# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# **FORM 10-Q**

# QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2010



# HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

001-13100

(Commission File Number)

56-1871668

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

# HIGHWOODS REALTY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

North Carolina

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

000-21731

(Commission File Number)

56-1869557

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

# 3100 Smoketree Court, Suite 600 Raleigh, NC 27604

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

919-872-4924

(Registrants' telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

**Highwoods Properties, Inc.** Yes S No £

Highwoods Realty Limited Partnership Yes S No £

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files).

**Highwoods Properties, Inc.** Yes S No £

Highwoods Realty Limited Partnership Yes £ No £

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

Highwoods Properties, Inc.

Large accelerated filer £ Non-accelerated filer £ Smaller reporting company £

**Highwoods Realty Limited Partnership** 

Large accelerated filer £ Accelerated filer £ Non-accelerated filer S Smaller reporting company £

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act).

 $\textbf{Highwoods Properties, Inc.} \hspace{0.2cm} \textbf{Yes} \hspace{0.2cm} \textbf{\pounds} \hspace{0.2cm} \textbf{No S} \hspace{1.2cm} \textbf{Highwoods Realty Limited Partnership} \hspace{0.2cm} \textbf{Yes} \hspace{0.2cm} \textbf{\pounds} \hspace{0.2cm} \textbf{No S}$ 

The Company had 71,658,232 shares of Common Stock outstanding as of October 21, 2010.

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### **PART I - FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

### ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

We refer to Highwoods Properties, Inc. as the "Company," Highwoods Realty Limited Partnership as the "Operating Partnership," the Company's common stock as "Common Stock" or "Common Shares," the Company's preferred stock as "Preferred Stock" or "Preferred Shares," the Operating Partnership's common partnership interests as "Common Units," the Operating Partnership's preferred partnership interests as "Preferred Units" and in-service properties (excluding rental residential units) to which the Company and/or the Operating Partnership have title and 100.0% ownership rights as the "Wholly Owned Properties." References to "we" and "our" mean the Company and the Operating Partnership, collectively, unless the context indicates otherwise.

The partnership agreement provides that the Operating Partnership will assume and pay when due, or reimburse the Company for payment of, all costs and expenses relating to the ownership and operations of, or for the benefit of, the Operating Partnership. The partnership agreement further provides that all expenses of the Company are deemed to be incurred for the benefit of the Operating Partnership.

Certain information contained herein is presented as of October 21, 2010, the latest practicable date prior to the filing of this Quarterly Report.

# CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Unaudited and in thousands, except share and per share amounts)

	September 30, 2010		De	cember 31, 2009
Assets:				
Real estate assets, at cost:				
Land	\$	345,531	\$	350,537
Buildings and tenant improvements		2,900,749		2,880,632
Land held for development		104,010		104,148
		3,350,290		3,335,317
Less-accumulated depreciation		(818,347)		(781,073)
Net real estate assets		2,531,943		2,554,244
For-sale residential condominiums		9,576		12,933
Real estate and other assets, net, held for sale		1,249		5,031
Cash and cash equivalents		20,969		23,699
Restricted cash		4,757		6,841
Accounts receivable, net of allowance of \$3,157 and \$2,810, respectively		22,426		21,069
Mortgages and notes receivable, net of allowance of \$950 and \$698, respectively		19,942		3,143
Accrued straight-line rents receivable, net of allowance of \$2,457 and \$2,443, respectively		90,001		82,600
Investment in unconsolidated affiliates		62,456		66,077
Deferred financing and leasing costs, net of accumulated amortization of \$55,143 and \$52,129,				
respectively		75,069		73,517
Prepaid expenses and other assets		39,796		37,947
Total Assets	\$	2,878,184	\$	2,887,101
Total Assets	<u> </u>	, , .	<u> </u>	,,
Liabilities, Noncontrolling Interests in the Operating Partnership and Equity:				
Mortgages and notes payable	\$	1,501,624	2	1,469,155
Accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities	Ψ	112,738	Ψ	117,328
Financing obligations		33,625		37,706
Total Liabilities	_	1,647,987		1,624,189
Commitments and contingencies		1,047,907		1,024,109
Noncontrolling interests in the Operating Partnership		123,293		129,769
Equity:		123,273		127,707
Preferred Stock, \$.01 par value, 50,000,000 authorized shares;				
8.625% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Shares (liquidation preference \$1,000 per				
share), 29,092 shares issued and outstanding		29,092		29,092
8.000% Series B Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Shares (liquidation preference \$25 per		2,,0,2		25,052
share), 2,100,000 shares issued and outstanding		52,500		52,500
Common Stock, \$.01 par value, 200,000,000 authorized shares;		22,200		22,200
71,656,232 and 71,285,303 shares issued and outstanding, respectively		717		713
Additional paid-in capital		1,762,968		1,751,398
Distributions in excess of net income available for common stockholders		(740,356)		(701,932)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(2,975)		(3,811)
Total Stockholders' Equity		1,101,946		1,127,960
· ·		4,958		5,183
Noncontrolling interests in consolidated affiliates	_			1,133,143
Total Equity		1,106,904		1,133,143
Total Liabilities, Noncontrolling Interests in the Operating Partnership and Equity	\$	2,878,184	\$	2,887,101

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(Unaudited and in thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended September 30,				Ended 30,			
		2010	_	2009	_	2010		2009
Rental and other revenues	\$	116,063	\$	113,170	\$	345,456	5	337,445
Operating expenses:		10.505		10.561		100 514		101 740
Rental property and other expenses		43,505		42,564		123,544		121,743
Depreciation and amortization		34,281		32,367		100,363		97,590
General and administrative		8,882	_	9,485		24,369		27,286
Total operating expenses  Interest expense:		86,668		84,416		248,276		246,619
Contractual		22,020		20,001		65,527		60,525
Amortization of deferred financing costs		858		627		2,528		1,978
Financing obligations		460		706		1,330		2,151
1 mancing obligations		23,338	_	21,334		69,385		64,654
Other income:		23,330		21,331		07,505		0 1,03 1
Interest and other income		1,710		3,324		4,376		6,615
Gain/(loss) on debt extinguishment		(85)	,	657		(85)		1,287
C (1988) 11 2001 11 2001		1,625		3,981		4,291		7,902
Income from continuing operations before disposition of property, condominiums and investment in unconsolidated affiliates and equity in								
earnings of unconsolidated affiliates		7,682		11,401		32,086		34,074
Gains on disposition of property Gains on disposition of for-sale residential condominiums		19 54		34 187		55 407		247 823
Gains on disposition of investment in unconsolidated affiliates		J4 		167		25,330		623
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates		1,018		682		2,701		3,844
Income from continuing	_	1,010	_	002		2,701		3,011
operations		8,773		12,304		60,579		38,988
Discontinued operations:		0,770		12,00		00,075		20,700
Income from discontinued operations		_		646		411		3,220
Net gains/(losses) on disposition of discontinued operations		_		(377)	)	(86)		20,639
•		_		269		325		23,859
Net income		8,773		12,573		60,904		62,847
Net (income) attributable to noncontrolling interests in the Operating Partnership		(366)	ı	(591)	)	(2,819)		(3,339
Net (income)/loss attributable to noncontrolling interests in consolidated affiliates		148		(24)		(281)		(158
Dividends on Preferred Stock		(1,677)		(1,677)		(5,031)		(5,031
Net income available for common stockholders	\$	6,878	\$	10,281	\$	52,773	5	54,319
Earnings per Common Share - basic:								
Income from continuing operations available for common stockholders	\$	0.10	\$	0.15	\$	0.74 \$	5	0.47
Income from discontinued operations available for common stockholders								0.34
Net income available for common stockholders	\$	0.10	\$	0.15	\$	0.74	5	0.81
Weighted average Common Shares outstanding - basic		71,631		70,902		71,549		66,912
Earnings per Common Share - diluted:								
Income from continuing operations available for common stockholders	\$	0.10	\$	0.14	\$	0.74	5	0.47
Income from discontinued operations available for common stockholders								0.34
Net income available for common stockholders	\$	0.10	\$	0.14	\$	0.74	5	0.81
Weighted average Common Shares outstanding - diluted		75,638		75,072		75,537		71,024
Dividends declared per Common Share	\$	0.425	\$	0.425	\$	1.275	5	1.275
Net income available for common stockholders:	T		<u> </u>		_			
Income from continuing operations available for common stockholders	\$	6,878	\$	10,027	\$	52,465		31,851
Income from discontinued operations available for common stockholders	Ψ	0,070	Ψ	254	Ψ	308	~	22,468
	\$	6,878	\$	10,281	\$	52,773		54,319
Net income available for common stockholders	Ψ	0,070	Ψ	10,201	Ψ	32,113		57,517

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EQUITY

# Nine Months Ended September 30, 2010 and 2009

(Unaudited and in thousands, except share amounts)

	Number of Common Shares			Series B Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Shares	Additional Paid-In Capital	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss		Distributions in Excess of Net Income Available for Common Stockholders	Total
Balance at									
December 31, 200!	71,285,303	\$ 713	\$ 29,092	\$ 52,500	\$ 1,751,398	\$ (3,811)	\$ 5,183	\$ (701,932)\$	1,133,143
Issuances of Common Stock,									
net	112,815	1			2,075				2,076
Conversion of Common Units to Common Stock	93,971	1	_	_	2,957	_	_	_	2,958
Dividends on	,				·				,
Common Stock		_	_	_	_	_	_	(91,197)	(91,197)
Dividends on Preferred Stock	_	_	_	_	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	_	(5,031)	(5,031)
Adjustment of noncontrolling interests in the Operating Partnership to fair									
value	_	_	_	_	1,480	_	_	_	1,480
Distributions to noncontrolling interests in consolidated affiliates	_	_	_	_	_	<u> </u>	(506)	) —	(506)
Issuances of restricted stock,									
net	164,143	_	_	_	_		_	_	
Share-based									
compensation expense	_	2	_	_	5,058	_	_	_	5,060
Net (income) attributable to noncontrolling interests in the Operating								(2.010)	(2.010)
Partnership	_	_			_	_	_	(2,819)	(2,819)
Net (income) attributable to noncontrolling interests in consolidated affiliates	_	_	_	_	_	_	281	(281)	_
Comprehensive							201	(201)	
income:									
Net income	_	_	_	_	_	<u> </u>	_	60,904	60,904
Other comprehensive						02.5			836
income Total	_	_	_	_		836	_		630
Total comprehensive income									61,740

	Number of Common Shares	Common Stock		Series B Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Shares	Additional Paid-In Capital	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss	Non- Controlling Interests in Consolidated	Distributions in Excess of Net Income Available for Common Stockholders	Total
Balance at December 31, 200 Issuances of	63,571,705	\$ 636	\$ 29,092	\$ 52,500	\$ 1,616,093	\$ (4,792)	\$ 6,176	\$ (639,281)\$	1,060,424
Common Stock, net	7,156,203	72			147,238	_	_	_	147,310
Conversion of Common Units to Common Stock	101,935	1	_	_	3,240	_	_	_	3,241
Dividends on Common Stock		_	_			_	_	(84,221)	(84,221)
Dividends on Preferred Stock	_	_	_	. <u> </u>	_	_	_	(5,031)	(5,031)
Adjustment of noncontrolling interests in the Operating Partnership to fair value	_	_	_	_	(18,497		_	_	(18,497)
Distributions to noncontrolling interests in consolidated					(10,427)		(796)		
affiliates Issuances of restricted stock, net	240,740			_	_	_	(790)	_	(796)
Share-based compensation expense	240,740	2			5,202				5,204
Net (income) attributable to noncontrolling interests in the Operating		2			3,202				
Partnership Net (income) attributable to noncontrolling interests in consolidated	_	_	_		_	_	_	(3,339)	(3,339)
affiliates Comprehensive	_	_	_		<u> </u>	_	158	(158)	_
income: Net income Other	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	62,847	62,847
comprehensive income Total	_	_	_	_	_	813	_		813
comprehensive income									63,660
Balance at September 30, 200	71,070,583	\$ 711	\$ 29,092	\$ 52,500	\$ 1,753,276	\$ (3,979)	\$ 5,538	<u>\$ (669,183)</u> \$	1,167,955

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Unaudited and in thousands)

	Nine Months Septembe	
	2010	2009
Operating activities:		
Net income	\$ 60,904 \$	62,847
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	100,728	99,199
Amortization of lease incentives	807	866
Share-based compensation expense	5,060	5,204
Additions to allowance for doubtful accounts	3,605	4,530
Amortization of deferred financing costs	2,528	1,978
Amortization of past cash-flow hedges	262	(229)
(Gain)/loss on debt extinguishment	85	(1,287)
Net (gains)/losses on disposition of property	31	(20,886)
Gains on disposition of for-sale residential condominiums	(407)	(823)
Gains on disposition of investment in unconsolidated affiliates	(25,330)	(2.044)
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates	(2,701)	(3,844)
Changes in financing obligations	103	869
Distributions of earnings from unconsolidated affiliates	2,933	3,076
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:  Accounts receivable	(4,690)	(524)
	(4,689) (195)	(534) (1,627)
Prepaid expenses and other assets Accrued straight-line rents receivable	(8,477)	(5,058)
	7,407	10,548
Accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities		
Net cash provided by operating activities	142,654	154,829
Investing activities:	(55.250)	(101.685)
Additions to real estate assets and deferred leasing costs	(66,370)	(101,675)
Net proceeds from disposition of real estate assets	6,801	61,926
Net proceeds from disposition of for-sale residential condominiums	3,732	7,940
Proceeds from disposition of investment in unconsolidated affiliates	15,000	2 257
Distributions of capital from unconsolidated affiliates	1,591	3,257
Repayments of mortgages and notes receivable Contributions to unconsolidated affiliates	231	356
	(907)	(922)
Changes in restricted cash and other investing activities	2,396	(15,506)
Net cash used in investing activities	(37,526)	(44,624)
Financing activities:	(01.10=)	(0.1.001)
Dividends on Common Stock	(91,197)	(84,221)
Dividends on Preferred Stock	(5,031)	(5,031)
Distributions to noncontrolling interests in the Operating Partnership	(4,857)	(5,168)
Distributions to noncontrolling interests in consolidated affiliates	(506)	(796)
Net proceeds from the issuance of Common Stock	2,076	147,310
Borrowings on revolving credit facility	4,000	128,000
Repayments of revolving credit facility	(4,000)	(291,000)
Borrowings on mortgages and notes payable	10,368	217,215
Repayments of mortgages and notes payable	(18,205)	(185,084)
Additions to deferred financing costs	(506)	(3,118)
Net cash used in financing activities	(107,858)	(81,893)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(2,730)	28,312
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period	23,699	13,757
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period	\$ 20,969 \$	42,069

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS - Continued

(Unaudited and in thousands)

# Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:

	Nine Mont Septem	
	2010	2009
Cash paid for interest, net of amounts capitalized	\$ 66,435	\$ 64,734

**Nine Months Ended** 

# Supplemental disclosure of non-cash investing and financing activities:

	September	30,
	2010	2009
Unrealized gains on cash-flow hedges	\$ _ \$	591
Conversion of Common Units to Common Stock	\$ 2,958 \$	3,241
Change in accrued capital expenditures	\$ 890 \$	(9,560)
Write-off of fully depreciated real estate assets	\$ 34,703 \$	24,991
Write-off of fully amortized deferred financing and leasing costs	\$ 11,521 \$	14,592
Unrealized gains/(losses) on marketable securities of non-qualified deferred compensation plan	\$ 489 \$	(109)
Settlement of financing obligation	\$ 4,184 \$	
Adjustment of noncontrolling interests in the Operating Partnership to fair value	\$ (1,480) \$	18,497
Unrealized gain on tax increment financing bond	\$ 471 \$	451
Mortgages receivable from seller financing	\$ 17,030 \$	
Assumption of mortgages and notes payable	\$ 40,306 \$	

# NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

September 30, 2010

(tabular dollar amounts in thousands, except per share data)

(Unaudited)

# 1. DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### **Description of Business**

The Company is a fully-integrated, self-administered and self-managed equity real estate investment trust ("REIT") that operates in the Southeastern and Midwestern United States. The Company conducts virtually all of its activities through the Operating Partnership. At September 30, 2010, the Company and/or the Operating Partnership wholly owned 294 in-service office, industrial and retail properties, comprising 27.1 million square feet; 96 rental residential units; 580 acres of undeveloped land suitable for future development, of which 490 acres are considered core holdings; one 100% pre-leased office property under re-development; one recently developed office property that is in service but not yet stabilized; and 30 for-sale residential condominiums (which are owned through a consolidated, majority-owned joint venture).

The Company is the sole general partner of the Operating Partnership. At September 30, 2010, the Company owned all of the Preferred Units and 71.2 million, or 95.0%, of the Common Units. Limited partners (including one officer and two directors of the Company) own the remaining 3.8 million Common Units. Generally, the Operating Partnership is obligated to redeem each Common Unit at the request of the holder thereof for cash equal to the value of one share of Common Stock, \$.01 par value, based on the average of the market price for the 10 trading days immediately preceding the notice date of such redemption provided that the Company, at its option, may elect to acquire any such Common Units presented for redemption for cash or one share of Common Stock. The Common Units owned by the Company are not redeemable. During the nine months ended September 30, 2010, the Company redeemed 93,971 Common Units for a like number of shares of Common Stock, which increased the percentage of Common Units owned by the Company from 94.8% at December 31, 2009 to 95.0% at September 30, 2010.

# **Basis of Presentation**

Our Consolidated Financial Statements are prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("GAAP"). Our Consolidated Statements of Income for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009 were revised from previously reported amounts to reflect in discontinued operations the operations for those properties sold or held for sale during the 12 months ended September 30, 2010 which required discontinued operations presentation. Prior period amounts related to additions to allowance for doubtful accounts and amortization of lease commissions in our Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows have been reclassified to conform to the current period presentation.

Our Consolidated Financial Statements include the Operating Partnership, wholly owned subsidiaries and those entities in which we have the controlling financial interest. All significant intercompany transactions and accounts have been eliminated. At September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, we were not involved with any entities that were determined to be variable interest entities.

The unaudited interim consolidated financial statements and accompanying unaudited consolidated financial information, in the opinion of management, contain all adjustments (including normal recurring accruals) necessary for a fair presentation of our financial position, results of operations and cash flows. We have omitted certain notes and other information from the interim consolidated financial statements presented in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q as permitted by SEC rules and regulations. These Consolidated Financial Statements should be read in conjunction with our 2009 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

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#### 1. DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

#### Use of Estimates

The preparation of these Consolidated Financial Statements in accordance with GAAP requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### **Recently Issued Accounting Standards**

Beginning with our 2010 Annual Report on Form 10-K, we will be required to provide enhanced disclosure about our financial receivables, such as our mortgages and notes receivable, and our policy for measuring credit losses related to those receivables.

# 2. REAL ESTATE ASSETS

#### **Acquisitions**

During the third quarter of 2010, we acquired a 336,000 square foot office property in Memphis, TN for \$10.0 million in cash and the assumption of secured debt, which was recorded at fair value of \$40.3 million with an implied interest rate of 6.4%. The debt matures in November 2015. We have incurred or expect to incur \$0.4 million of acquisition-related expenses and approximately \$2.3 million of near-term building improvements. In connection with this acquisition, we recorded \$2.8 million of above market lease intangible assets and \$7.1 million of in-place lease intangible assets with weighted average amortization periods at the time of acquisition of 7.3 and 5.9 years, respectively.

# **Dispositions**

During the second quarter of 2010, we sold seven office properties in Winston Salem, NC for gross proceeds of \$12.9 million. In connection with this disposition, we received cash of \$4.5 million and provided seller financing of \$8.4 million (recorded at fair value of \$8.4 million in mortgages and notes receivable) and committed to lend up to an additional \$1.7 million for tenant improvements and lease commissions, of which \$0.2 million was funded as of September 30, 2010. The three-year, interest-only first mortgage carries a 6.0% average interest rate. Assuming no default exists, the note can be extended by the buyer for two additional one-year periods, subject to an increase in the interest rate to 7.0% in the fourth year and to 8.0% in the fifth year. We have accounted for this disposition using the installment method, whereby the \$0.4 million gain on disposition of property has been deferred and will be recognized when the seller financing is repaid.

During the second quarter of 2010, we also sold six industrial properties in Greensboro, NC for gross proceeds of \$12.0 million. In connection with this disposition, we received cash of \$3.4 million and provided seller financing of \$8.6 million (recorded at fair value of \$8.6 million in mortgages and notes receivable) and a limited rent guarantee with maximum exposure to loss of \$1.0 million as of September 30, 2010. The three-year, interest-only first mortgage carries a 6.25% average interest rate. Assuming no default exists, the note can be extended by the buyer for two additional one-year periods, subject to an increase in the interest rate to 7.0% in the fourth year and to 7.75% in the fifth year. We currently have concluded that a loss from the rent guarantee is not probable. We have accounted for this disposition using the installment method, whereby the \$0.3 million impairment was recognized in net gains/(losses) on disposition of discontinued operations in the second quarter of 2010.

During the first quarter of 2010, we recorded a completed sale in connection with the disposition of an office property in Raleigh, NC in the fourth quarter of 2009 where the buyer's right to compel us to repurchase the property expired. Accordingly, we recognized the \$0.2 million gain on disposition of property in the first quarter of 2010.

### NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

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#### 3. INVESTMENT IN AFFILIATES

#### **Unconsolidated Affiliates**

We have equity interests ranging from 10.0% to 50.0% in various joint ventures with unrelated third parties. The following table sets forth the combined, summarized income statements for our unconsolidated joint ventures:

	Three Months Ended September 30,					Ended 30,		
		2010		2009		2010		2009
Income Statements:								
Revenues	\$	26,517	\$	36,152	\$	93,819	\$	112,368
Expenses:								
Rental property and other expenses		12,664		17,805		45,463		54,510
Depreciation and amortization		6,730		9,092		24,108		26,817
Interest expense		6,094		8,743		21,892		26,584
Total expenses		25,488		35,640		91,463		107,911
Income before disposition of property		1,029		512		2,356		4,457
Gains/(losses) on disposition of property				(463)				2,963
Net income	\$	1,029	\$	49	\$	2,356	\$	7,420
Our share of:								
Net income (1)	\$	1,018	\$	682	\$	2,701	\$	3,844
Depreciation and amortization of real estate assets	\$	2,115	\$	3,352	\$	8,193	\$	9,825
Interest expense	\$	2,190	\$	3,491	\$	8,368	\$	10,611
Gain/(loss) on disposition of property	\$		\$	(199)	\$		\$	582

(1) Our share of net income differs from our weighted average ownership percentage in the joint ventures' net income due to our purchase accounting and other adjustments related primarily to management and leasing fees.

During the second quarter of 2010, we sold our equity interests in a series of unconsolidated joint ventures relating to properties in Des Moines, IA. The assets in the joint ventures included 2.5 million square feet of office (1.7 million square feet), industrial (788,000 square feet) and retail (45,000 square feet) properties, as well as 418 apartment units. In connection with the closing, we received \$15.0 million in cash. We had a negative book basis in certain of the joint ventures, primarily as a result of prior cash distributions to the partners. Accordingly, we recorded gain on disposition of investment in unconsolidated affiliates of \$25.3 million in the second quarter of 2010. As of the closing date, the joint ventures had approximately \$170 million of secured debt, which was non-recourse to us except (1) in the case of customary exceptions pertaining to matters such as misuse of funds, borrower bankruptcy, unpermitted transfers, environmental conditions and material misrepresentations and (2) approximately \$9.0 million of direct and indirect guarantees. We have been released by the applicable lenders from all such direct and indirect guarantees and we have no ongoing lender liability relating to such customary exceptions to non-recourse liability with respect to most, but not all, of the debt. The buyer has agreed to indemnify and hold us harmless from any and all future losses that we suffer as a result of our prior investment in the joint ventures (other than losses directly resulting from our acts or omissions). In the event we are exposed to any such future loss, our financial condition and results of operations would not be adversely affected unless the buyer defaults on its indemnification obligation.

# NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

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#### 3. INVESTMENT IN AFFILIATES - Continued

#### **Consolidated Affiliates**

We own a majority interest in Plaza Residential, LLC ("Plaza Residential"), a joint venture which was formed to develop and sell 139 for-sale residential condominiums constructed above an office tower developed by us in Raleigh, NC. For-sale residential condominiums in our Consolidated Balance Sheets include 30 and 40 completed, but unsold, condominiums owned by Plaza Residential at September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, respectively. We initially record receipts of earnest money deposits in accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities in accordance with the deposit method. We then record completed sales when units close and the remaining net cash is received. During the three months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, we received \$0.6 million and \$2.9 million, respectively, in gross proceeds and recorded \$0.5 million and \$2.7 million, respectively, of cost of goods sold from condominium sales activity. During the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, we received \$4.0 million and \$8.4 million, respectively, in gross proceeds and had \$3.6 million and \$7.6 million, respectively, of cost of goods sold from condominium sales activity.

### 4. DEFERRED FINANCING AND LEASING COSTS

The following table sets forth total deferred financing and leasing costs, net of accumulated amortization:

	September 30, 2010	December 31, 2009
Deferred financing costs	\$ 17,078	\$ 16,811
Less accumulated amortization	(6,917)	(4,549)
	10,161	12,262
Deferred leasing costs	113,134	108,835
Less accumulated amortization	(48,226)	(47,580)
	64,908	61,255
Deferred financing and leasing costs, net	\$ 75,069	\$ 73,517

Amortization of deferred financing and leasing costs were as follows:

	 Three Mor Septem	 	Nine Mon Septem	 
	2010	2009	2010	2009
Amortization of deferred financing costs	\$ 858	\$ 627	\$ 2,528	\$ 1,978
Amortization of lease commissions (included in depreciation and amortization)	\$ 3,912	\$ 3,806	\$ 11,495	\$ 11,598
Amortization of lease incentives (included in rental and other revenues)	\$ 270	\$ 318	\$ 807	\$ 866

The following table sets forth scheduled future amortization for deferred financing and leasing costs:

	of D Fin	rtization eferred ancing Costs	Amortization of Lease Commissions	Amortization of Lease Incentives
September 30, 2010 through December 31, 2010	\$	788	\$ 3,855	\$ 261
2011		2,680	13,825	982
2012		2,526	11,390	881
2013		897	9,151	683
2014		520	7,015	512
Thereafter		2,750	14,947	1,406
	\$	10,161	\$ 60,183	\$ 4,725

### NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

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#### 4. DEFERRED FINANCING AND LEASING COSTS - Continued

The weighted average remaining amortization periods for deferred financing and leasing costs were 3.6 years and 6.3 years, respectively, as of September 30, 2010.

### 5. MORTGAGES AND NOTES PAYABLE

The following table sets forth our consolidated mortgages and notes payable:

	Sep	tember 30,	Dec	cember 31,
		2010		2009
Secured indebtedness	\$	763,107	\$	720,727
Unsecured indebtedness		738,517		748,428
Total mortgages and notes payable	\$	1,501,624	\$	1,469,155

At September 30, 2010, our secured mortgage loans were secured by real estate assets with an aggregate undepreciated book value of \$1.2 billion.

Our \$400.0 million unsecured revolving credit facility is scheduled to mature on February 21, 2013 and includes an accordion feature that allows for an additional \$50.0 million of borrowing capacity subject to additional lender commitments. Assuming we continue to have three publicly announced ratings from the credit rating agencies, the interest rate and facility fee under our revolving credit facility are based on the lower of the two highest publicly announced ratings. Based on our current credit ratings, the interest rate is LIBOR plus 290 basis points and the annual facility fee is 60 basis points. There were no amounts outstanding under our revolving credit facility at September 30, 2010 and October 21, 2010. At September 30, 2010 and October 21, 2010, we had \$1.1 million of outstanding letters of credit, which reduces the availability on our revolving credit facility. As a result, the unused capacity of our revolving credit facility at September 30, 2010 and October 21, 2010 was \$398.9 million.

Our \$70.0 million secured construction facility, of which \$52.1 million was outstanding at September 30, 2010, is initially scheduled to mature on December 20, 2010. The outstanding balance increased in the third quarter of 2010 due to the use of proceeds to reduce the balance outstanding under a bank term loan due in March 2012. Assuming no defaults have occurred, we have options to extend the maturity date for two successive one-year periods. During the third quarter of 2010, we submitted our notice to extend the maturity date by one year. Upon payment of the extension fee and assuming no default exists at December 20, 2010, the facility will be extended until December 20, 2011. The interest rate is LIBOR plus 85 basis points. This facility had \$17.9 million of availability at September 30, 2010 and October 21, 2010.

We are currently in compliance with all debt covenants and requirements.

# 6. DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

We had no outstanding interest rate hedge contracts at September 30, 2010 or December 31, 2009. The following table sets forth the effect of our past cash-flow hedges on accumulated other comprehensive loss ("AOCL") and interest expense:

	Three Months Ended September 30,			Nine Mo Septe	onths E ember 3	
	2	2010	2009	009 2010		2009
Derivatives Designated as Cash-flow Hedges:						
Unrealized gain recognized in AOCL on derivatives (effective portion):						
Interest rate hedge contracts	\$	<u> </u>	177	\$ -	_ \$	591
(Gain)/loss reclassified out of AOCL into interest expense (effective portion):						
Interest rate hedge contracts	\$	(25) \$	(89)	\$ 26	<u>\$</u>	(229)

# NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

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#### 7. Noncontrolling Interests

### **Noncontrolling Interests in the Operating Partnership**

Noncontrolling interests in the Operating Partnership relate to the ownership of Common Units by various individuals and entities other than the Company. The following table sets forth noncontrolling interests in the Operating Partnership:

Nine Months Ended

	 September 30,					
	 2010		2009			
Beginning noncontrolling interests in the Operating Partnership	\$ 129,769	\$	111,278			
Adjustments of noncontrolling interests in the Operating Partnership to fair value	(1,480)		18,497			
Conversion of Common Units to Common Stock	(2,958)		(3,241)			
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests in the Operating Partnership	2,819		3,339			
Distributions to noncontrolling interests in the Operating Partnership	 (4,857)		(5,168)			
Total noncontrolling interests in the Operating Partnership	\$ 123,293	\$	124,705			

The following table sets forth the change in equity from net income available for common stockholders and transfers from noncontrolling interests:

	Three Months Ended September 30,							
		2010		2009		2010		2009
Net income available for common stockholders	\$	6,878	\$	10,281	\$	52,773	\$	54,319
Conversion of Common Units to Common Stock	_			3,052		2,958	_	3,241
Change in equity from net income available for common stockholders and conversion of Common Units to Common Stock	\$	6,878	\$	13,333	\$	55,731	\$	57,560

# **Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Affiliates**

Noncontrolling interests in consolidated affiliates relates to our respective joint venture partners' 50.0% interest in Highwoods-Markel Associates, LLC and both legal and estimated economic interests of 7% in Plaza Residential. Each of our joint venture partners is an unrelated third party.

# 8. DISCLOSURE ABOUT FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The following summarizes the three levels of inputs that we use to measure fair value, as well as the assets, noncontrolling interests in the Operating Partnership and liabilities that we recognize at fair value using those levels of inputs.

### Level 1. Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Our Level 1 assets are investments in marketable securities which we use to pay benefits under our non-qualified deferred compensation plan. Our Level 1 noncontrolling interests in the Operating Partnership relate to the ownership of Common Units by various individuals and entities other than the Company. Our Level 1 liability is our non-qualified deferred compensation obligation.

# NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

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#### 8. DISCLOSURE ABOUT FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS - Continued

Level 2. Observable inputs other than Level 1 prices, such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities; quoted prices in markets that are not active; or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the related assets or liabilities. We had no Level 2 assets or liabilities at September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009.

Level 3. Unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market activity and that are significant to the fair value of the assets or liabilities.

Our Level 3 assets are our tax increment financing bond, which is not routinely traded but whose fair value is determined using an estimate of projected redemption value based on quoted bid/ask prices for similar unrated municipal bonds, and real estate assets recorded at fair value on a non-recurring basis as a result of our quarterly impairment analysis, which were valued using independent appraisals.

The following tables set forth the assets, noncontrolling interests in the Operating Partnership and liability that we measure at fair value by level within the fair value hierarchy. We determine the level based on the lowest level of substantive input used to determine fair value.

			I	evel 1		Level 3
		ember 30, 2010	in Ma Id A	ted Prices Active rkets for lentical ssets or abilities	Une	gnificant observable Inputs
Assets:						
Marketable securities of non-qualified deferred compensation plan (in prepaid expenses and other assets)	\$	3,232	\$	3,232	\$	
Tax increment financing bond (in prepaid expenses and other assets)	φ	17,342	ψ	J,2J2 —	Ψ	17,342
Total Assets	\$	20,574	\$	3,232	\$	17,342
Noncontrolling Interests in the Operating Partnership	\$	123,293	\$	123,293	\$	
Liability:						
Non-qualified deferred compensation obligation (in accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities)	\$	3,846	\$	3,846	\$	
	December 31,					
		ember 31, 2009	Quo in Ma Id As	ted Prices Active rkets for entical essets or abilities	Si Uno	Level 3 gnificant observable Inputs
Assets:	<u> </u>	2009	Quo in Ma Id A: Li	Active Active rkets for entical essets or abilities	Si Uno	gnificant bbservable
Marketable securities of non-qualified deferred compensation plan		6,135	Quo in Ma Id As	ted Prices Active rkets for entical ssets or	Si Uno	gnificant bbservable Inputs
Marketable securities of non-qualified deferred compensation plan Tax increment financing bond	<u> </u>	6,135 16,871	Quo in Ma Id A: Li	Active Active rkets for entical essets or abilities	Si Uno	gnificant observable Inputs — 16,871
Marketable securities of non-qualified deferred compensation plan Tax increment financing bond Impaired real estate assets	\$	6,135 16,871 32,000	Quo in Ma Id A: Li:	Active rkets for entical ssets or abilities	Si Uno \$	gnificant observable Inputs  16,871 32,000
Marketable securities of non-qualified deferred compensation plan Tax increment financing bond	<u> </u>	6,135 16,871	Quo in Ma Id A: Li	Active Active rkets for entical essets or abilities	Si Uno	gnificant observable Inputs — 16,871
Marketable securities of non-qualified deferred compensation plan Tax increment financing bond Impaired real estate assets	\$	6,135 16,871 32,000	Quo in Ma Id A: Li:	Active rkets for entical ssets or abilities	Si Uno \$	gnificant observable Inputs ————————————————————————————————————
Marketable securities of non-qualified deferred compensation plan Tax increment financing bond Impaired real estate assets Total Assets	\$	6,135 16,871 32,000 55,006	Quoin Ma Id A: Li:	Active rkets for entical ssets or abilities  6,135  6,135	Si Uno \$	gnificant observable Inputs  16,871 32,000

# NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

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### 8. DISCLOSURE ABOUT FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS – Continued

The following table sets forth our Level 3 asset:

	Three Mor Septem			ths Ended aber 30,
	2010	2010 2009		2009
Asset:		<u>'</u>		
Tax Increment Financing Bond				
Beginning balance	\$ 17,017	\$ 17,660	\$ 16,871	\$ 17,468
Unrealized gain (in AOCL)	325	259	471	451
Ending balance	\$ 17,342	\$ 17,919	\$ 17,342	\$ 17,919

In the fourth quarter of 2007, we acquired a tax increment financing bond associated with a property developed by us. This bond amortizes to maturity in 2020. The estimated fair value at September 30, 2010 was \$1.9 million below the outstanding principal due on the bond. If the yield-to-maturity used to fair value this bond was 100 basis points higher, the fair value of the bond would have been \$0.8 million lower as of September 30, 2010. If the yield-to-maturity used to fair value this bond was 100 basis points lower, the fair value of the bond would have been \$0.8 million higher as of September 30, 2010. Currently, we intend to hold this bond and have concluded that we will not be required to sell this bond before recovery of the bond principal. Payment of the principal and interest for the bond is guaranteed by us and, therefore, we have recorded no credit losses related to the bond in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009. There is no legal right of offset with the liability, which we report as a financing obligation, related to this tax increment financing bond.

The following table sets forth the carrying amounts and fair values of our financial instruments:

	Carrying Amount		Fair Value
September 30, 2010			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 20,969	\$	20,969
Restricted cash	\$ 4,757	\$	4,757
Accounts, mortgages and notes receivable	\$ 42,368	\$	42,481
Marketable securities of non-qualified deferred compensation plan	\$ 3,232	\$	3,232
Tax increment financing bond	\$ 17,342	\$	17,342
Mortgages and notes payable	\$ 1,501,624	\$	1,597,621
Financing obligations	\$ 33,625	\$	22,861
Non-qualified deferred compensation obligation	\$ 3,846	\$	3,846
Noncontrolling interests in the Operating Partnership	\$ 123,293	\$	123,293
<u>December 31, 2009</u>			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 23,699	\$	23,699
Restricted cash	\$ 6,841	\$	6,841
Accounts, mortgages and notes receivable	\$ 24,212	\$	24,212
Marketable securities of non-qualified deferred compensation plan	\$ 6,135	\$	6,135
Tax increment financing bond	\$ 16,871	\$	16,871
Mortgages and notes payable	\$ 1,469,155	\$	1,440,317
Financing obligations	\$ 37,706	\$	31,664
Non-qualified deferred compensation obligation	\$ 6,898	\$	6,898
Noncontrolling interests in the Operating Partnership	\$ 129,769	\$	129,769

### NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

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#### 8. DISCLOSURE ABOUT FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS – Continued

The carrying values of our cash and cash equivalents, restricted cash, accounts receivable, marketable securities of non-qualified deferred compensation plan, tax increment financing bond, non-qualified deferred compensation obligation and noncontrolling interests in the Operating Partnership are equal to or approximate fair value. The fair values of our mortgages and notes receivable, mortgages and notes payable and financing obligations were estimated using the income or market approaches to approximate the price that would be paid in an orderly transaction between market participants on the respective measurement dates.

#### 9. SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS

During the nine months ended September 30, 2010, we granted 190,826 stock options at an exercise price equal to the closing market price of a share of our Common Stock on the date of grant. The fair value of each option grant is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model, which resulted in a weighted-average grant date fair value per share of \$4.96. During the nine months ended September 30, 2010, we also granted 89,635 shares of time-based restricted stock and 78,151 shares of total return-based restricted stock with weighted-average grant date fair values per share of \$29.05 and \$29.75, respectively. We recorded stock-based compensation expense of \$1.6 million each during the three months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 and \$5.1 million and \$5.2 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively. At September 30, 2010, there was \$8.4 million of total unrecognized stock-based compensation costs, which will be recognized over a weighted average remaining contractual term of 1.7 years.

# 10. COMPREHENSIVE INCOME AND ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE LOSS

The following table sets forth the components of comprehensive income:

	Three Months Ended September 30,				Nine Mont Septem	 
		2010		2009	2010	2009
Net income	\$	8,773	\$	12,573	\$ 60,904	\$ 62,847
Other comprehensive income/(loss):						
Unrealized gain on tax increment financing bond		325		259	471	451
Unrealized gains on cash-flow hedges				177	_	591
Amortization of past cash-flow hedges		(25)		(89)	262	(229)
Settlement of past cash-flow hedge from disposition of investment in						
unconsolidated affiliate					 103	 
Total other comprehensive income		300		347	836	813
Total comprehensive income	\$	9,073	\$	12,920	\$ 61,740	\$ 63,660

The following table sets forth the components of AOCL:

	nber 30, 010	mber 31, 2009
Tax increment financing bond	\$ 1,895	\$ 2,366
Past cash-flow hedges	1,080	 1,445
Total accumulated other comprehensive loss	\$ 2,975	\$ 3,811

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# 11. DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

The following table sets forth our operations which required classification as discontinued operations:

		nths Ended iber 30,	Nine Mont Septem	
	2010	2009	2010	2009
Rental and other revenues	\$ —	\$ 1,455	\$ 1,432	\$ 7,837
Operating expenses:				
Rental property and other expenses	_	488	656	3,010
Depreciation and amortization		322	365	1,609
Total operating expenses	_	810	1,021	4,619
Other income		1		2
Income before net gains/(losses) on disposition of discontinued operations		646	411	3,220
Net gains/(losses) on disposition of discontinued operations		(377)	(86)	20,639
Total discontinued operations	<u> </u>	\$ 269	\$ 325	\$ 23,859

The following table sets forth the major classes of assets and liabilities of the properties classified as held for sale:

	September 3 2010	0, December 31, 2009
Assets:		
Land	\$ -	<b>-</b> \$ 867
Buildings and tenant improvements	-	_ 3,876
Land held for development	1,21	1,197
Total real estate assets	1,21	5,940
Less accumulated depreciation		(1,484)
Net real estate assets	1,21	4,456
Deferred leasing costs, net	-	_ 209
Accrued straight line rents receivable		
Prepaid expenses and other assets	3	32 77
Real estate and other assets, net, held for sale	\$ 1,24	\$ 5,031
Liabilities of real estate and other assets, net, held for sale (1)	\$ 1	2 \$ 12

<sup>(1)</sup> Included in accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities.

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# 12. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The following table sets forth the computation of basic and diluted earnings per Common Share:

	1	Three Months Ended September 30,			ine Months Septembe	
		2010	2009		2010	2009
Earnings per Common Share - basic:						
Numerator:						
Income from continuing operations	\$	8,773 \$	12,304	\$	60,579 \$	38,988
Net (income) attributable to noncontrolling interests in the Operating Partnership		(2.50)	(55.6)		(2.002)	(1.0.40)
from continuing operations		(366)	(576)		(2,802)	(1,948)
Net (income)/loss attributable to noncontrolling interests in consolidated affiliates from continuing operations		1.40	(24)		(201)	(150)
<u>.</u>		148 (1,677)	(24) (1,677)		(281) (5,031)	(158) (5,031)
Dividends on Preferred Stock	_					31,851
Income from continuing operations available for common stockholders		6,878	10,027 269		52,465	23,859
Income from discontinued operations  Net (income) attributable to percentralling interests in the Operating Portnership from			209		325	23,839
Net (income) attributable to noncontrolling interests in the Operating Partnership from discontinued operations			(15)		(17)	(1,391)
-	_		254		308	22,468
Income from discontinued operations available for common stockholders	\$	6,878 \$	10,281	\$	52,773 \$	54,319
Net income available for common stockholders	Ψ	υ,070 φ	10,201	Ψ	<i>32,113</i> \$	34,317
Denominator:		71 621	70.002		71.540	66.012
Denominator for basic earnings per Common Share – weighted average shares	_	71,631	70,902		71,549	66,912
Earnings per Common Share – basic:	_					
Income from continuing operations available for common stockholders	\$	0.10_\$	0.15	\$	0.74 \$	0.47
Income from discontinued operations available for common stockholders	_					0.34
Net income available for common stockholders	\$	0.10 \$	0.15	\$	0.74 \$	0.81
Earnings per Common Share - diluted:						
Numerator:						
Income from continuing operations	\$	8,773 \$	12,304	\$	60,579 \$	38,988
Net (income)/loss attributable to noncontrolling interests in consolidated affiliates						
from continuing operations		148	(24)		(281)	(158)
Dividends on Preferred Stock	_	(1,677)	(1,677)		(5,031)	(5,031)
Income from continuing operations available for common stockholders before net						
(income) attributable to noncontrolling interests in the Operating Partnership		7,244	10,603		55,267	33,799
Income from discontinued operations available for common stockholders	_		269		325	23,859
Net income available for common stockholders before net income	Ф	7,244 \$	10,872	\$	55,592 \$	57,658
attributable to noncontrolling interests in the Operating Partnership	φ	7,244 \$	10,672	φ	33,392 \$	37,038
Denominator:		71 (21	70.000		71.540	(( 010
Denominator for basic earnings per Common Share –weighted average shares		71,631	70,902		71,549	66,912
Add: Stock ontions using the treesum method		210	121		102	52
Stock options using the treasury method		210 3,797	121 4,049		183 3,805	52 4,060
Noncontrolling interests partnership units	_	3,797	4,049		3,803	4,000
Denominator for diluted earnings per Common Share – adjusted weighted average shares and assumed conversions (1)		75,638	75,072		75,537	71,024
	_	,	,	_		,
Earnings per Common Share – diluted:  Income from continuing operations available for common stockholders	\$	0.10 \$	0.14	\$	0.74 \$	0.47
<del>-</del> •	Ψ	0.10 ş	0.14	Ψ	U./+ \$	0.47
Income from discontinued operations available for common stockholders	\$	0.10 \$	0.14	Ф	0.74 \$	0.81
Net income available for common stockholders	Ψ	0.10	0.14	Ψ	U./4 \$	0.61

# NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

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#### 12. EARNINGS PER SHARE – Continued

(1) Options and warrants aggregating 0.7 million and 0.9 million shares were outstanding during the three months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively, and 0.7 million and 1.2 million shares were outstanding during the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively, but were not included in the computation of diluted earnings per Common Share because the impact of including such shares would be anti-dilutive.

#### 13. SEGMENT INFORMATION

Our principal business is the operation, acquisition and development of rental real estate properties. We evaluate our business by product type and by geographic location. Each product type has different customers and economic characteristics as to rental rates and terms, cost per square foot of buildings, the purposes for which customers use the space, the degree of maintenance and customer support required and customer dependency on different economic drivers, among others. The operating results by geographic grouping are also regularly reviewed by our chief operating decision maker for assessing performance and other purposes. There are no material inter-segment transactions.

Our accounting policies of the segments are the same as those used in our Consolidated Financial Statements. All operations are within the United States and, at September 30, 2010, no single customer of the Wholly Owned Properties generated more than 9.4% of our consolidated revenues on an annualized basis.

The following table summarizes the rental and other revenues and net operating income, the primary industry property-level performance metric which is defined as rental and other revenues less rental property and other expenses, for each reportable segment:

	Three Mor Septem		Nine Mon Septem	 	
	2010		2009	2010	2009
Rental and Other Revenues: (1)					
Office:					
Atlanta, GA	\$ 11,870	\$	12,617	\$ 36,069	\$ 36,213
Greenville, SC	3,312		3,429	10,440	10,668
Kansas City, MO	3,673		3,742	11,045	11,200
Memphis, TN	9,692		8,185	24,889	22,615
Nashville, TN	14,599		14,901	44,564	45,498
Orlando, FL	2,920		3,110	8,985	8,903
Piedmont Triad, NC	5,802		5,720	17,722	17,575
Raleigh, NC	18,814		18,205	56,070	54,509
Richmond, VA	12,210		12,173	35,486	35,114
Tampa, FL	17,831		17,480	53,810	50,600
Total Office Segment	100,723		99,562	299,080	292,895
Industrial:					
Atlanta, GA	3,660		3,904	11,478	11,775
Piedmont Triad, NC	3,259		2,859	9,324	9,872
Total Industrial Segment	6,919		6,763	20,802	21,647
Retail:					
Kansas City, MO	8,103		6,466	24,540	21,755
Piedmont Triad, NC	_		47	(40)	161
Raleigh, NC	30		30	105	90
Total Retail Segment	8,133		6,543	24,605	22,006
Residential:					
Kansas City, MO	288		302	969	897
Total Residential Segment	288		302	969	897
Total Rental and Other					
Revenues	\$ 116,063	\$	113,170	\$ 345,456	\$ 337,445

# NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

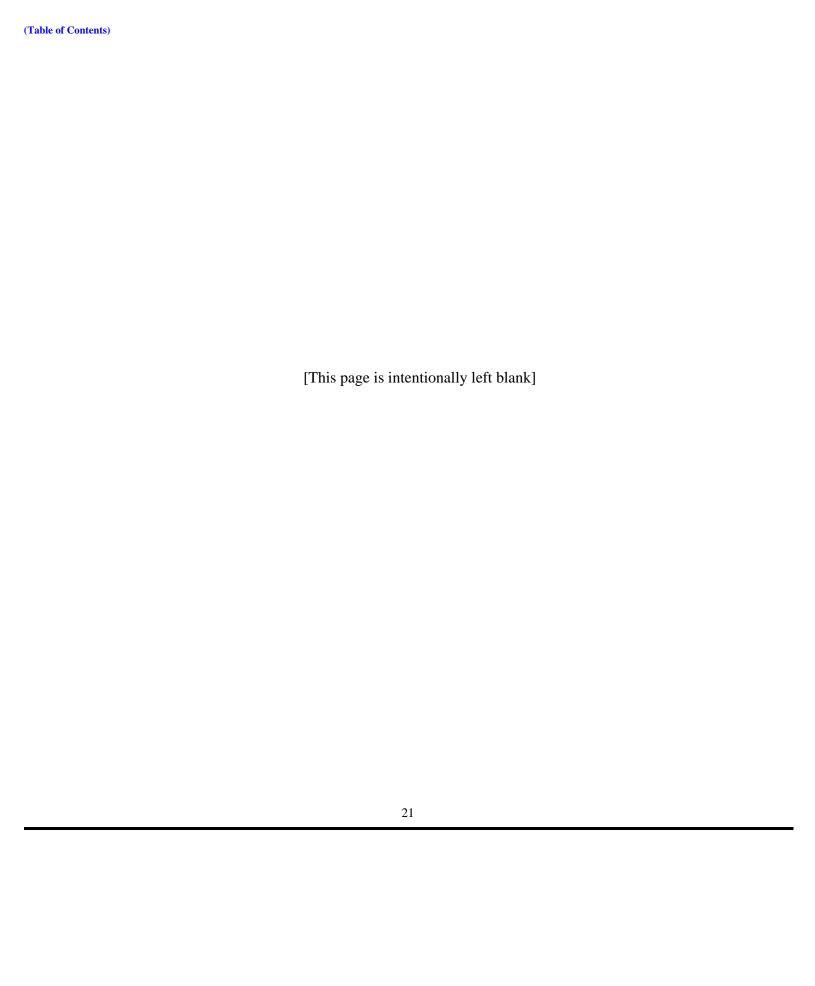
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# 13. SEGMENT INFORMATION – Continued

		Three Mon Septem					ths Ended		
		2010	 2009		2010		2009		
Net Operating Income: (1)									
Office:									
Atlanta, GA	\$	7,394	\$ 7,894	\$	22,864	\$	22,903		
Greenville, SC		1,858	2,014		6,308		6,643		
Kansas City, MO		2,160	2,342		6,700		6,845		
Memphis, TN		5,507	4,844		15,015		12,893		
Nashville, TN		9,490	9,713		29,426		29,648		
Orlando, FL		1,555	1,637		4,891		4,667		
Piedmont Triad, NC		3,843	3,638		11,698		11,535		
Raleigh, NC		12,611	11,945		38,445		36,735		
Richmond, VA		7,632	7,837		23,988		23,897		
Tampa, FL		10,903	 10,246		32,716		29,630		
Total Office Segment		62,953	62,110		192,051		185,396		
Industrial:									
Atlanta, GA		2,493	2,903		8,056		8,906		
Piedmont Triad, NC		2,460	2,087		6,835		7,630		
Total Industrial Segment		4,953	4,990		14,891		16,536		
Retail:									
Atlanta, GA (2)		(5)	(6)		(16)		(18)		
Kansas City, MO		4,569	3,494		14,668		13,454		
Piedmont Triad, NC (2)		_	(72)		(40)		18		
Raleigh, NC (2)		10	(1)		29		9		
Total Retail Segment	· ·	4,574	3,415		14,641		13,463		
Residential:									
Kansas City, MO		168	163		594		517		
Raleigh, NC (2)		(90)	(72)		(265)		(210)		
Total Residential Segment		78	91		329		307		
Total Net Operating				ı					
Income		72,558	70,606		221,912		215,702		
Reconciliation to income from continuing operations before disposition of property, condominiums and investment in unconsolidated affiliates and equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates:									
Depreciation and amortization		(34,281)	(32,367)		(100,363)		(97,590)		
General and administrative expense		(8,882)	(9,485)		(24,369)		(27,286)		
Interest expense		(23,338)	(21,334)		(69,385)		(64,654)		
Interest and other income		1,625	3,981		4,291		7,902		
Income from continuing operations before disposition of property, condominiums and investment in unconsolidated affiliates and equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates	\$	7,682	\$ 11,401	\$	32,086	\$	34,074		

<sup>(1)</sup> Net of discontinued operations.

<sup>(2)</sup> Negative NOI with no corresponding revenues represents expensed real estate taxes and other carrying costs associated with land held for development that is currently zoned for the respective product type.



# CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Unaudited and in thousands, except unit and per unit amounts)

	September 30, 2010		Dec	cember 31, 2009
Assets:				
Real estate assets, at cost:				
Land	\$	345,531	\$	350,537
Buildings and tenant improvements		2,900,749		2,880,632
Land held for development		104,010		104,148
		3,350,290		3,335,317
Less-accumulated depreciation		(818,347)		(781,073)
Net real estate assets		2,531,943		2,554,244
For-sale residential condominiums		9,576		12,933
Real estate and other assets, net, held for sale		1,249		5,031
Cash and cash equivalents		20,937		23,519
Restricted cash		4,757		6,841
Accounts receivable, net of allowance of \$3,157 and \$2,810, respectively		22,426		21,069
Mortgages and notes receivable, net of allowance of \$950 and \$698, respectively		19,942		3,143
Accrued straight-line rents receivable, net of allowance of \$2,457 and \$2,443, respectively		90,001		82,600
Investment in unconsolidated affiliates		61,321		64,894
Deferred financing and leasing costs, net of accumulated amortization of \$55,143 and \$52,129,				
respectively		75,069		73,517
Prepaid expenses and other assets		39,778		37,947
Total Assets	\$	2,876,999	\$	2,885,738
Liabilities, Redeemable Operating Partnership Units and Capital:  Mortgages and notes payable	\$	1,501,624	\$	1,469,155
Accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities	Ψ	112,738	Ψ	117,331
Financing obligations		33,625		37,706
Total Liabilities		1,647,987		1,624,192
Commitments and contingencies		1,017,707		1,021,172
Redeemable Operating Partnership Units:				
Common Units, 3,797,150 and 3,891,121 outstanding, respectively		123,293		129,769
Series A Preferred Units (liquidation preference \$1,000 per unit), 29,092 shares issued and		,		,
outstanding		29,092		29,092
Series B Preferred Units (liquidation preference \$25 per unit), 2,100,000 shares issued and outstanding		52,500		52,500
Total Redeemable Operating Partnership Units		204,885		211,361
Capital:				
Common Units:				
General partner Common Units, 750,446 and 747,676 outstanding, respectively		10,218		10,485
Limited partner Common Units, 70,496,977 and 70,128,818 outstanding, respectively		1,011,926		1,038,328
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(2,975)		(3,811)
Noncontrolling interests in consolidated affiliates		4,958		5,183
Total Capital		1,024,127		1,050,185
Total Liabilities, Redeemable Operating Partnership Units and Capital	\$	2,876,999	\$	2,885,738

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(Unaudited and in thousands, except per unit amounts)

	Three Months Ended September 30,				Nine Months Ended September 30,			
		2010		2009		2010		2009
Rental and other revenues	\$	116,063	\$	113,170	\$	345,456	\$	337,445
Operating expenses:								
Rental property and other expenses		43,505		42,564		123,334		121,492
Depreciation and amortization		34,281		32,367		100,363		97,590
General and administrative		8,882		9,485		24,579		27,537
Total operating expenses		86,668		84,416		248,276		246,619
Interest expense:								
Contractual		22,020		20,001		65,527		60,525
Amortization of deferred financing costs		858		627		2,528		1,978
Financing obligations	_	460	_	706	_	1,330		2,151
		23,338		21,334		69,385		64,654
Other income:		1.710		2 224		4.07.6		C C15
Interest and other income		1,710		3,324		4,376		6,615
Gain/(loss) on debt extinguishment	_	(85)	_	657	_	(85)		1,287
	_	1,625	_	3,981	_	4,291		7,902
Income from continuing operations before disposition of property, condominiums and investment in unconsolidated affiliates and equity in								
earnings of unconsolidated affiliates		7,682		11,401		32,086		34,074
Gains on disposition of property		19		34		55		247
Gains on disposition of for-sale residential condominiums		54		187		407		823
Gains on disposition of investment in unconsolidated affiliates		_		_		25,330		_
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates		1,033		669		2,705		3,779
Income from continuing								
operations		8,788		12,291		60,583		38,923
Discontinued operations:								
Income from discontinued operations		_		646		411		3,220
Net gains/(losses) on disposition of discontinued operations				(377)		(86)		20,639
				269		325		23,859
Net income		8,788		12,560		60,908		62,782
Net (income)/loss attributable to noncontrolling interests in consolidated affiliates		148		(24)		(281)		(158)
Distributions on Preferred Units		(1,677)		(1,677)		(5,031)		(5,031)
	\$	7,259	\$	10,859	\$		\$	57,593
Net income available for common unitholders	Ф	1,239	Ф	10,839	Ф	33,390	Φ	37,393
Earnings per Common Unit - basic:	ф	0.10	ф	0.15	ф	0.74	ф	0.40
Income from continuing operations available for common unitholders	\$	0.10	\$	0.15	\$	0.74	<b>&gt;</b>	0.48
Income from discontinued operations available for common unitholders	Φ.	0.10	ф	0.15	ф		ф	0.34
Net income available for common unitholders	\$	0.10	\$	0.15	\$	0.74	\$	0.82
Weighted average Common Units outstanding - basic		75,019		74,542		74,945		70,563
Earnings per Common Unit - diluted:								
Income from continuing operations available for common unitholders	\$	0.10	\$	0.15	\$	0.74	\$	0.48
Income from discontinued operations available for common unitholders						<u> </u>		0.34
Net income available for common unitholders	\$	0.10	\$	0.15	\$	0.74	\$	0.82
Weighted average Common Units outstanding - diluted		75,229		74,663		75,128		70,615
Distributions declared per Common Unit	\$	0.425	\$	0.425	\$	1.275	\$	1.275
Net income available for common unitholders:								
Income from continuing operations available for common unitholders	\$	7,259	\$	10,590	\$	55,271	\$	33,734
Income from discontinued operations available for common unitholders		_		269		325		23,859
Net income available for common unitholders	\$	7,259	\$	10,859	\$		\$	57,593

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CAPITAL

# Nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009

(Unaudited and in thousands)

	Common	n Units			
	eneral artner	Limited Partner	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss	Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Affiliates	Total
Balance at December 31, 2009	\$ 10,485 \$	1,038,328	\$ (3,811)	\$ 5,183	\$ 1,050,185
Issuance of Common Units, net	21	2,055	_	_	2,076
Distributions on Common Units	(956)	(94,577)	_	_	(95,533)
Distributions on Preferred Units	(50)	(4,981)	_	_	(5,031)
Share-based compensation expense	51	5,009	_	_	5,060
Distribution to noncontrolling interests in consolidated affiliates	_	_	_	(506)	(506)
Adjustment of Redeemable Common Units to fair value and contributions/distributions from/to the General Partner	61	6,071	_	_	6,132
Net (income) attributable to noncontrolling interests in	01	0,071			0,132
consolidated affiliates	(3)	(278)	_	281	_
Comprehensive income:	(-)	( 1 2)			
Net income	609	60,299	_	_	60,908
Other comprehensive income	_	· —	836	_	836
Total comprehensive income					61,744
Balance at September 30, 2010	\$ 10,218 \$	1,011,926	\$ (2,975)	\$ 4,958	\$ 1,024,127

	 Commo	on Units				
	 neral tner	Limited Partner	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss	Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Affiliates		Total
Balance at December 31, 2008	\$ 9,759	966,378	\$ (4,792)	\$ 6,176	\$	977,521
Issuance of Common Units, net	1,473	145,837	_	_		147,310
Distributions on Common Units	(889)	(87,978)	_	_		(88,867)
Distributions on Preferred Units	(50)	(4,981)	_	_		(5,031)
Share-based compensation expense	52	5,152	_	_		5,204
Distribution to noncontrolling interests in consolidated affiliates	_	_	_	(796)	)	(796)
Adjustment of Redeemable Common Units to fair value and contributions/distributions from/to the General Partner	(139)	(13,846)	_	_		(13,985)
Net (income) attributable to noncontrolling interests in consolidated affiliates	(2)	(156)		158		_
Comprehensive income:						
Net income	628	62,154	_	_		62,782
Other comprehensive income	_	_	813	_		813
Total comprehensive income						63,595
Balance at September 30, 2009	\$ 10,832	1,072,560	\$ (3,979)	\$ 5,538	\$	1,084,951

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Unaudited and in thousands)

	Nine Months Septembe	
		2009
Operating activities:		
Net income	\$ 60,908 \$	62,782
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:	100 700	00.400
Depreciation and amortization	100,728	99,199
Amortization of lease incentives	807	866
Share-based compensation expense	5,060	5,204
Additions to allowance for doubtful accounts	3,605	4,530
Amortization of deferred financing costs	2,528 262	1,978 (229)
Amortization of past cash-flow hedges (Gain)/loss on debt extinguishment	85	(1,287)
Net (gains)/losses on disposition of property	31	(20,886)
Gains on disposition of for-sale residential condominiums	(407)	(823)
Gains on disposition of investment in unconsolidated affiliates	(25,330)	(823)
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates	(25,330) $(2,705)$	(3,779)
Changes in financing obligations	103	869
Distributions of earnings from unconsolidated affiliates	2,887	3,033
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:	2,007	3,033
Accounts receivable	(4,689)	(534)
Prepaid expenses and other assets	(177)	(1,606)
Accrued straight-line rents receivable	(8,477)	(5,058)
Accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities	7,407	10,551
Net cash provided by operating activities	142,626	154,810
Investing activities:		
Additions to real estate assets and deferred leasing costs	(66,370)	(101,675)
Net proceeds from disposition of real estate assets	6,801	61,926
Net proceeds from disposition of for-sale residential condominiums	3,732	7,940
Proceeds from disposition of investment in unconsolidated affiliates	15,000	
Distributions of capital from unconsolidated affiliates	1,591	3,257
Repayments of mortgages and notes receivable	231	356
Contributions to unconsolidated affiliates	(907)	(922)
Changes in restricted cash and other investing activities	2,398	(15,514)
Net cash used in investing activities	(37,524)	(44,632)
Financing activities:		
Distributions on Common Units	(95,533)	(88,867)
Distributions on Preferred Units	(5,031)	(5,031)
Distributions to noncontrolling interests in consolidated affiliates	(506)	(796)
Net proceeds from the issuance of Common Units	2,076	147,310
Borrowings on revolving credit facility	4,000	128,000
Repayments of revolving credit facility	(4,000)	(291,000)
Borrowings on mortgages and notes payable	10,368	217,215
Repayments of mortgages and notes payable	(18,205)	(185,084)
Additions to deferred financing costs	(853)	(3,675)
Net cash used in financing activities	(107,684)	(81,928)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(2,582)	28,250
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period	23,519	13,649
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period	\$ 20,937 \$	41,899

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS - Continued

(Unaudited and in thousands)

# Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:

	Nine Mon	ths ]	Ended
	 Septem	<u>ıber</u>	30,
	2010		2009
Cash paid for interest, net of amounts capitalized	\$ 66,435	\$	64,734

**Nine Months Ended** 

# Supplemental disclosure of non-cash investing and financing activities:

		30,	
		2010	2009
Unrealized gains on cash-flow hedges	\$	<u> </u>	591
Change in accrued capital expenditures	\$	890 \$	(9,560)
Write-off of fully depreciated real estate assets	\$	34,703 \$	24,991
Write-off of fully amortized deferred financing and leasing costs	\$	11,521 \$	14,592
Unrealized gains/(losses) on marketable securities of non-qualified deferred compensation plan	\$	489 \$	(109)
Settlement of financing obligation	\$	4,184 \$	_
Adjustment of Redeemable Common Units to fair value	\$	(6,476) \$	13,427
Unrealized gain on tax increment financing bond	\$	471 \$	451
Mortgages receivable from seller financing	\$	17,030 \$	_
Assumption of mortgages and notes payable	\$	40,306 \$	_

### NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**September 30, 2010** 

(tabular dollar amounts in thousands, except per unit data)

(Unaudited)

#### 1. DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### **Description of Business**

The Company is a fully-integrated, self-administered and self-managed equity real estate investment trust ("REIT") that operates in the Southeastern and Midwestern United States. The Company conducts virtually all of its activities through the Operating Partnership. At September 30, 2010, the Company and/or the Operating Partnership wholly owned 294 in-service office, industrial and retail properties, comprising 27.1 million square feet; 96 rental residential units; 580 acres of undeveloped land suitable for future development, of which 490 acres are considered core holdings; one 100% pre-leased office property under re-development; one recently developed office property that is in service but not yet stabilized; and 30 for-sale residential condominiums (which are owned through a consolidated, majority-owned joint venture).

The Company is the sole general partner of the Operating Partnership. At September 30, 2010, the Company owned all of the Preferred Units and 71.2 million, or 95.0%, of the Common Units. Limited partners (including one officer and two directors of the Company) own the remaining 3.8 million Common Units. Generally, the Operating Partnership is obligated to redeem each Common Unit at the request of the holder thereof for cash equal to the value of one share of Common Stock, \$.01 par value, based on the average of the market price for the 10 trading days immediately preceding the notice date of such redemption provided that the Company, at its option, may elect to acquire any such Common Units presented for redemption for cash or one share of Common Stock. The Common Units owned by the Company are not redeemable. During the nine months ended September 30, 2010, the Company redeemed 93,971 Common Units for a like number of shares of Common Stock, which increased the percentage of Common Units owned by the Company from 94.8% at December 31, 2009 to 95.0% at September 30, 2010.

# **Basis of Presentation**

Our Consolidated Financial Statements are prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("GAAP"). Our Consolidated Statements of Income for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009 were revised from previously reported amounts to reflect in discontinued operations the operations for those properties sold or held for sale during the 12 months ended September 30, 2010 which required discontinued operations presentation. Prior period amounts related to additions to allowance for doubtful accounts and amortization of lease commissions in our Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows have been reclassified to conform to the current period presentation.

Our Consolidated Financial Statements include wholly owned subsidiaries and those entities in which we have the controlling financial interest. All significant intercompany transactions and accounts have been eliminated. At September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, we were not involved with any entities that were determined to be variable interest entities.

The unaudited interim consolidated financial statements and accompanying unaudited consolidated financial information, in the opinion of management, contain all adjustments (including normal recurring accruals) necessary for a fair presentation of our financial position, results of operations and cash flows. We have omitted certain notes and other information from the interim consolidated financial statements presented in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q as permitted by SEC rules and regulations. These Consolidated Financial Statements should be read in conjunction with our 2009 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

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#### 1. Description of Business and Significant Accounting Policies - Continued

#### Use of Estimates

The preparation of these Consolidated Financial Statements in accordance with GAAP requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Recently Issued Accounting Standards

Beginning with our 2010 Annual Report on Form 10-K, we will be required to provide enhanced disclosure about our financial receivables, such as our mortgages and notes receivable, and our policy for measuring credit losses related to those receivables.

# 2. REAL ESTATE ASSETS

#### Acquisitions

During the third quarter of 2010, we acquired a 336,000 square foot office property in Memphis, TN for \$10.0 million in cash and the assumption of secured debt, which was recorded at fair value of \$40.3 million with an implied interest rate of 6.4%. The debt matures in November 2015. We have incurred or expect to incur \$0.4 million of acquisition-related expenses and approximately \$2.3 million of near-term building improvements. In connection with this acquisition, we recorded \$2.8 million of above market lease intangible assets and \$7.1 million of in-place lease intangible assets with weighted average amortization periods at the time of acquisition of 7.3 and 5.9 years, respectively.

# **Dispositions**

During the second quarter of 2010, we sold seven office properties in Winston Salem, NC for gross proceeds of \$12.9 million. In connection with this disposition, we received cash of \$4.5 million and provided seller financing of \$8.4 million (recorded at fair value of \$8.4 million in mortgages and notes receivable) and committed to lend up to an additional \$1.7 million for tenant improvements and lease commissions, of which \$0.2 million was funded as of September 30, 2010. The three-year, interest-only first mortgage carries a 6.0% average interest rate. Assuming no default exists, the note can be extended by the buyer for two additional one-year periods, subject to an increase in the interest rate to 7.0% in the fourth year and to 8.0% in the fifth year. We have accounted for this disposition using the installment method, whereby the \$0.4 million gain on disposition of property has been deferred and will be recognized when the seller financing is repaid.

During the second quarter of 2010, we also sold six industrial properties in Greensboro, NC for gross proceeds of \$12.0 million. In connection with this disposition, we received cash of \$3.4 million and provided seller financing of \$8.6 million (recorded at fair value of \$8.6 million in mortgages and notes receivable) and a limited rent guarantee with maximum exposure to loss of \$1.0 million as of September 30, 2010. The three-year, interest-only first mortgage carries a 6.25% average interest rate. Assuming no default exists, the note can be extended by the buyer for two additional one-year periods, subject to an increase in the interest rate to 7.0% in the fourth year and to 7.75% in the fifth year. We currently have concluded that a loss from the rent guarantee is not probable. We have accounted for this disposition using the installment method, whereby the \$0.3 million impairment was recognized in net gains/(losses) on disposition of discontinued operations in the second quarter of 2010.

During the first quarter of 2010, we recorded a completed sale in connection with the disposition of an office property in Raleigh, NC in the fourth quarter of 2009 where the buyer's right to compel us to repurchase the property expired. Accordingly, we recognized the \$0.2 million gain on disposition of property in the first quarter of 2010.

### NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

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#### 3. INVESTMENT IN AFFILIATES

#### **Unconsolidated Affiliates**

We have equity interests ranging from 10.0% to 50.0% in various joint ventures with unrelated third parties. The following table sets forth the combined, summarized income statements for our unconsolidated joint ventures:

	Three Months Ended September 30,				Nine Months Ended September 30,			
		2010		2009		2010		2009
Income Statements:								
Revenues	\$	25,508	\$	35,150	\$	90,774	\$	108,614
Expenses:								
Rental property and other expenses		12,096		17,283		43,751		52,851
Depreciation and amortization		6,364		8,657		23,005		25,508
Interest expense		5,907		8,535		21,311		25,947
Total expenses		24,367		34,475		88,067		104,306
Income before disposition of property		1,141		675		2,707		4,308
Gains/(losses) on disposition of property				(463)				2,963
Net income	\$	1,141	\$	212	\$	2,707	\$	7,271
Our share of:								
Net income (1)	\$	1,033	\$	669	\$	2,705	\$	3,779
Depreciation and amortization of real estate assets	\$	2,076	\$	3,311	\$	8,077	\$	8,906
Interest expense	\$	2,166	\$	3,465	\$	8,294	\$	10,531
Gain/(loss) on disposition of property	\$		\$	(199)	\$		\$	582

(1) Our share of net income differs from our weighted average ownership percentage in the joint ventures' net income due to our purchase accounting and other adjustments related primarily to management and leasing fees.

During the second quarter of 2010, we sold our equity interests in a series of unconsolidated joint ventures relating to properties in Des Moines, IA. The assets in the joint ventures included 2.5 million square feet of office (1.7 million square feet), industrial (788,000 square feet) and retail (45,000 square feet) properties, as well as 418 apartment units. In connection with the closing, we received \$15.0 million in cash. We had a negative book basis in certain of the joint ventures, primarily as a result of prior cash distributions to the partners. Accordingly, we recorded gain on disposition of investment in unconsolidated affiliates of \$25.3 million in the second quarter of 2010. As of the closing date, the joint ventures had approximately \$170 million of secured debt, which was non-recourse to us except (1) in the case of customary exceptions pertaining to matters such as misuse of funds, borrower bankruptcy, unpermitted transfers, environmental conditions and material misrepresentations and (2) approximately \$9.0 million of direct and indirect guarantees. We have been released by the applicable lenders from all such direct and indirect guarantees and we have no ongoing lender liability relating to such customary exceptions to non-recourse liability with respect to most, but not all, of the debt. The buyer has agreed to indemnify and hold us harmless from any and all future losses that we suffer as a result of our prior investment in the joint ventures (other than losses directly resulting from our acts or omissions). In the event we are exposed to any such future loss, our financial condition and results of operations would not be adversely affected unless the buyer defaults on its indemnification obligation.

### NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

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#### 3. INVESTMENT IN AFFILIATES - Continued

#### **Consolidated Affiliates**

We own a majority interest in Plaza Residential, LLC ("Plaza Residential"), a joint venture which was formed to develop and sell 139 for-sale residential condominiums constructed above an office tower developed by us in Raleigh, NC. For-sale residential condominiums in our Consolidated Balance Sheets include 30 and 40 completed, but unsold, condominiums owned by Plaza Residential at September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, respectively. We initially record receipts of earnest money deposits in accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities in accordance with the deposit method. We then record completed sales when units close and the remaining net cash is received. During the three months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, we received \$0.6 million and \$2.9 million, respectively, in gross proceeds and recorded \$0.5 million and \$2.7 million, respectively, of cost of goods sold from condominium sales activity. During the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, we received \$4.0 million and \$8.4 million, respectively, in gross proceeds and had \$3.6 million and \$7.6 million, respectively, of cost of goods sold from condominium sales activity.

### 4. DEFERRED FINANCING AND LEASING COSTS

The following table sets forth total deferred financing and leasing costs, net of accumulated amortization:

	September 30, 2010	December 31, 2009		
Deferred financing costs	\$ 17,078	\$ 16,811		
Less accumulated amortization	(6,917)	(4,549)		
	10,161	12,262		
Deferred leasing costs	113,134	108,835		
Less accumulated amortization	(48,226)	(47,580)		
	64,908	61,255		
Deferred financing and leasing costs, net	\$ 75,069	\$ 73,517		

Amortization of deferred financing and leasing costs were as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30,			Nine Mon Septem			
		2010		2009	2010		2009
Amortization of deferred financing costs	\$	858	\$	627	\$ 2,528	\$	1,978
Amortization of lease commissions (included in depreciation and amortization)	\$	3,912	\$	3,806	\$ 11,495	\$	11,598
Amortization of lease incentives (included in rental and other revenues)	\$	270	\$	318	\$ 807	\$	866

The following table sets forth scheduled future amortization for deferred financing and leasing costs:

of		rtization eferred ancing Costs	Amortization of Lease Commissions	Amortization of Lease Incentives	
September 30, 2010 through December 31, 2010	\$	788	\$ 3,855	\$ 261	
2011		2,680	13,825	982	
2012		2,526	11,390	881	
2013		897	9,151	683	
2014		520	7,015	512	
Thereafter		2,750	14,947	1,406	
	\$	10,161	\$ 60,183	\$ 4,725	

### NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

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#### 4. DEFERRED FINANCING AND LEASING COSTS - Continued

The weighted average remaining amortization periods for deferred financing and leasing costs were 3.6 years and 6.3 years, respectively, as of September 30, 2010.

### 5. MORTGAGES AND NOTES PAYABLE

The following table sets forth our consolidated mortgages and notes payable:

	September 30,		December 31,		
		2010		2009	
Secured indebtedness	\$	763,107	\$	720,727	
Unsecured indebtedness		738,517		748,428	
Total mortgages and notes payable	\$	1,501,624	\$	1,469,155	

At September 30, 2010, our secured mortgage loans were secured by real estate assets with an aggregate undepreciated book value of \$1.2 billion.

Our \$400.0 million unsecured revolving credit facility is scheduled to mature on February 21, 2013 and includes an accordion feature that allows for an additional \$50.0 million of borrowing capacity subject to additional lender commitments. Assuming we continue to have three publicly announced ratings from the credit rating agencies, the interest rate and facility fee under our revolving credit facility are based on the lower of the two highest publicly announced ratings. Based on our current credit ratings, the interest rate is LIBOR plus 290 basis points and the annual facility fee is 60 basis points. There were no amounts outstanding under our revolving credit facility at September 30, 2010 and October 21, 2010. At September 30, 2010 and October 21, 2010, we had \$1.1 million of outstanding letters of credit, which reduces the availability on our revolving credit facility. As a result, the unused capacity of our revolving credit facility at September 30, 2010 and October 21, 2010 was \$398.9 million.

Our \$70.0 million secured construction facility, of which \$52.1 million was outstanding at September 30, 2010, is initially scheduled to mature on December 20, 2010. The outstanding balance increased in the third quarter of 2010 due to the use of proceeds to reduce the balance outstanding under a bank term loan due in March 2012. Assuming no defaults have occurred, we have options to extend the maturity date for two successive one-year periods. During the third quarter of 2010, we submitted our notice to extend the maturity date by one year. Upon payment of the extension fee and assuming no default exists at December 20, 2010, the facility will be extended until December 20, 2011. The interest rate is LIBOR plus 85 basis points. This facility had \$17.9 million of availability at September 30, 2010 and October 21, 2010.

We are currently in compliance with all debt covenants and requirements.

# 6. DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

We had no outstanding interest rate hedge contracts at September 30, 2010 or December 31, 2009. The following table sets forth the effect of our past cash-flow hedges on accumulated other comprehensive loss ("AOCL") and interest expense:

	Th	ree Months September		Nine Mo Septe			
	2	010	2009	09 2010		2009	
Derivatives Designated as Cash-flow Hedges:							
Unrealized gain recognized in AOCL on derivatives (effective portion):							
Interest rate hedge contracts	\$	<u> </u>	177	\$ -	_ \$	591	
(Gain)/loss reclassified out of AOCL into interest expense (effective portion):							
Interest rate hedge contracts	\$	(25) \$	(89)	\$ 26	52 \$	(229)	

### NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

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#### 7. Noncontrolling Interests

### **Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Affiliates**

Noncontrolling interests in consolidated affiliates relates to our respective joint venture partners' 50.0% interest in Highwoods-Markel Associates, LLC and both legal and estimated economic interests of 7% in Plaza Residential. Each of our joint venture partners is an unrelated third party.

#### 8. DISCLOSURE ABOUT FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The following summarizes the three levels of inputs that we use to measure fair value, as well as the assets, noncontrolling interests in the Operating Partnership and liabilities that we recognize at fair value using those levels of inputs.

### Level 1. Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Our Level 1 assets are investments in marketable securities which we use to pay benefits under our non-qualified deferred compensation plan. Our Level 1 noncontrolling interests in the Operating Partnership relate to the ownership of Common Units by various individuals and entities other than the Company. Our Level 1 liability is our non-qualified deferred compensation obligation.

- Level 2. Observable inputs other than Level 1 prices, such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities; quoted prices in markets that are not active; or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the related assets or liabilities. We had no Level 2 assets or liabilities at September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009.
- Level 3. Unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market activity and that are significant to the fair value of the assets or liabilities.

Our Level 3 assets are our tax increment financing bond, which is not routinely traded but whose fair value is determined using an estimate of projected redemption value based on quoted bid/ask prices for similar unrated municipal bonds, and real estate assets recorded at fair value on a non-recurring basis as a result of our quarterly impairment analysis, which were valued using independent appraisals.

The following tables set forth the assets and liability that we measure at fair value by level within the fair value hierarchy. We determine the level based on the lowest level of substantive input used to determine fair value.

Assets:	-	September 30, 2010		Level 1 Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets or Liabilities		Level 3  Significant Unobservable Inputs	
Marketable securities of non-qualified deferred compensation plan (in prepaid expenses and other assets)	\$	3,232	\$	3,232	\$	_	
Tax increment financing bond (in prepaid expenses and other assets)		17,342				17,342	
Total Assets	\$	20,574	\$	3,232	\$	17,342	
Liability:							
Non-qualified deferred compensation obligation (in accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities)	\$	3,846	\$	3,846	\$	<u> </u>	

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

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#### 8. DISCLOSURE ABOUT FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS – Continued

	Dec	ember 31, 2009	Quot in Mar Id As	evel 1 ted Prices Active rkets for lentical ssets or abilities	Si Uno	Level 3 gnificant observable Inputs
Assets:						
Marketable securities of non-qualified deferred compensation plan	\$	6,135	\$	6,135	\$	_
Tax increment financing bond		16,871		_		16,871
Impaired real estate assets		32,000		<u> </u>		32,000
Total Assets	\$	55,006	\$	6,135	\$	48,871
Liability:						
Non-qualified deferred compensation obligation	\$	6,898	\$	6,898	\$	_

The following table sets forth our Level 3 asset:

	 Three Mor Septem				Nine Months Ended September 30,		
	2010		2009		2010		2009
Asset:							
Tax Increment Financing Bond							
Beginning balance	\$ 17,017	\$	17,660	\$	16,871	\$	17,468
Unrealized gain (in AOCL)	325		259		471	_	451
Ending balance	\$ 17,342	\$	17,919	\$	17,342	\$	17,919

In the fourth quarter of 2007, we acquired a tax increment financing bond associated with a property developed by us. This bond amortizes to maturity in 2020. The estimated fair value at September 30, 2010 was \$1.9 million below the outstanding principal due on the bond. If the yield-to-maturity used to fair value this bond was 100 basis points higher, the fair value of the bond would have been \$0.8 million lower as of September 30, 2010. If the yield-to-maturity used to fair value this bond was 100 basis points lower, the fair value of the bond would have been \$0.8 million higher as of September 30, 2010. Currently, we intend to hold this bond and have concluded that we will not be required to sell this bond before recovery of the bond principal. Payment of the principal and interest for the bond is guaranteed by us and, therefore, we have recorded no credit losses related to the bond in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009. There is no legal right of offset with the liability, which we report as a financing obligation, related to this tax increment financing bond.

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

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#### 8. DISCLOSURE ABOUT FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS – Continued

The following table sets forth the carrying amounts and fair values of our financial instruments:

	Carrying	
	Amount	Fair Value
<u>September 30, 2010</u>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 20,937	\$ 20,937
Restricted cash	\$ 4,757	\$ 4,757
Accounts, mortgages and notes receivable	\$ 42,368	\$ 42,481
Marketable securities of non-qualified deferred compensation plan	\$ 3,232	\$ 3,232
Tax increment financing bond	\$ 17,342	\$ 17,342
Mortgages and notes payable	\$ 1,501,624	\$ 1,597,621
Financing obligations	\$ 33,625	\$ 22,861
Non-qualified deferred compensation obligation	\$ 3,846	\$ 3,846
<u>December 31, 2009</u>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 23,519	\$ 23,519
Restricted cash	\$ 6,841	\$ 6,841
Accounts, mortgages and notes receivable	\$ 24,212	\$ 24,212
Marketable securities of non-qualified deferred compensation plan	\$ 6,135	\$ 6,135
Tax increment financing bond	\$ 16,871	\$ 16,871
Mortgages and notes payable	\$ 1,469,155	\$ 1,440,317
Financing obligations	\$ 37,706	\$ 31,664
Non-qualified deferred compensation obligation	\$ 6,898	\$ 6,898

The carrying values of our cash and cash equivalents, restricted cash, accounts receivable, marketable securities of non-qualified deferred compensation plan, tax increment financing bond and non-qualified deferred compensation obligation are equal to or approximate fair value. The fair values of our mortgages and notes receivable, mortgages and notes payable and financing obligations were estimated using the income or market approaches to approximate the price that would be paid in an orderly transaction between market participants on the respective measurement dates.

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

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#### 9. SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS

During the nine months ended September 30, 2010, the Company granted 190,826 stock options at an exercise price equal to the closing market price of a share of its Common Stock on the date of grant. The fair value of each option grant is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model, which resulted in a weighted-average grant date fair value per share of \$4.96. During the nine months ended September 30, 2010, the Company also granted 89,635 shares of time-based restricted stock and 78,151 shares of total return-based restricted stock with weighted-average grant date fair values per share of \$29.05 and \$29.75, respectively. We recorded stock-based compensation expense of \$1.6 million each during the three months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 and \$5.1 million and \$5.2 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively. At September 30, 2010, there was \$8.4 million of total unrecognized stock-based compensation costs, which will be recognized over a weighted average remaining contractual term of 1.7 years.

### 10. COMPREHENSIVE INCOME AND ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE LOSS

The following table sets forth the components of comprehensive income:

	Three Months Ended September 30,				Nine Months Ende September 30,			
	2010 2009		2010			2009		
Net income	\$	8,788	\$	12,560	\$	60,908	\$	62,782
Other comprehensive income/(loss):								
Unrealized gain on tax increment financing bond		325		259		471		451
Unrealized gains on cash-flow hedges		_		177		_		591
Amortization of past cash-flow hedges		(25)		(89)		262		(229)
Settlement of past cash-flow hedge from disposition of investment in								
unconsolidated affiliate						103		
Total other comprehensive income		300		347		836		813
Total comprehensive income	\$	9,088	\$	12,907	\$	61,744	\$	63,595

The following table sets forth the components of AOCL:

	Sept	tember 30,	Dec	ember 31,
		2010		2009
Tax increment financing bond	\$	1,895	\$	2,366
Past cash-flow hedges		1,080		1,445
Total accumulated other comprehensive loss	\$	2,975	\$	3,811

# NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

(tabular dollar amounts in thousands, except per unit data)

## 11. DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

The following table sets forth our operations which required classification as discontinued operations:

		onths Ended mber 30,	Nine Mon Septem	
	2010	2009	2010	2009
Rental and other revenues	\$ —	\$ 1,455	\$ 1,432	\$ 7,837
Operating expenses:				
Rental property and other expenses	_	488	656	3,010
Depreciation and amortization		322	365	1,609
Total operating expenses	_	810	1,021	4,619
Other income		- 1		2
Income before net gains/(losses) on disposition of discontinued operations	_	646	411	3,220
Net gains/(losses) on disposition of discontinued operations		(377)	(86)	20,639
Total discontinued operations	\$ _	\$ 269	\$ 325	\$ 23,859

The following table sets forth the major classes of assets and liabilities of the properties classified as held for sale:

	_	ember 30, 2010	December 31, 2009
Assets:	<u> </u>		
Land	\$	_	\$ 867
Buildings and tenant improvements		_	3,876
Land held for development		1,217	1,197
Total real estate assets		1,217	5,940
Less accumulated depreciation			(1,484)
Net real estate assets		1,217	4,456
Deferred leasing costs, net		_	209
Accrued straight line rents receivable		_	289
Prepaid expenses and other assets		32	77
Real estate and other assets, net, held for sale	\$	1,249	\$ 5,031
Liabilities of real estate and other assets, net, held for sale (1)	\$	12	\$ 12

<sup>(1)</sup> Included in accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities.

# NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

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#### 12. EARNINGS PER UNIT

The following table sets forth the computation of basic and diluted earnings per Common Unit:

		Three Months Ended September 30,			Nine Month Septemb		
		2010	2009		2010	2009	
Earnings per Common Unit - basic:							
Numerator:							
Income from continuing operations	\$	8,788 \$	12,291	\$	60,583 \$	38,923	
Net (income)/loss attributable to noncontrolling interests in consolidated affiliates							
from continuing operations		148	(24)		(281)	(158)	
Distributions on Preferred Units		(1,677)	(1,677)		(5,031)	(5,031)	
Income from continuing operations available for common unitholders		7,259	10,590		55,271	33,734	
Income from discontinued operations available for common unitholders	_	<u> </u>	269		325	23,859	
Net income available for common unitholders	\$	7,259 \$	10,859	\$	55,596 \$	57,593	
Denominator:							
Denominator for basic earnings per Common Unit – weighted average units (1)		75,019	74,542		74,945	70,563	
Earnings per Common Unit - basic:				_			
Income from continuing operations available for common unitholders	\$	0.10 \$	0.15	\$	0.74 \$	0.48	
Income from discontinued operations available for common unitholders		_	_		_	0.34	
Net income available for common unitholders	\$	0.10 \$	0.15	\$	0.74 \$	0.82	
Earnings per Common Unit - diluted:	=						
Numerator:							
Income from continuing operations	\$	8,788 \$	12,291	\$	60,583 \$	38,923	
Net (income)/loss attributable to noncontrolling interests in consolidated affiliates		,	,		, ,	ĺ	
from continuing operations		148	(24)		(281)	(158)	
Distributions on Preferred Units		(1,677)	(1,677)		(5,031)	(5,031)	
Income from continuing operations available for common unitholders		7,259	10,590		55,271	33,734	
Income from discontinued operations available for common unitholders		<u> </u>	269		325	23,859	
Net income available for common unitholders	\$	7,259 \$	10,859	\$	55,596 \$	57,593	
Denominator:	_			T			
Denominator for basic earnings per Common Unit –weighted average units		75,019	74,542		74,945	70,563	
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Stock options using the treasury method		210	121		183	52	
Denominator for diluted earnings per Common Unit – adjusted weighted average							
units and assumed conversions (1)	_	75,229	74,663		75,128	70,615	
Earnings per Common Unit - diluted:							
Income from continuing operations available for common unitholders	\$	0.10 \$	0.15	\$	0.74 \$	0.48	
Income from discontinued operations available for common unitholders						0.34	
Net income available for common unitholders	\$	0.10 \$	0.15	\$	0.74 \$	0.82	

<sup>(1)</sup> Options and warrants aggregating 0.7 million and 0.9 million units were outstanding during the three months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively, and 0.7 million and 1.2 million units were outstanding during the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively, but were not included in the computation of diluted earnings per Common Unit because the impact of including such shares would be anti-dilutive.

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

(tabular dollar amounts in thousands, except per unit data)

#### 13. SEGMENT INFORMATION

Our principal business is the operation, acquisition and development of rental real estate properties. We evaluate our business by product type and by geographic location. Each product type has different customers and economic characteristics as to rental rates and terms, cost per square foot of buildings, the purposes for which customers use the space, the degree of maintenance and customer support required and customer dependency on different economic drivers, among others. The operating results by geographic grouping are also regularly reviewed by our chief operating decision maker for assessing performance and other purposes. There are no material inter-segment transactions.

Our accounting policies of the segments are the same as those used in our Consolidated Financial Statements. All operations are within the United States and, at September 30, 2010, no single customer of the Wholly Owned Properties generated more than 9.4% of our consolidated revenues on an annualized basis.

The following table summarizes the rental and other revenues and net operating income, the primary industry property-level performance metric which is defined as rental and other revenues less rental property and other expenses, for each reportable segment:

	 Three Mor Septem	 	Nine Mon Septem	 
	2010	2009	2010	2009
Rental and Other Revenues: (1)				
Office:				
Atlanta, GA	\$ 11,870	\$ 12,617	\$ 36,069	\$ 36,213
Greenville, SC	3,312	3,429	10,440	10,668
Kansas City, MO	3,673	3,742	11,045	11,200
Memphis, TN	9,692	8,185	24,889	22,615
Nashville, TN	14,599	14,901	44,564	45,498
Orlando, FL	2,920	3,110	8,985	8,903
Piedmont Triad, NC	5,802	5,720	17,722	17,575
Raleigh, NC	18,814	18,205	56,070	54,509
Richmond, VA	12,210	12,173	35,486	35,114
Tampa, FL	 17,831	17,480	53,810	50,600
Total Office Segment	100,723	99,562	299,080	292,895
Industrial:				
Atlanta, GA	3,660	3,904	11,478	11,775
Piedmont Triad, NC	3,259	2,859	9,324	9,872
Total Industrial Segment	6,919	6,763	20,802	21,647
Retail:				
Kansas City, MO	8,103	6,466	24,540	21,755
Piedmont Triad, NC	_	47	(40)	161
Raleigh, NC	30	30	105	90
Total Retail Segment	8,133	6,543	24,605	22,006
Residential:				
Kansas City, MO	288	302	969	897
Total Residential Segment	288	302	969	897
Total Rental and Other Revenues	\$ 116,063	\$ 113,170	\$ 345,456	\$ 337,445

# NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

(tabular dollar amounts in thousands, except per unit data)

#### 13. **SEGMENT INFORMATION - Continued**

		Three Mor Septem			Nine Months End September 30,			Vine Months Ended September 30,	
	-	2010	 2009	 2010		2009			
Net Operating Income: (1)						2005			
Office:									
Atlanta, GA	\$	7,395	\$ 7,895	\$ 22,888	\$	22,929			
Greenville, SC		1,858	2,014	6,314		6,651			
Kansas City, MO		2,160	2,342	6,706		6,853			
Memphis, TN		5,507	4,844	15,029		12,908			
Nashville, TN		9,490	9,713	29,454		29,683			
Orlando, FL		1,555	1,637	4,896		4,672			
Piedmont Triad, NC		3,843	3,637	11,709		11,547			
Raleigh, NC		12,610	11,945	38,480		36,778			
Richmond, VA		7,632	7,837	24,010		23,925			
Tampa, FL		10,903	10,246	 32,747		29,665			
Total Office Segment		62,953	62,110	192,233		185,611			
Industrial:									
Atlanta, GA		2,493	2,903	8,064		8,916			
Piedmont Triad, NC		2,460	2,087	6,841		7,639			
Total Industrial Segment		4,953	4,990	14,905		16,555			
Retail:									
Atlanta, GA (2)		(5)	(6)	(16)		(18)			
Kansas City, MO		4,569	3,494	14,682		13,470			
Piedmont Triad, NC (2)		_	(72)	(40)		18			
Raleigh, NC (2)		10	(1)	29		9			
Total Retail Segment		4,574	3,415	14,655		13,479			
Residential:									
Kansas City, MO		168	163	594		518			
Raleigh, NC (2)		(90)	(72)	(265)		(210)			
Total Residential Segment		78	91	329		308			
Total Net Operating	<u> </u>								
Income		72,558	70,606	222,122		215,953			
Reconciliation to income from continuing operations before disposition of property, condominiums and investment in unconsolidated affiliates and equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates:									
Depreciation and amortization		(34,281)	(32,367)	(100,363)		(97,590)			
General and administrative expense		(8,882)	(9,485)	(24,579)		(27,537)			
Interest expense		(23,338)	(21,334)	(69,385)		(64,654)			
Interest and other income		1,625	3,981	4,291		7,902			
Income from continuing operations before disposition of property, condominiums and investment in unconsolidated affiliates and equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates	\$	7,682	\$ 11,401	\$ 32,086	\$	34,074			

<sup>(1)</sup> Net of discontinued operations.

<sup>(2)</sup> Negative NOI with no corresponding revenues represents expensed real estate taxes and other carrying costs associated with land held for development that is currently zoned for the respective product type.

#### ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The Company is a fully integrated, self-administered and self-managed equity REIT that provides leasing, management, development, construction and other customer-related services for our properties and for third parties. The Company conducts virtually all of its activities through the Operating Partnership and is its sole general partner. At September 30, 2010, we owned or had an interest in 329 in-service office, industrial and retail properties, encompassing approximately 32.3 million square feet, which includes one recently developed office property that had not yet reached the earlier of original projected stabilization date or 95% occupancy aggregating 148,000 square feet, two office properties under development aggregating 231,000 square feet and a 12.5% interest in a 261,000 square foot office property directly owned by the Company (included in the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements, but not included in the Operating Partnership's Consolidated Financial Statements); 30 for-sale residential condominiums and 96 rental residential units. We are based in Raleigh, North Carolina, and our properties and development land are located in Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia. Additional information about us can be found on our website at <a href="https://www.highwoods.com">www.highwoods.com</a>. Information on our website is not part of this Quarterly Report.

You should read the following discussion and analysis in conjunction with the accompanying Consolidated Financial Statements and related notes contained elsewhere in this Quarterly Report.

#### DISCLOSURE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Some of the information in this Quarterly Report may contain forward-looking statements. Such statements include, in particular, statements about our plans, strategies and prospects under this section and under the heading "Business." You can identify forward-looking statements by our use of forward-looking terminology such as "may," "will," "expect," "anticipate," "estimate," "continue" or other similar words. Although we believe that our plans, intentions and expectations reflected in or suggested by such forward-looking statements are reasonable, we cannot assure you that our plans, intentions or expectations will be achieved. When considering such forward-looking statements, you should keep in mind the following important factors that could cause our actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statement:

- the financial condition of our customers could deteriorate;
- we may not be able to lease or release second generation space, defined as previously occupied space that becomes available for lease, quickly or on as favorable terms as old leases;
- we may not be able to lease our newly constructed buildings as quickly or on as favorable terms as originally anticipated;
- we may not be able to complete development, acquisition, reinvestment, disposition or joint venture projects as quickly or on as favorable terms as anticipated;
- development activity by our competitors in our existing markets could result in an excessive supply of office, industrial and retail properties relative to customer demand;
- our Southeastern and Midwestern United States markets may suffer declines in economic growth;
- unanticipated increases in interest rates could increase our debt service costs;
- we may not be able to meet our liquidity requirements or obtain capital on favorable terms to fund our working capital needs and growth initiatives or to repay or refinance outstanding debt upon maturity; and
- the Company could lose key executive officers.

This list of risks and uncertainties, however, is not intended to be exhaustive. You should also review the other cautionary statements we make in "Item 1A. Business – Risk Factors" set forth in our 2009 Annual Report on Form 10-K. Given these uncertainties, you should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. We undertake no obligation to publicly release the results of any revisions to these forward-looking statements to reflect any future events or circumstances or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Our Strategic Plan focuses on:

- owning high-quality, differentiated real estate assets in the better submarkets in our core markets; and
- maintaining a conservative, flexible balance sheet with ample liquidity to meet our funding needs and growth prospects.

Execution of our Plan includes (1) growing net operating income at our existing properties through concentrated leasing, asset management and customer service efforts and (2) developing properties in in-fill locations and acquiring strategic properties that are accretive to long-term earnings and stockholder value. While we own and operate a limited number of industrial, retail and residential properties, our operating results depend heavily on successfully leasing and operating our office properties. Economic growth in Florida, Georgia, North Carolina and Tennessee is and will continue to be an important determinative factor in predicting our future operating results. Our portfolio has changed significantly over the past five years and now consists of a higher proportion of Class A and B properties, which are generally expected to outperform competitive properties in our core markets. We have repositioned our portfolio primarily by selling non-core properties and developing properties in in-fill locations. Our real estate professionals are seasoned and cycle-tested. Our senior leadership team has significant experience and maintains important relationships with market participants in each of our core markets. Our focus for the next 12 months is to lease and operate our existing portfolio as effectively and efficiently as possible and acquire and develop additional real estate assets that improve the overall quality of our portfolio and generate attractive returns over the long-term for our stockholders.

#### RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Results for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009 were revised from previously reported amounts to reflect in discontinued operations the operations for those properties sold or held for sale which required discontinued operations presentation.

### Three Months Ended September 30, 2010 and 2009

#### Rental and Other Revenues

Rental and other revenues from continuing operations were 2.6% higher in the third quarter of 2010 as compared to the third quarter of 2009 primarily due to the acquisitions of an office property in Tampa, FL in the fourth quarter of 2009 and an office property in Memphis, TN in the third quarter of 2010 and the contribution of development properties recently placed in service. This increase is partly offset by slightly lower average occupancy and lower operating expense recoveries from lower real estate tax and utilities expenses in our same property portfolio. We expect rental and other revenues for the remainder of 2010, adjusted for any discontinued operations, to be relatively unchanged as compared to the same period in 2009.

## **Operating Expenses**

Rental property and other expenses were 2.2% higher in the third quarter of 2010 as compared to the third quarter of 2009 primarily due to our recent acquisition activity and the contribution of development properties recently placed in service, offset by lower expenses from management's continuing efforts to reduce operating expenses in our same property portfolio. As a result, operating margin, defined as rental and other revenues less rental property and other expenses expressed as a percentage of rental and other revenues, was slightly higher at 62.5% in the third quarter of 2010 as compared to 62.4% in the third quarter of 2009. We expect the trend for rental property and other expenses for the remainder of 2010, adjusted for any discontinued operations, to be relatively unchanged as compared to the same period in 2009 for primarily the same factors.

Depreciation and amortization was 5.9% higher in the third quarter of 2010 as compared to the third quarter of 2009 primarily due to our recent acquisition activity and the contribution of development properties recently placed in service. We expect depreciation expense for the remainder of 2010, adjusted for any discontinued operations, to be higher over the same period in 2009 due to recent acquisitions and the contribution of development projects recently placed in service.

General and administrative expenses were 6.4% lower in the third quarter of 2010 as compared to the third quarter of 2009 primarily due to lower deferred compensation expense from a decrease in the value of marketable securities held under our non-qualified deferred compensation plan, lower short-term incentive compensation, and lower expenses from management's continuing efforts to reduce general and administrative expenses. We expect general and administrative expenses for the remainder of 2010, adjusted for changes in value of marketable securities held under our deferred compensation plan, to be lower over the same period in 2009 due to lower short-term incentive compensation and lower expenses from management's continuing efforts to reduce general and administrative expenses.

#### Other Income

Other income was \$2.4 million lower in the third quarter of 2010 as compared to the third quarter of 2009 primarily due to a decrease in the value of marketable securities held under our non-qualified deferred compensation plan and gains on debt extinguishment and environmental settlement in 2009.

### Interest Expense

Interest expense was 9.4% higher in the third quarter of 2010 as compared to the third quarter of 2009 primarily due to lower capitalized interest from decreased development in process, higher debt balances from the assumption of \$40.3 million of debt related to the acquisition of an office property in Memphis, TN in the third quarter of 2010 and higher fees on our new revolving credit facility. We expect interest expense for the remainder of 2010 to be higher over the same period in 2009 due to lower capitalized interest from decreased development in process, higher debt balances from the assumption of debt related to the acquisition of the Memphis office property and higher fees on our new revolving credit facility.

## Nine Months Ended September 30, 2010 and 2009

#### Rental and Other Revenues

Rental and other revenues from continuing operations were 2.4% higher in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 as compared to the same period in 2009 primarily due to our recent acquisition activity and the contribution of development properties recently placed in service, partly offset by lower operating expense recoveries from lower real estate tax and utilities expenses.

## **Operating Expenses**

Rental property and other expenses were 1.5% higher in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 as compared to the same period in 2009 primarily due to our recent acquisition activity and the contribution of development properties recently placed in service. As a result, operating margin was higher at 64.2% in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 as compared to 63.9% in the nine months ended September 30, 2009.

Depreciation and amortization was 2.8% higher in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 as compared to the same period in 2009 primarily due to our recent acquisition activity and the contribution of development properties recently placed in service.

General and administrative expenses were 10.7% lower in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 as compared to the same period in 2009 primarily due to lower deferred compensation expense caused by a decrease in the value of marketable securities held under our non-qualified deferred compensation plan, lower compensation costs from lower headcount, lower short and long-term incentive compensation, and lower expenses from management's continuing efforts to reduce general and administrative expenses.

#### Other Income

Other income was \$3.6 million lower in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 as compared to the same period in 2009 primarily due to a decrease in the value of marketable securities held under our non-qualified deferred compensation plan and gains on debt extinguishment and environmental settlement in 2009.

### Interest Expense

Interest expense was 7.3% higher in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 as compared to the same period in 2009 primarily due to lower capitalized interest resulting from decreased development in process, higher debt balances from the assumption of debt related to the acquisition of one office property in Memphis, TN in the third quarter of 2010 and higher fees on our new revolving credit facility.

### Gains on Disposition of Investment in Unconsolidated Affiliates and Equity in Earnings of Unconsolidated Affiliates

Gains on disposition of investment in unconsolidated affiliates were \$25.3 million higher in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 as compared to the same period in 2009 due to the disposition of our equity interests in a series of unconsolidated joint ventures relating to properties in Des Moines, IA. Equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates was \$1.1 million lower in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 as compared to the same period in 2009 primarily due to the disposition of one office property in one of our unconsolidated joint ventures in 2009.

#### **Discontinued Operations**

Discontinued operations were \$23.5 million lower in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 as compared to the same period in 2009 primarily due to the disposition of three retail properties in Kansas City, MO in 2009.

## LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

#### Overview

Our goal is to maintain a conservative and flexible balance sheet with access to multiple sources of debt and equity capital and sufficient availability under our credit facilities. We generally use rents received from customers to fund our operating expenses, capital expenditures and distributions. To fund property acquisitions, development activity or building renovations and repay debt upon maturity, we may use current cash balances, sell assets, obtain new debt, use our revolving credit facility and/or issue equity. Our debt generally consists of mortgage debt, unsecured debt securities and borrowings under our secured and unsecured credit facilities.

#### **Statements of Cash Flows**

We report and analyze our cash flows based on operating activities, investing activities and financing activities. The following table sets forth the changes in the Company's cash flows (\$ in thousands):

		Nine Months September		
		2010	2009	Change
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	142,654 \$	154,829 \$	(12,175)
Net cash (used in) investing activities		(37,526)	(44,624)	7,098
Net cash (used in) financing activities		(107,858)	(81,893)	(25,965)
Total net cash flows	<u>\$</u>	(2,730) \$	28,312 \$	(31,042)

In calculating cash flow from operating activities, depreciation and amortization, which are non-cash expenses, are added back to net income. As a result, we have historically generated a positive amount of cash from operating activities. From period to period, cash flow from operations depends primarily upon changes in our net income, as discussed more fully above under "Results of Operations," changes in receivables and payables, and net additions or decreases in our overall portfolio, which affect the amount of depreciation and amortization expense.

Cash used in or provided by investing activities generally relates to capitalized costs incurred for leasing and major building improvements and our acquisition, development, disposition and joint venture capital activity. During periods of significant net acquisition and/or development activity, our cash used in such investing activities will generally exceed cash provided by investing activities, which typically consists of cash received upon the sale of properties and distributions of capital from our joint ventures.

Cash used in or provided by financing activities generally relates to distributions, incurrence and repayment of debt and issuances, repurchases or redemptions of Common Stock, Common Units and Preferred Stock. As discussed previously, we use a significant amount of our cash to fund distributions. Whether or not we have increases in the outstanding balances of debt during a period depends generally upon the net effect of our acquisition, disposition, development and joint venture activity. We generally use our revolving credit facility for working capital purposes, which means that during any given period, in order to minimize interest expense, we may record significant repayments and borrowings under our revolving credit facility.

Cash provided by operating activities was \$12.2 million lower in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 as compared to the same period in 2009 primarily due to the impact of dispositions and lower cash rents in our same property portfolio, partly offset by higher cash rents from recently acquired buildings, the contribution of development properties recently placed in service and higher lease termination fees.

Cash used in investing activities was \$7.1 million lower in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 as compared to the same period in 2009 primarily due to lower development activities in 2010, partly offset by the acquisition of an office building in Memphis, TN in the third quarter of 2010 and lower dispositions in 2010.

Cash used in financing activities was \$26.0 million higher in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 as compared to the same period in 2009 primarily due to greater reductions in outstanding debt balances in 2009, mostly funded with the net proceeds from our May 2009 equity offering, and dividends on a higher number of outstanding shares of Common Stock in 2010.

#### Capitalization

The following table sets forth the Company's capitalization (in thousands, except per share amounts):

	Sep	tember 30, 2010	De	cember 31, 2009
Mortgages and notes payable, at recorded book value	\$	1,501,624	\$	1,469,155
Financing obligations	\$	33,625	\$	37,706
Preferred Stock, at liquidation value	\$	81,592	\$	81,592
Common Stock outstanding		71,656		71,285
Common Units outstanding (not owned by the Company)		3,797		3,891
Per share stock price at period end	\$	32.47	\$	33.35
Market value of Common Stock and Common Units	\$	2,449,959	\$	2,507,120
Total market capitalization with debt and obligations	\$	4,066,800	\$	4,095,573

Our mortgages and notes payable represented 36.9% of our total market capitalization and were comprised of \$763.1 million of secured indebtedness with a weighted average interest rate of 6.15% and \$738.5 million of unsecured indebtedness with a weighted average interest rate of 5.43%. At September 30, 2010, our outstanding mortgages and notes payable and financing obligations were secured by real estate assets with an aggregate undepreciated book value of \$1.2 billion.

#### **Current and Future Cash Needs**

Rental and other revenues are our principal source of funds to meet our short-term liquidity requirements. Other sources of funds for short-term liquidity needs include available working capital and borrowings under our existing revolving credit facility and secured construction credit facility (which had \$398.9 million and \$17.9 million of availability, respectively, at October 21, 2010). Our short-term liquidity requirements primarily consist of operating expenses, interest and principal amortization on our debt, distributions and capital expenditures, including building improvement costs, tenant improvement costs and lease commissions. Building improvements are capital costs to maintain existing buildings not related to a specific customer. Tenant improvements are the costs required to customize space for the specific needs of customers in spaces other than in new development projects. We anticipate that our available cash and cash equivalents and cash provided by operating activities, together with cash available from borrowings under our credit facilities, will be adequate to meet our short-term liquidity requirements.

Our long-term liquidity uses generally consist of the retirement or refinancing of debt upon maturity (including mortgage debt, our revolving and construction credit facilities, term loans and other unsecured debt), funding of existing and new building development or land infrastructure projects and funding acquisitions of buildings and development land. Excluding capital expenditures for leasing costs and tenant improvements and for normal building improvements, our expected future capital expenditures for started and/or committed new development/redevelopment projects were approximately \$13.2 million at September 30, 2010. Additionally, we may, from time to time, retire some or all of our remaining outstanding Preferred Stock and/or unsecured debt securities through redemptions, open market repurchases, privately negotiated acquisitions or otherwise.

We expect to meet our liquidity needs through a combination of:

- cash flow from operating activities;
- borrowings under our credit facilities;
- the issuance of unsecured debt;
- the issuance of secured debt;
- the issuance of equity securities by the Company or the Operating Partnership; and

• the disposition of non-core assets.

## **Recent Acquisition Activity**

During the third quarter of 2010, we acquired a 336,000 square foot office property in Memphis, TN for \$10.0 million in cash and the assumption of secured debt, which was recorded at fair value of \$40.3 million with an implied interest rate of 6.4%. The debt matures in November 2015. We have incurred or expect to incur approximately \$2.3 million of near-term building improvements and \$0.4 million of acquisition-related expenses.

### **Financing Activity**

Our \$400.0 million unsecured revolving credit facility is scheduled to mature on February 21, 2013 and includes an accordion feature that allows for an additional \$50.0 million of borrowing capacity subject to additional lender commitments. Assuming we continue to have three publicly announced ratings from the credit rating agencies, the interest rate and facility fee under our revolving credit facility are based on the lower of the two highest publicly announced ratings. Based on our current credit ratings, the interest rate is LIBOR plus 290 basis points and the annual facility fee is 60 basis points. We expect to use our revolving credit facility for working capital purposes and for the short-term funding of our development and acquisition activity and, in certain instances, the repayment of other debt. Continuing ability to borrow under the revolving credit facility allows us to quickly capitalize on strategic opportunities at short-term interest rates. There were no amounts outstanding under our revolving credit facility at September 30, 2010 and October 21, 2010. At September 30, 2010 and October 21, 2010, we had \$1.1 million of outstanding letters of credit, which reduces the availability on our revolving credit facility. As a result, the unused capacity of our revolving credit facility at September 30, 2010 and October 21, 2010 was \$398.9 million.

Our \$70.0 million secured construction facility, of which \$52.1 million was outstanding at September 30, 2010, is initially scheduled to mature on December 20, 2010. Assuming no defaults have occurred, we have options to extend the maturity date for two successive one-year periods. During the third quarter of 2010, we submitted our notice to extend the maturity date by one year. Upon payment of the extension fee and assuming no default exists at December 20, 2010, the facility will be extended until December 20, 2011. The interest rate is LIBOR plus 85 basis points. This facility had \$17.9 million of availability at September 30, 2010 and October 21, 2010.

We regularly evaluate the financial condition of the lenders that participate in our credit facilities using publicly available information. Based on this review, we currently expect our lenders, which are major financial institutions, to perform their obligations under our existing facilities.

## **Covenant Compliance**

We are currently in compliance with the covenants and other requirements with respect to our outstanding debt. Although we expect to remain in compliance with these covenants and ratios for at least the next year, depending upon our future operating performance, property and financing transactions and general economic conditions, we cannot assure you that we will continue to be in compliance.

Our revolving credit facility, bank term loan due in February 2011 (\$137.5 million outstanding as of September 30, 2010) and bank term loan due in March 2012 (\$10.0 million outstanding as of September 30, 2010) require us to comply with customary operating covenants and various financial requirements. Additionally, if we were to fail to make a payment when due with respect to any of our other obligations with aggregate unpaid principal of at least \$10.0 million, and such failure remains uncured for more than 120 days, the lenders under our credit facility could provide notice of their intent to accelerate all amounts due thereunder. Upon an event of default on the revolving credit facility, the lenders having at least 66.7% of the total commitments under the revolving credit facility can accelerate all borrowings then outstanding, and we could be prohibited from borrowing any further amounts under our revolving credit facility, which would adversely affect our ability to fund our operations.

The Operating Partnership has \$390.9 million principal amount of 2017 bonds outstanding and \$200.0 million principal amount of 2018 bonds outstanding. The indenture that governs these outstanding notes requires us to comply with customary operating covenants and various financial ratios. The trustee or the holders of at least 25% in principal amount of either series of bonds can accelerate the principal amount of such series upon written notice of a default that remains uncured after 60 days.

We may not be able to repay, refinance or extend any or all of our debt at maturity or upon any acceleration. If any refinancing is done at higher interest rates, the increased interest expense could adversely affect our cash flow and ability to pay distributions. Any such refinancing could also impose tighter financial ratios and other covenants that restrict our ability to take actions that could otherwise be in our best interest, such as funding new development activity, making opportunistic acquisitions, repurchasing our securities or paying distributions.

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

During the second quarter of 2010, we sold our equity interests in a series of unconsolidated joint ventures relating to properties in Des Moines, IA. The assets in the joint ventures included 2.5 million square feet of office (1.7 million square feet), industrial (788,000 square feet) and retail (45,000 square feet) properties, as well as 418 apartment units. In connection with the closing, we received \$15.0 million in cash. We had a negative book basis in certain of the joint ventures, primarily as a result of prior cash distributions to the partners. Accordingly, we recorded gain on disposition of investment in unconsolidated affiliates of \$25.3 million in the second quarter of 2010. As of the closing date, the joint ventures had approximately \$170 million of secured debt, which was non-recourse to us except (1) in the case of customary exceptions pertaining to matters such as misuse of funds, borrower bankruptcy, unpermitted transfers, environmental conditions and material misrepresentations and (2) approximately \$9.0 million of direct and indirect guarantees. We have been released by the applicable lenders from all such direct and indirect guarantees and we have no ongoing lender liability relating to such customary exceptions to non-recourse liability with respect to most, but not all, of the debt. The buyer has agreed to indemnify and hold us harmless from any and all future losses that we suffer as a result of our prior investment in the joint ventures (other than losses directly resulting from our acts or omissions). In the event we are exposed to any such future loss, our financial condition and results of operations would not be adversely affected unless the buyer defaults on its indemnification obligation.

In connection with the disposition of six industrial properties in Piedmont Triad, NC in the second quarter of 2010, we entered into a guarantee agreement with the buyer relating to an existing 237,500 square foot lease with one customer, who has leased space in the properties for 14 years. This agreement guarantees the payment of rent for an approximate two-year period from March 2011 through June 2013 in the event the customer exercises its limited termination right. As of September 30, 2010, our maximum exposure under this rent guarantee agreement was approximately \$0.9 million. No accrual has been recorded for this guarantee because we currently have concluded that a loss is not probable.

There were no other significant changes to our off balance sheet arrangements in the nine months ended September 30, 2010. For information regarding our off balance sheet arrangements at December 31, 2009, see Note 8 to the Consolidated Financial Statements in our 2009 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

## **Interest Rate Hedging Activities**

To meet, in part, our liquidity requirements, we borrow funds at a combination of fixed and variable rates. Borrowings under our revolving credit facility, construction facility and bank term loans bear interest at variable rates. Our long-term debt, which consists of secured and unsecured long-term financings and the issuance of unsecured debt securities, typically bears interest at fixed rates although some loans bear interest at variable rates. Our interest rate risk management objectives are to limit the impact of interest rate changes on earnings and cash flows and to lower our overall borrowing costs. To achieve these objectives, from time to time, we enter into interest rate hedge contracts such as collars, swaps, caps and treasury lock agreements in order to mitigate our interest rate risk with respect to various debt instruments. We do not hold or issue these derivative contracts for trading or speculative purposes. The interest rate on all of our variable rate debt is generally adjusted at one or three month intervals, subject to settlements under these interest rate hedge contracts. We also enter into treasury lock or similar agreements from time to time in order to limit our exposure to an increase in interest rates with respect to future debt offerings. We had no outstanding interest rate hedge contracts at September 30, 2010.

#### CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES

There were no changes made by management to the critical accounting policies in the nine months ended September 30, 2010. For a description of our critical accounting estimates, see "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations - Critical Accounting Estimates" in our 2009 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

#### FUNDS FROM OPERATIONS

The Company believes that FFO and FFO per share are beneficial to management and investors and are important indicators of the performance of any equity REIT. Because FFO and FFO per share calculations exclude such factors as depreciation and amortization of real estate assets and gains or losses from sales of operating real estate assets, which can vary among owners of identical assets in similar conditions based on historical cost accounting and useful life estimates, they facilitate comparisons of operating performance between periods and between other REITs. Management believes that historical cost accounting for real estate assets in accordance with GAAP implicitly assumes that the value of real estate assets diminishes predictably over time. Since real estate values have historically risen or fallen with market conditions, many industry investors and analysts have considered the presentation of operating results for real estate companies that use historical cost accounting to be insufficient on a stand-alone basis. As a result, management believes that the use of FFO and FFO per share, together with the required GAAP presentations, provide a more complete understanding of the Company's performance relative to its competitors and a more informed and appropriate basis on which to make decisions involving operating, financing and investing activities.

FFO and FFO per share are non-GAAP financial measures and therefore do not represent net income or net income per share as defined by GAAP. Net income and net income per share as defined by GAAP are the most relevant measures in determining the Company's operating performance because FFO and FFO per share include adjustments that investors may deem subjective, such as adding back expenses such as depreciation and amortization. Furthermore, FFO per share does not depict the amount that accrues directly to the stockholders' benefit. Accordingly, FFO and FFO per share should never be considered as alternatives to net income or net income per share as indicators of the Company's operating performance.

The Company's presentation of FFO is consistent with FFO as defined by the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts ("NAREIT"), which is calculated as follows:

- Net income/(loss) computed in accordance with GAAP;
- Less dividends to holders of Preferred Stock and less excess of Preferred Stock redemption cost over carrying value;
- Less net income attributable to noncontrolling interests;
- Plus depreciation and amortization of real estate assets;
- Less gains, or plus losses, from sales of depreciable operating properties (but excluding impairment losses) and excluding items that are classified as extraordinary items under GAAP;
- Plus or minus adjustments for unconsolidated partnerships and joint ventures (to reflect funds from operations on the same basis); and
- Plus or minus adjustments for depreciation and amortization and gains/(losses) on sales related to discontinued operations.

In calculating FFO, the Company adds back net income attributable to noncontrolling interests in the Operating Partnership, which the Company believes is consistent with standard industry practice for REITs that operate through an UPREIT structure. The Company believes that it is important to present FFO on an as-converted basis since all of the Common Units not owned by the Company are redeemable on a one-for-one basis for shares of its Common Stock.

The Company's FFO and FFO per share are summarized in the following table (\$ in thousands, except per share amounts):

	Three Months Ended September 30,				Nine Months Ended September 30,			
	2010 2009				2010	0	2009	
	Per			Per		Per		Per
	Amount	Share	Amount	Share	Amount	Share	Amount	Share
Funds from operations:								
Net income	\$ 8,773		\$ 12,573		\$ 60,904		\$ 62,847	
Net (income) attributable to noncontrolling interests in								
the Operating Partnership	(366)		(591)		(2,819)		(3,339)	
Net (income)/loss attributable to noncontrolling								
interests in consolidated affiliates	148		(24)		(281)		(158)	
Dividends on Preferred Stock	(1,677)		(1,677)		(5,031)		(5,031)	
Net income available for common stockholders	6,878	\$ 0.10	10,281	\$ 0.14	52,773	\$ 0.74	54,319	0.81
Add/(Deduct):								
Depreciation and amortization of real estate assets	33,837	0.44	31,861	0.43	99,072	1.31	96,150	1.36
(Gains) on disposition of depreciable properties	(19)		(19)	_	(55)		(108)	_
(Gains) on disposition of investment in								
unconsolidated affiliates	_		_		(25,330)	(0.34)	_	
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests								
in the Operating Partnership	366	_	591	_	2,819	_	3,339	_
Unconsolidated affiliates:								
Depreciation and amortization of real estate								
assets	2,115	0.03	3,352	0.05	8,193	0.11	9,825	0.14
(Gains) on disposition of depreciable								
properties	_	_	_	_		_	(781)	(0.01)
Discontinued operations:								
Depreciation and amortization of real estate								
assets	_	_	322	_	365		1,609	0.02
(Gains) on disposition of depreciable								
properties					(174)		(21,016)	(0.30)
Funds from	Φ 42.1==	Φ 0.5=	ф. 46.000	Φ 0.53	ф. 127. c s2	ф. 1.62	ф 142.22 <b>=</b> 2	2.00
operations	\$ 43,177	\$ 0.57	\$ 46,388	\$ 0.62	\$ 137,663	\$ 1.82	\$ 143,337	5 2.02
Weighted average Common Shares outstanding (1)	75,638		75,072		75,537		71,024	

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes assumed conversion of all potentially dilutive Common Stock equivalents.

#### ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

The effects of potential changes in interest rates are discussed below. Our market risk discussion includes "forward-looking statements" and represents an estimate of possible changes in fair value or future earnings that would occur assuming hypothetical future movements in interest rates. Actual future results may differ materially from those presented.

To meet in part our long-term liquidity requirements, we borrow funds at a combination of fixed and variable rates. Our debt consists of secured and unsecured long-term financings, unsecured debt securities, loans and credit facilities, which typically bear interest at fixed rates although some loans bear interest at variable rates. Our interest rate risk management objectives are to limit the impact of interest rate changes on earnings and cash flows and to lower our overall borrowing costs. To achieve these objectives, from time to time we enter into interest rate hedge contracts such as collars, swaps, caps and treasury lock agreements in order to mitigate our interest rate risk with respect to various debt instruments. We generally do not hold or issue these derivative contracts for trading or speculative purposes.

At September 30, 2010, we had \$1,357 million of fixed rate debt outstanding. The estimated aggregate fair market value of this debt at September 30, 2010 was \$1,451 million. If interest rates had been 100 basis points higher, the aggregate fair market value of our fixed rate debt at September 30, 2010 would have been approximately \$54.8 million lower. If interest rates had been 100 basis points lower, the aggregate fair market value of our fixed rate debt at September 30, 2010 would have been approximately \$58.1 million higher.

At September 30, 2010, we had \$147.5 million of variable rate debt outstanding. The estimated aggregate fair market value of this debt at September 30, 2010 was \$146.8 million. If the weighted average interest rate on this variable rate debt had been 100 basis points higher or lower at September 30, 2010, the aggregate fair market value of our variable rate debt at September 30, 2010 would have decreased or increased by approximately \$0.7 million.

We have no outstanding hedge contracts at September 30, 2010.

#### ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

SEC rules require us to maintain disclosure controls and procedures that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in our annual and periodic reports filed with the SEC is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms. As defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the Exchange Act, disclosure controls and procedures include, without limitation, controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us is accumulated and communicated to management, including the Company's CEO and CFO, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. The Company's CEO and CFO have concluded that the disclosure controls and procedures of the Company and the Operating Partnership were each effective at the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report.

SEC rules also require us to establish and maintain internal control over financial reporting designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepting accounting principles. As defined in Rule 13a-15(f) under the Exchange Act, internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that:

- pertain to the maintenance of records that in reasonable detail accurately and fairly reflect transactions and dispositions of assets;
- provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with GAAP, and that receipts and expenditures are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors; and
- provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

There were no changes in internal control over financial reporting during the three months ended September 30, 2010 that materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting. There were also no changes in internal control over financial reporting during the three months ended September 30, 2010 that materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Operating Partnership's internal control over financial reporting.

## **PART II - OTHER INFORMATION**

## **ITEM 5. EXHIBITS**

Exhibit <u>Number</u>	Description
12.1	Statement re: Computation of Ratios of the Company
12.2	Statement re: Computation of Ratios of the Company
12.3	Statement re: Computation of Ratios of the Operating Partnership
12.4	Statement re: Computation of Ratios of the Operating Partnership
31.1	Certification Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act
31.2	Certification Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act
31.3	Certification Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act
31.4	Certification Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act
32.1	Certification Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act
32.2	Certification Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act
32.3	Certification Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act
32.4	Certification Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act
101	The following financial information from the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q as of and for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010 formatted in eXtensible Business Reporting Language (XBRL): (i) Consolidated Balance Sheets (unaudited), (ii) Consolidated Statements of Income (unaudited), (iii) Consolidated Statements of Equity (unaudited), (iv) Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (unaudited), and (v) Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited), tagged as blocks of text.

# **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, each of the registrants has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

HIGHWOO
By:
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By: Highwoo By: High

Date: October 28, 2010

# HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES, INC.

# RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES AND

# RATIO OF EARNINGS TO COMBINED FIXED CHARGES AND

# PREFERRED STOCK DIVIDENDS

	Three Months Ended		Nine Mor Ended	
		ber 30, 2010		
Earnings:				
Income from continuing operations before equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates	\$	7,755	\$	57,878
Fixed charges		24,143		71,661
Capitalized interest		(392)		(1,115)
Distributions of earnings from unconsolidated affiliates		1,216		2,933
Total earnings	\$	32,722	\$	131,357
Fixed charges and Preferred Stock dividends:				
Contractual interest expense	\$	22,020	\$	65,527
Amortization of deferred financing costs		858		2,528
Interest expense on financing obligations		460		1,330
Capitalized interest		392		1,115
Interest component of rental expense		413		1,161
Total fixed charges		24,143		71,661
Dividends on Preferred Stock		1,677		5,031
Total fixed charges and Dividends on Preferred Stock	\$	25,820	\$	76,692
		1.36		1.83
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges				
Ratio of earnings to combined fixed charges and Dividends on Preferred Stock		1.27		1.71

# HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES, INC.

# RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES AND

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# PREFERRED STOCK DIVIDENDS

	Years Ended December 31,									
		2009		2008		2007		2006		2005
Earnings:										
Income from continuing operations before equity in	ф	42.012	Ф	22.720	Ф	27.012	Ф	21.521	Ф	0.462
earnings of unconsolidated affiliates	\$	42,012	\$	32,729	\$	37,012	\$	21,531	\$	8,463
Fixed charges		93,035		108,271		111,478		106,576		110,238
Capitalized interest		(4,555)		(8,312)		(9,743)		(5,002)		(2,900)
Distributions of earnings from unconsolidated affiliates		4,180		5,994		4,462		7,748		8,965
Total earnings	\$	134,672	\$	138,682	\$	143,209	\$	130,853	\$	124,766
Fixed charges and Preferred Stock dividends:										
Contractual interest expense	\$	81,982	\$	92,858	\$	93,975	\$	93,634	\$	97,431
Amortization of deferred financing costs		2,760		2,716		2,415		2,375		3,372
Interest expense on financing obligations		2,130		2,918		3,930		4,162		5,032
Capitalized interest		4,555		8,312		9,743		5,002		2,900
Interest component of rental expense		1,608		1,467		1,415		1,403		1,503
Total fixed charges		93,035		108,271		111,478		106,576		110,238
Dividends on Preferred Stock		6,708		9,804		13,477		17,063		27,238
Total fixed charges and Dividends on Preferred Stock	\$	99,743	\$	118,075	\$	124,955	\$	123,639	\$	137,476
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges		1.45	_	1.28	_	1.28	_	1.23	_	1.13
Ratio of earnings to combined fixed charges and Dividends on Preferred Stock		1.35		1.17	_	1.15	_	1.06		0.91

# RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES AND

# RATIO OF EARNINGS TO COMBINED FIXED CHARGES AND

# PREFERRED UNIT DISTRIBUTIONS

		Nine Months
	Ended Iber 30, 2010 Ser	Ended otember 30, 2010
Earnings:		,
Income from continuing operations before equity in earnings of unconsolidated		
affiliates	\$ 7,755 \$	57,878
Fixed charges	24,143	71,661
Capitalized interest	(392)	(1,115)
Distributions of earnings from unconsolidated affiliates	 1,183	2,887
Total earnings	\$ 32,689 \$	131,311
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Fixed charges and Preferred Unit distributions:		
Contractual interest expense	\$ 22,020 \$	65,527
Amortization of deferred financing costs	858	2,528
Interest expense on financing obligations	460	1,330
Capitalized interest	392	1,115
Interest component of rental expense	413	1,161
Total fixed charges	24,143	71,661
Distributions on Preferred Units	 1,677	5,031
Total fixed charges and Distributions on Preferred Units	\$ 25,820 \$	76,692
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Ratio of earnings to fixed charges	 1.35	1.83
Ratio of earnings to combined fixed charges and Distributions on Preferred Units	1.27	1.71

# RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES AND

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# PREFERRED UNIT DISTRIBUTIONS

	Years Ended December 31,								
		2009		2008		2007	2006		2005
Earnings:									
Income from continuing operations before equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates	\$	42,012	\$	32,699	\$	37,059 \$	21,748	\$	8,568
Fixed charges		93,035		108,271		111,397	106,540		110,238
Capitalized interest		(4,555)		(8,312)		(9,743)	(5,002)		(2,900)
Distributions of earnings from unconsolidated affiliates		4,103		5,978		4,271	7,335		8,516
Total earnings	\$	134,595	\$	138,636	\$	142,984 \$	130,621	\$	124,422
Fixed charges and Preferred Unit distributions:									
Contractual interest expense	\$	81,982	\$	92,858	\$	93,894 \$		\$	97,431
Amortization of deferred financing costs		2,760		2,716		2,415	2,375		3,372
Financing obligations interest expense		2,130		2,918		3,930	4,162		5,032
Capitalized interest		4,555		8,312		9,743	5,002		2,900
Interest component of rental expense		1,608		1,467		1,415	1,403		1,503
Total fixed charges		93,035		108,271		111,397	106,540		110,238
Preferred Unit distributions		6,708		9,804		13,477	17,063		27,238
Total fixed charges and Preferred Unit distributions	\$	99,743	\$	118,075	\$	124,874 \$	123,603	\$	137,476
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges		1.45		1.28		1.28	1.23		1.13
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges and Preferred Unit distributions		1.35		1.17		1.15	1.06		0.91

## I, Edward J. Fritsch, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Highwoods Properties Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this quarterly report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this quarterly report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this quarterly report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the Registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this quarterly report;
- 4. The Registrant's other certifying officers and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the Registrant and we have:
  - (a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the Registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this quarterly report is being prepared;
  - (b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, 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;
  - (c) evaluated the effectiveness of the Registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) disclosed in this report any change in the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the Registrant's most recent fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting.
- 5. The Registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the Registrant's auditors and the Audit Committee of Registrant's Board of Directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - (a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the Registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: October 28, 2010

/s/ EDWARD J. FRITSCH

Edward J. Fritsch President and Chief Executive Officer

## I, Terry L. Stevens, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Highwoods Properties Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this quarterly report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this quarterly report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this quarterly report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the Registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this quarterly report;
- 4. The Registrant's other certifying officers and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the Registrant and we have:
  - (a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the Registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this quarterly report is being prepared;
  - (b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, 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;
  - (c) evaluated the effectiveness of the Registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) disclosed in this report any change in the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the Registrant's most recent fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting.
- 5. The Registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the Registrant's auditors and the Audit Committee of Registrant's Board of Directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - (a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the Registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: October 28, 2010

/s/ Terry L. Stevens

Terry L. Stevens Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

## I, Edward J. Fritsch, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Highwoods Realty Limited Partnership;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this quarterly report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this quarterly report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this quarterly report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the Registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this quarterly report;
- 4. The Registrant's other certifying officers and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the Registrant and we have:
  - (a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the Registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this quarterly report is being prepared;
  - (b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, 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;
  - (c) evaluated the effectiveness of the Registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) disclosed in this report any change in the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the Registrant's most recent fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting.
- 5. The Registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the Registrant's auditors and the Audit Committee of Registrant's Board of Directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - (a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the Registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: October 28, 2010

/s/ Edward J. Fritsch

Edward J. Fritsch President and Chief Executive Officer of the General Partner

## I, Terry L. Stevens, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Highwoods Realty Limited Partnership;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this quarterly report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this quarterly report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this quarterly report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the Registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this quarterly report;
- 4. The Registrant's other certifying officers and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the Registrant and we have:
  - (a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the Registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this quarterly report is being prepared;
  - (b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, 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;
  - (c) evaluated the effectiveness of the Registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) disclosed in this report any change in the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the Registrant's most recent fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting.
- 5. The Registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the Registrant's auditors and the Audit Committee of Registrant's Board of Directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - (a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the Registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: October 28, 2010

/s/ Terry L. Stevens

Terry L. Stevens Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of the General Partner

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Highwoods Properties, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ended September 30, 2010 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Edward J. Fritsch, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350, as adopted pursuant to § 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- 1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- 2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

/s/ Edward J. Fritsch

Edward J. Fritsch President and Chief Executive Officer October 28, 2010

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Highwoods Properties, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ended September 30, 2010 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Terry L. Stevens, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350, as adopted pursuant to § 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- 1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- 2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

# /s/ Terry L. Stevens

Terry L. Stevens Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer October 28, 2010

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Highwoods Realty Limited Partnership (the "Operating Partnership") on Form 10-Q for the period ended September 30, 2010 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Edward J. Fritsch, President and Chief Executive Officer of Highwoods Properties, Inc., general partner of the Operating Partnership, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350, as adopted pursuant to § 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- 1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- 2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Operating Partnership.

/s/ EDWARD J. FRITSCH

Edward J. Fritsch President and Chief Executive Officer of the General Partner October 28, 2010

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Highwoods Realty Limited Partnership (the "Operating Partnership") on Form 10-Q for the period ended September 30, 2010 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Terry L. Stevens, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Highwoods Properties, Inc., general partner of the Operating Partnership, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350, as adopted pursuant to § 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- 1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- 2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Operating Partnership.

# /s/ Terry L. Stevens

Terry L. Stevens Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of the General Partner October 28, 2010