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May11, 2011

MEMORANDUM TO:

New Jersey State Investment Council

FROM:

Timothy Walsh

Director

SUBJECT:

Proposed Investment in Lone Star Real Estate Fund II (U.S.),

L.P.

The New Jersey Division of Investment is proposing an investment of \$100 million in Lone Star Real Estate Fund II (U.S.), L.P. This memorandum is presented to the State Investment Council (the "Council") pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:16-69.9.

The Division of Investment ("Division") Staff and its real estate consultant, The Townsend Group, undertook extensive due diligence on the proposed investment. We completed the same due diligence process as with all the other alternative investment opportunities presented to the Council.

Lone Star Real Estate Fund II, comprised of Lone Star Real Estate Fund II (U.S.), L.P., and Lone Star Real Estate Fund II (Bermuda), L.P. (together, LSREF II) is a \$5.5 billion global opportunity fund with a focus on North America, Western Europe and Japan. LSREF II will invest in a broad range of commercial real estate and commercial real estate related investments including, but not limited to, investments in secured and unsecured debt, high leverage debt financing, real estate-related debt and equity assets. In comparison to its predecessor fund, LSREF I, LSREF II will have the ability to invest in and intends to principally target distressed debt strategies specific to commercial real estate.

Lone Star estimates the vast majority of LSREF II will be comprised of portfolios of commercial mortgage debt, principally non-performing commercial real estate loans (Whole Loans). The balance of LSREF II will be comprised of senior securitized products (CMBS) and direct equity investments.

This investment combined with an investment in Lone Star Fund VII (U.S.), L.P. will reduce our management fee to 90 bps with a 10% preferred return and a 45 bps management fee post the investment period. Our combined commitment will also provide us an advisory board seat on

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both funds. Lone Star and its previous affiliates have raised eight prior funds. The prior funds have collectively invested/committed approximately \$24.7 billion of partnership equity.

We will work with representatives of the Division of Law and outside counsel to review and negotiate specific terms of the legal documents to govern each investment. In addition, each proposed investment must comply with the Council's regulation governing political contributions (N.J.A.C. 17:16-4).

Please note that these investments are authorized pursuant to Articles 69 and 71 of the Council's regulations. Lone Star Real Estate Fund II will be considered a non-core real estate investment, as defined under N.J.A.C. 17:16-71.1.

Formal written due diligence reports for the proposed investments were sent to each member of the Investment Policy Committee and a meeting of the Committee was held on May 5, 2011. In addition to the formal written due diligence reports, all other information obtained by the Division on the investment was made available to the Investment Policy Committee.

We look forward to discussing the proposed investments at the Council's May 19, 2011 meeting.

Attachments

## \*SIC Investment Committee Fund Review Memo

To: From: State Investment Council SIC Investment Committee

Date:

May 19, 2011

Subject:

Real Estate Investment Recommendation

**Fund Facts** 

Fund Name: Fund Type:

Lone Star Real Estate Fund II Co-minaled

Current Fund Offering: Current Fund Size/Vintage: \$100 million Fund II -- \$5.5 billion Fund I -- \$2.4 billion/ 2007

Previous Fund Size/Vintage Final Close:

May-11

Fund Address:

2711 N. Haskell Avenue, Suite 1700

Dallas, TX 75204

**GP** Contact Info

Name: Telephone: Louis Paletta, Executive Vice President

(214) 754-8300

Summary of Terms and Investment Strategy

Investment Strategy:

Opportunistic/ Distressed Commercial Real Estate Debt Products and Equity

Geographic Focus:

US/Europe/Japan

GP Co-Investment Amount:

1% of total commitments

Terms:

Term:

Ends May 2019 with two 1-year extensions at General Partner's Discretion

Investment Period:

3 years from final closing

Management Fee:

90 bps during investment period/ 45 bps thereafter on outstanding invested capital achieved through aggregate of ≥\$400 million to LSF VII and LSREF II combined

Preferred Return:

10% achieved through aggregate of ≥\$400 million to LSF VII and LSREF II combined

Catch Up:

80%/20% LP/GP split up to a 13% return

50%/50% LP/GP split after a 13% return up to a 20% return

80%/20% LP/GP split thereafter

Back Office/Servicer:

Hudson Advisors

Fund Attorney:

K&L Gates LLP

Auditor:

Ernst & Young

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Recommended Allocation Current:	\$100 million
% of investment in Fund II:	1.8%

LP Advisory Board Membership:	Yes	
Consultant Recommendation:	Yes	

<sup>\*</sup>This review memorandum was prepared in accordance with the State Investment Council rules governing the Alternatives Investment Program and the policies and procedures related thereto.