

SIMON PROPERTY GROUP INC /DE/  
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**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, 2009

**SIMON PROPERTY GROUP, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware  
(State of incorporation or organization)

001-14469  
(Commission File No.)

046-268599  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

225 West Washington Street  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204  
(Address of principal executive offices)

(317) 636-1600  
(Registrant's 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.      **Yes**       **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).      **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 Exchange Act (check one):

Large accelerated filer       Accelerated filer       Non-accelerated filer       Smaller reporting company   
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Indicate by check mark whether Registrant is a shell company (as defined by Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).      **Yes**       **No**

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As of September 30, 2009, Simon Property Group, Inc. had 283,301,181 shares of common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share and 8,000 shares of Class B common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share outstanding.

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Simon Property Group, Inc. and Subsidiaries

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|   | September 30,<br>2009 | December 31,<br>2008 |
|---|-----------------------|----------------------|
|   | <i>Unaudited</i>      | <i>As Adjusted</i>   |
| <b>ASSETS:</b>  |                       |                      |
| Investment properties, at cost  | \$ 25,405,801         | \$ 25,205,715        |
| Less accumulated depreciation   | 6,837,803             | 6,184,285            |
|   | <b>18,567,998</b>     | 19,021,430           |
| Cash and cash equivalents   | 3,745,693             | 773,544              |
| Tenant receivables and accrued revenue, net   | 352,638               | 414,856              |
| Investment in unconsolidated entities, at equity  | 1,507,483             | 1,663,886            |
| Deferred costs and other assets   | 1,166,792             | 1,028,333            |
| Note receivable from related party  | 636,000               | 520,700              |
| <b>Total assets</b>   | <b>\$ 25,976,604</b>  | <b>\$ 23,422,749</b> |
| <b>LIABILITIES:</b>   |                       |                      |
| Mortgages and other indebtedness  | \$ 18,669,121         | \$ 18,042,532        |
| Accounts payable, accrued expenses, intangibles, and deferred revenues  | 1,050,269             | 1,086,248            |
| Cash distributions and losses in partnerships and joint ventures, at equity   | 443,081               | 380,730              |
| Other liabilities and accrued dividends   | 182,722               | 155,151              |
| <b>Total liabilities</b>  | <b>20,345,193</b>     | 19,664,661           |
| <b>Commitments and contingencies</b>  |                       |                      |
| Limited partners' preferred interest in the Operating Partnership and noncontrolling redeemable interests in properties   | 150,261               | 276,608              |
| Series I 6% convertible perpetual preferred stock, 19,000,000 shares authorized, 7,603,537 and 7,590,264 issued and outstanding, respectively, at liquidation value               | 380,177               | 379,513              |
| <b>EQUITY:</b>  |                       |                      |
| <b>Stockholders' equity</b>   |                       |                      |
| Capital stock (750,000,000 total shares authorized, \$.0001 par value, 237,996,000 shares of excess common stock, 100,000,000 authorized shares of preferred stock):              |                       |                      |
| Series J 8 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> % cumulative redeemable preferred stock, 1,000,000 shares authorized, 796,948 issued and outstanding, with a liquidation value of \$39,847 | 45,786                | 46,032               |
| Common stock, \$.0001 par value, 400,004,000 shares authorized, 287,424,297 and 235,691,040 issued, respectively  | 29                    | 24                   |

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|---|----------------------|---------------|
| Class B common stock, \$.0001 par value, 12,000,000 shares authorized, 8,000 issued and outstanding |                      |               |
| Capital in excess of par value  | <b>7,391,338</b>     | 5,410,147     |
| Accumulated deficit   | <b>(2,872,685)</b>   | (2,491,929)   |
| Accumulated other comprehensive loss  | <b>(15,158)</b>      | (165,066)     |
| Common stock held in treasury at cost, 4,123,116 and 4,379,396 shares, respectively                 | <b>(176,885)</b>     | (186,210)     |
| Total stockholders' equity  | <b>4,372,425</b>     | 2,612,998     |
| Noncontrolling interests  | <b>728,548</b>       | 488,969       |
| <b>Total equity</b>   | <b>5,100,973</b>     | 3,101,967     |
| <b>Total liabilities and equity</b>   | <b>\$ 25,976,604</b> | \$ 23,422,749 |

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

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*Unaudited Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income*  
*(Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)*

|  | For the Three Months<br>Ended September 30, |                   | For the Nine Months<br>Ended September 30, |                   |
|--|---|-------------------|--|-------------------|
|  | 2009  | 2008              | 2009                                       | 2008              |
|  | <i>As Adjusted</i>                          |                   | <i>As Adjusted</i>                         |                   |
| <b>REVENUE:</b>  |   |                   |  |                   |
| Minimum rent   | \$ 570,100                                  | \$ 567,938        | \$ 1,709,147                               | \$ 1,684,819      |
| Overage rent   | 19,806                                      | 26,295            | 45,799                                     | 60,782            |
| Tenant reimbursements  | 268,611                                     | 266,616           | 784,905                                    | 776,667           |
| Management fees and other revenues   | 29,988                                      | 33,350            | 90,694                                     | 101,249           |
| Other income   | 36,427                                      | 41,395            | 116,491                                    | 130,322           |
| <b>Total revenue</b>   | <b>924,932</b>                              | <b>935,594</b>    | <b>2,747,036</b>                           | <b>2,753,839</b>  |
| <b>EXPENSES:</b>   |   |                   |  |                   |
| Property operating   | 113,815                                     | 127,515           | 326,798                                    | 352,187           |
| Depreciation and amortization  | 250,151                                     | 235,915           | 758,173                                    | 700,575           |
| Real estate taxes  | 79,854                                      | 84,101            | 251,173                                    | 254,071           |
| Repairs and maintenance  | 19,151                                      | 20,392            | 61,925                                     | 75,258            |
| Advertising and promotion  | 23,226                                      | 22,942            | 61,555                                     | 64,054            |
| (Recovery of) provision for credit losses  | (745)                                       | 4,004             | 19,336                                     | 17,367            |
| Home and regional office costs   | 26,899                                      | 34,322            | 79,732                                     | 108,766           |
| General and administrative   | 4,509                                       | 5,035             | 13,867                                     | 15,432            |
| Impairment charge  |   |                   | 140,478                                    |                   |
| Other  | 15,895                                      | 18,016            | 52,908                                     | 51,964            |
| <b>Total operating expenses</b>  | <b>532,755</b>                              | <b>552,242</b>    | <b>1,765,945</b>                           | <b>1,639,674</b>  |
| <b>OPERATING INCOME</b>  | <b>392,177</b>                              | <b>383,352</b>    | <b>981,091</b>                             | <b>1,114,165</b>  |
| Interest expense   | (257,881)                                   | (239,955)         | (728,360)                                  | (702,207)         |
| Loss on extinguishment of debt   |   |                   |  | (20,330)          |
| Income tax benefit (expense) of taxable REIT subsidiaries  | 238   | (972)             | 2,904                                      | (1,576)           |
| Income from unconsolidated entities  | 4,655                                       | 17,312            | 15,694                                     | 13,060            |
| <b>CONSOLIDATED NET INCOME</b>   | <b>139,189</b>                              | <b>159,737</b>    | <b>271,329</b>                             | <b>403,112</b>    |
| Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests  | 27,103                                      | 35,644            | 60,177                                     | 91,818            |
| Preferred dividends  | 6,539                                       | 11,284            | 19,597                                     | 33,980            |
| <b>NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO COMMON STOCKHOLDERS</b>  | <b>\$ 105,547</b>                           | <b>\$ 112,809</b> | <b>\$ 191,555</b>                          | <b>\$ 277,314</b> |
| <b>BASIC EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE:</b>  |   |                   |  |                   |
| Net income attributable to common stockholders   | \$ 0.38                                     | \$ 0.50           | \$ 0.73                                    | \$ 1.23           |
| <b>DILUTED EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE:</b>  |   |                   |  |                   |
| Net income attributable to common stockholders   | \$ 0.38                                     | \$ 0.50           | \$ 0.73                                    | \$ 1.23           |
| <b>Consolidated net income</b>   | <b>\$ 139,189</b>                           | <b>\$ 159,737</b> | <b>\$ 271,329</b>                          | <b>\$ 403,112</b> |
| Unrealized (loss) income on interest rate hedge agreements   | 4,883                                       | 2,838             | (6,346)                                    | (3,781)           |
| Net (loss) on derivative instruments reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) into interest expense | (3,769)                                     | (6,739)           | (10,816)                                   | (3,514)           |
| Currency translation adjustments   | 5,928                                       | (3,640)           | 695  | (11,328)          |

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|   |                   |            |                   |            |
|---|-------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|
| Changes in available-for-sale securities and other              | <b>38,362</b>     | 13,185     | <b>204,965</b>    | 7,843      |
| Comprehensive income  | <b>184,593</b>    | 165,381    | <b>459,827</b>    | 392,332    |
| Comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interests   | <b>35,549</b>     | 37,681     | <b>98,767</b>     | 90,448     |
| <b>Comprehensive income attributable to common stockholders</b> | <b>\$ 149,044</b> | \$ 127,700 | <b>\$ 361,060</b> | \$ 301,884 |

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

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**Simon Property Group, Inc. and Subsidiaries**  
*Unaudited Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows*  
(Dollars in thousands)

|   | For the Nine Months<br>Ended September 30, |             |
|---|--|-------------|
|   | 2009                                       | 2008        |
|   | <i>As Adjusted</i>                         |             |
| <b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>  |  |             |
| <b>Consolidated net income</b>  | \$ 271,329                                 | \$ 403,112  |
| Adjustments to reconcile consolidated net income to net cash provided by operating activities |  |             |
| Depreciation and amortization   | 765,325                                    | 686,852     |
| Impairment charge   | 140,478                                    |             |
| Straight-line rent  | (20,376)                                   | (26,050)    |
| Equity in income of unconsolidated entities   | (15,694)                                   | (13,060)    |
| Distributions of income from unconsolidated entities  | 75,883                                     | 84,296      |
| <b>Changes in assets and liabilities</b>  |  |             |
| Tenant receivables and accrued revenue, net   | 83,518                                     | 24,195      |
| Deferred costs and other assets   | (38,415)                                   | (26,901)    |
| Accounts payable, accrued expenses, intangibles, deferred revenues and other liabilities      | 79,236                                     | 82,920      |
| <b>Net cash provided by operating activities</b>  | <b>1,341,284</b>                           | 1,215,364   |
| <b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:</b>  |  |             |
| Funding of loans to related parties   | (120,000)                                  | (8,000)     |
| Repayments on loans to related parties  | 4,700                                      | 25,300      |
| Capital expenditures, net   | (313,124)                                  | (668,239)   |
| Investments in unconsolidated entities  | (16,569)                                   | (66,315)    |
| Purchase of marketable and non-marketable securities  | (132,984)                                  | (355,994)   |
| Sale of marketable and non-marketable securities  | 44,446                                     | 8,459       |
| Distributions of capital from unconsolidated entities and other                               | 162,827                                    | 191,508     |
| <b>Net cash used in investing activities</b>  | <b>(370,704)</b>                           | (873,281)   |
| <b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</b>  |  |             |
| Proceeds from sales of common stock and other   | 1,639,376                                  | 9,452       |
| Purchase of limited partner units   |  | (14,361)    |
| Preferred stock redemptions   | (87,689)                                   | (1,845)     |
| Distributions to noncontrolling interest holders in properties                                | (21,668)                                   | (18,131)    |
| Contributions from noncontrolling interest holders in properties                              | 2,798                                      | 1,835       |
| Preferred distributions of the Operating Partnership  | (10,451)                                   | (13,398)    |
| Preferred dividends and distributions to stockholders   | (107,692)                                  | (640,210)   |
| Distributions to limited partners   | (18,737)                                   | (154,932)   |
| Mortgage and other indebtedness proceeds, net of transaction costs                            | 3,121,880                                  | 4,109,078   |
| Mortgage and other indebtedness principal payments  | (2,516,248)                                | (3,475,437) |
| <b>Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities</b>                                    | <b>2,001,569</b>                           | (197,949)   |
| <b>INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>  | <b>2,972,149</b>                           | 144,134     |
| <b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, beginning of period</b>   | <b>773,544</b>                             | 501,982     |
| <b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, end of period</b>   | <b>\$ 3,745,693</b>                        | \$ 646,116  |



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**Simon Property Group, Inc. and Subsidiaries**

**Condensed Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements**

**(Unaudited)**

(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts and where indicated in millions or billions)

**1. Organization**

Simon Property Group, Inc. is a Delaware corporation that operates as a self-administered and self-managed real estate investment trust, or REIT, under the Internal Revenue Code. Simon Property Group, L.P., or the Operating Partnership, is our majority-owned partnership subsidiary that owns all of our real estate properties. In these condensed notes to the unaudited consolidated financial statements, the terms "we", "us" and "our" refer to Simon Property Group, Inc. and its subsidiaries.

We own, develop and manage retail real estate properties, which consist primarily of regional malls, Premium Outlet® centers, The Mills®, and community/lifestyle centers. As of September 30, 2009, we owned or held an interest in 325 income-producing properties in the United States, which consisted of 163 regional malls, 41 Premium Outlet centers, 70 community/lifestyle centers, 36 properties acquired in the 2007 acquisition of The Mills Corporation, or the Mills acquisition, and 15 other shopping centers or outlet centers in 41 states and Puerto Rico. Of the 36 properties acquired in the Mills portfolio, 16 of these properties are The Mills, 16 are regional malls, and four are community centers. We also own an interest in one parcel of land held in the United States for future development. Internationally, as of September 30, 2009, we had ownership interests in 51 European shopping centers (France, Italy and Poland), eight Premium Outlet centers in Japan, one Premium Outlet center in Mexico, one Premium Outlet center in South Korea, and three shopping centers in China. Also, through joint venture arrangements we have ownership interest in the following properties under development internationally: a 24% interest in two shopping centers in Italy and a 32.5% interest in one additional shopping center under construction in China.

**2. Basis of Presentation**

The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements of Simon Property Group, Inc. include the accounts of all majority-owned subsidiaries, and all significant inter-company amounts have been eliminated. Due to the seasonal nature of certain operational activities, the results for the interim period ended September 30, 2009 are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the full year.

These consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the instructions to Form 10-Q and include all of the information and disclosures required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (GAAP) for interim reporting. Accordingly, they do not include all of the disclosures required by GAAP for complete financial statements. In the opinion of management, all adjustments necessary for fair presentation (including normal recurring accruals) have been included. The consolidated financial statements in this Form 10-Q should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements and related notes contained in our 2008 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

As of September 30, 2009, we consolidated 204 wholly-owned properties and 18 additional properties that are less than wholly-owned, but which we control or for which we are the primary beneficiary. We account for the remaining 167 properties, or the joint venture properties, using the equity method of accounting. We manage the day-to-day operations of 93 of the 167 joint venture properties, but have determined that our partner or partners have substantive participating rights with respect to the assets and operations of these joint venture properties. Our investments in joint ventures in Japan, Europe, and Asia comprise 64 of the remaining 74 properties. The international properties are managed locally by joint ventures in which we share oversight responsibility with our partner. Additionally, we account for our investment in SPG-FCM Ventures, LLC, or SPG-FCM, which acquired The Mills Corporation and its majority-owned subsidiary, The Mills Limited Partnership, collectively Mills, in April 2007, using the equity method of accounting. We have determined that SPG-FCM is not a variable interest entity (VIE) and that Farallon Capital Management, L.L.C., or Farallon, our joint venture partner, has substantive participating rights with respect to the assets and operations of SPG-FCM pursuant to the applicable partnership agreements.

We allocate net operating results of the Operating Partnership after preferred distributions to third parties and to us based on the partners' respective weighted average ownership interests in the Operating Partnership. Net operating results of the Operating Partnership attributed to third parties are reflected in net income attributable to

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noncontrolling interests. Our weighted average ownership interest in the Operating Partnership was 82.1% and 79.7% for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively. As of September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, our ownership interest in the Operating Partnership was 83.0% and 80.4%, respectively. We adjust the limited partners' interests at the end of each period to reflect their respective interests in the Operating Partnership.

Preferred distributions of the Operating Partnership in the accompanying statements of operations and cash flows represent distributions on outstanding preferred units at the time of declaration of partnership interests held by limited partners, or preferred units, and are included in net income attributable to noncontrolling interests.

***Reclassifications***

We made certain reclassifications of prior period amounts in the consolidated financial statements to conform to the 2009 presentation. The reclassifications were to reflect the retrospective adoption of a newly issued accounting standard related to noncontrolling interests in consolidated financial statements and the reassessment of the classification and measurement of redeemable securities, as further described in Note 3. These reclassifications had no impact on previously reported net income available to common stockholders or earnings per share.

***Subsequent Events***

We have evaluated the financial statements for subsequent events through the time of the filing of this Form 10-Q.

**3. Significant Accounting Policies**

***Cash and Cash Equivalents***

We consider all highly liquid investments purchased with an original maturity of 90 days or less to be cash and cash equivalents. Cash equivalents are carried at cost, which approximates market value. Cash equivalents generally consist of commercial paper, bankers acceptances, Eurodollars, repurchase agreements and money market funds or accounts. Cash and cash equivalents, as of September 30, 2009, include a balance of \$30.9 million related to our co-branded gift card programs which we do not consider available for general working capital purposes. Financial instruments that potentially subject us to concentrations of credit risk include our cash and cash equivalents and our tenant receivables. We place our cash and cash equivalents with high credit quality institutions. However, at certain times, the cash and cash equivalents deposited with any institution may be in excess of FDIC and SIPC insurance limits.

***Marketable and Non-Marketable Securities***

Marketable securities consist primarily of the investments of our captive insurance subsidiaries, our investment in shares of common stock of Liberty International PLC, or Liberty, our deferred compensation plan investments, and certain investments held to fund the debt service requirements of debt previously secured by investment properties that have been sold.

The types of securities included in the investment portfolio of our captive insurance subsidiaries typically include U.S. Treasury or other U.S. government securities as well as corporate debt securities with maturities ranging from 1 to 10 years. These securities are classified as available-for-sale and are valued based upon quoted market prices or other observable inputs when quoted market prices are not available. The amortized cost of debt securities, which approximates fair value, held by our captive insurance subsidiaries is adjusted for amortization of premiums and accretion of discounts to maturity. Our investment in Liberty is also accounted for as an available-for-sale security. Liberty operates regional shopping centers and is the owner of other retail assets throughout the United Kingdom, as well as certain real estate assets in the U.S. Liberty is a U.K. FTSE 100 listed company. Liberty elected to be treated as a U.K. Real Estate Investment Trust on January 1, 2007. Our interest in Liberty is adjusted to their quoted market price, including a related foreign exchange component. Changes in the values of these securities are recognized in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) until the gain or loss is realized or until any unrealized loss is deemed to be other-than-temporary.

During the quarterly period ended June 30, 2009, we recognized a non-cash charge of \$140.5 million, or \$0.42 per diluted share, representing an other-than-temporary impairment in fair value below the carrying value of our investment in Liberty. As of June 30 and September 30, 2009, we owned 35.4 million shares at a weighted average cost per share of £5.74. As of June 30, and September 30, 2009, Liberty's quoted market price was £3.97 and £4.79 per



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share, respectively. As a result of the significance and duration of the decline in the total share price at June 30, 2009, including currency revaluations, the decline in value was deemed an other-than-temporary impairment, which established a new cost basis of our investment in Liberty. As a result, changes in available-for-sale securities and other in the consolidated statement of operations and comprehensive income include the reclassification of \$140.5 million from accumulated other comprehensive income to earnings related to this non-cash charge. Prior to the quarter ending June 30, 2009, the changes in value of our Liberty investment were reflected in other comprehensive income. For the quarter ending September 30, 2009, we resumed marking our Liberty investment to market through other comprehensive income. The resulting mark-to-market adjustment for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2009 was an increase in the value of Liberty of \$37.7 million with a corresponding adjustment in other comprehensive income.

Our insurance subsidiaries are required to maintain statutory minimum capital and surplus as well as maintain a minimum liquidity ratio. Therefore, our access to this investment portfolio may be limited. Our deferred compensation plan investments are classified as trading securities and are valued based upon quoted market prices. The investments have a matching liability recorded as the amounts are fully payable to the employees who earned the compensation and who are in the deferred compensation plan. Changes in the values of these securities are recognized in earnings, but because of the matching liability the impact to net income is zero. In addition, as of September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, we had investments of \$52.3 million and \$53.4 million, respectively, which must be used to fund the debt service requirements of previously secured by investment properties sold. These investments are classified as held-to-maturity and are recorded at amortized cost as we have the ability and intent to hold these investments to maturity.

During 2008, we made an investment of \$70 million in a non-marketable security that we account for under the cost method. To the extent an other-than-temporary decline in fair value is deemed to have occurred, we would adjust this investment to its estimated fair value.

The net unrealized gains as of September 30, 2009 were approximately \$39.6 million and represented the valuation and related currency adjustments for our marketable securities. As of September 30, 2009, other than the adjustment related to our investment in Liberty recorded during the second quarter, we do not consider the decline in value of any of our other marketable and non-marketable securities to be an other-than-temporary impairment, as these market value declines, if any, have existed for a short period of time, and, in the case of debt securities, we have the ability and intent to hold these securities to maturity.

***Fair Value Measurements***

We hold marketable securities that total \$476.0 million at September 30, 2009, and are considered to have Level 1 fair value inputs. In addition, we have derivative instruments which are classified as having Level 2 inputs which consist primarily of interest rate swap agreements with a gross liability balance of \$16.7 million and interest rate cap agreements with a gross asset value of \$3 million, which are offset by a corresponding counter position cap liability of the same amount. Level 1 fair value inputs are quoted prices for identical items in active, liquid and visible markets such as stock exchanges, and Level 2 fair value inputs are observable information for similar items in active or inactive markets, and appropriately consider counterparty creditworthiness in the valuations. See Note 6 for a discussion of fair value of debt.

***Retrospective Adjustments Related to Noncontrolling Interests and Temporary Equity***

Effective January 1, 2009, we adopted a newly issued accounting standard for noncontrolling interests, which requires a noncontrolling interest in a subsidiary to be reported as equity and the amount of consolidated net income specifically attributable to the noncontrolling interest to be included within consolidated net income. This standard also requires consistency in the manner of reporting changes in the parent's ownership interest and requires fair value measurement of any noncontrolling equity investment retained in a deconsolidation. In connection with our adoption, we also reviewed and retrospectively adopted the measurement and classification provisions for redeemable securities as further discussed below. As a result, we adjusted the carrying amounts of noncontrolling redeemable interests held by third parties in certain of our properties to redemption values at each reporting date. Because holders of the noncontrolling redeemable interests in properties can require us to redeem these interests for cash, we have classified these noncontrolling redeemable interests outside of permanent equity. These adjustments increased the December 31, 2007 carrying value of these noncontrolling redeemable interests by \$41.5 million, with a corresponding increase to accumulated deficit in consolidated equity. Subsequent adjustments to the carrying amounts of these

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noncontrolling redeemable interests in properties, to reflect the change in redemption value at the end of each reporting period, are recorded to accumulated deficit. Additionally, due to certain cash redemption features that may be deemed outside of our control, we have retained temporary equity classification for certain preferred units.

Our reassessment of the measurement and classification provisions for redeemable securities also resulted in the reclassification of our Series I 6% Convertible Perpetual Preferred Stock (Series I Preferred Stock) from permanent equity to temporary equity due to the possibility that we could be required to redeem the security for cash upon the occurrence of a change in control event, which would include a change in the majority of our directors that occurs over a two year period. The carrying amount of the Series I Preferred Stock is equal to its liquidation value, which is the amount payable upon the occurrence of such event. Lastly, the adoption also resulted in the reclassification to equity as noncontrolling nonredeemable interests the limited partners' interests in the Operating Partnership, or units, and nonredeemable noncontrolling interests in properties.

Details of the carrying amount of our noncontrolling interests that have been reclassified to permanent equity are as follows:

|   | <i>As of</i><br><i>September 30,</i><br><i>2009</i> | <i>As of</i><br><i>December 31,</i><br><i>2008</i> |
|---|---|--|
| Limited partners' common interests in the Operating Partnership   | \$ <b>885,149</b>                                   | \$ 639,779   |
| Nonredeemable noncontrolling deficit interests in properties, net | <b>(156,601)</b>                                    | (150,810)  |
| <b>Total noncontrolling interests reflected in equity</b>         | <b>\$ 728,548</b>                                   | <b>\$ 488,969</b>                                  |

As a result of these reclassifications, total equity at December 31, 2008 increased by \$61.8 million from the \$3.0 billion previously reported.

Further, as a result of the adoption, net income attributable to noncontrolling interests (which includes nonredeemable noncontrolling interests in consolidated properties, limited partners' interests in the Operating Partnership and preferred distributions of the Operating Partnership) is now excluded from the determination of consolidated net income. In addition, the individual components of other comprehensive income are now presented in the aggregate, with the portion attributable to noncontrolling interests deducted from comprehensive income attributable to common stockholders. Corresponding changes have also been made to the accompanying consolidated statements of cash flows. Such changes resulted in a net increase to cash flows provided by operating activities with an offsetting increase to cash flows used in financing activities related to distributions to noncontrolling interest holders in properties.

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A rollforward of noncontrolling interests is as follows:

|  | <i>For the Three Months<br/>Ended September 30,</i> |              | <i>For the Nine Months<br/>Ended September 30,</i> |                |
|--|---|--------------|--|----------------|
|  | <i>2009</i>   | <i>2008</i>  | <i>2009</i>  | <i>2008</i>    |
| Noncontrolling interest, beginning of period   | \$ 696,063  | \$ 528,366   | \$ 488,969   | \$ 592,978     |
| Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests  | 24,980  | 31,378       | 49,726   | 78,420         |
| Distributions to noncontrolling interestholders(1)   | (42,878)  | (55,582)     | (140,574)  | (171,085)      |
| Other comprehensive income (loss) allocable to noncontrolling interests:   |   |              |  |                |
| Unrealized gain (loss) on interest rate hedge agreements   | 1,136   | 571          | (205)  | (816)          |
| Net (loss) on derivative instruments reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) into interest expense | (636)   | (1,374)      | (1,932)  | (715)          |
| Currency translation adjustments   | 1,100   | (738)        | 184  | (2,319)        |
| Changes in available-for-sale securities and other   | 6,846   | 2,685        | 40,543   | 1,586          |
|  | <b>8,446</b>  | <b>1,144</b> | <b>38,590</b>                                      | <b>(2,264)</b> |
| Adjustment to limited partners' interests from increased ownership in the Operating Partnership                            | (26,214)  | 2,683        | 161,851  | (28,074)       |
| Units issued to limited partners   | 71,162  |              | 145,992  | 69,043         |
| Units converted to common shares   | (3,106)   | (7,927)      | (16,079)   | (27,486)       |
| Other  | 95  | 2,180        | 73   | (9,290)        |
| Noncontrolling interest, end of period   | \$ 728,548  | \$ 502,242   | \$ 728,548   | \$ 502,242     |

(1)

The 2009 activity for the three and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2009 includes non-cash distributions of \$30.4 million and \$105.3 million related to distributions paid in units, respectively.

#### *Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities*

On January 1, 2009, we adopted newly issued accounting guidance on disclosures about derivative instruments and hedging activities which amends and expands previous disclosure requirements. The guidance requires qualitative disclosures about objectives and strategies for using derivatives and quantitative disclosures about the fair value of and gains and losses on derivative instruments. We record all derivatives on the balance sheet at fair value. The accounting for changes in the fair value of derivatives depends on the intended use of the derivative, whether we have elected to designate a derivative in a hedging relationship and apply hedge accounting and whether the hedging relationship has satisfied the criteria necessary to apply hedge accounting. We use a variety of derivative financial instruments in the normal course of business to manage or hedge the risks associated with our indebtedness and interest payments. Our objectives in using interest rate derivatives are to add stability to interest expense and to manage our exposure to interest rate movements. To accomplish this objective, we primarily use interest rate swaps and caps. We require that hedging derivative instruments be highly effective in reducing the risk exposure that they are designated to hedge. As a result, there was no significant ineffectiveness from any of our derivative activities during the period. We formally designate any instrument that meets these hedging criteria as a hedge at the inception of the derivative contract.

As of September 30, 2009, we had the following outstanding interest rate derivatives related to interest rate risk:

| <i>Interest Rate Derivative</i> | <i>Number of<br/>Instruments</i> | <i>Notional Amount</i> |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|
| Interest Rate Swaps             | 4                                | \$ 695.0 million       |
| Interest Rate Caps              | 3                                | \$ 390.0 million       |

The carrying value of our interest rate swap agreements, at fair value, is included with other liabilities and was \$15.3 million as of September 30, 2009. The interest rate cap agreements were of no net value at September 30, 2009.

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and we generally do not apply hedge accounting to these arrangements. The total gross accumulated other comprehensive loss related to our derivative activities, including our share of the other comprehensive loss from joint venture properties, approximated \$56.3 million as of September 30, 2009.

We are also exposed to fluctuations in foreign exchange rates on investments denominated in a foreign currency that we hold, primarily in Japan and Europe. We use currency forward agreements to manage our exposure to changes in foreign exchange rates on certain Yen-denominated receivables. Currency forward agreements involve fixing the USD-Yen exchange rate for delivery of a specified amount of foreign currency on a specified date. The currency forward agreements are typically cash settled in US dollars for their fair value at or close to their settlement date. We entered into USD-Yen forwards during 2009 for approximately ¥3 billion that we expect to receive through April 2011 at an average exchange rate of 97.1 USD:Yen, of which approximately ¥1.6 billion remains as of September 30, 2009. The September 30, 2009 liability balance related to these forwards was \$1.4 million and is included in other liabilities. We have reflected the changes in fair value for these forward contracts in earnings. The underlying currency adjustments on the foreign-denominated receivables are also reflected in income and generally offset the amounts in earnings for these forward contracts.

We have no credit-risk-related hedging or derivative activities.

#### 4. Per Share Data

We determine basic earnings per share based on the weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding during the period. We determine diluted earnings per share based on the weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding combined with the incremental weighted average shares that would have been outstanding assuming all potentially dilutive common shares were converted into shares at the earliest date possible. The following table sets forth the computation of our basic and diluted earnings per share.

|  |                | <i>For the Three Months<br/>Ended September 30,</i> |                    | <i>For the Nine Months<br/>Ended September 30,</i> |                    |
|--|----------------|---|--------------------|--|--------------------|
|  |                | <i>2009</i>   | <i>2008</i>        | <i>2009</i>  | <i>2008</i>        |
| <b>Net Income attributable to Common Stockholders</b>  | <b>Basic</b>   | <b>\$ 105,547</b>                                   | <b>\$ 112,809</b>  | <b>\$ 191,555</b>                                  | <b>\$ 277,314</b>  |
| <b>Effect of dilutive securities:</b>  |                |   |                    |  |                    |
| Impact to General Partner's interest in Operating Partnership from all dilutive securities and options |                | <b>669</b>  | <b>115</b>         | <b>32</b>  | <b>149</b>         |
| <b>Net Income attributable to Common Stockholders</b>  | <b>Diluted</b> | <b>\$ 106,216</b>                                   | <b>\$ 112,924</b>  | <b>\$ 191,587</b>                                  | <b>\$ 277,463</b>  |
| <b>Weighted Average Shares Outstanding</b>   | <b>Basic</b>   | <b>281,430,338</b>                                  | <b>225,356,074</b> | <b>261,355,448</b>                                 | <b>224,600,761</b> |
| Effect of stock options  |                | <b>336,896</b>                                      | <b>569,458</b>     | <b>291,433</b>                                     | <b>592,850</b>     |
| Effect of contingently issuable shares from stock dividends  |                | <b>707,058</b>                                      |                    | <b>1,260,822</b>                                   |                    |
| <b>Weighted Average Shares Outstanding</b>   | <b>Diluted</b> | <b>282,474,292</b>                                  | <b>225,925,532</b> | <b>262,907,703</b>                                 | <b>225,193,611</b> |



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For the nine months ended September 30, 2009, potentially dilutive securities include stock options, convertible preferred stock, contingently issuable shares from stock dividends, units that are exchangeable for common stock and preferred units that are convertible into common units or exchangeable for our preferred stock. The only securities that had a dilutive effect for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009 were stock options and contingently issuable shares from stock dividends. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2008, the only securities that had a dilutive effect were stock options. We accrue dividends when they are declared.

**5. Investment in Unconsolidated Entities***Real Estate Joint Ventures*

Joint ventures are common in the real estate industry. We use joint ventures to finance properties, develop new properties, and diversify our risk in a particular property or portfolio. We held joint venture ownership interests in 103 properties in the United States as of September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008. We also held interests in two joint ventures which owned 51 European shopping centers as of September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008. At September 30, 2009, we also held interests in eight joint venture properties under operation in Japan, three joint venture properties in China, one joint venture property in Mexico, and one joint venture property in South Korea. We account for these joint venture properties using the equity method of accounting.

Substantially all of our joint venture properties are subject to rights of first refusal, buy-sell provisions, or other sale or marketing rights for partners which are customary in real estate joint venture agreements and the industry. Our partners in these joint ventures may initiate these provisions at any time (subject to any applicable lock up or similar restrictions), which could result in either the sale of our interest or the use of available cash or borrowings to acquire a joint venture interest from our partner.

*Loans to SPG-FCM*

As part of the Mills acquisition, the Operating Partnership made loans to SPG-FCM and Mills primarily at rates of LIBOR plus 270-275 basis points. These funds were used by SPG-FCM and Mills to repay loans and other obligations, including the redemption of Mills' preferred stock. As of September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, the outstanding balance of our remaining loan to SPG-FCM was \$636.0 million and \$520.7 million, respectively. During the first nine months of 2009 and 2008, we recorded approximately \$6.9 million and \$11.7 million in interest income (net of inter-entity eliminations), respectively, related to this loan. The loan facility bears interest at a rate of LIBOR plus 275 basis points and matures on June 8, 2010, with two available one-year extensions.

*International Joint Venture Investments*

**European Joint Ventures.** We conduct our international operations in Europe through two European joint ventures: Simon Ivanhoe S.à.r.l., or Simon Ivanhoe, and Gallerie Commerciali Italia, or GCI. The carrying amount of our total combined investment in these two joint venture investments was \$226.8 million and \$224.2 million as of September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, respectively, including all related components of accumulated other comprehensive income. The Operating Partnership has a 50% ownership in Simon Ivanhoe and a 49% ownership in GCI.

**Asian Joint Ventures.** We conduct our investment in the eight international Premium Outlet operations in Japan through joint ventures in which we hold a 40% ownership interest. The carrying amount of our investment in these joint ventures was \$310.6 million and \$312.6 million as of September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, respectively, including all related components of accumulated other comprehensive income. On June 1, 2007, we opened Yeosu Premium Outlets, our first Premium Outlet center in South Korea, in which we hold a 50% ownership interest. Our investment in this property was \$22.5 million and \$18.0 million as of September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, respectively, including all related components of accumulated other comprehensive income.

We also own a 32.5% interest shopping center joint venture arrangements located in China, and a 32.5% ownership in the management operation overseeing these projects, collectively referred to as Great Mall Investments, Ltd., or GMI. Currently three of the centers are open and operational, and one additional center is under construction and due for completion in late 2009. Our combined investment in GMI was approximately \$57.6 million and \$53.9 million as of September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, respectively, including the related cumulative translation adjustments.

We account for all of our international joint venture investments using the equity method of accounting.

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Summary financial information (in thousands) of all of our joint ventures and a summary of our investment in and share of income from such joint ventures follow. We condensed into separate line items major captions of the statements of operations for joint venture interests sold or consolidated. Consolidation occurs when we acquire an additional interest in the joint venture and, as a result, gain unilateral control of the property or are determined to be the primary beneficiary. We reclassify these line items into "Discontinued Joint Venture Interests" and "Consolidated Joint Venture Interests" on the following balance sheets and statements of operations, if material, so that we may present comparative results of operations for these joint venture properties held as of September 30, 2009.

|   | <i>September 30,<br/>2009</i> | <i>December 31,<br/>2008</i> |
|---|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>BALANCE SHEETS</b>   |                               |                              |
| <b>Assets:</b>  |                               |                              |
| Investment properties, at cost  | \$ 21,803,214                 | \$ 21,472,490                |
| Less accumulated depreciation   | 4,390,644                     | 3,892,956                    |
|   | <b>17,412,570</b>             | 17,579,534                   |
| Cash and cash equivalents   | 825,816                       | 805,411                      |
| Tenant receivables and accrued revenue, net                           | 374,028                       | 428,322                      |
| Investment in unconsolidated entities, at equity                      | 243,347                       | 230,497                      |
| Deferred costs and other assets                                       | 600,125                       | 594,578                      |
| <br>Total assets  | <br>\$ 19,455,886             | <br>\$ 19,638,342            |
| <b>Liabilities and Partners' Equity:</b>                              |                               |                              |
| Mortgages and other indebtedness                                      | \$ 16,896,737                 | \$ 16,686,701                |
| Accounts payable, accrued expenses, intangibles, and deferred revenue | 926,516                       | 1,070,958                    |
| Other liabilities   | 1,107,457                     | 982,254                      |
| <br>Total liabilities   | <br>18,930,710                | <br>18,739,913               |
| Preferred units   | 67,450                        | 67,450                       |
| Partners' equity  | 457,726                       | 830,979                      |
| <br>Total liabilities and partners' equity                            | <br>\$ 19,455,886             | <br>\$ 19,638,342            |
| <b>Our Share of:</b>  |                               |                              |
| Total assets  | \$ 7,994,929                  | \$ 8,056,873                 |
| Partners' equity  | \$ 369,166                    | \$ 533,929                   |
| Add: Excess Investment  | 695,236                       | 749,227                      |
| <br>Our net Investment in Joint Ventures                              | <br>\$ 1,064,402              | <br>\$ 1,283,156             |
| <br>Mortgages and other indebtedness                                  | <br>\$ 6,649,168              | <br>\$ 6,632,419             |

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"Excess Investment" represents the unamortized difference of our investment over our share of the equity in the underlying net assets of the joint ventures acquired. We amortize excess investment over the life of the related properties, typically no greater than 40 years, and the amortization is included in the reported amount of income from unconsolidated entities.

|   | <i>For the Three Months<br/>Ended September 30,</i> |                  | <i>For the Nine Months<br/>Ended September 30,</i> |                   |
|---|---|------------------|--|-------------------|
|   | <i>2009</i>   | <i>2008</i>      | <i>2009</i>  | <i>2008</i>       |
| <b>STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS</b>                   |   |                  |  |                   |
| <b>Revenue:</b>                                   |   |                  |  |                   |
| Minimum rent                                      | \$ 488,052  | \$ 486,586       | \$ 1,445,618                                       | \$ 1,435,067      |
| Overage rent                                      | 34,204  | 26,910           | 85,141   | 72,439            |
| Tenant reimbursements                             | 243,201   | 257,259          | 719,845  | 730,597           |
| Other income                                      | 37,039  | 61,862           | 115,946  | 145,380           |
| Total revenue                                     | 802,496   | 832,617          | 2,366,550  | 2,383,483         |
| <b>Operating Expenses:</b>                        |   |                  |  |                   |
| Property operating                                | 178,291   | 177,761          | 489,616  | 494,498           |
| Depreciation and amortization                     | 194,727   | 192,787          | 580,215  | 572,256           |
| Real estate taxes                                 | 57,262  | 63,254           | 190,036  | 195,627           |
| Repairs and maintenance                           | 26,413  | 28,582           | 77,048   | 89,085            |
| Advertising and promotion                         | 16,005  | 16,119           | 44,936   | 45,241            |
| Provision for credit losses                       | 3,523   | 6,244            | 18,910   | 14,072            |
| Other   | 43,487  | 37,640           | 131,680  | 123,245           |
| Total operating expenses                          | 519,708   | 522,387          | 1,532,441  | 1,534,024         |
| <b>Operating Income</b>                           | <b>282,788</b>                                      | <b>310,230</b>   | <b>834,109</b>                                     | <b>849,459</b>    |
| Interest expense                                  | (221,166)   | (243,569)        | (661,586)  | (727,279)         |
| (Loss) income from unconsolidated entities        | (3,170)   | 346              | (2,383)  | (3,783)           |
| <b>Income from Continuing Operations</b>          | <b>58,452</b>                                       | <b>67,007</b>    | <b>170,140</b>                                     | <b>118,397</b>    |
| Income from discontinued joint venture interests  |   |                  |  | 47                |
| <b>Net Income</b>                                 | <b>\$ 58,452</b>                                    | <b>\$ 67,007</b> | <b>\$ 170,140</b>                                  | <b>\$ 118,444</b> |
| <b>Third-Party Investors' Share of Net Income</b> | <b>\$ 39,710</b>                                    | <b>\$ 37,846</b> | <b>\$ 112,600</b>                                  | <b>\$ 71,403</b>  |
| <b>Our Share of Net Income</b>                    | <b>18,742</b>                                       | <b>29,161</b>    | <b>57,540</b>                                      | <b>47,041</b>     |
| <b>Amortization of Excess Investment</b>          | <b>(14,087)</b>                                     | <b>(11,849)</b>  | <b>(41,846)</b>                                    | <b>(33,981)</b>   |
| <b>Income from Unconsolidated Entities</b>        | <b>\$ 4,655</b>                                     | <b>\$ 17,312</b> | <b>\$ 15,694</b>                                   | <b>\$ 13,060</b>  |

**6. Debt***Unsecured Debt*

Our unsecured debt currently consists of \$11.6 billion of senior unsecured notes of the Operating Partnership and our \$3.5 billion unsecured credit facility, or Credit Facility. The Credit Facility bears interest at LIBOR plus 37.5 basis points and an additional facility fee of 12.5 basis points. The Credit Facility matures January 11, 2010 and may be extended one year at our option.

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During the nine months ended September 30, 2009, the Operating Partnership repaid five series of unsecured notes totaling \$900.0 million, which had fixed rates ranging from 3.50% to 8.63%.

On March 25, 2009, the Operating Partnership issued \$650.0 million of senior unsecured notes at a fixed interest rate of 10.35% due April 1, 2019. We used the proceeds from the offering to reduce borrowings on the Credit Facility and for general working capital purposes.

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On May 15, 2009, the Operating Partnership issued \$600.0 million of senior unsecured notes at a fixed interest rate of 6.75% due May 15, 2014. On August 11, 2009, we issued an additional \$500.0 million of the same series of senior unsecured notes in a re-opening of the initial offering. We used the proceeds from the offerings for general working capital purposes.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2009, we drew amounts from the Credit Facility to fund the repayment of \$600.0 million of maturing unsecured notes. We repaid a total of \$1.2 billion on the Credit Facility during the nine months ended September 30, 2009. The total outstanding balance of the Credit Facility as of September 30, 2009 was \$456.2 million, all related to the U.S. dollar equivalent of Euro and Yen-denominated borrowings, and the maximum amount outstanding during the nine months ended September 30, 2009 was approximately \$1.6 billion. During the nine months ended September 30, 2009, the weighted average outstanding balance was approximately \$739.8 million.

***Secured Debt***

Total secured indebtedness was \$6.6 billion and \$6.3 billion at September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, respectively.

On July 30, 2009, we borrowed \$400.0 million on a loan which matures on August 1, 2016 and bears interest at a fixed rate of 8.00%. This loan is secured by cross-collateralized, cross-defaulted mortgages on Greenwood Park Mall, South Park Mall, and Walt Whitman Mall.

***Fair Value of Debt***

The carrying value of our variable-rate mortgages and other loans approximates their fair values. We estimate the fair values of consolidated fixed-rate mortgages using cash flows discounted at current borrowing rates and other indebtedness using cash flows at current market rates. We estimate the fair values of consolidated fixed-rate unsecured notes using quoted market prices, or, if no quoted market prices are available, we use quoted market prices for securities with similar terms and maturities. The fair values of our fixed-rate debt at September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008 was \$16.5 billion and \$12.4 billion, respectively, compared to carrying values at those dates of \$16.2 billion and \$14.9 billion, respectively.

**7. Equity**

The Compensation Committee of our Board of Directors, or the Board, awarded 242,183 shares of restricted stock to employees on February 27, 2009 as part of the 2008 stock incentive program created under The Simon Property Group, L.P. 1998 Stock Incentive Plan at a fair market value of \$33.10 per share, 19,315 shares of restricted stock on March 2, 2009 at a fair market value of \$29.96 per share, and 764 shares of restricted stock on April 13, 2009 at a fair market value of \$42.65 per share. On May 8, 2009, our non-employee Directors were awarded 11,178 shares of restricted stock under this plan at a fair market value of \$53.93 per share, and 3,250 shares of restricted stock on June 1, 2009 at a fair market value of \$56.39 per share. The fair market value of the restricted stock awarded on February 27, 2009, March 2, 2009 and April 13, 2009 is being recognized as expense over the four-year vesting service period. The fair market value of the restricted stock awarded on May 8, 2009 and June 1, 2009, is being recognized as expense over a one-year vesting service period. We issued shares held in treasury to make the awards.

During the first nine months of 2009, we issued 1,345,567 shares of common stock to 58 limited partners in exchange for an equal number of units.

On September 18, 2009, we issued 2,029,044 shares of common stock as part of the quarterly dividend to common stockholders at an average closing price of \$73.97 per share. The Operating Partnership also issued 411,489 units to limited partners related to its distribution.

On June 19, 2009, we issued 2,525,204 shares of common stock as part of the quarterly dividend to common stockholders at an average closing price of \$52.92 per share. The Operating Partnership also issued 514,720 units to limited partners related to its distribution.

On May 12, 2009, we issued 23,000,000 shares of common stock in a public offering at a public offering price of \$50.00 per share. Proceeds from the offering were used for general working capital purposes.

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On March 25, 2009, we issued 17,250,000 shares of common stock in a public offering at a public offering price of \$31.50 per share. Proceeds from the offering were used to repay amounts drawn on the Credit Facility and for general working capital purposes.

On March 18, 2009, we issued 5,519,765 shares of common stock as part of the quarterly dividend to common stockholders at an average closing price of \$35.38 per share. The Operating Partnership also issued 1,345,151 units to limited partners related to its distribution.

Our Board had authorized the repurchase of up to \$1.0 billion of common stock through July 2009. No purchases were made as part of this program in 2009. The program was not renewed and has now expired.

### *Temporary Equity*

For the quarter ending September 30, 2009, holders of our Series I Preferred Stock were not eligible to convert their shares during the quarter into shares of our common stock as the triggering price of \$77.07 was not met as of June 30, 2009. As of September 30, 2009, the conversion trigger price of \$75.34 had again not been met. On June 30, 2009, the Operating Partnership redeemed all outstanding 7.75%/8.00% Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Units for cash in the aggregate amount of \$85,070. The redemption price was the liquidation value of the preferred units which was also its carrying value. On August 27, 2009, the Operating Partnership redeemed all outstanding 7.50% Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Units and 7.00% Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Units for units. The redemption price was the liquidation values of \$25,537 and \$1,875, respectively, which were also their carrying values.

### *Changes in Equity*

The following table provides a reconciliation of the beginning and ending carrying amounts of total equity, equity attributable to common stockholders and equity attributable to noncontrolling interests:

|   | <i>Preferred Stock</i> | <i>Common Stock</i> | <i>Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)</i> | <i>Capital in Excess of Par Value</i> | <i>Accumulated Deficit</i> | <i>Common Stock Held in Treasury</i> | <i>Noncontrolling interests</i> | <i>Total Equity</i> |
|---|------------------------|---------------------|--|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| January 1, 2009   | \$ 46,032              | \$ 24               | \$ (165,066)   | \$ 5,410,147                          | \$ (2,491,929)             | \$ (186,210)                         | \$ 488,969                      | \$ 3,101,967        |
| Conversion of limited partner units   |                        |                     |  | 16,079                                |                            |                                      | (16,079)                        |                     |
| Issuance of limited partner units   |                        |                     |  |                                       |                            |                                      | 40,724                          | 40,724              |
| Public offering of common stock   |                        | 4                   |  | 1,638,336                             |                            |                                      |                                 | 1,638,340           |
| Other   | (246)                  |                     |  | 8,585                                 | (4,175)                    | 9,325                                | 73                              | 13,562              |
| Adjustment to limited partners' interest from increased ownership in the Operating Partnership                                    |                        |                     |  | (161,851)                             |                            |                                      | 161,851                         |                     |
| Distributions (and stock issued) to common shareholders and limited partners, excluding Operating Partnership preferred interests |                        | 1                   |  | 480,042                               | (587,733)                  |                                      | (18,737)                        | (126,427)           |
| Distributions to other noncontrolling interest partners   |                        |                     |  |                                       |                            |                                      | (16,569)                        | (16,569)            |
| Comprehensive income, excluding preferred distributions on temporary equity preferred units of \$10,451                           |                        |                     | 149,908  |                                       | 211,152                    |                                      | 88,316                          | 449,376             |
| <b>September 30, 2009</b>   | <b>\$ 45,786</b>       | <b>\$ 29</b>        | <b>\$ (15,158)</b>                                   | <b>\$ 7,391,338</b>                   | <b>\$ (2,872,685)</b>      | <b>\$ (176,885)</b>                  | <b>\$ 728,548</b>               | <b>\$ 5,100,973</b> |

## **8. Commitments and Contingencies**

### *Litigation*

There have been no material developments with respect to the pending litigation disclosed in our 2008 Annual Report on Form 10-K and no new material developments or litigation have arisen since those disclosures were made.

We are involved in various other legal proceedings that arise in the ordinary course of our business. We believe that such routine litigation, claims and administrative proceedings will not have a material adverse impact on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows. We record a contingent liability when a loss is considered probable and the amount can be reasonably estimated.



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*Guarantees of Indebtedness*

Joint venture debt is the liability of the joint venture, and is typically secured by the joint venture property, which is non-recourse to us. As of September 30, 2009, we have loan guarantees of \$48.2 million to support our total \$6.6 billion share of joint venture mortgage and other indebtedness in the event that the joint venture borrower defaults under the terms of the underlying arrangement. Mortgages which are guaranteed by us are secured by the property of the joint venture and that property may be sold in order to satisfy the outstanding obligation.

**9. Real Estate Acquisitions and Dispositions**

We had no consolidated property acquisitions or dispositions during the nine months ended September 30, 2009.

**10. Recent Financial Accounting Standards**

In December 2007, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued new accounting guidance on business combinations and noncontrolling interests in consolidated financial statements which requires an acquirer to measure the identifiable assets acquired, the liabilities assumed and any noncontrolling interest in the acquiree at their fair values on the acquisition date, with goodwill being the excess value over the net identifiable assets acquired. The guidance is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008. On January 1, 2009, we adopted the guidance which did not have a significant impact on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In February 2008, the FASB issued a staff position which permitted a one-year deferral for the implementation of previously issued guidance related to fair value measurements with regard to nonfinancial assets and liabilities that are not recognized or disclosed at fair value in the financial statements on a recurring basis (at least annually). On January 1, 2009, we adopted the fair value measurement guidance as it relates to nonfinancial assets and nonfinancial liabilities that are not recognized or disclosed at fair value in the financial statements on at least an annual basis. The adoption had no impact on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows. The provisions of the guidance are applied at such time as a fair value measurement of a nonfinancial asset or nonfinancial liability is required, which may result in a fair value that is materially different than would have been calculated prior to adoption.

In June 2008, the FASB ratified guidance which provides an entity use a two step approach to evaluate whether an equity-linked financial instrument (or embedded feature) is indexed to its own stock, including evaluating the instrument's contingent exercise and settlement provisions. On January 1, 2009, we adopted the guidance which had no impact on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

On January 1, 2009, we adopted guidance on determining whether instruments granted in share-based payment transactions are participating securities. Under this guidance, unvested share-based payment awards that contain nonforfeitable rights to dividends or dividend equivalents (whether paid or unpaid) are participating securities and are included in the computation of earnings per share pursuant to the two-class method. The adoption of the guidance did not have a significant impact on reported earnings per share.

In May 2009, the FASB issued guidance which established general standards of accounting for and disclosure of events that occur after the balance sheet date but before financial statements are issued or are available to be issued. The statement introduces new terminology but is based on the same principles that previously existed in the accounting standards. The guidance requires disclosure of the date through which management has evaluated subsequent events and whether that date represents the date the financial statements were issued or the date the financial statements were available to be issued. The guidance was effective for interim and annual periods ending after June 15, 2009. The adoption of this statement did not have any impact on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In June 2009, the FASB issued the FASB Accounting Standards Codification (Codification) which is effective for interim and annual periods ending after September 15, 2009. The Codification defines a new hierarchy for U.S. GAAP and establishes the Codification as the sole source for authoritative guidance to be applied by nongovernmental entities. The adoption of the Codification changed the manner in which U.S. GAAP guidance is referenced, but did not have any impact on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.



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In June 2009, the FASB also issued an amendment to the accounting and disclosure requirements for the consolidation of variable interest entities (VIEs). This amendment requires an enterprise to perform a qualitative analysis when determining whether or not it must consolidate a VIE. The amendment also requires an enterprise to continuously reassess whether it must consolidate a VIE. Additionally, the amendment requires enhanced disclosures about an enterprise's involvement with VIEs and any significant change in risk exposure due to that involvement, as well as how its involvement with VIEs impacts the enterprise's financial statements. Finally, an enterprise will be required to disclose significant judgments and assumptions used to determine whether or not to consolidate a VIE. This amendment is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2009. Management is in the process of determining the impact of adopting this amendment.

**Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations**

You should read the following discussion in conjunction with the financial statements and notes thereto included in this report.

**Overview**

Simon Property Group, Inc., or Simon Property, is a Delaware corporation that operates as a self-administered and self-managed real estate investment trust, or REIT, under the Internal Revenue Code. To qualify as a REIT, among other things, a company must distribute at least 90 percent of its taxable income to its stockholders annually. Taxes are paid by stockholders on ordinary dividends received and any capital gains distributed. Most states also follow this federal treatment and do not require REITs to pay state income tax. Simon Property Group, L.P., or the Operating Partnership, is a majority-owned partnership subsidiary of Simon Property that, directly or indirectly, owns all of our real estate properties. In this discussion, the terms "we", "us" and "our" refer to Simon Property, the Operating Partnership, and their subsidiaries.

We own, develop, and manage retail real estate properties, primarily regional malls, Premium Outlet® centers, The Mills®, and community/lifestyle centers. As of September 30, 2009, we owned or held an interest in 325 income-producing properties in the United States, which consisted of 163 regional malls, 41 Premium Outlet centers, 70 community/lifestyle centers, 36 properties acquired in the 2007 acquisition of The Mills Corporation, or Mills, and 15 other shopping centers or outlet centers in 41 states plus Puerto Rico. Of the 36 properties in the Mills portfolio, 16 of these properties are The Mills, 16 are regional malls, and four are community centers. We also own an interest in one parcel of land held in the United States for future development. Internationally, we have ownership interests in 51 European shopping centers (France, Italy and Poland), eight Premium Outlet centers in Japan, one Premium Outlet center in Mexico, one Premium Outlet center in South Korea, and three shopping centers in China. Also, through joint venture arrangements we have ownership interests in the following properties under development internationally: a 24% interest in two shopping centers in Italy and a 32.5% interest in one additional shopping center under construction in China.

We generate the majority of our revenues from leases with retail tenants including:

Base minimum rents,

Overage and percentage rents based on tenants' sales volume, and

Recoveries of substantially all of our recoverable expenditures, which consist of property operating, real estate taxes, repair and maintenance, and advertising and promotional expenditures.

Revenues of our management company, after intercompany eliminations, consist primarily of management fees that are typically based upon the revenues of the property being managed.

We seek growth in earnings, funds from operations, or FFO, and cash flows by enhancing the profitability and operation of our properties and investments. We seek to accomplish this growth through the following:

Focusing on leasing to increase revenues and utilization of economies of scale to reduce operating expenses,

Expanding and re-tenanting existing franchise locations at competitive market rates,

Adding mixed-use elements to properties,

Selectively acquiring high quality real estate assets or portfolios of assets, and

Selling non-core assets.

We also grow by generating supplemental revenues from the following activities:

Establishing our malls as leading market resource providers for retailers and other businesses and consumer-focused corporate alliances, including: payment systems (including handling fees relating to the sales of

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bank-issued prepaid cards), national marketing alliances, static and digital media initiatives, business development, sponsorship, and events,

Offering property operating services to our tenants and others, including waste handling and facility services, and the sale of energy, and

Selling or leasing land adjacent to our shopping center properties, commonly referred to as "outlots" or "outparcels."

We focus on high quality real estate across the retail real estate spectrum. We expand or renovate to enhance existing assets' profitability and market share when we believe the investment of our capital meets our risk-reward criteria. We selectively develop new properties in metropolitan areas that exhibit strong population and economic growth.

We routinely review and evaluate acquisition opportunities based on their ability to complement our portfolio. Our international strategy includes partnering with established real estate companies and financing international investments with local currency to minimize foreign exchange risk.

To support our growth, we employ a three-fold capital strategy:

Provide the capital necessary to fund growth,

Maintain sufficient flexibility to access capital in many forms, both public and private, and

Manage our overall financial structure in a fashion that preserves our investment grade credit ratings.

***Results Overview***

Diluted earnings per common share decreased \$0.50 during the first nine months of 2009, or 40.7%, to \$0.73 from \$1.23 for the same period last year. The decrease in diluted earnings per share was attributable to a \$140.5 million, or \$0.45 per diluted share, other-than-temporary impairment charge related to our investment in Liberty International, PLC, or Liberty, a U.K. REIT. We recorded the other-than-temporary charge in the second quarter of 2009 due to the significance and duration of the decline in quoted fair value, including related currency exchange component, below the carrying value of the securities. During the nine months ended September 30, 2008, we recorded a \$20.3 million loss on extinguishment of debt related to our redemption of the 7% MandatOry Par Put Remarketed Securities, or MOPPRS. For the three and nine month periods, we also had additional dilution to earnings per share from our 2009 equity offerings of approximately \$0.06 and \$0.12 per diluted share, respectively.

Core business fundamentals were affected by the difficult economic environment during the first nine months of 2009. Regional mall comparable sales per square foot, or psf, declined 11.2% during the first nine months of 2009 to \$438 psf from \$493 psf for the same period in 2008. However, our regional mall average base rents increased 2.0% to \$40.05 psf as of September 30, 2009, from \$39.26 psf as of September 30, 2008 due to releasing of space at higher rents. We were able to lease available square feet at higher rents than the expiring rental rates in the regional mall portfolio resulting in a leasing spread of \$4.04 psf as of September 30, 2009, representing a 10.6% increase over expiring rents. Regional mall occupancy was 91.4% as of September 30, 2009, as compared to 92.5% as of September 30, 2008 driven by higher bankruptcies and lease terminations. The more stable operating fundamentals of the Premium Outlet centers contributed to the positive operating results for the nine month period as occupancy of the portfolio remained high at 97.5% while comparable sales psf decreased 4.5% to \$492 as consumers continued to prefer retail value, offset by the impact of the economic downturn. Premium Outlet leasing spreads were \$9.25, or 32.0% above expiring rents.

As of September 30, 2009, our effective overall borrowing rate decreased two basis points to 5.62% as compared to September 30, 2008. This is a result of a significant decrease in the base LIBOR rate applicable to a majority of our floating rate debt (0.25% at September 30, 2009, versus 3.93% at September 30, 2008). This decrease was partially offset by an increase of our fixed rate debt of \$1.4 billion (\$16.9 billion at September 30, 2009 versus \$15.4 billion at September 30, 2008), which increased the weighted average rate 34 basis points as compared to September 30, 2008. Financing activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 included:

decreasing borrowings on the Operating Partnership's \$3.5 billion unsecured credit facility, or Credit Facility, to approximately \$456.2 million as of September 30, 2009. The ending balance is entirely comprised of the U.S. dollar equivalent of Euro and Yen-denominated borrowings.

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issuing \$650.0 million in 10.35% senior unsecured notes due 2019. We used the proceeds of the offering to reduce borrowings on the Credit Facility.

issuing \$1.1 billion in 6.75% senior unsecured notes due 2014. We used the proceeds of the offering for general corporate purposes.

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redeeming five series of maturing unsecured notes totaling \$900.0 million which had fixed rates ranging from 3.50% to 8.63%.

borrowing \$400.0 million on a loan which matures on August 1, 2016 and bears interest at a fixed rate of 8.00%. This loan is secured by cross-collateralized, cross-defaulted mortgages on Greenwood Park Mall, South Park Mall, and Walt Whitman Mall.

**United States Portfolio Data**

The portfolio data discussed in this overview includes the following key operating statistics: occupancy, average base rent per square foot, and comparable sales per square foot for our domestic asset platforms. We include acquired properties in this data beginning in the year of acquisition and remove properties sold in the year disposed. We do not include any properties located outside of the United States. The following table sets forth these key operating statistics for:

properties that are consolidated in our consolidated financial statements,

properties we account for under the equity method of accounting as joint ventures, and

the foregoing two categories of properties on a total portfolio basis.

|  | September 30,<br>2009 | September 30,<br>2008 | %/basis point<br>Change(1) |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>Regional Malls:</b>                   |                       |                       |                            |
| <b>Occupancy</b>                         |                       |                       |                            |
| Consolidated                             | 91.6%                 | 92.9%                 | -130 bps                   |
| Unconsolidated                           | 90.9%                 | 91.7%                 | -80 bps                    |
| <b>Total Portfolio</b>                   | <b>91.4%</b>          | <b>92.5%</b>          | <b>-110 bps</b>            |
| <b>Average Base Rent per Square Foot</b> |                       |                       |                            |
| Consolidated                             | \$ 38.51              | \$ 38.09              | 1.1%                       |
| Unconsolidated                           | \$ 43.18              | \$ 41.58              | 3.8%                       |
| <b>Total Portfolio</b>                   | <b>\$ 40.05</b>       | <b>\$ 39.26</b>       | <b>2.0%</b>                |
| <b>Comparable Sales Per Square Foot</b>  |                       |                       |                            |
| Consolidated                             | \$ 418                | \$ 466                | -10.3%                     |
| Unconsolidated                           | \$ 481                | \$ 553                | -13.0%                     |
| <b>Total Portfolio</b>                   | <b>\$ 438</b>         | <b>\$ 493</b>         | <b>-11.2%</b>              |
| <b>Premium Outlet Centers:</b>           |                       |                       |                            |
| <b>Occupancy</b>                         |                       |                       |                            |
|  | 97.5%                 | 98.8%                 | -130 bps                   |
| <b>Average Base Rent per Square Foot</b> |                       |                       |                            |
|  | \$ 32.95              | \$ 27.12              | 21.5%                      |
| <b>Comparable Sales per Square Foot</b>  |                       |                       |                            |
|  | \$ 492                | \$ 515                | -4.5%                      |
| <b>The Mills®:</b>                       |                       |                       |                            |
| <b>Occupancy</b>                         |                       |                       |                            |
|  | 92.4%                 | 94.4%                 | -200 bps                   |
| <b>Average Base Rent per Square Foot</b> |                       |                       |                            |
|  | \$ 19.66              | \$ 19.46              | 1.0%                       |
| <b>Comparable Sales per Square Foot</b>  |                       |                       |                            |
|  | \$ 369                | \$ 378                | -2.4%                      |
| <b>Mills Regional Malls:</b>             |                       |                       |                            |
| <b>Occupancy</b>                         |                       |                       |                            |
|  | 88.9%                 | 87.6%                 | +130 bps                   |
| <b>Average Base Rent per Square Foot</b> |                       |                       |                            |
|  | \$ 35.64              | \$ 37.19              | -4.2%                      |
| <b>Comparable Sales per Square Foot</b>  |                       |                       |                            |
|  | \$ 388                | \$ 442                | -12.2%                     |
| <b>Community/Lifestyle Centers:</b>      |                       |                       |                            |
| <b>Occupancy</b>                         |                       |                       |                            |
|  | 88.9%                 | 91.5%                 | -260 bps                   |
| <b>Average Base Rent per Square Foot</b> |                       |                       |                            |
|  | \$ 13.34              | \$ 13.00              | 2.6%                       |

(1)

Percentages may not recalculate due to rounding. Percentages and basis point changes are representative of the change from the comparable prior period.



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**Occupancy Levels and Average Base Rent Per Square Foot.** Occupancy and average base rent are based on mall gross leasable area, or GLA, owned by us in the regional malls, all tenants at the Premium Outlet centers, all tenants in the Mills portfolio, and all tenants at community/lifestyle centers. Our portfolio has maintained stable occupancy and increased average base rents.

**Comparable Sales Per Square Foot.** Comparable sales include total reported retail tenant sales at owned GLA (for mall and freestanding stores with less than 10,000 square feet) in the regional malls and all reporting tenants at the Premium Outlet centers and the Mills portfolio. Retail sales at Owned GLA affect revenue and profitability levels because sales determine the amount of minimum rent that can be charged, the percentage rent realized, and the recoverable expenses (common area maintenance, real estate taxes, etc.) that tenants can afford to pay.

**International Property Data**

The following key operating statistics are provided for our international properties, which we account for using the equity method of accounting.

|   | September 30,<br>2009 | September 30,<br>2008 | %/basis point<br>Change |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>European Shopping Centers:</b>       |                       |                       |                         |
| Occupancy                               | 95.8%                 | 98.1%                 | -230 bps                |
| Comparable Sales per Square Foot        | € 409                 | € 429                 | -5.4%                   |
| Average Base Rent per Square Foot       | € 32.56               | € 30.11               | 5.1%                    |
| <b>International Premium Outlets(1)</b> |                       |                       |                         |
| Occupancy                               | 99.7%                 | 98.9%                 | +80 bps                 |
| Comparable Sales per Square Foot        | ¥ 93,930              | ¥ 94,387              | -0.5%                   |
| Average Base Rent per Square Foot       | ¥ 4,711               | ¥ 4,651               | 1.3%                    |

(1) Does not include our centers in Mexico (Premium Outlets Punta Norte), South Korea (Yeoju Premium Outlets), or China (Changshu In City Plaza).

**Results of Operations**

In addition to the activity discussed above in the "Results Overview" section, the following property openings and other activity affected our consolidated results from continuing operations in the comparative periods:

On August 6, 2009, we opened Cincinnati Premium Outlets, a 400,000 square foot outlet center located in Warren County, Ohio, north of Cincinnati.

On April 23, 2009, we opened The Promenade at Camarillo Premium Outlets, a 220,000 square foot expansion located in Ventura County, north of Los Angeles.

On November 13, 2008, we opened Jersey Shore Premium Outlets, a 435,000 square foot outlet center located in Tinton Falls, New Jersey.

On November 6, 2008, we opened the second phase of Orlando Premium Outlets, a 114,000 square foot expansion, located in Orlando, Florida.

On May 1, 2008, we opened Pier Park, a 900,000 square foot, open-air lifestyle center located in Panama City, Florida.

On March 27, 2008, we opened Houston Premium Outlets, a 427,000 square foot outlet center located approximately 30 miles west of Houston in Cypress, Texas.

In addition to the activities discussed in "Results Overview," the following dispositions and property openings affected our income from unconsolidated entities in the comparative periods:

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On September 28, 2009, we opened Suzhou In City Plaza, a 750,000 square foot center located in Suzhou, China. We hold a 32.5% ownership interest in this center.

On September 25, 2009, we opened Zhengzhou In City Plaza, a 465,000 square foot center located in Zhengzhou, China. We hold a 32.5% ownership interest in this center.

On July 9, 2009, Chelsea Japan Company, Ltd., or Chelsea Japan, the joint venture which operates the Japanese Premium Outlet Centers in which we have a 40% ownership interest, opened Ami Premium Outlets located in Ami, Japan.



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On December 30, 2008, Cincinnati Mills, one of the properties we acquired in the Mills acquisition, was sold. We held a 50% interest in the shopping center.

On October 16, 2008, Chelsea Japan, opened Sendai-Izumi Premium Outlets located in Izumi Park Town, Japan. We hold a 40% ownership interest in Chelsea Japan.

On August 25, 2008, Gallerie Commerciali Italia, or GCI, one of our European joint ventures in which we hold a 49% ownership interest, opened Monza, a 211,600 square foot shopping center in Monza, Italy.

On June 5, 2008, we opened Changshu In City Plaza, a 487,000 square foot retail center located in Changshu, China. We hold a 32.5% ownership interest in this center.

On May 2, 2008, we opened Hamilton Town Center, a 950,000 square foot open-air retail center in Noblesville, Indiana. We hold a 50% ownership interest in this center.

For the purposes of the following comparison between the nine months ended September 30, 2009, and 2008, the above transactions are referred to as the "property transactions". In the following discussions of our results of operations, "comparable" refers to properties open and operating throughout the periods in both 2009 and 2008.

***Three Months Ended September 30, 2009 vs. Three Months Ended September 30, 2008***

Minimum rents increased \$2.2 million during the period. The property transactions accounted for a \$6.9 million increase offset by a decrease in comparable minimum rents of \$4.7 million, or 0.9%. The decrease in comparable minimum rents was primarily attributable to a \$2.7 million decline in the fair market value of in-place lease amortization, a \$2.9 million decrease in straight-line rents, and a \$0.8 million decrease in base minimum rents, offset by a \$1.7 million increase in comparable rents from carts, kiosks, and other temporary tenants.

Overage rents decreased \$6.5 million, or 25%, as a result of a reduction in tenant sales for the period as compared to the prior year.

Tenant reimbursements increased \$2.0 million, due to a \$3.1 million increase attributable to the property transactions offset by a \$1.1 million, or 0.4%, decrease in the comparable properties as a result of a decrease in expenditures allocable to tenants paying common area maintenance on a proportionate basis. We continue to migrate our tenants' payments of common area maintenance contributions to a fixed-payment methodology, which serves to offset the variability of this revenue in relation to variability in the underlying expenses.

Management fees and other revenues decreased \$3.4 million principally as a result of decreased earned premiums of our wholly-owned captive insurance entities and lower fee revenue due to the reduction in development, leasing and joint venture property refinancing activity.

Total other income decreased \$5.0 million, and was principally the result of a \$5.8 million net decrease in interest income, primarily attributable to lower reinvestment rates and the lower rate applicable to our loan facility with SPG-FCM (the joint venture that acquired Mills in 2007).

Property operating costs decreased \$13.7 million, or 10.7%, primarily related to our cost control and cost reduction initiatives.

Depreciation and amortization expense increased \$14.2 million due to the impact of our prior year openings and expansion activity and acceleration of depreciation for certain properties scheduled for redevelopment.

The provision for bad debts, net of recoveries, decreased \$4.7 million primarily due to the recovery of receivables which had been previously reserved.

Home and regional office expense decreased \$7.4 million primarily due to decreased personnel costs attributable to our cost control initiatives and lower incentive compensation levels.

Interest expense increased \$17.9 million primarily related to the Operating Partnership's issuance of \$500 million of unsecured notes on August 11, 2009, \$600 million of senior unsecured notes on May 15, 2009 and \$650 million of senior unsecured notes on March 25, 2009, offset by decreased interest expense on our Credit Facility due to the payoff of the US tranche.

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Income from unconsolidated entities decreased \$12.7 million primarily due to the gain recognized in 2008 from our disposition of an investment in a 50% owned multi-family residential facility adjacent to one of our regional mall operating properties.

Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests decreased \$8.5 million primarily due to a decrease in the income of the Operating Partnership.

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Preferred dividends decreased \$4.7 million as a result of the conversion of approximately 6.4 million shares of our Series I 6% Convertible Perpetual Preferred Stock, or Series I preferred stock, into common shares during 2008.

*Nine Months Ended September 30, 2009 vs. Nine Months Ended September 30, 2008*

Minimum rents increased \$24.3 million during the period, of which the property transactions accounted for \$22.5 million of the increase. Comparable minimum rents increased \$1.8 million, or 0.1%. This was primarily due to a \$11.5 million increase in minimum rents due to releasing of space, a \$3.2 million increase in rents from carts, kiosks, and other temporary tenants, offset by a \$12.9 million decrease in comparable property activity, primarily attributable to a decline in the fair market value of in-place lease amortization.

Overage rents decreased \$15.0 million, or 25%, as a result of a reduction in tenant sales for the period as compared to the prior year.

Tenant reimbursements increased \$8.2 million, due to a \$9.2 million increase attributable to the property transactions offset by a \$1.0 million decrease in the comparable properties as a result of a decrease in expenditures allocable to tenants paying common area maintenance on a proportionate basis.

Management fees and other revenues decreased \$10.6 million principally as a result of decreased earned premiums of our wholly-owned captive insurance entities and lower fee revenue due to the reduction in development, leasing and joint venture property refinancing activity.

Total other income decreased \$13.7 million, and was the result of a \$14.6 million net decrease in interest income primarily attributable to lower reinvestment rates and the lower rate applicable to our loan facility with SPG-FCM offset by an increase of net other activity of \$0.9 million.

Property operating costs decreased \$25.4 million, or 7.2%, primarily related to our cost control and cost reduction initiatives.

Depreciation and amortization expense increased \$57.6 million due to the impact of our prior year openings and expansion activity and acceleration of depreciation for certain properties scheduled for redevelopment.

Repairs and maintenance decreased \$13.3 million primarily due to our cost savings efforts.

Home and regional office expense decreased \$29.0 million primarily due to decreased personnel costs attributable to our cost control initiatives and lower incentive compensation levels.

During the quarter ended June 30, 2009, we recognized a non-cash charge of \$140.5 million representing the other-than-temporary impairment in the fair value below the carrying value of our investment in Liberty. We recorded the charge to earnings due to the significance and duration of the decline in the total share price, including currency revaluations. As a result, the decline in value was deemed an other-than-temporary impairment, which established a new cost basis of our investment in Liberty.

Interest expense increased \$26.2 million primarily related to the Operating Partnership's issuance of \$500 million of unsecured notes on August 11, 2009, \$600 million senior unsecured notes on May 15, 2009 and \$650 million senior unsecured notes on March 25, 2009, offset by decreased interest expense on our Credit Facility due to the payoff of the US tranche and other property debt refinancings.

We recognized a loss on extinguishment of debt of \$20.3 million in the second quarter of 2008 related to the redemption of the \$200 million outstanding principal amount of MOPPRS. We extinguished this debt because the remarketing reset base rate of the MOPPRS was above the rate for 30-year U.S. Treasury securities at the time of redemption.

Income from unconsolidated entities increased \$2.6 million as a result of our 2008 joint venture openings and expansion activity, interest rate savings from favorable interest rates and debt refinancings, and additional depreciation provisions related to the finalization of purchase accounting on asset basis step-ups in the 2008 period associated with the acquisition of Mills, offset by the gain recognized in 2008 from our disposition of an investment in a 50% owned multi-family residential facility adjacent to one of our regional mall operating properties.

Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests decreased \$31.6 million primarily due to a decrease in the income of the Operating Partnership.

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Preferred dividends decreased \$14.4 million as a result of the conversion of approximately 6.4 million shares of our Series I preferred stock into common shares during 2008.

**Liquidity and Capital Resources**

Because we generate revenues primarily from long-term leases, our financing strategy relies primarily on long-term fixed rate debt. We manage our floating rate debt to be at or below 15-25% of total outstanding indebtedness. Floating rate debt currently comprises only approximately 9.7% of our total consolidated debt. We also enter into interest rate protection agreements as appropriate to assist in managing our interest rate risk. We derive most of our liquidity from leases that generate positive net cash flow from operations and distributions of capital from unconsolidated entities that totaled \$1.5 billion during the first nine months of 2009. In addition, the Credit Facility provides an alternative source of liquidity as our cash needs vary from time to time.

Our balance of cash and cash equivalents increased \$3.0 billion during the first nine months of 2009 to \$3.7 billion as of September 30, 2009. Our balance of cash and cash equivalents as of September 30, 2009, and December 31, 2008, includes \$30.9 million and \$29.8 million, respectively, related to our co-branded gift card programs, which we do not consider available for general working capital purposes. The excess cash is held in a number of financial institutions and is generally invested in overnight investment funds and is available to us as an immediate source of liquidity.

Our business model requires us to regularly access the debt and equity capital markets to raise funds for acquisition and development activity, redevelopment capital, and to refinance maturing debt. The turmoil in the capital markets that began in 2008 and which now shows signs of abating had an impact on many businesses', including ours, ability to access debt and equity capital. We raised approximately \$3.4 billion in the public capital markets in the first nine months of 2009; however, there is no assurance we will be able to continue to do so in future periods or on similar terms or conditions. We believe we have sufficient cash on hand and availability under our corporate Credit Facility to address our debt maturities and capital needs through 2010.

***Loans to SPG-FCM***

As part of the Mills acquisition, the Operating Partnership made loans to SPG-FCM and Mills primarily at rates of LIBOR plus 270-275 basis points. These funds were used by SPG-FCM and Mills to repay loans and other obligations of Mills, including the redemption of Mills' preferred stock. As of September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, the outstanding balance of our remaining loan to SPG-FCM was \$636.0 million and \$520.7 million, respectively. During the first nine months of 2009 and 2008, we recorded approximately \$6.9 million and \$11.7 million in interest income (net of inter-entity eliminations), respectively, related to this loan. The loan facility bears interest at a rate of LIBOR plus 275 basis points and matures on June 8, 2010, with two available one-year extensions.

**Cash Flows**

Our net cash flow from operating activities and distributions of capital from unconsolidated entities for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, totaled \$1.5 billion. In addition, we received net proceeds from all of our debt financing and repayment activities in this period of \$605.6 million. These activities are further discussed below in "Financing and Debt." During the 2009 period we or the Operating Partnership also:

sold 40,250,000 shares of common stock resulting in total proceeds of \$1.6 billion,

paid stockholder dividends and unitholder distributions of \$106.8 million in cash and \$585.3 million in common stock and units,

paid preferred stock dividends and preferred unit distributions totaling \$30.1 million,

redeemed \$85.1 million aggregate liquidation preference of 7.75%/8% cumulative redeemable preferred units,

funded consolidated capital expenditures of \$313.1 million (these capital expenditures include development costs of \$134.5 million, renovation and expansion costs of \$136.5 million, and tenant costs and other operational capital expenditures of \$42.1 million), and

funded investments in unconsolidated entities of \$16.6 million.



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In general, we anticipate that cash generated from operations will be sufficient to meet operating expenses, monthly debt service, recurring capital expenditures, and the cash portion of distributions to stockholders necessary to maintain our REIT qualification for 2009. In addition, we expect to be able to obtain capital for nonrecurring capital expenditures, such as acquisitions, major building renovations and expansions, as well as for scheduled principal maturities on outstanding indebtedness, from excess cash generated from operations and working capital reserves, and from borrowings on our Credit Facility.

**Financing and Debt****Unsecured Debt**

Our unsecured debt currently consists of \$11.6 billion of senior unsecured notes of the Operating Partnership and the Credit Facility. The Credit Facility bears interest at LIBOR plus 37.5 basis points and an additional facility fee of 12.5 basis points. The Credit Facility matures January 11, 2010 and may be extended one year at our option.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2009, we drew amounts from our \$3.5 billion Credit Facility to fund the redemption of \$600.0 million in maturing series of unsecured notes. We repaid a total of \$1.2 billion on our Credit Facility during the nine months ended September 30, 2009. The total outstanding balance of the Credit Facility as of September 30, 2009 was \$456.2 million, all of which was comprised of the U.S. dollar equivalent of Euro and Yen-denominated borrowings. The maximum outstanding balance during the nine months ended September 30, 2009 was approximately \$1.6 billion. During the nine months ended September 30, 2009, the weighted average outstanding balance on the Credit Facility was approximately \$739.8 million.

**Secured Debt**

Total secured indebtedness was \$6.6 billion and \$6.3 billion at September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, respectively.

**Summary of Financing**

Our consolidated debt, adjusted to reflect outstanding derivative instruments, and the effective weighted average interest rates as of September 30, 2009, and December 31, 2008, consisted of the following (dollars in thousands):

|                        | <i>Adjusted Balance<br/>as of<br/>September 30, 2009</i> | <i>Effective<br/>Weighted Average<br/>Interest Rate</i> | <i>Adjusted Balance<br/>as of<br/>December 31, 2008</i> | <i>Effective<br/>Weighted Average<br/>Interest Rate</i> |
|------------------------|--|---|---|---|
| <b>Debt Subject to</b> |  |   |   |   |
| <b>Fixed Rate</b>      | <b>\$ 16,877,970</b>                                     | <b>6.10%</b>  | \$ 15,424,318   | 5.76%   |
| <b>Variable Rate</b>   | <b>1,791,151</b>   | <b>1.11%</b>  | 2,618,214   | 1.31%   |
|                        | <b>\$ 18,669,121</b>                                     | <b>5.62%</b>  | \$ 18,042,532   | 5.12%   |

As of September 30, 2009, we had \$695.0 million of notional amount fixed rate swap agreements that have a weighted average fixed pay rate of 2.91% and a weighted average variable receive rate of 0.60%. As of September 30, 2009, the net effect of these agreements effectively converted \$695.0 million of variable rate debt to fixed rate debt.

**Contractual Obligations and Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements.** There have been no material changes to our outstanding capital expenditure commitments previously disclosed in our 2008 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

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In regards to long-term debt arrangements, the following table summarizes the material aspects of these future obligations as of September 30, 2009, for the remainder of 2009 and subsequent years thereafter (dollars in thousands):

|   | 2009              | 2010-2011           | 2012-2014            | After 2014          | Total                |
|---|-------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Long-Term Debt</b>                         |                   |                     |                      |                     |                      |
| Consolidated(1)                               | \$ 162,738        | \$ 4,778,374        | \$ 7,637,183         | \$ 6,078,153        | \$ 18,656,448        |
| <b>Pro rata share of Long-Term Debt:</b>      |                   |                     |                      |                     |                      |
| Consolidated(2)                               | \$ 162,008        | \$ 4,730,258        | \$ 7,467,812         | \$ 6,019,743        | \$ 18,379,821        |
| Joint Ventures(2)                             | 262,349           | 1,497,879           | 2,638,354            | 2,241,936           | 6,640,518            |
| <b>Total Pro Rata Share of Long-Term Debt</b> | <b>\$ 424,357</b> | <b>\$ 6,228,137</b> | <b>\$ 10,106,166</b> | <b>\$ 8,261,679</b> | <b>\$ 25,020,339</b> |

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- (1) Represents principal maturities only and therefore, excludes net premiums and discounts of \$12,673 and all required interest payments. We incurred interest expense of \$728.4 million, net of capitalized interest of \$11.7 million, for the nine months ended September 30, 2009.
- (2) Represents our pro rata share of principal maturities and excludes net premiums and discounts.

Our off-balance sheet arrangements consist primarily of our investments in real estate joint ventures which are common in the real estate industry and are described in Note 5 of the notes to the accompanying financial statements. Joint venture debt is the liability of the joint venture, is typically secured by the joint venture property, and is non-recourse to us. As of September 30, 2009, we had loan guarantees of \$48.2 million to support our total \$6.6 billion share of joint venture mortgage and other indebtedness presented in the table above.

### Acquisitions and Dispositions

Buy-sell provisions are common in real estate partnership agreements. Most of our partners are institutional investors who have a history of direct investment in retail real estate. Our partners in our joint venture properties may initiate these provisions at any time. If we determine it is in our stockholders' best interests for us to purchase the joint venture interest and we believe we have adequate liquidity to execute the purchase without hindering our cash flows, then we may initiate these provisions or elect to buy. If we decide to sell any of our joint venture interests, we expect to use the net proceeds to reduce outstanding indebtedness or to reinvest in development, redevelopment, or expansion opportunities.

**Acquisitions.** Although the acquisition of high quality individual properties or portfolios of properties remains an integral component of our growth strategies, we did not acquire any properties during the first nine months of 2009.

**Dispositions.** We continue to pursue the disposal of properties that no longer meet our strategic criteria or that are not the primary retail venue within their trade area. However, we did not dispose of any operating properties during the first nine months of 2009.

### Development Activity

**New Domestic Development.** Given the significant downturn in the economy, we have substantially reduced our development spending. During the third quarter of 2009, we opened Cincinnati Premium Outlets, a 400,000 square foot upscale manufacturers' outlet center located in Monroe, OH. The estimated total cost to complete this project was \$93.0 million which was funded with available cash from operations. Other than this new property, we do not expect our share of any other 2009 new developments to be significant.

**Strategic Expansions and Renovations.** In addition to new development, we incur costs related to construction for significant renovation and/or expansion projects at our properties. Included in these projects are the renovation and addition of Nordstrom at Northshore Mall, Ross Park Mall and South Shore Plaza; a life-style addition at Tacoma Mall; and Phase II expansions at The Domain, Orlando Premium Outlets, and The Promenade at Camarillo. We expect to fund these capital projects with cash flow from operations. Our share of the cost of other

renovation or expansion projects that we expect to initiate or complete in 2009 is approximately \$300.0 million.



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**International Development Activity.** We typically reinvest net cash flow from our international investments to fund future international development activity. We believe this strategy mitigates some of the risk of our initial investment and our exposure to changes in foreign currencies. We have also funded our European investments with Euro-denominated borrowings that act as a natural hedge against local currency fluctuations. This has also been the case with our Premium Outlet Centers in Japan and Mexico where we use Yen and Peso denominated financing, respectively. We expect our share of international development costs for 2009 will be approximately \$140 million. International development and redevelopment/expansion activity for 2009 includes:

completing and opening of Ami Premium Outlets Phase 1, a 227,000 square foot Premium Outlet Center located in Japan in which we hold a 40% ownership interest

completing and opening of Gotemba Premium Outlets Phase 2, a 176,000 square foot expansion of Gotemba Premium Outlet Center located in Japan in which we hold a 40% ownership interest and

completing and opening three additional shopping centers, all located in China, in which we hold a 32.5% ownership interest.

Currently, our net income exposure to changes in the volatility of the Euro, Yen, Peso and other foreign currencies is not material. In addition, since cash flows from international operations are currently being reinvested in other development projects, we do not expect to repatriate foreign denominated earnings in the near term.

The carrying amount of our total combined investment in Simon Ivanhoe S.à.r.l., or Simon Ivanhoe, and GCI, as of September 30, 2009, including all related components of accumulated other comprehensive income, was \$226.8 million. Our investments in Simon Ivanhoe and GCI are accounted for using the equity method of accounting. The total net cost of the 942,000 square feet of GLA under construction in Europe is approximately €221 million, of which our share is approximately €53 million, or \$77.4 million based on current Euro:USD exchange rates.

As of September 30, 2009, the carrying amount of our 40% joint venture investment in the eight Japanese Premium Outlet Centers including all related components of accumulated other comprehensive income was \$310.6 million. To date in 2009, Ami Premium Outlets completed construction and opened in Japan adding approximately 226,700 square feet of GLA at a total net cost of approximately JPY 15.4 billion, of which our share is approximately JPY 6.2 billion, or \$68.5 million based on applicable Yen:USD exchange rates. There is currently one project under construction in Japan, an expansion to Kobe-Sanda Premium Outlets, that will add approximately 176,100 square feet of GLA at a total net cost of approximately JPY 7.6 billion, of which our share is approximately JPY 3.0 billion, or \$33.8 million based on applicable Yen:USD exchange rates. In addition, GCI is continuing construction on two shopping centers scheduled for 2010 opening: one in Naples, and one in Sicily with a total gross leasable area, or GLA, of 942,000 square feet.

As of September 30, 2009, the carrying amount of our 32.5% joint venture investment in Great Mall Investments, Ltd. including all related components of accumulated other comprehensive income was \$57.6 million. As of September 30, 2009, three centers are open in China and one additional center is under development. To date in 2009, two centers completed construction and opened in China adding approximately 1.2 million square feet of GLA with an estimated total cost of CNY 1.6 billion, of which our share is approximately CNY 527 million, or \$77.3 million based on applicable CNY:USD exchange rates. There is currently one center under development that will add approximately 310,000 square feet of GLA for a total net cost of approximately CNY 513 million, of which our share is approximately CNY 167 million, or \$24.4 million based on applicable CNY:USD exchange rates.

During 2008 and 2009, we acquired approximately 35.4 million shares of stock of Liberty. Liberty operates regional shopping centers and is the owner of other prime retail assets throughout the U.K. Liberty is a U.K. FTSE 100 listed company, with shareholders' funds of £4.7 billion and property investments of £8.6 billion, of which its U.K. regional shopping centers comprise 75%. Assets of the group under control or joint control amount to £11.0 billion. Liberty converted into a U.K. Real Estate Investment Trust on January 1, 2007. Our interest in Liberty is approximately 6% of their shares and is adjusted to their quoted market price, including a related foreign exchange component. During the quarterly period ended June 30, 2009, we recognized a \$140.5 million charge related to this investment as the significance and duration of the decline in fair value below its carrying value was deemed to be an other-than-temporary impairment.

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**Dividends**

We paid a common stock dividend of \$0.60 per share in the third quarter of 2009. The dividend was paid 20% in cash and 80% in stock subject to election by the stockholders. We issued 2,029,044 shares of common stock on September 18, 2009 at a closing price of \$73.97 per share. We are required to pay a minimum level of dividends to maintain our status as a REIT. Our dividends and the Operating Partnership's limited partner distributions typically exceed our net income generated in any given year primarily because of depreciation, which is a "non-cash" expense. Future dividends and distributions of the Operating Partnership will be determined by our Board of Directors based on actual results of operations, cash available for dividends and limited partner distributions, and what may be required to maintain our status as a REIT.

We recently announced that we intend to pay a quarterly common stock dividend for the fourth quarter of 2009 of \$0.60 per share, consisting of a combination of cash and shares of common stock. The cash component of this dividend will not exceed 20% in the aggregate, or \$0.12 per share. We reserve the right to pay the dividend entirely in cash.

**Forward-Looking Statements**

Certain statements made in this section or elsewhere in this report may be deemed "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Although we believe the expectations reflected in any forward-looking statements are based on reasonable assumptions, we can give no assurance that our expectations will be attained, and it is possible that our actual results may differ materially from those indicated by these forward-looking statements due to a variety of risks and uncertainties. Such factors include, but are not limited to: our ability to meet debt service requirements, the availability of financing, changes in our credit rating, changes in market rates of interest and foreign exchange rates for foreign currencies, the ability to hedge interest rate risk, risks associated with the acquisition, development and expansion of properties, general risks related to retail real estate, the liquidity of real estate investments, environmental liabilities, international, national, regional and local economic climates, changes in market rental rates, trends in the retail industry, relationships with anchor tenants, the inability to collect rent due to the bankruptcy or insolvency of tenants or otherwise, risks relating to joint venture properties, costs of common area maintenance, competitive market forces, risks related to international activities, insurance costs and coverage, terrorist activities, changes in economic and market conditions and maintenance of our status as a real estate investment trust. We discussed these and other risks and uncertainties under the heading "Risk Factors" in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K. We may update that discussion in our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, but otherwise we undertake no duty or obligation to update or revise these forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future developments, or otherwise.

**Non-GAAP Financial Measure Funds from Operations**

Industry practice is to evaluate real estate properties in part based on funds from operations, or FFO. We consider FFO to be a key measure of our operating performance that is not specifically defined by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States, or GAAP. We believe that FFO is helpful to investors because it is a widely recognized measure of the performance of REITs and provides a relevant basis for comparison among REITs. We also use FFO to internally measure the operating performance of our portfolio.

We determine FFO based on the definition set forth by the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts, or NAREIT, as consolidated net income computed in accordance with GAAP:

excluding real estate related depreciation and amortization,

excluding gains and losses from extraordinary items and cumulative effects of accounting changes,

excluding gains and losses from the sales of previously depreciated operating properties,

plus the allocable portion of FFO of unconsolidated entities accounted for under the equity method of accounting, based upon economic ownership interest, and

all determined on a consistent basis in accordance with GAAP.

We have adopted NAREIT's clarification of the definition of FFO that requires us to include the effects of nonrecurring items not classified as extraordinary, cumulative effect of accounting changes, or a gain or loss resulting from the sale of previously depreciated operating properties. We include in FFO gains and losses realized from the sale of land, outlot buildings, marketable and non-marketable securities, and investment holdings of non-retail real estate.



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However, you should understand that our computation of FFO might not be comparable to FFO reported by other REITs and that FFO:

does not represent cash flow from operations as defined by GAAP,

should not be considered as an alternative to net income determined in accordance with GAAP as a measure of operating performance, and

is not an alternative to cash flows as a measure of liquidity.

The following schedule sets forth total FFO before allocation to the limited partners of the Operating Partnership. This schedule also reconciles consolidated net income, which we believe is the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure, to FFO for the periods presented.

|  | <i>For the Three Months<br/>Ended September 30,</i> |                   | <i>For the Nine Months<br/>Ended September 30,</i> |                     |
|--|---|-------------------|--|---------------------|
|  | <b>2009</b>   | <b>2008</b>       | <b>2009</b>  | <b>2008</b>         |
| <i>(in thousands)</i>  |   |                   |  |                     |
| <b>Funds from Operations</b>   | <b>\$ 473,073</b>                                   | <b>\$ 463,897</b> | <b>\$ 1,263,054</b>                                | <b>\$ 1,311,804</b> |
| <b>Increase (decrease) in FFO from prior period</b>  | <b>2.0%</b>   | <b>10.8%</b>      | <b>-3.7%</b>                                       | <b>10.8%</b>        |
| <b>Reconciliation:</b>   |   |                   |  |                     |
| <b>Consolidated Net Income</b>   | <b>\$ 139,189</b>                                   | <b>\$ 159,737</b> | <b>\$ 271,329</b>                                  | <b>\$ 403,112</b>   |
| Depreciation and amortization from consolidated properties   | <b>247,236</b>                                      | 232,524           | <b>748,191</b>                                     | 690,029             |
| Simon's share of depreciation and amortization from unconsolidated entities  | <b>100,027</b>                                      | 91,924            | <b>287,901</b>                                     | 280,039             |
| Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest holders in properties   | <b>(2,700)</b>                                      | (2,758)           | <b>(8,064)</b>                                     | (7,551)             |
| Noncontrolling interests portion of depreciation and amortization  | <b>(2,017)</b>                                      | (1,980)           | <b>(6,253)</b>                                     | (6,447)             |
| Preferred distributions and dividends  | <b>(8,662)</b>                                      | (15,550)          | <b>(30,050)</b>                                    | (47,378)            |
| <b>Funds from Operations</b>   | <b>\$ 473,073</b>                                   | <b>\$ 463,897</b> | <b>\$ 1,263,054</b>                                | <b>\$ 1,311,804</b> |
| <b>FFO Allocable to Simon Property</b>   | <b>\$ 392,714</b>                                   | <b>\$ 370,157</b> | <b>\$ 1,037,423</b>                                | <b>\$ 1,044,800</b> |
| <b>Diluted net income per share to diluted FFO per share reconciliation:</b>   |   |                   |  |                     |
| <b>Diluted net income per share</b>  | <b>\$ 0.38</b>                                      | <b>\$ 0.50</b>    | <b>\$ 0.73</b>                                     | <b>\$ 1.23</b>      |
| Depreciation and amortization from consolidated Properties and our share of depreciation and amortization from unconsolidated affiliates, net of noncontrolling interests portion of depreciation and amortization | <b>1.02</b>   | 1.14              | <b>3.24</b>  | 3.42                |
| Impact of additional dilutive securities for FFO per share   | <b>(0.02)</b>                                       | (0.03)            | <b>(0.05)</b>                                      | (0.09)              |
| <b>Diluted FFO per share</b>   | <b>\$ 1.38</b>                                      | <b>\$ 1.61</b>    | <b>\$ 3.92</b>                                     | <b>\$ 4.56</b>      |

The decline in FFO per share is attributable to the impairment charge recorded in the quarter ended June 30, 2009 of \$140.5 million and the dilutive impact per share (FFO) of our March and May equity offerings of approximately \$0.18 and \$0.35 in the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2009, respectively.

### **Item 3. Qualitative and Quantitative Disclosures About Market Risk**

**Sensitivity Analysis.** We disclosed a comprehensive qualitative and quantitative analysis regarding market risk in the Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations included in our 2008 Annual Report on Form 10-K. There have been no material changes in the assumptions used or results obtained regarding market risk since December 31, 2008.

### **Item 4. Controls and Procedures**

**Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures.** We carried out an evaluation under the supervision and with participation of management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our

"disclosure controls and procedures" (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the

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Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act")) as of the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. Based upon that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of September 30, 2009.

***Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting.*** There have not been any changes in our internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 13a-15(f)) that occurred during the quarter ended September 30, 2009 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

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**Part II Other Information**

**Item 1. Legal Proceedings**

There have been no material developments with respect to the pending litigation disclosed in our 2008 Annual Report on Form 10-K and no new material developments or litigation have arisen since those disclosures were made.

We are involved in various other legal proceedings that arise in the ordinary course of our business. We believe that such routine litigation, claims and administrative proceedings will not have a material adverse impact on our financial position or our results of operations. We record a contingent liability when a loss is considered probable and the amount can be reasonably estimated.

**Item 1A. Risk Factors**

Through the period covered by this report, there were no significant changes to the Risk Factors disclosed in "Part 1: Business" of our 2008 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

**Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds**

During the quarter ended September 30, 2009, we issued a total of 208,619 shares of our common stock to limited partners of the Operating Partnership in exchange for an equal number of units in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Section 4(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

There were no reportable purchases of equity securities during the quarter ended September 30, 2009.

**Item 5. Other Information**

During the quarter covered by this report, no services were pre-approved by the Audit Committee of Simon Property Group, Inc.'s Board of Directors related to Ernst & Young, LLP, our independent registered public accounting firm. This disclosure is made pursuant to Section 10A(i)(2) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as added by Section 202 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

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**Item 6. Exhibits**

| <i>Exhibit<br/>Number</i> | <i>Exhibit Descriptions</i>   |
|---------------------------|---|
| 10.1*                     | Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation Plan dated as of December 31, 2008.   |
| 10.2*                     | Amendment 2008 Performance Based Restricted Stock Agreement dated as of March 6, 2009.  |
| 31.1                      | Certification by the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.   |
| 31.2                      | Certification by the Chief Financial Officer pursuant to rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.   |
| 32                        | Certification by the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.  |
| 101                       | The following materials from Simon Property Group, Inc.'s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2009, formatted in XBRL (Extensible Business Reporting Language): (1) the Consolidated Balance Sheets, (2) the Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income, (3) the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows, and (4) Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, tagged as blocks of text. |

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Represents a management contract, or compensatory plan, contract or arrangement required to be filed pursuant to Registration S-K.



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**SIGNATURES**

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

**SIMON PROPERTY GROUP, INC.**

/s/ STEPHEN E. STERRETT

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Stephen E. Sterrett  
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Date: November 5, 2009

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