of cumulative earnings from unconsolidated joint ventures | (45,776)           | (823,043)             | 41,848                 |
| et proceeds from disposition of real estate/partial interest in property   | 458,236<br>206,783 | 82,449                |                        |
| ther investments   | 206,782            | 1,021,716             | 203,451                |
|  | 8,168              | (96,955)              | (E6 0E7)               |
| cructured finance and other investments net of repayments/participations   | (42,441)           | (350,675)             | (56,057)               |
| et cash provided by (used in) investing activities   | 396,219            | (2,334,337)           | (786,912)              |
| nancing Activities   |                    |                       |                        |
| roceeds from mortgage notes payable  | 161,577            | 809,914               | 329,668                |
| epayments of mortgage notes payable  | (26,233)           | (124,339)             | (367,670)              |
| roceeds from revolving credit facility, term loan and unsecured notes  | 1,663,970          | 3,834,339             | 749,645                |
| epayments of revolving credit facility, term loan and unsecured notes  | (1,522,653)        | (2,837,813)           | (781,645)              |
| roceeds from stock options exercised   | 7,372              | 12,917                | 14,457                 |
| et proceeds from sale of common stock  | _                  | _                     | 800,269                |
| urchases of Treasury Stock   | (151,986)          | (150,719)             | -                      |
| inority interest in other partnerships   | (21,088)           | 531,808               | 35,807                 |
| vidends and distributions paid   | (203,134)          | (188,285)             | (118,146)              |
| eferred loan costs and capitalized lease obligation  | (7,671)            | (31,404)              | (8,043)                |
| et cash (used in) provided by financing activities   | (99,846)           | 1,856,418             | 654,342                |
| et increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents  | 680,925            | (71,214)              | 93,074                 |
| ash and cash equivalents at beginning of period  | 45,964             | 117,178               | 24,104                 |
| ash and cash equivalents at end of period  | \$ 726,889         | \$ 45,964             | \$ 117,178             |
|  |                    |                       |                        |
| upplemental cash flow disclosures Interest paid  | \$ 305,022         | \$ 309,752            | \$ 102,581             |
| Income taxes paid  | \$ 303,022         | \$ 1,644              | \$ 102,381             |

In December 2008, 2007 and 2006, the Company declared quarterly distributions per share of 0.375, 0.7875 and 0.70, respectively. These distributions were paid in January 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

# NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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### ORGANIZATION AND BASIS OF PRESENTATION

SL Green Realty Corp., also referred to as the Company or SL Green, a Maryland corporation, and SL Green Operating Partnership, L.P., or the operating partnership, a Delaware limited partnership, were formed in June 1997 for the purpose of combining the commercial real estate business of S.L. Green Properties, Inc. and its affiliated partnerships and entities. The operating partnership received a contribution of interest in the real estate properties, as well as 95% of the economic interest in the management, leasing and construction companies which are referred to as the Service Corporation. The Company has qualified, and expects to qualify in the current fiscal year, as a real estate investment trust, or REIT, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or the Code, and operates as a selfadministered, self-managed REIT. A REIT is a legal entity that holds real estate interests and, through payments of dividends to stockholders, is permitted to reduce or avoid the payment of Federal income taxes at the corporate level. Unless the context requires otherwise, all references to "we," "our" and "us" means the Company and all entities owned or controlled by the Company, including the oper-

Substantially all of our assets are held by, and our operations are conducted through, the operating partnership. The Company is the sole managing general partner of the operating partnership. As of December 31, 2008, minority investors held, in the aggregate, a 3.94% limited partnership interest in the operating partnership.

On January 25, 2007, we completed the acquisition, or the Reckson Merger, of all of the outstanding shares of common stock of Reckson Associates Realty Corp., or Reckson, pursuant to the terms of the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of August 3, 2006, as amended, the Merger Agreement, among SL Green, Wyoming Acquisition Corp., or Wyoming, Wyoming Acquisition GP LLC, Wyoming Acquisition Partnership LP, Reckson and Reckson Operating Partnership, L.P., or ROP. Pursuant to the terms of the Merger Agreement, each of the issued and outstanding shares of common stock of Reckson were converted into (i) \$31.68 in cash, (ii) 0.10387 of a share of the common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of SL Green and (iii) a prorated dividend in an amount equal to approximately \$0.0977 in cash. We also assumed an aggregate of approximately \$226.3 million of Reckson mortgage debt, approximately \$287.5 million of Reckson convertible public debt and approximately \$967.8 million of Reckson public unsecured notes. ROP is a subsidiary of our

On January 25, 2007, we completed the sale, or Asset Sale, of certain assets of ROP to an asset purchasing venture led by certain of Reckson's former executive management, or the Buyer, for a total consideration of approximately \$2.0 billion. SL Green caused ROP to transfer the following assets to the Buyer in the Asset Sale: (1) certain real property assets and/or entities owning such real property assets, in either case, of ROP and 100% of certain loans secured by real property, all of which are located in Long Island, New York; (2) certain real property assets and/ or entities owning such real property assets, in either case, of ROP located in White Plains and Harrison, New York; (3) all of the real property assets and/or entities owning 100% of the interests in such real property assets, in either case, of ROP located in New Jersey; (4) the entity owning a 25% interest in Reckson Australia Operating Company LLC,

Reckson's Australian management company (including its Australian licensed responsible entity), and other related entities, and ROP and ROP subsidiaries' rights to and interests in, all related contracts and assets, including, without limitation, property management and leasing, construction services and asset management contracts and services contracts; (5) the direct or indirect interest of Reckson in Reckson Asset Partners, LLC, an affiliate of RSVP and all of ROP's rights in and to certain loans made by ROP to Frontline Capital Group, the bankrupt parent of Reckson Strategic Venture Partners, LLC, or RSVP, and other related entities, which were purchased by a 50/50 joint venture comprised of the buyer and an affiliate of SL Green; (6) a 50% participation interest in certain loans made by a subsidiary of ROP that are secured by four real property assets located in Long Island, New York; and (7) 100% of certain loans secured by real property located in White Plains and New Rochelle, New York.

As of December 31, 2008, we owned the following interests in commercial office properties in the New York Metro area, primarily in midtown Manhattan, a borough of New York City, or Manhattan. Our investments in the New York Metro area also include investments in Brooklyn, Queens, Long Island, Westchester County, Connecticut and New Jersey, which are collectively known as the Suburban assets:

| Location  | Ownership      | Number of Properties | •          | Weighted<br>Average<br>Occupancy(1) |
|-----------|----------------|----------------------|------------|-------------------------------------|
| Manhattan | Consolidated   |                      |            |                                     |
|           | properties     | 21                   | 13,782,200 | 97.5%                               |
|           | Unconsolidated | l                    |            |                                     |
|           | properties     | 8                    | 9,429,000  | 95.4%                               |
| Suburban  | Consolidated   |                      |            |                                     |
|           | properties     | 28                   | 4,714,800  | 89.0%                               |
|           | Unconsolidated | d                    |            |                                     |
|           | properties     | 6                    | 2,941,700  | 93.8%                               |
|           |                | 63                   | 30,867,700 |                                     |

 The weighted average occupancy represents the total leased square feet divided by total available square feet.

We also own investments in eight retail properties encompassing approximately 400,212 square feet, two development properties encompassing approximately 363,000 square feet and two land interests. In addition, we manage three office properties owned by third parties and affiliated companies encompassing approximately 1.0 million rentable square feet.

As of December 31, 2008, we also owned approximately 12.48% of the outstanding common stock of Gramercy Capital Corp. (NYSE: GKK), or Gramercy, as well as all the units of the Class B limited partner interest in Gramercy's operating partnership. See Note 6.

### Partnership Agreement

In accordance with the partnership agreement of the operating partnership, or the operating partnership agreement, we allocate all distributions and profits and losses in proportion to the percentage ownership interests of the respective partners. As the managing general partner of the operating partnership, we are required to take such reasonable efforts, as determined by us in our sole discretion, to cause the operating partnership to distribute sufficient amounts to enable the payment of sufficient dividends by us to avoid any Federal income or excise tax at the Company level. Under the operating partnership agreement, each limited partner will have the right to redeem units of limited partnership interests for cash, or if we so elect, shares of our common stock on a one-for-one basis. In addition, we are prohibited from selling 673 First Avenue before August 2009, under certain circumstances.

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### SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### **Principles of Consolidation**

The consolidated financial statements include our accounts and those of our subsidiaries, which are wholly-owned or controlled by us or entities which are variable interest entities in which we are the primary beneficiary under the Financial Accounting Standards Board, or FASB, Interpretation No. 46R, or FIN 46R, "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities - an Interpretation of ARB No. 51." See Note 6 and Note 7. Entities which we do not control and entities which are variable interest entities, but where we are not the primary beneficiary are accounted for under the equity method. We consolidate variable interest entities in which we are determined to be the primary beneficiary. We have two variable interest entities for which we are considered to be the primary beneficiary as a result of loans we made to our joint venture partner to fund his equity in the joint venture. The interest that we do not own is included in "Minority Interest in Other Partnerships" on the balance sheet. All significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated.

EITF Issue No. 04-5, or EITF 04-5, "Determining Whether a General Partner, or the General Partners as a Group, Controls a Limited Partnership or Similar Entity When the Limited Partners Have Certain Rights," provides guidance in determining whether a general partner controls a limited partnership. EITF 04-5 states that the general partner in a limited partnership is presumed to control that limited partnership. The presumption may be overcome if the limited partners have either (1) the substantive ability to dissolve the limited partnership or otherwise remove the general partner without cause or (2) substantive participating rights, which provide the limited partners with the ability to effectively participate in significant decisions that would be expected to be made in the ordinary course of the limited partnership's business and thereby preclude the general partner from exercising unilateral control over the partnership.

If we retain an interest in the buyer and provide certain guarantees we account for such transaction as a profit-sharing arrangement. For transactions treated as profit-sharing arrangements, we record a profit-sharing obligation for the amount of equity contributed by the other partner and continue to keep the property and related accounts recorded on our books. Any debt assumed by the buyer would continue to be recorded on our books. The results of operations of the property, net of expenses other than depreciation (net operating income), are allocated to the other partner for its percentage interest and reflected as "co-venture expense" in our consolidated financial statements. In future periods, a sale is recorded and profit is recognized when the remaining maximum exposure to loss is reduced below the amount of gain deferred.

### **Investment in Commercial Real Estate Properties**

Rental properties are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and amortization. Costs directly related to the acquisition and redevelopment of rental properties are capitalized. Ordinary repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred; major replacements and betterments, which improve or extend the life of the asset, are capitalized and depreciated over their estimated useful lives.

In accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards, or SFAS, No. 144, "Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets," a property

to be disposed of is reported at the lower of its carrying amount or its estimated fair value, less its cost to sell. Once an asset is held for sale, depreciation expense and straight-line rent adjustments are no longer recorded and the historic results are reclassified as discontinued operations. See Note 4.

Properties are depreciated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

| Category                      | Ierm                         |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Building (fee ownership)      | 40 years                     |
| Building improvements         | shorter of remaining life of |
|                               | the building or useful life  |
| Building (leasehold interest) | lesser of 40 years or        |
|                               | remaining term of the lease  |
| Property under capital lease  | remaining lease term         |
| Furniture and fixtures        | four to seven years          |
| Tenant improvements           | shorter of remaining term of |
|                               | the lease or useful life     |

Depreciation expense (including amortization of the capital lease asset) amounted to approximately \$204.9 million, \$165.8 million and \$55.7 million for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

On a periodic basis, we assess whether there are any indicators that the value of our real estate properties may be impaired or that its carrying value may not be recoverable. A property's value is considered impaired if management's estimate of the aggregate future cash flows (undiscounted and without interest charges for consolidated properties and discounted for unconsolidated properties) to be generated by the property are less than the carrying value of the property. To the extent impairment has occurred, the loss will be measured as the excess of the carrying amount of the property over the fair value of the property. We do not believe that the value of any of our rental properties was impaired at December 31, 2008 and 2007.

A variety of costs are incurred in the acquisition, development and leasing of our properties. After determination is made to capitalize a cost, it is allocated to the specific component of a project that is benefited. Determination of when a development project is substantially complete and capitalization must cease involves a degree of judgment. Our capitalization policy on our development properties is guided by SFAS No. 34 "Capitalization of Interest Cost" and SFAS No. 67 "Accounting for Costs and Initial Rental Operations of Real Estate Projects." The costs of land and building under development include specifically identifiable costs. The capitalized costs include pre-construction costs essential to the development of the property, development costs, construction costs, interest costs, real estate taxes, salaries and related costs and other costs incurred during the period of development. We consider a construction project as substantially completed and held available for occupancy upon the completion of tenant improvements, but no later than one year from cessation of major construction activity. We cease capitalization on the portions substantially completed and occupied or held available for occupancy, and capitalize only those costs associated with the portions under construction.

Results of operations of properties acquired are included in the Statement of Operations from the date

In accordance with SFAS No. 141, "Business Combinations," we allocate the purchase price of real estate to land and building and, if determined to be material, intangibles, such as the value of above-, below- and at-market leases and origination costs associated with the in-place leases. We depreciate the amount allocated to building and other intangible assets over their estimated useful lives, which generally range from three to 40 years and from one to 14 years, respectively. The values of the

above- and below-market leases are amortized and recorded as either an increase (in the case of below-market leases) or a decrease (in the case of above-market leases) to rental income over the remaining term of the associated lease, which range from one to 14 years. The value associated with in-place leases are amortized over the expected term of the associated lease, which includes an estimated probability of the lease renewal, and its estimated term, which range from one to 14 years. If a tenant vacates its space prior to the contractual termination of the lease and no rental payments are being made on the lease, any unamortized balance of the related intangible will be written off. The tenant improvements and origination costs are amortized as an expense over the remaining life of the lease (or charged against earnings if the lease is terminated prior to its contractual expiration date). We assess fair value of the leases based on estimated cash flow projections that utilize appropriate discount and capitalization rates and available market information. Estimates of future cash flows are based on a number of factors including the historical operating results, known trends, and market/ economic conditions that may affect the property.

As a result of our evaluations, under SFAS No. 141, of acquisitions made, we recognized an increase of approximately \$25.4 million, \$4.5 million and \$2.2 million in rental revenue for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively, for the amortization of aggregate below-market rents in excess of above-market leases and a reduction in lease origination costs, resulting from the allocation of the purchase price of the applicable properties. We recognized a reduction in interest expense for the amortization of the above-market rate mortgages of approximately \$6.9 million, \$6.1 million and none for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

The following summarizes our identified intangible assets (acquired above-market leases and in-place leases) and intangible liabilities (acquired below-market leases) as of December 31, 2008 (in thousands):

|                                   | December 31, December 31, |           |  |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------|--|
|                                   | 2008                      | 2007      |  |
| Identified intangible assets      |                           |           |  |
| (included in other assets):       |                           |           |  |
| Gross amount                      | \$ 236,594                | \$236,594 |  |
| Accumulated amortization          | (60,074)                  | (9,970)   |  |
| Net                               | \$ 176,520                | \$226,624 |  |
| Identified intangible liabilities |                           |           |  |
| (included in deferred revenue)    | :                         |           |  |
| Gross amount                      | \$ 480,770                | \$480,770 |  |
| Accumulated amortization          | (101,585)                 | (20,271)  |  |
| Net                               | \$ 379,185                | \$460,499 |  |

The estimated annual amortization of acquired below-market leases, net of acquired above-market leases, for each of the five succeeding years is as follows (in thousands):

Net

| 2009 | \$16,323 |
|------|----------|
| 2010 | 17,972   |
| 2011 | 17,665   |
| 2012 | 16,244   |
| 2013 | 14,057   |
|      |          |

The estimated annual amortization of all other identifiable assets (a component of depreciation and amortization expense) including tenant improvements for each of the five succeeding years is as follows:

| 2009 | \$8,927 |
|------|---------|
| 2010 | 7,668   |
| 2011 | 5,894   |
| 2012 | 4,860   |
| 2013 | 4,109   |

### **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

We consider all highly liquid investments with maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

### **Investment in Unconsolidated Joint Ventures**

We account for our investments in unconsolidated joint ventures under the equity method of accounting in cases where we exercise significant influence, but do not control these entities and are not considered to be the primary beneficiary under FIN 46R. We consolidate those joint ventures where we are considered to be the primary beneficiary, even though we do not control the entity. In all these joint ventures, the rights of the minority investor are both protective as well as participating. Unless we are determined to be the primary beneficiary, these rights preclude us from consolidating these investments. These investments are recorded initially at cost, as investments in unconsolidated joint ventures, and subsequently adjusted for equity in net income (loss) and cash contributions and distributions. Any difference between the carrying amount of these investments on our balance sheet and the underlying equity in net assets is amortized as an adjustment to equity in net income (loss) of unconsolidated joint ventures over the lesser of the joint venture term or 10 years. Equity income (loss) from unconsolidated joint ventures is allocated based on our ownership interest in each joint venture. When a capital event (as defined in each joint venture agreement) such as a refinancing occurs, if return thresholds are met, future equity income will be allocated at our increased economic interest. We recognize incentive income from unconsolidated real estate joint ventures as income to the extent it is earned and not subject to a clawback feature. Distributions we receive from unconsolidated real estate joint ventures in excess of our basis in the investment are recorded as offsets to our investment balance if we remain liable for future obligations of the joint venture or may otherwise be committed to provide future additional financial support. None of the joint venture debt is recourse to us. See Note 6.

### **Restricted Cash**

Restricted cash primarily consists of security deposits held on behalf of our tenants, interest reserves, as well as capital improvement and real estate tax escrows required under certain loan agreements.

### **Deferred Lease Costs**

Deferred lease costs consist of fees and direct costs incurred to initiate and renew operating leases and are amortized on a straight-line basis over the related lease term. Certain of our employees provide leasing services to the wholly-owned properties. A portion of their compensation, approximating \$8.3 million, \$7.0 million and \$3.5 million for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively, was capitalized and is amortized over an estimated average lease term of seven years.

### **Deferred Financing Costs**

Deferred financing costs represent commitment fees, legal and other third party costs associated with obtaining commitments for financing which result in a closing of such financing. These costs are amortized over the terms of the respective agreements. Unamortized deferred financing costs are expensed when the associated debt is refinanced or repaid before maturity. Costs incurred in seeking financial transactions, which do not close, are expensed in the period in which it is determined that the financing will not close.

### Revenue Recognition

Rental revenue is recognized on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease. The excess of rents recognized over amounts contractually due pursuant to the underlying leases are included in deferred rents receivable on the accompanying balance sheets. We establish, on a current basis, an allowance for future potential tenant credit losses, which may occur against this account. The balance reflected on the balance sheet is net of such allowance.

In addition to base rent, our tenants also generally will pay their pro rata share of increases in real estate taxes and operating expenses for the building over a base year. In some leases, in lieu of paying additional rent based upon increases in building operating expenses, the tenant will pay additional rent based upon increases in the wage rate paid to porters over the porters' wage rate in effect during a base year or increases in the consumer price index over the index value in effect during a base year. In addition, many of our leases contain fixed percentage increases over the base rent to cover escalations.

Electricity is most often supplied by the landlord either on a sub-metered basis, or rent inclusion basis (i.e., a fixed fee is included in the rent for electricity, which amount may increase based upon increases in electricity rates or increases in electrical usage by the tenant). Base building services other than electricity (such as heat, air conditioning and freight elevator service during business hours, and base building cleaning) typically are provided at no additional cost, with the tenant paying additional rent only for services which exceed base building services or for services which are provided outside normal business hours.

These escalations are based on actual expenses incurred in the prior calendar year. If the expenses in the current year are different from those in the prior year, then during the current year, the escalations will be adjusted to reflect the actual expenses for the current year.

We maintain an allowance for doubtful accounts for estimated losses resulting from the inability of our tenants to make required rent payments. If the financial condition of a specific tenant were to deteriorate, resulting in an impairment of its ability to make payments, additional allowances may be required.

We record a gain on sale of real estate when title is conveyed to the buyer, subject to the buyer's financial commitment being sufficient to provide economic substance to the sale and we have no substantial economic involvement with the buyer.

Interest income on structured finance investments is recognized over the life of the investment using the effective interest method and recognized on the accrual basis. Fees received in connection with loan commitments are deferred until the loan is funded and are then recognized over the term of the loan as an adjustment to yield. Anticipated exit fees, whose collection is expected, are also recognized over the term of the loan as an adjustment to yield. Fees on commitments that expire unused are recognized at expiration.

Income recognition is generally suspended for structured finance investments at the earlier of the date at which payments become 90 days past due or when, in the opinion of management, a full recovery of income and principal becomes doubtful. Income recognition is resumed when the loan becomes contractually current and performance is demonstrated to be resumed.

Asset management fees are recognized on a straightline basis over the term of the asset management agreement.

### Reserve for Possible Credit Losses

The expense for possible credit losses in connection with structured finance investments is the charge to earnings to increase the allowance for possible credit losses to the level that we estimate to be adequate considering delinquencies, loss experience and collateral quality. Other factors considered relate to geographic trends and product diversification, the size of the portfolio and current economic conditions. Based upon these factors, we establish the provision for possible credit losses by loan. When it is probable that we will be unable to collect all amounts contractually due, the investment is considered impaired.

Where impairment is indicated, a valuation allowance is measured based upon the excess of the recorded investment amount over the net fair value of the collateral, as reduced by selling costs. Any deficiency between the carrying amount of an asset and the net sales price of repossessed collateral is charged to expense. We recorded approximately \$45.8 million in loan loss reserves during 2008. No reserve for impairment was required at December 31, 2007.

Structured finance investments held for sale are carried at the lower of cost or fair market value using available market information obtained through consultation with dealers or other originators of such investments as well as discounted cash flow models based on Level 3 data pursuant to SFAS No. 157. During the year ended December 31, 2008, we redesignated loans with a gross carrying value of \$121.2 million from structured finance investments to assets held for sale. We recorded a mark-to-market adjustment of approximately \$53.1 million against these investments.

### Rent Expense

Rent expense is recognized on a straight-line basis over the initial term of the lease. The excess of the rent expense recognized over the amounts contractually due pursuant to the underlying lease is included in the deferred land lease payable in the accompanying balance sheets.

### Income Taxes

We are taxed as a REIT under Section 856(c) of the Code. As a REIT, we generally are not subject to Federal income tax. To maintain our qualification as a REIT, we must distribute at least 90% of our REIT taxable income to our stockholders and meet certain other requirements. If we fail to qualify as a REIT in any taxable year, we will be subject to Federal income tax on our taxable income at regular corporate rates. We may also be subject to certain state, local and franchise taxes. Under certain circumstances, Federal income and excise taxes may be due on our undistributed taxable income.

Pursuant to amendments to the Code that became effective January 1, 2001, we have elected, and may in the future, elect to treat certain of our existing or newly created corporate subsidiaries as taxable REIT subsidiaries, or TRS. In general, a TRS of ours may perform non-customary services for our tenants, hold assets that we cannot hold directly and generally may engage in any real estate or non-real estate related business. Our TRS's generate income, resulting in Federal income tax liability for these entities. Our TRS's recorded approximately \$(2.0) million, \$4.2 million and \$2.2 million in Federal, state and local tax (benefit)/ expense in 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively, of which \$0.9 million, \$1.6 million and \$1.4 million, respectively, had been paid.

In July 2006, the FASB issued Interpretation No. 48. "Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes." or FIN 48. This interpretation, among other things, creates a two-step approach for evaluating uncertain tax positions. Recognition (step one) occurs when an enterprise concludes that a tax position, based solely on its technical merits, is more-likely-than-not to be sustained upon examination. Measurement (step two) determines the amount of benefit that more-likely-than-not will be realized upon settlement. Derecognition of a tax position that was previously recognized would occur when a company subsequently determines that a tax position no longer meets the more-likely-than-not threshold of being sustained. FIN 48 specifically prohibits the use of a valuation allowance as a substitute for derecognition of tax positions, and it has expanded disclosure requirements. The adoption of FIN 48, on January 1, 2007 had no impact on our consolidated financial statements.

### **Underwriting Commissions and Costs**

Underwriting commissions and costs incurred in connection with our stock offerings are reflected as a reduction of additional paid-in-capital.

### **Stock-Based Employee Compensation Plans**

We have a stock-based employee compensation plan, described more fully in Note 14. We account for this plan under SFAS No. 123-R "Shared Based Payment," revised, or SFAS No. 123-R. We adopted SFAS No. 123, "Accounting from Stock-Based Compensation" on January 1, 2003.

The Black-Scholes option-pricing model was developed for use in estimating the fair value of traded options, which have no vesting restrictions and are fully transferable. In addition, option valuation models require the input of highly subjective assumptions including the expected stock price volatility. Because our plan has characteristics significantly different from those of traded options and because changes in the subjective input assumptions can materially affect the fair value estimate, in our opinion, the existing models do not necessarily provide a reliable single measure of the fair value of our employee stock options.

Compensation cost for stock options, if any, is recognized ratably over the vesting period of the award. Our policy is to grant options with an exercise price equal to the quoted closing market price of our stock on the grant date. Awards of stock or restricted stock are expensed as compensation on a current basis over the benefit period.

The fair value of each stock option granted is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model based on historical information with the following weighted average assumptions for grants in 2008, 2007 and 2006.

|                                 | 2008    | 2007    | 2006    |
|---------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Dividend yield                  | 2.99%   | 2.10%   | 2.33%   |
| Expected life of option         | 5 years | 5 years | 5 years |
| Risk-free interest rate         | 3.24%   | 4.63%   | 4.76%   |
| Expected stock price volatility | 25.47%  | 21.61%  | 17.76%  |

### **Derivative Instruments**

In the normal course of business, we use a variety of derivative instruments to manage, or hedge, interest rate risk. We require that hedging derivative instruments are effective in reducing the interest rate risk exposure that they are designated to hedge. This effectiveness is essential for qualifying for hedge accounting. Some derivative instruments are associated with an anticipated transaction. In those cases, hedge effectiveness criteria also require that it be probable that the underlying transaction occurs. Instruments that meet these hedging criteria are formally designated as hedges at the inception of the derivative contract.

To determine the fair values of derivative instruments, we use a variety of methods and assumptions that are based on market conditions and risks existing at each balance sheet date. For the majority of financial instruments including most derivatives, long-term investments and long-term debt, standard market conventions and techniques such as discounted cash flow analysis, option pricing models, replacement cost, and termination cost are used to determine fair value. All methods of assessing fair value result in a general approximation of value, and such value may never actually be realized.

In the normal course of business, we are exposed to the effect of interest rate changes and limit these risks by following established risk management policies and procedures including the use of derivatives. To address exposure to interest rates, derivatives are used primarily to fix the rate on debt based on floating-rate indices and manage the cost of borrowing obligations.

We use a variety of commonly used derivative products that are considered plain vanilla derivatives. These derivatives typically include interest rate swaps, caps, collars and floors. We expressly prohibit the use of unconventional derivative instruments and using derivative instruments for trading or speculative purposes. Further, we have a policy of only entering into contracts with major financial institutions based upon their credit ratings and other factors.

We may employ swaps, forwards or purchased options to hedge qualifying forecasted transactions. Gains and losses related to these transactions are deferred and recognized in net income as interest expense in the same period or periods that the underlying transaction occurs, expires or is otherwise terminated.

Hedges that are reported at fair value and presented on the balance sheet could be characterized as cash flow hedges or fair value hedges. Interest rate caps and collars are examples of cash flow hedges. Cash flow hedges address the risk associated with future cash flows of debt transactions. All hedges held by us are deemed to be fully effective in meeting the hedging objectives established by our corporate policy governing interest rate risk management and as such no net gains or losses were reported in earnings. The changes in fair value of hedge instruments are reflected in accumulated other comprehensive income. For derivative instruments not designated as hedging instruments, the gain or loss, resulting from the change in the estimated fair value of the derivative instruments, is recognized in current earnings during the period of change.

### Earnings Per Share

We present both basic and diluted earnings per share, or EPS. Basic EPS excludes dilution and is computed by dividing net income available to common stockholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted EPS reflects the potential dilution that could occur if securities or other contracts to issue common stock were exercised or converted into common stock, where such exercise or conversion would result in a lower EPS amount. This also includes units of limited partnership interest.

### Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

### Concentrations of Credit Risk

Financial instruments that potentially subject us to concentrations of credit risk consist primarily of cash investments, structured finance investments and accounts receivable. We place our cash investments in excess of insured amounts with high quality financial institutions. The collateral securing our structured finance investments is primarily located in the New York Metro area. See Note 5. We perform ongoing credit evaluations of our tenants and require certain tenants to provide security deposits or letters of credit. Though these security deposits and letters of credit are insufficient to meet the total value of a tenant's lease obligation, they are a measure of good faith and a source of funds to offset the economic costs associated with lost rent and the costs associated with re-tenanting the space. Although the properties in our real estate portfolio are primarily located in Manhattan, we also have properties in Brooklyn, Queens, Long Island, Westchester County, Connecticut and New Jersey. The tenants located in these buildings operate in various industries. Other than one tenant who accounts for approximately 9.4%

of our annualized rent, no single tenant in our portfolio accounted for more than 5.8% of our annualized rent, including our share of joint venture annualized rent, at December 31, 2008. Approximately 10%, 8%, 7%, 8% and 6% of our annualized rent for consolidated properties was attributable to 919 Third Avenue, 1185 Avenue of the Americas, One Madison Avenue, 420 Lexington Avenue and 485 Lexington Avenue, respectively, for the year ended December 31, 2008. Approximately 9%, 7%, 7%, 7% and 6% of our annualized rent for consolidated properties was attributable to 919 Third Avenue, 1185 Avenue of the Americas, One Madison Avenue, 420 Lexington Avenue and 485 Lexington Avenue, respectively, for the year ended December 31, 2007. Approximately 14%, 10%, 9% and 9% of our annualized rent for consolidated properties was attributable to 420 Lexington Avenue, 220 East 42nd Street, 625 Madison Avenue and 485 Lexington Avenue respectively, for the year ended December 31, 2006. No single borrower accounted for more than 10.0% of the revenue earned on structured finance investments at December 31, 2008. Currently 69% of our workforce which services substantially all of our properties is covered by three collective bargaining agreements.

### Reclassification

Certain prior year balances have been reclassified to conform to the current year presentation in order to comply with SFAS No. 144.

### **Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements**

In September 2006, the FASB issued Statement No. 157, "Fair Value Measurements", or SFAS No. 157. SFAS No. 157 provides guidance for using fair value to measure assets and liabilities. This statement clarifies the principle that fair value should be based on the assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability. SFAS No. 157 establishes a fair value hierarchy, giving the highest priority to quoted prices in active markets and the lowest priority to unobservable data. SFAS No. 157 applies whenever other standards require assets or liabilities to be measured at fair value. This statement is effective in fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007. The adoption of this standard on January 1, 2008 did not have a material effect on our consolidated financial statements. In February 2008, the FASB delayed the effective date of SFAS No. 157 for non-financial assets and non-financial liabilities to fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2008.

In February 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 159, "The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities." SFAS No. 159 allows entities to voluntarily choose, at specified election dates, to measure many financial assets (as well as certain nonfinancial instruments that are similar to financial instruments) at fair value (the "fair value option"). The election is made on an instrument-byinstrument basis and is irrevocable. If the fair value option is elected for an instrument, the statement specifies that all subsequent changes in fair value for that instrument shall be reported in earnings (or another performance indicator for entities such as not-for profit organizations that do not report earnings). Upon initial adoption, SFAS No. 159 provides entities with a one-time chance to elect the fair value option for existing eligible items. SFAS No. 159 is effective as of the beginning of an entity's first fiscal year that begins after November 15, 2007. We did not make the election to measure financial assets at fair value and therefore, adoption of this standard did not have an effect on our consolidated financial statements.

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 141(R), "Business Combinations." This statement changes the accounting for acquisitions specifically

eliminating the step acquisition model, changing the recognition of contingent consideration from being recognized when it is probable to being recognized at the time of acquisition, disallowing the capitalization of transaction costs and delays when restructurings related to acquisitions can be recognized. The standard is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008 and will only impact the accounting for acquisitions we make after our adoption. Accordingly, upon our adoption of this standard on January 1, 2009, there will not be any impact on our historical financial statements.

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 160, "Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements – an Amendment of ARB No. 5" which establishes and expands accounting and reporting standards for minority interests, which will be recharacterized as noncontrolling interests, in a subsidiary and the deconsolidation of a subsidiary. SFAS No. 160 requires that controlling interests be displayed in the consolidated statement of financial position as a seperate component of stockholders' equity. This statement is effective for fiscal years beginning on or after December 15, 2008. We are currently assessing the potential impact that the adoption of SFAS No. 160 will have on our financial position and results of operations.

In March 2008, the FASB issued SFAS No. 161, or SFAS No. 161, "Disclosures about Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities, an amendment of FASB Statement No. 133." SFAS No. 161 requires entities to provide greater transparency about (a) how and why and entity uses derivative instruments, (b) how derivative instruments and related hedged items are accounted for under SFAS No. 133 and its related interpretations, and (c) how derivative instruments and related hedged items affect an entity's financial position, results of operations, and cash flows. SFAS No. 161 is effective on January 1, 2009. We do not expect this statement to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

In May 2008, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position No. APB 14-1, or FSP 14-1, "Accounting for Convertible Debt Instruments that may be Settled in Cash upon Conversion." FSP 14-1 requires the issuer of certain convertible debt instruments that may be settled in cash (or other assets) on conversion to separately account for the liability (debt) and equity (conversion option) components of the instrument in a manner that reflects the issuer's nonconvertible debt borrowing rate. FSP 14-1 will significantly affect the accounting for instruments commonly referred to as Instruments B and C in EITF No. 90-19, "Convertible Bonds with Issuer Option to Settle for Cash upon Conversion," which is nullified by FSP 14-1, and any other convertible debt instruments that require or permit settlement in any combination of cash and shares at the issuer's option, such as those sometimes referred to as "Instrument X." The resulting debt discount will be amortized over the period during which the debt is expected to be outstanding (i.e., through the first optional redemption dates) as additional non-cash interest expense. This amount (before netting) will increase in subsequent reporting periods through the first optional redemption dates as the debt accretes to its par value over the same period. FSP 14-1 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008, and interim periods within those fiscal years. Early adoption is not permitted. Upon adoption, FSP 14-1 requires companies to retrospectively apply the requirements of the pronouncement to all periods presented. Adoption of FSP 14-1 will result in an aggregate of approximately \$19.7 million and \$15.8 million of additional non-cash interest expense, or \$0.32 per share and \$0.25 per share, for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

In May 2008, the FASB issued SFAS No. 162, "The Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles," or SFAS No. 162, which is intended to improve financing reporting by identifying a consistent framework or hierarchy for selecting accounting principles to be used in preparing financial statements of nongovernmental entities that are presented in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles, or GAAP in the United States. SFAS No. 162 is effective 60 days following the Securities and Exchange Commission's, or SEC, approval of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board amendment to AU Section 411, "The Meaning of Present Fairly in Conformity with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles." We do not expect the adoption of SFAS No. 162 to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

In June 2008, the FASB issued FSP EITF 03-06-1, "Determining Whether Instruments Granted in Share-Based Payment Transactions are Participating Securities", or FSP EITF 03-06-1. FSP EITF 03-06-1 clarifies that unvested share-based payment awards that contain non-forfeitable rights to dividends or dividend equivalents (whether paid or unpaid) are participating securities and shall be included in the computation of EPS pursuant to the two-class method. FSP EITF 03-06-1 is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008, and interim periods within those fiscal years. All priorperiod EPS data presented shall be adjusted retrospectively (including interim financial statements, summaries of earnings, and selected financial data) to conform with the provisions of the FSP. Early application is not permitted. We do not expect the adoption of FSP EITF 03-06-1 to have a material impact on our results of operations.



### PROPERTY ACQUISITIONS

### 2008 Acquisitions

In February 2008, we, through our joint venture with Jeff Sutton, acquired the properties located at 182 Broadway and 63 Nassau Street for approximately \$30.0 million in the aggregate. These properties are located adjacent to 180 Broadway which we acquired in August 2007. As part of the acquisition we also closed on a \$31.0 million loan which bears interest at 225 basis points over the 30-day LIBOR. The loan has a three-year term and two one-year extensions. We drew down \$21.1 million at the closing to pay the balance of the acquisition costs.

During the second quarter of 2008, we, through a joint venture with NYSTERS, acquired various interests in the fee positions at 919 Third Avenue for approximately \$32.8 million. As a result, our joint venture controls the entire fee position.

### 2007 Acquisitions

In January 2007, we acquired Reckson for approximately \$6.0 billion, inclusive of transaction costs. Simultaneously, we sold approximately \$1.9 billion of the Reckson assets to an asset purchasing venture led by certain of Reckson's former executive management. The transaction included the acquisition of 30 properties encompassing approximately 9.2 million square feet, of which five properties encompassing approximately 4.2 million square feet are located in Manhattan.

The following summarizes our allocation of the purchase price to the assets and liabilities acquired from Reckson (in thousands):

| Land                                   | \$ 766,727  |
|--|-------------|
| Building                               | 3,724,962   |
| Investment in joint venture            | 65,500      |
| Structured finance investments         | 136,646     |
| Acquired above-market leases           | 24,661      |
| Other assets, net of other liabilities | 30,473      |
| Acquired in-place leases               | 175,686     |
| Assets acquired                        | 4,924,655   |
| Acquired below-market leases           | 422,177     |
| Minority interest                      | 401,108     |
| Liabilities acquired                   | 823,285     |
| Net assets acquired                    | \$4.101.370 |

In January 2007, we acquired 300 Main Street in Stamford, Connecticut and 399 Knollwood Road in White Plains, New York for approximately \$46.6 million, from affiliates of RPW Group. These commercial office buildings encompass 275,000 square feet, inclusive of 50,000 square feet of garage parking at 300 Main Street.

In April 2007, we completed the acquisition of 331 Madison Avenue and 48 East 43rd Street for a total of \$73.0 million. Both 331 Madison Avenue and 48 East 43rd Street are located adjacent to 317 Madison Avenue, a property that we acquired in 2001. 331 Madison Avenue is an approximately 92,000-square-foot, 14-story office building. The 22,850-square-foot 48 East 43rd Street property is a seven-story loft building that was later converted to office use.

In April 2007, we acquired the fee interest in 333 West 34th Street for approximately \$183.0 million from Citigroup Global Markets Inc. The property encompasses approximately 345,000 square feet. At closing, Citigroup entered into a full building triple net lease through August 2009.

In June 2007, we, through a joint venture, acquired the second and third floors in the office tower at 717 Fifth Avenue for approximately \$16.9 million.

In June 2007, we acquired 1010 Washington Avenue, CT, a 143,400 square foot office tower. The fee interest was purchased for approximately \$38.0 million.

In June 2007, we acquired an office property located at 500 West Putnam Avenue in Greenwich, Connecticut. The Greenwich property, a four-story, 121,500-square-foot office building, was purchased for approximately \$56.0 million.

In August 2007, we acquired Gramercy's 45% equity interest in the joint venture that owns the 1,176,000-square-foot office building located at One Madison Avenue, or One Madison, for approximately \$147.2 million and the assumption of their proportionate share of the debt encumbering the property of approximately \$305.3 million. We previously acquired our 55% interest in the property in April 2005.

In August 2007, we, through a joint venture with Jeff Sutton, acquired the fee interest in a building at 180 Broadway for an aggregate purchase price of \$13.7 million, excluding closing costs. The building comprises approximately 24,307 square feet. We own approximately 50% of the equity in the joint venture. We loaned approximately \$6.8 million to Jeff Sutton to fund a portion of his equity. This loan is secured by a pledge of Jeff Sutton's partnership interest in the joint venture. As we have been designated as the primary beneficiary of the joint venture under FIN 46(R), we have consolidated the accounts of the joint venture.

### 2006 Acquisitions

In January 2006, we, through a joint venture with Jeff Sutton, acquired the fee interests in three adjoining buildings at 25–27 and 29 West 34th Street for an aggregate purchase price of \$30.0 million, excluding closing costs. The buildings comprise approximately 50,900 square feet. We own approximately 50% of the equity in the joint venture. We loaned approximately \$13.3 million to Jeff Sutton to fund a portion of his equity. These loans are secured by a pledge of Jeff Sutton's partnership interest in the joint venture. As we have been designated as the primary beneficiary of the joint venture under FIN 46(R), we have consolidated the accounts of the joint venture. Effective December 2006, we deconsolidated 25 West 34th Street. Effective May 2008, we deconsolidated 27/29 West 34th Street.

In March 2006, we entered into a long-term operating net leasehold interest in 521 Fifth Avenue – a 40-story, 460,000-square-foot office building - with an ownership group led by RFR Holding LLC, which retained fee ownership of the property. We also purchased an option to acquire fee ownership of the property in five years for \$15.0 million. Assuming we exercise our option, the total cost would be \$225.0 million. The acquisition was financed with a \$140.0 million loan and proceeds drawn under our revolving credit facility. The loan, which was for two years and bore interest at the London Interbank Offered Rate, or LIBOR, plus 162.5 basis points, was replaced in April 2006 with a five-year loan that bears interest at LIBOR plus 100 basis points. In December 2006, we sold a 49.9% partnership interest to the City Investment Fund, or CIF. This sale valued the property at \$240.0 million. We recognized a gain on the sale of approximately \$3.5 million. The loan was also assigned to the joint venture. See Note 6.

In May 2005, we acquired a 10% interest in a joint venture that acquired a 670,000-square-foot property located at 55 Corporate Drive, N.J. The acquisition was funded with an \$86.0 million interest-only mortgage, which was to mature in June 2007 and carried an interest rate of 215 basis points over the 30-day LIBOR. This mortgage was acquired by Gramercy in March 2006. In June 2006, the mortgage was repaid and replaced with a \$190.0 million, ten-year interest-only mortgage with a fixed interest rate of 5.75%. The property is net-leased to a single tenant until 2023. In connection with the refinancing, the joint venture distributed out all the capital and preferred return to its majority partner. This resulted in our interest increasing from 10% to 50%. Simultaneous with the refinancing, Gramercy acquired a 49.75% interest from the other partners. These interests are held as tenant-incommon interests. This transaction valued the property at \$236.0 million. This property was sold in the first quarter of 2009. See Note 23.

On June 30, 2006, we completed the investment in the previously announced transaction involving 609 Fifth Avenue – a mixed-use property that includes New York City's American Girl Store and approximately 100,000 square feet of Class A office space – in a transaction that valued the property at approximately \$182.0 million. We issued approximately 64 million preferred units in SL Green Operating Partnership, L.P., valued at \$1.00 per unit, to subsidiaries of 609 Partners, LLC, the partnership that indirectly holds the property, and acquired all of its common partnership interests. The property remains subject to a \$102.0 million mortgage loan held by Morgan Stanley Mortgage Capital, Inc. The mortgage has a fixed annual interest rate of 5.85% and will mature in October 2013.

In September 2006, we, along with Jeff Sutton, were able to consolidate several partnership interests totaling 92.25% in the retail portion and one floor of office space at 717 Fifth Avenue. 717 Fifth Avenue has 47,000 square feet of rentable retail space, approximately 90% of which is currently occupied. This transaction, which valued the property at \$235.0 million, was financed with our investment of approximately \$46.0 million and a \$175.0 million loan from a third party at a blended rate of LIBOR plus 160 basis points. We also have an option to acquire up to 33% of the ownership interests in the property. In January 2007, we exercised a portion of the option and acquired a 32.75% ownership interest in the property. We were consolidating our investment in 717 Fifth Ave. due to our significant economic interest resulting from the financing we provided. Effective September 2008, we deconsolidated this investment.

In December 2006, we purchased interests in 485 Lexington Avenue from our partners, CIF and The Witkoff Group, or Witkoff, resulting in majority ownership and control of the property. As a result of the acquisition of interests from CIF and Witkoff, our direct ownership interest in 485 Lexington Avenue increased to 87%. The transaction valued the property at approximately \$578.0 million compared to \$225.0 million when first acquired in 2004. In addition, we originated a loan secured by CIF's remaining ownership interest. We also acquired an option from CIF to purchase its remaining equity interest. This investment was previously accounted for under the equity method.

### Pro Forma

The following table (in thousands, except per share amounts) summarizes, on an unaudited pro forma basis, our combined results of operations for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006 as though the acquisitions of 521 Fifth Avenue (March 2006), the investment in 609 Fifth Avenue (June 2006), the July and November 2006 common stock offerings as well as the Reckson Merger and the acquisition of the 45% interest in One Madison were completed on January 1, 2006. The supplemental pro forma operating data is not necessarily indicative of what the actual results of operations would have been assuming the transactions had been completed as set forth above, nor do they purport to represent our results of operations for future periods. In addition, the following supplemental pro forma operating data does not present the sale of assets through December 31, 2008. There were no significant acquisitions in 2008. We accounted for the acquisition of assets utilizing the purchase method of accounting.

|                             |     | 2007     |     | 2006    |
|-----------------------------|-----|----------|-----|---------|
| Pro forma revenues          | \$1 | ,086,450 | \$9 | 953,276 |
| Pro forma net income        | \$  | 629,574  | \$1 | 145,540 |
| Pro forma earnings per      |     |          |     |         |
| common share - basic        | \$  | 10.62    | \$  | 2.42    |
| Pro forma earnings per      |     |          |     |         |
| common share and common     |     |          |     |         |
| share equivalents – diluted | \$  | 10.49    | \$  | 2.40    |
| Pro forma common            |     |          |     |         |
| shares – basic              |     | 59,258   |     | 60,105  |
| Pro forma common share      |     |          |     |         |
| and common share            |     |          |     |         |
| equivalents – diluted       |     | 62,490   |     | 63,825  |

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### PROPERTY DISPOSITIONS AND ASSETS HELD FOR SALE

In January 2008, we sold the fee interest in 440 Ninth Avenue for approximately \$160.0 million, excluding closing costs. The property is approximately 339,000 square feet. We recognized a gain on sale of approximately \$106.0 million.

In August 2008, we sold 80% of our interest in the joint venture that owns 1551/1555 Broadway to Jeff Sutton for approximately \$17.0 million and the right to future asset management, leasing and construction fees. We recognized a gain on sale of approximately \$9.5 million. As a result of this transaction, we deconsolidated this investment and account for it under the equity method of accounting. See Note 6.

In October 2008, we sold 100/120 White Plains Road, Westchester for \$48.0 million, which approximated our book basis in these properties. Our share of the net sales proceeds was approximately \$24.0 million.

In February 2007, we sold the fee interests in 70 West 36th Street for approximately \$61.5 million, excluding closing costs. The property is approximately 151,000 square feet. We recognized a gain on sale of approximately \$47.2 million.

In June 2007, we sold our office condominium interest in floors six through eighteen at 110 East 42nd Street for approximately \$111.5 million, excluding closing costs. The property encompasses approximately 181,000 square feet. The sale does not include approximately 112,000 square feet of developable air rights, which we retained along with the ability to transfer these rights off-site. We recognized a gain on sale of approximately \$84.0 million, which is net of a \$1.0 million employee compensation award accrued in connection with the realization of this investment gain as a bonus to certain employees that were instrumental in realizing the gain on this sale.

In June 2007, we sold our condominium interests in 125 Broad Street for approximately \$273.0 million, excluding closing costs. The property is approximately 525,000 square feet. We recognized a gain on sale of approximately \$167.9 million, which is net of a \$1.5 million employee compensation award accrued in connection with the realization of this investment gain as a bonus to certain employees that were instrumental in realizing the gain on this sale.

In July 2007, we sold our property located at 292 Madison Avenue for approximately \$140.0 million, excluding closing costs. The property encompasses approximately 187,000 square feet. The sale generated a gain of approximately \$99.8 million, of which \$15.7 million was deferred as a result of financing provided to the buyer by Gramercy, which is net of a \$1.0 million employee compensation award accrued in connection with the realization of this investment gain as a bonus to certain employees that were instrumental in realizing the gain on this sale.

In July 2007, we sold an 85% interest in 1372 Broadway, New York, to Wachovia Corporation (NYSE:WB), for approximately \$284.8 million. This sale generated a gain of \$254.4 million, which is net of a \$1.5 million employee compensation award accrued in connection with the realization of this investment gain as a bonus to certain employees that were instrumental in realizing the gain on this sale. We retained a 15% interest in the property. We had the ability to earn incentive fees based on the financial performance of the property. We were

accounting for this property as a profit sharing arrangement. We deferred recognition of the gain on sale due to our continuing involvement with the property and because we had an option to reacquire the property under certain limited circumstances. As the property was unencumbered at the time of sale, no debt was recorded on our books. The co-venture expense was included in operating expenses in the Consolidated Statements of Income. The equity contributed by our partner was included in Deferred Revenue on our Consolidated Balance Sheets. In July 2007, the joint venture that now owned 1372 Broadway closed on a \$235.2 million, five-year, floating rate mortgage. The mortgage carried an interest rate of 125 basis points over the 30-day LIBOR. This mortgage was recorded off-balance sheet. The joint venture sold the property in October 2008. As a result of the sale, we recognized a gain on sale of approximately \$238.6 million, which is net of a \$3.5 million employee compensation award accrued in connection with the realization of this investment gain as a bonus to certain employees that were instrumental in realizing the gain on this sale.

In November 2007, we sold our property located at 470 Park Avenue South for approximately \$157.0 million. The property encompasses approximately 260,000 square feet. The sale generated a gain, net of minority interest, of approximately \$114.7 million.

In July 2006, we sold the fee interests in 286 Madison Avenue and 290 Madison Avenue for approximately \$63.0 million, excluding closing costs. The properties are approximately 149,000 square feet. We recognized a gain on sale of approximately \$34.3 million, which is net of a \$2.0 million employee compensation award accrued in connection with the realization of this investment gain as a bonus to certain employees that were instrumental in realizing the gain on this sale.

In August 2006, we sold the leasehold interest in 1140 Avenue of the Americas for approximately \$97.5 million, excluding closing costs. The property is approximately 191,000 square feet. We recognized a gain on sale of approximately \$65.0 million which is net of a \$3.0 million employee compensation award accrued in connection with the realization of this investment gain as a bonus to certain employees that were instrumental in realizing the gain on this sale.

In December 2006, we sold to CIF a 49.9% interest in the entity that owns the leasehold interest in 521 Fifth Avenue. The sale of the interest in the property, which encompasses approximately 460,000 square feet, valued the property at approximately \$240.0 million. This sale generated a realized gain of approximately \$3.5 million. As a result of the sale, this investment is accounted for under the equity method. See Note 6.

At December 31, 2008, discontinued operations included the results of operations of real estate assets under contract or sold prior to that date. This included 286 and 290 Madison Avenue, sold in July 2006, 1140 Avenue of the Americas, sold in August 2006, 125 Broad Street and 110 East 42nd Street sold in June 2007, 292 Madison Avenue, which was sold in July 2007, 470 Park Avenue South, which was sold in November 2007 and 440 Ninth Avenue, which was sold in January 2008, 100/120 White Plains Road and 1372 Broadway, which were sold in October 2008, and 55 Corporate Drive, NJ which was under contract for sale at December 31, 2008.

The following table summarizes income from discontinued operations (net of minority interest) and the related realized gain on sale of discontinued operations (net of minority interest) for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006 (in thousands).

|  | Year Ended December 31, |           |           |  |  |
|--|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|--|--|
|  | 2008                    | 2007 2    |           |  |  |
| Revenues   |                         |           |           |  |  |
| Rental revenue   | \$ 27,785               | \$ 64,090 | \$ 71,549 |  |  |
| Escalation and   |                         |           |           |  |  |
| reimbursement  |                         |           |           |  |  |
| revenues   | 3,679                   | 11,816    | 16,225    |  |  |
| Other income   | 636                     | 1,293     | 5,198     |  |  |
| Total revenues   | 32,100                  | 77,198    | 92,972    |  |  |
| Operating expense                                      | 5,882                   | 18,635    | 26,662    |  |  |
| Real estate taxes                                      | 4,342                   | 10,722    | 14,124    |  |  |
| Ground rent  | _                       | _         | 249       |  |  |
| Interest   | 17,004                  | 16,833    | 6,957     |  |  |
| Depreciation and                                       |                         |           |           |  |  |
| amortization   | 5,450                   | 13,005    | 13,281    |  |  |
| Total expenses   | 32,678                  | 59,195    | 61,273    |  |  |
| Income from  |                         |           |           |  |  |
| discontinued   |                         |           |           |  |  |
| operations   | (578)                   | 18,003    | 31,699    |  |  |
| Gain on disposition                                    |                         |           |           |  |  |
| of discontinued  |                         |           |           |  |  |
| operations   | 348,573                 | 501,812   | 99,269    |  |  |
| Minority interest in                                   |                         |           |           |  |  |
| other partnerships                                     | (1,538)                 | 182       | _         |  |  |
| Minority interest                                      |                         |           |           |  |  |
| in operating   |                         |           |           |  |  |
| partnership  | (13,436)                | (20,789)  | (6,982)   |  |  |
| Income from  |                         |           |           |  |  |
| discontinued   |                         |           |           |  |  |
| operations, net of                                     | F                       |           |           |  |  |
| minority interest <b>\$333,021</b> \$499,208 \$123,986 |                         |           |           |  |  |

### STRUCTURED FINANCE INVESTMENTS

During the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, our structured finance and preferred equity investments (net of discounts) increased approximately \$238.5 million and \$581.9 million, respectively, due to originations and accretion of discounts. In addition, in 2007 we assumed approximately \$136.9 million of structured finance investments as part of the Reckson Merger. There were also approximately \$295.9 million and \$358.6 million in repayments, participations, sales and loan loss reserves recorded during those periods, respectively, which offset the increases in structured finance investments.

Preferred equity and investment income consists of the following (in thousands):

|                      | Year Ended December 31,            |          |          |  |  |  |
|----------------------|------------------------------------|----------|----------|--|--|--|
|                      | 2006                               |          |          |  |  |  |
| Preferred Equity and |                                    |          |          |  |  |  |
| Investment income    | <b>\$110,918</b> \$82,692 \$53,760 |          |          |  |  |  |
| Interest income      | 8,173                              | 8,312    | 7,643    |  |  |  |
| Total                | \$119,091                          | \$91,004 | \$61,403 |  |  |  |

As of December 31, 2008 and 2007, we held the following structured finance investments, excluding preferred equity investments, with an aggregate weighted average current yield of approximately 9.13% (in thousands):

|   |            |              | 2008        | 2007        |                |
|---|------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
|   | Gross      | Senior       | Principal   | Principal   | Initial        |
| Loan Type                               | Investment | Financing    | Outstanding | Outstanding | Maturity Date  |
| Other Loan <sup>(1)</sup>               | \$ 3,500   | \$ 15,000    | \$ 3,500    | \$ 3,500    | September 2021 |
| Mezzanine Loan(1)(2)                    | 85,000     | 212,007      | 95,626      | 92,286      | December 2020  |
| Mezzanine Loan(1)(6)                    | _          | _            | _           | 28,500      | _              |
| Mezzanine Loan <sup>(1)</sup>           | 60,000     | 235,000      | 58,349      | 58,173      | February 2016  |
| Mezzanine Loan <sup>(1)</sup>           | 25,000     | 200,000      | 25,000      | 25,000      | May 2016       |
| Mezzanine Loan <sup>(1)</sup>           | 35,000     | 165,000      | 38,332      | 38,201      | October 2016   |
| Mezzanine Loan(1)(3)                    | 75,000     | 4,222,605    | 70,092      | 64,822      | December 2016  |
| Other Loan(1)(7)(13)                    | 5,000      | _            | 5,350       | 15,000      | May 2011       |
| Whole Loan <sup>(3)</sup>               | 9,815      | _            | 10,126      | 9,815       | February 2010  |
| Mezzanine Loan(1)(2)(4)(13)(15)         | 25,000     | 315,999      | 27,742      | 27,742      | November 2009  |
| Mezzanine Loan                          | 16,000     | 90,000       | 15,670      | 15,645      | August 2017    |
| Mezzanine Loan <sup>(3)</sup>           | 41,398     | 221,549      | 40,171      | 38,986      | August 2009    |
| Mezzanine Loan <sup>(3)(8)</sup>        | _          | _            | _           | 12,500      | _              |
| Other Loan <sup>(1)</sup>               | 1,000      | _            | 1,000       | 1,000       | January 2010   |
| Other Loan                              | 500        | _            | 500         | 500         | December 2009  |
| Junior Participation(1)(9)(13)(15)      | 14,189     | _            | 9,938       | 9,938       | April 2008     |
| Mezzanine Loan <sup>(1)(2)</sup>        | 67,000     | 1,139,000    | 75,856      | 67,903      | March 2017     |
| Mezzanine Loan <sup>(3)</sup>           | 23,145     | 365,000      | 24,961      | 23,145      | July 2009      |
| Mezzanine Loan <sup>(3)(13)(14)</sup>   | 44,733     | 926,611      | 46,372      | 44,733      | August 2009    |
| Mezzanine Loan <sup>(3)(13)(14)</sup>   | 22,644     | 7,099,849    | 23,847      | 22,644      | June 2009      |
| Junior Participation <sup>(1)(10)</sup> | _          | _            | _           | 37,500      | _              |
| Junior Participation <sup>(1)(5)</sup>  | _          | _            | _           | 3,884       | -              |
| Junior Participation(1)(13)             | 11,000     | 53,000       | 11,000      | 11,000      | November 2009  |
| Junior Participation <sup>(1)(5)</sup>  | _          | _            | _           | 21,000      | _              |
| Junior Participation(11)(13)            | 12,000     | 61,250       | 10,875      | 12,000      | June 2010      |
| Junior Participation <sup>(13)</sup>    | 9,948      | 48,198       | 5,866       | 6,864       | December 2010  |
| Junior Participation <sup>(12)</sup>    | 50,000     | 2,310,608    | 48,709      | _           | April 2010     |
| Mezzanine Loan <sup>(3)</sup>           | 90,000     | 325,000      | 92,325      | _           | July 2010      |
| Whole Loan <sup>(3)</sup>               | 9,375      | _            | 9,324       | _           | February 2015  |
| Loan loss reserve <sup>(13)</sup>       | _          | _            | (74,666)    |             | _              |
|   | \$736,247  | \$18,005,676 | \$675,865   | \$692,281   |                |

- (1) This is a fixed rate loan.
- (2) The difference between the pay and accrual rates is included as an addition to the principal balance outstanding.
- (3) Gramercy holds a pari-passu interest in this asset.
- (4) This loan has been in default since December 2007. We are pursuing our remedies and expect to recover the full value of our investment.
- This is an amortizing loan. This loan was sold in October 2008. (6) We took title to the underlying property in January 2008.
- (7) The original loan which was scheduled to mature in February 2010 was replaced with two loans which mature in May 2011. The total principal balance remained unchanged. Approximately \$10.4 million was redeemed in October 2008.
- We previously recorded a loan loss reserve of \$2.25 million against this loan. This loan was repaid in August 2008.
- (9) This loan is in default. We have begun foreclosure proceedings. Our partner holds a \$12.2 million pari-passu interest in this loan.
- (10) This loan was sold in October 2008.
- (11) This loan was extended for two years to June 2010.
- (12) Gramercy is the borrower under this loan. This loan consists of mortgage and mezzanine financing.
- (13) This represents specifically allocated loan loss reserves recorded during the year ended December 31, 2008. It excludes the loan loss reserve described in (8) above. Our reserves reflect management's judgment of the probability and severity of losses. We cannot be certain that our judgment will prove to be correct and that reserves will be adequate over time to protect against potential future losses.
- (14) This investment was classified as held for sale at December 31, 2008.
- (15) This loan is on non-accrual status.

### **Preferred Equity Investments**

As of December 31, 2008 and 2007 we held the following preferred equity investments (in thousands) with an aggregate weighted average current yield of approximately 10.13%:

|                                       |            |             | 2008        | 2007        | Initial       |
|---------------------------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
|                                       | Gross      | Senior      | Amount      | Amount      | Mandatory     |
| Loan Type                             | Investment | Financing   | Outstanding | Outstanding | Redemption    |
| Preferred equity <sup>(1)(2)</sup>    | \$ -       | \$ -        | \$ -        | \$ 3,694    | July 2014     |
| Preferred equity <sup>(1)(5)</sup>    | 15,000     | 2,350,000   | 15,000      | 15,000      | February 2015 |
| Preferred equity <sup>(1)(3)(5)</sup> | 51,000     | 214,064     | 51,000      | 51,000      | February 2014 |
| Preferred equity <sup>(1)(4)</sup>    | _          | _           | _           | 7,000       | _             |
| Preferred equity <sup>(5)(6)</sup>    | 34,120     | 88,000      | 30,268      | 29,240      | March 2010    |
| Preferred equity <sup>(1)</sup>       | _          | _           | _           | 7,000       | _             |
| Loan loss reserve <sup>(5)</sup>      | _          | _           | (24,250)    | _           | _             |
|                                       | \$100,120  | \$2,652,064 | \$ 72,018   | \$112,934   |               |

- (1) This is a fixed rate investment.
- (2) This loan was repaid in May 2008.
- (3) Gramercy holds a mezzanine loan on the underlying asset. This investment was classified as held for sale at December 31, 2008.
- (4) This loan was sold in October 2008.
- (5) This represents specifically allocated loan loss reserves recorded during the year ended December 31, 2008. Our reserves reflect management's judgment of the probability and severity of losses. We cannot be certain that our judgment will prove to be correct and that reserves will be adequate over time to protect against potential future losses.

(6) This junior preferred equity investment is on non-accrual status.

The following table is a rollforward of our loan loss reserves (in thousands):

| Balance at beginning of year | \$ -      |
|------------------------------|-----------|
| Expensed                     | 101,166   |
| Charge-offs                  | (2,250)   |
| Balance at end of year       | \$ 98,916 |

At December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006 all structured finance investments, other than as noted above, were performing in accordance with the terms of the loan agreements.



### INVESTMENT IN UNCONSOLIDATED JOINT VENTURES

We have investments in several real estate joint ventures with various partners, including The Rockefeller Group International Inc., or RGII, The City Investment Fund, or CIF, SITQ Immobilier, a subsidiary of Caisse de depot et placement du Quebec, or SITQ, a fund managed by JP Morgan

Investment Management, or JP Morgan, Prudential Real Estate Investors, or Prudential, Onyx Equities, or Onyx, The Witkoff Group, or Witkoff, Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC, or Credit Suisse, Mack-Cali Realty Corporation, or Mack-Cali, Jeff Sutton, or Sutton, and Gramercy, as well as private investors. As we do not control these joint ventures, we account for them under the equity method of accounting.

We assess the accounting treatment for each joint venture on a stand-alone basis. This includes a review of each joint venture or partnership LLC agreement to determine which party has what rights and whether those rights are protective or participating under EITF 04-5 and EITF 96-16. In situations where our minority partner approves the annual

budget, receives a detailed monthly reporting package from us, meets with us on a quarterly basis to review the results of the joint venture, reviews and approves the joint venture's tax return before filing, and approves all leases that cover more than a nominal amount of space relative to the total rentable space at each property we do not consolidate the joint venture as we consider these to be substantive participation rights. Our joint venture agreements also contain certain protective rights such as the requirement of partner approval to sell, finance or refinance the property and the payment of capital expenditures and operating expenditures outside of the approved budget or operating plan.

The table below provides general information on each joint venture as of December 31, 2008 (in thousands):

| Property                                   | Partner            | Ownership<br>Interest | Economic<br>Interest | Square<br>Feet | Acquired                              | Acquisition<br>Price <sup>(1)</sup> |
|--|--------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
|  |                    |                       |                      |                | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |                                     |
| 1221 Avenue of the Americas <sup>(2)</sup> | RGII               | 45.00%                | 45.00%               | 2,550          | 12/03                                 | \$1,000,000                         |
| 1515 Broadway <sup>(3)</sup>               | SITQ               | 55.00%                | 68.45%               | 1,750          | 05/02                                 | \$483,500                           |
| 100 Park Avenue                            | Prudential         | 49.90%                | 49.90%               | 834            | 02/00                                 | \$95,800                            |
| 379 West Broadway                          | Sutton             | 45.00%                | 45.00%               | 62             | 12/05                                 | \$19,750                            |
| Mack-Green joint venture(4)                | Mack-Cali          | 48.00%                | 48.00%               | 900            | 05/06                                 | \$127,500                           |
| 21 West 34th Street <sup>(5)</sup>         | Sutton             | 50.00%                | 50.00%               | 30             | 07/05                                 | \$22,400                            |
| 800 Third Avenue <sup>(6)</sup>            | Private Investors  | 42.95%                | 42.95%               | 526            | 12/06                                 | \$285,000                           |
| 521 Fifth Avenue                           | CIF                | 50.10%                | 50.10%               | 460            | 12/06                                 | \$240,000                           |
| One Court Square                           | JP Morgan          | 30.00%                | 30.00%               | 1,402          | 01/07                                 | \$533,500                           |
| 1604–1610 Broadway <sup>(7)</sup>          | Onyx/Sutton        | 45.00%                | 63.00%               | 30             | 11/05                                 | \$4,400                             |
| 1745 Broadway <sup>(8)</sup>               | Witkoff/SITQ       | 32.26%                | 32.26%               | 674            | 04/07                                 | \$520,000                           |
| 1 and 2 Jericho Plaza                      | Onyx/Credit Suisse | 20.26%                | 20.26%               | 640            | 04/07                                 | \$210,000                           |
| 2 Herald Square <sup>(9)</sup>             | Gramercy           | 55.00%                | 55.00%               | 354            | 04/07                                 | \$225,000                           |
| 885 Third Avenue <sup>(10)</sup>           | Gramercy           | 55.00%                | 55.00%               | 607            | 07/07                                 | \$317,000                           |
| 16 Court Street                            | CIF                | 35.00%                | 35.00%               | 318            | 07/07                                 | \$107,500                           |
| The Meadows                                | Onyx               | 25.00%                | 25.00%               | 582            | 09/07                                 | \$111,500                           |
| 388 and 390 Greenwich Street(11)           | SITQ               | 50.60%                | 50.60%               | 2,600          | 12/07                                 | \$1,575,000                         |
| 27–29 West 34th Street <sup>(12)</sup>     | Sutton             | 50.00%                | 50.00%               | 41             | 01/06                                 | \$30,000                            |
| 1551–1555 Broadway <sup>(13)</sup>         | Sutton             | 10.00%                | 10.00%               | 26             | 07/05                                 | \$80,100                            |
| 717 Fifth Avenue <sup>(14)</sup>           | Sutton/Nakash      | 32.75%                | 32.75%               | 120            | 09/06                                 | \$251,900                           |

- Acquisition price represents the actual or implied purchase price for the joint venture.
- (2) We acquired our interest from The McGraw-Hill Companies, or MHC. MHC is a tenant at the property and accounted for approximately 15.1% of the property's annualized rent at December 31, 2008. We do not manage this joint venture.
- (3) Under a tax protection agreement established to protect the limited partners of the partnership that transferred 1515 Broadway to the joint venture, the joint venture has agreed not to adversely affect the limited partners' tax positions before December 2011. One tenant, whose leases primarily end between 2009 and 2015, represents approximately 78.9% of this joint venture's annualized rent at December 31, 2008.
- (4) We wrote off the net book value of this investment of approximately \$2.1 million in December 2008.
- (5) Effective November 2006, we deconsolidated this investment. As a result of the recapitalization of the property, we were no longer the primary beneficiary under FIN 46(R). Both partners had the

In May 2008, we, along with our joint venture partner SITQ, closed on the sale of the 39-story, 670,000-square-foot Class A office tower located at 1250 Broadway in Manhattan for \$310.0 million. We recognized an incentive distribution of approximately \$25.0 million in addition to our share of the gain on sale of approximately \$93.8 million, which is net of a \$1.0 million employee compensation award accrued in connection with the realization of this investment gain as a bonus to certain employees that were instrumental in realizing the gain on this sale.

In March 2007, a joint venture between our company, SITQ and SEB Immobilier – Investment GmbH sold One Park Avenue for \$550.0 million. We received approxi-

- same amount of equity at risk and neither partner controlled the joint venture.
- (6) We invested approximately \$109.5 million in this asset through the origination of a loan secured by up to 47% of the interests in the property's ownership, with an option to convert the loan to an equity interest. Certain existing members have the right to re-acquire approximately 4% of the property's equity. These interests were re-acquired in December 2008 and reduced our interest to 42.95%
- (7) Effective April 2007, we deconsolidated this investment. As a result of the recapitalization of the property, we were no longer the primary beneficiary under FIN 46(R). Both partners had the same amount of equity at risk and neither partner controlled the ioint venture.
- (8) We have the ability to syndicate our interest down to 14.79%.
- (9) We, along with Gramercy, together as tenants-in-common, acquired a fee interest in 2 Herald Square. The fee interest is subject to a long-term operating lease.

mately \$108.7 million in proceeds from the sale, approximately \$77.2 million of which represented an incentive distribution under our joint venture arrangement with SEB and the balance of approximately \$31.5 million was recognized as gain on sale.

In June 2007, a joint venture between our company, Ian Schrager, RFR Holding LLC and Credit Suisse sold Five Madison Avenue – Clock Tower for \$200.0 million. We realized an incentive distribution of approximately \$5.5 million upon the winding down of the joint venture.

In August 2007, we acquired Gramercy's 45% equity interest in the joint venture that owns One Madison Avenue for approximately \$147.2 million (and the assumption of Gramercy's proportionate share of the debt encumbering the property of approximately \$305.3 million). In

- (10) We, along with Gramercy, together as tenants-in-common, acquired a fee and leasehold interest in 885 Third Avenue. The fee and leasehold interests are subject to a long-term operating lease.
- (11) The property is subject to a 13-year triple-net lease arrangement with a single tenant.
- (12) Effective May 2008, we deconsolidated this investment. As a result of the recapitalization of the property, we were no longer the primary beneficiary under FIN 46(R). Both partners had the same amount of equity at risk and neither partner controlled the joint venture.
- (13) Effective August 2008, we deconsolidated this investment. As a result of the sale of 80% of our interest, we were no longer the primary beneficiary under FIN 46(R).
- (14) Effective September 2008, we deconsolidated this investment. As a result of the recapitalization of the property, the joint venture was no longer a VIE under FIN 46(R).

August 2007, an affiliate of ours loaned approximately \$146.7 million to GKK Capital L.P. This loan was to be repaid with interest at an annual rate of 5.80% on the earlier of September 1, 2007 or the closing of our purchase from Gramercy of its 45% interest in One Madison Avenue. As a result of our acquisition of Gramercy's interest in August 2007, the loan was repaid with interest on such date. As a result of the acquisition of this interest we own 100% of One Madison Avenue. We accounted for our share of the incentive fee earned from Gramercy of approximately \$19.0 million as well as our proportionate share of the gain on sale of approximately \$18.3 million as a reduction in the basis of One Madison. See Note 3.

We finance our joint ventures with non-recourse debt. The first mortgage notes payable collateralized by the respective joint venture properties and assignment of leases at December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively, are as follows (in thousands):

|  | Maturity | Interest            |            |           |
|--|----------|---------------------|------------|-----------|
| Property                                   | date     | rate <sup>(1)</sup> | 2008       | 2007      |
| 1221 Avenue of the Americas <sup>(2)</sup> | 12/2010  | 4.27%               | \$ 170,000 | \$170,000 |
| 1250 Broadway <sup>(3)</sup>               | _        | _                   | _          | 115,000   |
| 1515 Broadway <sup>(4)</sup>               | 11/2009  | 3.30%               | 625,000    | 625,000   |
| 100 Park Avenue                            | 11/2015  | 6.52%               | 175,000    | 175,000   |
| 379 West Broadway                          | 01/2010  | 4.78%               | 20,991     | 20,750    |
| Mack-Green joint venture <sup>(5)</sup>    | 08/2014  | 5.59%               | 102,195    | 102,385   |
| 21 West 34th Street                        | 12/2016  | 5.75%               | 100,000    | 100,000   |
| 800 Third Avenue                           | 07/2017  | 6.00%               | 20,910     | 20,910    |
| 521 Fifth Avenue                           | 04/2011  | 3.70%               | 140,000    | 140,000   |
| One Court Square                           | 12/2010  | 4.91%               | 315,000    | 315,000   |
| 2 Herald Square                            | 04/2017  | 5.36%               | 191,250    | 191,250   |
| 1604–1610 Broadway                         | 03/2012  | 5.66%               | 27,000     | 27,000    |
| 1745 Broadway                              | 01/2017  | 5.68%               | 340,000    | 340,000   |
| 1 and 2 Jericho Plaza                      | 05/2017  | 5.65%               | 163,750    | 163,750   |
| 885 Third Avenue                           | 07/2017  | 6.26%               | 267,650    | 267,650   |
| The Meadows                                | 09/2012  | 4.11%               | 84,527     | 81,265    |
| 388 and 390 Greenwich Street(6)            | 12/2017  | 5.17%               | 1,138,379  | 560,000   |
| 16 Court Street                            | 10/2010  | 4.05%               | 83,658     | 81,629    |
| 27–29 West 34th Street <sup>(7)</sup>      | 05/2011  | 4.67%               | 38,596     | _         |
| 1551–1555 Broadway <sup>(8)</sup>          | 10/2009  | 4.86%               | 106,222    | _         |
| 717 Fifth Avenue <sup>(9)</sup>            | 09/2011  | 5.80%               | 245,000    |           |

- Interest rate represents the effective all-in weighted average interest rate for the quarter ended December 31, 2008.
- (2) This loan has an interest rate based on the 30-day LIBOR plus 75 basis points. \$65.0 million of this loan has been hedged through December 2010. The hedge fixed the LIBOR rate at 4.8%.
- (3) The interest only loan carried an interest rate of 120 basis points over the 30-day LIBOR, but was reduced to 80 basis points over the 30-day LIBOR in December 2006. The joint venture extended this loan for one year. This loan was repaid in May 2008 in connection with the sale of the property.
- (4) The interest only loan carries an interest rate of 90 basis points over the 30-day LIBOR. The mortgage is subject to a one-year as-of-right renewal option. The joint venture extended this loan for another year.

We act as the operating partner and day-to-day manager for all our joint ventures, except for 1221 Avenue of the Americas, Mack-Green, 800 Third Avenue, 1 and 2 Jericho Plaza and The Meadows. We are entitled to receive fees for providing management, leasing, construction supervision and asset management services to our joint ventures. We earned approximately \$16.4 million, \$13.3 million and \$9.7 million from these services for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006 respectively. In addition, we have the ability to earn incentive fees based on the ultimate financial performance of certain of the joint venture properties.

### **Gramercy Capital Corp.**

In April 2004, we formed Gramercy. Gramercy is an integrated commercial real estate specialty finance and property investment company. Gramercy's commercial real estate finance business, which operates under the name Gramercy Finance, focuses on the direct origination and acquisition of whole loans, subordinate interests in whole loans, mezzanine loans, preferred equity, commercial mortgage backed securities and other real estate related securities. Gramercy's property investment business, which operates under the name Gramercy Realty, focuses on the acquisition and management of commercial properties net leased primarily to financial institutions and affiliated users throughout the United States. Gramercy qualified as a REIT for federal income tax purposes and expects to qualify for its current fiscal year. During the term of the origination agreement between Gramercy and us, we have the right to purchase up to 25% of the shares in any future offering of Gramercy's common stock in order to maintain our percentage ownership interest in Gramercy. At December 31, 2008, we held 6,219,370 shares, or approximately 12.48% of Gramercy's common stock representing a total investment

- (5) Comprised of \$91.9 million variable rate debt that matures in May 2009 and \$10.3 million fixed rate debt that matures in August 2014. Gramercy provided the variable rate debt.
- (6) Comprised of a \$576.0 million mortgage and a \$562.4 million mezzanine loan, both of which are fixed rate loans, except for \$16.0 million of the mortgage which is floating. Up to \$200.0 million of the mezzanine loan, secured indirectly by these properties, is recourse to us.
- (7) This construction loan facility has a committed amount of \$55.0 million.
- (8) This construction loan has a committed amount of \$138.6 million.
- (9) This loan has a committed amount of \$285.0 million.

at net book value of approximately \$8.0 million. The market value of our common stock investment in Gramercy was approximately \$8.0 million at December 31, 2008. Management has evaluated its investment in Gramercy in accordance with guidance on fair value accounting. Based on these evaluations, which considered, among other things, the duration of time that the market value was less than the book value of our common stock investment in Gramercy, we wrote down our investment by \$134.1 million in December 2008, excluding \$13.4 million representing our share of Gramercy's accumulated other comprehensive income. Gramercy is a variable interest entity, but we are not the primary beneficiary. Due to the significant influence we have over Gramercy, we account for our investment under the equity method of accounting. In October 2008, the management agreement was amended and restated and certain other agreements were entered into or terminated.

In connection with Gramercy's initial public offering, GKK Manager LLC, or the Manager, an affiliate of ours, entered into a management agreement with Gramercy, which provided for an initial term through December 2007, with automatic one-year extension options and certain termination rights. In April 2006, we and Gramercy entered into an amended and restated management agreement, and Gramercy's board of directors approved, among other things, an extension of the management agreement through December 2009. The management agreement was further amended in September 2007 and amended and restated in October 2008. Gramercy pays the Manager an annual management fee equal to 1.75% (1.50% effective October 1, 2008) of their gross stockholders' equity (as defined in the management agreement), inclusive of trust preferred securities issued by Gramercy or its affiliates. In addition, Gramercy also paid the Manager a collateral management fee (as defined in the management agreement). In

or CDO's, except for the 2005 CDO, or other securitization vehicles formed, owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by Gramercy, which provides for a collateral manager to be retained, the Manager with respect to such CDO's and other securitization vehicles, received management, service and similar fees equal to (i) 0.25% per annum of the principal amount outstanding of bonds issued by a managed transitional CDO that are owned by third-party investors unaffiliated with Gramercy or the Manager, which CDO is structured to own loans secured by transitional properties, (ii) 0.15% per annum of the book value of the principal amount outstanding of bonds issued by a managed non-transitional CDO that are owned by third-party investors unaffiliated with Gramercy or the Manager, which CDO is structured to own loans secured by non-transitional properties, (iii) 0.10% per annum of the principal amount outstanding of bonds issued by a static CDO that are owned by third-party investors unaffiliated with Gramercy or the Manager, which CDO is structured to own non-investment grade bonds, and (iv) 0.05% per annum of the principal amount outstanding of bonds issued by a static CDO that are owned by third-party investors unaffiliated with Gramercy or the Manager, which CDO is structured to own investment grade bonds. For the purposes of the management agreement, a "managed transitional" CDO means a CDO that is actively managed, has a reinvestment period and is structured to own debt collateral secured primarily by non-stabilized real estate assets that are expected to experience substantial net operating income growth, and a "managed non-transitional" CDO means a CDO that is actively managed, has a reinvestment period and is structured to own debt collateral secured primarily by stabilized real estate assets that are not expected to experience substantial net operating income growth. Both "managed transitional" and "managed non-transitional" CDO's may at any given time during the reinvestment period of the respective vehicles invest in and own non-debt collateral (in limited quantity) as defined by the respective indentures. In connection with the closing of Gramercy's first CDO in July 2005, Gramercy entered into a collateral management agreement with the Manager. Pursuant to the collateral management agreement, the Manager has agreed to provide certain advisory and administrative services in relation to the collateral debt securities and other eligible investments securing the CDO notes. The collateral management agreement provided for a senior collateral management fee, payable quarterly in accordance with the priority of payments as set forth in the indenture, equal to 0.15% per annum of the net outstanding portfolio balance, and a subordinate collateral management fee, payable quarterly in accordance with the priority of payments as set forth in the indenture, equal to 0.25% per annum of the net outstanding portfolio balance. Net outstanding portfolio balance is the sum of the (i) aggregate principal balance of the collateral debt securities, excluding defaulted securities, (ii) aggregate principal balance of all principal proceeds held as cash and eligible investments in certain accounts, and (iii) with respect to the defaulted securities, the calculation amount of such defaulted securities. As compensation for the performance of its obligations as collateral manager under the first CDO, Gramercy's board of directors had allocated to the Manager the subordinate collateral management fee paid on securities not held by Gramercy. The senior collateral management fee and balance of the subordinate collateral management fee is allocated to Gramercy. For the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006 we received an aggregate of approximately \$21.1 million, \$13.1 million and \$10.2 million, respectively, in fees under the management agreement and \$2.6 million, \$4.7 million and \$2.9 million, respectively, under the collateral management agreement. Fees payable to the Manager under the collateral management agreement were remitted to

Gramercy for the six months ended December 31, 2008

connection with any and all collateralized debt obligations,

and will be for all subsequent periods. In 2008, we, as well as Gramercy, each formed special committees comprised solely of independent directors to consider whether the internalization of the Manager and/or amendment to the management agreement would be in the best interest of each company and its respective shareholders.

On October 27, 2008, the Manager entered into a Second Amended and Restated Management Agreement (the "Second Amended Management Agreement") with Gramercy and GKK Capital LP. The Second Amended Management Agreement generally contains the same terms and conditions as the Amended and Restated Management Agreement, dated as of April 19, 2006, except for the following material changes: (i) reduces the annual base management fee payable by Gramercy to the Manager to 1.50% of Gramercy's stockholders' equity (effective October 1, 2008); (ii) reduces the termination fee to an amount equal to the management fee earned by the Manager during the 12-month period immediately preceding the effective date of the termination; and (iii) provides that all management, service and similar fees relating to Gramercy's collateralized debt obligations that the Manager is entitled to receive shall be remitted by the Manager to Gramercy for any period from and after July 1, 2008.

In September 2007, the Manager earned a \$1.0 million collateral selection fee payable by Nomura International plc. Gramercy purchased \$18.0 million of par of the same securities from which the collateral selection fee was earned. As part of the closing on the securities purchased, Gramercy collected and immediately remitted the fee due to the Manager.

To provide an incentive for the Manager to enhance the value of Gramercy's common stock, we, along with the other holders of Class B limited partnership interests in Gramercy's operating partnership, are entitled to an incentive return payable through the Class B limited partner interests in Gramercy's operating partnership, equal to 25% of the amount by which funds from operations (as defined in Gramercy's amended and restated partnership agreement) plus certain accounting gains exceed the product of the weighted average stockholders' equity of Gramercy multiplied by 9.5% (divided by four to adjust for quarterly calculations). We will record any distributions on the Class B limited partner interests as incentive distribution income in the period when earned and when receipt of such amounts have become probable and reasonably estimable in accordance with Gramercy's amended and restated partnership agreement as if such agreement had been terminated on that date. We earned approximately \$5.1 million, \$13.3 million and \$7.6 million under this agreement for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively. The \$5.1 million incentive fee was returned to Gramercy in the fourth quarter of 2008. During the fourth quarter of 2008, we entered into an agreement with Gramercy which, among other matters, obligates Gramercy and us to use commercially reasonable efforts to obtain the consents of certain lenders of Gramercy and its subsidiaries to a potential internalization. We also expensed our approximately \$14.9 million investment in GKK Manager LLC. The 2007 incentive fees exclude approximately \$19.0 million of incentive fees earned upon the sale of a 45% equity interest in One Madison Avenue by Gramercy to us. We accounted for this incentive fee as a reduction of the basis in One Madison. Amounts payable to the Class B limited partnership interests were waived for the six months ended December 31, 2008. Due to the control we have over the Manager, we consolidate the accounts of the Manager

On October 27, 2008, the Manager entered into a letter agreement (the "Letter Agreement") with the operating partnership, Gramercy, GKK Capital LP and the individual limited partners of GKK Capital LP party thereto, pursuant to which the holders of the Class B Units of GKK Capital LP agreed to waive their respective

rights to receive distributions payable on the Class B Units in respect of the period commencing July 1, 2008 and ending on December 31, 2008. For all periods from and after January 1, 2009, the holders of the Class B Units shall continue to receive distributions from GKK Capital LP in accordance with the partnership agreement of GKK Capital LP, except that Gramercy may, at its option, elect to assume directly and satisfy the right of the holders to receive distributions, if permissible under applicable law or the requirements of the exchange on which the shares of common stock trade, in shares of common stock. In addition, the Letter Agreement provides that Gramercy will not amend certain provisions of its charter and bylaws related to indemnification of directors and officers in a manner that is adverse to the operating partnership or any of the individuals party to the Letter Agreement, other than any amendments that would only apply to acts or omissions occurring after the date of such amendment.

In May 2005, our Compensation Committee approved long-term incentive performance awards pursuant to which certain of our officers and employees, including some of whom are our senior executive officers, were awarded a portion of the interests previously held by us in the Manager as well as in the Class B limited partner interests in Gramercy's operating partnership. The vesting of these awards is dependent upon, among other things, tenure of employment and the performance of our investment in Gramercy. These awards vested in May 2008. We recorded compensation expense of approximately \$0.9 million, \$2.9 million and \$2.0 million for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively, related to these awards. The officers and employees who received the awards owned 15.6 units, or 15.6%, of the Class B limited partner interests and 15.6% of the Manager. During the second quarter of 2008, we acquired an additional 12.42% ownership interest in the Manager. Pursuant to an agreement dated December 30, 2008, all the Class B limited partner interests and the remaining 15.6% interest in the Manager were transferred to us. As a result, we own all units, or 100.0%, of the Class B limited partner interests and 100.0% of the Manager.

Gramercy is obligated to reimburse the Manager for its costs incurred under an asset servicing agreement and an outsourcing agreement between the Manager and us. The asset servicing agreement, which was amended and restated in April 2006, provides for an annual fee payable to us of 0.05% of the book value of all Gramercy's credit tenant lease assets and non-investment grade bonds and 0.15% of the book value of all other Gramercy assets. We may reduce the asset-servicing fee for fees that Gramercy pays directly to outside servicers. The outsourcing agreement currently provides for a fee of \$2.7 million per year, increasing 3% annually over the prior year. For the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, the Manager received an aggregate of approximately \$6.3 million, \$4.9 million and \$3.7 million, respectively, under the outsourcing and asset servicing agreements. On October 27, 2008, the Manager and SLG Gramercy Services LLC (the "Servicer") entered into an agreement, which was also acknowledged and agreed to by Gramercy, to terminate, effective as of September 30, 2008, the Amended and Restated Asset Servicing Agreement, dated as of April 19, 2006. On October 27, 2008, the Manager and the operating partnership entered into an agreement to terminate, effective as of September 30, 2008, the Amended and Restated Outsource Agreement, dated as of April 19, 2006.

On October 27, 2008, we, Gramercy and GKK Capital LP entered into a services agreement (the "Services Agreement") pursuant to which we will provide consulting and other services to Gramercy. We will make certain members of management available in connection with the provision of the services until the earliest of (i) September 30, 2009, (ii) the termination of the Second Amended Management Agreement or (iii) with respect to a particular executive, the termination of any

such executive's employment with us. In consideration for the consulting services, we will receive from Gramercy a fee of \$200,000 per month, payable, at Gramercy's option, in cash or, if permissible under applicable law or the requirements of the exchange on which the shares of Gramercy's common stock trade, in shares of common stock. We will also provide Gramercy with certain other services described in the Services Agreement for a fee of \$100,000 per month in cash and for a period terminating at the earlier of (i) three months after the date of the Services Agreement, subject to a one-time 30-day extension, or (ii) the termination of the Second Amended Management Agreement.

During the three months ended March 31, 2006, we paid our proportionate share of an advisory fee of approximately \$162,500 to Gramercy in connection with a transaction.

In 2006, the Board of Directors of Gramercy elected to make an additional payment to the Manager of approximately \$1.6 million based upon the 2006 performance of Gramercy.

All fees earned from Gramercy are included in Other Income in the Consolidated Statements of Income.

Effective May 1, 2005, Gramercy entered into a lease agreement with an affiliate of ours, for their corporate offices at 420 Lexington Avenue, New York, NY. The lease is for approximately five thousand square feet with an option to lease an additional approximately two thousand square feet and carries a term of ten years with rents of approximately \$249,000 per annum for year one rising to \$315,000 per annum in year ten. Gramercy also leases approximately 5,200 square feet pursuant to two leases which are on a month-to-month basis. The annual rent under these two leases is approximately \$270,600.

Gramercy holds tenancy-in-common interests along with us in 55 Corporate Drive, NJ, 2 Herald Square and 885 Third Avenue. See Note 5 for information on our structured finance investments in which Gramercy also holds an interest.

An affiliate held an investment in Gramercy's preferred stock with a book value of approximately \$980.7 million at September 30, 2008.

In April 2008, Gramercy completed the acquisition of American Financial Realty Trust, or AFR, in a transaction with a total value of approximately \$3.3 billion. In addition, Gramercy assumed an aggregate of approximately \$1.3 billion of AFR secured debt. We provided \$50.0 million of financing as part of an \$850.0 million loan to Gramercy in connection with this acquisition (See note 5). As a result of this acquisition, the Board of Directors of Gramercy awarded 644,787 restricted shares of Gramercy's common stock to us, subject to a one-year vesting period, in respect of services rendered. We recognized income of approximately \$6.6 million from these shares, which was recorded in other income in the accompanying statements of income

On October 27, 2008, Marc Holliday, our Chief Executive Officer, Andrew Mathias, our President and Chief Investment Officer and Gregory F. Hughes, our Chief Financial Officer and Chief Operating Officer resigned as Chief Executive Officer, Chief Investment Officer and Chief Credit Officer, respectively, of Gramercy. Mr. Holliday also resigned as President of Gramercy effective as of October 28, 2008. Mr. Holliday and Mr. Mathias will remain as consultants to Gramercy through the earliest of (i) September 30, 2009, (ii) the termination of the Second Amended Management Agreement or (iii) the termination of their respective employment with us.

On October 28, 2008, Gramercy announced the appointment of Roger M. Cozzi, as President and Chief Executive Officer, effective immediately. Effective as of November 13, 2008, Timothy J. O'Connor was appointed as President of Gramercy.

Also, effective October 27, 2008, an affiliate of ours continued as special servicer and assigned duties to a subsidiary of the Manager.

The condensed combined balance sheets for the unconsolidated joint ventures, including estimates for Gramercy, at December 31, 2008 and 2007, are as follows (in thousands):

|                          | 2008             | 2007             |
|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Assets                   |                  |                  |
| Commercial real estate   |                  |                  |
| property, net            | \$<br>9,739,017  | \$<br>6,300,666  |
| Structured finance       |                  |                  |
| investments              | 3,226,922        | 3,211,099        |
| Other assets             | 1,556,593        | 1,203,259        |
| Total assets             | \$<br>14,522,532 | \$<br>10,715,024 |
| Liabilities and          |                  |                  |
| members' equity          |                  |                  |
| Mortgages payable        | \$<br>6,768,594  | \$<br>3,650,213  |
| Other loans              | 3,026,262        | 3,085,342        |
| Other liabilities        | 1,458,256        | 453,228          |
| Members' equity          | 3,269,420        | 3,526,241        |
| Total liabilities and    |                  |                  |
| members' equity          | \$<br>14,522,532 | \$<br>10,715,024 |
| Company's net investment |                  |                  |
| in unconsolidated        |                  |                  |
| joint ventures           | \$<br>975,483    | \$<br>1,438,123  |
|                          |                  |                  |

The condensed combined statements of operations for the unconsolidated joint ventures, including estimates for Gramercy, from acquisition date through December 31, 2008 are as follows (in thousands):

|                    |     | 2008     | 2007      | 2006      |
|--------------------|-----|----------|-----------|-----------|
| Total revenues     | \$1 | ,357,219 | \$876,819 | \$652,240 |
| Operating expenses |     | 395,872  | 201,125   | 143,852   |
| Real estate taxes  |     | 109,002  | 79,182    | 69,922    |
| Interest           |     | 499,710  | 371,632   | 241,481   |
| Depreciation       |     |          |           |           |
| and amortization   |     | 210,425  | 108,187   | 78,545    |
| Total expenses     | 1   | ,215,009 | 760,126   | 533,800   |
| Net income before  |     |          |           |           |
| gain on sale       | \$  | 142,210  | \$116,693 | \$118,440 |
| Company's equity   |     |          |           |           |
| in net income      |     |          |           |           |
| of unconsolidated  | l   |          |           |           |
| joint ventures     | \$  | 59,961   | \$ 46,765 | \$ 40,780 |

### Service Corporation

Income from management, leasing and construction contracts from third parties and joint venture properties is realized by the Service Corporation. In order to maintain our qualification as a REIT, we, through our operating partnership, own 100% of the non-voting common stock (representing 95% of the total equity) of the Service Corporation. Our operating partnership receives substantially all of the cash flow from the Service Corporation's operations through dividends on its equity interest. All of the voting common stock of the Service Corporation (representing 5% of the total equity) is held by our affiliate. This controlling interest gives the affiliate the power to elect all directors of the Service Corporation. Effective July 1, 2003, we consolidated the operations of the Service Corporation because it is considered to be a variable interest entity under FIN 46 and we are the primary beneficiary. For the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, the Service Corporation earned approximately \$12.1 million,

\$12.9 million and \$9.0 million of revenue and incurred approximately \$10.5 million, \$10.3 million and \$7.6 million in expenses, respectively. Effective January 1, 2001, the Service Corporation elected to be treated as a TRS.

All of the management, leasing and construction services with respect to our wholly-owned properties are conducted through SL Green Management LLC, which is 100% owned by our operating partnership.

### eEmerge

In May 2000, our operating partnership formed eEmerge, Inc., a Delaware corporation, or eEmerge. eEmerge is a separately managed, self-funded company that provides fully-wired and furnished office space, services and support to businesses.

In March 2002, we acquired all the voting common stock of eEmerge Inc. As a result, we control all the common stock of eEmerge.

Effective with the quarter ended March 31, 2002, we consolidated the operations of eEmerge. Effective January 1, 2001, eEmerge elected to be taxed as a TRS.

In June 2000, eEmerge and Eureka Broadband Corporation, or Eureka, formed eEmerge.NYC LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, or ENYC, in which eEmerge had a 95% interest and Eureka had a 5% interest in ENYC. During the third quarter of 2006, ENYC acquired the interest held by Eureka. As a result, eEmerge owns 100% of ENYC. ENYC operates a 71,700-square-foot fractional office suites business. In 2000, ENYC entered into a 10-year lease with our

operating partnership for its 50,200-square-foot premises, which is located at 440 Ninth Avenue, Manhattan. In 2005 ENYC entered into another 10-year lease with our operating partnership for its 21,500-square-foot premises at 28 West 44th Street, Manhattan. Allocations of net profits, net losses and distributions are made in accordance with the Limited Liability Company Agreement of ENYC. Effective with the quarter ended March 31, 2002, we consolidated the operations of ENYC.



### **DEFERRED COSTS**

Deferred costs at December 31 consisted of the following (in thousands):

|                               | 2008      | 2007      |
|-------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Deferred financing            | \$ 63,262 | \$ 66,659 |
| Deferred leasing              | 146,951   | 133,512   |
|                               | 210,213   | 200,171   |
| Less accumulated amortization | (77,161)  | (65,817)  |
| Total deferred costs          | \$133,052 | \$134,354 |

### **MORTGAGE NOTES PAYABLE**

The first mortgage notes payable collateralized by the respective properties and assignment of leases at December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively, were as follows (in thousands):

Maturity

Interest

|                                   | iviaturity | merest              |             |             |
|-----------------------------------|------------|---------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Property <sup>(1)</sup>           | Date       | Rate <sup>(2)</sup> | 2008        | 2007        |
| 711 Third Avenue                  | 06/2015    | 4.99%               | \$ 120,000  | \$ 120,000  |
| 420 Lexington Avenue              | 11/2010    | 8.44%               | 110,013     | 112,694     |
| 673 First Avenue                  | 02/2013    | 5.67%               | 32,388      | 33,115      |
| 220 East 42nd Street              | 12/2013    | 5.24%               | 202,780     | 206,466     |
| 625 Madison Avenue                | 11/2015    | 6.27%               | 97,583      | 99,775      |
| 55 Corporate Drive <sup>(9)</sup> | 12/2015    | 5.75%               | _           | 95,000      |
| 609 Fifth Avenue                  | 10/2013    | 5.85%               | 99,319      | 100,591     |
| 609 Partners, LLC                 | 07/2014    | 5.00%               | 63,891      | 63,891      |
| 485 Lexington Avenue              | 02/2017    | 5.61%               | 450,000     | 450,000     |
| 120 West 45th Street              | 02/2017    | 6.12%               | 170,000     | 170,000     |
| 919 Third Avenue <sup>(3)</sup>   | 07/2011    | 6.87%               | 228,046     | 231,680     |
| 300 Main Street                   | 02/2017    | 5.75%               | 11,500      | 11,500      |
| 399 Knollwood Rd                  | 03/2014    | 5.75%               | 18,728      | 19,024      |
| 500 West Putnam                   | 01/2016    | 5.52%               | 25,000      | 25,000      |
| 141 Fifth Avenue <sup>(4)</sup>   | 06/2017    | 5.70%               | 25,000      | 25,000      |
| One Madison Avenue <sup>(5)</sup> | 05/2020    | 5.91%               | 663,071     | 673,470     |
| Total fixed rate debt             |            |                     | 2,317,319   | 2,437,206   |
| 1551/1555 Broadway <sup>(6)</sup> | _          | _                   | _           | 86,938      |
| 717 Fifth Avenue <sup>(6)</sup>   | -          | -                   | _           | 192,500     |
| 180/182 Broadway <sup>(7)</sup>   | 02/2011    | 5.14%               | 21,183      | _           |
| Landmark Square <sup>(8)</sup>    | 02/2010    | 4.33%               | 128,000     | 128,000     |
| 28 West 44th Street               | 08/2013    | 6.22%               | 124,856     |             |
| Total floating rate debt          |            |                     | 274,039     | 407,438     |
| Total mortgage notes payable      |            |                     | \$2,591,358 | \$2,844,644 |
|                                   |            |                     |             |             |

- (1) Held in bankruptcy remote special purpose entity. (2) Effective interest rate for the quarter ended December 31, 2008.
- (3) We own a 51% controlling interest in the joint venture that is the borrower on this loan. This loan is non-recourse to us.
- (4) We own a 50% interest in the joint venture that is the borrower on this loan. This loan is non-recourse to us. This loan was refinanced in June 2007.
- (5) From April 2005 until August 2007, we held a 55% partnership interest in the joint venture that owned this property. We now own 100% of the property.
- (6) This joint venture was deconsolidated in September 2008. See Note 6.
- (7) We own a 50% interest in the joint venture that is the borrower on this loan. This loan is non-recourse to us.
- (8) This loan has two one-year as-of-right renewal options.
- (9) This \$95,000 mortgage was included in liabilities related to assets held for sale at December 31, 2008.

In May 2007, the Company repaid, at maturity, the \$12.3 million mortgage that had encumbered 100 Summit Road. Westchester.

At December 31, 2008 and 2007 the gross book value of the properties collateralizing the mortgage notes was approximately \$4.6 billion and \$4.7 billion, respectively.

For the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, we incurred approximately \$288.2 million, \$267.4 million and \$93.8 million of interest expense, respectively, excluding approximately \$2.4 million, \$11.4 million and \$8.5 million respectively, which was capitalized.

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### **CORPORATE INDEBTEDNESS**

### 2007 Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility

We have a \$1.5 billion unsecured revolving credit facility, or the 2007 unsecured revolving credit facility. We increased the capacity under the 2007 unsecured revolving credit facility by \$300.0 million in January 2007, by \$450.0 million in June 2007, and by \$250.0 million in October 2007. The 2007 unsecured revolving credit facility bears interest at a spread ranging from 70 basis points to 110 basis points over LIBOR, based on our leverage ratio. This facility matures in June 2011 and has a one-year as-of-right extension option. The 2007 unsecured revolving credit facility also requires a 12.5 to 20 basis point fee on the unused balance payable annually in arrears. The 2007 unsecured revolving credit facility had approximately \$1.4 billion outstanding and carried a spread over LIBOR of 90 basis points at December 31, 2008. Availability under the 2007 unsecured revolving credit facility was further reduced at December 31, 2008 by the issuance of approximately \$22.0 million in letters of credit and by a defaulted lender's unfunded commitment of approximately \$33.4 million. The effective all-in interest rate on the 2007 unsecured revolving credit facility was 3.58% for the three months ended December 31, 2008. The 2007 unsecured revolving credit facility includes certain restrictions and covenants (see restrictive covenants below).

### Term Loans

We had a \$325.0 million unsecured term loan, which was scheduled to mature in August 2009. This term loan bore interest at a spread ranging from 110 basis points to 140 basis points over LIBOR, based on our leverage ratio. This unsecured term loan was repaid and terminated in March 2007.

We had \$200.0 million five-year non-recourse term loan secured by a pledge of our ownership interest in 1221 Avenue of the Americas. This term loan had a floating rate of 125 basis points over the current LIBOR rate and was scheduled to mature in May 2010. This secured term loan was repaid and terminated in June 2007.

In January 2007, we closed on a \$500.0 million unsecured bridge loan, which matures in January 2010. This term loan bore interest at a spread ranging from 85 basis points to 125 basis points over LIBOR, based on our leverage ratio. This unsecured bridge loan was repaid and terminated in June 2007.

In December 2007, we closed on a \$276.7 million ten-year term loan which carried an effective fixed interest rate of 5.19%. This loan was secured by our interest in 388 and 390 Greenwich Street. This secured term loan, which was scheduled to mature in December 2017, was repaid and terminated in May 2008.

### **Senior Unsecured Notes**

The following table sets forth our senior unsecured notes and other related disclosures by scheduled maturity date as of December 31, 2008 (in thousands):

| Issuance                        | Face<br>Amount | Coupon<br>Rate <sup>(4)</sup> | Term<br>(in Years) | Maturity         |
|---------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| March 26, 1999 <sup>(1)</sup>   | \$ 200,000     | 7.75%                         | 10                 | March 15, 2009   |
| January 22, 2004 <sup>(1)</sup> | 150,000        | 5.15%                         | 7                  | January 15, 2011 |
| August 13, 2004 <sup>(1)</sup>  | 150,000        | 5.875%                        | 10                 | August 15, 2014  |
| March 31, 2006 <sup>(1)</sup>   | 275,000        | 6.00%                         | 10                 | March 31, 2016   |
| June 27, 2005 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> | 185,098        | 4.00%                         | 20                 | June 15, 2025    |
| March 26, 2007 <sup>(3)</sup>   | 589,800        | 3.00%                         | 20                 | March 30, 2027   |
|                                 | 1,549,898      |                               |                    |                  |
| Net discount                    | (13,950)       |                               |                    |                  |

\$1,535,948

- (1) Assumed as part of the Reckson Merger.
- (2) Exchangeable senior debentures which are callable after June 17, 2010 at 100% of par. In addition, the debentures can be put to us, at the option of the holder at par plus accrued and unpaid interest, on June 15, 2010, 2015 and 2020 and upon the occurrence of certain change of control transactions. As a result of the Reckson Merger, the adjusted exchange rate for the debentures is 7.7461 shares of our common stock per \$1,000 of principal amount of debentures and the adjusted reference dividend for the debentures is \$1.3491. In 2008 we repurchased approximately \$102.4 million of these bonds and realized net gains on early extinguishment of debt of approximately \$18.3 million.
- (3) In March 2007, we issued \$750.0 million of these convertible bonds. Interest on these notes is payable semi-annually on March 30 and September 30. The notes have an initial exchange rate representing an exchange price that is at a 25.0% premium to the last reported sale price of our common stock on March 20, 2007, or \$173.30. The initial exchange rate is subject to adjustment under certain circumstances. The notes are senior unsecured

On April 27, 2007, the \$50.0 million 6.0% unsecured notes scheduled to mature in June 2007 and the \$150.0 million, 7.20% unsecured notes scheduled to mature in August 2007, assumed as part of the Reckson Merger, were redeemed.

### **Restrictive Covenants**

The terms of the 2007 unsecured revolving credit facility and senior unsecured notes include certain restrictions and covenants which limit, among other things, the payment of dividends (as discussed below), the incurrence of additional indebtedness, the incurrence of liens and the disposition of assets, and which require compliance with financial ratios relating to the minimum amount of tangible net worth, the minimum amount of debt service coverage and fixed charge coverage, the maximum amount of unsecured indebtedness, the minimum amount of unencumbered property debt service coverage and certain investment limitations. The dividend restriction referred to above provides that, except to enable us to continue to qualify as a REIT for Federal Income Tax purposes, we will not during any four consecutive fiscal quarters make distributions with respect to common stock or other

obligations of our operating partnership and are exchangeable upon the occurrence of specified events, and during the period beginning on the twenty-second scheduled trading day prior to the maturity date and ending on the second business day prior to the maturity date, into cash or a combination of cash and shares of our common stock, if any, at our option. The notes are redeemable, at our option, on and after April 15, 2012. We may be required to repurchase the notes on March 30, 2012, 2017 and 2022, and upon the occurrence of certain designated events. The net proceeds from the offering were approximately \$736.0 million, after deducting estimated fees and expenses. The proceeds of the offering were used to repay certain of our existing indebtedness, make investments in additional properties, and make open market purchases of our common stock and for general corporate purposes. In 2008we repurchased approximately \$160.2 million of these bonds and realized net gains on early extinguishment of debt of approximately

(4) Interest on the senior unsecured notes is payable semi-annually with principal and unpaid interest due on the scheduled maturity dates.

equity interests in an aggregate amount in excess of 95% of funds from operations for such period, subject to certain other adjustments. As of December 31, 2008 and 2007, we were in compliance with all such covenants.

### Junior Subordinate Deferrable Interest Debentures

In June 2005, we issued \$100.0 million in unsecured floating rate trust preferred securities through a newly formed trust, SL Green Capital Trust I, or the Trust that is a wholly-owned subsidiary of our operating partnership. The securities mature in 2035 and bear interest at a fixed rate of 5.61% for the first ten years ending July 2015, a period of up to eight consecutive quarters if our operating partnership exercises its right to defer such payments. The trust preferred securities are redeemable, at the option of our operating partnership, in whole or in part, with no prepayment premium any time after July 2010. We do not consolidate the Trust even though it is a variable interest entity under FIN46 as we are not the primary beneficiary. Because the Trust is not consolidated, we have issued debt and the related payments are classified as interest expense.

### **Principal Maturities**

Combined aggregate principal maturities of mortgages and notes payable, 2007 unsecured revolving credit facility, trust preferred securities, senior unsecured notes and our share of joint venture debt as of December 31, 2008, including as-of-right extension options, were as follows (in thousands):

|            |              |             |                 | Trust      |                 |             |               |
|------------|--------------|-------------|-----------------|------------|-----------------|-------------|---------------|
|            | Scheduled    | Principal   | Revolving       | Preferred  | Term Loan and   |             | Joint Venture |
|            | Amortization | Repayments  | Credit Facility | Securities | Unsecured Notes | Total       | Debt          |
| 2009       | \$ 28,124    | \$ -        | \$ -            | \$ -       | \$ 200,000      | \$ 228,124  | \$ 55,265     |
| 2010       | 29,561       | 104,691     | _               | _          | _               | 134,252     | 459,944       |
| 2011       | 28,383       | 237,840     | _               | _          | 150,000         | 416,223     | 171,285       |
| 2012       | 31,538       | 128,000     | 1,389,067       | _          | _               | 1,548,605   | 34,192        |
| 2013       | 30,962       | 420,310     | _               | _          | _               | 451,272     | 1,677         |
| Thereafter | 189,807      | 1,362,141   | _               | 100,000    | 1,185,949       | 2,837,897   | 1,211,270     |
|            | \$338,375    | \$2,252,982 | \$1,389,067     | \$100,000  | \$1,535,949     | \$5,616,373 | \$1,933,633   |

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### FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The following disclosures of estimated fair value were determined by management, using available market information and appropriate valuation methodologies. Considerable judgment is necessary to interpret market data and develop estimated fair value. Accordingly, the estimates presented herein are not necessarily indicative of the amounts we could realize on disposition of the financial instruments. The use of different market assumptions and/or estimation methodologies may have a material effect on the estimated fair value amounts.

Cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable and accounts payable balances reasonably approximate their fair values due to the short maturities of these items. Mortgage notes payable, junior subordinate deferrable interest debentures and the senior unsecured notes had an estimated fair value based on discounted cash flow models of approximately \$3.0 billion, which was less than the book value of the related fixed rate debt by approximately \$1.0 billion. Our floating rate debt, inclusive of our 2007 unsecured revolving credit facility, had an estimated fair value based on discounted cash flow models of approximately \$1.5 billion, which was less than the book value by approximately \$129.0 million. Our structured finance investments had an estimated fair value ranging between \$408.0 million and \$612.0 million, which was less than the book value at December 31, 2008.

Disclosure about fair value of financial instruments is based on pertinent information available to us as of December 31, 2008. Although we are not aware of any factors that would significantly affect the reasonable fair value amounts, such amounts have not been comprehensively revalued for purposes of these financial statements since that date and current estimates of fair value may differ significantly from the amounts presented herein.

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### RENTAL INCOME

The operating partnership is the lessor and the sublessor to tenants under operating leases with expiration dates ranging from January 1, 2009 to 2037. The minimum rental amounts due under the leases are generally either subject to scheduled fixed increases or adjustments. The leases generally also require that the tenants reimburse us for increases in certain operating costs and real estate taxes above their base year costs. Approximate future minimum rents to be received over the next five years and thereafter for non-cancellable operating leases in effect at December 31, 2008 for the consolidated properties, including consolidated joint venture properties are as follows (in thousands):

|            | Consolidated | Unconsolidated |
|------------|--------------|----------------|
|            | Properties   | Properties     |
| 2009       | \$ 774,696   | \$ 248,339     |
| 2010       | 687,145      | 241,102        |
| 2011       | 640,185      | 235,795        |
| 2012       | 600,825      | 235,692        |
| 2013       | 550,623      | 231,546        |
| Thereafter | 2,845,950    | 1,124,301      |
|            | \$6,099,424  | \$2,316,775    |

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### RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

### Cleaning/Security/Messenger and Restoration Services

Through Alliance Building Services, or Alliance, First Quality Maintenance, L.P., or First Quality, provides cleaning, extermination and related services, Classic Security LLC provides security services, Bright Star Couriers LLC provides messenger services, and Onyx Restoration Works provides restoration services with respect to certain properties owned by us. Alliance is owned by Gary Green, a son of Stephen L. Green, the chairman of our board of directors. First Quality also provides additional services

directly to tenants on a separately negotiated basis. In addition, First Quality has the non-exclusive opportunity to provide cleaning and related services to individual tenants at our properties on a basis separately negotiated with any tenant seeking such additional services. First Quality leases 26,800 square feet of space at 70 West 36th Street pursuant to a lease that expires on December 31, 2015. We received approximately \$75,000 in rent from Alliance in 2007. We sold this property in March 2007. We paid Alliance approximately \$15.1 million, \$14.8 million and \$13.6 million for the three years ended December 31, 2008, respectively, for these services (excluding services provided directly to tenants).

### Leases

Nancy Peck and Company leases 1,003 square feet of space at 420 Lexington Avenue under a lease that ends in August 2015. Nancy Peck and Company is owned by Nancy Peck, the wife of Stephen L. Green. The rent due pursuant to the lease is \$35,516 per year. From February 2007 through December 2008, Nancy Peck and Company leased 507 square feet of space at 420 Lexington Avenue pursuant to a lease which provided for annual rental payments of approximately \$15,210. Prior to February 2007, Nancy Peck and Company leased 2,013 square feet of space at 420 Lexington Avenue, pursuant to a lease that expired on June 30, 2005 and which provided for annual rental payments of approximately \$66,000. The rent due pursuant to that lease was offset against a consulting fee of \$11,025 per month an affiliate paid to her pursuant to a consulting agreement, which was cancelled in July 2006.

### **Brokerage Services**

Sonnenblick-Goldman Company, or Sonnenblick, a nationally recognized real estate investment banking firm, provided mortgage brokerage services to us. Mr. Morton Holliday, the father of Mr. Marc Holliday, was a Managing Director of Sonnenblick at the time of the financings. In 2007, our 1604–1610 Broadway joint venture paid approximately \$146,500 to Sonnenblick in connection with obtaining a \$27.0 million first mortgage and we paid \$759,000 in connection with the refinancing of 485 Lexington Avenue. In 2008, our 1250 Broadway joint venture paid approximately \$1.7 million to Sonnenblick in connection with the sale of 1250 Broadway.

In 2007, we paid a consulting fee of \$525,000 to Stephen Wolff, the brother-in-law of Marc Holliday, in connection with our aggregate investment of \$119.1 million in the joint venture that owns 800 Third Avenue and approximately \$68,000 in connection with our acquisition of 16 Court Street for \$107.5 million.

### Management Fees

S.L. Green Management Corp. receives property management fees from an entity in which Stephen L. Green owns an interest. The aggregate amount of fees paid to S.L. Green Management Corp. from such entity was approximately \$353,500 in 2008, \$297,100 in 2007 and \$205,000 in 2006.

Amounts due from related parties at December 31 consisted of the following (in thousands):

|                           | 2008    | 2007     |
|---------------------------|---------|----------|
| Due from joint ventures   | \$1,472 | \$ 6,098 |
| Employees                 | 153     | 153      |
| Other                     | 6,051   | 6,831    |
| Related party receivables | \$7,676 | \$13,082 |

### **Gramercy Capital Corp.**

See Note 6. Investment in Unconsolidated Joint Ventures – Gramercy Capital Corp. for disclosure on related party transactions between Gramercy and us.

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### STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

### Common Stock

Our authorized capital stock consists of 260,000,000 shares, \$.01 par value, of which we have authorized the issuance of up to 160,000,000 shares of common stock, \$.01 par value per share, 75,000,000 shares of excess stock, at \$.01 par value per share, and 25,000,000 shares of preferred stock, par value \$.01 per share. As of December 31, 2008, 57,043,835 shares of common stock and no shares of excess stock were issued and outstanding.

In January 2007, we issued approximately 9.0 million shares of our common stock in connection with the Reckson Merger. These shares had a value of approximately \$1.0 billion on the date the merger agreement was executed.

In March 2007, our board of directors approved a stock repurchase plan under which we can buy up to \$300.0 million shares of our common stock. This plan expired on December 31, 2008. As of December 31, 2008, we purchased and settled approximately \$300.0 million, or 3.3 million shares of our common stock at an average price of \$90.49 per share.

### Perpetual Preferred Stock

In December 2003, we sold 6,300,000 shares of 7.625% Series C cumulative redeemable preferred stock, or the Series C preferred stock, (including the underwriters' over-allotment option of 700,000 shares) with a mandatory liquidation preference of \$25.00 per share. Net proceeds from this offering (approximately \$152.0 million) were used principally to repay amounts outstanding under our secured and unsecured revolving credit facilities. The Series C preferred stock receive annual dividends of \$1.90625 per share paid on a quarterly basis and dividends are cumulative, subject to certain provisions. On or after December 12, 2008, we may redeem the Series C preferred stock at par for cash at our option. The Series C preferred stock was recorded net of underwriters discount and issuance costs.

In 2004, we issued 4,000,000 shares of our 7.875% Series D cumulative redeemable preferred stock, or the Series D preferred stock, with a mandatory liquidation preference of \$25.00 per share. Net proceeds from these offerings (approximately \$96.3 million) were used principally to repay amounts outstanding under our secured and unsecured revolving credit facilities. The Series D preferred stock receive annual dividends of \$1.96875 per share paid on a quarterly basis and dividends are cumulative, subject to certain provisions. On or after May 27, 2009, we may redeem the Series D preferred stock at par for cash at our option. The Series D preferred stock was recorded net of underwriters discount and issuance costs.

### Rights Plan

In February 2000, our board of directors authorized a distribution of one preferred share purchase right, or Right, for each outstanding share of common stock under a shareholder rights plan. This distribution was made to all holders of record of the common stock on March 31, 2000. Each Right entitles the registered holder to purchase from the Company one one-hundredth of a share of Series B junior participating preferred stock, par value \$0.01 per share, or Preferred Shares, at a price of \$60.00 per one one-hundredth of a Preferred Share, or Purchase Price, subject to adjustment as provided in the rights agreement. The Rights expire on March 5, 2010, unless we extend the expiration date or the Right is redeemed or exchanged earlier.

The Rights are attached to each share of common stock. The Rights are generally exercisable only if a person or group becomes the beneficial owner of 17% or more of the outstanding common stock or announces a tender offer for 17% or more of the outstanding common stock, or Acquiring Person. In the event that a person or group becomes an Acquiring Person, each holder of a Right, excluding the Acquiring Person, will have the right to receive, upon exercise, common stock having a market value equal to two times the Purchase Price of the Preferred Shares.

### **Dividend Reinvestment and Stock Purchase Plan**

We filed a registration statement with the SEC for our dividend reinvestment and stock purchase plan, or DRIP, which was declared effective on September 10, 2001, and commenced on September 24, 2001. We registered 3,000,000 shares of our common stock under the DRIP.

During the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, approximately 4,300 and 108,000 shares of our common stock were issued and approximately \$0.3 million and \$13.8 million of proceeds were received, respectively, from dividend reinvestments and/or stock purchases under the DRIP. DRIP shares may be issued at a discount to the market price.

### 2003 Long-Term Outperformance Compensation Program

Our board of directors adopted a long-term, seven-year compensation program for certain members of senior management. The program, which measured our performance over a 48-month period (unless terminated earlier) commencing April 1, 2003, provided that holders of our common equity were to achieve a 40% total return during the measurement period over a base share price of \$30.07 per share before any restricted stock awards were granted. Plan participants would receive an award of restricted stock in an amount between 8% and 10% of the excess total return over the baseline return. At the end of the four-year measurement period, 40% of the award will vest on the measurement date and 60% of the award will vest ratably over the subsequent three years based on continued employment. Any restricted stock to be issued under the program will be allocated from our 2005 Stock Option and Incentive Plan (as defined below), which was previously approved through a stockholder vote in May 2005. In April 2007, the Compensation Committee determined that under the terms of the 2003 Outperformance Plan, as of March 31, 2007, the performance hurdles had been met and the maximum performance pool of \$22,825,000, taking into account forfeitures, was established. In connection with this event, approximately 166,312 shares of restricted stock (as adjusted for forfeitures) were allocated under the 2005 Stock Option and Incentive Plan. These awards are subject to vesting as noted above. We record the expense of the restricted stock award in accordance with SFAS 123-R. The fair value of the award on the date of grant was determined to be \$3.2 million. Forty percent of the value of the award will be amortized over four years and the balance will be amortized at 20% per year over five, six and seven years, respectively, such that 20% of year five, 16.67% of year six, and 14.29% of year seven will be recorded in year one. Compensation expense of \$0.2 million, \$0.4 million and \$0.65 million related to this plan was recorded during the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

### 2005 Long-Term Outperformance Compensation Program

In December 2005, the compensation committee of our board of directors approved a long-term incentive compensation program, the 2005 Outperformance Plan. Participants in the 2005 Outperformance Plan will share in a "performance pool" if our total return to stockholders for the period from December 1, 2005 through November 30, 2008 exceeds a cumulative total return to stockholders of 30% during the measurement period over a base share price of \$68.51 per share. The size of the pool was to be 10% of the outperformance amount in excess of the 30% benchmark, subject to a maximum dilution cap equal to the lesser of 3% of our outstanding shares and units of limited partnership interest as of December 1, 2005 or \$50.0 million. In the event the potential performance pool reached this dilution cap before November 30, 2008 and remained at that level or higher for 30 consecutive days, the performance period was to end early and the pool would be formed on the last day of such 30-day period. Each participant's award under the 2005 Outperformance Plan would be designated as a specified percentage of the aggregate performance pool to be allocated to him or her assuming the 30% benchmark is achieved. Individual awards would be made in the form of partnership units, or LTIP Units, that may ultimately become exchangeable for shares of our common stock or cash, at our election. LTIP Units would be granted prior to the determination of the performance pool; however, they were only to vest upon satisfaction of performance and other thresholds, and were not entitled to distributions until after the performance pool was established. The 2005 Outperformance Plan provides that if the pool was established, each participant would also be entitled to the distributions that would have been paid on the number of LTIP Units earned, had they been issued at the beginning of the performance period. Those distributions were to be paid in the form of additional LTIP Units.

After the performance pool was established, the earned LTIP Units are to receive regular quarterly distributions on a per unit basis equal to the dividends per share paid on our common stock, whether or not they are vested. Any LTIP Units not earned upon the establishment of the performance pool were to be automatically forfeited, and the LTIP Units that are earned are subject to time-based vesting, with one-third of the LTIP Units earned vesting on November 30, 2008 and each of the first two anniversaries thereafter based on continued employment. On June 14, 2006, the Compensation Committee determined that under the terms of the 2005 Outperformance Plan, as of June 8, 2006, the performance period had accelerated and the

maximum performance pool of \$49,250,000, taking into account forfeitures, was established. Individual awards under the 2005 Outperformance Plan are in the form of partnership units, or LTIP Units, in our operating partnership that, subject to certain conditions, are convertible into shares of the Company's common stock or cash, at our election. The total number of LTIP Units earned by all participants as a result of the establishment of the performance pool was 490,475 and are subject to time-based vesting.

The cost of the 2005 Outperformance Plan (approximately \$8.0 million, subject to adjustment for forfeitures) will continue to be amortized into earnings through the final vesting period in accordance with SFAS 123-R. We recorded approximately \$3.9 million, \$2.1 million and \$2.0 million of compensation expense during the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively, in connection with the 2005 Outperformance Plan.

### 2006 Long-Term Outperformance Compensation Program

On August 14, 2006, the compensation committee of our board of directors approved a long-term incentive compensation program, the 2006 Outperformance Plan. Participants in the 2006 Outperformance Plan will share in a "performance pool" if our total return to stockholders for the period from August 1, 2006 through July 31, 2009 exceeds a cumulative total return to stockholders of 30% during the measurement period over a base share price of \$106.39 per share. The size of the pool will be 10% of the outperformance amount in excess of the 30% benchmark, subject to a maximum award of \$60 million. The maximum award will be reduced by the amount of any unallocated or forfeited awards. In the event the potential performance pool reaches the maximum award before July 31, 2009 and remains at that level or higher for 30 consecutive days, the performance period will end early and the pool will be formed on the last day of such 30-day period. Each participant's award under the 2006 Outperformance Plan will be designated as a specified percentage of the aggregate performance pool. Assuming the 30% benchmark is achieved, the pool will be allocated among the participants in accordance with the percentage specified in each participant's participation agreement. Individual awards will be made in the form of partnership units, or LTIP Units, that, subject to vesting and the satisfaction of other conditions, are exchangeable for a per unit value equal to the then trading price of one share of our common stock. This value is payable in cash or, at our election, in shares of common stock. LTIP Units will be granted prior to the determination of the performance pool; however, they will only vest upon satisfaction of performance and time vesting thresholds under the 2006 Outperformance Plan, and will not be entitled to distributions until after the performance pool is established. Distributions on LTIP Units will equal the dividends paid on our common stock on a per unit basis. The 2006 Outperformance Plan provides that if the pool is established, each participant will also be entitled to the distributions that would have been paid had the number of earned LTIP Units been issued at the beginning of the performance period. Those distributions will be paid in the form of additional LTIP Units. Thereafter, distributions will be paid currently with respect to all earned LTIP Units that are a part of the performance pool, whether vested or unvested. Although the amount of earned awards under the 2006 Outperformance Plan (i.e., the number of LTIP Units earned) will be determined when the performance pool is established, not all of the awards will vest at that time. Instead, one-third of the awards will vest on July 31, 2009 and each of the first two anniversaries thereafter based on continued employment.

In the event of a change in control of our company on or after August 1, 2007 but before July 31, 2009, the performance pool will be calculated assuming the performance period ended on July 31, 2009 and the total return continued at the same annualized rate from the date of the change in control to July 31, 2009 as was achieved from August 1, 2006 to the date of the change in control; provided that the performance pool may not exceed 200% of what it would have been if it was calculated using the total return from August 1, 2006 to the date of the change in control and a pro rated benchmark. In either case, the performance pool will be formed as described above if the adjusted benchmark target is achieved and all earned awards will be fully vested upon the change in control. If a change in control occurs after the performance period has ended, all unvested awards issued under our 2006 Outperformance Plan will become fully vested upon the change in control.

The cost of the 2006 Outperformance Plan (approximately \$9.6 million, subject to adjustment for forfeitures) will be amortized into earnings through the final vesting period in accordance with SFAS 123-R. We recorded approximately \$12.2 million, \$2.5 million and \$1.1 million of compensation expense during the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively, in connection with the 2006 Outperformance Plan. During the fourth quarter of 2008, we and certain of our employees, including our executive officers, mutually agreed to cancel a portion of the 2006 Outperformance Plan. This charge of approximately \$9.2 million is included in the compensation expense above.

### **Deferred Stock Compensation Plan for Directors**

Under our Independent Director's Deferral Program, which commenced July 2004, our non-employee directors may elect to defer up to 100% of their annual retainer fee, chairman fees and meeting fees. Unless otherwise elected by a participant, fees deferred under the program shall be credited in the form of phantom stock units. The phantom stock units are convertible into an equal number of shares of common stock upon such directors' termination of service from the board of directors or a change in control by us, as defined by the program. Phantom stock units are credited to each non-employee director quarterly using the closing price of our common stock on the applicable dividend record date for the respective quarter. Each participating non-employee director's account is also credited for an equivalent amount of phantom stock units based on the dividend rate for each quarter.

During the year ended December 31, 2008, approximately 7,000 phantom stock units were earned. As of December 31, 2008, there were approximately 22,513 phantom stock units outstanding.

### Employee Stock Purchase Plan

On September 18, 2007, our board of directors adopted the 2008 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, or ESPP, to encourage our employees to increase their efforts to make our business more successful by providing equity based incentives to eligible employees. The ESPP is intended to qualify as an "employee stock purchase plan" under Section 423 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and has been adopted by the board to enable our eligible employees to purchase our shares of common stock through payroll deductions. The ESPP became effective on January 1, 2008 with a maximum of 500,000 shares of the common stock available for issuance, subject to adjustment upon a merger, reorganization, stock split or

other similar corporate change. We filed a registration statement on Form S-8 with the Securities and Exchange Commission with respect to the ESPP. The common stock will be offered for purchase through a series of successive offering periods. Each offering period will be three months in duration and will begin on the first day of each calendar quarter, with the first offering period having commenced on January 1, 2008. The ESPP provides for eligible employees to purchase the common stock at a purchase price equal to 85% of the lesser of (1) the market value of the common stock on the first day of the offering period or (2) the market value of the common stock on the last day of the offering period. The ESPP was approved by our stockholders at our 2008 annual meeting of stockholders. As of December 31, 2008, approximately 4,900 shares of our common stock had been issued under the ESPP.

### **Stock Option Plan**

During August 1997, we instituted the 1997 Stock Option and Incentive Plan, or the 1997 Plan. The 1997 Plan was amended in December 1997, March 1998, March 1999 and May 2002. The 1997 Plan, as amended, authorizes (i) the grant of stock options that qualify as incentive stock options under Section 422 of the Code, or ISOs, (ii) the grant of stock options that do not qualify, or NQSOs, (iii) the grant of stock options in lieu of cash Directors' fees and (iv) grants of shares of restricted and unrestricted common stock. The exercise price of stock options are determined by our compensation committee, but may not be less than 100% of the fair market value of the shares of our common stock on the date of grant. At December 31, 2008, approximately 0.4 million shares of our common stock were reserved for issuance under the 1997 Plan.

### Amended and Restated 2005 Stock Option and Incentive Plan

The amended and restated 2005 Stock Option and Incentive Plan was approved by our board of directors in March 2007 and our stockholders in May 2007 at our annual meeting of stockholders. Subject to adjustments upon certain corporate transactions or events, up to a maximum of 7,000,000 shares, or the Fungible Pool Limit, may be granted as Options, Restricted Stock, Phantom Shares, dividend equivalent rights and other equity-based awards under the amended and restated 2005 stock option and incentive plan, or the 2005 Plan. As described below, the manner in which the Fungible Pool Limit is finally determined can ultimately result in the issuance under the 2005 Plan of up to 6,000,000 shares (subject to adjustments upon certain corporate transactions or events). Each share issued or to be issued in connection with "Full-Value Awards" (as defined below) that vest or are granted based on the achievement of certain performance goals that are based on (A) FFO growth, (B) total return to stockholders (either in absolute terms or compared with a peer group of other companies) or (C) a combination of the foregoing (as set forth in the 2005 Plan), shall be counted against the Fungible Pool Limit as 2.0 units. "Full-Value Awards" are awards other than Options, Stock Appreciation Rights or other awards that do not deliver the full value at grant thereof of the underlying shares (e.g., Restricted Stock). Each share issued or to be issued in connection with any other Full-Value Awards shall be counted against the Fungible Pool Limit as 3.0 units. Options, Stock Appreciation Rights and other awards that do not deliver the value at grant thereof of the underlying shares and that expire 10 years from the date of grant shall be counted against the Fungible Pool

Limit as one unit. Options, Stock Appreciation Rights and other awards that do not deliver the value at grant thereof of the underlying shares and that expire five years from the date of grant shall be counted against the Fungible Pool Limit as 0.7 of a unit, or five-year option. Thus, under the foregoing rules, depending on the type of grants made, as many as 6,000,000 shares could be the subject of grants under the 2005 Plan. At the end of the third calendar year following April 1, 2005, which is the effective date of the original 2005 Plan, as well as at the end of the third calendar year following April 1, 2007, which is the effective date of the 2005 Plan, (i) the three-year average of (A) the number of shares subject to awards granted in a single year, divided by (B) the number of shares of our outstanding common stock at the end of such year shall not exceed the (ii) greater of (A) 2%, with respect to the third calendar year following April 1, 2005, or 2.23%, with respect to the third calendar year following April 1, 2007, or (B) the mean of the applicable peer group. For purposes of calculating the number of shares granted in a year in connection with the limitation set forth in the foregoing sentence, shares underlying Full-Value Awards will be taken into account as (i) 1.5 shares if our annual common stock price volatility is 53% or higher, (ii) two shares if our annual common stock price volatility is between 25% and 52%, and (iii) four shares if our annual common stock price volatility is less than 25%. No award may be granted to any person who, assuming exercise of all options and payment of all awards held by such person, would own or be deemed to own more than 9.8% of the outstanding shares of the Company's common stock. In addition, subject to adjustment upon certain corporate transactions or events, a participant may not receive awards (with shares subject to awards being counted, depending on the type of award, in the proportions ranging from 0.7 to 3.0, as described above) in any one year covering more than 700,000 shares; thus, under this provision, depending on the type of grant involved, as many as 1,000,000 shares can be the subject of option grants to any one person in any year, and as many as 350,000 shares may be granted as restricted stock (or be the subject of other Full-Value Grants) to any one person in any year. If an option or other award granted under the 2005 Plan expires

or terminates, the common stock subject to any portion of the award that expires or terminates without having been exercised or paid, as the case may be, will again become available for the issuance of additional awards. Shares of our common stock distributed under the 2005 Plan may be treasury shares or authorized but unissued shares. Unless the 2005 Plan is previously terminated by the Board, no new Award may be granted under the 2005 Plan after the tenth anniversary of the date that the 2005 Plan was approved by the Board. At December 31, 2008, approximately 4.5 million shares of our common stock, calculated on a weighted basis, were available for issuance under the 2005 Plan, or 6.5 million if all shares available under the 2005 Plan were issued as five-year options.

Options are granted under the plan at the fair market value on the date of grant and, subject to termination of employment, generally expire ten years from the date of grant, are not transferable other than on death, and generally vest in one to five years commencing one year from the date of grant.

A summary of the status of our stock options as of December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006 and changes during the years then ended are presented below:

|  | 2008        | 2008     |              | 2007     |             | õ        |
|--|-------------|----------|--------------|----------|-------------|----------|
|  |             | Weighted |              | Weighted |             | Weighted |
|  |             | Average  |              | Average  |             | Average  |
|  | Options     | Exercise | Options      | Exercise | Options     | Exercise |
|  | Outstanding | Price    | Outstanding  | Price    | Outstanding | Price    |
| Balance at beginning of year                                   | 1,774,385   | \$ 88.21 | 1,645,643    | \$ 58.77 | 1,731,258   | \$ 41.25 |
| Granted  | 446,500     | \$ 65.51 | 531,000      | \$143.22 | 403,500     | \$103.30 |
| Exercised  | (195,680)   | \$ 36.08 | (348,458)    | \$ 36.95 | (444,449)   | \$ 32.29 |
| Lapsed or cancelled  | (1,087,499) | \$111.23 | (53,800)     | \$ 62.81 | (44,666)    | \$ 40.58 |
| Balance at end of year   | 937,706     | \$ 61.33 | 1,774,385    | \$ 88.21 | 1,645,643   | \$ 58.77 |
| Options exercisable at end of year                             | 474,592     | \$ 52.55 | 780,171      | \$ 54.00 | 597,974     | \$ 52.72 |
| Weighted average fair value of options granted during the year | \$5,163,000 |          | \$16,619,000 |          | \$7,805,000 |          |

The weighted average fair value of restricted stock granted during the year was approximately \$12.0 million.

All options were granted within a price range of \$20.67 to \$137.18. The remaining weighted average contractual life of the options outstanding and exercisable was 6.87 years and 4.92 years, respectively.

During the fourth quarter of 2008, we and certain of our employees agreed to cancel, without compensation, certain employee stock options. These cancellations resulted in a non-cash charge of approximately \$8.8 million.

### Earnings Per Share

 $\label{prop:eq:computed} \textit{Earnings per share for the years ended December 31, is computed as follows (in thousands):}$ 

| Numerator (Income)                      | 2008      | 2007      | 2006      |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Basic Earnings:                         |           |           |           |
| Income available to common stockholders | \$389,884 | \$640,535 | \$200,844 |
| Effect of Dilutive Securities:          |           |           |           |
| Redemption of units to common shares    | 15,730    | 26,675    | 11,436    |
| Stock options                           | _         | _         | _         |
| Diluted Earnings:                       |           |           |           |
| Income available to common stockholders | \$405,614 | \$667,210 | \$212,280 |
|   |           |           |           |
| Denominator Weighted                    |           |           |           |
| Average (Shares)                        | 2008      | 2007      | 2006      |
| Basic Shares:                           |           |           |           |
| Shares available to common stockholders | 57,996    | 58,742    | 44,593    |
| Effect of Dilutive Securities:          |           |           |           |
| Redemption of units to common shares    | 2,340     | 2,446     | 2,511     |
| 4.0% exchangeable senior debentures     | _         | _         | _         |
| Stock-based compensation plans          | 262       | 697       | 1,391     |
| Diluted Shares                          | 60,598    | 61,885    | 48,495    |

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### MINORITY INTEREST

The unit holders represent the minority interest ownership in our operating partnership. As of December 31, 2008 and 2007, the minority interest unit holders owned 3.94% (2,339,853 units) and 3.83% (2,340,359 units) of our operating partnership, respectively. At December 31, 2008, 2,339,853 shares of our common stock were reserved for the conversion of units of limited partnership interest in our operating partnership.

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### **BENEFIT PLANS**

The building employees are covered by multi-employer defined benefit pension plans and post-retirement health and welfare plans. Contributions to these plans amounted to approximately \$10.1 million, \$9.2 million and \$5.5 million during the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively. Separate actuarial information regarding such plans is not made available to the contributing employers by the union administrators or trustees, since the plans do not maintain separate records for each reporting unit.

### **Executive Stock Compensation**

Effective January 1, 1999, we implemented a deferred compensation plan, or the Deferred Plan, covering certain of our employees, including our executives. In connection with the Deferred Plan, we issued 128,956 and 102,826 restricted shares in 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively. The shares issued under the Deferred Plan were granted to certain employees, including our executives and vesting will occur annually upon the completion of a service period or our meeting established financial performance criteria. Annual vesting occurs at rates ranging from 15% to 35% once performance criteria are reached. During 2008, 284,746 of these shares had vested and 151,201 had been retired. We recorded compensation expense of approximately \$25.6 million, \$20.0 million and \$9.6 million for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

### 401(K) Plan

In August 1997, we implemented a 401(K) Savings/ Retirement Plan, or the 401(K) Plan, to cover eligible employees of ours, and any designated affiliate. The 401(K) Plan permits eligible employees to defer up to 15% of their annual compensation, subject to certain limitations imposed by the Code. The employees' elective deferrals are immediately vested and non-forfeitable upon contribution to the 401(K) Plan. During 2000, we amended our 401(K) Plan to include a matching contribution, subject to ERISA limitations, equal to 50% of the first 4% of annual compensation deferred by an employee. During 2003, we amended our 401(K) Plan to provide for discretionary matching contributions only. For 2008, 2007 and 2006, a matching contribution equal to 50% of the first 6% of annual compensation was made. For the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and, 2006, we made matching contributions of approximately \$503,000, \$457,000 and \$320,000, respectively.

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### COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

We and our operating partnership are not presently involved in any material litigation nor, to our knowledge, is any material litigation threatened against us or our properties, other than routine litigation arising in the ordinary course of business. Management believes the costs, if any, incurred by us and our operating partnership related to this litigation will not materially affect our financial position, operating results or liquidity.

We have entered into employment agreements with certain executives, which expire between December 2009 and December 2010. The minimum cash-based compensation, including base salary and guaranteed bonus payments, associated with these employment agreements totals approximately \$3.6 million for 2009.

In March 1998, we acquired an operating sub-leasehold position at 420 Lexington Avenue. The operating sub-leasehold position requires annual ground lease payments totaling \$6.0 million and sub-leasehold position payments totaling \$1.1 million (excluding an operating sub-lease position purchased January 1999). The ground lease and sub-leasehold positions expire in 2008. In June 2007, we renewed and extended the maturity date of the ground lease at 420 Lexington Avenue through December 31, 2029, with an option for further extension through 2080. Ground lease rent payments through 2029 will total approximately \$12.2 million per year. Thereafter, the ground lease will be subject to a revaluation by the parties thereto.

The property located at 711 Third Avenue operates under an operating sub-lease, which expires in 2083. Under the sub-lease, we are responsible for ground rent payments of \$1.55 million annually through July 2011 on the 50% portion of the fee we do not own. The ground rent is reset after July 2011 based on the estimated fair market value of the property. We have an option to buy out the sub-lease at a fixed future date.

The property located at 461 Fifth Avenue operates under a ground lease (approximately \$2.1 million annually) with a term expiration date of 2027 and with two options to renew for an additional 21 years each, followed by a third option for 15 years. We also have an option to purchase the ground lease for a fixed price on a specific date.

The property located at 625 Madison Avenue operates under a ground lease (approximately \$4.6 million annually) with a term expiration date of 2022 and with two options to renew for an additional 23 years.

The property located at 1185 Avenue of the Americas operates under a ground lease (approximately \$8.7 million annually) with a term expiration of 2020 and with an option to renew for an additional 23 years.

In April 1988, the SL Green predecessor entered into a lease agreement for the property at 673 First Avenue, which has been capitalized for financial statement purposes. Land was estimated to be approximately 70% of the fair market value of the property. The portion of the lease attributed to land is classified as an operating lease and the remainder as a capital lease. The initial lease term is 49 years with an option for an additional 26 years. Beginning in lease years 11 and 25, the lessor is entitled to additional rent as defined by the lease agreement.

We continue to lease the 673 First Avenue property, which has been classified as a capital lease with a cost basis of \$12.2 million and cumulative amortization of \$5.2 million and \$4.9 million at December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

The following is a schedule of future minimum lease payments under capital leases and non-cancellable

operating leases with initial terms in excess of one year as of December 31, 2008 (in thousands):

|                             |     | N          | lon-cancellable |
|-----------------------------|-----|------------|-----------------|
|                             |     | 1          |                 |
|                             |     |            | operating       |
| December 31,                | Cap | ital lease | leases          |
| 2009                        | \$  | 1,416      | \$ 32,568       |
| 2010                        |     | 1,451      | 32,127          |
| 2011                        |     | 1,555      | 30,003          |
| 2012                        |     | 1,555      | 29,253          |
| 2013                        |     | 1,555      | 29,252          |
| Thereafter                  |     | 47,204     | 625,959         |
| Total minimum lease payme   | nts | 54,736     | \$779,162       |
| Less amount representing    |     |            |                 |
| interest                    | (   | (38,032)   |                 |
| Present value of net minimu | m   |            |                 |
| lease payments              | \$  | 16,704     |                 |

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### FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS: DERIVATIVES AND HEDGING

In accordance with SFAS No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities," we recognize all derivatives on the balance sheet at fair value. Derivatives that are not hedges must be adjusted to fair value through income. If a derivative is a hedge, depending on the nature of the hedge, changes in the fair value of the derivative will either be offset against the change in fair value of the hedged asset, liability, or firm commitment through earnings, or recognized in other comprehensive income until the hedged item is recognized in earnings. The ineffective portion of a derivative's change in fair value will be immediately recognized in earnings. SFAS No. 133 may increase or decrease reported net income and stockholders' equity prospectively, depending on future levels of interest rates and other variables affecting the fair values of derivative instruments and hedged items, but will have no effect

Pursuant to SFAS 157, the methodologies used for valuing such instruments have been categorized into three broad levels as follows:

 $\label{eq:local_local} \mbox{Level $1-$ Quoted prices in active markets for identical instruments.}$ 

Level 2 – Valuations based principally on other observable market parameters, including

- Quoted prices in active markets for similar instruments,
- Quoted prices in less active or inactive markets for identical or similar instruments,
- Other observable inputs (such as interest rates, yield curves, volatilities, prepayment speeds, loss severities, credit risks and default rates), and
- Market corroborated inputs (derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data).

Level 3 – Valuations based significantly on unobservable inputs.

- Level 3A Valuations based on third party indications (broker quotes or counterparty quotes) which were, in turn, based significantly on unobservable inputs or were otherwise not supportable as Level 2 valuations.
- Level 3B Valuations based on internal models with significant unobservable inputs.

Pursuant to SFAS 157, these levels form a hierarchy. We follow this hierarchy for our financial instruments measured at fair value on a recurring basis. The classifications are based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

The following table summarizes the notional and fair value of our derivative financial instruments at December 31, 2008 based on a Level 2 valuation. The notional value is an indication of the extent of our involvement in these instruments at that time, but does not represent exposure to credit, interest rate or market risks (in thousands).

|                    | Notional  | Strike | Effective | Expiration | Fair       |
|--------------------|-----------|--------|-----------|------------|------------|
|                    | Value     | Rate   | Date      | Date       | Value      |
| Interest Rate Swap | \$ 60,000 | 4.364% | 1/2007    | 5/2010     | \$ (2,703) |
| Interest Rate Swap | \$105,000 | 4.910% | 12/2009   | 12/2019    | \$(18,586) |
| Interest Rate Swap | \$100,000 | 4.705% | 12/2009   | 12/2019    | \$(15,998) |
| Interest Rate Cap  | \$128,000 | 6.000% | 1/2007    | 2/2009     | \$ -       |

On December 31, 2008, the derivative instruments were reported as an obligation at their fair value of approximately \$37.3 million. This is included in Other Liabilities on the consolidated balance sheet at December 31, 2008. Offsetting adjustments are represented as deferred gains or losses in Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss of \$57.0 million, including the remaining balance on net gains of approximately \$6.1 million from the settlement of hedges which are being amortized over the remaining term of the related mortgage obligation. Currently, all of our derivative instruments are designated as effective hedging instruments.

Over time, the realized and unrealized gains and losses held in Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income will be reclassified into earnings as a reduction to interest expense in the same periods in which the hedged interest payments affect earnings. We estimate that approximately \$3.2 million of the current balance held in Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income will be reclassified into earnings within the next 12 months.

We are hedging exposure to variability in future cash flows for forecasted transactions in addition to anticipated future interest payments on existing debt.

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### **ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS**

Our management believes that the properties are in compliance in all material respects with applicable Federal, state and local ordinances and regulations

regarding environmental issues. Management is not aware of any environmental liability that it believes would have a materially adverse impact on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows. Management is unaware of any instances in which it would incur significant environmental cost if any of the properties were sold.

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### **SEGMENT INFORMATION**

We are a REIT engaged in owning, managing, leasing, acquiring and repositioning commercial office and retail properties in the New York Metro area and have two reportable segments, real estate and structured finance investments. Our investment in Gramercy and its related earnings are included in the structured finance segment. We evaluate real estate performance and allocate resources based on earnings contribution to income from continuing operations.

Our real estate portfolio is primarily located in the geographical markets of New York Metro area. The primary sources of revenue are generated from tenant rents and escalations and reimbursement revenue. Real estate property operating expenses consist primarily of security, maintenance, utility costs, real estate taxes and ground rent expense (at certain applicable properties). See Note 5 for additional details on our structured finance investments.

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Selected results of operations for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, and selected asset information as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, regarding our operating segments are as follows (in thousands):

|                 |                     |                                     |           | Structu          | rea            |
|-----------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------|------------------|----------------|
|                 |                     | Real Estate Segment Finance Segment |           | ent Total Compan |                |
| Total revenues  |                     |                                     |           |                  |                |
| Year ended:     | December 31, 2008   | \$                                  | 967,447   | \$149,4          | \$ 1,116,86    |
|                 | December 31, 2007   |                                     | 889,100   | 128,0            | 49 1,017,149   |
|                 | December 31, 2006   |                                     | 383,626   | 86,2             | 28 469,85      |
| Income from con | tinuing operations: |                                     |           |                  |                |
| Year ended:     | December 31, 2008   | \$                                  | 49,060    | \$ (3,1          | 68) \$ 45,892  |
|                 | December 31, 2007   |                                     | 77,996    | 74,8             | 70 152,86      |
|                 | December 31, 2006   |                                     | 47,534    | 55,4             | 05 102,939     |
| Total assets    |                     |                                     |           |                  |                |
| As of:          | December 31, 2008   | \$10                                | ),227,656 | \$756,6          | 97 \$10,984,35 |
|                 | December 31, 2007   | 10                                  | 0,446,673 | 983,4            | 05 11,430,07   |

Income from continuing operations represents total revenues less total expenses for the real estate segment and total revenues less allocated interest expense and loan loss reserves for the structured finance segment. Interest costs for the structured finance segment are imputed assuming 100% leverage at our unsecured revolving credit facility borrowing cost. We do not allocate marketing, general and administrative expenses (approximately \$120.9 million, \$105.0 million and \$65.7 million for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively) to the structured finance segment, since we base performance on the individual segments prior to allocating marketing, general and administrative expenses. All other expenses, except interest, relate entirely to the real estate assets.

There were no transactions between the above two segments.

The table below reconciles income from continuing operations before minority interest to net income available to common stockholders for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006 (in thousands):

|                           | Years e   | nded Deceml | ber 31,   |
|---------------------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|
|                           | 2008      | 2007        | 2006      |
| Income from continuing    |           |             |           |
| operations before         |           |             |           |
| minority interest         | 45,892    | \$152,866   | \$102,939 |
| Equity in net gain on     |           |             |           |
| sale of unconsolidated    |           |             |           |
| joint venture/            |           |             |           |
| partial interest          | 103,014   | 31,509      | _         |
| Gain on sale of           |           |             |           |
| partial interest          | _         | _           | 3,451     |
| Gain on early             |           |             |           |
| extinguishment            |           |             |           |
| of debt                   | 88,541    | _           | _         |
| Loss on marketable        |           |             |           |
| securities                | (147,489) | _           | _         |
| Minority interest in      |           |             |           |
| operating partnership     |           |             |           |
| attributable to           |           |             |           |
| continuing operations     | (2,295)   | (5,886)     | (4,447)   |
| Minority interest in      |           |             |           |
| other partnerships        | (10,967)  | (17,287)    | (5,210)   |
| Net income from           |           |             |           |
| continuing operations     | 76,697    | 161,202     | 96,733    |
| Income (loss) from        |           |             |           |
| discontinued              |           |             |           |
| operations, net of        |           |             |           |
| minority interest         | (2,034)   | 17,458      | 30,010    |
| Gain on sale of           |           |             |           |
| discontinued              |           |             |           |
| operations, net of        |           |             |           |
| minority interest         | 335,097   | 481,750     | 93,976    |
| Net income                | 409,759   | 660,410     | 220,719   |
| Preferred stock dividends | (19,875)  | (19,875)    | (19,875)  |
| Net income available      |           |             |           |
| to common                 |           |             |           |
|                           |           |             |           |

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**\$ 389,884** \$640,535 \$200,844

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### SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE OF NON-CASH INVESTING AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES

The following table provides information on non-cash investing and financing activities (in thousands):

|  | Years ended December 31 |         |    | nber 31, |
|--|-------------------------|---------|----|----------|
|  |                         | 2008    |    | 2007     |
| Issuance of common stock as deferred compensation                                    | \$                      | 583     | \$ | 654      |
| Redemption of units and dividend reinvestments                                       |                         | 233     |    | 24,441   |
| Derivative instruments at fair value   | ;                       | 34,949  |    | (9,417)  |
| Fair value of above- and below-market leases and in-place lease value (SFAS No. 141) |                         |         |    |          |
| in connection with acquisitions  |                         | _       |    | 173,358  |
| Tenant improvements and capital expenditures payable                                 |                         | 1,311   |    | 4,561    |
| Assumption of joint venture mortgage   |                         | _       |    | 676,800  |
| Real estate investments consolidated under FIN 46R                                   |                         | 14,760  |    | 85,636   |
| Real estate investments deconsolidated under FIN 46R                                 | (4)                     | 14,995) |    | (5,018)  |
| Assignment of mortgage to joint venture  | 29                      | 93,631  |    | 27,000   |
| Issuance of preferred units  |                         | _       |    | 1,200    |
| Common stock issued in connection with the Reckson Merger                            |                         | _       | 1, | 010,078  |
| Assumption of mortgage loans and unsecured notes upon acquisition of real estate     |                         | _       | 1, | 548,756  |
| SFAS 141 mark-to-market of debt assumed  |                         | _       |    | 54,270   |
| Net operating liabilities assumed  |                         | _       |    | 23,474   |
| Other non-cash adjustments-financing   | (9                      | 90,606) |    | -        |

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### SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

In January 2009, we, along with Gramercy, sold 100% of 55 Corporate Drive, NJ for \$230.0 million. We recognized a gain of approximately \$6.9 million on our 50% interest in the joint venture.

In January 2009, we repurchased approximately \$86.0 million of our convertible bonds, realizing approximately \$29.4 million of gains due to the early extinguishment of debt.

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### QUARTERLY FINANCIAL DATA (UNAUDITED)

As a result of the adoption of SFAS No. 144, "Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets," and SFAS No. 145, "Rescission of FASB Statements No. 4, 44, and 62, Amendment of FASB Statement No. 13, and Technical Corrections," we are providing updated summary selected quarterly financial information, which is included below reflecting the prior period reclassification as discontinued operations of the properties classified as held for sale during 2008.

Quarterly data for the last two years is presented in the tables below (in thousands).

| 2008 Quarter Ended   | Dec | cember 31 | Sep | tember 30 |     | June 30 | N   | larch 31 |
|--|-----|-----------|-----|-----------|-----|---------|-----|----------|
| Total revenues   | \$  | 279,878   | \$  | 266,807   | \$2 | 96,404  | \$2 | 63,397   |
| Income net of minority interest and before gain on sale <sup>(1)</sup> |     | (73,884)  |     | 28,711    |     | 51,220  |     | 26,171   |
| Equity in net gain on sale of joint venture property                   |     | _         |     | 9,533     |     | 93,481  |     | _        |
| Gain on early extinguishment of debt                                   |     | 88,541    |     | 23        |     | _       |     | _        |
| Loss on equity investment in marketable securities                     | (   | 147,489)  |     | _         |     | _       |     | _        |
| Discontinued operations  |     | (142)     |     | 274       |     | (862)   |     | (1,303)  |
| Gain on sale of discontinued operations                                |     | 229,494   |     | _         |     | -       | 1   | 05,992   |
| Net income before preferred dividends                                  |     | 96,520    |     | 38,541    | 1   | 43,839  | 1   | 30,860   |
| Preferred stock dividends  |     | (4,969)   |     | (4,969)   |     | (4,969) |     | (4,969)  |
| Income available to common stockholders                                | \$  | 91,551    | \$  | 33,572    | \$1 | 38,870  | \$1 | 25,891   |
| Net income per common share – Basic                                    | \$  | 1.65      | \$  | 0.58      | \$  | 2.38    | \$  | 2.15     |
| Net income per common share – Diluted                                  | \$  | 1.65      | \$  | 0.58      | \$  | 2.37    | \$  | 2.14     |
| 2007 Quarter Ended   | Dec | cember 31 | Sep | tember 30 |     | June 30 | N   | March 31 |
| Total revenues   | \$  | 254,133   | \$  | 245,341   | \$2 | 43,029  | \$2 | 78,807   |
| Income net of minority interest and before gain on sale                |     | 16,796    |     | 21,203    |     | 21,667  |     | 67,758   |
| Equity in net gain on sale of joint venture property                   |     | _         |     | -         |     | -       |     | 31,509   |
| Discontinued operations  |     | 2,142     |     | 2,120     |     | 7,277   |     | 5,900    |
| Gain on sale of discontinued operations                                |     | 114,697   |     | 80,214    | 2   | 41,906  |     | 47,229   |
| Net income before preferred dividends                                  |     | 133,635   |     | 103,537   | 2   | 70,850  | 1   | 52,396   |
| Preferred stock dividends  |     | (4,969)   |     | (4,969)   |     | (4,969) |     | (4,969)  |
| Income available to common stockholders                                | \$  | 128,666   | \$  | 98,568    | \$2 | 65,881  | \$1 | 47,427   |
| Net income per common share – Basic                                    | \$  | 2.18      | \$  | 1.66      | \$  | 4.47    | \$  | 2.60     |
| Net income per common share – Diluted                                  | \$  | 2.16      | \$  | 1.64      | \$  | 4.38    | \$  | 2.53     |

<sup>(1)</sup> Included in the fourth quarter of 2008, is approximately \$101.7 million of loan loss and other investment reserves.

# REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Shareholders of SL Green Realty Corp.:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of SL Green Realty Corp. (the "Company") as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, and the related consolidated statements of income, stockholders' equity and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2008. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these 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 that 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 financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of the Company at December 31, 2008 and 2007, and the consolidated results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2008, 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, 2008, based on criteria established in Internal Control Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission and our report dated February 27, 2009 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

Ernst + Young LLP
New York, New York
Fobruary 27, 2009

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# REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

The Board of Directors and Shareholders of SL Green Realty Corp.:

We have audited SL Green Realty Corp.'s (the "Company") internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2008, based on criteria established in Internal Control – Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (the COSO criteria). 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 Management's Report 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, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk, and 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, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2008, based on the COSO criteria.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated balance sheets of the Company as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, and the related consolidated statements of income, stockholders' equity and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2008 of the Company and our report dated February 27, 2009 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

Ernet + Young LLP

New York, New York

February 27, 2009

### REPORT OF MANAGEMENT

### **Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

We maintain disclosure controls and procedures that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in our Exchange Act reports is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure based closely on the definition of "disclosure controls and procedures" in Rule 13a-15(e) of the Exchange Act. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a control system, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that it will detect or uncover failures within the Company to disclose material information otherwise required to be set forth in our periodic reports. Also, we have investments in certain unconsolidated entities. As we do not control these entities, our disclosure controls and procedures with respect to such entities are necessarily substantially more limited than those we maintain with respect to our consolidated subsidiaries.

As of the end of the period covered by this report, we carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures. Based upon that evaluation as of the end of the period covered by this report, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective to give reasonable assurances to the timely collection, evaluation and disclosure of information relating to the

Company that would potentially be subject to disclosure under the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

### Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

We are responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting, as such term is defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f). Under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, we conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2008 based on the framework in Internal Control – Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). Based on that evaluation, we concluded that our internal control over financial reporting was effective as of December 31, 2008.

### Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There have been no significant changes in our internal control over financial reporting during the year ended December 31, 2008 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reports.

Marc Holliday
Chief Executive Officer

Gregory F. Hughes

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Chief Financial Officer and Chief Operating Officer

### **CORPORATE DIRECTORY**

### **OUTSIDE DIRECTORS**

John H. Alschuler, Jr.

Executive Committee; Audit Committee; Compensation Committee, Chairman; Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee; President, HRA Advisors Inc.

### Edwin Thomas Burton, III

Audit Committee, Chairman; Compensation Committee; Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee; Professor of Economics, University of Virginia

### John S. Levy

Audit Committee; Compensation Committee; Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, Chairman; Private Investor

### **EMPLOYEE DIRECTORS**

Stephen L. Green

Chairman of the Board; Chairman Executive Committee **Executive Officer** 

### Marc Holliday

Chief Executive Officer; **Executive Committee** 

### **OTHER EXECUTIVE OFFICERS**

Andrew W. Mathias

President & Chief Investment Officer

### **Gregory F. Hughes**

Chief Financial Officer & **Chief Operating Officer** 

### Andrew S. Levine

Chief Legal Officer, General Counsel

### **COUNSEL**

Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP New York, NY

### **AUDITORS**

Ernst & Young LLP New York, NY

### **REGISTRAR & TRANSFER AGENT**

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### STOCK LISTING

NYSE Symbol: SLG, SLG PrC, SLG PrD



### **INVESTOR RELATIONS**

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### ANNUAL REPORT, FORM 10-K

To request a copy of the annual report on Form 10-K, free of charge, from the Company, contact Investor Relations.

### **ANNUAL MEETING**

Thursday, June 11, 2009, 10:00 a.m. at the Grand Hyatt New York Hotel, Park Avenue at Grand Central Terminal, 109 East 42nd Street, New York, New York

### **SHAREHOLDERS**

On March 30, 2009, the Company had approximately 20,556 beneficial shareholders.

### **EXECUTIVE OFFICES**

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### STOCK MARKET INFORMATION

Our common stock began trading on the New York Stock Exchange, or the NYSE, on August 15, 1997 under the symbol "SLG." On March 30, 2009, the reported closing sale price per share of common stock on the NYSE was \$10.46 and there were approximately 339 holders of record of our common stock. The table below sets forth the quarterly high and low closing sales prices of our common stock on the NYSE and the dividends paid by us with respect to the periods indicated.

|               |          | 2008    |           |          | 2007     |           |  |
|---------------|----------|---------|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|--|
| Quarter Ended | High     | Low     | Dividends | High     | Low      | Dividends |  |
| March 31      | \$ 98.77 | \$76.78 | \$0.7875  | \$156.10 | \$131.81 | \$ 0.70   |  |
| June 30       | \$100.74 | \$82.55 | \$0.7875  | \$143.47 | \$122.78 | \$ 0.70   |  |
| September 30  | \$ 92.23 | \$63.65 | \$0.7875  | \$133.35 | \$101.61 | \$ 0.70   |  |
| December 31   | \$ 62.74 | \$11.36 | \$0.3750  | \$123.28 | \$ 89.43 | \$0.7875  |  |

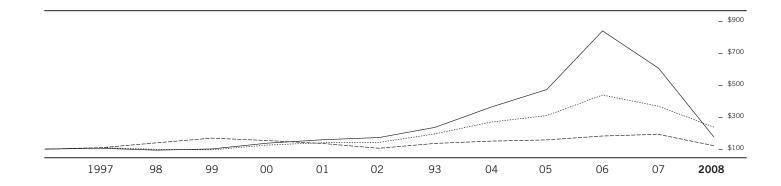
If dividends are declared in a quarter, those dividends will be paid during the subsequent quarter. We expect to continue our policy of distributing our taxable income through regular cash dividends on a quarterly basis, although there is no assurance as to future dividends because they depend on future earnings, capital requirements and financial condition. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations – Dividends" for additional information regarding our dividends.

### **TOTAL RETURN TO SHAREHOLDERS**

Based on \$100 investment made 8/15/97 (IPO), diluted, in dollars



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### NYSE DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

Our Chief Executive Officer has submitted the NYSE Section 303A annual certification for 2008, and our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have filed with the SEC their Sarbanes-Oxley Section 302 certifications as exhibits to our Annual Report on Form 10-K for 2008.