

Digital Realty Trust, Inc. Announces Tax Treatment of 2015 Distributions

SAN FRANCISCO, CA (January 27, 2016) – Digital Realty Trust, Inc. (NYSE: DLR), a leading global provider of data center and colocation solutions, announced today the tax treatment of its 2015 distributions for common stock and preferred stock. Shareholders are urged to consult with their tax advisors as to their specific tax treatment of Digital Realty Trust, Inc.'s distributions.

Digital Realty Trust, Inc. Common Stock Dividends

CUSIP # 253868103

Ticker Symbol: DLR

The 2015 taxable dividend of \$2.874245 per share includes a portion (39%) of one quarterly distribution declared in 2014 and paid in January 2015 and three quarterly distributions declared and paid in 2015. The 2015 taxable dividend will be classified on Form 1099-DIV as follows: \$2.703853 per share (94%) as ordinary income and \$0.170392 per share (6%) as capital gain distribution.

The following table contains this information on a quarterly basis.

Record Dates	Payment Dates	Cash Distribution (\$ per share)	Taxable Dividend (\$ per share)	Ordinary Dividend (\$ per share)	Long-Term Capital Gain (\$ per share)	Unrecaptured Section 1250 Gain (\$ per share)
12/15/2014	01/15/2015	\$0.830000	\$0.324245	\$0.305023	\$0.019222	\$0.014650
03/13/2015	03/31/2015	\$0.850000	\$0.850000	\$0.799610	\$0.050390	\$0.038405
06/15/2015	06/30/2015	\$0.850000	\$0.850000	\$0.799610	\$0.050390	\$0.038405
09/15/2015	09/30/2015	\$0.850000	\$0.850000	\$0.799610	\$0.050390	\$0.038405
		\$3.380000	\$2.874245	\$2.703853	\$0.170392	\$0.129865

The common stock distribution declared in November 2015 and paid in January 2016 is considered a reportable dividend for 2016 income tax purposes.

Series E Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock Dividends

CUSIP # 253868707

Ticker Symbol: DLRPRE

The 2015 taxable dividend for Digital Realty Trust, Inc.'s Series E Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock was \$1.750000 per share. For tax reporting purposes, the 2015 taxable dividend will be classified as follows: \$1.646256 per share (94%) as ordinary income and \$0.103744 per share (6%) as capital gain distribution.

The following table contains this information on a quarterly basis.

Record Dates	Payment Dates	Cash Distribution (\$ per share)	Taxable Dividend (\$ per share)	Ordinary Dividend (\$ per share)	Long-Term Capital Gain (\$ per share)	Unrecaptured Section 1250 Gain (\$ per share)
03/13/2015	03/31/2015	\$0.437500	\$0.437500	\$0.411564	\$0.025936	\$0.019767
06/15/2015	06/30/2015	\$0.437500	\$0.437500	\$0.411564	\$0.025936	\$0.019767
09/15/2015	09/30/2015	\$0.437500	\$0.437500	\$0.411564	\$0.025936	\$0.019767
12/15/2015	12/31/2015	\$0.437500	\$0.437500	\$0.411564	\$0.025936	\$0.019767
		\$1.750000	\$1.750000	\$1.646256	\$0.103744	\$0.079068

Series F Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock Dividends

CUSIP # 253868806

Ticker Symbol: DLRPRF

The 2015 taxable dividend for Digital Realty Trust, Inc.'s Series F Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock was \$1.656252 per share. For tax reporting purposes, the 2015 taxable dividend will be classified as follows: \$1.558064 per share (94%) as ordinary income and \$0.098188 per share (6%) as capital gain distribution.

The following table contains this information on a quarterly basis.

Record Dates	Payment Dates	Cash Distribution (\$ per share)	Taxable Dividend (\$ per share)	Ordinary Dividend (\$ per share)	Long-Term Capital Gain (\$ per share)	Unrecaptured Section 1250 Gain (\$ per share)
03/13/2015	03/31/2015	\$0.414063	\$0.414063	\$0.389516	\$0.024547	\$0.018708
06/15/2015	06/30/2015	\$0.414063	\$0.414063	\$0.389516	\$0.024547	\$0.018708
09/15/2015	09/30/2015	\$0.414063	\$0.414063	\$0.389516	\$0.024547	\$0.018708
12/15/2015	12/31/2015	\$0.414063	\$0.414063	\$0.389516	\$0.024547	\$0.018708
		\$1.656252	\$1.656252	\$1.558064	\$0.098188	\$0.074832

Series G Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock Dividends

CUSIP # 253868889

Ticker Symbol: DLRPRG

The 2015 taxable dividend for Digital Realty Trust, Inc.'s Series G Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock was \$1.468752 per share. For tax reporting purposes, the 2015 taxable dividend will be classified as follows: \$1.381680 per share (94%) as ordinary income and \$0.087072 per share (6%) as capital gain distribution.

The following table contains this information on a quarterly basis.

Record Dates	Payment Dates	Cash Distribution (\$ per share)	Taxable Dividend (\$ per share)	Ordinary Dividend (\$ per share)	Long-Term Capital Gain (\$ per share)	Unrecaptured Section 1250 Gain (\$ per share)
03/13/2015	03/31/2015	\$0.367188	\$0.367188	\$0.345420	\$0.021768	\$0.016590
06/15/2015	06/30/2015	\$0.367188	\$0.367188	\$0.345420	\$0.021768	\$0.016590
09/15/2015	09/30/2015	\$0.367188	\$0.367188	\$0.345420	\$0.021768	\$0.016590
12/15/2015	12/31/2015	\$0.367188	\$0.367188	\$0.345420	\$0.021768	\$0.016590
		\$1.468752	\$1.468752	\$1.381680	\$0.087072	\$0.066360

Series H Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock Dividends

CUSIP # 253868871

Ticker Symbol: DLRPRH

The 2015 taxable dividend for Digital Realty Trust, Inc.'s Series H Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock was \$1.843752 per share. For tax reporting purposes, the 2015 taxable dividend will be classified as follows: \$1.734448 per share (94%) as ordinary income and \$0.109304 per share (6%) as capital gain distribution.

The following table contains this information on a quarterly basis.

Record Dates	Payment Dates	Cash Distribution (\$ per share)	Taxable Dividend (\$ per share)	Ordinary Dividend (\$ per share)	Long-Term Capital Gain (\$ per share)	Unrecaptured Section 1250 Gain (\$ per share)
03/13/2015	03/31/2015	\$0.460938	\$0.460938	\$0.433612	\$0.027326	\$0.020826
06/15/2015	06/30/2015	\$0.460938	\$0.460938	\$0.433612	\$0.027326	\$0.020826
09/15/2015	09/30/2015	\$0.460938	\$0.460938	\$0.433612	\$0.027326	\$0.020826
12/15/2015	12/31/2015	\$0.460938	\$0.460938	\$0.433612	\$0.027326	\$0.020826
		\$1.843752	\$1.843752	\$1.734448	\$0.109304	\$0.083304

Series I Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock Dividends

CUSIP # 253868863

Ticker Symbol: DLRPRI

The 2015 taxable dividend for Digital Realty Trust, Inc.'s Series I Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock was \$0.560030 per share. For tax reporting purposes, the 2015 taxable dividend will be classified as follows: \$0.526830 per share (94%) as ordinary income and \$0.033200 per share (6%) as capital gain distribution.

The following table contains this information on a quarterly basis.

Record Dates	Payment Dates	Cash Distribution (\$ per share)	Taxable Dividend (\$ per share)	Ordinary Dividend (\$ per share)	Long Term Capital Gain (\$ per share)	Unrecaptured Section 1250 Gain (\$ per share)
12/15/2015	12/31/2015	\$0.560030	\$0.560030	\$0.526830	\$0.033200	\$0.025303
		\$0.560030	\$0.560030	\$0.526830	\$0.033200	\$0.025303

Note that ticker symbols may vary by stock quote provider.

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About Digital Realty

Digital Realty Trust, Inc. supports the data center and colocation strategies of more than 1,000 firms across its secure, network-rich portfolio of data centers located throughout North America, Europe, Asia and Australia. Digital Realty's clients include domestic and international companies of all sizes, ranging from financial services, cloud and information technology services, to manufacturing, energy, gaming, life sciences and consumer products. <https://www.digitalrealty.com/>

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This press release contains forward-looking statements which are based on current expectations, forecasts and assumptions that involve risks and uncertainties that could cause actual outcomes and results to differ materially, including statements related to the payment of dividends on our common stock and preferred stock. These risks and uncertainties include, among others, the following: the impact of current global economic, credit and market conditions; current local economic conditions in the geographies in which we operate; decreases in information technology spending, including as a result of economic slowdowns or recession; adverse economic or real estate developments in our industry or the industry sectors that we sell to (including risks relating to decreasing real estate valuations and impairment charges); our dependence upon significant tenants; bankruptcy or insolvency of a major tenant or a significant number of smaller tenants; defaults on or non-renewal of leases by tenants; our

failure to obtain necessary debt and equity financing; risks associated with using debt to fund our business activities, including re-financing and interest rate risks, our failure to repay debt when due, adverse changes in our credit ratings or our breach of covenants or other terms contained in our loan facilities and agreements; financial market fluctuations; changes in foreign currency exchange rates; our inability to manage our growth effectively; difficulty acquiring or operating properties in foreign jurisdictions; our failure to successfully integrate and operate acquired or developed properties or businesses; the suitability of our properties and data center infrastructure, delays or disruptions in connectivity, failure of our physical infrastructure or services or availability of power; risks related to joint venture investments, including as a result of our lack of control of such investments; delays or unexpected costs in development of properties; decreased rental rates, increased operating costs or increased vacancy rates; increased competition or available supply of data center space; our inability to successfully develop and lease new properties and development space; difficulties in identifying properties to acquire and completing acquisitions; our inability to acquire off-market properties; our inability to comply with the rules and regulations applicable to reporting companies; our failure to maintain our status as a REIT; possible adverse changes to tax laws; restrictions on our ability to engage in certain business activities; environmental uncertainties and risks related to natural disasters; losses in excess of our insurance coverage; changes in foreign laws and regulations, including those related to taxation and real estate ownership and operation; and changes in local, state and federal regulatory requirements, including changes in real estate and zoning laws and increases in real property tax rates. For a further list and description of such risks and uncertainties, see the reports and other filings by the company with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, including the company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014 and Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the quarters ended March 31, 2015, June 30, 2015 and September 30, 2015. The company disclaims any intention or obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.