# Management's Discussion & Analysis

#### **Table of Contents** November 3, 2016 The following Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) of Melcor Real Estate Investment Trust's (the Other Information 1 REIT) results should be read in conjunction with the unaudited condensed interim consolidated financial statements and related notes for the quarter ended September 30, 2016 and the MD&A and consolidated Non-standard Measures financial statements and related notes for the year ended December 31, 2015. The discussion outlines strategies and provides analysis of our financial performance for the third quarter of 2016. Forward-looking Statements 1 The underlying financial statements in this MD&A, including 2015 comparative information, have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) unless otherwise noted. Financial Reporting The REIT's Board of Trustees, on the recommendation of the Audit Committee, approved the content of this MD&A on November 3, 2016. Disclosure contained in this MD&A is current to November 3, 2016, unless Our Business: Vision, Goals & otherwise indicated. 2 Strategy All dollar amounts included in this MD&A are Canadian dollars unless otherwise specified. Q3-2016 Highlights & Key 3 Performance Indicators Other Information Consolidated Revenue & Net 4 **Operating Income** Additional information about the REIT, including our annual information form, management information **Property Analysis** 6 circular and quarterly reports, is available on our website at melcorREIT.ca and on SEDAR at sedar.com. Non-standard Measures Regional Analysis We refer to terms and measures which are not specifically defined in the CICA Handbook and do not have any **General & Administrative Expenses** 8 standardized meaning prescribed by IFRS. These measures include funds from operations (FFO), adjusted funds from operations (AFFO) and net operating income (NOI), which are key measures of performance used by real Finance Costs 8 estate businesses. We believe that these measures are important in evaluating the REIT's operating performance, financial risk, economic performance, and cash flows. These non-standard measures may not be 9 **Income Taxes** comparable to similar measures presented by other companies and real estate investment trusts and should not be used as a substitute for performance measures prepared in accordance with IFRS. Funds from Operations & Non-standard measures included in this MD&A are defined on page 16 "Non-standard Measures." Adjusted Funds from Operations Fair Value of Investment **Forward-looking Statements Properties** 11 In order to provide our investors with an understanding of our current results and future prospects, our public **Liquidity & Capital Resources** 12 communications often include written or verbal forward-looking statements. **Quarterly Results** 15 Forward-looking statements are disclosures regarding possible events, conditions, or results of operations that 16 Off Balance Sheet Arrangements, are based on assumptions about future economic conditions, courses of action and include future-oriented Contractual Obligations, Business financial information. **Environment & Risks, Related Party** This MD&A and other materials filed with the Canadian securities regulators contain statements that are Transactions, Critical Accounting forward-looking. These statements represent the REIT's intentions, plans, expectations, and beliefs and are Estimates, Changes in Accounting based on our experience and our assessment of historical and future trends, and the application of key Policies assumptions relating to future events and circumstances. Forward-looking statements may involve, but are not 16 limited to, comments with respect to our strategic initiatives for 2016 and beyond, future leasing, acquisition Internal Control over Financial and financing plans and objectives, targets, expectations of the real estate, financing and economic Reporting and Disclosure Controls environments, our financial condition or the results of or outlook of our operations. Non-standard Measures 16 By their nature, forward-looking statements require assumptions and involve risks and uncertainties related to

By their nature, forward-looking statements require assumptions and involve risks and uncertainties related to the business and general economic environment, many beyond our control. There is significant risk that the predictions, forecasts, valuations, conclusions or projections we make will not prove to be accurate and that our actual results will be materially different from targets, expectations, estimates or intentions expressed in forward-looking statements. We caution readers of this document not to place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. Assumptions about the performance of the Canadian economy and how this performance will affect the REIT's business are material factors we consider in determining our forward-looking statements. For additional information regarding material risks and assumptions, please see the discussion under Business Environment and Risks on pages 22-26 of the 2015 annual report.

Readers should carefully consider these factors, as well as other uncertainties and potential events, and the inherent uncertainty of forward-looking statements. Except as may be required by law, we do not undertake to update any forward-looking statement, whether written or oral, made by the REIT or on its behalf.

## **Financial Reporting**

Throughout this MD&A we make reference to the terms "we", "our" and "management". These terms are used to describe the activities of the REIT through the eyes of management, as provided by Melcor under the asset management and property management agreements.

# Our Business: Vision, Goals & Strategy

Melcor REIT has an established and diversified portfolio in western Canada. We own 38 income-producing office, retail and industrial properties representing 2.78 million square feet (sf) in gross leasable area (GLA) at September 30, 2016. These high-quality properties feature stable occupancy and a diversified mix of tenants, some of whom have been in place for over 20 years. We are externally managed, administered and operated by Melcor pursuant to the asset management and property management agreements entered into at our IPO.

As at November 3, 2016, Melcor, through an affiliate, holds an approximate 56.7% effective interest in the REIT through ownership of all Class B LP Units of the Partnership and is the ultimate controlling party.

Melcor, a real estate company founded in 1923, has a rich history of growth and performance prior to the formation of the REIT. Our objective is to continue that tradition by expanding our portfolio of income-producing properties across western Canada to provide stable and growing monthly cash distributions to unitholders. Our growth strategy is simple: acquire and improve. Together with Melcor, we have a proven track record of doing both.

## **Acquire:**

We continue to actively seek strategic property acquisitions and are monitoring opportunities that meet our investment criteria; however we have not completed any acquisitions in 2016.

## Improve:

We continue to improve our existing assets through both property management and asset enhancement programs.

#### **Asset Enhancement:**

We continue to execute on opportunities to densify our portfolio. In the past 12 months, we completed two densification projects by building additional commercial retail units (CRUs) at two existing neighbourhood shopping centres, adding 7,835 sf to the portfolio. We have identified further opportunities for densification in the future.

#### **Property Management:**

We responded to 99% of calls to our signature customer care line within 30 minutes in Q3-2016, exceeding our target of a 95% on time response rate. We use this metric as an indicator of our success in providing responsive care to our customers.

In September 2016 we undertook a tenant satisfaction survey at select Edmonton area office properties which resulted in 94% of respondents rating our property management and building operations teams as good, very good or excellent. Tenant satisfaction is a cornerstone of our best in class mantra and is key to tenant retention and new leasing.

# Q3-2016 Highlights & Key Performance Indicators

Financial Highlights							
	Three month Sept 3		Nine months ended Sept 30				
(\$000s)	2016	2015	△%	2016	2015	∆%	
Non-Standard KPIs							
Net operating income (NOI)	10,692	10,325	4 %	32,078	30,912	4 %	
Funds from Operations (FFO)	6,843	6,724	2 %	20,362	19,716	3 %	
Adjusted Funds from Operations (AFFO)	5,764	5,560	4 %	16,987	16,294	4 %	
Rental revenue	16,439	15,938	3 %	49,872	48,519	3 %	
Income before fair value adjustments	3,585	3,500	2 %	10,320	9,941	4 %	
Fair value adjustment on investment properties	(947)	(3,614)	(74)%	(2,946)	(7,322)	(60)%	
Distributions to unitholders	1,882	1,895	(1)%	5,646	5,700	(1)%	
Cash flows from operations	3,688	3,802	(3)%	9,234	6,721	37 %	
Same-asset NOI	9,796	9,953	(2)%	29,642	29,705	<b>–</b> %	
Per unit metrics							
Income (loss) - diluted	\$0.01	\$0.10	(90)%	(\$1.25)	\$0.41	(405)%	
FFO	\$0.27	\$0.26	2 %	\$0.79	\$0.76	4 %	
AFFO	\$0.22	\$0.21	4 %	\$0.66	\$0.63	5 %	
Distributions	\$0.17	\$0.17	<b>-</b> %	\$0.51	\$0.51	<b>-</b> %	
Payout	77%	80%	(4)%	77%	80%	(4)%	

	30-Sept-16	31-Dec-15	△%
Total assets (\$000s)	668,197	666,458	<b>–</b> %
Equity (\$000s) <sup>(1)</sup>	260,600	260,600	<b>–</b> %
Debt (\$000s) <sup>(2)</sup>	353,490	353,521	<b>–</b> %
Weighted average interest rate on debt	3.63%	3.80%	(4)%
Debt to GBV ratio	56%	56%	<b>-</b> %
Finance costs coverage ratio <sup>(3)</sup>	2.91	2.87	1 %
Debt service coverage ratio <sup>(4)</sup>	2.78	2.76	1 %

Operational Highlights			
	30-Sept-16	31-Dec-15	△%
Number of properties	38	38	<b>–</b> %
Gross Leasable Area (GLA) (sf)	2,775,832	2,768,750	<b>-</b> %
Occupancy % (weighted by GLA)	<b>92.4%</b> 93.6%		(1)%
Retention % (weighted by GLA)	52.69	<b>%</b> 73.0%	(28)%
Weighted average remaining lease term (years)	4.91	5.27	(7)%
Weighted average base rent (per sf)	\$ 15.59	\$ 15.49	1 %

<sup>(1)</sup> Calculated as the sum of trust units and Class B LP Units at their book value. Class B LP Units are presented as a financial liability in the condensed interim consolidated financial statements.

<sup>(2)</sup> Calculated as the sum of total amount drawn on revolving credit facility, mortgages payable, Class C LP Units, excluding unamortized fair value adjustment on Class C LP Units and convertible debenture, excluding unamortized discount and transaction costs.

<sup>(3)</sup> Excluding convertible debentures, Debt to GBV ratio is 50% (December 31, 2015 - 50%).

<sup>(4)</sup> Calculated as the sum of FFO and finance costs; divided by finance costs, excluding distributions on Class B LP Units and fair value adjustment on derivative financial liability.

<sup>(5)</sup> Calculated as FFO divided by sum of contractual principal repayments on mortgages payable and distributions of Class C LP Units, excluding amortization of fair value adjustment on Class C LP Units.

#### Q3-2016 Highlights:

Our portfolio performance remained steady throughout Q3-2016. The stability and diversity of our portfolio with respect to both tenant profile and asset class position the REIT well for managing through economic cycles. We are focused on the real estate fundamentals of asset enhancement and property management while conservatively managing our debt. At 77%, our payout ratio is a strong indicator of our overall health and our ability to sustain distributions at current rates.

Highlights of our performance in the third quarter include:

- Property acquisitions completed via the Melcor proprietary pipeline over the past 12 months coupled with densification activity on two existing properties led to revenue growth of 3% and AFFO growth of 4% over Q3-2015.
- Leasing activity remains stable, with 123,164 sf in new and renewed leases completed during the quarter. Occupancy remains steady at 92.4%.
- We achieved an on-time response rate in our signature care program of 99% in Q3-2016. In September, we completed a tenant survey at select Edmonton area office buildings where 94% of respondents rated our property management and building operations teams as good, very good or excellent. We view these metrics as an important indication of our commitment to ongoing client care, which contributes to tenant satisfaction and ultimately retention.
- We renewed and re-financed \$17.03 million in mortgage and Class C LP debt at an average interest rate of 2.88%. Recent renewals
  and re-financings have resulted in a downward trend in our weighted average interest rate, which declined 17 basis points over
  December 31, 2015. Reductions to our average borrowing costs translated into improvement in both our finance costs coverage
  ratio and debt service coverage ratio, which indicate our ability to satisfy ongoing debt servicing requirements.
- We paid distributions of \$0.05625 per trust unit in July, August and September for a quarterly payout ratio of 77% (Q3-2015 80%).
- Our working capital position remains healthy and we continue to collect receivables in a timely manner to ensure near term
  liquidity. Funds available under our revolving credit facility at September 30, 2016 provide the REIT with near term capacity to
  capitalize on acquisition opportunities.

## **Consolidated Revenue & Net Operating Income**

	Three months Sept 30			Nine months ended Sept 30			
(\$000s)	2016	2015	△%	2016	<b>016</b> 2015		
Base rent	10,314	10,115	2 %	31,270	30,238	3 %	
Recoveries	5,959	5,655	5 %	18,288	17,948	2 %	
Other	684	519	32 %	1,800	1,515	19 %	
Amortization of tenant incentives	(819)	(758)	8 %	(2,429)	(2,376)	2 %	
Straight-line rent adjustment	301	407	(26)%	943	1,194	(21)%	
Rental revenue	16,439	15,938	3 %	49,872	48,519	3 %	
Operating expenses	3,044	2,812	8 %	9,407	9,150	3 %	
Utilities and property taxes	3,221	3,152	2 %	9,873	9,639	2 %	
Direct operating expenses	6,265	5,964	5 %	19,280	18,789	3 %	
Net rental income	10,174	9,974	2 %	30,592	29,730	3 %	
NOI	10,692	10,325	4 %	32,078	30,912	4 %	
Same asset NOI	9,796	9,953	(2)%	29,642	29,705	<b>-</b> %	
Operating margin	62%	63%	(2)%	61%	61%	<b>–</b> %	

#### Revenue

Rental revenue increased by 3% or \$0.50 million in Q3-2016 and by \$1.35 million year to date as a result of portfolio growth of 39,464 sf over the past twelve months. We acquired additional phases at two existing properties and also densified existing retail properties with new CRUs. Rental revenue from the newly acquired/constructed GLA was \$0.45 million in Q3-2016 and \$1.16 million year to date (2015 - \$0.32).

million and \$0.33 million respectively). On a same-asset basis, base rent grew 1% as a result of an uptick in average base rent as rent-steps on escalating leases kicked in and there were fewer tenants on rent-free periods. Positive movement in base rent, recoveries and other income were offset by negative changes to straight-line rent adjustment and amortization of tenant incentives, resulting in flat same-asset rental revenue over 2015.

We continue to be proactive and strategic in our leasing programs to meet the demands of an evolving market while retaining and attracting new tenants. We have leased 123,164 sf to date in 2016, and occupancy remains stable over 2015. To date in 2016, we have completed 22 renewals (of 37 expiries) representing 49,538 sf of GLA. Our year to date retention rate was significantly impacted by a single tenant who did not renew (19,124 sf). Based on current lease negotiations on the remaining leases that mature in 2016, we anticipate that our retention will improve by year-end; however, still falling short of our targeted 75%.

Weighted average base rent was \$15.59, up 1% compared to December 31, 2015. Increases in base rent correlated with a decrease in straight-line rent adjustments.

The following table summarizes our average base rent, GLA, occupancy and retention:

	<b>30-Sept-16</b>	31-Dec-15	△%
Weighted average base rent (per sf)	\$15.59	\$15.49	1 %
Weighted average remaining lease term	4.91	5.27	(5)%
GLA	2,775,832	2,768,750	<b>-</b> %
Occupancy	92.4%	93.6%	<b>-</b> %
Retention	52.6%	73.0%	(60)%

Recoveries are amounts recovered from tenants for direct operating expenses incurred and include a nominal administrative charge. We typically expect recovery revenue to correlate with changes in recoverable operating expenses. Year to date recovery revenue increased 2% over 2015 while direct operating expenses increased 3% over the same period. The decline in our recovery ratio was the result of truing up 2015 year-end estimates in 2016 in conjunction with higher non-recoverable costs during the current period. Our 2016 recovery ratio is in line with our 2015 annual rate, with timing of direct operating costs impacting the recovery ratio on a quarterly basis.

Other revenue includes parking and other miscellaneous revenue that is ancillary to our business and fluctuates from period to period.

Amortization of tenant incentives increased in the quarter and year to date. Straight-line rent adjustments relate to new leases which have escalating rent rates and/or rent-free periods. The decrease in straight-line rent adjustments is a result of fewer leases on rent-free periods and step-ups on leases with multiple rent escalations. Straight-line rent adjustments fluctuate due to the timing of leases signed.

#### **Direct operating expenses**

Direct operating expenses increased \$0.30 million or 5% and \$0.49 million or 3% over the comparative three and nine-month periods. Excluding the impact of newly acquired/constructed properties, direct operating expenses increased 2%. On a same-asset basis, property taxes increased 5% over 2015 as a result of recently constructed suburban retail properties converting from land based valuation to income based taxation. Mill rates and appraised values across the rest of the portfolio remained relatively stable over 2015. These increases were offset by a 5% reduction in utility costs as a result of lower energy consumption combined with cost savings on utility contracts. Same-asset operating expenses increased 2% over 2015 as a result of the timing of maintenance projects undertaken and inflation.

#### **NOI and Same-Asset NOI**

Net operating income (NOI) and same-asset NOI are non-standard metrics used in the real estate industry to measure the performance of investment properties. The IFRS measurement most directly comparable to NOI and same-asset NOI is net income.

GLA added in the past twelve months via property acquisitions and construction led to a 4% increase in NOI over 2015. On a same-asset basis, NOI was steady year to date. Timing of direct operating costs and negative non-cash adjustments related to amortization of tenant incentives and straight-line rent adjustments resulted in a 2% decline in the quarterly same-asset NOI.

The calculation of same-asset NOI is as follows (refer to Non-standard Measures for calculation of NOI and reconciliation to net income):

	Three months Sept 30			Nine months ended Sept 30			
(\$000s)	2016	2015	△%	2016	2015	△%	
Same-asset NOI	9,796	9,953	(2)%	29,642	29,705	<b>–</b> %	
Acquisitions/Development	378	21		950	25		
NOI before adjustments	10,174	9,974	2 %	30,592	29,730	3 %	
Amortization of tenant incentives	819	758		2,429	2,376		
Straight-line rent adjustment	(301)	(407)		(943)	(1,194)		
NOI	10,692	10,325	4 %	32,078	30,912	4 %	

## **Property Analysis**

At September 30, 2016 our portfolio included interests in 38 retail, office and industrial income-producing properties located in western Canada for a total GLA of 2,775,832 sf and a land lease community.

The following table summarizes the composition of our properties at September 30, 2016 by property type:

Property Type	Number of Properties	GLA (st)	% of Portfolio (GLA)	Fair Value of Investment Properties (\$000s)	NOI for the nine months ended September 30, 2016(\$000s)
Retail	13	978,005	35.2%	305,892	13,460
Office	20	1,566,454	56.5%	307,520	16,133
Industrial	4	231,373	8.3%	32,550	1,755
Land Lease Community	1	308 lots	n/a	16,050	730
	38	2,775,832	100.0%	662,012	32,078

The following table details key financial and operational metrics for each of our asset classes for the quarter ended September 30, 2016:

	Reta	il	Office		Industri	al	Land Lease Co	mmunity
	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015
<u>Three months ended</u> <u>September 30 (\$000s)</u>								
Rental revenue	6,605	6,393	8,754	8,587	753	635	327	323
NOI	4,509	4,696	5,336	4,925	605	471	242	233
<u>Nine months ended</u> <u>September 30 (\$000s)</u>								
Rental revenue	19,539	18,567	27,110	27,126	2,249	1,866	974	960
NOI	13,460	13,059	16,133	15,804	1,755	1,322	730	727
As at September 30								
Weighted average base rent (sf)	\$ 19.00	18.50 <b>\$</b>	<b>14.20</b> \$	14.38 \$	<b>9.59</b> \$	9.24	n/a	n/a
Occupancy	95.9%	96.2%	89.0%	91.4%	100.0%	88.3%	100.0%	100.0%

**Retail** – our 13 retail properties include 5 multi-building regional power centres and 8 neighborhood shopping centres. Retail GLA increased by 29,373 sf over Q3-2015 as we acquired an additional phase at Chestermere Station and constructed an additional CRU within an existing property. An additional CRU within an existing property was constructed late in Q3-2015 and was included in GLA; however, did not contribute to revenue or NOI for the full comparative period. Rental revenue from newly acquired/constructed retail properties was \$0.35 million and \$0.87 million during the three and nine-months ended September 30, 2016 (2015 - \$0.32 million and \$0.33 million respectively). Same-asset weighted average base rent improved to \$18.74 while maintaining steady occupancy, driving a 1% increase in base rents. Same-asset NOI declined over 2015 due to the timing of direct operating costs and higher non-recoverable costs.

Office – our 20 office properties include low and medium-rise buildings located in strategic urban and suburban centres. On a same-asset basis, rental revenue was steady. Occupancy and weighted average base rent trended downward in 2016 contributing to a 1% decline in base rent. Fewer leases on rent-free periods and step-ups on leases with multiple rent escalations resulted in a drop in straight-line rent adjustment over the comparative period. These downward trends were partially offset by an uptick in other revenues. While competition in the office market has increased in the urban Edmonton market, we continue to see leasing activity with 79,114 sf in renewals and new deals to date in 2016. Same-asset NOI improved over 2015 due to the timing of direct operating costs.

Industrial – our 4 industrial properties include single and multi-tenant buildings. Industrial GLA increased by 10,091 sf over Q3-2015 as we acquired an additional phase at Telford Industrial Park in the greater Edmonton area. Rental revenue from the new property recognized during the three and nine-months ended September 30, 2016 was \$0.10 million and \$0.29 million with NOI of \$0.07 million and \$0.24 million respectively. Weighted average base rent declined over Q2-2016 as a result of lease restructuring. Same-asset rental revenue 5% and NOI improved 15% over 2015 as we leased 26,000 sf of vacant space in one of our Lethbridge properties.

Land Lease Community – we have one land lease community in Calgary consisting of 308 pad lots. It was 100% occupied at September 30, 2016 (December 31, 2015 – 100%). NOI on our land lease community was steady over Q3-2015, with increases in pad rates being offset by the introduction of a curb-side recycling program in the community.

## **Regional Analysis**

The following table summarizes the composition of our properties at September 30, 2016 by geographic region:

Geographic Region	Number of Properties	GLA (sf)	% of Portfolio (GLA)	Fair Value of Investment Properties (\$000s)	NOI for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 (\$000s)
Northern Alberta	24	1,633,219	58.8%	409,664	19,342
Southern Alberta	7	776,150	28.0%	185,313	9,701
Saskatchewan & British Columbia	7	366,463	13.2%	67,035	3,035
	38	2,775,832	100.0%	662,012	32,078

The following table details key financial and operational metrics for each of our geographic regions for the quarter ended September 30, 2016:

	Northern Alberta		Southern Alberta		Saskatchewan British Columb			
	2016		2015	2016	2015		2016	2015
Three months ended September 30 (\$000s)								
Rental revenue	10,066		9,625	4,745	4,476		1,628	1,837
NOI	6,513		6,198	3,218	2,993		961	1,134
Nine months ended September 30 (\$000s)								
Rental revenue	30,522		29,516	14,300	13,340		5,050	5,663
NOI	19,342		18,545	9,701	8,738		3,035	3,629
As at September 30								
Weighted average base rent (sf)	\$ 16.59	\$	16.51	\$ <b>14.49</b> \$	14.25	\$	<b>13.32</b> \$	13.72
Occupancy	92.8%	•	92.9%	95.3%	91.6%	•	84.4%	94.7%

Northern Alberta - our Northern Alberta assets are located throughout the greater Edmonton area, including Leduc and Spruce Grove, and in Red Deer. Rental revenue grew 3% over 2015 as a result of the addition of 10,091 sf of industrial GLA purchased from Melcor in November 2015 as well as completion of a 7,835 sf CRU in Spruce Grove in April 2016. Rental revenue from the newly acquired/constructed properties was \$0.20 million in Q3-2016 and \$0.44 million year to date (2015 - \$nil). On a same-asset basis, rental revenue grew by 2% with increases in weighted average base rent and stable occupancy. Higher base rents and other income led to a 3% uptick in same-asset NOI.

Southern Alberta - our Southern Alberta assets are located throughout the greater Calgary area, including Chestermere and Airdrie, and in Lethbridge. GLA increased by 21,538 sf as we acquired an additional phase in Chestermere in addition to a CRU constructed within the property late in Q3-2015. Rental revenue from the newly acquired/constructed retail properties was \$0.25 million in Q3-2016 and \$0.72 million year to date (2015 - \$0.32 million and \$0.33 million respectively). On a same-asset basis, rental revenue was up 2% as a result of improvements in both occupancy and average base rent. This translated into a 5% increase in same-asset NOI with improved occupancy positively impacting our recovery ratio.

Saskatchewan and British Columbia - these assets are located in Regina, SK and Kelowna, BC. Rental revenue declined 11% over 2015 as a result of higher vacancy in our Saskatchewan portfolio. NOI was also impacted by bad debt expense for a Saskatchewan retail tenant that was terminated during 2016. In Q3-2016 we had 14,204 in new leasing in the region which will mitigate the decline in revenue and NOI we've seen through the first three quarters of 2016.

## **General & Administrative Expenses**

	Three month Sept 3			Nine months ended Sept 30			
(\$000s)	2016	2015	△%	2016	2015	△%	
Asset management fee	399	380	5 %	1,192	1,139	5%	
Professional fees	103	57	81 %	323	255	27%	
Public company costs	41	43	(5)%	205	205	-%	
Other	85	62	37 %	301	233	29%	
	628	542	16%	2,021	1,832	10%	

General & administrative expense (G&A) was \$0.63 million (4% of rental revenue) in Q3-2016 and \$2.02 million (4% of rental revenue) year to date. The acquisition of 31,629 sf from Melcor in November 2015 combined with the construction of 7,835 sf drove the increase in asset management fee which is charged at an annual rate of 0.25% of gross book value. Increased usage of external valuators as part of our valuation process over the comparative period led to the increase in professional fees, while other G&A increased as a result of the renegotiation of one of our JV agreements with the manager, Melcor, to align the fee structure with other management agreements and fairly compensate Melcor for administration of the assets. We are committed to prudent financial stewardship, including carefully monitoring discretionary G&A expenses to ensure maximum value to our unitholders. We expect G&A to be approximately 5% of rental revenue.

#### **Finance Costs**

	Three month Sept 3		Nine months ended Sept 30			
(\$000s)	2016	2015	△%	2016	2015	△%
Interest on mortgages payable and revolving credit facility	2,135	2,050	4%	6,486	6,279	3%
Interest on Class C LP Units	757	875	(13)%	2,313	2,749	(16)%
Amortization of fair value adjustment on Class C LP Units	(57)	(82)	(30)%	(171)	(282)	(39)%
Interest on convertible debenture	474	474	<b>–</b> %	1,423	1,410	1 %
Fair value adjustment on derivative financial liability	(27)	_	100 %	214	_	100 %
Non-cash finance costs	220	160	38 %	611	448	36 %
Finance costs before distributions	3,502	3,477	1%	10,876	10,604	3%
Distributions on Class B LP Units	2,466	2,466	<b>-</b> %	7,399	7,399	<b>–</b> %
Finance costs	5,968	5,943	<b>–</b> %	18,275	18,003	2 %

Finance costs were flat at \$5.97 million in Q3-2016 and up 2% to \$18.28 million year to date. Interest on mortgages payable and revolving credit facility increased \$0.09 million over Q3-2015 and \$0.21 million year to date as a result of higher average mortgage indebtedness and amounts drawn under our credit facility. This was partially offset by interest rate savings on new and renewed mortgage financings which resulted in a 21 basis point decrease in our weighted average interest rate over Q3-2015. Interest on Class C LP Units decreased over the comparative period as we repaid the maturing balance on 333,100 Class C LP Units in February 2015 for approximately \$3.10 million and reduced the interest rate on extension of 2,195,911 Class C LP Units in August 2015 and 997,220 Class C LP Units in August 2016. Our \$34.50 million convertible debenture pays a coupon of 5.50% annually.

Distributions on Class B LP Units were unchanged over Q3-2015 at \$7.40 million. Distributions on Class B LP Units are recorded and paid to holders equal to those declared on trust units which were \$0.17 per unit during the quarter.

Non-cash finance costs increased over Q3-2015 as a result of higher amortization of deferred finance costs on recent re-financings, including our revolving credit facility. Fully unwinding the discount recognized on a 2014 mortgage assumption which was re-refinanced during

Q1-2016 also contributed to this increase. We have a floating for fixed interest rate swap on one of our mortgages. At September 30, 2016 we re-valued the instrument, resulting in a loss of \$0.21 million being recorded.

As at September 30, 2016 the weighted average interest rate on our revolving credit facility, mortgages payable, Class C LP Units and convertible debenture was 3.63%.

#### **Income Taxes**

As at September 30, 2016, the REIT qualifies as a mutual fund trust within the meaning of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) and as a real estate investment trust eligible for the 'REIT Exception' under the Specified Investment Flow-Through (SIFT) rules; accordingly, no current or deferred income tax expense has been recognized on income earned or capital gains recognized subsequent to the formation of the REIT.

## **Funds from Operations & Adjusted Funds from Operations**

Funds From Operations (FFO) and Adjusted Funds From Operations (AFFO) are non-standard measures used in the real estate industry to measure the operating performance of investment properties. We believe that AFFO is an important measure of economic performance and is indicative of the REIT's ability to pay distributions, while FFO is an important measure of operating performance and the performance of real estate properties.

	Three months Sept 30		Nine months ended Sept 30			
(\$000s, except per unit amounts)	2016	2015	∆%	2016	2015	∆%
Net income (loss) for the period	153	11,287	nm	(13,966)	24,689	(157)%
Add / (deduct)						
Fair value adjustment on investment properties	947	3,614	(74)%	2,946	7,322	(60)%
Fair value adjustment on Class B LP Units	2,485	(11,401)	(122)%	21,340	(22,070)	(197)%
Amortization of tenant incentives	819	758	8 %	2,429	2,376	2 %
Distributions on Class B LP Units	2,466	2,466	<b>-</b> %	7,399	7,399	<b>–</b> %
Fair value adjustment on derivative financial liability	(27)	_	100 %	214	_	100 %
Funds From Operations (FFO)	6,843	6,724	2 %	20,362	19,716	3 %
Add / (deduct)						
Straight-line rent adjustments	(301)	(407)	(26)%	(943)	(1,194)	(21)%
Non-cash finance costs	220	160	38 %	611	448	36 %
Net impact of amortization of fair value adjustment and interest subsidy <sup>(1)</sup>	68	48	42 %	155	209	(26)%
Normalized capital expenditures (2)	(640)	(323)	98 %	(1,919)	(965)	99 %
Normalized tenant incentives and leasing commissions (2)	(426)	(642)	(34)%	(1,279)	(1,920)	(33)%
Adjusted Funds from Operations (AFFO)	5,764	5,560	4 %	16,987	16,294	4 %
FFO/Unit	\$0.27	\$0.26	2 %	\$0.79	\$0.76	4 %
AFFO/Unit	\$0.22	\$0.21	4 %	\$0.66	\$0.63	5 %

<sup>(1)</sup> Adjustment includes the following: amortization of the fair value adjustment recognized on the Class C LP Unit liability; and usage of the interest rate subsidy provided by Melcor as part of the transfer of the Initial Properties.

In 2016 we re-assessed our normalized capital expenditures, tenant incentives and leasing commissions and increased the allowance to 10% of annualized NOI, up from 9% in the comparative period. We determined that an upward revision was appropriate based on the significant changes in the economic environment in which we operate and how it will impact our strategy moving forward.

<sup>(2)</sup> Represents 6% and 4% of annual NOI for capital expenditures and tenant incentives and leasing commissions respectively (2015 - 3% and 6% of annual NOI respectively). Amounts are net of usage of the capital expenditure subsidy provided by Melcor as part of the transfer of Initial Properties.

Our convertible debentures can be converted into trust units at the holder's option and are considered a dilutive instrument. The following table calculates diluted FFO and diluted FFO/Unit:

	Three month Sept 3		Nine months ended Sept 30			
(\$000s, except per unit amounts)	2016	2015	△%	2016	2015	△%
Funds From Operations (FFO)	6,843	6,724	2%	20,362	19,716	3%
Interest on convertible debenture	474	474		1,423	1,410	
Non-cash finance costs on convertible debenture	128	114		375	342	
Funds From Operations - Diluted (FFO - Diluted)	7,445	7,312	2%	22,160	21,468	3%
FFO - Diluted/Unit	\$0.26	\$0.26	2%	\$0.78	\$0.75	4%

#### **Distributions**

In order to continue to qualify for the 'REIT Exception', as provided under the SIFT rules, we must allocate substantially all taxable income. As such, we allocate monthly distributions to unitholders as determined and approved by the Board of Trustees. We made monthly distributions to unitholders at a rate of \$0.05625 per unit, representing \$0.675 per unit on an annualized basis. Distributions to unitholders during the three and nine-month period were \$1.88 million and \$5.65 million (2015 - \$1.90 million and \$5.70 million).

Distributions made during the three and nine-months ended September 30, 2016 represent a payout ratio of approximately 77% of AFFO (2015 - 80%). We generate sufficient cash flows from operations to sustain our current distribution rate for the foreseeable future. We use AFFO in evaluating our ability to continue to fund distributions. The most similar IFRS measure is cash flow from operations. Cash flow from operations for the three and nine-months ended September 30, 2016 were \$3.69 million and \$9.23 million (2015 - \$3.80 million and \$6.72 million), exceeding distributions by \$1.81 million and \$3.59 million (2015 - exceeding distributions by \$1.91 million and \$1.02 million).

A reconciliation of cash flow from operations to AFFO is as follows:

	Three month Sept 3					
(\$000s)	2016	2015	△%	2016	2015	△%
Cash flows from operations	3,688	3,802	(3)%	9,234	6,721	37%
Distributions on Class B LP Units	2,466	2,466		7,399	7,399	
Payment of tenant incentives and direct leasing costs	1,074	1,225		2,439	3,788	
Change in restricted cash	_	(1)		_	(64)	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities	(523)	(1,097)		787	844	
Interest subsidy	125	130		326	491	
Normalized capital expenditures	(640)	(323)		(1,919)	(965)	
Normalized tenant incentives and leasing commissions	(426)	(642)		(1,279)	(1,920)	
Adjusted Funds from Operations (AFFO)	5,764	5,560	4 %	16,987	16,294	4%

## **Fair Value of Investment Properties**

We carry our investment properties at fair value in accordance with IFRS 13, Fair value measurement. The following table summarizes key metrics of our investment properties and components of the fair value calculation:

	30-Sept-16	31-Dec-15
Number of properties	38	38
Total GLA (sf)	2,895,219	2,888,246
GLA (REIT owned %) (sf)	2,775,832	2,768,750
Fair value of portfolio (\$000s)	662,012	660,935
Value per square foot	\$238	\$239
NOI (\$000s)	32,078	41,313
Weighted average capitalization rate	6.62%	6.57%
Weighted average discount rate	7.70%	7.71%
Weighted average terminal capitalization rate	6.83%	6.81%

For the year ended December 31, 2015, Melcor's internal valuation team performed the valuation assessment. Of 47 legal phases assessed, 27 properties, with a fair value of \$443.75 million were valued by qualified independent external valuation professionals during the year. This resulted in fair value losses of \$5.42 million on investment properties recorded to income for the year ended December 31, 2015.

We obtained updated market data and considered whether changes to any valuation model variables resulted in significant changes to any of the property fair values at September 30, 2016. This resulted in a fair value loss of \$2.95 million on investment properties recorded to income during the nine-month period.

Refer to note 14 of the condensed interim consolidated financial statements for additional information on the calculation of fair value adjustments.

A breakdown of our fair value adjustment on investment properties by geographic region is as follows:

(\$000s)	Nine months ended September 30, 2016	Year ended December 31, 2015
Northern Alberta	(5,256)	(8,253)
Southern Alberta	1,668	1,833
Saskatchewan & British Columbia	642	1,002
	(2,946)	(5,418)

Fair value losses in Northern Alberta were primarily driven by continued pressure on Edmonton office capitalization rates, decreasing 25 basis points over Q4-2015 on certain properties. This was partially offset by fair value gains realized on when we completed construction of a 7,835 sf CRU at a regional shopping centre. Fair value gains across our Southern Alberta and Saskatchewan & British Columbia portfolios were the result of increased stabilized NOI and stable capitalization rates. The remainder of fair value losses across the portfolio were due to capital and tenant incentive spending that did not result in a significant change in the fair value of the related property. Fair value adjustments represent a change of approximately 1% in the fair value of our portfolio.

Fair values are most sensitive to changes in capitalization rates.

	Sep	September 30, 2016			December 31, 2015		
	Min	Max	Weighted Average	Min	Max	Weighted Average	
Capitalization rate	5.50%	8.75%	6.62%	5.50%	9.00%	6.57%	
Terminal capitalization rate	5.75%	9.00%	6.83%	5.75%	9.25%	6.81%	
Discount rate	6.50%	9.75%	7.70%	6.50%	10.00%	7.71%	

A capitalization rate increase of 50 basis points (+0.5%) would decrease the fair value of investment properties by \$46.59 million (December 31, 2015 - \$46.95 million) while a 50 basis points decrease (-0.5%) would increase it by \$54.20 million (December 31, 2015 - \$54.69 million).

## **Liquidity & Capital Resources**

We employ a range of strategies to fund operations and facilitate growth. Our principal liquidity needs are to:

- Fund recurring expenses;
- Meet debt service requirements;
- Make distribution payments;
- Fund capital projects; and
- Purchase investment properties.

#### **Cash Flows**

The following table summarizes cash flows from operating, investing and financing activities:

	Three month Sept 3		Nine months ended Sept 30			
(\$000s)	2016	2015	\$△	2016	2015	\$△
Cash from operating activities	3,688	3,802	(114)	9,234	6,721	2,513
Cash used in investing activities	(952)	(787)	(165)	(1,869)	(1,851)	(18)
Cash used in financing activities	(1,018)	(4,486)	3,468	(4,430)	(11,008)	6,578
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	1,718	(1,471)	3,189	2,935	(6,138)	9,073
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the period	1,217	2,045	(828)	_	6,712	(6,712)
Cash and cash equivalents, end of the period	2,935	574	2,361	2,935	574	2,361

#### **Operating activities**

Cash from operating activities decreased \$0.11 million compared to Q3-2015 and increased \$2.51 million over the comparative year to date period. Properties acquired from Melcor in November 2015 and the construction of two CRUs at existing properties over the past twelve months added \$0.30 million and \$0.81 million to 2016 NOI (2015 - \$0.02 million and \$0.02 million). We continued to execute strategies to maintain occupancy and invested \$1.07 million in Q3-2016 and \$2.44 million year to date on tenant incentives and direct leasing costs for new and renewed leases (2015 - \$1.23 million and \$3.79 million respectively). As at September 30, 2016 we completed 123,164 sf in new and renewed leasing, resulting in a period-end occupancy rate of 92.4%. The timing of lease expiries impacts the level of spending on tenant incentives and direct leasing costs and will fluctuate from period to period. Changes in working capital decreased operating cash flows by \$0.57 million and \$0.06 million over the comparative periods.

#### **Investing activities**

During 2016 we substantially completed construction on a 7,835 sf single-tenant CRU to densify an existing regional power center in Northern Alberta, investing \$1.64 million in development costs. We remain committed to strategic value-adding asset enhancement and preservation projects as a integral component of our strategy to improve our assets and retain and attract tenants. Our capital program for 2016 is well underway with \$1.43 million in spending year to date. Asset enhancement and preservation investments fluctuate based on the nature and timing of projects undertaken. During Q2-2016 we recognized \$1.04 million in cash inflows related to the expiration of our restricted cash covenant with the underwriters, thus allowing us to use the remaining balance for general purposes.

## Financing activities

During Q3-2016 we re-financed the mortgage on one property with a principal balance of \$8.00 million for \$3.41 net proceeds. Year to date we renewed and re-financed the mortgages on two properties with a principal balance of \$18.50 million for \$3.89 million net proceeds. We also obtained mortgage financing on a recently acquired and previously unencumbered property for proceeds of \$2.80 million. During the comparative Q3-2015 period we re-financed and renewed the mortgages on four properties with a principal balance of \$15.78 million for \$1.49 million net proceeds. During the comparative year to date period we also repaid the maturing balance on 333,100 Class C LP Units with a carrying value of \$3.10 million on one of our commercial properties by issuing a mortgage. Partial proceeds from mortgage financings in the current and comparative period were used to repay amounts drawn under the revolving credit facility. During Q2-2016 we recognized \$1.25 million in cash inflows related to the expiration of our restricted cash covenant with the underwriters, thus allowing us to use the remaining balance for general purposes.

We continued our monthly distribution of \$0.05625 per unit for quarterly distributions of \$1.88 million and \$5.65 million year to date (2015 - \$1.90 million and \$5.70 million respectively).

During the comparative period we re-purchased 95,792 trust units pursuant to a normal course issuer bid at a cost of \$0.78 million.

We are able to meet our capital needs through a number of sources, including cash generated from operations, short-term borrowings under our revolving credit facility, mortgage financings, and the issuance of trust units to purchase investment properties.

We believe that internally generated cash flows, supplemented by borrowings through our revolving credit facility and mortgage financings, where required, will be sufficient to cover our normal operating, debt service, distribution and capital expenditure requirements. We regularly review our credit facility limits and manage our capital requirements accordingly.

As at September 30, 2016 we had \$2.94 million in cash and cash equivalents in addition to funds available under our revolving credit facility.

#### **Capital Structure**

We define capital as the total of trust units, Class B LP Units, Class C LP Units, mortgages payable, convertible debenture and amounts drawn under our revolving credit facility.

Pursuant to the DOT Degree of Leverage Ratio, we may not incur or assume any indebtedness if, after incurring or assuming such indebtedness, our total indebtedness would be more than 60% (65% including any convertible debentures) of Gross Book Value (GBV). Throughout the period we were in compliance with the Degree of Leverage Ratio and had a ratio of 56% as at September 30, 2016 (50% excluding convertible debentures).

As at September 30, 2016, our total capitalization was \$614.09 million and is comprised of:

(\$000s)	30-Sept-16
Revolving credit facility <sup>(1)</sup>	16,500
Mortgages payable <sup>(1)</sup>	221,735
Class C LP Units <sup>(2)</sup>	80,755
Indebtedness, excluding convertible debenture	318,990
Convertible debenture <sup>(3)</sup>	34,500
Indebtedness	353,490
Class B LP Units <sup>(4)</sup>	147,708
Trust units	112,892
Equity	260,600
Total capitalization	614,090
Gross Book Value (GBV) <sup>(5)</sup>	636,903
Debt to GBV, excluding convertible debenture (maximum threshold - 60%)	50%
Debt to GBV (maximum threshold - 65%)	56%

<sup>(1)</sup> Debt is presented excluding unamortized transaction costs, discount on bankers acceptance, and fair value adjustment on mortgage.

We are also subject to financial covenants on our \$35.00 million revolving credit facility. The covenants include a maximum debt to gross book value ratio of 60% (excluding convertible debentures), a minimum debt service coverage ratio of 1.50, and a minimum adjusted unitholders' equity of \$140.00 million. As at September 30, 2016, and throughout the period, we were in compliance with our financial covenants. We also have financial covenants on certain mortgages for investment properties. At September 30, 2016, and throughout the period, we were in compliance with the financial covenants on our mortgages. We prepare financial forecasts to monitor changes to our debt and capital levels and our ability to meet our financial covenants.

<sup>(2)</sup> Class C LP Units excluding unamortized fair value adjustment on Class C LP Units.

<sup>(3)</sup> Convertible debenture is presented at face value, excluding unamortized transaction costs and amounts allocated to conversion feature.

<sup>(4)</sup> Class B LP Units are classified as equity for purposes of this calculation and are included at their book value.

<sup>(5)</sup> GBV is calculated as the cost of the total assets acquired in the Initial Properties, subsequent asset purchases and development costs.

#### Indebtedness

Debt Repayment Schedule – the following table summarizes our contractual obligations and illustrates certain liquidity and capital resource requirements:

		as at September 30					
(\$000s)	Total	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	Thereafter
Revolving credit facility	16,500	16,500	_	_	_	_	_
Mortgages payable	221,735	9,014	6,547	41,794	72,608	8,423	83,349
Class C LP Units	80,755	10,578	6,021	14,276	9,464	24,964	15,452
Convertible debenture	34,500	_	_	_	34,500	_	
Total	353,490	36,092	12,568	56,070	116,572	33,387	98,801
% of portfolio	100%	10%	4%	16%	33%	9%	28%

We ladder the renewal and maturity dates on our borrowings as part of our capital management strategy. This mitigates the concentration of interest rate and financing risk associated with refinancing in any particular period. In addition, we try to match the maturity of our debt portfolio with the weighted average remaining lease term on our properties.

Debt Analysis – our mortgages payable, Class C LP Units and convertible debenture bear interest at fixed rates (including one variable rate mortgage fixed via a swap contract); our revolving credit facility bears interest at variable rates. The following table summarizes the interest rates and terms to maturity:

(\$000s)	Total	Fixed	Variable	Weighted average interest rate	Weighted average term to maturity
Revolving credit facility	16,500	_	16,500	3.38%	1.58
Mortgages payable	221,735	203,444	18,291	3.45%	4.36
Class C LP Units	80,755	80,755	_	3.34%	4.04
Convertible debenture	34,500	34,500	_	5.50%	3.25
Total	353,490	318,699	34,791	3.63%	4.06

The weighted average interest rate on our debt decreased to 3.63% (December 31, 2015 - 3.80%) as a result of mortgage and Class C LP Units financings.

During Q3-2016 we re-financed the mortgage on an Edmonton area office property for \$8.00 million and \$3.41 million net proceeds at a reduced interest rate of 3.25% (previously 5.59%). During the quarter we also extended the maturity of a \$9.03 million mortgage that secures Retained Debt relating to one of the Initial Properties from August 1, 2016 to August 1, 2021, at a reduced interest rate of 2.54% (previously 3.85%). Year to date we renewed and re-financed the mortgages on three properties for a total of \$22.89 million and \$3.89 million net proceeds at an average weighted average interest rate of 3.01% (previously 5.27%).

The financing environment remains competitive and we expect to be able to secure new financing on remaining upcoming mortgage and Class C LP Unit renewals at favourable rates.

Debt Service Coverage Ratio and Finance Costs Coverage Ratio – we calculate debt service coverage ratio as FFO for the period divided by principal repayments on mortgages payable and Class C LP Units made during the period. We calculate interest coverage as FFO plus finance costs for the period divided by finance costs expensed during the period, less distributions on Class B LP Units. We consider these measures to be useful in evaluating our ability to service our debt. These metrics are not calculated for purposes of covenant compliance on any of our debt facilities.

(\$000s)	Nine months ended Sept 30, 2016	Year ended December 31, 2015
FFO	20,362	26,345
Principal repayments on Mortgages payable	4,818	6,139
Principle repayments on Class C LP Units	2,513	3,416
Debt service coverage ratio	2.78	2.76
FFO plus finance costs	31,024	40,453
Finance costs <sup>(1)</sup>	10,662	14,108
Finance costs coverage ratio	2.91	2.87

<sup>(1)</sup> Finance costs excluding finance expense recognized on Class B LP Unit distributions and fair value adjustment on derivative liability.

## **Equity**

The REIT is authorized to issue an unlimited number of trust units and an unlimited number of special voting units. Each trust unit represents a holder's proportionate undivided beneficial ownership interest in the REIT and will confer the right to one vote at any meeting of the unitholders and to receive any distributions by the REIT. Special voting units have no economic entitlement in the REIT but entitle the holder to one vote per special voting unit. Special voting units may only be issued in connection with securities exchangeable into trust units (including Class B LP Units).

Class B LP Units of the Partnership are economically equivalent to, and exchangeable into, trust units at the option of the holder, and therefore, are considered a dilutive instrument. The Class B LP Units are classified as financial liabilities in accordance with IAS 32, *Financial Instruments – presentation*, due to their puttable feature.

No units were repurchased under our normal course issuer bid (NCIB) during 2016. The NCIB expired on June 29, 2016.

The following table summarizes the trust units issued and the fully diluted number of units outstanding as at September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015:

	September	December 31, 2015		
Issued and fully paid units (\$000s)	Units	\$ Amount	Units	\$ Amount
Balance, beginning of period	11,151,297	112,892	11,275,000	114,144
Repurchase of trust units	_	_	(123,703)	(1,252)
Balance, end of period	11,151,297	112,892	11,151,297	112,892
Dilutive securities				
Class B LP Units <sup>(1)</sup>	14,615,878	147,708	14,615,878	147,708
Convertible debenture	2,727,273	34,500	2,727,273	34,500
Diluted balance, end of period	28,494,448	295,100	28,494,448	295,100

<sup>(1)</sup> A corresponding number of special voting units are held by Melcor through an affiliate.

## **Quarterly Results**

		2016			20	15		2014
(\$000s except per unit amount)	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4
Revenue (\$000s)	16,439	16,807	16,626	16,963	15,938	16,323	16,258	11,669
Net income (loss) (\$000s)	153	(4,153)	(9,966)	16,381	11,287	111	13,291	9,481
Basic earnings (loss) per unit	\$ 0.01	\$ (0.37)	\$ (0.89)	\$ 1.46	\$ 1.00	\$ 0.01	\$ 1.18	\$ 0.88
Annualized distribution rate	\$0.675	\$0.675	\$0.675	\$0.675	\$0.675	\$0.675	\$0.675	\$0.675
Period-end closing unit price	\$8.67	\$8.50	\$8.00	\$7.21	\$7.95	\$8.73	\$8.64	\$9.46
Annualized distribution yield on closing unit price $(\%)^{(1)}$	7.79%	7.94%	8.44%	9.36%	8.49%	7.73%	7.81%	7.14%

<sup>(1)</sup> Annualized distribution yield is calculated as the annualized distribution rate divided by the period-end closing unit price.

# Off Balance Sheet Arrangements, Contractual Obligations, Business Environment & Risks, Related Party Transactions, Critical Accounting Estimates, Changes in Accounting Policies

There were no material changes to the above titled sections at September 30, 2016 in comparison to the December 31, 2015 annual MD&A.

## **Internal Control over Financial Reporting and Disclosure Controls**

The Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer have evaluated whether there were material changes to internal control over financial reporting during the quarter ended September 30, 2016 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal controls over financial reporting. No such changes were identified.

#### **Declaration of Trust**

The investment guidelines and operating policies of the REIT are outlined in the Amended and Restated Declaration of Trust (DOT) dated May 1, 2013. A copy of the DOT is filed on SEDAR at www.sedar.com and is available on request to all unitholders. At November 3, 2016, the REIT was in compliance with all investment guidelines and operating policies stipulated in the DOT.

## **Non-standard Measures**

Throughout this MD&A, we refer to terms that are not specifically defined in the CPA Canada Handbook or in IFRS. These non-standard measures may not be comparable to similar measures presented by other companies.

We believe that these non-standard measures are useful in assisting investors in understanding components of our financial results.

The non-standard terms that we refer to in this MD&A are defined below.

#### **Calculations**

We use the following calculations in measuring our performance.

**Net effective rent**: is calculated as total base rent receivable over the term of the lease less any tenant incentives and direct leasing costs paid divided by the square footage of the space, as calculated on an annualized basis.

*Operating margin*: is calculated as net rental income divided by rental revenue.

**Net operating income (NOI)**: NOI is defined as rental revenue, adjusted for amortization of tenant improvements and straight-line rent adjustments, less direct operating expenses as presented in the statement of income and comprehensive income. A reconciliation of NOI to the most comparable IFRS measure, net income, is as follows:

	Three months ended Sept 30			Nine months ended Sept 30		
(\$000s)	2016	2015	△%	2016	2015	△%
Net income (loss) for the period	153	11,287	(99)%	(13,966)	24,689	(157)%
Net finance costs	5,961	5,932	<b>–</b> %	18,251	17,957	2 %
Fair value adjustment on Class B LP Units	2,485	(11,401)	(122)%	21,340	(22,070)	(197)%
Fair value adjustment on investment properties	947	3,614	(74)%	2,946	7,322	(60)%
General and administrative expenses	628	542	16 %	2,021	1,832	10 %
Amortization of tenant incentives	819	758	8 %	2,429	2,376	2 %
Straight-line rent adjustment	(301)	(407)	(26)%	(943)	(1,194)	(21)%
NOI	10,692	10,325	4 %	32,078	30,912	4 %

Same asset NOI: this measure compares the NOI, less amortization on tenant incentives, plus straight-line rent adjustment, on assets that have been owned for the entire current and comparative period.

Funds from operations (FFO): FFO is defined as net income in accordance with IFRS, excluding: (i) fair value adjustments on investment properties; (ii) gains (or losses) from sales of investment properties; (iii) amortization of tenant incentives; (iv) fair value adjustments, interest expense and other effects of redeemable units classified as liabilities; (v) acquisition costs expensed as a result of the purchase of a property being accounted for as a business combination; and (vi) fair value adjustment on derivative liability, after adjustments for equity accounted entities, joint ventures and non-controlling interests calculated to reflect FFO on the same basis as consolidated properties.

Adjusted funds from operations (AFFO): AFFO is defined as FFO subject to certain adjustments, including: (i) amortization of fair value mark-to-market adjustments on mortgages acquired; (ii) interest rate subsidy amounts received; (iii) non-cash finance costs; (iv) adjusting for any differences resulting from recognizing property revenues on a straight-line basis; (v) deducting a reserve for normalized maintenance capital expenditures, tenant inducements and leasing costs, as determined by us. Other adjustments may be made to AFFO as determined by the Board in its discretion.

Payout ratio: is calculated as per unit distributions divided by per unit AFFO.

Finance costs coverage ratio: is calculated as FFO plus finance costs for the period divided by finance costs expensed during the period excluding distributions on Class B LP Units and fair value adjustment on derivative liability.

Debt service coverage ratio: is calculated as FFO for the period divided by principal repayments on mortgages payable and Class C LP Units made during the period.

Debt to Gross Book Value: is calculated as the sum of total amount drawn on revolving credit facility, mortgages payable, Class C LP Units, excluding unamortized fair value adjustment on Class C LP Units and convertible debenture, excluding unamortized discount and transaction costs divided by the total asset value assumed on acquisition of the Initial Properties plus total assets acquired from third parties subsequently.



## **MELCOR REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST**

Condensed Interim Consolidated Financial Statements
For the three and nine-months ended September 30, 2016
(Unaudited)

# **Condensed Interim Consolidated Statements of Financial Position**

As at September 30, 2016

(Unaudited)

(\$000s)	September 30, 2016	December 31, 2015
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	2,935	_
Accounts receivable	1,996	2,302
Other assets (note 5)	1,254	933
	6,185	3,235
Non-Current Assets		
Restricted cash (note 3)	_	2,288
Investment properties (note 4 and 14)	644,026	643,421
Other assets (note 5)	17,986	17,514
	662,012	663,223
TOTAL ASSETS	668,197	666,458
LIABILITIES		
Current Liabilities		
Revolving credit facility	16,318	19,258
Accounts payable	871	1,487
Distribution payable	1,449	1,449
Accrued liabilities and other payables (note 6)	7,231	6,724
Class C LP Units (note 8)	5,991	12,301
Mortgages payable (note 7)	14,062	34,125
	45,922	75,344
Non-Current Liabilities		
Accrued liabilities and other payables (note 6)	1,460	1,408
Class B LP Units (note 9 and 14)	126,720	105,380
Class C LP Units (note 8)	75,483	71,857
Mortgages payable (note 7)	206,435	181,269
Convertible debenture	32,621	32,246
Derivative financial liability	219	5
TOTAL LIABILITIES	488,860	467,509
UNITHOLDERS' EQUITY	179,337	198,949
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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND UNITHOLDERS' EQUITY	668,197	666,458

 $See\ accompanying\ notes\ to\ the\ condensed\ interim\ consolidated\ financial\ statements.$ 

# **Condensed Interim Consolidated Statements of Income (Loss) and Comprehensive Income (Loss)**

For the three and nine-months ended September 30 (Unaudited)

	Three months ended September 30			months ended September 30
(\$000s)	2016	2015	2016	2015
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Rental revenue (note 11 and 13)	16,439	15,938	49,872	48,519
Direct operating expenses (note 13)	(6,265)	(5,964)	(19,280)	(18,789)
Net rental income	10,174	9,974	30,592	29,730
General and administrative expenses (note 13)	(628)	(542)	(2,021)	(1,832)
Fair value adjustments on investment properties (note 4 and				
14)	(947)	, , ,	(2,946)	(7,322)
Fair value adjustment on Class B LP Units (note 9 and 14)	(2,485)	11,401	(21,340)	22,070
Income before finance costs	6,114	17,219	4,285	42,646
Interest income	7	11	24	46
Finance costs (note 12 and 13)	(5,968)	(5,943)	(18,275)	(18,003)
Net finance costs	(5,961)	(5,932)	(18,251)	(17,957)
Net income (loss) and comprehensive income (loss)	153	11,287	(13,966)	24,689
Basic earnings (loss) per trust unit	\$0.01	\$1.00	(\$1.25)	\$2.19
Diluted earnings (loss) per trust unit	\$0.01	\$0.10	(\$1.25)	\$0.41

See accompanying notes to the condensed interim consolidated financial statements.

# **Condensed Interim Consolidated Statements of Changes in Unitholders' Equity**

As at September 30, 2016

(Unaudited)

(\$000s except unit amounts)	Number of Trust Units	Trust Units	Contributed Surplus	Retained Earnings	Total Unitholders' Equity
Balance at December 31, 2015	11,151,297	102,707	40,448	55,794	198,949
Net loss for the period	_	_	_	(13,966)	(13,966)
Distributions to unitholders	_	_	_	(5,646)	(5,646)
Balance at September 30, 2016	11,151,297	102,707	40,448	36,182	179,337

(\$000s except unit amounts)	Number of Trust Units	Trust Units	Contributed Surplus	Retained Earnings	Total Unitholders' Equity
Balance at December 31, 2014	11,275,000	103,959	40,196	22,306	166,461
Trust units repurchased (note 10)	(95,792)	(970)	193	_	(777)
Net income for the period	_	_	_	24,689	24,689
Distributions to unitholders	_	_	_	(5,700)	(5,700)
Balance at September 30, 2015	11,179,208	102,989	40,389	41,295	184,673

See accompanying notes to the condensed interim consolidated financial statements.

# **Condensed Interim Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows**

For the three and nine-months ended September 30 (Unaudited)

	Three	months ended September 30	Nine	months ended September 30
(\$000s)	2016	2015	2016	2015
		(note 16)		(note 16)
CASH FLOWS FROM (USED IN)				
OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Net income (loss) for the period	153	11,287	(13,966)	24,689
Non cash items:				
Amortization of tenant incentives (note 5 and 11)	819	758	2,429	2,376
Straight-line rent adjustments (note 11)	(301)	(407)	(943)	(1,194)
Fair value adjustments on investment properties (note 4 and 14)	947	3,614	2,946	7,322
Fair value adjustment on Class B LP Units (note 9 and 14)	2,485	(11,401)	21,340	(22,070)
Amortization of fair value adjustment on Class C LP Units (note 12)	(57)	(82)	(171)	(282)
Fair value adjustment on derivative financial liability (note 12)	(27)	_	214	_
Non-cash finance costs (note 12)	220	160	611	448
	4,239	3,929	12,460	11,289
Payment of tenant incentives and direct leasing costs	(1,074)	(1,225)	(2,439)	(3,788)
Change in restricted cash (note 3)	(_,;;,,	1	(_, :::,	64
Changes in operating assets and liabilities	523	1,097	(787)	(844)
	3,688	3,802	9,234	6,721
INVESTING ACTIVITIES	,	,	,	,
Investment property improvements and development	(952)	(787)	(2,910)	(1,851)
Change in restricted cash (note 3)	` _ `	` _	1,041	_
•	(952)	(787)	(1,869)	(1,851)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES		, , ,		
Change in revolving credit facility	(25)	395	(2,801)	395
Proceeds from mortgages payable	8,000	_	29,300	11,345
Repayment of mortgages payable	(6,268)	(1,556)	(24,017)	(11,336)
Repayment on Class C LP Units	(843)	(783)	(2,513)	(5,426)
Change in restricted cash (note 3)	_	130	1,247	491
Trust units repurchased (note 10)	_	(777)	_	(777)
Distributions to unitholders	(1,882)	(1,895)	(5,646)	(5,700)
	(1,018)	(4,486)	(4,430)	(11,008)
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH & CASH EQUIVALENTS DURING THE PERIOD	1,718	(1,471)	2,935	(6,138)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF THE PERIOD	1,217	2,045	_	6,712
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF THE PERIOD	2,935	574	2,935	574

See accompanying notes to the condensed interim consolidated financial statements.

#### 1. DESCRIPTION OF THE TRUST

Melcor Real Estate Investment Trust (the "REIT" or "we") is an unincorporated, open-ended real estate investment trust established pursuant to a declaration of trust ("DOT") dated January 25, 2013 and subsequently amended and restated May 1, 2013. We began operations on May 1, 2013.

Our principal business is to acquire, own and manage office, retail and industrial properties in select markets across Western Canada. We are externally managed, administered and operated by Melcor Developments Ltd. ("Melcor") pursuant to the Property Management Agreement and Asset Management Agreement (note 13).

As at November 3, 2016, Melcor, through an affiliate, holds an approximate 56.7% effective interest in the REIT through ownership of all Class B LP Units of Melcor REIT Limited Partnership (the "Partnership") and is the ultimate controlling party.

We are governed under the laws of the Province of Alberta. Our registered office is located at Suite 900, 10310 Jasper Avenue Edmonton, Alberta, Canada. Our trust units are traded on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol "MR.UN".

## 2. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

These condensed interim consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") as issued by the International Accounting Standard Board ("IASB") applicable to the preparation of interim financial statements, including IAS 34, *Interim Financial Reporting*.

These condensed interim consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with our annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2015, which have been prepared in accordance with IFRS as issued by the IASB. These condensed interim consolidated financial statements were authorized for issue by the Board of Trustees on November 3, 2016.

#### 3. RESTRICTED CASH

The REIT's restricted cash represents subsidies funded by Melcor as part of the REIT's Initial Public Offering to subsidize finance costs on assumed debt and Class C LP Units, and to fund capital expenditures, environmental expenditures, tenant incentives and lease costs. The cash was required to be presented as restricted pursuant to a covenant in the underwriting agreement. On May 1, 2016 the term of the covenant elapsed, at which point the remaining restricted cash was re-classified to cash and cash equivalents.

## 4. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

(\$000s)	Nine months ended September 30, 2016	Year ended December 31, 2015
Balance - beginning of period	643,421	630,003
Additions		
Direct acquisition	_	15,327
Property improvements	1,429	2,427
Property development activities	1,641	359
Direct leasing costs	481	723
Fair value adjustment on investment properties (note 14)	(2,946)	(5,418)
Balance - end of period	644,026	643,421

In accordance with our policy we record our investment properties at fair value. Fair value adjustments on investment properties are primarily driven by changes in capitalization rates and stabilized net operating income ("NOI"). Supplemental information on fair value measurement, including valuation techniques and key inputs, is included in note 14.

The cost of investment properties as at September 30, 2016 totalled \$428,791 (December 31, 2015 - \$425,240).

Presented separately from investment properties is \$13,977 (December 31, 2015 - \$14,448) in tenant incentives and \$4,009 (December 31, 2015 - \$3,066) in straight-line rent adjustments (note 5). The fair value of investment properties has been reduced by these amounts.

## 5. OTHER ASSETS

(\$000s)	September 30, 2016	December 31, 2015
Current Assets		
Prepaid expense, and other	1,254	933
Non-Current Assets		
Straight-line rent adjustments	4,009	3,066
Tenant incentives	13,977	14,448
	17,986	17,514

During the nine-month period, we recorded tenant incentives of \$1,958 (2015 - \$3,639) and recorded \$2,429 (2015 - \$2,376) of amortization expense respectively. In accordance with SIC 15, *Operating leases - incentives*, amortization of tenant incentives is recorded on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease against rental revenue.

#### 6. ACCRUED LIABILITIES AND OTHER PAYABLES

(\$000s)	September 30, 2016	December 31, 2015
Current Liabilities		
Tenant security deposits and pre-payments	2,756	2,707
Accrued finance costs	955	494
Other accrued liabilities and payables	3,520	3,523
	7,231	6,724
Non-Current Liabilities		
Decommissioning obligation	1,460	1,408

#### 7. MORTGAGES PAYABLE

(\$000s)	September 30, 2016	December 31, 2015
Mortgages amortized over 15-25 years at fixed interest rates	203,444	216,452
Mortgage amortized over 25 years at a fixed interest rate (via a floating for fixed interest rate swap)	18,291	_
Unamortized fair value adjustment	_	109
Unamortized deferred financing fees	(1,238)	(1,167)
	220,497	215,394
Current portion of mortgages payable	(14,062)	(34,125)
	206,435	181,269
Interest rate ranges	(2.48%-4.91%)	(2.48%-5.59%)

During the period, we entered into a floating for fixed interest rate swap which fixes the interest rate on our variable rate mortgage at 2.97% for the term of the mortgage. As at September 30, 2016 the fair value of the interest rate swap contract is \$214. This financial instrument has not been designated as a hedge for accounting purposes. Supplemental information on fair value measurement, including valuation technique and key inputs, is included in note 14.

#### 8. CLASS C LP UNITS

Class C LP Units are held by Melcor in consideration of debt retained on certain properties sold to the REIT. Distributions are made on the units in order to permit Melcor to satisfy required principal and interest payments. The Class C LP Units are classified as debt and a portion of the distributions are recognized as interest expense.

(\$000s)	September 30, 2016	December 31, 2015
Class C LP Units amortized over 2-6 years at fixed interest rates	80,755	83,268
Unamortized fair value adjustment	719	890
	81,474	84,158
Current portion of Class C LP Units	(5,991)	(12,301)
	75,483	71,857
Effective interest rate	3.34%	3.52%

During the quarter Melcor extended the mortgage that secures retained debt relating to one of the initial properties from August 1, 2016 to August 1, 2021. The interest rate on this mortgage of 3.854% was reduced to 2.543%. Concurrent with the extension of the mortgage we extended the maturity of 977,220 Class C LP Units with a current balance of \$9,030 from August 1, 2016 to August 1, 2021 at the reduced interest rate of 2.543%. As at September 30, 2016 we had 9,454,411 Class C LP Units issued and outstanding (December 31, 2015 - 9,454,411).

## 9. CLASS B LP UNITS

Class B LP Units are held by Melcor as partial consideration for certain properties sold to the REIT. The Class B LP Units are exchangeable at the option of the holder for one trust unit and, therefore, are considered a puttable instrument and are required to be accounted for as a financial liability. Each unit is accompanied by one special voting unit which entitles the holder to one vote at any meeting of the unitholders. Distributions on Class B LP Units are recorded and paid to holders equal to those declared on trust units and are included in finance costs.

In accordance with our policy, we record Class B LP Units at fair value. We remeasured the Class B LP Units at September 30, 2016 and recognized a fair value loss of \$21,340 during the nine-month period (2015 - fair value gain of \$22,070). Supplemental information on fair value measurement, including valuation technique and the key input, is included in note 14.

At September 30, 2016 there were 14,615,878 Class B LP Units issued and outstanding at a fair value of \$8.67 per unit or \$126,720 (December 31, 2015 - 14,615,878 at \$7.21 per unit or \$105,380).

#### 10. UNITHOLDERS' EQUITY

At September 30, 2016, our issued and outstanding trust units were 11,151,297 (December 31, 2015 - 11,151,297).

During the comparative period, there were 95,792 trust units purchased for cancellation by the REIT pursuant to a normal course issuer bid ("NCIB") at a cost of \$777. Trust units were reduced by \$970 and contributed surplus increased by \$193. The NCIB ended on June 29, 2016.

#### 11. RENTAL REVENUE

The components of rental revenue are as follows:

	Three	months ended September 30	Nine months ended September 30	
(\$000s)	2016	2015	2016	2015
Rental revenue	16,957	16,289	51,358	49,701
Amortization of tenant incentives (note 5)	(819)	(758)	(2,429)	(2,376)
Straight-line adjustment	301	407	943	1,194
	16,439	15,938	49,872	48,519

#### 12. FINANCE COSTS

The components of finance costs are as follows:

	Three	months ended September 30	Nine months ended September 30	
(\$000s)	2016	2015	2016	2015
Interest on mortgages payable and revolving credit facility	2,135	2,050	6,486	6,279
Interest on Class C LP Units	757	875	2,313	2,749
Amortization of fair value adjustments on Class C LP Units	(57)	(82)	(171)	(282)
Distributions on Class B LP Units (note 13)	2,466	2,466	7,399	7,399
Interest on convertible debenture	474	474	1,423	1,410
Fair value adjustment on derivative financial liability	(27)	_	214	_
Non-cash finance costs	220	160	611	448
	5,968	5,943	18,275	18,003

Total finance costs paid during the three and nine-month period were \$5,301 and \$16,972 (2015 - \$5,324 and \$17,096).

#### 13. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Our condensed interim consolidated financial statements include the following related party transactions with Melcor, and its affiliates, as our controlling unitholder:

## a) Property and Asset Management Agreements

Pursuant to the terms of the Property and Asset Management Agreements, we incurred the following fees during the period:

	Three	Three months ended September 30		Nine months ended September 30	
(\$000s)	2016	2015	2016	2015	
Asset Management Agreement					
Base Annual Management Fee	399	380	1,192	1,139	
Capital Expenditure Fee	_	_	38	_	
Property Management Agreement					
Monthly Fee	480	489	1,436	1,437	
Lease Fee	183	266	480	640	
	1,062	1,135	3,146	3,216	

The Base Annual Management Fee is included in general and administrative expenses. Monthly Fees are included in direct operating expenses. Acquisition Fees and Lease Fees are capitalized to investment properties. As at September 30, 2016 there was \$559 (December 31, 2015 - \$297) payable to Melcor related to these fees.

#### b) Distributions on Class B LP Units and Redemptions of Class C LP Units

During the three and nine-month period ended September 30, 2016, \$2,466 and \$7,399 in distributions were recorded on Class B LP Units held by Melcor (2015 - \$2,466 and \$7,399). These distributions were recorded as finance costs (note 12). As at September 30, 2016 there was \$822 payable to Melcor for the September distribution (December 31, 2015 - \$822 for the December distribution).

Also during the three and nine-month period ended September 30, 2016, Melcor, as holder of all Class C LP Units, was paid \$1,607 and \$4,834 to fund principal and interest payments on the retained debt (2015 - \$1,659 and \$5,070). During the comparative period we also repaid the maturing balance on 333,100 Class C LP Units with a carrying value of \$3,105. These payments were recorded as a reduction of the Class C LP Unit liability and as finance costs.

#### c) Rental Revenue

For the three and nine-month period ended September 30, 2016 we collected \$244 and \$720 in rental revenue from Melcor and an affiliate for use of office space (2015 - \$209 and \$628). In addition, pursuant to certain Head and Bridge Lease Agreements, we collected \$107 and \$190 in rental revenue during the three and nine-month period ended September 30, 2016 from Melcor as compensation for certain vacant spaces at properties acquired from Melcor in 2014 (2015 - \$35 and \$413). These amounts are included in rental revenue.

#### d) Key Management Remuneration

The REIT does not directly or indirectly pay any compensation to named executive officers of the REIT. The REIT has no employees and is externally managed, administered and operated by Melcor pursuant to the Asset Management Agreement and Property Management Agreement.

All related party transactions occurred in the normal course of operations, at market rates and under normal commercial terms.

#### 14. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENT

Fair value is the price that market participants would be willing to pay for an asset or liability in an orderly transaction under current market conditions at the measurement date.

The fair value of our financial instruments were determined as follows:

- the carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents, restricted cash, accounts receivables, revolving credit facility, accounts payable and distribution payable approximate their fair values based on the short term maturities of these financial instruments.
- fair values of mortgages payable, Class C LP Units, convertible debenture and derivative financial liability interest rate swap are estimated by discounting the future cash flows associated with the debt at market interest rates (Level 2).
- fair value of derivative financial liability conversion feature on our convertible debenture is estimated based upon unobservable inputs, including volatility and credit spread (Level 3).
- fair value of Class B LP Units are estimated based on the closing trading price of our trust units (Level 1).

In addition, we carry our investment properties at fair value, which is determined based on the accepted valuation methods of direct income capitalization or discounted future cash flows (Level 3).

The following table summarizes our assets and liabilities carried at fair value and our financial assets and liabilities where carrying value may not approximate fair value.

		Septembe	December 31, 2015			
(\$000s)	Fair Value	Amortized Cost	Total Carrying Value	Total Fair Value	Total Carrying Value	Total Fair Value
Non-financial assets						
Investment properties	644,026	_	644,026	644,026	643,421	643,421
Financial liabilities						
Mortgages payable	_	221,735	221,735	218,438	216,452	215,150
Class B LP Units	126,720	_	126,720	126,720	105,380	105,380
Class C LP Units	_	81,474	81,474	81,474	84,158	84,158
Convertible debenture	_	32,621	32,621	32,621	32,246	32,246
Derivative financial liability						
Interest rate swap	214	_	214	214	_	_
Conversion feature on convertible debenture	5	_	5	5	5	5

The table below analyzes assets and liabilities carried at fair value in the consolidated statement of financial position, by the levels in the fair value hierarchy. The fair value hierarchy categorizes fair value measurement into three levels based upon the inputs to valuation technique, which are defined as follows:

- Level 1: quote prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that are accessible at the
  measurement date.
- Level 2: inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly.
- Level 3: unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

There were no transfers between the levels of the fair value hierarchy during the period.

(\$000s)	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Non-financial assets				
Investment properties	_	_	644,026	644,026
Financial liabilities				
Derivative financial liability				
Interest rate swap	_	214	_	214
Conversion feature on convertible debenture	_	_	5	5
Class B LP Units	126,720	_	_	126,720

#### **Investment properties**

Investment properties are remeasured to fair value on a recurring basis, determined based on the accepted valuation methods of direct income capitalization or discounted future cash flows. The application of these valuation methods results in these measurements being classified as Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy.

Under the discounted future cash flows method, fair values are determined by discounting the forecasted future cash flows over ten years plus a terminal value determined by applying a terminal capitalization rate to forecasted year eleven cash flows.

Under the direct income capitalization method, fair values are determined by dividing the stabilized net operating income of the property by a property specific capitalization rate.

The significant unobservable inputs in the Level 3 valuations are as follows:

- Capitalization rate based on actual location, size and quality of the property and taking into consideration available market data as at the valuation date;
- Stabilized net operating income revenue less direct operating expenses adjusted for items such as average lease up
  costs, vacancies, non-recoverable capital expenditures, management fees, straight-line rents and other non-recurring
  items;
- Discount rate reflecting current market assessments of the uncertainty in the amount and timing of cash flows;
- Terminal capitalization rate taking into account assumptions regarding vacancy rates and market rents; and
- Cash flows based on the physical location, type and quality of the property and supported by the terms of existing leases, other contracts or external evidence such as current market rents for similar properties.

An increase in the cash flows or stabilized net operating income results in an increase in the fair value of investment property whereas an increase in the capitalization rate, discount rate or terminal capitalization rate decreases the fair value of the investment property.

In determining the fair value of our investment properties, judgment is required in assessing the 'highest and best use' as required under IFRS 13, Fair value measurement. We have determined that the current uses of our investment properties are their 'highest and best use'.

Melcor - as our management company - lead by Melcor's executive management team, is responsible for determining fair value measurements on a quarterly basis, including verifying all major inputs included in the valuation and reviewing the results. Melcor's management, along with the REIT's Audit Committee, discuss the valuation process and key inputs on a quarterly basis. At least once every two years, the valuations are performed by qualified external valuators who hold

recognized and relevant professional qualifications and have recent experience in the location and category of the investment property being valued.

Investment properties were reviewed by qualified external valuators at September 30, 2016, which resulted in fair value losses of \$2,946 recorded as fair value adjustment on investment properties in the interim condensed consolidated statements of income and comprehensive income.

For the year ended December 31, 2015, Melcor Development Ltd.'s internal valuation team performed the valuation assessment. Of 47 legal phases assessed, 27 properties, with a fair value of \$443,750 were valued by qualified independent external valuation professionals during the year, which resulted in fair value losses of \$5,418.

Weighted average stabilized net operating income for investment properties is \$1,510 (December 31, 2015 - \$1,504). Other significant valuation metrics and unobservable inputs are set out in the following table. Fair values are most sensitive to changes in capitalization rates.

	September 30, 2016			December 31, 2015		
	Min	Max	Weighted Average	Min	Max	Weighted Average
Capitalization rate	5.50%	8.75%	6.62%	5.50%	9.00%	6.57%
Terminal capitalization rate	5.75%	9.00%	6.83%	5.75%	9.25%	6.81%
Discount rate	6.50%	9.75%	7.70%	6.50%	10.00%	7.71%

An increase in the capitalization rates by 50 basis points would decrease the carrying amount of investment properties by \$46,586 (December 31, 2015 - \$46,953). A decrease in the capitalization rates by 50 basis points would increase the carrying amount of investment properties by \$54,195 (December 31, 2015 - \$54,685).

#### **Derivative financial liability**

Our derivative financial liability is comprised of a floating for fixed interest rate swap on one of our mortgages (level 2) and the conversion feature on our convertible debenture (level 3).

The fair value of the interest rate swap is calculated as the net present value of the future cash flows expected to arise on the variable and fixed portion, determined using applicable yield curves at the measurement date. As at September 30, 2016 the fair value of the interest rate swap contract is \$214.

The significant unobservable inputs used in the fair value measurement of the conversion feature on the convertible debenture as at September 30, 2016 are as follows:

- Volatility expected volatility as at September 30, 2016 was derived from the historical prices of our trust units. As the REIT was formed on May 1, 2013, price history is limited and we use the entire historical data up until September 30, 2016. Volatility was 15.86% (December 31, 2015 15.86%).
- Credit spread the credit spread of the convertible debenture was imputed from the traded price of the convertible debenture as at September 30, 2016. The credit spread used was 4.60% (December 31, 2015 4.60%).

#### **Class B LP Units**

Class B LP Units are remeasured to fair value on a recurring basis and categorized as Level 1 in the fair value hierarchy. The units are fair valued based on the trading price of the trust units at the period end date. At September 30, 2016 the fair value of the Class B LP Units was \$126,720, resulting in a fair value loss of \$21,340 for the nine-month period (December 31, 2015 - fair value gain of \$32,886).

#### 15. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On October 14, 2016 we declared a distribution of \$0.05625 per unit for the months of October, November and December 2016. The distributions will be payable as follows:

Month	Record Date	Distribution Date	Distribution Amount
October 2016	October 31, 2016	November 15, 2016	\$0.05625 per unit
November 2016	November 30, 2016	December 15, 2016	\$0.05625 per unit
December 2016	December 30, 2016	January 16, 2017	\$0.05625 per unit

## 16. COMPARATIVE FIGURES

The three and nine-month comparative 2015 balances of payment of tenant incentives and direct leasing costs of \$1,225 and \$3,788 and change in restricted cash of \$1 and \$64 have been reclassified from investing activities to operating activities in the consolidated statement of cash flows to reflect better presentation of the underlying nature of the cash flows.