



#### For Immediate Release

# MAPLETREE LOGISTICS TRUST DELIVERS 7.5 CENTS DISTRIBUTION PER UNIT FOR FY14/15

### Highlights:

- Full Year FY14/15 Distribution Per Unit ("DPU") grew 2% year-on-year
- 4Q FY14/15 DPU of 1.85 cents
- Completed six accretive acquisitions for approximately S\$210 million in FY14/15
- Stable portfolio occupancy rate of 96.7 %

(S\$ '000)	4Q FY14/15 <sup>1</sup>	4Q FY13/14 <sup>2</sup>	Y-o-Y	FY14/15 <sup>3</sup>	FY13/14 <sup>4</sup>	Y-o-Y
			% change			% change
Gross Revenue	84,684	80,148	5.7% 👚	330,114	310,709	6.2% 👚
Property Expenses	(14,344)	(11,821)	21.3%	(52,669)	(43,074)	22.3%
Net Property Income	70,340	68,327	2.9% 👚	277,445	267,635	3.7% 👚
Amount Distributable To Unitholders <sup>5</sup>	45,861	46,307	-1.0% 👢	184,909	179,732	2.9% 👚
Available DPU (cents)	1.85	1.89	-2.1% 🖶	7.50	7.35	2.0% 👚

#### Footnotes:

- 1. 4Q FY14/15 started and ended with 117 properties.
- 4Q FY13/14 started and ended with 111 properties.
- 3. FY14/15 started with 111 properties and ended with 117 properties.
- 4. FY13/14 started and ended with 111 properties.
- 5. This included partial distribution of the gain arising from the divestment of 30 Woodlands Loop amounting to \$\$620,000 in amount distributable per quarter (for 8 quarters from 1Q FY13/14).

**Singapore, 20 April 2015 –** The Board of Directors of Mapletree Logistics Trust Management Ltd. ("MLTM"), manager ("Manager") of Mapletree Logistics Trust ("MLT"), is pleased to announce results for the fourth quarter ("4Q FY14/15") and full year ("FY14/15") ended 31 March 2015.

For 4Q FY14/15, gross revenue grew 6% year-on-year to S\$84.7 million and net property income ("NPI") increased by 3% to S\$70.3 million. The increases were attributed to an enlarged portfolio, contribution from Mapletree Benoi Logistics Hub and higher contribution from existing assets. The quarter's performance was partially impacted by downtime at several Singapore properties that were converted from single-user assets ("SUAs") to multi-tenanted buildings ("MTBs") during the

#### Mapletree Logistics Trust Management Ltd.

10 Pasir Panjang Road, #13-01 Mapletree Business City, Singapore 117438 **tel** 65 6377 6111 **fax** 65 6273 2753 Co. Reg. No. 200500947N

maple tree logistics

press release

year. The conversions led to lower occupancy and revenue at these properties during the transition,

and higher property expenses. This contributed to a slower pace in growth of NPI as compared to

gross revenue.

Total amount distributable to Unitholders of S\$45.9 million was S\$0.4 million or 1% lower than 4Q

FY13/14. This has taken into account higher borrowing costs attributable to incremental borrowings

to fund acquisitions and capital expenditure. Accordingly DPU declined 2% year-on-year to 1.85

cents, after accounting for an enlarged issued units base.

With 4Q FY14/15 DPU of 1.85 cents, full year FY14/15 DPU was 7.50 cents. This is 2% higher

than full year FY13/14 DPU of 7.35 cents.

Ms Ng Kiat, Chief Executive Officer of MLTM, said, "FY14/15 was a busy year as we expanded our

presence in the target growth markets with six yield-accretive acquisitions. For FY15/16, we will

continue with intensive marketing and leasing efforts as we expect more conversions of SUAs to

MTBs in Singapore. We will also continue with our capital recycling strategy to divest older, lower

yielding assets and recycle the proceeds into higher yielding investments. In this regard, we are

divesting 134 Joo Seng Road, completion of which is pending regulatory approval, and we will be

embarking on a redevelopment project at 76 Pioneer Road this financial year."

**Portfolio Update** 

MLT's property portfolio value increased by S\$396 million or 9% year-on-year to S\$4.6 billion as at

31 March 2015. The higher valuation was largely due to the recognition of S\$84 million net fair

value gain in investment properties, attributable mainly to properties in Hong Kong, and

approximately S\$271 million in acquisitions and capital expenditure. Consequently, net asset value

per unit of MLT rose to S\$1.03 as at 31 March 2015, compared to S\$0.97 a year ago. Of the 117

properties in the portfolio, 53 are located in Singapore, 22 in Japan, 14 in Malaysia, 8 in Hong Kong,

9 in China, 10 in South Korea and 1 in Vietnam.

The portfolio weighted average lease term to expiry (by net lettable area) is approximately 4.3

years, with around 44% of the leases expiring in FY18/19 and beyond. Portfolio occupancy ended

maple tree logistics

press release

the year at 96.7%, compared to 98.3% a year ago. The decline was attributable to lower occupancy

in Singapore due to downtime caused by the conversion of SUAs to MTBs. This was partially offset

by higher occupancies in other countries.

During the year, leases for approximately 444,600 square metres ("sqm") of space were renewed

or replaced. The rentals achieved were on average 8% higher than the preceding rentals,

contributed mainly by leases in Hong Kong and Singapore.

**Capital Management Update** 

During the year, the Manager procured loans and issued medium term notes of approximately

S\$336 million<sup>1</sup> with tenures of 3 to 8 years to finance acquisitions and for refinancing purposes. As

at 31 March 2015, the weighted average debt maturity was approximately 3.6 years while the

aggregate leverage was 34.3%. The weighted average borrowing cost in FY14/15 was around

2.1%.

Following the successful early refinancing of JPY8 billion (~ S\$91 million) loans due in FY15/16,

total debt due in FY15/16 has reduced to approximately S\$57 million or about 3% of total debt.

Based on available cash and committed credit facilities on hand, MLT has more than sufficient

liquidity to meet the maturing debt obligations.

The Manager continues to implement measures to mitigate the impact of foreign exchange and

interest rate fluctuations on distribution. As at 31 March 2015, approximately 80% of total debt has

been hedged into fixed rates, up from 75% a year ago. About 80% of the income stream for

FY15/16 has been hedged into or will be derived in Singapore dollars.

In FY14/15, approximately S\$27.5 million cash was retained via the Distribution Reinvestment Plan

("DRP") with 24.4 million units issued as a result. The DRP proceeds were deployed to fund MLT's

capital expenditure requirements.

<sup>1</sup> Based on foreign exchange rates as at 31 March 2015.

press release

maple tree

**Outlook** 

The global economic recovery remains uneven and Asia continues to grow at a slower pace.

Demand for logistics space in the Asian markets where MLT operates in remains stable but rental

growth may be subdued.

About 24% of MLT's leases (by net lettable area) will be expiring in FY15/16, of which 10% are

leases for SUAs and 14% are leases for MTBs. In Singapore, the Manager expects that some of

the SUAs will be converted to MTBs. During this transition, portfolio occupancy and revenue will

likely continue to be under pressure, while property expenses are expected to remain on an

uptrend. The Manager will continue its intensive marketing and leasing efforts to achieve optimal

portfolio occupancy.

MLT's redevelopment project at 5B Toh Guan Road East is on track for completion in early

FY16/17. The Manager will be commencing a redevelopment project at 76 Pioneer Road in

FY15/16. By maximising built plot ratios, the two projects will generate an additional gross floor

area of approximately 72,000 sqm. Both redevelopment projects will have no material impact on

FY15/16's DPU.

In Hong Kong, the current supply squeeze in logistics facilities will likely continue to drive rental

growth and support high occupancies for MLT's properties. In Japan, income from our logistics

facilities remains stable.

The Manager will continue to pursue strategic acquisition opportunities and initiatives to unlock

value from the existing portfolio, such as asset enhancements, redevelopments or divestments.

This strategy will be supported by a prudent capital management approach to maintain a strong

balance sheet with diversified funding sources.

**Distribution to Unitholders** 

MLT will pay a distribution of 1.85 cents per unit on 29 May 2015 for the period from 1 January

2015 to 31 March 2015. The books closure date is on 28 April 2015.



# press release

# **Results Briefing**

The Manager will be hosting a results briefing on 21 April 2015, 11am (Singapore time). Live audio webcast of the briefing will be made available at the following link:

http://edge.media-server.com/m/p/v5jpb568

=== END ===

## **About Mapletree Logistics Trust (MLT)**

MLT, the first Asia-focused logistics REIT in Singapore, was listed on the SGX-ST main board on 28 July 2005. MLT's principal strategy is to invest in a diversified portfolio of income-producing logistics real estate and real estate-related assets. As at 31 March 2015, it has a portfolio of 117 logistics assets in Singapore, Hong Kong, Japan, China, Malaysia, South Korea and Vietnam with a total book value of S\$4.6 billion. MLT is managed by Mapletree Logistics Trust Management Ltd., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Mapletree Investments Pte Ltd. For more information, please visit www.mapletreelogisticstrust.com.

For enquiries, please contact: Ms Lum Yuen May Vice President, Investor Relations

Tel: +65 6659-3671

Email: <u>lum.yuenmay@mapletree.com.sg</u>

#### **Important Notice**

This Announcement is for information only and does not constitute an invitation or offer to acquire, purchase or subscribe for units in MLT ("Units"). The value of Units and the income derived from them may fall as well as rise. Units are not obligations of, deposits in, or guaranteed by, the Manager or any of its affiliates. An investment in Units is subject to investment risks, including the possible loss of the principal amount invested Investors have no right to request the Manager to redeem their Units while the Units are listed. It is intended that Unitholders of MLT may only deal in their Units through trading on the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited ("SGX-ST"). Listing of the Units on the SGX-ST does not guarantee a liquid market for the Units. The past performance of MLT is not necessarily indicative of its future performance. This release may contain forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. Actual future performance, outcomes and results may differ materially from those expressed in forward-looking statements as a result of a number of risks, uncertainties and assumptions. Representatives examples of these factors include (without limitation) general industry and economic conditions, interest rate trends, cost of capital and capital availability, competition from similar developments, shifts in expected levels of property rental income, changes in operating expenses, including employee wages, benefits and training, property expenses and governmental and public policy changes and the continued availability of financing in the amounts and the terms necessary to support future business. You are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward looking statements, which are based on current view of management on future events. The information in this Announcement must not be published outside the Republic of Singapore and in particular, but without limitation, must not be published in any United States edition of any publication.