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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## **FORM 10-Q**

### QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2010

### SIMON PROPERTY GROUP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State of incorporation or organization)

001-14469 (Commission File No.)

046-268599 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

225 West Washington Street Indianapolis, Indiana 46204 (Address of principal executive offices)

(317) 636-1600 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the Registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes ý

No o

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the Registrant was required to submit and post such files).

Yes ý

No o

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act (check one):

Large accelerated filer ý Accelerated filer o Non-accelerated filer o Smaller reporting company o

(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Indicate by check mark whether Registrant is a shell company (as defined by Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes o No ý

As of September 30, 2010, Simon Property Group, Inc. had 292,893,883 shares of common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share and 8,000 shares of Class B common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share outstanding.

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## Simon Property Group, Inc. and Subsidiaries

Unaudited Consolidated Balance Sheets (Dollars in thousands, except share amounts)

	Se	eptember 30, 2010	De	cember 31, 2009
ASSETS:				
Investment properties, at cost	\$	27,432,323	\$	25,336,189
Less accumulated depreciation		7,468,070		7,004,534
		19,964,253		18,331,655
Cash and cash equivalents		1,011,574		3,957,718
Tenant receivables and accrued				
revenue, net		383,168		402,729
Investment in unconsolidated entities,				
at equity		1,412,207		1,468,577
Deferred costs and other assets		1,366,085		1,155,587
Note receivable from related party		651,000		632,000
Total assets	\$	24,788,287	\$	25,948,266
LIABILITIES:				
Mortgages and other indebtedness	\$	17,485,466	\$	18,630,302
Accounts payable, accrued expenses,				
intangibles, and deferred revenues		984,240		987,530
Cash distributions and losses in				
partnerships and joint ventures, at				
equity		411,023		457,754
Other liabilities and accrued dividends		214,009		159,345
Total liabilities		19,094,738		20,234,931
Commitments and contingencies				
Limited partners' preferred interest in the				
Operating Partnership and noncontrolling				
redeemable interests in properties		85,687		125,815
Series I 6% convertible perpetual		,		,
preferred stock, 19,000,000 shares				
authorized, 0 and 8,091,155 issued and				
outstanding, respectively, at liquidation				
value				404,558
EQUITY:				,
Stockholders' equity				
Capital stock (850,000,000 total shares				
authorized, \$.0001 par value,				
238,000,000 shares of excess common				
stock, 100,000,000 authorized shares of				
preferred stock):				
Series J 8 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> % cumulative redeemable				
preferred stock, 1,000,000 shares				
authorized, 796,948 issued and				
outstanding, with a liquidation value				
of \$39,847		45,458		45,704
Common stock, \$.0001 par value,		30		29
511,990,000 shares authorized, 296,897,334 and 289,866,711 issued				-

and outstanding, respectively		
Class B common stock, \$.0001 par		
value, 10,000 shares authorized,		
8,000 issued and outstanding		
Capital in excess of par value	8,051,544	7,547,959
Accumulated deficit	(3,099,689)	(2,955,671)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(25,851)	(3,088)
Common stock held in treasury at cost,		
4,003,451 and 4,126,440 shares,		
respectively	(166,436)	(176,796)
Total stockholders' equity	4,805,056	4,458,137
Noncontrolling interests	802,806	724,825
Total equity	5,607,862	5,182,962
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Total liabilities and equity	\$ 24,788,287	\$ 25,948,266

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

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## Simon Property Group, Inc. and Subsidiaries

Unaudited Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income (Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)

	For the Th Ended Sep		For the Ni Ended Sep	
	2010	2009	2010	2009
REVENUE:				
Minimum rent	\$ 605,146	\$ 570,100	\$ 1,756,913	\$ 1,709,147
Overage rent	26,265	19,806	53,953	45,799
Tenant reimbursements	274,013	268,611	785,634	784,905
Management fees and other				
revenues	29,980	29,988	86,897	90,694
Other income	43,871	36,427	154,515	116,491
Total revenue	979,275	924,932	2,837,912	2,747,036
EXPENSES:				
Property operating	115,647	113,815	315,649	326,798
Depreciation and amortization	243,303	250,151	706,402	758,173
Real estate taxes	86,680	79,854	255,067	251,173
Repairs and maintenance	20,200	19,151	64,550	61,925
Advertising and promotion	21,435	23,226	62,553	61,555
(Recovery of) provision for credit losses	(3,096)	(745)	(2,060)	19,336
Home and regional office costs	28,640	26,899	72,699	79,732
General and administrative	5,170	4,509	15,909	13,867
Impairment charge			ĺ	140,478
Transaction expenses	47,585		62,554	·
Other	15,917	15,895	44,412	52,908
Total operating expenses	581,481	532,755	1,597,735	1,765,945
OPERATING INCOME	397,794	392,177	1,240,177	981,091
Interest expense	(249,264)	(257,881)	(774,686)	(728,360)
Loss on extinguishment of debt	(185,063)		(350,688)	
Income tax benefit of taxable REIT				
subsidiaries	249	238	557	2,904
Income from unconsolidated				
entities	22,533	4,655	50,729	15,694
Gain upon acquisition of controlling interest, and on sale or				
disposal of assets and interests in unconsolidated entities, net	294,283		320,349	
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CONSOLIDATED NET INCOME	280,532	139,189	486,438	271,329
Net income attributable to			ac :-:	
noncontrolling interests	49,074	27,103	88,158	60,177
Preferred dividends	834	6,539	5,779	19,597
NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO				
COMMON STOCKHOLDERS	\$ 230,624	\$ 105,547	\$ 392,501	\$ 191,555
BASIC EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE:				
Net income attributable to common stockholders	\$ 0.79	\$ 0.38	\$ 1.35	\$ 0.73

DILUTED EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE:				
Net income attributable to common stockholders	\$ 0.79	\$ 0.38	\$ 1.35	\$ 0.73
Consolidated Net Income	\$ 280,532	\$ 139,189	\$ 486,438	\$ 271,329
Unrealized gain (loss) on interest rate hedge agreements	(12,475)	4,883	7,505	(6,346)
Net loss on derivative instruments reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive loss into interest				
expense	(3,937)	(3,769)	(11,722)	(10,816)
Currency translation adjustments	11,041	5,928	(12,469)	695
Changes in available-for-sale securities and other	57,216	38,362	(10,736)	204,965
Comprehensive income	332,377	184,593	459,016	459,827
Comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interests	57,636	35,549	83,499	98,767
Comprehensive income attributable to common stockholders	\$ 274,741	\$ 149,044	\$ 375,517	\$ 361,060

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

## Simon Property Group, Inc. and Subsidiaries

Unaudited Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Dollars in thousands)

For the Nine Months

		For the Nu Ended Sep	ne Months tember 30,
		010	2009
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Consolidated Net Income	\$	486,438	\$ 271,329
Adjustments to reconcile consolidated net income to net cash			
provided by operating activities			
Depreciation and amortization		731,393	765,325
Loss on debt extinguishment		350,688	
Impairment charge			140,478
Gain upon acquisition of controlling interest, and on sale or			
disposal of assets and interests in unconsolidated entities, net	(	(320,349)	
Straight-line rent		(18,467)	(20,376)
Equity in income of unconsolidated entities		(50,729)	(15,694)
Distributions of income from unconsolidated entities		76,811	75,883
Changes in assets and liabilities			
Tenant receivables and accrued revenue, net		39,692	83,518
Deferred costs and other assets		(5,536)	(38,415)
Accounts payable, accrued expenses, intangibles, deferred			
revenues and other liabilities		(4,469)	79,236
Net cash provided by operating activities	1.	,285,472	1,341,284
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CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
Acquisitions	(	(976,276)	
Funding of loans to related parties	•	(29,500)	(120,000)
Repayments on loans to related parties		10,500	4,700
Capital expenditures, net		(193,893)	(313,124)
Cash from acquisitions and cash impact from the consolidation of	`	(150,050)	(818,12.)
properties		27,015	
Net proceeds from sale of assets and interest in unconsolidated		,	
entities		301,425	
Investments in unconsolidated entities	(	(185,959)	(16,569)
Purchase of marketable and non-marketable securities		(14,939)	(132,984)
Sale of marketable securities		26,175	44,446
Distributions of capital from unconsolidated entities and other		165,304	162,827
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Net cash used in investing activities		(870,148)	(370,704)
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CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:			
Proceeds from sales of common stock and other		3,443	1,639,376
Preferred stock redemptions		(10,994)	(87,689)
Distributions to noncontrolling interest holders in properties		(16,971)	(21,668)
Contributions from noncontrolling interest holders in properties		352	2,798
Preferred distributions of the Operating Partnership		(1,836)	(10,451)
Preferred dividends and distributions to stockholders		(528,736)	(107,692)
Distributions to limited partners		(104,928)	(18,737)
Loss on debt extinguishment		(350,688)	(10,737)
Mortgage and other indebtedness proceeds, net of transaction	· ·	(220,000)	
costs	3	,742,137	3,121,880
Mortgage and other indebtedness principal payments		,093,247)	(2,516,248)
mongage and other medelections principal payments	(0)	,070,471)	(2,510,270)

Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities	(3,361,	468)	2,001,569
(DECREASE)/INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH			
EQUIVALENTS	(2,946,	144)	2,972,149
GACH AND GACH FOUNDATE FOR A CALL	2.055	<b>=</b> 10	550 544
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, beginning of period	3,957,	718	773,544
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CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, end of period	\$ 1,011,	<b>574</b> \$	3,745,693

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

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#### Simon Property Group, Inc. and Subsidiaries

#### **Condensed Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements**

(Unaudited)

(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts and where indicated in millions or billions)

### 1. Organization

Simon Property Group, Inc. is a Delaware corporation that operates as a self-administered and self-managed real estate investment trust, or REIT, under the Internal Revenue Code. Simon Property Group, L.P., or the Operating Partnership, is our majority-owned partnership subsidiary that owns all of our real estate properties. In these condensed notes to the unaudited consolidated financial statements, the terms "we", "us" and "our" refer to Simon Property Group, Inc., the Operating Partnership, and their subsidiaries.

We own, develop and manage retail real estate properties, which consist primarily of regional malls, Premium Outlets®, The Mills®, and community/lifestyle centers. As of September 30, 2010, we owned or held an interest in 338 income-producing properties in the United States, which consisted of 161 regional malls, 42 Premium Outlets, 66 community/lifestyle centers, 36 properties acquired in the 2007 acquisition of The Mills Corporation, or the Mills acquisition, 21 properties acquired in the 2010 acquisition of Prime Outlets Acquisition Company, or Prime, and 12 other shopping centers or outlet centers in 41 states and Puerto Rico. Of the 36 properties acquired in the Mills portfolio, 16 of these properties are The Mills, 16 are regional malls, and four are community centers. Internationally, as of September 30, 2010, we had ownership interests in 45 European shopping centers in Italy, eight Premium Outlets in Japan, one Premium Outlet in Mexico, and one Premium Outlet in South Korea. On July 15, 2010, as discussed in Note 9, we and our joint venture partner, Ivanhoe Cambridge, Inc., or Ivanhoe Cambridge, sold our collective interests in Simon Ivanhoe S.à.r.l., or Simon Ivanhoe, which owned seven shopping centers located in France and Poland.

#### 2. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements include the accounts of all majority-owned subsidiaries, and all significant intercompany amounts have been eliminated. Due to the seasonal nature of certain operational activities, the results for the interim period ended September 30, 2010 are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the full year.

These consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the instructions to Form 10-Q and include all of the information and disclosures required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (GAAP) for interim reporting. Accordingly, they do not include all of the disclosures required by GAAP for complete financial statements. In the opinion of management, all adjustments necessary for fair presentation (including normal recurring accruals) have been included. The consolidated financial statements in this Form 10-Q should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements and related notes contained in our 2009 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

As of September 30, 2010, we consolidated 218 wholly-owned properties and 19 additional properties that are less than wholly-owned, but which we control or for which we are the primary beneficiary. We account for the remaining 156 properties, or the joint venture properties, using the equity method of accounting. We manage the day-to-day operations of 92 of the 156 joint venture properties, but have determined that our partner or partners have substantive participating rights with respect to the assets and operations of these joint venture properties. Our investments in joint ventures in Europe, Japan, Mexico, and Korea comprise 55 of the remaining 64 properties. The international properties are managed locally by joint ventures in which we share oversight responsibility with our partner. Additionally, we account for our investment in SPG-FCM Ventures, LLC, or SPG-FCM, which acquired The Mills Corporation and its wholly-owned subsidiary, The Mills Limited Partnership, collectively Mills, in April 2007, using the equity method of accounting. We have determined that SPG-FCM is not a variable interest entity (VIE) and that Farallon Capital Management, L.L.C., or Farallon, our joint venture partner, has substantive participating rights with respect to the assets and operations of SPG-FCM pursuant to the applicable partnership agreements.

We allocate net operating results of the Operating Partnership after preferred distributions to third parties and to us based on the partners' respective weighted average ownership interests in the Operating Partnership. Net operating results of the Operating Partnership attributed to third parties are reflected in net income attributable to noncontrolling interests. Our weighted average ownership interest in the Operating Partnership was 83.3% and 82.1%

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for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively. As of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, our ownership interest in the Operating Partnership was 82.9% and 83.2%, respectively. We adjust the noncontrolling limited partners' interests at the end of each period to reflect their interest in the Operating Partnership.

Preferred distributions of the Operating Partnership represent distributions on outstanding preferred units at the time of declaration of partnership interests held by limited partners, or preferred units, and are included in net income attributable to noncontrolling interests.

#### Reclassifications

We made certain reclassifications of prior period amounts in the consolidated financial statements to conform to the 2010 presentation. These reclassifications had no impact on previously reported net income available to common stockholders or earnings per share.

### 3. Significant Accounting Policies

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

We consider all highly liquid investments purchased with an original maturity of 90 days or less to be cash and cash equivalents. Cash equivalents are carried at cost, which approximates fair value. Cash equivalents generally consist of commercial paper, bankers acceptances, Eurodollars, repurchase agreements, and money markets. Our gift card programs are administered by banks. We collect gift card funds at the point of sale and then remit those funds to the banks for further processing. As a result, cash and cash equivalents, as of September 30, 2010, include a balance of \$39.3 million related to these gift card programs which we do not consider available for general working capital purposes. Financial instruments that potentially subject us to concentrations of credit risk include our cash and cash equivalents and our trade accounts receivable. We place our cash and cash equivalents with institutions with high credit quality. However, at certain times, such cash and cash equivalents may be in excess of FDIC and SIPC insurance limits.

### Marketable and Non-Marketable Securities

Marketable securities consist primarily of the investments of our captive insurance subsidiaries, available-for-sale securities, our deferred compensation plan investments, and certain investments held to fund the debt service requirements of debt previously secured by investment properties that have been sold.

The types of securities included in the investment portfolio of our captive insurance subsidiaries typically include U.S. Treasury or other U.S. government securities as well as corporate debt securities with maturities ranging from less than 1 to 10 years. These securities are classified as available-for-sale and are valued based upon quoted market prices or other observable inputs when quoted market prices are not available. The amortized cost of debt securities, which approximates fair value, held by our captive insurance subsidiaries is adjusted for amortization of premiums and accretion of discounts to maturity. Changes in the values of these securities are recognized in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) until the gain or loss is realized or until any unrealized loss is deemed to be other-than-temporary. We review any declines in value of these securities for other-than-temporary impairment and consider the severity and duration of any decline in value. To the extent an other-than-temporary impairment is deemed to have occurred, an impairment charge is recorded and a new cost basis is established. Subsequent changes are then recognized through other comprehensive income (loss) unless another other-than-temporary impairment is deemed to have occurred.

Our investment in shares of Liberty International PLC, or Liberty, was also accounted for as an available-for-sale security. Effective at the close of business May 7, 2010, Liberty completed a demerger in which it was separated into two companies, Capital Shopping Centres Group PLC, or CSCG, and Capital & Counties Properties PLC, or CAPC. Liberty shareholders acquired the same number of shares of CSCG and CAPC as they owned in Liberty. Our interests in CSCG and CAPC are adjusted to their quoted market price, including a related foreign exchange component. At September 30, 2010, we owned 35.4 million shares of CSCG at a carrying cost of £3.03 per share, and 35.4 million shares of CAPC at a carrying cost of £0.94 per share. The mark-to-market adjustment from June 30, 2010 through September 30, 2010 was a \$55.0 million increase in the value of our investments with a corresponding adjustment in other comprehensive income (loss). The market value of our investments in CSCG and CAPC was \$205.5 million and \$73.3 million, respectively, at September 30, 2010. Our aggregate net unrealized gain on

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these investments was approximately \$47.0 million at September 30, 2010. The carrying value of our investment in Liberty at December 31, 2009 was \$290.0 million with an unrealized gain of \$58.2 million.

Our insurance subsidiaries are required to maintain statutory minimum capital and surplus as well as maintain a minimum liquidity ratio. Therefore, our access to these securities may be limited. Our deferred compensation plan investments are classified as trading securities and are valued based upon quoted market prices. The investments have a matching liability as the amounts are fully payable to the employees that earned the compensation. Changes in value of these securities and changes to the matching liability to employees are both recognized in earnings and, as a result, there is no impact to consolidated net income. As of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, we also had investments of \$25.1 million and \$51.7 million, respectively, which must be used to fund the debt service requirements of mortgage debt related to investment properties that previously collateralized the debt. These investments are classified as held-to-maturity and are recorded at amortized cost as we have the ability and intent to hold these investments to maturity.

At September 30, 2010 we had an investment of \$72.4 million in a non-marketable security that we account for under the cost method. We regularly evaluate this investment for any other-than-temporary decline in its estimated fair value.

Net unrealized gains as of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009 were approximately \$48.6 million and \$59.4 million, respectively, and represented the valuation and related currency adjustments for our marketable securities. As of September 30, 2010, we do not consider declines in value of any of our marketable and non-marketable securities to be an other-than-temporary impairment, as these market value declines, if any, have existed for a short period of time, and, in the case of debt securities, we have the ability and intent to hold these securities to maturity.

#### Loans Held for Investment

From time to time, we may make investments in mortgage loans or mezzanine loans of entities that own and operate commercial real estate assets located in the United States. Mortgage loans are secured, in part, by mortgages recorded against the underlying properties. Mezzanine loans are secured, in part, by pledges of ownership interests of the entities that own the underlying real estate. Loans held for investment are carried at cost, net of any premiums or discounts which are accreted or amortized over the life of the related loan receivable utilizing the effective interest method. We evaluate the collectability of both interest and principal of each of our loans quarterly to determine whether the value has been impaired. A loan is deemed to be impaired when, based on current information and events, it is probable that we will be unable to collect all amounts due according to the existing contractual terms. When a loan is impaired, the amount of the loss accrual is calculated by comparing the carrying amount of the loan held for investment to its estimated fair value.

Subsequent to the period ended September 30, 2010, we made investments in six mortgage and mezzanine loans with an aggregate carrying value of \$356.1 million. These loans mature at various dates through October 2012 with a weighted average maturity of approximately 13 months. Certain of these loans require interest-only payments while others require payments of interest and principal based on a 30 year amortization. The weighted average interest rate on these loans is approximately 5.9% which approximates market rates for instruments of similar quality and duration. Payments on each of these loans were current as of the date of our investment.

#### Fair Value Measurements

We hold marketable securities that totaled \$474.3 million and \$464.1 million at September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, respectively, and are considered to have Level 1 fair value inputs. In addition, we have derivative instruments which are classified as having Level 2 inputs which consist primarily of interest rate swap agreements and foreign currency forward contracts with a gross liability balance of \$37.4 million and \$13.0 million at September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, respectively, and minimal asset value at September 30, 2010 and \$0.3 million at December 31, 2009. We also have interest rate cap agreements with a minimal asset value. Level 1 fair value inputs are quoted prices for identical items in active, liquid and visible markets such as stock exchanges. Level 2 fair value inputs are observable information for similar items in active or inactive markets, and appropriately consider counterparty creditworthiness in the valuations. Level 3 fair value inputs reflect our best estimate of inputs and assumptions market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability at the measurement date. The inputs are unobservable in the market and significant to the valuation estimate. Note 6 includes a discussion of the fair value of debt.

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## Noncontrolling Interests and Temporary Equity

Details of the carrying amount of our noncontrolling interests are as follows:

	Sep	As of etember 30, 2010	D	As of ecember 31, 2009
Limited partners' interests in the Operating Partnership	\$	979,431	\$	892,603
Nonredeemable noncontrolling deficit interests in properties, net		(176,625)		(167,778)
Total noncontrolling interests reflected in equity	\$	802,806	\$	724,825

Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests (which includes nonredeemable noncontrolling interests in consolidated properties, limited partners' interests in the Operating Partnership and preferred distributions of the Operating Partnership) is a component of consolidated net income. In addition, the individual components of other comprehensive income (loss) are presented in the aggregate for both controlling and noncontrolling interests, with the portion attributable to noncontrolling interests deducted to arrive at comprehensive income attributable to common stockholders.

A rollforward of noncontrolling interests is as follows:

	For the Thr Ended Sept	 	For the Nin Ended Sept	
	2010	2009	2010	2009
Noncontrolling interests, beginning of period	\$ 736,084	\$ 696,063	\$ 724,825	\$ 488,969
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests after preferred distributions	48,596	24,980	86,322	49,726
Distributions to noncontrolling interest holders	(40,996)	(42,878)	(121,470)	(140,574)
Other Comprehensive income (loss) allocable to noncontrolling interests:				
Unrealized (loss) gain on interest rate hedge agreements	(2,241)	1,136	1,561	(205)
Net loss on derivative instruments reclassified from accumulated comprehensive income (loss)				
into interest expense	(698)	(636)	(2,000)	(1,932)
Currency translation adjustments	1,766	1,100	(2,070)	184
Changes in available-for-sale securities and other	9,735	6,846	(2,150)	40,543
	8,562	8,446	(4,659)	38,590
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Adjustment to limited partners' interest from increased ownership in the Operating Partnership	(112,879)	(26,214)	(101,536)	161,851
Units issued to limited partners	154,465	71,162	212,317	145,992
Units converted to common shares	(396)	(3,106)	(2,964)	(16,079)
Other	9,370	95	9,971	73
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Noncontrolling interests, end of period	\$ 802,806	\$ 728,548	\$ 802,806	\$ 728,548

#### **Derivative Financial Instruments**

We record all derivatives on the balance sheet at fair value. The accounting for changes in the fair value of derivatives depends on the intended use of the derivative, whether we have elected to designate a derivative in a hedging relationship and apply hedge accounting and whether the hedging relationship has satisfied the criteria necessary to apply hedge accounting. We use a variety of derivative financial instruments in the normal course of business primarily to manage or hedge the risks associated with our indebtedness and interest payments. Our objectives in using interest rate derivatives are to add stability to interest expense and to manage our exposure to interest rate movements. To accomplish this objective, we primarily use interest rate swaps and caps. We require that hedging derivative instruments be highly effective in reducing the risk exposure that they are designated to hedge. As a result, there was no significant ineffectiveness from any of our derivative activities during the period. We formally designate any instrument that meets these hedging criteria as a hedge at the inception of the derivative contract. We have no credit-risk-related hedging or derivative activities.

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As of September 30, 2010, we had the following outstanding interest rate derivatives related to interest rate risk:

Interest Rate Derivative	Number of Instruments	Notional Amount
Interest Rate Swaps	4	\$692.9 million
Interest Rate Caps	3	\$385.8 million

The carrying value of our interest rate swap agreements, at fair value, is included within other liabilities and was \$24.8 million and \$13.0 million at September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, respectively. At December 31, 2009, we also had interest rate swaps with a carrying value of \$0.3 million within deferred costs and other assets. The interest rate cap agreements were of no net value at September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009 and we generally do not apply hedge accounting to these arrangements. The total gross accumulated other comprehensive loss related to our derivative activities, including our share of the other comprehensive loss from joint venture properties, approximated \$56.6 million and \$52.3 million as of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, respectively.

We are also exposed to fluctuations in foreign exchange rates on financial instruments which are denominated in foreign currencies, primarily in Japan and Europe. We use currency forward contracts to manage our exposure to changes in foreign exchange rates on certain Yen and Euro-denominated receivables and net investments. Currency forward contracts involve fixing the Yen-USD or Euro-USD exchange rate for delivery of a specified amount of foreign currency on a specified date. The currency forward contracts are typically cash settled in US dollars for their fair value at or close to their settlement date. We entered into Yen-USD forward contracts during 2009 for approximately ¥3 billion that we expect to receive through April 2011 at an average exchange rate of 97.1 JPY:USD. We entered into Yen-USD forward contracts during 2010 for an additional ¥1.7 billion that we expect to receive through October 2012 at an average exchange rate of 89.0 JPY:USD. Approximately ¥1.9 billion remains as of September 30, 2010 for both the 2009 and 2010 contracts. The September 30, 2010 liability balance related to these forward contracts in earnings. The underlying currency adjustments on the foreign-denominated receivables are also reflected in income and generally offset the amounts in earnings for these forward contracts. During the third quarter of 2010, we entered into two Euro-USD forward contracts with an aggregate €200.0 million notional value maturing on June 30, 2011 which were designated as net investment hedges. The September 30, 2010 liability balance related to these forwards was \$11.0 million and is included in other liabilities and accrued dividends. We apply hedge accounting and the changes in fair value for these forward contracts are reflected in other comprehensive income (loss). Changes in the value of these hedges are offset by changes in the underlying hedged Euro-denominated joint venture investment.

#### Transaction Expenses

We expense acquisition, potential acquisition and disposition related costs as they are incurred. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, we incurred costs for the acquisition of Prime as further discussed in Note 9. Additionally, during the three months ended September 30, 2010, we settled, in cash, a transaction-related dispute and recorded a charge to earnings. These expenses are included within transaction expenses in the accompanying statements of operations and comprehensive income and totaled \$47.6 million and \$62.6 million during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, respectively.

#### 4. Per Share Data

We determine basic earnings per share based on the weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding during the period and we consider any participating securities for purposes of applying the two-class method. We determine diluted earnings per share based on the weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding combined with the incremental weighted average shares that would have been outstanding assuming all

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potentially dilutive common shares were converted into shares at the earliest date possible. The following table sets forth the computation of our basic and diluted earnings per share.

	For the Th Ended Sep	 	For the Ni Ended Sep	 
	2010	2009	2010	2009
Net Income available to Common Stockholders Basic	\$ 230,624	\$ 105,547	\$ 392,501	\$ 191,555
Effect of dilutive securities:				
Impact to General Partner's interest in Operating Partnership from all dilutive				
securities and options	34	669	65	32
Net Income available to Common Stockholders Diluted	\$ 230,658	\$ 106,216	\$ 392,566	\$ 191,587
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding Basic	292,830,418	281,430,338	290,450,848	261,355,448
Effect of stock options	258,710	336,896	287,505	291,433
Effect of contingently issuable shares from stock dividends		707,058		1,260,822
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding Diluted	293,089,128	282,474,292	290,738,353	262,907,703

For the nine months ended September 30, 2010, potentially dilutive securities include stock options, convertible preferred stock, units that are exchangeable for common stock, units granted under our long-term incentive performance programs and preferred units that are convertible into common units or exchangeable for our preferred stock. The only securities that had a dilutive effect for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010 were stock options. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009, the only securities that had a dilutive effect were stock options and contingently issuable shares from stock dividends. We accrue dividends when they are declared.

#### 5. Investment in Unconsolidated Entities

#### Real Estate Joint Ventures

Joint ventures are common in the real estate industry. We use joint ventures to finance properties, develop new properties, and diversify our risk in a particular property or portfolio. We held joint venture ownership interests in 101 properties in the United States as of September 30, 2010 and 103 properties as of December 31, 2009. We also held an interest in a joint venture which owned 45 European shopping centers as of September 30, 2010 and held an interest in two joint ventures which owned 51 European shopping centers as of December 31, 2009. At September 30, 2010, we also held interests in eight joint venture properties in Japan, one joint venture property in Mexico, and one joint venture property in South Korea. We account for these joint venture properties using the equity method of accounting.

Substantially all of our joint venture properties are subject to rights of first refusal, buy-sell provisions, or other sale or marketing rights for partners which are customary in real estate joint venture agreements and the industry. Our partners in these joint ventures may initiate these provisions at any time (subject to any applicable lock up or similar restrictions), which could result in either the sale of our interest or the use of available cash or borrowings to acquire a joint venture interest from our partner.

In May 2010, Opry Mills Mall, a property in which we have a 50% interest through our SPG-FCM joint venture, sustained significant flood damage and remains closed. Insurance proceeds of \$50 million have been funded by the insurers and remediation work has been completed. The excess insurance carriers (those providing coverage above \$50 million) have denied the joint venture's claim for additional proceeds (of up to \$150 million) to pay further amounts for restoration costs and business interruption losses. We believe recovery under the insurance coverage is probable, but no assurances can be made in that regard.

#### Loans to SPG-FCM

As part of the Mills acquisition, the Operating Partnership made loans to SPG-FCM and Mills which were used by SPG-FCM and Mills to repay loans and other obligations of Mills, including the redemption of preferred stock, during 2007. As of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, the outstanding balance of our remaining loan to SPG-FCM was \$651.0 million and \$632.0 million, respectively. During the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, we recorded approximately \$7.4 million and \$6.9 million in interest income (net of inter-entity eliminations), related to this loan, respectively. The loan bears interest at a rate of LIBOR plus 275 basis points and matures on June 8, 2011, and can be extended for one year.

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### **International Joint Venture Investments**

We account for all of our international joint venture investments using the equity method of accounting and we conduct our international operations through joint venture arrangements.

*European Joint Ventures.* We have a 49% ownership interest in Gallerie Commerciali Italia, or GCI. The carrying amount of our investment in GCI was \$314.5 million and \$302.2 million as of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, respectively, including all related components of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss). As further discussed in Note 9, we sold our interest in Simon Ivanhoe on July 15, 2010.

Asian Joint Ventures. We conduct our international Premium Outlet operations in Japan through our 40% participation in a joint venture with Mitsubishi Estate Co., Ltd. The carrying amount of our investment in this joint venture was \$324.7 million and \$302.2 million as of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, respectively, including all related components of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss). As of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, respectively, our investment in our Premium Outlet in Korea, for which we hold a 50% ownership interest, approximated \$30.3 million and \$26.1 million including all related components of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss).

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## **Summary Financial Information**

A summary of our investments in joint ventures and share of income from such joint ventures follows. Consolidation occurs when we acquire an additional interest in the joint venture and as a result, gain control of the property or become the primary beneficiary of a VIE. Balance sheet information for the joint ventures is as follows:

	September 30, 2010		December 31, 2009	
BALANCE SHEETS				
Assets:				
Investment properties, at cost	\$	21,120,220	\$	21,555,729
Less accumulated depreciation		4,941,621		4,580,679
		16,178,599		16,975,050
Cash and cash equivalents		795,166		771,045
Tenant receivables and accrued revenue, net		339,448		364,968
Investment in unconsolidated entities, at				
equity		177,136		235,173
Deferred costs and other assets		535,925		477,223
Total assets	\$	18,026,274	\$	18,823,459
Liabilities and Partners' Equity:				
Mortgages and other indebtedness	\$	15,862,783	\$	16,549,276
Accounts payable, accrued expenses,				
intangibles, and deferred revenue		778,213		834,668
Other liabilities		921,254		920,596
Total liabilities		17,562,250		18,304,540
Preferred units		67,450		67,450
Partners' equity		396,574		451,469
Total liabilities and partners' equity	\$	18,026,274	\$	18,823,459
Our Share of:				
Partners' equity	\$	235,502	\$	316,800
Add: Excess Investment		765,682		694,023
Our net Investment in Joint Ventures	\$	1,001,184	\$	1,010,823
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"Excess Investment" represents the unamortized difference of our investment over our share of the equity in the underlying net assets of the joint ventures acquired. We amortize excess investment over the life of the related properties, typically no greater than 40 years, and the amortization is included in the reported amount of income from unconsolidated entities.

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,					For Nine Mon Septem		
		2010	2009		2010		2009	
STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS								
Revenue:								
Minimum rent	\$	478,869	\$	488,052	\$	1,457,987	\$	1,445,618
Overage rent		38,283		34,204		94,620		85,141
Tenant reimbursements		234,769		243,201		699,384		719,845
Other income		77,518		37,039		176,245		115,946
Total revenue		829,439		802,496		2,428,236		2,366,550
Operating Expenses:		ĺ						
Property operating		167,653		178,291		477,386		489,616
Depreciation and amortization		195,679		194,727		591,763		580,215
Real estate taxes		61,080		57,262		191,779		190,036
Repairs and maintenance		21,869		26,413		75,643		77,048
Advertising and promotion		13,027		16,005		43,250		44,936
Provision for credit losses		(721)		3,523		718		18,910
Other		50,507		43,487		155,688		131,680
Total operating expenses		509,094		519,708		1,536,227		1,532,441
Operating Income		320,345		282,788		892,009		834,109
Interest expense		(218,238)		(221,166)		(653,419)		(661,586)
(Loss) income from								
unconsolidated entities		(327)		(3,170)		(1,368)		(2,383)
Gain on sale or disposal of assets (net) and interests in unconsolidated entities						39,761		
Net Income	\$	101,780	\$	58,452	\$	276,983	\$	170,140
Third-Party Investors' Share of Net Income	\$	66,542	\$	39,710	\$	170,231	\$	112,600
Our Share of Net Income		35,238		18,742		106,752		57,540
<b>Amortization of Excess</b>		·				·		
Investment		(12,695)		(14,087)		(35,676)		(41,846)
Our Share of Gain on Sale or Disposal of Assets (net)		(10)				(20,347)		
Income from Unconsolidated Entities	\$	22,533	\$	4,655	\$	50,729	\$	15,694

### 6. Debt

### **Unsecured Debt**

Our unsecured debt currently consists of \$10.0 billion of senior unsecured notes of the Operating Partnership and \$852.0 million outstanding under our unsecured revolving credit facility, or the Credit Facility. The Credit Facility has a borrowing capacity of \$3.9 billion and contains an accordion feature allowing the maximum borrowing capacity to expand to \$4.0 billion. The Credit Facility matures on March 31,

2013. The base interest on the Credit Facility is LIBOR plus 210 basis points and includes a facility fee of 40 basis points.

The total outstanding balance of the Credit Facility as of September 30, 2010 was \$852.0 million, and the maximum outstanding balance during the nine months ended September 30, 2010 was \$859.5 million. The

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September 30, 2010 balance included \$267.0 million (U.S. dollar equivalent) of Yen-denominated borrowings. Borrowings under the Credit Facility increased by \$352.0 million during the third quarter of 2010 primarily as a result of the acquisition of Prime partially offset by the repayment of  $\\mathbb{e}167.4$  million (approximately \$215 million) principal balance on the Euro-denominated tranche of the Credit Facility as further discussed in Note 9. During the nine months ended September 30, 2010, the weighted average outstanding balance on the Credit Facility was approximately \$487.9 million.

On January 12, 2010, the Operating Partnership commenced a cash tender offer for any and all senior unsecured notes of ten outstanding series with maturity dates ranging from 2011 to March 2013. The total principal amount of the notes accepted for purchase on January 26, 2010 was approximately \$2.3 billion, with a weighted average duration of 2.0 years and a weighted average coupon of 5.76%. The Operating Partnership purchased the tendered notes with cash on hand and the proceeds from an offering of \$2.25 billion of senior unsecured notes that closed on January 25, 2010. The senior notes offering was comprised of \$400.0 million of 4.20% notes due 2015, \$1.25 billion of 5.65% notes due 2020 and \$600.0 million of 6.75% notes due 2040. The weighted average duration of the notes offering was 14.4 years and the weighted average coupon was 5.69%. We recorded a \$165.6 million charge to earnings in the first quarter of 2010 as a result of the tender offer.

On March 18, 2010, the Operating Partnership repaid a \$300.0 million senior unsecured note, which had a fixed rate of 4.875%.

On June 15, 2010, the Operating Partnership repaid a \$400.0 million senior unsecured note, which had a fixed rate of 4.60%.

On August 16, 2010, the Operating Partnership repaid a \$400.0 million senior unsecured note, which had a fixed rate of 4.875%.

On August 9, 2010, the Operating Partnership commenced a cash tender offer for any and all senior unsecured notes of three outstanding series with maturity dates ranging from May 2013 to August 2014. The total principal amount of the notes accepted for purchase on August 17, 2010 was approximately \$1.33 billion, with a weighted average duration of 3.5 years and a weighted average coupon of 6.06%. The Operating Partnership purchased the tendered notes with cash on hand and the proceeds from an offering of \$900.0 million of 4.375% senior unsecured notes that closed on August 16, 2010. The senior notes are due on March 1, 2021. We recorded a \$185.1 million charge to earnings in the third quarter of 2010 as a result of the tender offer.

#### Secured Debt

Total secured indebtedness was \$6.6 billion at September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009. During the nine months ended September 30, 2010, we unencumbered five properties by repaying \$1.1 billion in mortgage loans with a weighted average interest rate of 4.35%.

On May 13, 2010, we acquired a property located in Barceloneta, Puerto Rico subject to an existing \$75.2 million mortgage loan. The loan matures on May 1, 2014 and bears interest at LIBOR plus 225 basis points with a LIBOR floor of 1.50%.

In connection with our acquisition of Prime, we assumed existing mortgage loans of approximately \$1.2 billion which bear interest at fixed rates ranging from 5.51% and 6.01% and mature at various dates throughout 2016.

## Fair Value of Debt

The carrying value of our variable-rate mortgages and other loans approximates their fair values. We estimate the fair values of consolidated fixed-rate mortgages using cash flows discounted at current borrowing rates and other indebtedness using cash flows discounted at current market rates. We estimate the fair values of consolidated fixed-rate unsecured notes using quoted market prices, or, if no quoted market prices are available, we use quoted market prices for securities with similar terms and maturities. The book value of our consolidated fixed-rate mortgages and other indebtedness, excluding those with an associated fixed to floating swap, was \$14.8 billion and \$16.1 billion as of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, respectively. The fair values of financial instruments and our related

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discount rate assumptions used in the estimation of fair value for our consolidated fixed-rate mortgages and other indebtedness as of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009 are summarized as follows:

	Sep	tember 30, 2010	De	2009
Fair value of fixed-rate mortgages and other indebtedness	\$	16,361	\$	16,580
Weighted average discount rates assumed in calculation of fair value for fixed-rate mortgages		5.03%	o o	6.11%

#### 7. Equity

During the first nine months of 2010, we issued 192,122 shares of common stock to thirty-seven limited partners in exchange for an equal number of units.

As of the end of the first quarter of 2010 and through April 14, 2010, holders of our Series I 6% Convertible Perpetual Preferred Stock, or Series I Preferred Stock, and holders of the Operating Partnership's 6% Series I Convertible Perpetual Preferred Units, or Series I Preferred Units, could elect to convert their Series I Preferred Stock into shares of our common stock or Series I Preferred Units into units of the Operating Partnership or Series I Preferred Stock. The optional conversion election resulted from the closing sale price of our common stock exceeding the applicable trigger price per share for a period of 20 trading days in the last 30 trading days of the prior quarter. Each share of Series I Preferred Stock and Series I Preferred Unit was convertible into common stock or units at a conversion ratio of .847495.

On March 17, 2010, we announced that we would redeem all of the outstanding shares of our Series I Preferred Stock and the Operating Partnership's Series I Preferred Units on April 16, 2010. The redemption price was equal to the liquidation value per share plus accumulated and unpaid dividends through the redemption date or \$50.4917 per share or unit.

Through the redemption date of April 16, 2010, holders of Series I Preferred Stock converted 7,871,276 shares of Series I Preferred Stock into 6,670,589 shares of our common stock and holders of Series I Preferred Units converted 1,017,480 Series I Preferred Units into 862,292 units of the Operating Partnership at a conversion ratio of .847495. We redeemed the remaining 219,879 shares of Series I Preferred Stock for \$50.4917 per share for an aggregate cash redemption payment of \$11.1 million including accrued dividends.

On May 13, 2010, the Operating Partnership issued 77,798 units to the owners of Prime in connection with the acquisition of an outlet center located in Barceloneta, Puerto Rico.

On August 30, 2010, the Operating Partnership issued 1,720,671 units to the owners of Prime in connection with the acquisition of 20 outlet centers as discussed in Note 9.

### Stock Based Compensation

The Compensation Committee of our Board of Directors, or the Board, awarded 1,449 shares of restricted stock as part of the 2008 stock incentive program created under The Simon Property Group, L.P. 1998 Stock Incentive Plan, or the Plan, to employees on April 1, 2010 at a fair market value of \$85.01 per share, and a special award of 113,403 on March 16, 2010 at a fair market value of \$84.18 per share. On May 6, 2010, our non-employee Directors were awarded 8,137 shares of restricted stock under the Plan at a fair market value of \$84.88 per share. The fair market value of the restricted stock awarded on March 16 and April 1, 2010 is being recognized as expense over the four-year vesting service period. The fair market value of the restricted stock awarded on May 6, 2010 is being recognized as expense over a one-year vesting service period. We issued shares held in treasury to make the awards.

On March 16, 2010, the Compensation Committee of our Board approved a Long-Term Incentive Performance Program, or LTIP Program, for certain of our senior executive officers. Awards under the LTIP Program take the form of LTIP Units, a form of limited partnership interest issued by the Operating Partnership. Awarded LTIP Units will be forfeited, in whole or in part, depending on the extent to which our total stockholder return, or TSR, as defined, over the performance period exceeds certain performance targets. During the performance period, participants are entitled to receive 10% of the regular quarterly distributions paid on a unit of the Operating Partnership. As a result, we account for these LTIP awards as participating securities under the two-class method of computing earnings per share. Awarded LTIP Units will be considered earned depending upon the extent to which the applicable TSR benchmarks

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are achieved during the performance period and, once earned, will become the equivalent of units of limited partnership interest of the Operating Partnership after a two year service-based vesting period, beginning after the end of the performance period. Units are exchangeable for shares of our common stock on a one-for-one basis, or cash, as selected by us.

The Compensation Committee awarded LTIP Units under three LTIP Programs having one, two and three year performance periods, which end on December 31, 2010, 2011 and 2012. We refer to these three programs as the one, two and three year 2010 LTIP Programs, or the 2010 LTIP Programs. After the end of each performance period, any earned LTIP Units will then be subject to service-based vesting over a period of two years. One-half of the earned LTIP Units will vest on January 1 of each of the second and third years following the end of the applicable performance period, subject to the participant maintaining employment with us through those dates.

The awards made pursuant to the 2010 LTIP Programs have an aggregate grant date fair value, adjusted for estimated forfeitures and as determined in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification Topic 718, of \$7.2 million for the one-year program, \$14.8 million for the two-year program and \$23.0 million for the three-year program. Grant date fair value was estimated based upon the results of a Monte Carlo model, and the resulting expense will be recorded regardless of whether the TSR benchmarks are achieved. The grant date fair value is being amortized into expense over the period from the grant date to the date at which the awards, if any, become vested. During the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2010, we recognized \$3.1 million and \$9.4 million, respectively, of compensation expense under the LTIP Programs.

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## Changes in Equity

The following table provides a reconciliation of the beginning and ending carrying amounts of total equity, equity attributable to common stockholders and equity attributable to noncontrolling interests:

			Ac	cumulated					
				Other			Common		
				nprehensive			Stock		
	eferred			Income	Excess of	cumulated		Noncontrolling	Total
	Stock	ock		(Loss)	Par Value	Deficit	Treasury	interests	Equity
January 1, 2010	\$ 45,704	\$ 29	\$	(3,088)	\$ 7,547,959	(2,955,671)	\$ (176,796)		\$ 5,182,962
Conversion of limited partner units					2,964			(2,964)	
Series I preferred unit conversion to limited									
partner units								50,874	50,874
Series I preferred stock conversion to common									
stock		1			393,563				393,564
Issuance of limited partner units								161,443	161,443
Other	(246)				5,522	(13,562)	10,360	9,971	12,045
Adjustment to limited partners' interest from									
increased ownership in the Operating Partnership					101,536			(101,536)	
Distributions to common shareholders and limited									
partners, excluding Operating Partnership									
preferred interests						(528,736)		(104,928)	(633,664)
Distributions to other noncontrolling interest									
partners								(16,542)	(16,542)
Comprehensive income (loss), excluding									
preferred distributions on temporary equity									
preferred units of \$1,836				(22,763)		398,280		81,663	457,180
September 30, 2010	\$ 45,458	\$ 30	\$	(25,851)	\$ 8,051,544	\$ (3,099,689)	\$ (166,436)	\$ 802,806	\$ 5,607,862

## 8. Commitments and Contingencies

#### Litigation

We are involved from time-to-time in various legal proceedings that arise in the ordinary course of our business, including, but not limited to commercial disputes, environmental matters, and litigation in connection with transactions including acquisitions and divestitures. We believe that such litigation, claims and administrative proceedings will not have a material adverse impact on our financial position or our results of operations. We record a liability when a loss is considered probable and the amount can be reasonably estimated.

### Guarantees of Indebtedness

Our joint ventures typically fund their cash needs through secured debt financings obtained by and in the name of the joint venture entity. The joint venture debt is secured by a first mortgage, is without recourse to the joint venture partners, and does not represent a liability of the partners, except to the extent the partners or their affiliates expressly guarantee the joint venture debt. As of September 30, 2010, the Operating Partnership had guaranteed \$61.3 million of the total joint venture related mortgage or other indebtedness of \$6.5 billion then outstanding.

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### 9. Real Estate Acquisitions and Dispositions

During the nine months ended September 30, 2010, we disposed of one regional mall, one community center, two other retail properties, and our interest in eight international joint venture properties for an aggregate net gain of \$307.4 million. During the three months ended September 30, 2010, we also acquired a controlling interest in a previously unconsolidated regional mall which resulted in a remeasurement of our previously held equity interest to fair value and corresponding gain of approximately \$13.0 million. These gains are included in gain upon acquisition of controlling interest and on sale or disposal of assets and interests in unconsolidated entities, net in the accompanying statements of operations and comprehensive income.

On May 28, 2010, we acquired an additional interest of approximately 19% in Houston Galleria, located in Houston, Texas thereby increasing our noncontrolling interest from 31.5% to 50.4%.

On August 30, 2010, we completed our previously announced transaction to acquire 21 outlet centers from Prime, including a center located in Puerto Rico, which was acquired on May 13, 2010. The transaction was valued at approximately \$2.3 billion, including the assumption of existing mortgage indebtedness of \$1.2 billion and the repayment of \$310.7 million of mortgage loans at closing.

We paid aggregate consideration to Prime's owners of approximately \$0.7 billion, comprised of 80% cash and 20% in units of the Operating Partnership. We issued approximately 1.7 million units with an issuance date fair value of approximately \$154.5 million. We funded the cash portion of this acquisition through draws on our Credit Facility.

The following table summarizes the amounts of assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the acquisition date:

	Total		
	(in millions)		
Investment properties	\$	2,167	
Cash and cash equivalents		26	
Tenant receivables and accrued			
revenue, net		4	
Deferred costs and other assets			
(including intangibles)		234	
Total assets	\$	2,431	
Mortgages and other indebtedness			
(including premium of \$28)	\$	1,270	
Accounts payable, accrued			
expenses, intangibles and other		29	
Other liabilities		18	
Total liabilities	\$	1,317	

Acquisition related intangibles relate to in-place leases of \$193.6 million and were recorded based on their estimated fair values and are reflected within deferred costs and other assets in the accompanying financial statements. The weighted average useful life of these intangibles is approximately 6 years and is amortized over the remaining life of the related leases on a straight-line basis and is included within depreciation and amortization in the consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive income.

We recorded our acquisition of these 21 outlet centers using the acquisition method of accounting. Tangible and intangible assets and liabilities were established based on their estimated fair values at the date of acquisition. The results of operations of the acquired properties have been included in our consolidated results from the date of acquisition. The purchase price allocations are not finalized and are subject to change within the measurement period, not to exceed one year from the date of acquisition.

On July 15, 2010, we and our partner in Simon Ivanhoe, Ivanhoe Cambridge, sold our collective interests in Simon Ivanhoe which owned seven shopping centers located in France and Poland to Unibail-Rodamco. The joint venture partners received net consideration of €422.5 million for their interests after the repayment of all joint venture debt, subject to certain post-closing adjustments. Our share of the gain on sale of our interests in Simon Ivanhoe was approximately \$281 million. A portion of the proceeds was used to repay the €167.4 million (approximately \$215 million) principal balance on the Euro-denominated tranche of our Credit Facility.

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## 10. Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncement

On January 1, 2010, we adopted the amendment on the accounting and disclosure requirements for the consolidation of variable interest entities (VIEs). This amendment requires an enterprise to perform a qualitative analysis when determining whether or not it must consolidate a VIE. The amendment also requires an enterprise to continuously reassess whether it must consolidate a VIE. Additionally, the amendment requires enhanced disclosures about an enterprise's involvement with VIEs and any significant change in risk exposure due to that involvement, as well as how its involvement with VIEs impacts the enterprise's financial statements. Finally, an enterprise will be required to disclose significant judgments and assumptions used to determine whether or not to consolidate a VIE. The adoption of this amendment did not have a significant impact on our financial position, results of operations, or cash flows.

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#### Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

You should read the following discussion in conjunction with the financial statements and notes thereto included in this report.

#### Overview

Simon Property Group, Inc., or Simon Property, is a Delaware corporation that operates as a self-administered and self-managed real estate investment trust, or REIT, under the Internal Revenue Code. To qualify as a REIT, among other things, a company must distribute at least 90 percent of its taxable income to its stockholders annually. Taxes are paid by stockholders on ordinary dividends received and any capital gains distributed. Most states also follow this federal treatment and do not require REITs to pay state income tax. Simon Property Group, L.P., or the Operating Partnership, is a majority-owned partnership subsidiary that owns all of our real estate properties. In this discussion, the terms "we", "us" and "our" refer to Simon Property Group, Inc. and its subsidiaries.

We own, develop, and manage retail real estate properties, which consist primarily of regional malls, Premium Outlets®, The Mills®, and community/lifestyle centers. As of September 30, 2010, we owned or held an interest in 338 income-producing properties in the United States, which consisted of 161 regional malls, 42 Premium Outlets, 66 community/lifestyle centers, 36 properties acquired in the 2007 acquisition of The Mills Corporation, or Mills, 21 properties acquired in the 2010 acquisition of Prime Outlets Acquisition Company, or Prime, and 12 other shopping centers or outlet centers in 41 states and Puerto Rico. Of the 36 properties in the Mills portfolio, 16 of these properties are The Mills, 16 are regional malls, and four are community centers. Internationally, as of September 30, 2010, we had ownership interests in 45 European shopping centers in Italy, eight Premium Outlets in Japan, one Premium Outlet in Mexico, and one Premium Outlet in South Korea. On July 15, 2010, we and our joint venture partner sold our collective interests in Simon Ivanhoe S.à.r.l., or Simon Ivanhoe, which owned seven shopping centers located in France and Poland.

We generate the majority of our revenues from leases with retail tenants including:

Base minimum rents.

Overage and percentage rents based on tenants' sales volume, and

Recoveries of substantially all of our recoverable expenditures, which consist of property operating, real estate taxes, repair and maintenance, and advertising and promotional expenditures.

Revenues of our management company, after intercompany eliminations, consist primarily of management fees that are typically based upon a percentage of the revenues of the property being managed.

We seek growth in earnings, funds from operations, or FFO, and cash flows by enhancing the profitability and operation of our properties and investments. We seek to accomplish this growth through the following:

Focusing on leasing to increase revenues and using economies of scale to reduce operating expenses,

Expanding and re-tenanting existing franchise locations at competitive market rates,

Selectively acquiring high quality real estate assets or portfolios of assets, and

Selling non-core assets.

We also grow by generating supplemental revenues from the following activities:

Establishing our malls as leading market resource providers for retailers and other businesses and consumer-focused corporate alliances, including: payment systems (such as handling fees relating to the sales of bank-issued prepaid cards), national marketing alliances, static and digital media initiatives, business development, sponsorship, and events,

Offering property operating services to our tenants and others, including waste handling and facility services, and the sale of energy,

Selling or leasing land adjacent to our shopping center properties, commonly referred to as "outlots" or "outparcels," and

Generating interest income on cash deposits and loans made to related entities.

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We focus on high quality real estate across the retail real estate spectrum. We expand or renovate to enhance profitability and market share of existing assets when we believe the investment of our capital meets our risk-reward criteria. We selectively develop new properties in metropolitan areas that exhibit strong population and economic growth.

We routinely review and evaluate acquisition opportunities based on their ability to complement our portfolio. Our international strategy includes partnering with established real estate companies and financing international investments with local currency to minimize foreign exchange risk.

To support our growth, we employ a three-fold capital strategy:

Provide the capital necessary to fund growth,

Maintain sufficient flexibility to access capital in many forms, both public and private, and

Manage our overall financial structure in a fashion that preserves our investment grade credit ratings. *Results Overview* 

Diluted earnings per common share increased \$0.62 during the first nine months of 2010, or 84.9%, to \$1.35 from \$0.73 for the same period last year. Significant factors contributing to the year-over-year change included:

improved operating performance and core business fundamentals in 2010,

a gain due to acquisition of controlling interest, sale or disposal of assets and interests in unconsolidated entities, net of \$320.3 million, or \$0.92 per diluted share, primarily driven by the sale of our interest in Simon Ivanhoe in the third quarter of 2010.

a \$350.7 million, or \$1.00 per diluted share, debt extinguishment charge recorded during the first nine months of 2010 related to our two senior unsecured notes tender offers, and

in 2009, a \$140.5 million, or \$0.45 per diluted share, other-than-temporary impairment charge related to our investment in Liberty International PLC, or Liberty, recorded in 2009 due to the significance and duration of the decline in quoted fair value, including related currency exchange component, below the carrying value of the securities.

Core business fundamentals during the first nine months of 2010 improved from the difficult economic environment that existed during the first nine months of 2009. Comparable sales per square foot, or psf, increased to \$483 psf, or 7.6%, for our Regional Malls and Premium Outlets. Average base rents increased 0.9% to \$38.69 psf as of September 30, 2010, from \$38.35 psf as of September 30, 2009. Leasing spreads remained positive as we were able to lease available square feet at higher rents than the expiring rental rates resulting in a leasing spread of \$1.13 psf as of September 30, 2010, representing a 2.8% increase over expiring rents. Occupancy was 93.6% as of September 30, 2010, as compared to 92.8% as of September 30, 2009, an increase of 80 basis points.

Our effective overall borrowing rate at September 30, 2010 decreased two basis points to 5.60% as compared to 5.62% at September 30, 2009. This decrease was primarily due to a \$1.4 billion decrease in our portfolio of fixed rate debt (\$15.5 billion at September 30, 2010 as compared to \$16.9 billion at September 30, 2009) that was offset in part by an increase in effective overall borrowing rate on variable rate debt of 82 basis points (1.93% at September 30, 2010 as compared to 1.11% at September 30, 2009) as a result of increased borrowing spreads and LIBOR floors. At September 30, 2010, the weighted average years to maturity of our consolidated indebtedness was approximately 5.9 years as compared to December 31, 2009 of approximately 4.1 years. Our financing activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, included:

completing two separate cash tender offers for several outstanding series of senior unsecured notes. The first tender offer was for any and all senior unsecured notes of ten outstanding series with maturity dates ranging from 2011 to March 2013.

The total principal amount of the notes accepted for purchase on January 26, 2010 was approximately \$2.3 billion, with a weighted average duration of 2.0 years and a weighted coupon of 5.76%. The Operating Partnership purchased the tendered notes with cash on hand and the proceeds from an offering of \$2.25 billion of senior unsecured notes which closed on January 25, 2010. The senior notes offering was comprised of \$400.0 million of 4.20% notes due 2015, \$1.25 billion of 5.65% notes due 2020 and \$600.0 million of 6.75% notes due 2040. The weighted average duration of the notes offering was 14.4 years

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and the weighted average coupon was 5.69%. We reported a \$165.6 million loss on extinguishment of debt in the first quarter of 2010 as a result of the tender offer.

the second cash tender offer was for any and all unsecured notes of three outstanding series with maturity dates ranging from May 2013 to August 2014. The total principal amount of the notes accepted for purchase on August 17, 2010 was approximately \$1.33 billion, with a weighted average duration of 3.5 years and a weighted average coupon of 6.06%. The Operating Partnership purchased the tendered notes with cash on hand and the proceeds from an offering of \$900.0 million of 4.375% senior unsecured notes which closed on August 16, 2010. The senior notes are due on March 1, 2021. We reported a \$185.1 million loss on extinguishment of debt in the third quarter of 2010 as a result of the tender offer.

acquiring an outlet center located in Barceloneta, Puerto Rico from Prime on May 13, 2010 subject to an existing \$75.2 million variable-rate mortgage, which matures on May 1, 2014 and bears interest at a rate of LIBOR plus 225 basis points with a LIBOR floor of 1.50%.

completing our acquisition of an additional 20 outlet centers from Prime on August 30, 2010 subject to existing mortgage loans of approximately \$1.2 billion which bear interest at fixed rates ranging from 5.51% to 6.01% and mature at various dates throughout 2016.

increasing our borrowings on our unsecured revolving credit facility, or Credit Facility, to \$852.0 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2010.

redeeming a \$300.0 million maturing unsecured note which had a fixed rate of 4.875%.

redeeming a \$400.0 million maturing unsecured note which had a fixed rate of 4.60%.

redeeming a \$400.0 million maturing unsecured note which had a fixed rate of 4.875%.

unencumbering five properties by repaying \$1.1 billion in mortgage loans with a weighted average interest rate of 4.35%.

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## United States Portfolio Data

The portfolio data discussed in this overview includes the following key operating statistics: occupancy, average base rent per square foot, and comparable sales per square foot for our domestic assets. We include acquired properties in this data beginning in the year of acquisition and remove properties sold in the year disposed. For comparative purposes, we separate the information below related to community/lifestyle centers, the Mills properties and Mills Regional Malls, from our other U.S. operations. We also do not include any properties located outside of the United States. The following table sets forth these key operating statistics for:

properties that are consolidated in our consolidated financial statements,

properties we account for under the equity method of accounting as joint ventures, and

the foregoing two categories of properties on a total portfolio basis.

	Sep	tember 30, 2010	Sep	otember 30, 2009	%/basis point Change(1)
U.S. Regional Malls and Premium Outlets(2):		2010		2003	Change (1)
Occupancy					
Consolidated		94.2%		93.4%	+80 bps
Unconsolidated		91.6%		90.9%	+70 bps
Total Portfolio		93.6%		92.8%	+80 bps
Average Base Rent per Square Foot					
Consolidated	\$	37.11	\$	36.73	1.0%
Unconsolidated	\$	43.50	\$	43.18	0.7%
Total Portfolio	\$	38.69	\$	38.35	0.9%
Comparable Sales per Square Foot					
Consolidated	\$	474	\$	443	7.0%
Unconsolidated	\$	516	\$	470	9.8%
Total Portfolio	\$	483	\$	449	7.6%
The Mills:					
Occupancy		92.9%		92.4%	+50 bps
Average Base Rent per Square Foot	\$	19.82	\$	19.66	0.8%
Comparable Sales per Square Foot	\$	382	\$	369	3.5%
Mills Regional Malls:					
Occupancy		90.1%		88.9%	+120 bps
Average Base Rent per Square Foot	\$	35.03	\$	35.64	-1.7%
Comparable Sales per Square Foot	\$	400	\$	388	3.1%
<b>Community/Lifestyle Centers:</b>					
Occupancy		91.7%		88.9%	+280 bps
Average Base Rent per Square Foot	\$	13.39	\$	13.34	0.4%

<sup>(1)</sup>Percentages may not recalculate due to rounding. Percentages and basis point changes are representative of the change from the comparable prior period.

Occupancy Levels and Average Base Rent Per Square Foot. Occupancy and average base rent are based on gross leasable area, or GLA, owned by us in the regional malls, all tenants at the Premium Outlets, all tenants in the Mills

<sup>(2)</sup>For comparative purposes, U.S. Regional Malls and Premium Outlets statistical data do not include the 21 properties acquired from Prime. As of September 30, 2010, the Occupancy rate of these properties was 94.7%, Average Base Rent per Square Foot was \$24.52, and Sales per Square Foot were \$406.

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portfolio, and all tenants at community/lifestyle centers. Our portfolio has maintained stable occupancy while average base rents have increased.

Comparable Sales Per Square Foot. Comparable sales include total reported retail tenant sales at owned GLA (for mall and freestanding stores with less than 10,000 square feet) in the regional malls and all reporting tenants at the Premium Outlets and the Mills. Retail sales at Owned GLA affect revenue and profitability levels because sales determine the amount of minimum rent that can be charged, the percentage rent realized, and the recoverable expenses (common area maintenance, real estate taxes, etc.) that tenants can afford to pay.

#### International Property Data

The following key operating statistics are provided for our international properties, which we account for using the equity method of accounting.

	September 30, 2010		Se	eptember 30, 2009	%/basis point Change
European Shopping Centers:(1)					
Occupancy		97.3%		95.8%	+150 bps
Comparable Sales per Square Foot	€	386	€	406	-4.9%
Average Base Rent per Square Foot	€	26.60	€	31.66	-16.0%
<b>International Premium Outlets:</b> (2)					
Occupancy		99.2%		99.7%	-50 bps
Comparable Sales per Square Foot	¥	89,351	¥	93,930	-4.9%
Average Base Rent per Square Foot	¥	4,792	¥	4,711	1.7%

- (1)
  The September 30, 2010 statistics exclude the seven shopping centers located in France and Poland as a result of our July 15, 2010 sale of our interest in Simon Ivanhoe.
- (2)
  Does not include our centers in Mexico (Premium Outlets Punta Norte) or South Korea (Yeoju Premium Outlets).

#### **Results of Operations**

In addition to the activity discussed above in the "Results Overview" section, the following acquisitions, dispositions, property openings and other activity affected our consolidated results from continuing operations in the comparative periods:

During the first nine months of 2010, we disposed of one regional mall, one community center, and an other retail property.

On August 30, 2010 we completed our previously announced transaction to acquire 20 outlet centers from Prime.

On August 1, 2010, we acquired a controlling interest in a previously unconsolidated regional mall.

On May 13, 2010 we acquired an outlet center located in Barceloneta, Puerto Rico from Prime.

On March 11, 2010, we opened Phase II of The Domain, in Austin, Texas.

During 2009, we sold four consolidated properties consisting of three community centers and one other retail property.

During the fourth quarter of 2009, we recognized a \$20 million loss on our joint venture interests in our shopping centers in China resulting from the sale of our interests to affiliates of our Chinese partner for approximately \$29 million.

On August 6, 2009, we opened Cincinnati Premium Outlets, a 400,000 square foot outlet located in Warren County, Ohio, north of Cincinnati.

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On April 23, 2009, we opened The Promenade at Camarillo Premium Outlets, a 220,000 square foot expansion located in Ventura County, north of Los Angeles.

In addition to the activities discussed in "Results Overview," the following acquisitions, dispositions and property openings affected our income from unconsolidated entities in the comparative periods:

During the first nine months of 2010, we disposed of an other retail property.

On July 15, 2010, we and our partner in Simon Ivanhoe, Ivanhoe Cambridge, Inc., or Ivanhoe Cambridge, sold our collective interests in Simon Ivanhoe which owned seven shopping centers located in France and Poland to Unibail-Rodamco.

On May 28, 2010, we acquired an additional interest of approximately 19% in Houston Galleria, located in Houston, Texas thereby increasing our interest from 31.5% to 50.4%.

On April 29, 2010, Gallerie Commerciali Italia, or GCI, one of our European joint ventures in which we hold a 49% ownership interest, sold its 40% interest in Porta di Roma for €71 million.

On March 25, 2010, GCI opened Catania, a 642,000 square foot shopping center in Sicily, Italy.

On March 2, 2010, GCI opened Argine, a 300,000 square foot shopping center in Naples, Italy.

On July 9, 2009, Chelsea Japan Company, Ltd., the joint venture which operates the Japanese Premium Outlets in which we have a 40% ownership interest, opened Ami Premium Outlets located in Ami, Japan.

For the purposes of the following comparison between the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, the above transactions are referred to as the "property transactions." In the following discussions of our results of operations, "comparable" refers to properties open and operating throughout the periods in both 2010 and 2009.

### Three Months Ended September 30, 2010 vs. Three Months Ended September 30, 2009

Minimum rents increased \$35.0 million during the 2010 period, of which the property transactions accounted for \$21.2 million of the increase. Comparable rents increased \$13.8 million, or 2.4%. This was primarily due to an increase in minimum rents of \$11.5 million due to occupancy gains, an increase in rents from carts, kiosks, and other temporary tenants of \$1.7 million and a \$1.4 million increase in straight-line rents, partially offset by a \$0.8 million decrease attributable to a decline in the fair market value of in-place lease amortization. Overage rent increased \$6.5 million, or 32.8%, as a result of an increase in tenant sales for the period as compared to the prior period.

Total other income increased \$7.4 million, and was principally the result of the following:

an increase in lease settlement income of \$9.1 million and

an increase in other net activity of \$1.4 million,

offset by a decrease in interest income of \$3.1 million.

The (recovery of) provision for credit losses decreased \$2.4 million due to a reduction in the number of tenants in default and a decrease in the number of tenants in bankruptcy proceedings compared to the third quarter of 2009. We also had strong collections of receivables which we had previously established reserves for due to uncertainty of payment.

During the quarter ended September 30, 2010, we incurred \$47.6 million in transaction expenses related to acquisitions, potential acquisitions, and the settlement of a transaction-related dispute.

The third quarter of 2010 included a loss on extinguishment of debt of \$185.1 million related to the August 2010 unsecured note tender offer.

Income from unconsolidated entities increased \$17.9 million primarily due to the sale of a non-retail building and favorable results of operations over the prior period, acquisition of additional interests in joint venture properties and opening and expansion activity.

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We recorded a gain upon acquisition of a controlling interest and the sale of unconsolidated entities of \$294.3 million primarily due to our share of the gain on the sale of our interest in Simon Ivanhoe and the gain on the acquisition of a controlling interest in a regional mall previously accounted for under the equity method.

Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests increased \$22.0 million primarily due to an increase in the income of the Operating Partnership.

Preferred dividends decreased \$5.7 million as a result of the conversion and redemption of the remaining Series I 6% Convertible Perpetual Preferred Stock, or the Series I preferred stock, in the second quarter of 2010.

#### Nine Months Ended September 30, 2010 vs. Nine Months Ended September 30, 2009

Minimum rents increased \$47.8 million during the 2010 period of which the property transactions accounted for \$27.3 million of the increase. Comparable rents increased \$20.5 million, or 1.2%. The increase in comparable minimum rents was primarily attributable to a \$23.4 million increase in base minimum rents and a \$4.3 million increase in comparable rents from carts, kiosks, and other temporary tenants, partially offset by a \$4.0 million decline in the fair market value of in-place lease amortization and a \$3.2 million decrease in straight-line rents. Overage rents increased \$8.2 million, or 17.9%, as a result of an increase in tenant sales for the period as compared to the prior year.

Management fees and other revenues decreased \$3.8 million principally as a result of decreased fee revenue due to the reduced level of development activity in 2010.

Total other income increased \$38.0 million, and was principally the result of the following:

an increase in lease settlement income of \$29.0 million,

an increase in interest income of \$7.8 million and

an increase in other net activity of \$1.2 million.

Property operating costs decreased \$11.1 million, or 3.4%, primarily related to lower utility costs resulting from our cost control and reduction initiatives.

Depreciation and amortization expense decreased \$51.8 million due to the impact of the acceleration of depreciation in 2009 for certain properties scheduled for redevelopment, offset by a slight increase as a result of openings and expansion activity and the acquisition of the Prime properties.

The (recovery of) provision for credit losses decreased \$21.4 million due to a reduction in the number of tenants in default and a decrease in the number of tenants in bankruptcy proceedings compared to the same period in 2009. We also had strong collections of receivables which we had previously established reserves for due to uncertainty of payment.

Home and regional office expense decreased \$7.0 million primarily due to decreased personnel costs attributable to our cost control initiatives and a final payment for a long-term incentive compensation plan.

During 2009, we recognized a non-cash charge of \$140.5 million representing the other-than-temporary impairment in the fair value of our investment in Liberty.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2010, we incurred \$62.6 million in transaction expenses related to acquisitions, potential acquisitions, and the settlement of a transaction related dispute.

Other expenses decreased \$8.5 million due to decreased professional fees, including legal fees and related costs, and a decrease in foreign currency losses related to receivable revaluations due to fluctuations in exchange rates.

Interest expense increased \$46.3 million primarily related to the Operating Partnership's offerings of new series of unsecured notes totaling \$3.2 billion in 2010 and \$1.8 billion during 2009 and the result of new or refinanced debt at several properties including debt associated with the Prime acquisition, offset by the acquisition of unsecured notes tendered in the January and August 2010 tender offers and mortgage loans which we repaid during the 2010 period.

During 2010, we incurred a loss on extinguishment of debt of \$350.7 million related to the two unsecured note tender offers.

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Income from unconsolidated entities increased \$35.0 million primarily due to favorable results of operations over the prior period, the sale of a non-retail building in 2010, a property opening and expansion in Japan, a decrease in the provision for credit losses and interest savings.

We recorded a gain upon acquisition of a controlling interest and on the sale of unconsolidated entities of \$320.3 million primarily due to our share of the gain on the sale of our interest in Simon Ivanhoe, the gain on the acquisition of a controlling interest in a regional mall previously accounted for under the equity method and the gain on sale of Porta di Roma by GCI.

Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests increased \$28.0 million primarily due to an increase in the income of the Operating Partnership.

Preferred dividends decreased \$13.8 million as a result of the conversion and redemption of the remaining Series I preferred stock in the second quarter of 2010.

#### **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

Because we generate revenues primarily from long-term leases, our financing strategy relies primarily on long-term fixed rate debt. We manage our floating rate debt to be at or below 15-25% of total outstanding indebtedness. Floating rate debt currently comprises approximately 11.6% of our total consolidated debt. We also enter into interest rate protection agreements as appropriate to assist in managing our interest rate risk. We derive most of our liquidity from leases that generate positive net cash flow from operations and distributions of capital from unconsolidated entities that totaled \$1.5 billion during the nine months ended September 30, 2010. In addition, our Credit Facility provides an alternative source of liquidity as our cash needs vary from time to time.

Our balance of cash and cash equivalents decreased \$2.9 billion during the first nine months of 2010 to \$1.0 billion as of September 30, 2010 primarily due to the use of cash to reduce indebtedness. Our balance of cash and cash equivalents as of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, includes \$39.3 million and \$38.1 million, respectively, related to our co-branded gift card programs, which we do not consider available for general working capital purposes.

On September 30, 2010, we had available borrowing capacity of approximately \$3.0 billion under the Credit Facility, net of outstanding borrowings of \$852.0 million and letters of credit of \$33.3 million. For the nine months ended September 30, 2010, the maximum amount outstanding under the Credit Facility was \$859.5 million and the weighted average amount outstanding was approximately \$487.9 million. The weighted average interest rate was 2.30% for the nine months ended September 30, 2010.

We and the Operating Partnership have historically had access to public equity and long term unsecured debt markets and access to private equity from institutional investors at the property level.

Our business model requires us to regularly access the debt and equity capital markets to raise funds for acquisition and development activity, redevelopment capital, and to refinance maturing debt. We believe we have sufficient cash on hand and availability under our corporate Credit Facility to address our debt maturities and capital needs through 2011.

As discussed further in "Financing and Debt" below, we conducted two cash tender offers for several outstanding series of unsecured notes during 2010. On January 12, 2010, we commenced a tender offer to purchase ten outstanding series of notes. We subsequently purchased \$2.285 billion of notes on January 26, 2010. The purchase of the notes was primarily funded with proceeds from the sale of \$2.25 billion of senior unsecured notes issued on January 25, 2010. Additionally, on August 9, 2010, we commenced a tender offer to purchase three outstanding series of notes. We subsequently purchased \$1.328 billion of tendered notes on August 17, 2010. The purchase of the notes was primarily funded with proceeds from the sale of \$900.0 million of senior unsecured notes issued on August 16, 2010. As a result of the tenders, we extended the weighted average duration of our senior unsecured notes portfolio from 6.8 years to 7.5 years and slightly decreased the weighted average interest rate.

### Loans to SPG-FCM

As part of the Mills acquisition, the Operating Partnership made loans to SPG-FCM Ventures, LLC, or SPG-FCM, and Mills which were used by SPG-FCM and Mills to repay loans and other obligations of Mills, including the redemption of preferred stock. As of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, the outstanding balance of our

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remaining loan to SPG-FCM was \$651.0 million and \$632.0 million, respectively. During the first nine months of 2010 and 2009, we recorded approximately \$7.4 million and \$6.9 million in interest income (net of inter-entity eliminations), related to this loan, respectively. The loan bears interest at a rate of LIBOR plus 275 basis points and matures on June 8, 2011, and can be extended for one year.

#### **Cash Flows**

Our net cash flow from operating activities and distributions of capital from unconsolidated entities for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, totaled \$1.5 billion. In addition, we had net repayments from all of our debt financing and repayment activities in this period of \$2.4 billion and an additional \$350.7 million primarily related to premiums paid to par as a result of the note tender offers. These activities are further discussed below in "Financing and Debt." During the 2010 period, we or the Operating Partnership also:

paid stockholder dividends and unitholder distributions totaling \$627.9 million,

paid preferred stock dividends and preferred unit distributions totaling \$7.6 million,

funded consolidated capital expenditures of \$193.9 million (these capital expenditures include development costs of \$29.5 million, renovation and expansion costs of \$77.3 million, and tenant costs and other operational capital expenditures of \$87.1 million),

funded investments in unconsolidated entities of \$186.0 million, and

redeemed the remaining outstanding shares of Series I preferred stock for \$11.0 million.

In general, we anticipate that cash generated from operations will be sufficient to meet operating expenses, monthly debt service, recurring capital expenditures, and distributions to stockholders necessary to maintain our REIT qualification for 2010. In addition, we expect to be able to obtain capital for nonrecurring capital expenditures, such as acquisitions, major building renovations and expansions, as well as for scheduled principal maturities on outstanding indebtedness, from:

excess cash generated from operations and working capital reserves,

borrowings on our Credit Facility,

additional secured or unsecured debt financing, or

additional equity raised in the public or private markets.

We expect to generate positive cash flow from operations in 2010, and we consider these projected cash flows in our sources and uses of cash. These cash flows are principally derived from retail tenants, many of whom continue to experience financial distress. A significant deterioration in projected cash flows from operations could cause us to increase our reliance on available funds from our Credit Facility, curtail planned capital expenditures, or seek other additional sources of financing as discussed above.

## **Financing and Debt**

### **Unsecured Debt**

At September 30, 2010 our unsecured debt consisted of \$10.0 billion of senior unsecured notes of the Operating Partnership and \$852.0 million outstanding under our Credit Facility. The Credit Facility has a borrowing capacity of \$3.9 billion and contains an accordion

feature allowing the maximum borrowing capacity to expand to \$4.0 billion. The Credit Facility matures on March 31, 2013. The base interest on the Credit Facility is LIBOR plus 210 basis points and includes a facility fee of 40 basis points.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2010, our borrowings under the Credit Facility increased primarily as a result of the acquisition of Prime partially offset by the repayment of €167.4 million (approximately \$215 million) principal balance on the Euro-denominated tranche of our Credit Facility on July 23, 2010. The total outstanding balance of the Credit Facility as of September 30, 2010 was \$852.0 million, and the maximum outstanding balance during the nine months ended September 30, 2010 was \$859.5 million. During the nine months ended September 30, 2010, the weighted average outstanding balance on the Credit Facility was approximately \$487.9 million. The outstanding balance as of September 30, 2010 includes \$267.0 million (U.S. dollar equivalent) of Yen-denominated borrowings.

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On January 12, 2010, the Operating Partnership commenced a cash tender offer for any and all senior unsecured notes of ten outstanding series with maturity dates ranging from 2011 to March 2013. The total principal amount of the notes accepted for purchase on January 26, 2010 was approximately \$2.3 billion, with a weighted average duration of 2.0 years and a weighted average coupon of 5.76%. The Operating Partnership purchased the tendered notes with cash on hand and the proceeds from an offering of \$2.25 billion of senior unsecured notes that closed on January 25, 2010. The senior notes offering was comprised of \$400.0 million of 4.20% notes due 2015, \$1.25 billion of 5.65% notes due 2020 and \$600.0 million of 6.75% notes due 2040. The weighted average duration of the notes offering was 14.4 years and the weighted average coupon was 5.69%. We recorded a \$165.6 million charge to earnings in the first quarter of 2010 as a result of the tender offer.

On March 18, 2010, the Operating Partnership repaid a \$300.0 million senior unsecured note, which had a fixed rate of 4.875%.

On June 15, 2010, the Operating Partnership repaid a \$400.0 million senior unsecured note, which had a fixed rate of 4.60%.

On August 9, 2010, the Operating Partnership commenced a cash tender offer for any and all senior unsecured notes of three outstanding series with maturity dates ranging from May 2013 to August 2014. The total principal amount of the notes accepted for purchase on August 17, 2010 was approximately \$1.33 billion, with a weighted average duration of 3.5 years and a weighted average coupon of 6.06%. The Operating Partnership purchased the tendered notes with cash on hand and the proceeds from an offering of \$900.0 million of 4.375% senior unsecured notes that closed on August 16, 2010. The senior notes are due on March 1, 2021. We recorded a \$185.1 million charge to earnings in the third quarter of 2010 as a result of the tender offer.

On August 16, 2010, the Operating Partnership repaid a \$400.0 million senior unsecured note, which had a fixed rate of 4.875%.

#### Secured Debt

Total secured indebtedness was \$6.6 billion at September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009. During the nine months ended September 30, 2010, we unencumbered five properties by repaying \$1.1 billion in mortgage loans with a weighted average interest rate of 4.35%.

On May 13, 2010, we acquired a property in Barceloneta, Puerto Rico subject to an existing \$75.2 million mortgage loan. The loan matures on May 1, 2014 and bears interest at LIBOR plus 225 basis points with a LIBOR floor of 1.50%.

On August 30, 2010, we completed our acquisition of Prime, subject to the assumption of existing mortgage loans of approximately \$1.2 billion. These loans bear interest at fixed rates ranging from 5.51% to 6.01% and mature at various dates throughout 2016.

## Summary of Financing

Our consolidated debt, adjusted to reflect outstanding derivative instruments, and the effective weighted average interest rates as of September 30, 2010, and December 31, 2009, consisted of the following (dollars in thousands):

Debt Subject to	·	usted Balance as of ember 30, 2010	Effective Weighted Average Interest Rate	Adjusted Balance as of December 31, 2009	Effective Weighted Average Interest Rate		
Fixed Rate	\$	15,489,398	6.07%	\$ 16,814,240	6.10%		
Variable Rate		1,996,068	1.93%	1,816,062	1.19%		
	\$	17,485,466	5.60%	\$ 18,630,302	5.62%		

As of September 30, 2010, we had \$692.9 million of notional amount fixed rate swap agreements that have a weighted average fixed pay rate of 2.79% and a weighted average variable receive rate of 0.52%. As of September 30, 2010, the net effect of these agreements effectively converted \$692.9 million of variable rate debt to fixed rate debt.

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Contractual Obligations and Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements. There have been no material changes to our outstanding capital expenditure and lease commitments previously disclosed in our 2009 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

In regards to long-term debt arrangements, the following table summarizes the material aspects of these future obligations on our consolidated indebtedness as of September 30, 2010, for the remainder of 2010 and subsequent years thereafter (dollars in thousands) assuming the indebtedness remains outstanding through initial maturities:

	2010	2011-2012 2013-2015			After 2015	Total			
Long-Term Debt(1)	\$ 78,939	\$ 2,784,361	\$	5,872,232	\$ 8,742,254	\$	17,477,786		
Interest Payments(2)	\$ 244,974	\$ 1,810,535	\$	2,065,398	\$ 2,060,530	\$	6,181,437		

(1) Represents principal maturities only and therefore, excludes net premiums of \$7,680.

(2) Variable rate interest payments are estimated based on the 1-month LIBOR rate at September 30, 2010.

Our off-balance sheet arrangements consist primarily of our investments in joint ventures which are common in the real estate industry and are described in Note 5 of the notes to the accompanying financial statements. Our joint ventures typically fund their cash needs through secured debt financings obtained by and in the name of the joint venture entity. The joint venture debt is secured by a first mortgage, is without recourse to the joint venture partners, and does not represent a liability of the partners, except to the extent the partners or their affiliates expressly guarantee the joint venture debt. As of September 30, 2010, the Operating Partnership had guaranteed \$61.3 million of the total joint venture related mortgage or other indebtedness of \$6.5 billion then outstanding. We may elect to fund cash needs of a joint venture through equity contributions (generally on a basis proportionate to our ownership interests), advances or partner loans, although such fundings are not required contractually or otherwise.

### **Acquisitions and Dispositions**

Buy-sell provisions are common in real estate partnership agreements. Most of our partners are institutional investors who have a history of direct investment in retail real estate. Our partners in our joint venture properties may initiate these provisions at any time. If we determine it is in our stockholders' best interests for us to purchase the joint venture interest and we believe we have adequate liquidity to execute the purchase without hindering our cash flows, then we may initiate these provisions or elect to buy. If we decide to sell any of our joint venture interests, we expect to use the net proceeds to reduce outstanding indebtedness or to reinvest in development, redevelopment, or expansion opportunities.

**Acquisitions.** During the three months ended September 30, 2010, we acquired a controlling interest in a regional mall which resulted in a remeasurement of our previously held equity interest to fair value and corresponding gain of approximately \$13.0 million. This gain is included in gain upon acquisition of controlling interest and on sale or disposal of assets and interests in unconsolidated entities, net in the accompanying statements of operations and comprehensive income.

On May 28, 2010, we acquired an additional interest of approximately 19% in Houston Galleria, located in Houston, Texas thereby increasing our interest from 31.5% to 50.4%.

On August 30, 2010, we completed our previously announced transaction to acquire 21 outlet centers from Prime, including a center located in Puerto Rico, which was acquired on May 13, 2010. The transaction was valued at approximately \$2.3 billion, including the assumption of existing mortgage indebtedness of \$1.2 billion and the repayment of \$310.7 million of preexisting mortgage loans at closing.

We paid aggregate consideration to Prime's owners of approximately \$0.7 billion, comprised of 80% cash and 20% in units of the Operating Partnership. We issued approximately 1.7 million units with an issuance date fair value of approximately \$154.5 million. We funded the cash portion of this acquisition through draws on our Credit Facility.

**Dispositions.** We continue to pursue the disposition of properties that no longer meet our strategic criteria or that are not the primary retail venue within their trade area. During the nine months ended September 30, 2010, we

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disposed of one regional mall, one community center, two other retail properties, and our interest in eight international joint venture properties for an aggregate net gain of \$307.4 million.

On July 15, 2010, we and our partner in Simon Ivanhoe, Ivanhoe Cambridge, sold our collective interests in Simon Ivanhoe which owned seven shopping centers located in France and Poland to Unibail-Rodamco. The joint venture partners received net consideration of €422.5 million for their interests after the repayment of all joint venture debt, subject to certain post-closing adjustments. Our share of the gain on sale of our interests in Simon Ivanhoe was approximately \$281 million. A portion of the proceeds was used to repay the €167.4 million (approximately \$215 million) principal balance on the Euro-denominated tranche of our Credit Facility.

#### **Development Activity**

*New Domestic Development, Expansions and Renovations.* Given the downturn in the economy, we have substantially reduced our development spending as well as strategic expansions and renovation from historical levels. As economic conditions have improved, we have modestly increased the pace of our development and redevelopment activity. Our share of the cost of new development, renovation or expansion projects that we expect to initiate or complete in 2010 is approximately \$200 million. We expect to fund these capital projects with cash flow from operations.

International Development Activity. We typically reinvest net cash flow from our international investments to fund future international development activity. We believe this strategy mitigates some of the risk of our initial investment and our exposure to changes in foreign currencies. We have also funded our European investments with Euro-denominated borrowings that act as a natural hedge against local currency fluctuations. This has also been the case with our Premium Outlets in Japan, Korea, and Mexico where we use Yen, Won, and Peso denominated financing, respectively. Currently, our consolidated net income exposure to changes in the volatility of the Euro, Yen, Won, Peso and other foreign currencies is not material. We expect our share of international development costs for 2010 will be approximately \$60 million.

The carrying amount of our investment in GCI, as of September 30, 2010, including all related components of other comprehensive income, was \$314.5 million. Our investment in GCI is accounted for using the equity method of accounting, and we had a 49% ownership interest in GCI as of September 30, 2010. In March 2010, two European developments opened, adding approximately 942,000 square feet of GLA for a total net cost of approximately €221 million, of which our share was approximately €53 million, or \$64.8 million based on applicable Euro:USD exchange rates. Although we sold our joint venture interest in Simon Ivanhoe on July 15, 2010, we and Ivanhoe Cambridge have the right to participate with Unibail-Rodamco in the potential development of up to five new retail projects in the Simon Ivanhoe pipeline, subject to customary approval rights. We own a 25% interest in any of these projects in which we agree to participate.

As of September 30, 2010, the carrying amount of our 40% joint venture investment in the eight Japanese Premium Outlets including all related components of other comprehensive income was \$324.7 million. On July 14, 2010 Toki Premium Outlets Phase III, a 62,000 square foot expansion to the Toki Premium Outlet located in Toki, Japan, opened to the public. Currently Tosu Premium Outlets Phase III, a 52,000 square foot expansion to the Tosu Premium Outlet located in Fukuoka, Japan, is under construction. The combined projected net cost of these projects is JPY 5.3 billion, of which our share is approximately JPY 2.1 billion, or \$25.4 million based on applicable Yen:USD exchange rates.

As of September 30, 2010, the carrying amount of our 50% joint venture investment in Shinsegae Chelsea Korea including all related components of other comprehensive income was \$30.3 million. Currently, Paju Premium Outlets, a 328,000 square foot center located in Seoul, South Korea, is under construction. The projected net cost of this project is KRW 121.3 billion, of which our share is approximately KRW 60.6 billion, or \$53.2 million based on applicable KRW:USD exchange rates.

Prior to May 7, 2010 we held a minority interest in Liberty, a U.K. Real Estate Investment Trust that operated regional shopping centers and owned other prime retail assets throughout the U.K. Effective at the close of business May 7, 2010, Liberty completed a demerger in which it was separated into two companies, Capital Shopping Centres Group PLC, or CSCG, and Capital & Counties Properties PLC, or CAPC. Liberty shareholders acquired the same number of shares of CSCG and CAPC as they owned in Liberty. CSCG operates regional shopping centers and is the owner of other retail assets primarily located in the United Kingdom. CAPC is predominantly focused on property

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investment and development in central London. Our interest in CSCG and CAPC is adjusted to their quoted market price, including a related foreign exchange component.

#### **Dividends**

We paid a common stock dividend of \$0.60 per share in the third quarter of 2010. We are required to pay a minimum level of dividends to maintain our status as a REIT. Our dividends and the Operating Partnership's limited partner distributions typically exceed our net income generated in any given year primarily because of depreciation, which is a non-cash expense. Future dividends and distributions of the Operating Partnership will be determined by our Board of Directors based on actual results of operations, cash available for dividends and limited partner distributions, and what may be required to maintain our status as a REIT.

#### **Forward-Looking Statements**

Certain statements made in this section or elsewhere in this report may be deemed "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Although we believe the expectations reflected in any forward-looking statements are based on reasonable assumptions, we can give no assurance that our expectations will be attained, and it is possible that our actual results may differ materially from those indicated by these forward-looking statements due to a variety of risks and uncertainties. Such factors include, but are not limited to: our ability to meet debt service requirements, the availability of financing, changes in our credit rating, changes in market rates of interest and foreign exchange rates for foreign currencies, the ability to hedge interest rate risk, risks associated with the acquisition, development and expansion of properties, general risks related to retail real estate, the liquidity of real estate investments, environmental liabilities, international, national, regional and local economic climates, changes in market rental rates, trends in the retail industry, relationships with anchor tenants, the inability to collect rent due to the bankruptcy or insolvency of tenants or otherwise, risks relating to joint venture properties, costs of common area maintenance, competitive market forces, risks related to international activities, insurance costs and coverage, terrorist activities, changes in economic and market conditions and maintenance of our status as a real estate investment trust. We discussed these and other risks and uncertainties under the heading "Risk Factors" in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K. We may update that discussion in our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, but otherwise we undertake no duty or obligation to update or revise these forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future developments, or otherwise.

# Non-GAAP Financial Measure Funds from Operations

Industry practice is to evaluate real estate properties in part based on funds from operations, or FFO. We consider FFO to be a key measure of our operating performance that is not specifically defined by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States, or GAAP. We believe that FFO is helpful to investors because it is a widely recognized measure of the performance of REITs and provides a relevant basis for comparison among REITs. We also use FFO to internally measure the operating performance of our portfolio.

We determine FFO based on the definition set forth by the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts, or NAREIT, as consolidated net income computed in accordance with GAAP:

excluding real estate related depreciation and amortization,

excluding gains and losses from extraordinary items and cumulative effects of accounting changes,

excluding gains and losses from the sales of previously depreciated operating properties,

plus the allocable portion of FFO of unconsolidated entities accounted for under the equity method of accounting, based upon economic ownership interest, and

all determined on a consistent basis in accordance with GAAP.

We have adopted NAREIT's clarification of the definition of FFO that requires us to include the effects of nonrecurring items not classified as extraordinary, cumulative effect of accounting changes, or a gain or loss resulting from the sale of previously depreciated operating properties. We include in FFO gains and losses realized from the sale of land, outlot buildings, marketable and non-marketable securities, and investment holdings of non-retail real estate.

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However, you should understand that our computation of FFO might not be comparable to FFO reported by other REITs and that FFO:

does not represent cash flow from operations as defined by GAAP,

should not be considered as an alternative to net income determined in accordance with GAAP as a measure of operating performance, and

is not an alternative to cash flows as a measure of liquidity.

The following schedule reconciles total FFO to consolidated net income and diluted net income per share to diluted FFO per share.

		For the Thi Ended Sept			For the Nine Months Ended September 30,			
		2010		2009		2010		2009
(in thousands)								
Funds from Operations	\$	318,522	\$	473,073	\$	1,131,742	\$	1,263,054
Increase in FFO from prior period		<b>-32.7%</b> 2.0%			-10.4%			-3.7%
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Reconciliation:								
Consolidated Net Income	\$	280,532	\$	139,189	\$	486,438	\$	271,329
Depreciation and amortization from consolidated properties		239,828	Ċ	247,236		695,982	Ċ	748,191
Simon's share of depreciation and amortization from unconsolidated entities		97,788		100,027		290,517		287,901
Gain due to acquisition of controlling interest, sale or disposal of assets and interests in		<i>'</i>		ĺ				
unconsolidated entities, net		(294,283)				(320,349)		
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest holders in properties		(2,119)		(2,700)		(7,342)		(8,064)
Noncontrolling interests portion of depreciation and amortization		(1,911)		(2,017)		(5,888)		(6,253)
Preferred distributions and dividends		(1,313)		(8,662)		(7,616)		(30,050)
Funds from Operations	\$	318,522	\$	473,073	\$	1,131,742	\$	1,263,054
FFO Allocable to Simon Property	\$	264,919	\$	392,714	\$	942,158	\$	1,037,423
Diluted net income per share to diluted FFO per share reconciliation:								
Diluted net income per share	\$	0.79	\$	0.38	\$	1.35	\$	0.73
Depreciation and amortization from consolidated properties and our share of depreciation and								
amortization from unconsolidated affiliates, net of noncontrolling interests portion of								
depreciation and amortization		0.95		1.02		2.81		3.24
Gain due to acquisition of controlling interest, sale or disposal of assets and interests in								
unconsolidated entities, net		(0.84)				(0.92)		
Impact of additional dilutive securities for FFO per share				(0.02)		(0.01)		(0.05)
Diluted FFO per share	\$	0.90	\$	1.38	\$	3.23	\$	3.92

FFO as disclosed above includes a \$350.7 million loss on extinguishment of debt recorded during the nine months ended September 30, 2010 associated with two unsecured notes tender offers, reducing diluted FFO per share by \$1.00 per share. Also, during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, we recorded transaction expenses of \$47.6 million and \$62.6 million, respectively, reducing diluted FFO per share by \$0.14 and \$0.18, respectively. During the nine months ended September 30, 2009, we recorded a \$140.5 million impairment charge, reducing diluted FFO per share by \$0.43.

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#### Item 3. Qualitative and Quantitative Disclosures About Market Risk

Sensitivity Analysis. We disclosed a comprehensive qualitative and quantitative analysis regarding market risk in the Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations included in our 2009 Annual Report on Form 10-K. There have been no material changes in the assumptions used or results obtained regarding market risk since December 31, 2009.

#### **Item 4.** Controls and Procedures

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures. We carried out an evaluation under the supervision and with participation of management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our "disclosure controls and procedures" (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act")) as of the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. Based upon that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of September 30, 2010.

Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting. There have not been any changes in our internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 13a-15(f)) that occurred during the quarter ended September 30, 2010 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

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#### Part II Other Information

### Item 1. Legal Proceedings

We are involved from time-to-time in various legal proceedings that arise in the ordinary course of our business, including, but not limited to commercial disputes, environmental matters, and litigation in connection with transactions including acquisitions and divestitures. We believe that such litigation, claims and administrative proceedings will not have a material adverse impact on our financial position or our results of operations. We record a liability when a loss is considered probable and the amount can be reasonably estimated.

### Item 1A. Risk Factors

Through the period covered by this report, there were no significant changes to the Risk Factors disclosed in "Part 1: Business" of our 2009 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

## Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

During the quarter ended September 30, 2010, we issued a total of 25,514 shares of our common stock to limited partners of the Operating Partnership in exchange for an equal number of units in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Section 4(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

There were no reportable purchases of equity securities during the quarter ended September 30, 2010.

#### Item 5. Other Information

During the quarter covered by this report, the Audit Committee of Simon Property Group, Inc.'s Board of Directors approved certain audit-related, tax compliance and due diligence services to be provided by Ernst & Young, LLP, our independent registered public accounting firm. This disclosure is made pursuant to Section 10A(i)(2) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as added by Section 202 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

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### Item 6. Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Exhibit Descriptions
31.	•
31.	2 Certification by the Chief Financial Officer pursuant to rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
3	2 Certification by the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
101.IN	S XBRL Instance Document*
101.SC	H XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document*
101.CA	L XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document*
101.LA	3 XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document*
101.PR	E XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document*
101.DE	F XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document*

Pursuant to Regulation S-T, this interactive data file is deemed not filed or part of a registration statement or prospectus for purposes of Sections 11 or 12 of the Securities Act of 1933, is deemed not filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and otherwise is not subject to liability under these sections.

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# **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

# SIMON PROPERTY GROUP, INC.

/s/ STEPHEN E. STERRETT

Stephen E. Sterrett Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Date: November 5, 2010

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