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#### Use of Estimates

The preparation of the REIT financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires management to make estimates, judgments and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amount of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Management's estimates are based on historical experience and other assumptions that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results could differ from those estimates under different assumptions.



### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY (TSX: SOT.UN)**

- Focused Strategy: a pure-play Canadian office REIT
- Strong Operating Results: stable and improving payout ratio with a durable, fullycovered distribution
- High-Quality, Diversified Tenants: investment grade tenants with geographic and industry diversification
- Organic Growth: below market rents and low cost basis
- Alignment: disciplined and dedicated management Slate Asset Management ("SLAM") owns ~11.2% of Slate Office
- Significant Growth Opportunity: "non-trophy" assets account for ~66% of the Canadian office space inventory, presenting an extraordinary opportunity to build scale



## FOCUSED STRATEGY

- A pure-play Canadian office REIT
  - o 35 assets totaling 5.0 million square feet
- Acquire high-quality, "non-trophy", downtown and suburban office properties that are often overlooked by large investors and available at a significant discount to replacement cost
- Deploy aggressive leasing and property re-positioning programs while cultivating relationships with key tenants







Photos: (left to right) Fortis Place, St. John's; Gateway Centre, Markham; Blue Cross Centre, Moncton



## FOCUSED STRATEGY(cont'd)

Acquiring high-quality "non-trophy" assets below replacement cost provides superior risk-adjusted returns relative to recent "trophy" asset sales





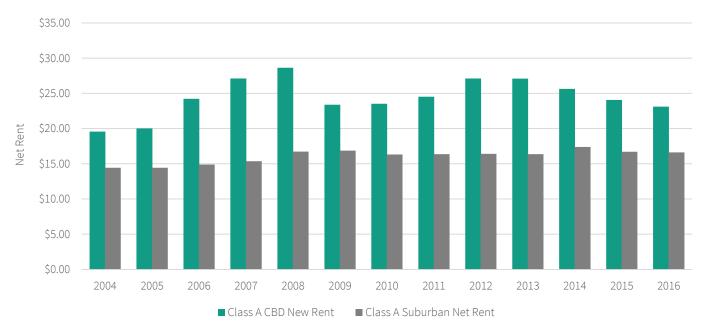


	"Trophy" Asset	"Trophy" Asset	"Non-Trophy" Asset		
Asset	70 York St	Royal Centre	Fortis Portfolio		
Location	Toronto	Vancouver	Atlantic Canada		
Buyer	Anbang Insurance (China)	German Sov. Wealth	Slate Office REIT		
Date	October 2015	January 2016	May 2015		
Price	\$154 million	\$420 million	\$430 million		
Per Square Foot	\$567	\$725	\$123		
Replacement Cost	~\$500	~\$500	~\$350		
Premium / (Discount) to Replacement Cost	12%	31%	(65%)		
Cap Rate	4.0%	2.9%	8.2%		
Occupancy	100% (above market)	94% (at market)	89% (below market)		
Market Rent	~\$25 to ~\$23 (downward pressure on rents)	~\$34 (downward pressure on rents)	~\$10 to ~\$12 (upward pressure on rents)		



### FOCUSED STRATEGY(cont'd)

Stability of suburban rents compared to core business district rents provides an attractive opportunity on a risk-adjusted basis



Source: Cushman and Wakefield

## **STRONG OPERATING RESULTS**

Transformation of the portfolio into a pure-play, geographically diverse Canadian office REIT has resulted in vastly improved operating fundamentals

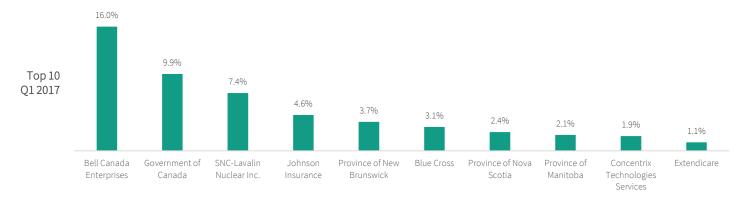
	Q1 2017	% Change	Q3 2014 <sup>1</sup>
NOI (000's)	\$14,175	193%	\$4,843
Core FFO / Unit	\$0.22	(4%)	\$0.23
AFFO / Unit	\$0.19	12%	\$0.17
Payout Ratio	97.7%	(21%)	124%
Square Feet	5.0 million	194%	1.7 million
Exposure to Office Properties (NOI)	96%	54%	42%
Portfolio by Geography (square feet)	Ontario/GTA 37% Western Canada 14%		Ontario/GTA 38% Western Canada 62%

<sup>1</sup> Comparison to Q3 2014 which represents the portfolio composition prior to Slate's management.



#### HIGH-QUALITY, DIVERSIFIED TENANTS

Over 45% of income is derived from investment grade (ie. BBB- or better) tenants with a weighted average lease term of 6.4 years

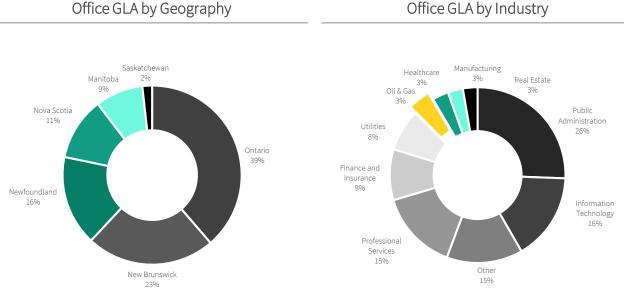


Credit Rating	BBB (high)	AAA	BBB	A	AA	Unrated	AA	AA	Unrated	B (high)
Industry	Telecom	Gov't	Power & Utilities	Insurance	Gov't	Health Care	Gov't	Gov't	Technology	Real Estate



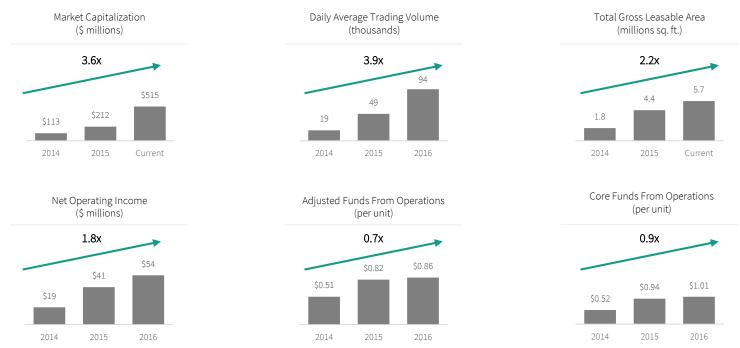
#### HIGH-QUALITY, DIVERSIFIED TENANTS (cont'd)

The REIT's portfolio has zero exposure to the Alberta office market and less than 3% of net operating income is affiliated with the oil and gas industry





## SIGNIFICANT TRANSFORMATION



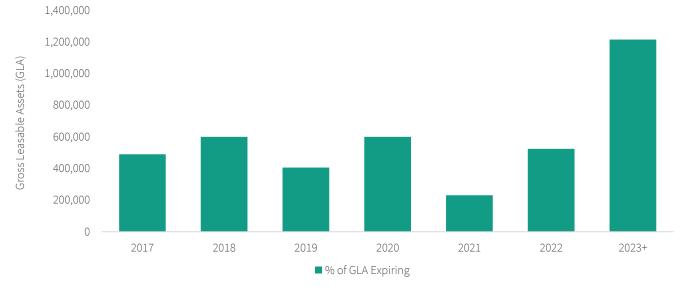
The REIT currently trades at ~9.5x 2017 AFFO multiple, significantly below the peer average of ~15.9x As market capitalization and liquidity continue to increase, a multiple re-rating will be warranted



## EMBEDDED ORGANIC GROWTH

Lease expiry profile demonstrates stability of cash flow and opportunity for rental rate growth

• Weighted average in-place rent is \$14.61 per square foot, ~\$1.37 or ~9% below market value





#### SIGNIFICANT EXTERNAL GROWTH OPPORTUNITY

- "Non-trophy" assets account for ~66% of the Canadian office space inventory, 220 million square feet, presenting an extraordinary opportunity to build scale
- We are the only public-focused REIT aggregating in this space
  - o There are very few private investors competing for similar assets
- Dislocation in Alberta provides significant opportunity
  - o Those with large exposure may be forced to sell assets outside of Alberta
- The REIT continues to assess acquisition opportunities that meet its disciplined investment criteria



### ALIGNMENT

- Slate Asset Management provides a dedicated Slate Office REIT management team
- The Slate Office team is led by Scott Antoniak, CEO and Robert Armstrong, CFO who together have over 35 years of commercial real estate experience
- Additionally, the Slate Office team has access to the resources and bench strength of Slate Asset Management and its team of over 55 professionals
- Slate Asset Management is aligned via its ~11.2% ownership
- Fees are consistent with market
- Path to internalization at the Board's discretion
  - Fees of 1x trailing 12-month annual management fees
- Strong independent governance



### **BEST-IN-CLASS GOVERNANCE**

The independent trustees are characterized by strong and experienced members with significant leadership and real estate experience

	Independent	Audit	Investment	Compensation, Governance and Nominating
John O'Bryan (Chair of the Board)	Yes		Chair	
Pam Spackman	Yes	Member		Chair
Georges Dubé	Yes			Member
Al Mawani	Yes	Chair		Member
Nora Duke	Yes	Member	Member	
Blair Welch	No		Member	
Brady Welch	No			



#### VALUATION

	Mar	ket	Ente	rprise	Current	Implied	TE	V	Price/A	FFO (3)	AFFO Payou	It Ratio (3)	Debt	Debt Brea	kdown
Selected Companies	Cap	) (1)	Valu	Je <sup>(1)</sup>	Yield <sup>(2)</sup>	Сар	/ Sq.	. Ft.	2017E	2018E	2017E	2018E	/ GBV	Fixed F	-loating (4)
Diversified (Large Cap)	, i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i														Ĭ
H&R REIT	\$	6,993	\$	12,996	6.0%	6.5%	\$	278	14.6x	13.6x	87.4%	81.5%	43.5%	91.1%	8.9%
Canadian REIT		3,603		5,773	3.7%	5.8%		227	17.5x	17.1x	65.3%	63.7%	38.6%	90.0%	10.0%
Cominar REIT		2,590		7,000	10.4%	6.8%		156	10.8x	10.2x	112.3%	105.8%	52.9%	93.5%	6.5%
Artis REIT		2,210		4,884	8.0%	6.7%		190	11.2x	10.9x	89.8%	87.6%	49.6%	71.6%	28.4%
Morguard REIT		930		2,253	6.3%	7.3%		258	12.2x	11.6x	76.6%	72.8%	45.9%	100.0%	-
Diversified REITs Average					6.9%	6.6%	\$	222	13.3x	12.7x	86.3%	82.3%	46.1%	89.2%	10.8%
Office															
Allied Properties REIT	\$	3,135	\$	5,050	4.1%	5.5%	\$	426	19.6x	18.0x	81.2%	74.7%	36.7%	96.4%	3.6%
Brookfield Canada Office Properties		3,042		5,829	4.0%	5.1%		501	24.2x	22.8x	97.4%	91.8%	46.1%	71.5%	28.5%
Dream Office REIT		2,163		4,704	7.7%	7.0%		273	12.5x	13.6x	95.9%	104.4%	49.1%	87.0%	13.0%
NorthWest Healthcare Properties REIT		1,040		3,067	7.5%	7.5%		326	12.1x	11.6x	90.2%	86.7%	47.1%	81.8%	18.2%
Inovalis REIT		226		507	8.5%	6.6%		483	11.3x	10.8x	96.3%	91.9%	49.6%	92.0%	8.0%
Office REITs Average					6.4%	6.3%	\$	402	15.9x	15.4x	92.2%	89.9%	45.7%	85.8%	14.2%
Small Cap															
Dream Industrial REIT	\$	672	\$	1,539	8.3%	7.4%	\$	95	11.1x	10.9x	91.3%	90.1%	52.6%	100.0%	-
Plaza Retail REIT		498		1,035	5.6%	6.7%		133	14.6x	13.8x	81.0%	76.4%	52.1%	97.9%	2.1%
OneREIT		328		1,031	8.1%	7.4%		153	10.1x	9.6x	81.8%	77.6%	57.3%	97.5%	2.5%
Agellan Commercial REIT		373		725	6.8%	7.8%		123	11.5x	10.8×	78.1%	73.6%	46.3%	89.0%	11.0%
Summit II REIT		280		605	7.6%	6.4%		115	11.9x	11.4x	90.8%	87.3%	54.2%	85.8%	14.2%
Melcor REIT		219		570	7.9%	7.4%		205	9.9x	9.7x	78.2%	76.9%	53.0%	95.3%	4.7%
BTB REIT		205		627	8.7%	6.7%		122	11.5x	11.5x	100.0%	100.0%	66.0%	98.1%	1.9%
Automotive Properties REIT		292		527	7.2%	6.2%		415	12.6x	11.1x	90.6%	79.6%	46.9%	100.0%	-
Partners REIT		123		468	6.9%	6.9%		188	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	69.0%	89.1%	10.9%
Small Cap REITs Average					7.5%	7.0%	\$	172	11.6x	11.1x	86.5%	82.7%	55.3%	94.7%	5.3%
Slate Office REIT	\$	523	\$	1,241	9.2%	6.8%	\$	218	9.5x	9.1x	88.1%	84.3%	56.4%		

NOTE: Market data based on closing price as at April 27, 2017; financial information as at December 31, 2016 or latest available.

(1) In millions; based on fully-diluted units outstanding

(2) Based on last distribution annualized

(3) Based on average of analysts' 2016/2017 estimates

(4) Excludes floating rate debt hedged with interest rate swaps



## **ENHANCED LIQUIDITY**

#### SOT.UN Price / Volume



As at May 1, 2017.



## EQUITY ANALYST COVERAGE

The REIT has seen a significant increase in equity research coverage over the last two years. There are currently 6 analysts who cover the REIT

Company	Analyst	Email	Rating <sup>1</sup>
ВМО	Troy MacLean	troy.maclean@bmo.com	Market Perform
Canaccord Genuity	Mark Rothschild	mrothschild@canaccordgenuity.com	Buy
Echelon Partners	Rob Sutherland	rob.sutherland@echelonpartners.com	Buy
GMP Securities	Jimmy Shan	jshan@gmpsecurities.com	Buy
National Bank Financial	Dawoon Chung	dawoon.chung@nbc.com	Outperform
TD Securities	Jonathan Kelcher	jonathan.kelcher@tdsecurities.com	Buy

<sup>1</sup>As of latest available equity research report.







# WEST METRO CORPORATE CENTRE AND THE FREDERICTON ASSETS

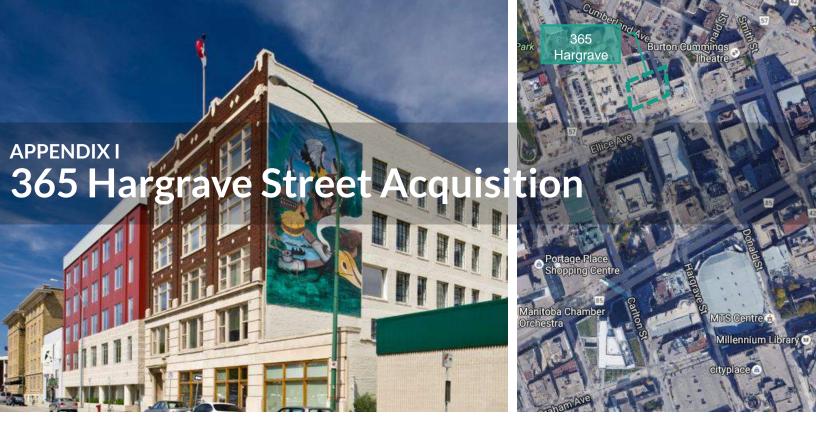
In Q1 2017, the REIT announced the \$165 million acquisition of The West Metro Corporate Centre in Etobicoke, Ontario and 250 King Street and 460 Two Nations Crossing in New Brunswick, Fredericton

	WEST METRO ACQUISITION OVERVIEW		TRANSACTION HIGHLIGHTS
	93% occupied with SNC-Lavalin as the largest tenant, occupying 234,000 sq. ft. West Metro is the REIT's largest asset Strong location in the GTA with high visibility in the 427 Corridor WALT of 6.4 years Immediately accretive	•	Strategic acquisition makes SNC-Lavalin the largest tenant for the REIT Acquisition price of \$235 per square foot is below replacement cost High parking ratio with 3.6 stalls for 1000 square feet Strengthens the REIT's presence in the suburban GTA Positions the REIT as a prominent landlord in the 427 Corridor
	FREDERICTON ACQUISITION OVERVIEW		TRANSACTION HIGHLIGHTS
•	2 properties in Fredericton which are 100% occupied by the Province of New Brunswick (high quality, investment grade tenant)	•	Strategic acquisition makes the province of New Brunswick the REIT's $5^{\rm th}$ largest tenant
•	250 King Street has a WALT of 3.0 years with two options to renew, while 460 Two Nations Crossing has a WALT of 11.6 years	•	Acquisition price of \$153 per square foot is significantly below replacement cost Builds scale in Atlantic Canada where the REIT has significant presence
•	Immediately accretive		

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#### **365 HARGRAVE STREET**

In Q3 2016, the REIT announced the \$12.25 million acquisition of 365 Hargrave Street in Winnipeg, Manitoba

	ACQUISITION OVERVIEW	TRANSACTION HIGHLIGHTS
•	Single tenant property leased to the Government of Canada through 2025	• Strategic acquisition makes the Government of Canada the REIT's largest tenant
•	Prime location in downtown Winnipeg with easy access from major regional thoroughfares	Winnipeg office market has been resilient compared to     other Western Canadian markets
•	90.1% occupancy	<ul> <li>Acquisition price of \$171 per square foot is significantly below replacement cost</li> </ul>
•	~7.4% cap rate	<ul> <li>Acquired for less than appraised value of \$12.44 million</li> </ul>
•	Immediately accretive	Acquired for icss than appraised value of \$12.44 million



#### APPENDIX redex ship Centre Acquisition









#### **GATEWAY CENTRE**

In Q2 2016, the REIT announced the \$57.5 million acquisition of Gateway Centre in Markham, Ontario

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ACQUISITION OVERVIEW	TRANSACTION HIGHLIGHTS
<ul> <li>2 building complex totalling 236K square feet</li> <li>95% occupancy</li> <li>~6.7% cap rate</li> <li>Immediately accretive</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Strategic acquisition adjacent to Woodbine Complex, one of the strongest performing GTA markets</li> <li>Acquisition price of \$246 per square foot is significantly below replacement cost</li> <li>In-place rents ~7.5% below market</li> <li>Adds high quality tenants such as Extendicare and Sun Life</li> </ul>



#### APPENDIX SNC-LAVALIN LEASE EXTENSION



### **SNC-LAVALIN LEASE EXTENSION**

\$46M commitment to revitalize Sheridan Park facilities as major tenant, SNC-Lavalin extends lease for 10 years, recipient of "Office Lease of The Year" at the 2016 REX Awards

LEASE OVERVIEW	HOW WE DID IT
<ul> <li>Research and development campus to be constructed as the headquarters for SNC-Lavalin's nuclear division</li> <li>Initially 215,000 square feet</li> <li>10-year term</li> <li>Exercised option for additional 28,000 square feet in June 2016</li> <li>Consistent with the REIT's stated strategy of focusing on well-located yet overlooked Canadian office properties</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Ability to reposition existing assets as state-of-the-art facilities at rents significantly below new construction rents</li> <li>Excellent location including accessibility to major arterial roadways and public transit</li> <li>Secured the commitment from the City of Mississauga in Slate Office's long-term vision for the revitalization of Sheridan Park</li> </ul>



#### APPENDIX ATLANTIC CANADA OFFICE PORTFOLIO



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In Q2 2015, the REIT announced the \$430 million portfolio acquisition of Fortis Properties Inc.

ACQUISITION OVERVIEW	TRANSACTION HIGHLIGHTS				
<ul> <li>14 properties totalling 2.8 million square feet</li> <li>89% occupancy</li> <li>~8.2% cap rate</li> <li>10% accretive to AFFO per unit</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Acquisition price of \$123 per square foot is significantly below replacement cost</li> <li>Portfolio includes the highest quality office properties in Atlantic Canada</li> <li>The acquisition nearly doubled Slate Office REIT's asset base, delivering on our stated growth strategy focusing on office</li> </ul>				

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