



# Supplemental Information Package and Non-GAAP Reconciliations

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#### **Cautionary Language Regarding Forward-Looking Statements**

This supplemental information package ("Supplement") contains forward-looking statements and information that are based on our management's current expectations as of the date of this Supplement. Statements that are not historical facts are hereby identified as forward-looking statements. Words such as "Outlook", "guide", "forecast", "estimate", "anticipate", "project", "plan", "intend", "believe", "expect", "likely", "predicted", and any variations of these words and similar expressions are intended to identify such forward looking statements. Such statements include, but are not limited to, our Outlook for the fourth quarter 2016, full year 2016 and full year 2017.

Such forward-looking statements are subject to certain risks, uncertainties and assumptions, including, but not limited to, prevailing market conditions. Should one or more of these or other risks or uncertainties materialize, or should underlying assumptions prove incorrect, actual results may vary materially from those expected. More information about potential risk factors which could affect our results is included in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Crown Castle assumes no obligation to update publicly any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

The components of financial information presented herein, both historical and forward looking, may not sum due to rounding. Definitions and reconciliations of non-GAAP measures are provided in the Appendix to this Supplement.

As used herein, the term "including" and any variation thereof, means "including without limitation." The use of the word "or" herein is not exclusive.

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#### **COMPANY PROFILE**

Crown Castle International Corp. (to which the terms "Crown Castle," "CCIC," "we," "our," "our Company," "the Company" or "us" as used herein refer) owns, operates and leases shared wireless infrastructure, including: (1) towers and other structures, such as rooftops (collectively, "towers"), and (2) small cell networks supported by fiber (collectively, "small cells," and together with towers, "wireless infrastructure"). Our towers have a significant presence in each of the top 100 US markets. Crown Castle owns, operates and leases shared wireless infrastructure that is geographically dispersed throughout the U.S., and which consists of approximately (1) 40,000 towers and (2) small cells supported by 17,000 miles of fiber.

Our core business is providing access, including space or capacity, to our wireless infrastructure via long-term contracts in various forms, including license, sublease and lease agreements (collectively, "leases"). We seek to increase our site rental revenues by adding more tenants on our wireless infrastructure, which we expect to result in significant incremental cash flows due to our relatively fixed operating costs.

We operate as a Real Estate Investment Trust ("REIT") for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

On May 28, 2015, Crown Castle completed the sale of CCAL, its formerly 77.6% owned subsidiary that operated towers in Australia. We have classified the historical balances, results of operations, and cash flows of CCAL as amounts from discontinued operations.

During the first quarter of 2016, Crown Castle changed its operating segments to consist of (1) towers and (2) small cells. Crown Castle has recast its prior period presentation to conform to its current reporting presentation.

#### **STRATEGY**

Our strategy is to create long-term stockholder value via a combination of (1) growing cash flows generated from our portfolio of wireless infrastructure, (2) returning a meaningful portion of our cash provided by operating activities to our stockholders in the form of dividends and (3) investing capital efficiently to grow cash flows and long-term dividends per share. We measure our efforts to create "long-term stockholder value" by the combined payment of dividends to stockholders and growth in our per share results. The key elements of our strategy are to:

- Grow cash flows from our wireless infrastructure. We seek to maximize the site rental cash flows derived from our wireless infrastructure by adding tenants on our wireless infrastructure through long-term leases. We believe that the rapid growth in wireless connectivity will result in considerable future demand for our existing wireless infrastructure. We seek to maximize additional tenancy on our wireless infrastructure by working with wireless customers to quickly provide them access to our wireless infrastructure via new tenant additions or modifications of existing tenant equipment installations (collectively, "tenant additions") to enable them to expand coverage and capacity in order to meet increasing demand for wireless connectivity. We expect increases in our site rental cash flows from tenant additions and the related subsequent impact from contracted escalations to result in growth in our operating cash flows as our wireless infrastructure has relatively fixed operating costs (which tend to increase at the rate of inflation). Substantially all of our wireless infrastructure can accommodate additional tenancy, either as currently constructed or with appropriate modifications to the structure (which may include extensions or structural reinforcement), from which we expect to generate high incremental returns.
- Return cash provided by operating activities to stockholders in the form of dividends. We believe that distributing a meaningful portion of our cash provided by operating activities appropriately provides stockholders with increased certainty for a portion of expected long-term stockholder value while still retaining sufficient flexibility to invest in our business and deliver growth. We believe this decision reflects the translation of the high-quality, long-term contractual cash flows of our business into stable capital returns to stockholders.
- Invest capital efficiently to grow cash flows and long-term dividends per share. We seek to invest our available capital, including the net cash provided by our operating activities and external financing sources, in a manner that will increase long-term stockholder value on a risk-adjusted basis. Our historical investments have included the following (in no particular order):
  - purchases of shares of our common stock from time to time;
  - acquisitions or construction of wireless infrastructure;
  - acquisitions of land interests under towers;

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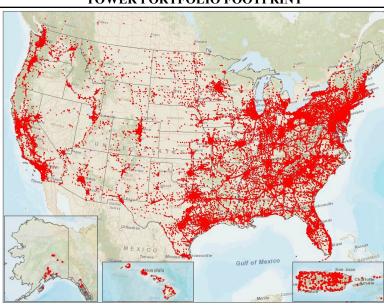
- improvements and structural enhancements to our existing wireless infrastructure; or
- purchases, repayment or redemption of our debt.

Our strategy to create long-term stockholder value is based on our belief that additional demand for our wireless infrastructure will be created by the expected continued growth in demand for wireless connectivity. We believe that such demand for our wireless infrastructure will continue, will result in growth of our cash flows due to tenant additions on our existing wireless infrastructure, and will create other growth opportunities for us, such as demand for new wireless infrastructure.

# HISTORICAL AFFO PER SHARE (1)(2)(3)



#### TOWER PORTFOLIO FOOTPRINT



- (1) See reconciliations and definitions provided herein. See also "Definitions of Non-GAAP Financial Measures and Other Calculations" in the Appendix for a discussion of the definitions of FFO and AFFO.
- (2) AFFO per share represents the midpoint of the full year 2016 and full year 2017 outlook as issued on October 20, 2016.
- (3) Attributable to CCIC common stockholders

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#### **GENERAL COMPANY INFORMATION**

Principal executive offices	1220 Augusta Drive, Suite 600, Houston, TX 77057
Common shares trading symbol	CCI
Stock exchange listing	New York Stock Exchange
Fiscal year ending date	December 31
Fitch - Long Term Issuer Default Rating	BBB-
Moody's - Long Term Corporate Family Rating	Baa3
Standard & Poor's - Long Term Local Issuer Credit Rating	BBB-

Note: These credit ratings may not reflect the potential risks relating to the structure or trading of the Company's securities and are provided solely for informational purposes. Credit ratings are not recommendations to buy, sell or hold any security, and may be revised or withdrawn at any time by the issuing organization in its sole discretion. The Company does not undertake any obligation to maintain the ratings or to advise of any change in the ratings. Each agency's rating should be evaluated independently of any other agency's rating. An explanation of the significances of the ratings can be obtained from each of the ratings agencies.

# **EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT TEAM**

Name	Age	Years with Company	Position
Jay A. Brown	43	17	President and Chief Executive Officer
Daniel K. Schlanger	42	<1	Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
James D. Young	55	10	Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer
Kenneth J. Simon	55	1	Senior Vice President and General Counsel
Patrick Slowey	59	16	Senior Vice President and Chief Commercial Officer
Philip M. Kelley	43	19	Senior Vice President-Corporate Development and Strategy

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Name	Position	Committees	Age	Years as Director
J. Landis Martin	Chairman	NCG <sup>(1)</sup>	70	20
P. Robert Bartolo	Director	Audit, Compensation	44	2
Cindy Christy	Director	Compensation, NCG <sup>(1)</sup> , Strategy	50	9
Ari Q. Fitzgerald	Director	Compensation, NCG <sup>(1)</sup> , Strategy	53	14
Robert E. Garrison II	Director	Audit, Compensation	74	11
Dale N. Hatfield	Director	NCG <sup>(1)</sup> , Strategy	78	15
Lee W. Hogan	Director	Audit, Compensation, Strategy	72	15
Edward C. Hutcheson	Director	Strategy	71	21
Robert F. McKenzie	Director	Audit, Strategy	72	21
Anthony J. Melone	Director	NCG <sup>(1)</sup> , Strategy	56	1
W. Benjamin Moreland	Director		53	10
Jay A. Brown	Director		43	<1

<sup>(1)</sup> Nominating & Corporate Governance Committee

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#### RESEARCH COVERAGE

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(212) 816-1116	(646) 562-1355	(212) 250-4711				
Goldman Sachs	Jefferies	JPMorgan				
Brett Feldman	Mike McCormack	Philip Cusick				
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Nick Del Deo	Simon Flannery	Spencer Kurn				
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John Culver	Phil Kibel	Scott Tan			
(312) 368-3216	(212) 553-1653	(212) 438-4162			

# HISTORICAL COMMON STOCK DATA

	Three Months Ended									
(in millions, except per share data)		9/30/16		6/30/16		3/31/16		12/31/15	9	9/30/15
High price <sup>(1)</sup>	\$	101.84	\$	100.46	\$	85.94	\$	85.58	\$	82.32
Low price <sup>(1)</sup>	\$	89.82	\$	83.95	\$	73.43	\$	75.16	\$	72.77
Period end closing price <sup>(2)</sup>	\$	94.21	\$	100.45	\$	84.86	\$	83.93	\$	75.78
Dividends paid per common share	\$	0.885	\$	0.885	\$	0.885	\$	0.885	\$	0.82
Volume weighted average price for the period <sup>(1)</sup>	\$	95.42	\$	89.99	\$	82.16	\$	81.70	\$	77.25
Common shares outstanding - diluted, at period end		338		339		338		334		334
Market value of outstanding common shares, at period end <sup>(3)</sup>	\$	31,802	\$	33,909	\$	28,644	\$	28,013	\$	25,293

- (1) Based on the sales price, adjusted for common stock dividends, as reported by Bloomberg.
- (2) Based on the period end closing price, adjusted for common stock dividends, as reported by Bloomberg.
- (3) Period end market value of outstanding common shares is calculated as the product of (a) shares of common stock outstanding at period end and (b) closing share price at period end, adjusted for common stock dividends, as reported by Bloomberg.

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#### **SUMMARY PORTFOLIO HIGHLIGHTS**

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(as of September 30, 2016)		
Tower portfolio		
Number of towers <sup>(1)</sup>		40,151
Average number of tenants per tower		2.2
Remaining contracted customer receivables (\$ in billions) <sup>(2)</sup>	\$	17
Weighted average remaining customer contract term (years) <sup>(3)</sup>		6
Percent of towers in the Top 50 / 100 Basic Trading Areas		56% / 71%
Percent of ground leased / owned (by site rental gross margin)		63% / 37%
Weighted average maturity of ground leases (years) <sup>(4)</sup>		33
Small Cells portfolio		
Number of miles of fiber (in thousands)		17
Remaining contracted customer receivables (\$ in billions) <sup>(2)</sup>	\$	2
Weighted average remaining customer contract term (years) <sup>(3)</sup>		6

### SUMMARY FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

	Three Months Ended September 30,			Nine Months Ended September 30,			
(dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)	2016	2015		2016		2015	
Operating Data:							
Net revenues							
Site rental	\$ 812,032	\$	764,606	\$2	,415,926	\$2,	,233,077
Network services and other	179,984		153,501		472,883		484,938
Net revenues	\$ 992,016	\$	918,107	\$2	2,888,809	\$2,	,718,015
Gross margin							
Site rental	\$ 555,282	\$	517,606	\$1	,653,703	\$1,	,516,833
Network services and other	70,756		66,642		186,817		221,761
Total gross margin	\$ 626,038	\$	584,248	\$1	,840,520	\$1,	,738,594
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Net income (loss) attributable to CCIC common stockholders	\$ 87,369	\$	92,782	\$	199,272	\$ 1	,346,935
Net income (loss) attributable to CCIC common stockholders per share - diluted <sup>(6)</sup>	\$ 0.26	\$	0.28	\$	0.59	\$	4.04
Non-GAAP Data <sup>(5)</sup> :							
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 564,120	\$	529,158	\$1	,652,908	\$1,	,579,383
FFO <sup>(7)</sup>	369,922		357,828	1	,042,645	1,	,122,798
AFFO <sup>(7)</sup>	415,832		356,350	1	,203,462	1,	,064,412
AFFO per share <sup>(6)(7)</sup>	\$ 1.23	\$	1.07	\$	3.57	\$	3.19

- (1) Excludes small cells and third-party land interests.
- (2) Excludes renewal terms at customers' option.
- (3) Excludes renewal terms at customers' option, weighted by site rental revenues.
- (4) Includes renewal terms at the Company's option, weighted by site rental gross margin.
- (5) See reconciliations of Non-GAAP financial measures provided herein. See also "Definitions of Non-GAAP Measures and Other Calculations" in the Appendix for a discussion of our definitions of FFO and AFFO.
- (6) Based on diluted weighted-average common shares outstanding of 338.4 million, 333.7 million, 337.1 million, and 333.7 million for the three months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015 and nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively. The diluted weighted-average common shares outstanding assumes no conversion of preferred stock in the share count.
- (7) Attributable to common CCIC stockholders.

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# SUMMARY FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (CONTINUED)

	Three Months Ended S	Nine Months	l September 30,		
(dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)	2016	2015	2016		2015
<b>Summary Cash Flow Data:</b>					
Net cash provided by (used for) operating activities	\$ 386,534 \$	371,998	\$ 1,304,7	715 \$	1,290,876
Net cash provided by (used for) investing activities <sup>(1)</sup>	(262,649)	(1,249,432)	(1,139,	583)	(1,688,645)
Net cash provided by (used for) financing activities	(169,363)	724,176	(300,	552)	(699,989)
(dollars in thousands)		Septen	nber 30, 2016	Dec	ember 31, 2015
<b>Balance Sheet Data (at period end):</b>					
Cash and cash equivalents		\$	156,219	\$	178,810
Property and equipment, net			9,714,149		9,580,057
Total assets			22,171,723		21,936,966
Total debt and other long-term obligations <sup>(2)</sup>			12,592,958		12,149,959
Total CCIC stockholders' equity			6,753,717		7,089,221
(dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)					Months Ended

	September 30, 201	16
Other Data:		
Net debt to last quarter annualized Adjusted EBITDA	5.	.6x
Dividend per common share	\$ 0.88	35

# OUTLOOK FOR FOURTH QUARTER 2016, FULL YEAR 2016 AND FULL YEAR 2017

(dollars in millions, except per share amounts)	Fourth Quarter 2016	Full Year 2016	Full Year 2017
Site rental revenues	\$811 to \$816	\$3,227 to \$3,232	\$3,314 to \$3,344
Site rental cost of operations	\$253 to \$258	\$1,015 to \$1,020	\$1,023 to \$1,053
Site rental gross margin	\$556 to \$561	\$2,210 to \$2,215	\$2,276 to \$2,306
Net income (loss)	\$90 to \$110	\$318 to \$338	\$375 to \$425
Net income (loss) per share - diluted <sup>(3)(6)</sup>	\$0.23 to \$0.29	\$1.05 to \$1.11	\$1.07 to \$1.21
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(4)</sup>	\$566 to \$571	\$2,219 to \$2,224	\$2,263 to \$2,293
Interest expense and amortization of deferred financing costs <sup>(5)</sup>	\$128 to \$133	\$514 to \$519	\$515 to \$545
FFO <sup>(4)(6)</sup>	\$383 to \$388	\$1,426 to \$1,431	\$1,566 to \$1,596
AFFO <sup>(4)(7)</sup>	\$403 to \$408	\$1,606 to \$1,611	\$1,739 to \$1,769
AFFO per share <sup>(3)(4)(7)</sup>	\$1.16 to \$1.18	\$4.72 to \$4.73	\$4.97 to \$5.05

- (1) Includes net cash used for acquisitions of approximately \$51 million and \$1.0 billion for the three months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively, and \$545 million and \$1.1 billion for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.
- (2) Balances reflect debt issuance costs as a direct reduction from the respective carrying amounts of debt, with the exception of debt issuance costs associated with the Company's revolving credit facilities.
- (3) The assumption for fourth quarter 2016, full year 2016 and full year 2017 diluted weighted-average common shares outstanding is 346 million, 340 million and 350 million, respectively, based on (1) diluted common shares outstanding as of September 30, 2016 and (2) the assumed conversion of the mandatory convertible preferred stock in November 2016.
- (4) See reconciliation of this non-GAAP financial measure to net income (loss) included herein.
- (5) See the reconciliation of "components of interest expense and amortization of deferred financing costs" in the Appendix.
- (6) Calculated using net income (loss) attributable to CCIC common stockholders.
- (7) Attributable to CCIC common stockholders.

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#### OUTLOOK FOR FULL YEARS 2016 AND 2017 COMPONENTS OF CHANGES IN SITE RENTAL REVENUES

(dollars in millions)	Midpoint of Full Year 2016 Outlook	Full Year 2017 Outlook
Components of changes in site rental revenues <sup>(7)</sup> :		
Prior year site rental revenues exclusive of straight-line associated with fixed escalators (1)(3)	\$2,907	\$3,184
New leasing activity <sup>(1)(3)</sup>	171	150 to 170
Escalators	89	80 to 85
Non-renewals	(74)	(95) to (75)
Organic Contribution to Site Rental Revenues <sup>(4)</sup>	186	140 to 170
Straight-line revenues associated with fixed escalators	48	(28) to (13)
Acquisitions and builds <sup>(2)</sup>	89	11
Other	_	_
Total GAAP site rental revenues	\$3,230	\$3,314 to \$3,344
Year-over-year changes in revenue:		
Reported GAAP site rental revenues	7.0%	3.1%
Organic Contribution to Site Rental Revenues <sup>(4)(5)</sup>	6.4%	4.9%

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes revenues from amortization of prepaid rent in accordance with GAAP.

<sup>(2)</sup> The financial impact of acquisitions, as measured by the initial contribution, and tower builds is excluded from Organic Contribution to Site Rental Revenues until the one-year anniversary of the acquisition or build.

<sup>(3)</sup> Includes revenues from the construction of new small cell nodes, exclusive of straight-lined revenues related to fixed escalators.

<sup>(4)</sup> See definitions provided herein.

<sup>(5)</sup> Calculated as the percentage change from prior year site rental revenues exclusive of straight-lined associated with fixed escalations compared to Organic Contribution to Site Rental Revenues for the current period.

<sup>(6)</sup> Calculated based on midpoint of Full Year 2017 Outlook.

<sup>(7)</sup> See additional information regarding Crown Castle's site rental revenues including projected revenue from customer licenses, tenant non-renewals, straight-lined revenues and prepaid rent herein.

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# **CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET (Unaudited)**

(dollars in thousands, except share amounts)		December 31, 2015
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 156,219	\$ 178,810
Restricted cash	116,932	130,731
Receivables, net	276,259	313,296
Prepaid expenses	157,102	133,194
Other current assets	133,163	225,214
Total current assets	839,675	981,245
Deferred site rental receivables	1,321,777	1,306,408
Property and equipment, net	9,714,149	9,580,057
Goodwill	5,750,033	5,513,551
Other intangible assets, net	3,737,448	3,779,915
Long-term prepaid rent and other assets, net	808,641	775,790
Total assets	\$ 22,171,723	\$ 21,936,966
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 148,916	\$ 159,629
Accrued interest	84,244	66,975
Deferred revenues	358,683	322,623
Other accrued liabilities	204,533	199,923
Current maturities of debt and other obligations	101,362	106,219
Total current liabilities	897,738	855,369
Debt and other long-term obligations	12,491,596	12,043,740
Other long-term liabilities	2,028,672	1,948,636
Total liabilities	15,418,006	14,847,745
Commitments and contingencies		
CCIC stockholders' equity:		
Common stock, \$.01 par value; 600,000,000 shares authorized; shares issued and outstanding: September 30, 2016—337,569,931 and December 31, 2015—333,771,660	3,375	3,338
4.50% Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock, Series A, \$.01 par value; 20,000,000 shares authorized; shares issued and outstanding: September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015—9,775,000; aggregate liquidation value: September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015—\$977,500	98	98
Additional paid-in capital	9,914,844	9,548,580
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(5,541)	
Dividends/distributions in excess of earnings	(3,159,059)	
Total equity	6,753,717	7,089,221
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 22,171,723	\$ 21,936,966

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# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS (Unaudited)

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(dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)		2016		2015		2016		2015
Net revenues:								
Site rental	\$	812,032	\$	764,606	\$	2,415,926	\$	2,233,077
Network services and other		179,984		153,501		472,883		484,938
Net revenues		992,016		918,107		2,888,809		2,718,015
Operating expenses:								
Costs of operations (exclusive of depreciation, amortization and accretion):								
Site rental		256,750		247,000		762,223		716,244
Network services and other		109,228		86,859		286,066		263,177
General and administrative		89,941		76,699		278,909		223,880
Asset write-down charges		8,339		7,477		28,251		19,652
Acquisition and integration costs		2,680		7,608		11,459		12,001
Depreciation, amortization and accretion		280,824		261,662		834,725		766,621
Total operating expenses		747,762		687,305		2,201,633		2,001,575
Operating income (loss)		244,254		230,802		687,176		716,440
Interest expense and amortization of deferred financing costs		(129,916)		(129,877)		(385,656)		(398,782
Gains (losses) on retirement of long-term obligations		(10,274)		_		(52,291)		(4,157
Interest income		175		789		454		1,170
Other income (expense)		(832)		(1,214)		(4,623)		58,510
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes		103,407		100,500		245,060		373,181
Benefit (provision) for income taxes		(5,041)		3,801		(12,797)		9,380
Income (loss) from continuing operations		98,366		104,301		232,263		382,561
Discontinued operations:								
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax		_		(522)		_		1,000,708
Net income (loss)		98,366		103,779		232,263		1,383,269
Less: Net income (loss) attributable to the noncontrolling interest		_		_		_		3,343
Net income (loss) attributable to CCIC stockholders		98,366	_	103,779		232,263		1,379,926
Dividends on preferred stock		(10,997)		(10,997)		(32,991)		(32,991
Net income (loss) attributable to CCIC common stockholders	\$	87,369	\$	92,782	\$	199,272	\$	1,346,935
Net income (loss) attributable to CCIC common stockholders, per common share:								
Income (loss) from continuing operations, basic	\$	0.26	\$	0.28	\$	0.59	\$	1.05
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, basic	\$	0.20	\$	0.20	\$	0.57	\$	3.00
Net income (loss) attributable to CCIC common stockholders, basic		0.26	\$	0.28	\$	0.59	\$	4.05
Income (loss) from continuing operations, diluted	\$	0.26	\$	0.28	\$	0.59	\$	1.05
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, diluted	\$	0.20	\$	0.20	\$	0.39	\$	2.99
•		0.26	\$	0.28	\$	0.50	\$	
Net income (loss) attributable to CCIC common stockholders, diluted	\$	0.26	<u> </u>	0.28	<u> </u>	0.59	<u></u>	4.04
Weighted-average common shares outstanding (in thousands):								
Basic		337,564		333,049		336,426		332,951
Diluted		338,409		333,711		337,076		333,735

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#### SEGMENT OPERATING RESULTS

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2016				Three Months Ended September 30, 2015						
(dollars in thousands)	Towers	Small Cells	Other	Consolidated Total	Towers	Small Cells	Other	Consolidated Total			
Segment site rental revenues	\$ 709,603	\$ 102,429		\$ 812,032	\$ 686,934	\$ 77,672		\$ 764,606			
Segment network service and other revenue	166,979	13,005		179,984	138,566	14,935		153,501			
Segment revenues	876,582	115,434		992,016	825,500	92,607		918,107			
Segment site rental cost of operations	210,322	37,754		248,076	209,056	30,449		239,505			
Segment network service and other cost of operations	97,395	10,194		107,589	75,302	10,213		85,515			
Segment cost of operations <sup>(1)</sup>	307,717	47,948		355,665	284,358	40,662		325,020			
Segment site rental gross margin <sup>(2)</sup>	499,281	64,675		563,956	477,878	47,223		525,101			
Segment network services and other gross margin <sup>(2)</sup>	69,584	2,811		72,395	63,264	4,722		67,986			
Segment general and administrative expenses <sup>(1)</sup>	22,225	14,480	35,526	72,231	22,994	10,194	30,741	63,929			
Segment operating profit <sup>(2)</sup>	546,640	53,006	(35,526)	564,120	518,148	41,751	(30,741)	529,158			
Stock-based compensation expense			22,594	22,594			16,466	16,466			
Depreciation, amortization and accretion			280,824	280,824			261,662	261,662			
Interest expense and amortization of deferred financing costs			129,916	129,916			129,877	129,877			
Other income (expenses) to reconcile to income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes <sup>(3)</sup>			27,379	27,379			20,653	20,653			
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes				\$ 103,407				\$ 100,500			

<sup>(1)</sup> Segment cost of operations exclude (1) stock-based compensation expense of \$4.9 million and \$3.7 million for the three months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively and (2) prepaid lease purchase price adjustments of \$5.4 million and \$5.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively. Segment general and administrative expenses exclude stock-based compensation expense of \$17.7 million and \$12.8 million for the three months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

<sup>(2)</sup> See "Definitions of Non-GAAP Financial Measures and Other Calculations" in the Appendix for a discussion of the definitions of our definitions of segment site rental gross margin, segment network service and other gross margin and segment operating profit.

<sup>(3)</sup> Other (income) expenses to reconcile to income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes includes (1) losses on retirement of long-term obligations of approximately \$10.3 million and \$0 for the three months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively and (2) gains (losses) on swaps of approximately \$0 and \$10.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

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#### **SEGMENT OPERATING RESULTS (CONTINUED)**

	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2016				Nine Months Ended September 30, 2015						
(dollars in thousands)	Towers	Small Cells	Other	Consolidated Total	Towers	Small Cells	Other	Consolidated Total			
Segment site rental revenues	\$ 2,118,159	\$ 297,767		\$ 2,415,926	\$ 2,040,147	\$ 192,930		\$ 2,233,077			
Segment network service and other revenue	434,042	38,841		472,883	445,683	39,255		484,938			
Segment revenues	2,552,201	336,608		2,888,809	2,485,830	232,185		2,718,015			
Segment site rental cost of operations	625,331	109,402		734,733	620,726	73,818		694,544			
Segment network service and other cost of operations	249,306	30,652		279,958	229,164	30,034		259,198			
Segment cost of operations <sup>(1)</sup>	874,637	140,054		1,014,691	849,890	103,852		953,742			
Segment site rental gross margin <sup>(2)</sup>	1,492,828	188,365		1,681,193	1,419,421	119,112		1,538,533			
Segment network services and other gross margin <sup>(2)</sup>	184,736	8,189		192,925	216,519	9,221		225,740			
Segment general and administrative expenses <sup>(1)</sup>	68,329	45,720	107,161	221,210	68,245	25,664	90,981	184,890			
Segment operating profit <sup>(2)</sup>	1,609,235	150,834	(107,161)	1,652,908	1,567,695	102,669	(90,981)	1,579,383			
Stock-based compensation expense			75,297	75,297			49,282	49,282			
Depreciation, amortization and accretion			834,725	834,725			766,621	766,621			
Interest expense and amortization of deferred financing costs			385,656	385,656			398,782	398,782			
Other income (expenses) to reconcile to income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes <sup>(2)</sup>			112,170	112,170			(8,483)	(8,483)			
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes				\$ 245,060				\$ 373,181			

<sup>(1)</sup> Segment cost of operations exclude (1) stock-based compensation expense of \$17.6 million and \$10.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively and (2) prepaid lease purchase price adjustments of \$16.0 million and \$15.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively. Segment general and administrative expenses exclude stock-based compensation expense of \$57.7 million and \$39.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

<sup>(2)</sup> See "Definitions of Non-GAAP Financial Measures and Other Calculations" in the Appendix for a discussion of the definitions of our definitions of segment site rental gross margin, segment network service and other gross margin and segment operating profit.

<sup>(3)</sup> Other income (expenses) to reconcile to income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes includes (1) losses on retirement of long-term obligations of approximately \$52.3 million and \$4.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively and (2) gains (losses) on swaps of approximately \$(2.6 million) and \$70.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

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# FFO AND AFFO RECONCILIATIONS

	Three Months Ended September 30,			Nine Months Ended September 30,				
(dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)	_	2016		2015		2016		2015
Net income (loss) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$	98,366	\$	104,301	\$	232,263	\$	382,561
Real estate related depreciation, amortization and accretion		274,214		257,047		815,122		753,576
Asset write-down charges		8,339		7,477		28,251		19,652
Dividends on preferred stock		(10,997)		(10,997)		(32,991)		(32,991)
FFO <sup>(2)(3)(5)(6)</sup>	\$	369,922	\$	357,828	\$	1,042,645	\$	1,122,798
Weighted average common shares outstanding — diluted <sup>(4)</sup>		338,409		333,711		337,076		333,735
FFO per share <sup>(2)(5)(6)</sup>	\$	1.09	\$	1.07	\$	3.09	\$	3.36
					_			
FFO (from above)	\$	369,922	\$	357,828	\$	1,042,645	\$	1,122,798
Adjustments to increase (decrease) FFO:								
Straight-line revenue		(8,836)		(27,144)		(42,375)		(89,009)
Straight-line expense		23,486		24,409		71,132		73,971
Stock-based compensation expense		22,594		16,466		75,297		49,282
Non-cash portion of tax provision		3,484		(5,897)		5,230		(20,272)
Non-real estate related depreciation, amortization and accretion		6,611		4,615		19,604		13,045
Amortization of non-cash interest expense		3,300		8,590		11,293		32,394
Other (income) expense		832		1,214		4,623		(58,510)
Gains (losses) on retirement of long-term obligations		10,274		_		52,291		4,157
Acquisition and integration costs		2,680		7,608		11,459		12,001
Capital improvement capital expenditures		(10,040)		(14,351)		(25,351)		(32,503)
Corporate capital expenditures		(8,474)		(16,988)		(22,385)		(42,943)
AFFO <sup>(2)(3)(5)(6)</sup>	\$	415,832	\$	356,350	\$	1,203,462	\$	1,064,412
Weighted average common shares outstanding — diluted <sup>(4)</sup>		338,409		333,711		337,076		333,735
AFFO per share <sup>(2)(5)(6)</sup>	\$	1.23	\$	1.07	\$	3.57	\$	3.19

<sup>(1)</sup> Exclusive of income (loss) from discontinued operations and related noncontrolling interest of \$(0.5 million) and \$1.0 billion for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2015, respectively.

<sup>(2)</sup> See "Definitions of Non-GAAP Measures and Other Calculations" in the Appendix for a discussion of the definitions of FFO and AFFO.

<sup>(3)</sup> FFO and AFFO are reduced by cash paid for preferred stock dividends.

<sup>(4)</sup> Based on the diluted weighted-average common shares outstanding for the three months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015 and the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015. The diluted weighted average common shares outstanding assumes no conversion for preferred stock in the share count.

<sup>(5)</sup> The above reconciliation excludes line items included in our definition which are not applicable for the periods shown.

<sup>(6)</sup> Attributable to CCIC common stockholders.

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**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (Unaudited)** 

		ine Months End	ieu Sep	
(dollars in thousands)		2016		2015
Cash flows from operating activities:				
Net income (loss) from continuing operations	\$	232,263	\$	382,561
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) from continuing operations to net cash provided by (used for) operating activities:				
Depreciation, amortization and accretion		834,725		766,621
Gains (losses) on retirement of long-term obligations		52,291		4,157
Gains (losses) on settled swaps		2,608		(54,475
Amortization of deferred financing costs and other non-cash interest		11,293		32,394
Stock-based compensation expense		60,402		44,711
Asset write-down charges		28,251		19,652
Deferred income tax benefit (provision)		6,626		(16,199
Other adjustments, net		(1,060)		(7,240
Changes in assets and liabilities, excluding the effects of acquisitions:				
Increase (decrease) in liabilities		122,944		208,538
Decrease (increase) in assets		(45,628)		(89,844
Net cash provided by (used for) operating activities		1,304,715		1,290,876
Cash flows from investing activities:				
Payments for acquisition of businesses, net of cash acquired		(545,162)		(1,083,319
Capital expenditures		(614,178)		(658,240
Net receipts from settled swaps		8,141		54,475
Other investing activities, net		11,616		(1,56)
Net cash provided by (used for) investing activities		(1,139,583)	_	(1,688,645
		(1,10),000)		(1,000,010
Cash flows from financing activities:		5 201 010		1 000 000
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt		5,201,010		1,000,000
Principal payments on debt and other long-term obligations		(69,717)		(78,049
Purchases and redemptions of long-term debt		(4,044,834)		(1,069,337
Borrowings under revolving credit facility		3,440,000		1,560,000
Payments under revolving credit facility		(4,155,000)		(1,240,000
Payments for financing costs		(41,471)		(17,415
Net proceeds from issuance of capital stock		323,798		(20.55)
Purchases of capital stock		(24,759)		(29,576
Dividends/distributions paid on common stock		(896,628)		(821,056
Dividends paid on preferred stock		(32,991)		(32,991
Net (increase) decrease in restricted cash		(200, 552)		28,435
Net cash provided by (used for) financing activities		(300,552)		(699,989
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents - continuing operations		(135,420)		(1,097,758
Discontinued operations:				4.256
Net cash provided by (used for) operating activities		112.150		4,359
Net cash provided by (used for) investing activities		113,150		1,103,577
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents - discontinued operations		113,150		1,107,936
Effect of exchange rate changes		(321)		(1,682
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	Φ.	178,810	Ċ	175,620
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$	156,219	\$	184,116
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:		257.004		26114
Interest paid		357,094		364,147

<sup>(1)</sup> Inclusive of cash and cash equivalents included in discontinued operations.

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#### COMPONENTS OF CHANGES IN SITE RENTAL REVENUES

	Thre	e Months En	ded Se	ptember 30,
(dollars in millions)		2016		2015
Components of changes in site rental revenues <sup>(6)</sup> :				
Prior year site rental revenues exclusive of straight-line associated with fixed escalators (1)(3)	\$	737	\$	672
New leasing activity <sup>(1)(3)</sup>		45		44
Escalators		22		23
Non-renewals		(20)		(24)
Organic Contribution to Site Rental Revenues <sup>(4)</sup>		47		43
Straight-line revenues associated with fixed escalators		9		27
Acquisitions and builds <sup>(2)</sup>		19		23
Other		_		_
Total GAAP site rental revenues	\$	812	\$	765
Year-over-year changes in revenue:				
Reported GAAP site rental revenues		6.1%		
Organic Contribution to Site Rental Revenues <sup>(4)(5)</sup>		6.4%		

- (1) Includes revenues from amortization of prepaid rent in accordance with GAAP.
- (2) The financial impact of acquisitions, as measured by the initial contribution, and tower builds is excluded from Organic Contribution to Site Rental Revenues until the one-year anniversary of the acquisition or build.
- (3) Includes revenues from the construction of new small cell nodes, exclusive of straight-lined revenues related to fixed escalators.
- (4) See definitions provided herein.
- (5) Calculated as the percentage change from prior year site rental revenues exclusive of straight-line associated with fixed escalations compared to Organic Contribution to Site Rental Revenues for the current period.
- (6) See additional information regarding Crown Castle's site rental revenues including projected revenue from customer licenses, tenant non-renewals, straight-lined revenues and prepaid rent herein.

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# SUMMARY OF SITE RENTAL STRAIGHT-LINED REVENUES AND EXPENSES ASSOCIATED WITH FIXED ${\rm ESCALATORS^{(1)}}$

		Three Months Ended September 30,										
		2016					2015					
(dollars in thousands)	T	Towers Small Cells			Total		Towers		all Cells	Total		
Site rental straight-lined revenue	\$	6,571	\$	2,265	\$	8,836	\$	24,697	\$	2,447	\$	27,144
Site rental straight-lined expenses		23,413		73		23,486		24,332		77		24,409

	Nine Months Ended September 30,											
	 2016					2015						
(dollars in thousands)	 Towers Small Cells			Total		Towers		Small Cells		Total		
Site rental straight-lined revenue	\$ 35,328	\$	7,047	\$	42,375	\$	81,768	\$	7,241	\$	89,009	
Site rental straight-lined expenses	70,983		149		71,132		73,820		151		73,971	

# SUMMARY OF PREPAID RENT ACTIVITY(2)

	Three Months Ended September 30,										
	2016				2015						
(dollars in thousands)	 Towers		Small Cells		Total		Towers	Small Cells		Total	
Prepaid rent received	\$ 24,275	\$	42,917	\$	67,192	\$	56,145	\$	57,738	\$	113,883
Amortization of prepaid rent	26,223		24,547		50,770		21,165		19,660		40,825

		Nine Months Ended September 30,										
		2016 2015										
(dollars in thousands)	Towers	Small Cells	Total	Towers	Small Cells	Total						
Prepaid rent received	\$ 112,337	\$ 101,017	\$ 213,354	\$ 189,722	\$ 141,098	\$ 330,820						
Amortization of prepaid rent	76,850	74,007	150,857	55,362	54,526	109,888						

<sup>(1)</sup> In accordance with GAAP accounting, if payment terms call for fixed escalations, or rent free periods, the revenue is recognized on a straight-line basis over the fixed, non-cancelable term of the contract. Since the Company recognizes revenue on a straight-line basis, a portion of the site rental revenue in a given period represents cash collected or contractually collectible in other periods.

<sup>(2)</sup> Reflects up front payments received from long-term tenant contracts and other deferred credits (commonly referred to as prepaid rent), and the amortization thereof for GAAP revenue recognition purposes.

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# SUMMARY OF CAPITAL EXPENDITURES

			Thr	ee Months Er	nded September 30,						
		2016			2015						
(dollars in thousands)	Towers	Small Cells	Other	Total	Towers	Small Cells	Other	Total			
Discretionary:											
Purchases of land interests	\$ 17,438	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 17,438	\$ 16,004	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 16,004			
Wireless infrastructure construction and improvements	76,590	108,639	_	185,229	97,962	92,052	_	190,014			
Sustaining:											
Capital improvement and corporate	9,651	3,246	5,617	18,514	22,361	3,015	5,963	31,339			
Total	\$ 103,679	\$ 111,885	\$ 5,617	\$221,181	\$ 136,327	\$ 95,067	\$ 5,963	\$ 237,357			

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# PROJECTED REVENUE FROM CUSTOMER LICENSES<sup>(1)</sup>

	Years Ended December 31,								
(as of September 30, 2016; dollars in millions)	 2017	2018	2019	2020					
Components of site rental revenue:									
Site rental revenues exclusive of straight-line associated with fixed escalators	\$ 3,258 \$	3,334 \$	3,407 \$	3,484					
Straight-lined site rental revenues associated with fixed escalators	(22)	(79)	(135)	(192)					
GAAP site rental revenue	\$ 3,236 \$	3,255 \$	3,272 \$	3,292					

# PROJECTED GROUND LEASE EXPENSE FROM EXISTING GROUND LEASES(2)

		Ye	ars Ended	De	cember 31,	
(as of September 30, 2016; dollars in millions)	2017		2018		2019	2020
Components of ground lease expense:						
Ground lease expense exclusive of straight-line associated with fixed escalators	\$ 594	\$	610	\$	625 \$	642
Straight-lined site rental ground lease expense associated with fixed escalators	85		74		64	53
GAAP ground lease expense	\$ 679	\$	684	\$	689 \$	695

# ANNUALIZED RENTAL CASH PAYMENTS AT TIME OF RENEWAL<sup>(3)</sup>

		Years Ended December 31,								
(as of September 30, 2016; dollars in millions)	_	2017	2018	2019	2020					
AT&T	\$	22 \$	39	\$ 36	\$ 44					
Sprint		46	37	40	24					
T-Mobile		23	23	59	20					
Verizon		18	20	20	28					
All Others Combined		35	31	29	31					
Total	\$	144 \$	\$ 150	\$ 184	\$ 147					

<sup>(1)</sup> Based on customer licenses as of September 30, 2016. All customer licenses are assumed to renew for a new term at current term end date. CPI-linked customer contracts are assumed to escalate at 3% per annum.

<sup>(2)</sup> Based on existing ground leases as of September 30, 2016. CPI-linked leases are assumed to escalate at 3% per annum.

<sup>(3)</sup> Reflects lease renewals by year by customer; dollar amounts represent annualized cash site rental revenues from assumed renewals or extension as reflected in the table "Projected Revenue from Customer Contracts."

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# ESTIMATED REDUCTION TO SITE RENTAL REVENUES FROM NON-RENEWALS FROM LEAP, METROPCS AND CLEARWIRE NETWORK DECOMMISSIONING<sup>(1)(2)</sup> (dollars in millions)

2017	2018	Thereafter	Total
\$50-\$60	\$35-\$45	\$30-\$50	\$115-\$155

#### **CUSTOMER OVERVIEW**

(as of September 30, 2016)	Percentage of Q3 2016 LQA Site Rental Revenues	Weighted Average Current Term Remaining <sup>(3)</sup>	Long-Term Credit Rating (S&P / Moody's)
AT&T	29%	7	BBB+ / Baa1
T-Mobile	23%	6	BB
Verizon	19%	7	BBB+ / Baa1
Sprint	18%	5	B / B3
All Others Combined	11%	5	N/A
Total / Weighted Average	100%	6	

<sup>(1)</sup> Estimated impact to site rental revenues in the applicable period based on the anticipated timing and amount of decommissioning activity, as of September 30, 2016.

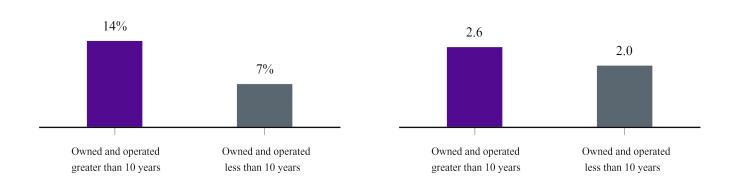
<sup>(2)</sup> Depending on the eventual network deployment and decommissioning plans of AT&T, T-Mobile and Sprint, the impact and timing of such renewals may vary from Crown Castle's expectations.

<sup>(3)</sup> Weighted by site rental revenue contributions; excludes renewals at the customers' option.

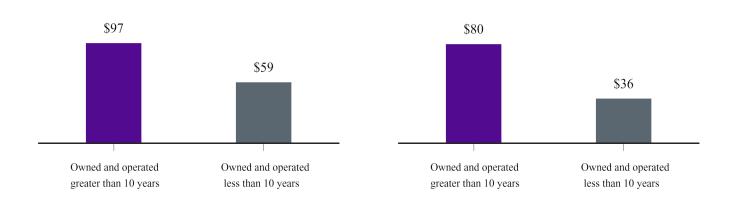
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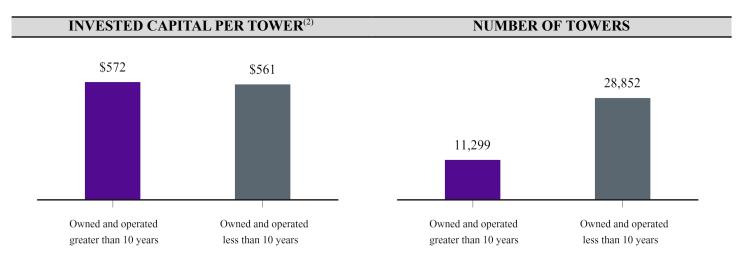
#### SUMMARY OF TOWER PORTFOLIO BY VINTAGE





# LQA SITE RENTAL REVENUE PER TOWER LQA SITE RENTAL GROSS MARGIN PER TOWER



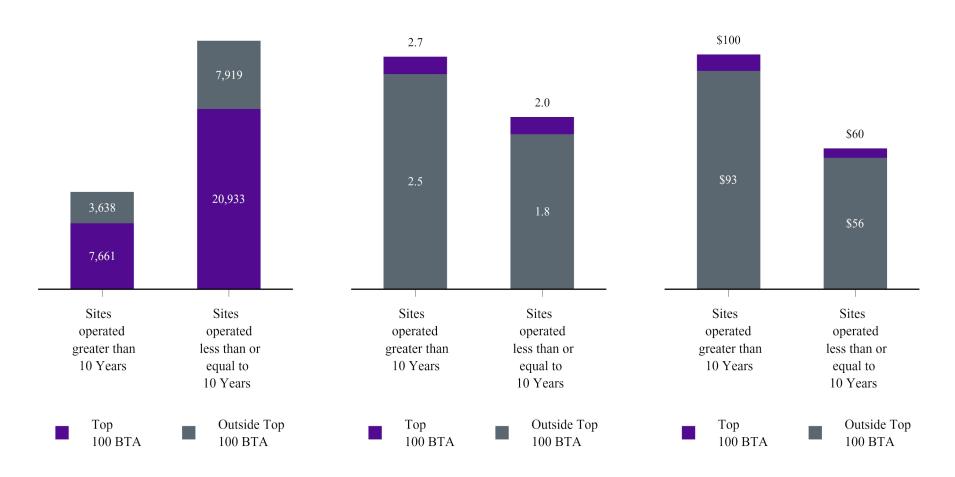


- 1) Yield is calculated as LQA site rental gross margin divided by invested capital.
- (2) Reflects gross total assets, including incremental capital invested by the Company since time of acquisition or construction completion. Inclusive of invested capital related to land at the tower site.

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# PORTFOLIO OVERVIEW<sup>(1)</sup>





<sup>(1)</sup> Includes towers and rooftops, excludes small cells and third-party land interests.

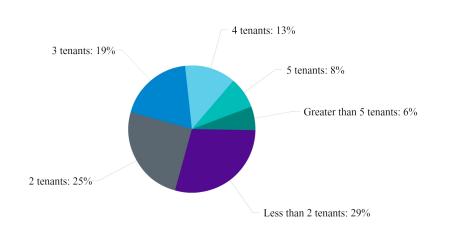
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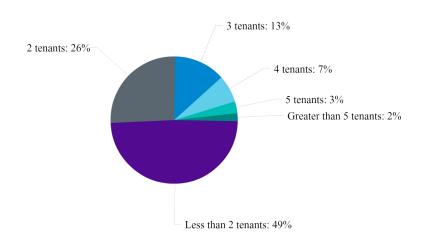
# **DISTRIBUTION OF TOWER TENANCY (as of September 30, 2016)**

# PERCENTAGE OF TOWERS BY TENANTS PER TOWER<sup>(1)</sup>

#### SITES OPERATED GREATER THAN 10 YEARS

#### SITES OPERATED LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO 10 YEARS





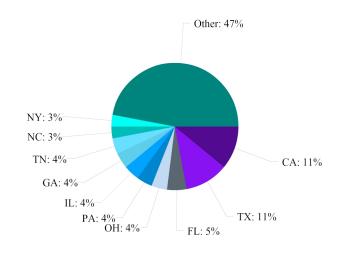
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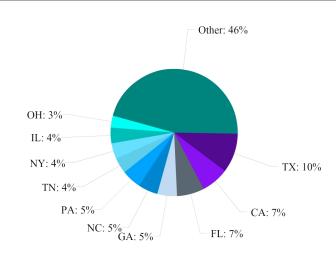
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# GEOGRAPHIC TOWER DISTRIBUTION (as of September 30, 2016)<sup>(1)</sup>

# PERCENTAGE OF TOWERS BY GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION

# PERCENTAGE OF LQA SITE RENTAL REVENUE BY GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION





<sup>(1)</sup> Includes towers and rooftops, excludes small cells and third-party land interests.

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#### **GROUND INTEREST OVERVIEW**

(as of September 30, 2016; dollars in millions)	F	QA Site Rental evenue	Percentage of LQA Site Rental Revenue	LQA Site Rental Gross Margin	Percentage of LQA Site Rental Gross Margin	Number of Towers <sup>(1)</sup>	Percentage of Towers	Weighted Average Term Remaining (by years) <sup>(2)</sup>
Less than 10 years	\$	361	13%	\$ 202	10%	5,964	15%	_
10 to 20 years		472	17%	251	13%	8,360	21%	
Greater 20 years		1,182	42%	787	40%	16,759	42%	
Total leased	\$	2,014	72%	\$ 1,241	63%	31,083	77%	33
Owned		776	28%	715	37%	9,068	22%	
Total / Average	\$	2,790	100%	\$ 1,956	100%	40,151	100%	

- (1) Includes towers and rooftops, excludes small cells and third-party land interests.
- (2) Includes renewal terms at the Company's option; weighted by site rental gross margin.

# **GROUND INTEREST ACTIVITY**

(dollars in millions)	Three Months Ended September 30, 2016	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2016
Ground Extensions Under Crown Castle Towers:		
Number of ground leases extended	419	1,339
Average number of years extended	36	34
Percentage increase in consolidated cash ground lease expense due to extension activities <sup>(1)</sup>	0.1%	0.4%
<b>Ground Purchases Under Crown Castle Towers:</b>		
Number of ground leases purchased	104	349
Land lease purchases (including capital expenditures, acquisitions and capital leases)	\$ 26	\$ 88
Percentage of consolidated site rental gross margin from towers residing on land purchased	<1%	<1%

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes the impact from the amortization of lump sum payments.

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#### **CAPITALIZATION OVERVIEW**

(dollars in millions)	I	Face Value as Reported 9/30/2016	Fixed vs. Variable	Secured vs. Unsecured	Interest Rate <sup>(1)</sup>	Net Debt to LQA EBITDA <sup>(2)</sup>	Maturity
Cash	\$	156					
Senior Secured Tower Revenue Notes, Series 2010-3 <sup>(3)</sup>		1,250	Fixed	Secured	6.1%		2040 <sup>(3)</sup>
Senior Secured Tower Revenue Notes, Series 2010-6 <sup>(3)</sup>		1,000	Fixed	Secured	4.9%		2040 <sup>(3)</sup>
Senior Secured Tower Revenue Notes, Series 2015-1 <sup>(3)</sup>		300	Fixed	Secured	3.2%		2042 <sup>(3)</sup>
Senior Secured Tower Revenue Notes, Series 2015-2 <sup>(3)</sup>		700	Fixed	Secured	3.7%		2045 <sup>(3)</sup>
3.849% Secured Notes		1,000	Fixed	Secured	3.9%		2023
Senior Secured Notes, Series 2009-1, Class A-1		57	Fixed	Secured	6.3%		2019
Senior Secured Notes, Series 2009-1, Class A-2		70	Fixed	Secured	9.0%		2029
Capital Leases & other debt		225	Various	Secured	Various		Various
Total secured debt	\$	4,602			4.8%	2.0x	
Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility <sup>(4)</sup>		410	Variable	Unsecured	1.9%		2021
Senior Unsecured Term Loan A		1,975	Variable	Unsecured	1.9%		2021
5.250% Senior Notes		1,650	Fixed	Unsecured	5.3%		2023
3.400% Senior Notes		850	Fixed	Unsecured	3.4%		2021
4.450% Senior Notes		900	Fixed	Unsecured	4.5%		2026
4.875% Senior Notes		850	Fixed	Unsecured	4.9%		2022
3.700% Senior Notes		750	Fixed	Unsecured	3.7%		2026
2.250% Senior Notes		700	Fixed	Unsecured	2.3%		2021
Total unsecured debt	\$	8,085			3.5%	3.6x	
Total net debt	<u>\$</u>	12,531			4.0%	5.6x	
Preferred Stock, at liquidation value		978					
Market Capitalization <sup>(5)</sup>		31,802					
Firm Value <sup>(6)</sup>	\$	45,311					

<sup>(1)</sup> Represents the weighted-average stated interest rate.

<sup>(2)</sup> Represents the applicable amount of debt divided by LQA consolidated Adjusted EBITDA.

<sup>(3)</sup> If the respective series of such debt is not paid in full on or prior to an applicable date then the Excess Cash Flow (as defined in the indenture) of the issuers of such notes will be used to repay principal of the applicable series, and additional interest (of an additional approximately 5% per annum) will accrue on the respective series. The Senior Secured Tower Revenue Notes, Series 2010-3 and 2010-6 have anticipated repayment dates in 2020. The Senior Secured Tower Revenue Notes, Series 2015-1 and 2015-2 have anticipated repayment dates of 2022 and 2025, respectively. Notes are prepayable at par if voluntarily repaid six months or less prior to maturity; earlier prepayment may require additional consideration.

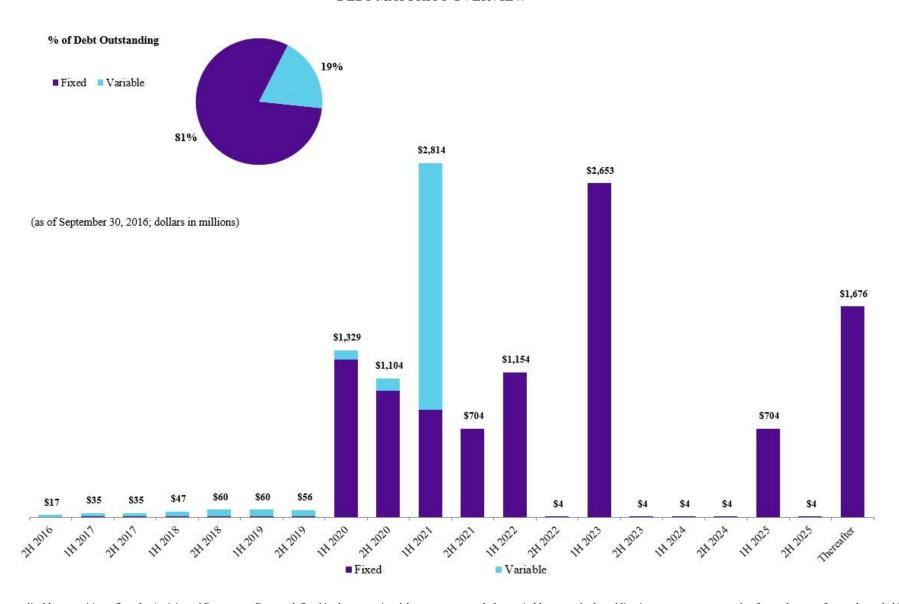
<sup>(4)</sup> As of September 30, 2016, the undrawn availability under the \$2.5 billion Revolving Credit Facility is \$2.1 billion.

<sup>(5)</sup> Market capitalization calculated based on \$94.21 closing price and 337.6 million shares outstanding as of September 30, 2016.

<sup>(6)</sup> Represents the sum of net debt, preferred stock (at liquidation value) and market capitalization.

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# **DEBT MATURITY OVERVIEW**<sup>(1)</sup>



<sup>(1)</sup> Where applicable, maturities reflect the Anticipated Repayment Date as defined in the respective debt agreement; excludes capital leases and other obligations; amounts presented at face value net of repurchases held at CCIC.

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# LIQUIDITY OVERVIEW(1)

(dollars in thousands)	<b>September 30, 2016</b>
Cash and cash equivalents <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 156,219
Undrawn revolving credit facility availability <sup>(3)</sup>	2,079,110
Restricted cash	121,932
Debt and other long-term obligations <sup>(4)</sup>	12,592,958
Total equity	6,753,717

- (1) In addition in August 2015, we established an At-The-Market stock offering program ("ATM Program") through which we may, from time to time, issue and sell shares of our common stock having an aggregate cumulative gross sales price of up to \$500.0 million to or through sales agents. As of September 30, 2016, 3.8 million shares of common stock were sold under the ATM Program generating net proceeds of \$323.8 million.
- (2) Exclusive of restricted cash.
- (3) Availability at any point in time is subject to reaffirmation of the representations and warranties in, and there being no default under, our credit agreement governing our Senior Unsecured Credit Facility.
- (4) Balances reflect debt issuance costs as a direct reduction from the respective carrying amounts of debt, with the exception of debt issuance costs associated with the Company's revolving credit facilities.

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# SUMMARY OF MAINTENANCE AND FINANCIAL COVENANTS

Borrower / Issuer	Covenant <sup>(1)</sup>	Covenant Level Requirement	As of September 30, 2016
Covenants <sup>(2)</sup>			
CCIC	Total Net Leverage Ratio	$\leq$ 6.50x	5.7x
CCIC	Total Senior Secured Leverage Ratio	$\leq$ 3.50x	2.0x
CCIC	Consolidated Interest Coverage Ratio <sup>(3)</sup>	N/A	N/A
nancial Covenants			
tricting ability to make restricted payments, including dividends	1		
CCIC	Debt to Adjusted Consolidated Cash Flow Ratio	≤ 7.00x	5.7x
CCIC	Debt to Adjusted Consolidated Cash Flow Ratio	≤ 7.00x	5.7x
tricting ability to incur additional debt			
CCIC	Debt to Adjusted Consolidated Cash Flow Ratio	≤ 7.00x	5.7x
CCIC	Debt to Adjusted Consolidated Cash Flow Ratio	≤ 7.00x	5.7x
CC Holdings GS V LLC and Crown Castle GS III Corp.	Debt to Adjusted Consolidated Cash Flow Ratio	$\leq$ 3.50x	2.7x
	Covenants <sup>(2)</sup> CCIC CCIC CCIC  mancial Covenants tricting ability to make restricted payments, including dividends CCIC CCIC CCIC CCIC CCIC CCIC CCIC CC	COIC Total Net Leverage Ratio  CCIC Total Senior Secured Leverage Ratio  CCIC Consolidated Interest Coverage Ratio  CCIC Consolidated Interest Coverage Ratio  Consolidated Cash Flow Ratio	Borrower / Issuer         Covenant <sup>(1)</sup> Requirement           COVENANTS <sup>(2)</sup> CCIC         Total Net Leverage Ratio         ≤ 6.50x           CCIC         Total Senior Secured Leverage Ratio         ≤ 3.50x           CCIC         Consolidated Interest Coverage Ratio <sup>(3)</sup> N/A           Nancial Covenants           Viricting ability to make restricted payments, including dividends           CCIC         Debt to Adjusted Consolidated Cash Flow Ratio         ≤ 7.00x           CCIC         Debt to Adjusted Consolidated Cash Flow Ratio         ≤ 7.00x           Viricting ability to incur additional debt         CCIC         Debt to Adjusted Consolidated Cash Flow Ratio         ≤ 7.00x           CCIC         Debt to Adjusted Consolidated Cash Flow Ratio         ≤ 7.00x           CCIC         Debt to Adjusted Consolidated Cash Flow Ratio         ≤ 7.00x

<sup>(1)</sup> As defined in the respective debt agreement.

<sup>(2)</sup> Failure to comply with the financial maintenance covenants would, absent a waiver, result in an event of default under the credit agreement governing our 2016 Credit Facility.

<sup>(3)</sup> Applicable solely to the extent that the senior unsecured debt rating by any two of S&P, Moody's and Fitch is lower than BBB-, Baa3 or BBB-, respectively. If applicable, the consolidated interest coverage ratio must be greater than or equal to 2.50.

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#### SUMMARY OF MAINTENANCE AND FINANCIAL COVENANTS (CONTINUED)

Debt	Borrower / Issuer	Covenant <sup>(1)</sup>	Covenant Level Requirement	As of September 30, 2016
Restrictive Negative Financial	Covenants			
Financial covenants requiring	excess cash flows to be deposited in a cash trap reserve account and no	ot released		
2010 Tower Revenue Notes	Crown Castle Towers LLC and its Subsidiaries	Debt Service Coverage Ratio	> 1.75x	4.5x
2015 Tower Revenue Notes	Crown Castle Towers LLC and its Subsidiaries	Debt Service Coverage Ratio	> 1.75x	4.5x
2009 Securitized Notes	Pinnacle Towers Acquisition Holdings LLC and its Subsidiaries	Debt Service Coverage Ratio	> 1.30x	6.2x
Financial covenants restricting	ability of relevant issuer to issue additional notes under the applicable	indenture		
2010 Tower Revenue Notes	Crown Castle Towers LLC and its Subsidiaries	Debt Service Coverage Ratio	$\geq 2.00x$	4.5x
2015 Tower Revenue Notes	Crown Castle Towers LLC and its Subsidiaries	Debt Service Coverage Ratio	$\geq 2.00x$	4.5x
2009 Securitized Notes	Pinnacle Towers Acquisition Holdings LLC and its Subsidiaries	Debt Service Coverage Ratio	$\geq 2.34x$	6.2x

<sup>(1)</sup> As defined in the respective debt agreement. In the indentures for the 2010 Tower Revenue Notes, 2015 Tower Revenue Notes, and the 2009 Securitized Notes, the defined term for Debt Service Coverage Ratio is "DSCR".

<sup>(2)</sup> The 2010 Tower Revenue Notes, 2015 Tower Revenue Notes, and 2009 Securitized Notes also include the potential for amortization events, which could result in applying current and future cash flow to the prepayment of debt with applicable prepayment consideration. An amortization event occurs when the Debt Service Coverage Ratio falls below 1.45x, 1.45x or 1.15x, in each case as described under the indentures for the 2010 Tower Revenue Notes, 2015 Tower Revenue Notes, or 2009 Securitized Notes, respectively.

<sup>(3)</sup> Rating Agency Confirmation (as defined in the respective debt agreement) is also required.

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#### INTEREST RATE SENSITIVITY(1)

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	Rei	maining three months	Years Ended	December 31,
(as of September 30, 2016; dollars in millions)		2016	2017	2018
Fixed Rate Debt:				
Face Value of Principal Outstanding <sup>(2)</sup>	\$	10,072	\$ 10,053	\$ 10,033
Current Interest Payment Obligations <sup>(3)</sup>		112	449	447
Effect of 0.125% Change in Interest Rates <sup>(4)</sup>		_	_	_
Floating Rate Debt:				
Face Value of Principal Outstanding <sup>(2)</sup>	\$	2,373	\$ 2,323	\$ 2,235
Current Interest Payment Obligations <sup>(5)</sup>		12	51	54
Effect of 0.125% Change in Interest Rates <sup>(6)</sup>		<1	3	3

- (1) Excludes capital lease and other obligations.
- (2) Face value net of required amortizations; assumes no maturity or balloon principal payments; excludes capital leases.
- (3) Interest expense calculated based on current interest rates.
- (4) Interest expense calculated based on current interest rates until the sooner of the (1) stated maturity date or (2) the Anticipated Repayment Date, at which time the face value amount outstanding of such indebtedness is refinanced at current rates plus 12.5 bps.
- (5) Interest expense calculated based on current interest rates. Forward LIBOR assumptions are derived from the 1-month LIBOR forward curve as of September 30, 2016. Calculation assumes no changes to future interest rate margin spread over LIBOR due to changes in the Borrower's senior unsecured credit rating.
- (6) Interest expense calculated based on current interest rates using the 1-month LIBOR forward curve as of September 30, 2016 plus 12.5 bps.

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#### **DEFINITIONS**

#### Non-GAAP Financial Measures and Other Calculations

This Supplement includes presentations of Adjusted EBITDA, Adjusted Funds from Operations ("AFFO"), Funds from Operations ("FFO"), and Organic Contribution to Site Rental Revenues, which are non-GAAP financial measures. These non-GAAP financial measures are not intended as alternative measures of operating results or cash flow from operations (as determined in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP")).

Our measures of Adjusted EBITDA, AFFO, FFO, Organic Contribution to Site Rental Revenues, Segment Site Rental Gross Margin, Segment Network Services and Other Gross Margin and Segment Operating Profit, may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies, including other companies in the tower sector or other REITs. Our definition of FFO is consistent with guidelines from the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts with the exception of the impact of income taxes in periods prior to our REIT conversion.

Adjusted EBITDA, AFFO, FFO, and Organic Contribution to Site Rental Revenues, are presented as additional information because management believes these measures are useful indicators of the financial performance of our business. Among other things, management believes that:

- Adjusted EBITDA is useful to investors or other interested parties in evaluating our financial performance. Adjusted EBITDA is the primary measure used by management (1) to evaluate the economic productivity of our operations and (2) for purposes of making decisions about allocating resources to, and assessing the performance of, our operations. Management believes that Adjusted EBITDA helps investors or other interested parties meaningfully evaluate and compare the results of our operations (1) from period to period and (2) to our competitors, by excluding the impact of our capital structure (primarily interest charges from our outstanding debt) and asset base (primarily depreciation, amortization and accretion) from our financial results. Management also believes Adjusted EBITDA is frequently used by investors or other interested parties in the evaluation of REITs. In addition, Adjusted EBITDA is similar to the measure of current financial performance generally used in our debt covenant calculations. Adjusted EBITDA should be considered only as a supplement to net income computed in accordance with GAAP as a measure of our performance.
- AFFO and AFFO per share are useful to investors or other interested parties in evaluating our financial performance. Management believes that AFFO and AFFO per share help investors or other interested parties meaningfully evaluate our financial performance as they include (1) the impact of our capital structure (primarily interest expense on our outstanding debt and dividends on our preferred stock) and (2) sustaining capital expenditures and exclude the impact of our (1) asset base (primarily depreciation, amortization and accretion) and (2) certain non-cash items, including straight-lined revenues and expenses related to fixed escalations and rent free periods. GAAP requires rental revenues and expenses related to leases that contain specified rental increases over the life of the lease to be recognized evenly over the life of the lease. In accordance with GAAP, if payment terms call for fixed escalations, or rent free periods, the revenue or expense is recognized on a straight-lined basis over the fixed, non-cancelable term of the contract. Management notes that the Company uses AFFO and AFFO per share only as a performance measure. AFFO and AFFO per share should be considered only as a supplement to net income computed in accordance with GAAP as a measure of our performance and should not be considered as an alternative to cash flows from operations or as residual cash flow available for discretionary investment.
- FFO and FFO per share are useful to investors or other interested parties in evaluating our financial performance. Management believes that FFO may be used by investors or other interested parties as a basis to compare our financial performance with that of other REITs. FFO and FFO per share help investors or other interested parties meaningfully evaluate financial performance by excluding the impact of our asset base (primarily depreciation, amortization and accretion). FFO and FFO per share are not key performance indicators used by the Company. FFO and FFO per share should be considered only as a supplement to net income computed in accordance with GAAP as a measure of our performance and should not be considered as an alternative to cash flow from operations.
- Organic Contribution to Site Rental Revenues is useful to investors or other interested parties in understanding the components
  of the year-over year changes in our site rental revenues computed in accordance with GAAP. Management uses the Organic
  Contribution to Site Rental Revenues to assess year-over-year growth rates for our rental activities, to evaluate current
  performance, to capture trends in rental rates, new leasing activities and customer non-renewals in our core business, as well to
  forecast future results. Organic Contribution to Site Rental Revenues is not meant as an alternative measure of revenue and
  should be considered only as a supplement in understanding and assessing the performance of our site rental revenues computed
  in accordance with GAAP.

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In addition to the non-GAAP financial measures used herein, we also provide Segment Site Rental Gross Margin, Segment Network Services and Other Gross Margin and Segment Operating Profit, which are key measures used by management to evaluate our operating segments for purposes of making decisions about allocating capital and assessing performance. These segment measures are provided pursuant to GAAP requirements related to segment reporting. In addition, we provide the components of certain GAAP measures, such as capital expenditures.

We define our non-GAAP financial measures and other measures as follows:

Adjusted EBITDA. We define Adjusted EBITDA as net income (loss) plus restructuring charges (credits), asset write-down charges, acquisition and integration costs, depreciation, amortization and accretion, amortization of prepaid lease purchase price adjustments, interest expense and amortization of deferred financing costs, gains (losses) on retirement of long-term obligations, net gain (loss) on interest rate swaps, gains (losses) on foreign currency swaps, impairment of available-for-sale securities, interest income, other income (expense), benefit (provision) for income taxes, cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle, income (loss) from discontinued operations and stock-based compensation expense.

Adjusted Funds from Operations. We define Adjusted Funds from Operations as FFO before straight-lined revenue, straight-line expense, stock-based compensation expense, non-cash portion of tax provision, non-real estate related depreciation, amortization and accretion, amortization of non-cash interest expense, other (income) expense, gain (loss) on retirement of long-term obligations, net gain (loss) on interest rate swaps, gains (losses) on foreign currency swaps, acquisition and integration costs, and adjustments for noncontrolling interests, and less capital improvement capital expenditures and corporate capital expenditures.

AFFO per share. We define AFFO per share as AFFO divided by diluted weighted average common shares outstanding.

Funds from Operations. We define Funds from Operations as net income plus real estate related depreciation, amortization and accretion and asset write-down charges, less noncontrolling interest and cash paid for preferred stock dividends, and is a measure of funds from operations attributable to CCIC common stockholders.

FFO per share. We define FFO per share as FFO divided by the diluted weighted average common shares outstanding.

Organic Contribution to Site Rental Revenues. We define the Organic Contribution to Site Rental Revenues as the sum of the change in GAAP site rental revenues related to (1) new leasing activity including revenues from the construction of small cells and the impact of prepaid rent, (2) escalators and less (3) non-renewals of customer contracts.

Discretionary capital expenditures. We define discretionary capital expenditures as those capital expenditures made with respect to activities which we believe exhibit sufficient potential to enhance long-term stockholder value. They consist of (1) improvements to existing wireless infrastructure and construction of new wireless infrastructure (collectively referred to as "revenue generating") and (2) purchases of land assets under towers as we seek to manage our interests in the land beneath our towers.

Sustaining capital expenditures. We define sustaining capital expenditures as either (1) corporate related capital improvements, such as buildings, information technology equipment and office equipment or (2) capital improvements to tower sites that enable our customers' ongoing quiet enjoyment of the tower.

Segment Site Rental Gross Margin. We define Segment Site Rental Gross Margin as segment site rental revenues less segment site rental cost of operations, excluding stock-based compensation expense and prepaid lease purchase price adjustments recorded in cost of operations.

Segment Network Services and Other Gross Margin. We define Segment Network Services and Other Gross Margin as segment network services and other revenues less segment network services and other cost of operations, excluding stock-based compensation expense recorded in cost of operations.

Segment Operating Profit. We define Segment Operating Profit as segment revenues less segment cost of operations and segment general and administrative expenses, excluding stock-based compensation expense and prepaid lease purchase price adjustments recorded in cost of operations.

The tables set forth below reconcile the non-GAAP financial measures used herein to comparable GAAP financial measures. The components in these tables may not sum to the total due to rounding. Amounts reflected herein are adjusted to reflect the sale of our CCAL segment as discontinued operations following the sale on May 28, 2015. See page 2.

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# Reconciliations of Non-GAAP Financial Measures to Comparable GAAP Financial Measures and Other Calculations:

# **Reconciliation of Historical Adjusted EBITDA:**

	Three Months Ended September 30, Nine Months Ended September 30,				Twelve Months Ended December 31,		
(dollars in thousands)	2016 2015		2016	2015	2015		
Net income (loss)	\$ 98,366	\$ 103,779	\$ 232,263	\$1,383,269	\$ 1,524,335		
Adjustments to increase (decrease) net income (loss):							
Income (loss) from discontinued operations	_	522		(1,000,708)	(999,049)		
Asset write-down charges	8,339	7,477	28,251	19,652	33,468		
Acquisition and integration costs	2,680	7,608	11,459	12,001	15,678		
Depreciation, amortization and accretion	280,824	261,662	834,725	766,621	1,036,178		
Amortization of prepaid lease purchase price adjustments	5,429	5,143	16,000	15,387	20,531		
Interest expense and amortization of deferred financing costs <sup>(1)</sup>	129,916	129,877	385,656	398,782	527,128		
Gains (losses) on retirement of long-term obligations	10,274		52,291	4,157	4,157		
Interest income	(175)	(789)	(454)	(1,170)	(1,906)		
Other income (expense)	832	1,214	4,623	(58,510)	(57,028)		
Benefit (provision) for income taxes	5,041	(3,801)	12,797	(9,380)	(51,457)		
Stock-based compensation expense	22,594	16,466	75,297	49,282	67,148		
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 564,120	\$ 529,158	\$1,652,908	\$1,579,383	\$ 2,119,183		

<sup>(1)</sup> See the reconciliation of "components of interest expense and amortization of deferred financing costs" herein.

<sup>(2)</sup> The above reconciliation excludes line items included in our definition which are not applicable for the periods shown.

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# **Reconciliation of Current Outlook for Adjusted EBITDA:**

	Q4 2016	Full Year 2016	Full Year 2017
(dollars in millions)	Outlook	Outlook	Outlook
Net income (loss)	\$90 to \$110	\$318 to \$338	\$375 to \$425
Adjustments to increase (decrease) net income (loss):			
Asset write-down charges	\$9 to \$11	\$37 to \$39	\$35 to \$45
Acquisition and integration costs	\$3 to \$6	\$14 to \$17	\$3 to \$8
Depreciation, amortization and accretion	\$283 to \$298	\$1,123 to \$1,138	\$1,151 to \$1,177
Amortization of prepaid lease purchase price adjustments	\$4 to \$6	\$20 to \$22	\$20 to \$22
Interest expense and amortization of deferred financing costs <sup>(1)</sup>	\$128 to \$133	\$514 to \$519	\$515 to \$545
Gains (losses) on retirement of long-term obligations	\$0 to \$0	\$52 to \$52	\$0 to \$0
Interest income	\$(1) to \$0	\$(2) to \$(1)	\$(1) to \$1
Other income (expense)	\$(1) to \$2	\$3 to \$6	\$2 to \$4
Benefit (provision) for income taxes	\$4 to \$8	\$18 to \$22	\$14 to \$22
Stock-based compensation expense	\$21 to \$23	\$97 to \$99	\$94 to \$99
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(2)</sup>	\$566 to \$571	\$2,219 to \$2,224	\$2,263 to \$2,293

# **Components of Historical Interest Expense and Amortization of Deferred Financing Costs:**

	Th	Three Months Ended September 30,				
(dollars in thousands)		2016 2015				
Interest expense on debt obligations	\$	126,616	\$	121,287		
Amortization of deferred financing costs and adjustments on long-term debt, net		4,601		5,567		
Amortization of interest rate swaps <sup>(3)</sup>		_		3,744		
Other, net		(1,301)		(721)		
Interest expense and amortization of deferred financing costs	\$	129,916	\$	129,877		

#### Components of Current Outlook for Interest Expense and Amortization of Deferred Financing Costs:

	Q4 2016	Full Year 2016	Full Year 2017
(dollars in millions)	Outlook	Outlook	Outlook
Interest expense on debt obligations	\$126 to \$128	\$501 to \$503	\$509 to \$524
Amortization of deferred financing costs and adjustments on long-term debt, net	\$4 to \$7	\$17 to \$21	\$17 to \$21
Other, net	\$(1) to \$(1)	\$(5) to \$(5)	\$(6) to \$(4)
Interest expense and amortization of deferred financing costs	\$128 to \$133	\$514 to \$519	\$515 to \$545

- (1) See the reconciliation of "components of interest expense and amortization of deferred financing costs" herein.
- (2) The above reconciliation excludes line items included in our definition which are not applicable for the periods shown.
- (3) Relates to the amortization of interest rate swaps; the swaps were cash settled in prior periods.

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#### **Reconciliation of Historical FFO and AFFO:**

	Three Months Ended September 30,				Nine Months Ended September 30,			
(dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)		2016		2015	2016		2015	
Net income (loss) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$	98,366	\$	104,301	\$ 232,263	\$	382,561	
Real estate related depreciation, amortization and accretion		274,214		257,047	815,122		753,576	
Asset write-down charges		8,339		7,477	28,251		19,652	
Dividends on preferred stock		(10,997)		(10,997)	(32,991)		(32,991)	
FFO <sup>(2)(3)(5)(6)</sup>	\$	369,922	\$	357,828	\$ 1,042,645	\$	1,122,798	
FFO (from above)	\$	369,922	\$	357,828	\$ 1,042,645	\$	1,122,798	
Adjustments to increase (decrease) FFO:								
Straight-line revenue		(8,836)		(27,144)	(42,375)		(89,009)	
Straight-line expense		23,486		24,409	71,132		73,971	
Stock-based compensation expense		22,594		16,466	75,297		49,282	
Non-cash portion of tax provision		3,484		(5,897)	5,230		(20,272)	
Non-real estate related depreciation, amortization and accretion		6,611		4,615	19,604		13,045	
Amortization of non-cash interest expense		3,300		8,590	11,293		32,394	
Other (income) expense		832		1,214	4,623		(58,510)	
Gains (losses) on retirement of long-term obligations		10,274		_	52,291		4,157	
Acquisition and integration costs		2,680		7,608	11,459		12,001	
Capital improvement capital expenditures		(10,040)		(14,351)	(25,351)		(32,503)	
Corporate capital expenditures		(8,474)		(16,988)	(22,385)		(42,943)	
AFFO <sup>(2)(3)(5)(6)</sup>	\$	415,832	\$	356,350	\$ 1,203,462	\$	1,064,412	
Weighted average common shares outstanding — diluted <sup>(4)</sup>		338,409		333,711	337,076		333,735	
AFFO per share <sup>(2)(5)(6)</sup>	\$	1.23	\$	1.07	\$ 3.57	\$	3.19	

<sup>(1)</sup> Exclusive of income (loss) from discontinued operations and related noncontrolling interest of \$(0.5 million) and \$1.0 billion for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2015, respectively.

<sup>(2)</sup> See "Definitions of Non-GAAP Financial Measures and Other Calculations" herein for a discussion of our definitions of FFO and AFFO.

<sup>(3)</sup> FFO and AFFO are reduced by cash paid for preferred stock dividends.

<sup>(4)</sup> Based on the diluted weighted-average common shares outstanding for the three months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015 and the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015. The diluted weighted average common shares outstanding assumes no conversion for preferred stock in the share count.

<sup>(5)</sup> The above reconciliation excludes line items included in our definition which are not applicable for the periods shown.

<sup>(6)</sup> Attributable to CCIC common stockholders.

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#### **Reconciliation of Historical FFO and AFFO:**

	Years Ended December 31,								
(in thousands of dollars, except share and per share amounts)	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Net income (loss) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 525,286	\$ 346,314	\$ 60,001	\$ 124,997	\$ 145,070	\$(330,183)	\$(128,893)	\$ (60,675)	\$(228,228)
Real estate related depreciation, amortization and accretion	1,018,303	971,562	730,076	572,007	503,388	496,584	494,191	491,459	502,046
Asset write-down charges	33,468	14,246	13,595	15,226	21,986	13,243	18,611	16,696	65,515
Adjustment for noncontrolling interest <sup>(2)</sup>	_	_	_	268	349	_	_	_	362
Dividends on preferred stock	(43,988)	(43,988)	_	(2,481)	(19,487)	(19,878)	(19,878)	(19,878)	(19,878)
$FFO^{(4)(5)(7)(8)}$	\$1,533,069	\$1,288,133	\$ 803,672	\$ 710,014	\$ 651,305	\$159,766	\$ 364,032	\$427,602	\$ 319,817
FFO (from above)	\$1,533,069	\$1,288,133	\$ 803,672	\$ 710,014	\$ 651,305	\$159,766	\$ 364,032	\$427,602	\$ 319,817
Adjustments to increase (decrease) FFO:									
Straight-line revenue	(111,263)	(183,393)	(212,856)	(248,227)	(195,456)	(149,314)	(90,269)	(28,133)	(30,912)
Straight-line expense	98,738	101,890	78,619	52,271	38,141	37,617	37,469	39,172	40,026
Stock-based compensation expense	67,148	56,431	39,031	41,785	32,611	36,541	29,225	25,897	20,375
Non-cash portion of tax provision <sup>(3)</sup>	(63,935)	(19,490)	185,723	(64,939)	4,970	(29,033)	(78,304)	(106,857)	(95,622)
Non-real estate related depreciation, amortization and accretion	17,875	14,219	11,266	19,421	19,293	16,848	7,825	7,375	10,343
Amortization of non-cash interest expense	37,126	80,854	99,244	109,337	102,944	85,454	61,357	24,831	23,913
Other (income) expense	(57,028)	(11,992)	3,902	5,363	5,603	824	(1,139)	61,837	80,551
Gains (losses) on retirement of long-term obligations	4,157	44,629	37,127	131,974	_	138,367	91,079	(42)	_
Net gain (loss) on interest rate swaps	_	_	_	_	_	286,435	92,966	37,888	_
Acquisition and integration costs	15,678	34,145	25,574	18,216	3,310	2,102	_	2,504	25,418
Adjustment for noncontrolling interest <sup>(2)</sup>	_	_	_	(268)	(349)	_	_	_	(362)
Capital improvement capital expenditures	(46,789)	(31,056)	(17,520)	(19,997)	(12,442)	(13,727)	(17,355)	(13,780)	(9,073)
Corporate capital expenditures	(58,142)	(50,317)	(27,099)	(14,049)	(8,421)	(8,392)	(9,335)	(12,039)	(12,206)
$AFFO^{(4)(5)(7)(8)}$	\$1,436,635	\$1,324,054	\$1,026,684	\$ 740,901	\$ 641,510	\$563,487	\$ 487,550	\$466,255	\$ 372,266
Weighted average common shares outstanding — diluted <sup>(6)</sup>	334,062	333,265	299,293	291,270	285,947	287,764	286,622	282,007	279,937
AFFO per share <sup>(4)(7)(8)</sup>	\$ 4.30	\$ 3.97	\$ 3.43	\$ 2.54	\$ 2.24	\$ 1.96	\$ 1.70	\$ 1.66	\$ 1.33

- (1) Exclusive of income (loss) from discontinued operations and related noncontrolling interest.
- (2) Inclusive of the noncontrolling interest related to real estate related depreciation, amortization and accretion and asset write-downs.

- (4) See "Definitions of Non-GAAP Measures and Other Calculations" herein for a discussion of our definitions of FFO and AFFO.
- (5) FFO and AFFO are reduced by cash paid for preferred stock dividends.
- (6) Based on the diluted weighted-average common shares outstanding for the twelve months ended December 31, 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008 and 2007. The diluted weighted average common shares outstanding assumes no conversion for preferred stock in the share count.
- (7) The above reconciliation excludes line items included in our definition which are not applicable for the periods shown.
- (8) Attributable to CCIC common stockholders.

<sup>(3)</sup> Adjusts the income tax provision to reflect our estimate of the cash taxes paid had we been a REIT for all periods presented, and is primarily comprised of foreign taxes. As a result income tax expense (benefit) is lower by the amount of the adjustment.

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#### **Reconciliation of Current Outlook for FFO and AFFO:**

	Q4 2016	Full Year 2016	Full Year 2017	
(in millions of dollars, except share and per share amounts)	Outlook	Outlook	Outlook	
Net income (loss)	\$90 to \$110	\$318 to \$338	\$375 to \$425	
Real estate related depreciation, amortization and accretion	\$277 to \$290	\$1,097 to \$1,110	\$1,127 to \$1,148	
Asset write-down charges	\$9 to \$11	\$37 to \$39	\$35 to \$45	
Dividends on preferred stock	\$(11) to \$(11)	\$(44) to \$(44)	\$0 to \$0	
$FFO^{(2)(3)(4)(5)}$	\$383 to \$388	\$1,426 to \$1,431	\$1,566 to \$1,596	
Weighted-average common shares outstanding—diluted <sup>(1)</sup>	346.1	340.4	350.0	
FFO per share <sup>(2)(4)(5)</sup>	\$1.11 to 1.12	\$4.19 to \$4.20	\$4.47 to \$4.56	
FFO (from above)	\$383 to \$388	\$1,426 to \$1,431	\$1,566 to \$1,596	
Adjustments to increase (decrease) FFO:				
Straight-line revenue	\$(8) to \$(3)	\$(50) to \$(45)	\$13 to \$28	
Straight-line expense	\$20 to \$25	\$90 to \$95	\$78 to \$93	
Stock-based compensation expense	\$21 to \$23	\$97 to \$99	\$94 to \$99	
Non-cash portion of tax provision	\$2 to \$7	\$9 to \$14	\$(3) to \$12	
Non-real estate related depreciation, amortization and accretion	\$6 to \$8	\$26 to \$28	\$24 to \$29	
Amortization of non-cash interest expense	\$3 to \$6	\$12 to \$15	\$11 to \$17	
Other (income) expense	\$(1) to \$2	\$3 to \$6	\$2 to \$4	
Gains (losses) on retirement of long-term obligations	\$0 to \$0	\$52 to \$52	\$0 to \$0	
Acquisition and integration costs	\$3 to \$6	\$14 to \$17	\$3 to \$8	
Capital improvement capital expenditures	\$(20) to \$(15)	\$(46) to \$(41)	\$(45) to \$(40)	
Corporate capital expenditures	\$(20) to \$(15)	\$(43) to \$(38)	\$(37) to \$(32)	
AFFO <sup>(2)(3)(4)(5)</sup>	\$403 to \$408	\$1,606 to \$1,611	\$1,739 to \$1,769	
Weighted-average common shares outstanding—diluted <sup>(1)</sup>	346.1	340.4	350.0	
AFFO per share <sup>(2)(4)(5)</sup>	\$1.16 to \$1.18	\$4.72 to \$4.73	\$4.97 to \$5.05	

<sup>(1)</sup> The assumption for fourth quarter 2016, full year 2016 and full year 2017 diluted weighted-average common shares outstanding is based on (1) diluted common shares outstanding as of September 30, 2016 and (2) the assumed conversion of the mandatory convertible preferred stock in November 2016.

<sup>(2)</sup> See definitions herein. See also "Definitions of Non-GAAP Financial Measures and Other Calculations" herein for a discussion of our definitions of FFO and AFFO.

<sup>(3)</sup> FFO and AFFO are reduced by cash paid for preferred stock dividends.

<sup>(4)</sup> The above reconciliation excludes line items included in our definition which are not applicable for the periods shown.

<sup>(5)</sup> Attributable to CCIC common stockholders.

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# Net debt to Last Quarter Annualized Adjusted EBITDA calculation:

	 Three Months Ended September 30,			
(dollars in millions)	2016 2015		2015	
Total face value of debt	\$ 12,687.7	\$	12,145.0	
Ending cash and cash equivalents	156.2		184.1	
Total net debt	\$ 12,531.5	\$	11,960.9	
Adjusted EBITDA for the three months ended September 30,	\$ 564.1	\$	529.2	
Last quarter annualized Adjusted EBITDA	2,256.5		2,116.6	
Net debt to Last Quarter Annualized Adjusted EBITDA	5.6x		5.7x	

# **Cash Interest Coverage Ratio Calculation:**

	Three	Three Months Ended September 30,			
(dollars in thousands)	2	2016		2015	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	564,120	\$	529,158	
Interest expense on debt obligations		126,616		121,287	
Interest Coverage Ratio		4.5x		4.4x	