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# LANESBOROUGH REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST Press Release

# LANESBOROUGH REIT REPORTS 2014 SECOND QUARTER RESULTS

Winnipeg, Manitoba, August 14, 2014 – Lanesborough Real Estate Investment Trust ("LREIT") (TSX: LRT.UN) today reported its operating results for the quarter ended June 30, 2014. The following comments in regard to the financial position and operating results of LREIT should be read in conjunction with Management's Discussion & Analysis and the financial statements for the quarter ended June 30, 2014, which may be obtained from the LREIT website at <u>www.lreit.com</u> or the SEDAR website at <u>www.sedar.com</u>.

#### **Results of Operations**

### Overview

LREIT completed Q2-2014 with a loss before discontinued operations, fair value adjustments and gain on sale of investment properties of \$0.21 million, compared to a loss of \$0.24 million in Q2-2013. After including discontinued operations, fair value adjustments and gain on sale of investment properties, LREIT completed Q2-2014 with a comprehensive loss of \$0.74 million, compared to comprehensive income of \$3.34 million during Q2-2013, representing a variance of approximately \$4.1 Million. The variance mainly reflects a decrease in fair value adjustments of approximately \$3.7 million.

#### **Net Operating Income and Income Recoveries**

During Q2-2014, net operating income ("NOI") decreased by \$0.16 million, compared to Q2-2013. Excluding properties sold and Parsons Landing, NOI decreased by \$0.42 million of which \$0.35 million or 85% was attributable to the Fort McMurray properties. Notwithstanding the decrease, the NOI results for Q2-2014 reflect a significant recovery in revenues and occupancy levels for the Fort McMurray property portfolio, compared to Q1-2014. The average occupancy level of the Fort McMurray property portfolio for Q2-2014 improved to 90%, compared to 80% in Q1-2014, while the average monthly rental rate decreased by \$28 or 2%.

The NOI for Parsons Landing in Q2-2014 was positive after considering the multiple factors which affect the comparability of results from quarter-to-quarter, including the extent of insurance recoveries and the impact of the lease-up program for re-constructed units. During Q2-2014, NOI from Parsons Landing amounted to \$0.82 million, compared to combined NOI and insurance recoveries of \$0.8 million during Q2-2013. The lease-up program for Parsons Landing was effectively completed in May 2014 when the property achieved an occupancy level of 94%.

NOI for Q2-2014 is reflective of the rental market conditions which exist in Fort McMurray, notwithstanding the quarterly fluctuations in demand and periodic changes in rental supply. As of August 1, 2014, the overall occupancy level of all the Fort McMurray properties, including Parsons Landing, is 89%.

# **Cash Flow Results**

Cash inflow from operating activities, excluding working capital adjustments, amounted to \$0.16 million during Q2-2014, compared to a cash outflow of \$0.5 million during Q2-2013. Including working capital adjustments, LREIT completed Q2-2014 with a cash outflow from operating activities of \$0.26 million, compared to a cash outflow of \$0.21 million during Q2- 2013.

# Key Events – Q2-2014

- In June 2014, LREIT received full repayment of the two mortgage loans receivable which were provided on the sale of the Clarington Seniors' Residence in 2012. The total payment received, including accrued interest, was \$8.99 million.
- On June 16, 2014, the holders of the Series G debentures approved an extension of the maturity date of the debentures from February 28, 2015 to June 30, 2018.
- In May 2014, the upward refinancing of one mortgage loan resulted in net proceeds of approximately \$1.6 Million.

### **Covenant Breach**

LREIT has received a loan commitment to refinance a \$16 million loan that has been subject to a covenant breach. Upon the anticipated funding of the new loan in Q3-2014, LREIT will have successfully removed the one remaining loan covenant breach. The loan commitment provides for the new loan to bear interest at approximately 4.5% for a ten-year term, compared to the 5.82% rate on the existing loan.

### Outlook

The collection of mortgage loans receivable, combined with the extension of the Series G debenture maturity date, has improved the stability and financial position of LREIT. For the remainder of 2014, LREIT will continue to focus on improving operational efficiencies while continuing to pursue mortgage refinancing at lower rates and divestiture opportunities. Proceeds from the anticipated exercise of warrants in 2015 are expected to increase equity capital which will be used to reduce debt.

Based on the expectation that rental market conditions in Fort McMurray will stabilize at seasonal norms, the outlook is for similar operating results during the balance of the year.

# FINANCIAL AND OPERATING SUMMARY

THANCIAL AND OF ERATING DOMINANT			June 30	June 30 December 31		
			2014	2013	2012	
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION			2014	2013	2012	
Total assets			\$150 207 200	\$169 072 210	¢101 550 570	
			\$458,387,209		\$481,552,578	
Total long-term financial liabilities			\$329,631,914	\$501,147,751	\$323,026,417	
Weighted average interest rate			5 70/	5.4%	7 10/	
- Mortgage loan debt			5.7%		7.1%	
- Total debt			6.2%	5.9%	7.4%	
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	_	2014	2013	2014	2013	
KEY FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE						
INDICATORS						
Operating Results						
Rentals from investment properties	\$	9,975,172	\$ 10,026,210	\$ 18,883,897	\$19,795,098	
Net operating income	\$	5,924,651	\$ 6,086,722	\$ 10,428,718	\$11,780,290	
Income (loss) before discontinued operations	\$	(898,369)	\$ 2,979,923	\$ (3,414,317)	\$ 1,935,601	
Income (loss) and comprehensive income (loss)	\$	(742,668)	\$ 3,335,654	\$ (3,146,681)	\$ 2,523,426	
Cash Flows						
Cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$	(260,667)	\$ (213,186)	\$ 457,974	\$ (89,191)	
Funds from Operations (FFO)	\$	(58,076)	\$ (72,790)	\$ (2,533,324)	\$(1,244,281)	
Adjusted Funds from Operations (AFFO)	\$	(959,791)	\$ (872,523)	\$ (3,067,659)	\$(2,427,839)	
Distributable income (loss)	\$	(664,710)	\$(1,562,692)	\$ (1,308,670)	\$(1,547,625)	

# Q2-2014 COMPARED TO Q2-2013

#### **Analysis of Income (Loss)**

	Three Mo	s Ended	Six Months Ended				
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	5,924,651		6,086,722		10,428,718		11,780,290
	206,779		329,946		591,997		628,247
	(5,745,943)		(6,609,966)		(12,700,225)		(14,451,844)
	(599,264)		(790,635)		(1,219,949)		(1,321,932)
			742,500		98,499		1,641,630
	(213,777)		(241,433)		(2,800,960)		(1,723,609)
	-		164,928		71,235		164,928
	(684,592)		1,286,668		(684,592)		1,424,522
			1,769,760				2,069,760
	(898,369)		2,979,923		(3,414,317)		1,935,601
	155,701		355,731		267,636		587,825
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#### **Analysis of Rental Revenue**

	Three	Months Ended	l June 30	Six N	June 30			
		Increase						
	2014	2013	(Decrease)	2014	2013	(Decrease)		
Fort McMurray	\$ 5,989,170	\$6,285,528	\$ (296,358)	\$11,338,831	\$12,440,283	\$(1,101,452)		
Other investment properties	2,745,656	2,734,087	11,569	5,360,870	5,467,840	(106,970)		
Sub-total	8,734,826	9,019,615	(284,789)	16,699,701	17,908,123	(1,208,422)		
Properties sold <sup>(1)</sup>	-	875,847	(875,847)	1,065	1,756,227	(1,755,162)		
Parsons Landing (2)	1,240,346	130,748	1,109,598	2,183,131	130,748	2,052,383		
Total	<u>\$ 9,975,172</u>	<u>\$10,026,210</u>	<u>\$ (51,038)</u>	<u>\$18,883,897</u>	<u>\$19,795,098</u>	\$(911,201)		

1. Represents revenue from the Purolator Building and Nova Court.

2. For the first six months of 2013, the rental revenue for Parsons Landing consists solely of the revenue from 84 reconstructed suites for a period of 30 days, commencing June 1, 2013.

As disclosed in the chart above, total revenue from the investment properties, excluding properties sold and Parsons Landing, decreased by \$0.24 million in Q2-2014, compared to Q2-2013. The decrease is comprised of a decrease in revenue from investment properties in Fort McMurray of \$0.30 million, partially offset by an increase in revenue from the Other investment properties of \$0.01million.

The decrease in revenue from the Fort McMurray property portfolio reflects a decrease in the average occupancy level, partially offset by an increase in the average rental rate. As disclosed in the charts below, the average occupancy level for the Fort McMurray portfolio decreased from 95% during Q2-2013 to 90% during Q2-2014, while the average monthly rental rate increased by \$34 or 1.5%.

The 90% average occupancy rate of the Fort McMurray portfolio during Q2-2014 represents a significant improvement in comparison to the average occupancy rate during Q1-2014 of 80%. As previously reported, the occupancy rate of the Fort McMurray property portfolio decreased to 80% in Q1-2014,

compared to 93% in Q1-2013, as a result of a more competitive rental market due to an increase in the supply of available rental units, increased competition from temporary housing units and abnormal variations in seasonal demand due to a delay in the commencement of municipal and oil sands infrastructure projects. Although the occupancy rate improved during Q2-2014, the competitive market factors affected the extent of the improvement in the occupancy rate in Q2-2014, relative Q2-2013.

For the six months period ended June 30, 2014, total revenue from investment properties, excluding properties sold and Parsons Landing, decreased by \$1.21 million, compared to the first six months of 2013. The variance in the six month comparatives is mainly due to the unfavourable variance in revenue results during Q1-2014.

#### **Occupancy Level, by Quarter**

		2014	
			6 Month
	Q1	Q2	Average
Fort McMurray	80%	90%	85%
Other investment properties	89%	92%	91%
Total	82%	91%	86%
Properties sold	n/a	n/a	n/a
Parsons Landing	69%	89%	79%

	2013							
			12 Month					
	Q1	Q2	Average	Q3	Q4	Average		
Fort McMurray	93%	95%	94%	92%	84%	91%		
Other investment properties	95%	94%	94%	92%	90%	93%		
Total	94%	94%	94%	92%	85%	91%		
Properties sold	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%		
Parsons Landing	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a		

The occupancy level represents the portion of potential revenue that was achieved

#### Average Monthly Rents, by Quarter

	2014			
			6 Month	
	Q1	Q2	Average	
Fort McMurray	\$2,337	\$2,309	\$2,325	
Other investment properties	\$933	\$927	\$930	
Total	\$1,672	\$1,654	\$1,664	
Properties sold	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Parsons Landing	\$2,744	\$2,742	\$2,743	

	2013							
		12 Month						
	Q1	Q2	Average	Q3	Q4	Average		
Fort McMurray	\$2,259	\$2,275	\$2,267	\$2,318	\$2,387	\$2,329		
Other investment properties	\$922	\$929	\$925	\$931	\$934	\$929		
Total	\$1,627	\$1,638	\$1,632	\$1,661	\$1,699	\$1,666		
Properties sold	\$2,550	\$2,546	\$2,548	\$2,692	\$2,299	\$2,521		
Parsons Landing	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a		

# Analysis of Property Operating Costs

	Three M	onths Ended	June 30	Six Months Ended June 30			
		Increase					
	2014	2013	(Decrease)	2014	2013	(Decrease)	
Fort McMurray	\$2,253,339	\$2,196,215	\$ 57,124	\$4,789,272	\$4,461,449	\$ 327,823	
Other investment properties	<u>1,351,118</u>	1,277,203	73,915	2,714,361	2,667,206	47,155	
Sub-total	3,604,457	3,473,418	131,039	7,503,633	7,128,655	374,978	
Properties sold	21,339	393,484	(372,145)	103,437	813,567	(710,130)	
Parsons Landing	424,725	72,586	352,139	848,109	72,586	775,523	
Total	<u>\$4,050,521</u>	<u>\$3,939,488</u>	<u>\$ 111,033</u>	<u>\$8,455,179</u>	<u>\$8,014,808</u>	<u>\$ 440,371</u>	

During Q2-2014, property operating costs for the portfolio of investment properties, excluding properties sold and Parsons Landing, increased by \$0.13 million, compared to Q2-2013. The increase is comprised of an increase of \$0.06 million in the operating costs of the Fort McMurray portfolio and an increase of \$0.07 million in the Other investment properties portfolio.

For the six months ended June 30, 2014, property operating costs for the portfolio of investment properties, excluding properties sold and Parsons Landing, increased by \$0.37 million or 5%, compared to the first six months of 2013. The increase is comprised of an increase of \$0.33 million in the operating costs of the Fort McMurray portfolio and a \$0.05 million increase in the Other investment properties portfolio.

The increase in the operating costs of the Fort McMurray portfolio for both the first quarter and six months comparatives is mainly due to an increase in repair costs related to water damage, net of insurance recoveries, and to additional snow removal costs.

		Net Operating Income								
	Three M	Months Ender	d June 30	Six N	June 30					
			Increase			Increase				
	2014	2013	(Decrease)	2014	2013	(Decrease)				
Fort McMurray	\$3,735,831	\$4,089,313	\$ (353,482)	\$ 6,549,559	\$ 7,978,834	\$(1,429,275)				
Other investment properties	1,394,538	1,456,884	(62,346)	2,646,509	2,800,634	(154,125)				
Sub-total	5,130,369	5,546,197	(415,828)	9,196,068	10,779,468	(1,583,400)				
Properties sold	(21,339)	482,363	(503,702)	(102,372)	942,660	(1,045,032)				
Parsons Landing	815,621	58,162	757,459	1,335,022	58,162	1,276,860				
Total	<u>\$5,924,651</u>	<u>\$6,086,722</u>	<u>\$(162,071)</u>	<u>\$10,428,718</u>	<u>\$11,780,290</u>	<u>\$(1,351,572)</u>				

### Analysis of Net Operating Income

After considering the decrease in rental revenue and the increase in property operating costs, as analyzed in the preceding sections of this press release, net operating income for the portfolio of investment properties, excluding properties sold and Parsons Landing, decreased by \$0.42 million or 7% during Q2-2014, compared to Q2-2013. Net operating income for the Fort McMurray portfolio decreased by \$0.35 million while net operating income for the Other investment properties portfolio decreased by \$0.06 million.

Total net operating income decreased by \$0.16 million during Q2-2014, compared to Q2-2013 after accounting for the decrease in net operating income related to properties sold and the net operating income attributable to Parsons Landing. For the first six months period ended June 30, 2014, net operating income decreased by \$1.35 million.

During the six months ended June 30, 2014, net operating income from Parsons Landing combined with the income recovery on Parsons Landing amounted to \$1.43 million, compared to \$1.70 million during the six months ended June 30, 2013, representing a decrease of \$0.27 million or 16%. The decrease is attributable to the change in the operational status of the property. During the first six months of 2013, revenue losses from unleased or unreconstructed suites were fully covered by insurance proceeds, whereas, at the beginning of 2014, the property was in the lease-up phase and insurance recoveries ended on February 5, 2014. The lease-up phase was essentially completed in May 2014 when the property achieved an occupancy level of 94%.

Overall, the operating margin for the property portfolio, excluding properties sold and Parsons Landing, decreased from 61% in Q2-2013, to 59% in Q2-2014. For the six months ended June 30, 2014, the operating margin was 55% compared to 60% for the six months ended June 30, 2013. The decrease in the operating margin for the six months ended June 30, 2014 is mainly due to the unfavourable variance in revenue results for the Fort McMurray property portfolio in Q1-2014.

# **Interest Expense**

Total interest expense for investment properties decreased by \$0.86 million or 13% during Q2-2014, compared to Q2-2013. The decrease is mainly due to a decrease in interest on the acquisition payable of \$0.9 million and a decrease in mortgage bond interest of \$0.23 million, partially offset by a increase in mortgage loan interest of \$0.17 million and a net increase in total amortization charges for transaction costs of \$0.16 million.

Total interest expense for discontinued operations decreased by \$0.06 million or 30% during Q2-2014, compared to Q2-2013.

# COMPARISON TO PREVIOUS QUARTER

### Analysis of Loss

		Three Months Ended				Increase (Decrease) In Income			
	_	June 30, 2014		March 31, 2014		Amount	%		
Rentals from investment properties Property operating costs	\$	9,975,172 4,050,521	\$	8,908,725 4,404,658	\$	1,066,447 354,137	12.0% 8.0%		
Net operating income		5,924,651		4,504,067		1,420,584	31.5%		
Interest income Interest expense Trust expense Income recovery on Parsons Landing		206,779 (5,745,943) (599,264)		385,218 (6,954,282) (620,685) <u>98,499</u>		(178,439) 1,208,339 21,421 (98,499)	(46.3)% 17.4% 3.5% (100.0)%		
Loss before the following		(213,777)		(2,587,183)		2,373,406	91.7%		
Gain on sale of investment properties Fair value adjustments		(684,592)		71,235		(71,235) (684,592)	(100.0)% n/a		
Loss for the period before discontinued operations		(898,369)		(2,515,948)		1,617,579	64.3%		
Income from discontinued operations		155,701		111,935		43,766	39.1%		
Comprehensive loss	<u>\$</u>	(742,668)	\$	(2,404,013)	\$	1,661,345	69.1%		

# **Comparison to Q1-2014**

During Q2-2014, LREIT incurred a loss of \$0.21 million, before profit on sale of investment properties, fair value gains, fair value adjustment of Parsons Landing, income taxes and discontinued operations, compared to a loss of \$2.59 million during Q1-2014. The variance in quarterly results mainly reflects an increase in net operating income of \$1.42 million and a decrease in interest expense of \$1.21 million, partially offset by a decrease in interest income of \$0.18 million and a decrease in income recovery on

Parsons Landing of \$0.1 million. The increase in operating income is mainly due to an improvement in the overall occupancy level of the portfolio of investment properties, including the lease-up of additional suites at Parsons Landing. The decrease in income recovery from Parsons Landing reflects the expiry of insurance coverage for revenue losses on February 5, 2014. During Q1-2014, NOI from Parsons Landing, combined with the income recovery amounted to \$0.62 million, compared to NOI of \$0.82 million in Q2-2014.

After accounting for the variance in fair value losses and fair value adjustment in the amount of \$0.68 million and a decrease in gain on sale of investment properties of \$0.07 million, the loss before discontinued operations increased by \$1.62 million during Q2-2014, compared to Q1-2014.

Income from discontinued operations decreased by \$0.04 million in Q2-2014 compared to Q1-2014.

After accounting for discontinued operations, LREIT completed Q2- 2014 with a comprehensive loss of \$0.74 million, compared to a comprehensive loss of \$2.40 million during Q1-2014.

# ABOUT LREIT

LREIT is a real estate investment trust, which is listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbols LRT.UN (Trust Units), LRT.DB.G (Series G Debentures), LRT.NT.A (Second Mortgage Bonds due December 24, 2015), LRT.WT (Warrants expiring March 9, 2015) and LRT.WT.A (Warrants expiring December 23, 2015). The objective of LREIT is to provide Unitholders with stable cash distributions from investment in a diversified portfolio of quality real estate properties. For further information on LREIT, please visit our website at <u>www.lreit.com</u>.

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